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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing April 24 and 25, 2007,
as "Massage Therapy Legislative Awareness
Days."

WHEREAS, members of the Florida State Massage Therapy
Association and the Florida Chapter of the American Massage
Therapy Association are actively involved in public awareness
and health programs throughout the state to improve the health
and quality of life of Florida residents, and

WHEREAS, the Florida State Massage Therapy Association
and the Florida Chapter of the American Massage Therapy
Association have been holding Massage Therapy Legislative
Awareness Days at the Florida Capitol since 1988 for the
purpose of educating the State Legislature and the public
concerning the many health benefits of massage therapy, and

WHEREAS, licensed massage therapists have been licensed
and regulated in the State of Florida since 1943, and there
are more than 24,000 massage therapists licensed by the state,
and

WHEREAS, the practice of massage therapy is regulated
by the Board of Massage Therapy within the Department of
Health under chapter 480, Florida Statutes, and

WHEREAS, massage therapy is a low-cost, high-quality
means of enhancing and restoring health, and

WHEREAS, increased awareness of the benefits of massage
therapy will lead to improved health and vitality of the
residents of the State of Florida, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the value of
massage therapy for wellness and preventive health, NOW,
THEREFORE,

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

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3 That the Florida Senate recognizes April 24 and 25,
4 2007, as "Massage Therapy Legislative Awareness Days."

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