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House Resolution

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2 A resolution commending Hadassah, the Women's Zionist
3 Organization of America, and its members from the Florida
4 Central, Florida Atlantic, Florida Broward, and Greater
5 Miami Regions on playing a vital role in improving the
6 quality of life of people in Florida and the United
7 States, in Israel and Palestine, and elsewhere in the
8 world.

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10 WHEREAS, Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of
11 America, the largest Zionist, largest Jewish, and largest
12 women's membership organization in the country, was founded in
13 1912 by Henrietta Szold to help meet the medical needs of
14 Palestinians, and

15 WHEREAS, since that time, Hadassah has been a leading force
16 in supporting Israel's medical needs through Mt. Scopus
17 Hospital, Ein Karem Hospital, and various clinics across the
18 country, and

19 WHEREAS, Hadassah hospitals, in addition to serving as a
20 model of peaceful coexistence in the Middle East, provide state-
21 of-the-art health care to 600,000 patients a year, regardless of
22 race, religion, or creed, and often treat the most critically
23 wounded in the region's ongoing conflicts, and

24 WHEREAS, in the United States, Hadassah women sold \$200
25 million in United States World War II bonds as their first
26 national domestic effort, and

27 WHEREAS, since then, Hadassah women have been actively
28 engaged in domestic health education programs on breast cancer

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29 and osteoporosis; voter registration efforts; Jewish education;
30 grassroots advocacy on United States-Israel relations, Jewish
31 communal concerns, and women's issues; humanitarian relief to
32 distressed communities and countries; and volunteer work in
33 literacy programs and at domestic violence shelters, and

34 WHEREAS, nominated to receive the Nobel Peace Prize, the
35 Hadassah Medical Organization is recognized for its excellence
36 in promoting peace in the Middle East through its equal
37 treatment for all people, including its care of more terror
38 victims than any other medical center in the region, and, with
39 its mixed staff of people of all faiths, for its serving as a
40 model of cooperation and coexistence in its ongoing initiatives
41 to create bridges for peace even throughout the intifada, and

42 WHEREAS, on this day, Wednesday, March 22, 2006, Hadassah
43 women have gathered at the Capitol in Tallahassee to help
44 educate Florida Legislators on the value of supporting embryonic
45 stem cell research for all Floridians, NOW, THEREFORE,

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47 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
48 Florida:

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50 That the women of Hadassah from the Florida Central,
51 Florida Atlantic, Florida Broward, and Greater Miami Regions are
52 welcomed by their Representatives on this 22nd day of March 2006
53 and are commended for their vital role in efforts aimed at
54 improving the quality of life of people in Florida and the
55 United States, in Israel and Palestine, and elsewhere in the
56 world.