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## House Resolution

A resolution recognizing the contributions of the Florida Nurses Association on its 100th anniversary.

WHEREAS, since its inception on March 1, 1909, in Jacksonville, Florida, the Florida Nurses Association has been a highly respected professional organization that serves and supports all registered nurses through professional development, advocacy, and the promotion of excellence at every level of professional nursing practice, and

WHEREAS, the Florida Nurses Association was instrumental in developing and encouraging the Legislature to pass Florida's first Nurse Practice Act in 1913, which protects the public by regulating the practice of professional nursing, and

WHEREAS, fueled by the commitment and strength of the professional nurses that comprise its membership, the Florida Nurses Association is a strong voice for the nurses of the state, and

WHEREAS, the members of the Florida Nurses Association carry on the work of the association through community service, political involvement, healthcare advocacy and education, and mentoring, and

WHEREAS, the members of the Florida Nurses Association are registered nurses from all levels of professional nursing practice, encompassing the full spectrum of education, training, experience, and specialty areas, who collectively strive to advance the profession of nursing to ensure the delivery of the highest quality nursing care, and

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29 WHEREAS, the Florida Nurses Association has represented  
30 registered nurses before the Florida Legislature as well as the  
31 executive branch of state government in order to advance the  
32 nursing profession and to advocate for the patients its members  
33 serve, and

34 WHEREAS, the Florida Nurses Association will celebrate its  
35 100 anniversary at its biennial convention at the Tradewinds  
36 Beach Resort in St. Petersburg, Florida, on September 22-26,  
37 2009, NOW, THEREFORE,

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39 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of  
40 Florida:

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42 That the House of Representatives recognizes the 100th  
43 anniversary of the establishment of the Florida Nurses  
44 Association and commends the association for its contribution to  
45 the advancement of the profession of nursing and to the health  
46 and well-being of Florida's citizens.

47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be  
48 presented to the Florida Nurses Association as a tangible token  
49 of the sentiments expressed herein.