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1 Senate Resolution

2 A resolution congratulating Kiwanis International on
3 the occasion of the 100th anniversary of its founding
4 and recognizing the organization's commitment to
5 improving the lives of children and youth around the
6 world.

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8 WHEREAS, Kiwanis International was founded and incorporated
9 in Detroit, Michigan, on January 21, 1915, and currently has
10 277,025 adult members in 8,176 adult clubs and 351,277 youth
11 members in 7,900 youth clubs in more than 80 countries around
12 the world, and

13 WHEREAS, the Florida District is composed of more than 270
14 clubs and more than 9,000 Kiwanians, and

15 WHEREAS, in 2015, Kiwanis International is celebrating its
16 100th anniversary and, through its clubs' efforts, has raised
17 more than \$100 million for the United Nations Children's Fund
18 through its Worldwide Service Project for Iodine Deficiency
19 Disorder, the world's leading preventable cause of mental
20 retardation, and has pledged to raise more than \$110 million for
21 the Eliminate Project, which combats maternal and neonatal
22 tetanus, and

23 WHEREAS, in following its motto, "Serving the Children of
24 the World," Kiwanis International clubs annually sponsor more
25 than 150,000 service projects, raise \$100 million, and devote
26 more than 18.5 million hours to service, and

27 WHEREAS, the Kiwanis family consists not only of Kiwanis
28 clubs but K-Kids clubs in elementary schools, Builders Club in
29 middle schools, Key Club in high schools, Circle K International

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30 clubs at colleges and universities, and Aktion Club for adults
31 who live with limited abilities, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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35 That Kiwanis International is congratulated on the occasion
36 of the 100th anniversary of its founding and recognized for its
37 commitment to improving the lives of children and youth around
38 the world.