

By Senator Diaz de la Portilla

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing February 4, 2012, as the
150th Anniversary of Bacardi rum.

WHEREAS, Bacardi rum was created in Santiago, Cuba, in 1862
by Bacardi founder Don Facundo Bacardi Masso and has grown to be
the world's most awarded and best-selling premium rum, and

WHEREAS, today, Bacardi is the largest privately held
spirits company in the world, headed by Facundo L. Bacardi, the
great-grandson of the company founder, and

WHEREAS, Bacardi rum is made in Catano, Puerto Rico, at the
largest premium rum distillery in the world and bottled in
Jacksonville, the sole bottling plant for Bacardi products in
the United States, and

WHEREAS, Bacardi's Jacksonville campus is home to a global
research and new product development facility, and Bacardi
U.S.A., Inc., based in Coral Gables, is the distribution hub of
Bacardi rum in the United States, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That February 4, 2012, is recognized as the 150th
Anniversary of Bacardi rum.