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1 Senate Resolution

2 A resolution recognizing the exceptional achievements  
3 of the film industry in India and celebrating the  
4 Tampa Bay area's hosting of the 15th annual  
5 International Indian Film Academy Awards celebration  
6 on April 23-26, 2014.  
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8 WHEREAS, the International Indian Film Academy (IIFA) is  
9 dedicated to the promotion of Indian cinema worldwide, placing  
10 it on an international stage by fostering exchange and  
11 interaction to enhance business opportunities, and

12 WHEREAS, over the course of the last 15 years, the annual  
13 IIFA awards celebration, initiated by Wizcraft International  
14 Entertainment and its founders Wizzes Andre Timmins, Sabbas  
15 Joseph, and Viraf Sarkari, has grown into a highly anticipated  
16 international event, attracting filmmakers and acclaimed actors  
17 in celebration of Indian cinema, and

18 WHEREAS, on April 23-26, 2014, the Tampa Bay area will host  
19 the 15th annual Videocon D2H IIFA Weekend celebration, which  
20 will culminate with the glitz and glamour of the Tata Motors  
21 IIFA Awards, and

22 WHEREAS, the Tata Motors IIFA Awards will be hosted by  
23 Farhan Akhtar and Shahid Kapoor and will include performances by  
24 Priyanka Chopra, Hrithik Roshan, Ranveer Singh, and Madhuri  
25 Dixit and participation by Anil Kapoor, Vidya Balan, Preity  
26 Zinta, and Deepika Padukone, and

27 WHEREAS, IIFA Magic of the Movies will be hosted by Saif  
28 Ali Khan and Vir Das and will include performances by Kareena  
29 Kapoor, Sonakshi Sinha, Bipasha Basu, Pritam, Rahat Fateh Ali

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30 Khan, Aditi Rao Hydari, and Shruti Haasan, and

31 WHEREAS, the 15th annual IIFA Weekend celebration will  
32 showcase the Tampa Bay area's many attractions and cultural  
33 venues, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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37 That the exceptional achievements of the film industry in  
38 India and the Tampa Bay area's hosting of the 15th annual  
39 International Indian Film Academy Weekend and Awards celebration  
40 on April 23-26, 2014, are recognized and celebrated.