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House Resolution

A resolution designating April 2, 2013, as "FSU Day"
in the State of Florida.

WHEREAS, the main campus of Florida State University in Tallahassee is the oldest continuous site of higher education in Florida and chartered the state's first chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's oldest academic honor society, in 1935, and

WHEREAS, in 1994, Florida State University joined an elite group of the nation's top research universities, being designated a "Research I" institution by the Carnegie Foundation, and

WHEREAS, Florida State University currently offers graduate and undergraduate degrees in 324 programs within 16 independent colleges and schools, taught by a faculty of 1,737 members, which has included nine National Academy of Sciences members and six Nobel Laureates, and

WHEREAS, Florida State University's fall 2012 freshman class was one of the most academically accomplished freshman classes in the university's history, with an average high school grade point average of 4.0, an average SAT score of 1857, and an average composite ACT score of 28, as well as an average high school grade point average of 4.35 among honors students, and

WHEREAS, Florida State University was ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* as the nation's "Most Efficient" university in producing the highest possible education with limited or reduced resources, a ranking that represents the university's excellence

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28 | in spending on student instruction, research, student services,
29 | and other related expenditures, and

30 | WHEREAS, the Florida State University College of Medicine
31 | has produced alumni practicing in numerous rural communities in
32 | which recruiting new physicians has been traditionally
33 | difficult, including Arcadia, Bonifay, Blountstown, Clermont,
34 | Crestview, Marianna, Perry, and Winter Haven, and

35 | WHEREAS, the college experience continues to enrich the
36 | lives of Florida State University students due to the
37 | university's longstanding promotion of racial, ethnic, and
38 | cultural diversity on its campus, along with aggressive
39 | recruitment of diverse groups of students, NOW, THEREFORE,

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41 | Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
42 | Florida:

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44 | That April 2, 2013, is designated as "FSU Day" in the State
45 | of Florida in recognition of Florida State University's
46 | contribution as an outstanding institution of higher education.

47 | BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
48 | presented to the president of Florida State University, Dr. Eric
49 | J. Barron, as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed
50 | herein.