

By Senator Wilson

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## Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing March 19, 2008, as "Go Red For Women Day" in Florida.

WHEREAS, cardiovascular diseases are the nation's leading cause of death among women, and

WHEREAS, though only 13 percent of women consider cardiovascular disease their greatest health risk, cardiovascular diseases claim the lives of over 460,000 American women each year, more than the total number of cardiovascular-disease-related deaths in men or the next four causes of death in women combined, and

WHEREAS, in 2008, the estimated direct and indirect costs of cardiovascular diseases and stroke in the United States is estimated at over \$430 billion, and

WHEREAS, the "Go Red For Women" campaign encourages women to learn about the signs and symptoms of cardiovascular diseases using tools such as the "Go Red For Women" Heart CheckUp and Choose To Move Countdown and by having an open dialogue with their healthcare providers, and

WHEREAS, the goals of the "Go Red For Women" campaign of increasing awareness and empowering women with the knowledge and tools to reduce their risk for cardiovascular diseases can save thousands of lives each year, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That, in recognition of the importance of the ongoing fight against cardiovascular diseases, March 19, 2008, is recognized as

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30 "Go Red For Women Day" in the State of Florida and all residents  
31 are encouraged to show their support for women and the fight  
32 against cardiovascular diseases by commemorating this day with  
33 the wearing of the color red.