

By Senator Lee

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing Bill Noriega and his family on the 50th Anniversary of Bill's Prescription Center in Brandon.

WHEREAS, Bill's Prescription Center began its 50-year history of community service and success as a family-owned business in 1956, when Bill Noriega borrowed \$1,000 to start the pharmacy with his father, and

WHEREAS, at that time much of Brandon consisted of pastures, and the store identified its address in newspaper ads as the intersection of "the stoplight and Highway 60," and

WHEREAS, a great deal has changed in Brandon in the 50 years since then, but Bill's Prescription Center has continued to provide the same excellent personal and supportive service established by Bill at the outset, and

WHEREAS, the store's trademarks are still service and hard work, and the entire Noriega family has become involved as Bill and Marie Noriega's five children have grown up to carry on the family tradition, and

WHEREAS, today John Noriega and his sister Mary Louise work in the pharmacy, brothers Bill and Albert work next door at Brandon Brace, which supplies clients with wheelchairs, walkers, and other medical supplies, and sister Felicia runs LifeShapes Boutiques, which provides mastectomy prosthetics, comfort clothing, and other health-related products, and

WHEREAS, Bill's Prescription Center celebrated its 50th Anniversary on March 4 with a Health Fair, and the event grew to a community celebration of a family business that has established a community tradition--and that still delivers,
NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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3 That the Senate congratulates and commends the Noriega
4 family on the business skills, family values, and commitment
5 to excellence that have brought Bill's Prescription Center to
6 its celebrated 50th Anniversary.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution,
8 with the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to the
9 Noriega family as a token of the sentiments of the Florida
10 Senate.

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