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House Resolution

A resolution recognizing May 2015 as "Preeclampsia Awareness Month" in the State of Florida.

WHEREAS, preeclampsia, including HELLP syndrome and eclampsia, is a dangerous condition of pregnancy that can pose significant health risks for a mother and baby and can lead to maternal and infant mortality or premature birth, and

WHEREAS, preeclampsia occurs in five to eight percent of all pregnancies, and approximately 25 percent of the incidents of preeclampsia result in severe, life-threatening consequences to a pregnant woman and her baby, and

WHEREAS, public education can help women learn to recognize the symptoms of preeclampsia, HELLP syndrome, and eclampsia, allowing women to seek appropriate medical care as early as possible, and

WHEREAS, prenatal education should include recognition of symptoms, including spikes in maternal blood pressure, sudden swelling of the face and hands, severe upper abdominal pain, blurred vision, persistent headaches, and breathlessness, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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26           That May 2015 is recognized as "Preeclampsia Awareness  
27   Month" in the State of Florida and citizens are urged to support  
28   the efforts of the Preeclampsia Foundation to reduce maternal  
29   and infant illness and mortality due to preeclampsia and related  
30   hypersensitive disorders of pregnancy.