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By Senator Argenziano

3-2312-07 1 Senate Resolution 2 A resolution congratulating the Daughters of Italy Lodge #2825 for becoming the first 3 all-women's lodge of the Order Sons of Italy in 4 5 America and commending the organization's б charitable work in this state. 7 WHEREAS, the Daughters of Italy Lodge #2825 is the 8 first all-women's lodge of the Order Sons of Italy in America 9 10 since the Order was established, and WHEREAS, the Daughters of Italy Lodge #2825 was 11 12 established in May 2005 and presented its official charter 13 during a ceremony on June 26, 2005, which, coincidentally was held on the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the 14 Order Sons of Italy in America, and 15 WHEREAS, the Daughters of Italy Lodge #2825 is a 16 17 diverse group of women in this state having a common goal of promoting Italian culture and language and preserving the many 18 wonderful traditions of the various regions of Italy, and 19 WHEREAS, members of the Daughters of Italy Lodge #2825 20 21 are volunteers for the charities endorsed by the Order Sons of 22 Italy in America and the philanthropic endeavors that are dear 23 to their own individual lodge, including Cooley's Anemia Foundation, the Alzheimer's Association, and breast cancer 2.4 research, and 25 WHEREAS, the Daughters of Italy Lodge #2825 offers 26 27 scholarships to qualified students of Italian descent who are 2.8 in high school in this state and accepted at a community college, college, or university that is accredited by the 29 30 state, and 31

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WHEREAS, the Committee for Social Justice of the Daughters of Italy Lodge #2825, together with other lodges of the Order Sons of Italy in America, fights prejudice, bigotry, and defamation of Italians, Italian-Americans, and other groups of persons, NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida: That the Daughters of Italy Lodge #2825 is congratulated for becoming the first all-women's lodge of the Order Sons of Italy in America and commended for its charitable work in this state. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution, with the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to the Daughters of Italy Lodge #2825 as a tangible token of the sentiments of the Florida Senate. 

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