

By Senator Benacquisto

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Senate Resolution

A resolution commending the osteopathic physicians of this state for their contributions to the health and welfare of its residents and recognizing April 15, 2015, as "Osteopathic Medicine and Health Awareness Day" in Florida.

WHEREAS, there are more than 70,000 osteopathic physicians in the United States today, and

WHEREAS, osteopathic physicians nationally provide health care services that account for more than 76 million patient visits each year, and

WHEREAS, this state has three accredited osteopathic hospitals, two osteopathic medical colleges, and the third-largest osteopathic physician population in the nation, and

WHEREAS, osteopathic manipulation of the musculoskeletal system is a viable and proven technique for many diagnoses and treatments and provides an alternative to many drug therapies, and

WHEREAS, osteopathic physicians provide comprehensive medical care, including preventive medicine, diagnoses, and the appropriate use of drugs, surgery, manipulative medicine, and hospital referrals, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That we commend the osteopathic physicians of this state for their contributions to the health and welfare of its residents and recognize April 15, 2015, as "Osteopathic Medicine

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