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House Resolution

A resolution recognizing Palm Beach County on the occasion of its Centennial celebration.

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County was established on July 1, 1909, following the signing of the Palm Beach County Charter on April 30, 1909, and

WHEREAS, the development of Palm Beach County coincided with the realization of railroad tycoon and Palm Beach resident Henry Flagler's vision of establishing a railroad line from Jacksonville to Key West, and

WHEREAS, with a total area of 2,386 square miles, Palm Beach County is the largest county in Florida by area and one of the most ecologically and economically diverse, and

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County is composed of 38 incorporated municipalities, from the Village of Tequesta in the north to the City of Boca Raton in the south and including the cities of Atlantis, Belle Glade, Boynton Beach, Delray Beach, Greenacres, Lake Worth, Pahokee, Palm Beach Gardens, Riviera Beach, South Bay, and West Palm Beach, the towns of Briny Breezes, Cloud Lake, Glen Ridge, Gulf Stream, Haverhill, Highland Beach, Hypoluxo, Juno Beach, Jupiter, Jupiter Inlet Colony, Lake Clarke Shores, Lake Park, Lantana, Loxahatchee Groves, Manalapan, Mangonia Park, Ocean Ridge, Palm Beach, Palm Beach Shores, and South Palm Beach, and the villages of Golf, North Palm Beach, Palm Springs, Royal Palm Beach, and Wellington, and several unincorporated areas, and

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WHEREAS, Palm Beach County has shown a dramatic growth in population, from 5,577 in 1910 to approximately 1.3 million in 2009, and

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County is a significant contributor to the State of Florida's overall economic health, rich history, and cultural diversity, and its county seat, West Palm Beach, is the oldest incorporated municipality in South Florida, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That the Florida House of Representatives hereby recognizes Palm Beach County on the occasion of its Centennial celebration and honors the residents, community leaders, and elected officials of Palm Beach County for its 100 years of distinctive history.