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1 House Resolution

2 A resolution recognizing April 2013 as "Springs
3 Protection Awareness Month" in the State of Florida.

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5 WHEREAS, Florida's springs are essential to the
6 environment, economy, and citizens and visitors of this state,
7 and

8 WHEREAS, Florida has one of the most productive aquifers in
9 the world, which supports more than 700 natural springs and
10 gives this state the world's highest concentration of springs,
11 and

12 WHEREAS, the groundwater supply is vital to the state's
13 economy and more than 93 percent of Florida residents rely on
14 it, and

15 WHEREAS, Florida's springs reflect groundwater conditions
16 and provide an important habitat for wildlife, making them a
17 natural resource that must be protected, and

18 WHEREAS, springs provide important recreational resources
19 and opportunities that are enjoyed by citizens and visitors of
20 this state alike, and

21 WHEREAS, Florida's springs discharge more than 8 billion
22 gallons of water each day, and healthy springs reflect the State
23 of Florida's commitment to sustainable groundwater and surface
24 water resource protection, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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29 That April 2013 is recognized as "Springs Protection
30 Awareness Month" in the State of Florida, and all levels of
31 government are encouraged to support springs protection,
32 restoration, and preservation awareness.