

By Senator Crist

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing the 20th Anniversary
of the Shriners Hospital for Children in Tampa,
Florida.

WHEREAS, in 1985 the Shriners Hospital for Children in
Tampa, Florida, opened its doors to care for children with
orthopaedic conditions, and

WHEREAS, the hospital is a 60-bed pediatric orthopaedic
hospital providing comprehensive orthopaedic care to children
at no charge, without regard to race, religion, or
relationship to a Shriner, and

WHEREAS, the hospital is designed to incorporate
state-of-the-art equipment and advanced treatment programs
with the Shriners Hospitals' family-centered approach to care,
and

WHEREAS, the hospital maintains a teaching affiliation
with the University of South Florida, and

WHEREAS, the hospital staff is dedicated to helping
young patients develop their capabilities at all levels -
physically, emotionally, and intellectually - so they can lead
fuller, more productive lives, and

WHEREAS, the hospital is involved in ongoing research
and is tackling the questions of musculoskeletal diseases of
children, and

WHEREAS, the hospital has spent more than \$300 million
dollars in the past 20 years on medical treatment, salaries,
and services to the community, and

WHEREAS, the hospital has provided care to more than
35,000 of Florida's children in the past 20 years and will
care for more and more children in the future, NOW, THEREFORE,

1 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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3 That the Florida Senate commends and celebrates the
4 20th Anniversary of the Shriners Hospital for Children in
5 Tampa, Florida.

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