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1	Senate Resolution
2	A resolution recognizing 50 years of
3	International Programs at Florida State
4	University.
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6	WHEREAS, Florida State University's International
7	Programs will observe and celebrate its 50th anniversary
8	during the 2006-2007 academic year, and
9	WHEREAS, the commemoration of International Programs
10	includes honoring the institutional study centers in Panama
11	City, the Republic of Panama, established in 1957; Florence,
12	Italy, founded in 1966; London, England, established in 1971;
13	and Valencia, Spain, established as a year-round study center
14	in 1996, and
15	WHEREAS, there are also 15 international summer
16	programs offered by Florida State University around the world,
17	including program locations in Ireland, Australia, Japan, the
18	Czech Republic, Costa Rica, Holland, China, Brazil, Russia,
19	Switzerland, France, Ecuador, and Croatia, and
20	WHEREAS, these programs and study centers are highly
21	acclaimed and admired as providing exceptional academic
22	opportunities and pivotal life experiences in preparation for
23	careers and continued scholarly pursuits, and a lifelong
24	perspective of world cultures, regional and national
25	governance, geographical boundaries, natural resources,
26	economic conditions, historical frameworks, languages, and
27	populations, and
28	WHEREAS, there are more than 20,000 students, most of
29	whom are now alumni of Florida State University, who have
30	participated in the International Programs at study centers
31	and through the various summer programs, and

1 WHEREAS, the Florida Senate resolutely and unanimously 2 endorses the concept of international education programs and 3 the essential institutional commitments, resources, and vision 4 required to offer and support programs of the caliber, effectiveness, and attractiveness that have prevailed for half 5 of a century through Florida State University, and 7 Whereas, the Florida Senate acknowledges the 8 significance of this anniversary while reiterating its unwavering belief that International Programs represent a 9 10 fundamental foundation in the mission of the university and higher education in general, NOW, THEREFORE, 11 12 13 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida: 14 15 That the Florida Senate conveys its sincere congratulations to the administrators, faculty, staff, 16 students, and countries who have been tireless advocates and exceptional participants in the advancement and solidification 18 of a program of uncommon substance and remarkable results. 19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Florida Senate 20 21 congratulates and commends the International Programs and 22 joins with thousands of others to express heartfelt 23 appreciation. 2.4 25 26 27 28 29 30 31