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1 Senate Resolution

2 A resolution commending the osteopathic physicians of
3 this state and recognizing April 13, 2011, as
4 "Osteopathic Medicine Day" in Florida.

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6 WHEREAS, there are currently more than 70,000 osteopathic
7 physicians in the United States, and

8 WHEREAS, osteopathic physicians provide health care
9 services that account for more than 76 million patient visits in
10 this country each year, and

11 WHEREAS, this state has three accredited osteopathic
12 hospitals, two osteopathic medical colleges, and the third-
13 largest osteopathic physician population in the nation, and

14 WHEREAS, osteopathic manipulation of the musculoskeletal
15 system is a viable and proven technique for many diagnoses and
16 treatments and provides an alternative to many drug therapies,
17 and

18 WHEREAS, osteopathic physicians provide comprehensive
19 medical care, including preventive medicine, diagnoses, and the
20 appropriate use of drugs, surgery, manipulation, and hospital
21 referrals, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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25 That the osteopathic physicians of this state are commended
26 for their contributions to the health of all Floridians and
27 April 13, 2011, is recognized as "Osteopathic Medicine Day" in
28 Florida.