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House Resolution

A resolution designating April 1, 2014, 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 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 offers graduate and undergraduate degrees in 314 programs within 16 independent colleges and schools, taught by a faculty of 2,140 members, which has included 13 National Academy of Sciences members and 6 Nobel Laureates, and

WHEREAS, the freshman class entering Florida State University in the fall of 2013 was one of the most academically accomplished freshman classes in the university's history, with an average grade point average of 4.0, an average SAT score of 1831, and an average composite ACT score of 28, as well as an average high school grade point average of 4.39, an average SAT score of 2,017, and an average composite ACT score of 31, among honors students, and

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26 WHEREAS, for the second year in a row, Florida State
27 University was ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* as the
28 nation's "Most Efficient" university in producing the highest
29 possible education with limited or reduced resources, a ranking
30 that represents the university's excellence in spending on
31 student instruction, research, student services, and other
32 related expenditures, and

33 WHEREAS, in 2013, the Florida State University College of
34 Medicine placed its 100th alumni physician in Florida, with 59
35 percent practicing primary care and 18 percent caring for
36 patients from rural communities, and

37 WHEREAS, in 2010, the College of Medicine formally launched
38 the Clinical Research Network, a statewide, collaborative,
39 research network of faculty, community-based health care
40 professionals, and researchers that supports clinical and
41 translational research and provides for the treatment of
42 patients from various backgrounds who accurately reflect
43 Florida's diverse population, and

44 WHEREAS, the Florida State University football team
45 completed a historic 2013 season by winning its third BCS
46 National Championship and producing its third Heisman Trophy
47 winner, quarterback Jameis Winston, and

48 WHEREAS, the college experience continues to enrich the
49 lives of Florida State University students because of the
50 university's long-standing promotion of racial, ethnic, and

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51 | cultural diversity on its campus, along with aggressive
52 | recruitment of diverse groups of students, NOW, THEREFORE,

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54 | Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
55 | Florida:

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57 | That April 1, 2014, is designated as "FSU Day" in the State
58 | of Florida in recognition of Florida State University's
59 | contribution as an outstanding institution of higher education.

60 | BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
61 | presented to the president of Florida State University, Dr. Eric
62 | J. Barron, as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed
63 | herein.