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1 House Resolution

2 A resolution recognizing February 12-16, 2018, as
3 Jewish American Heritage Week in Florida.
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5 WHEREAS, nationally, Jewish American Heritage Month
6 resulted from a congressional initiative launched in 2005 to
7 recognize the more than 360-year history of Jewish contributions
8 to North American culture, and

9 WHEREAS, Jewish American Heritage Month has been
10 commemorated since 2006 through educational programs coordinated
11 by a number of government agencies, including the Library of
12 Congress, the National Archives, and the United States Holocaust
13 Memorial Museum, and

14 WHEREAS, Jewish immigrants from around the world continue
15 to journey to the State of Florida in search of hope, shelter,
16 and the opportunity for a new beginning, and

17 WHEREAS, the population of Jewish Americans in the United
18 States has grown to 5.7 million, and 654,860 Jewish Americans
19 reside in this state, and

20 WHEREAS, Jewish Americans have made vital contributions to
21 the development of our communities, academic institutions, civic
22 organizations, and businesses, and

23 WHEREAS, while contributing to every facet of American
24 society, Jewish Americans have infused our nation's civic,
25 social, economic, and cultural life with their own unique

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26 | culture, customs, and dynamic heritage, and

27 | WHEREAS, the faith and hard work of Jewish Americans have
28 | played an integral role in shaping the cultural fabric of this
29 | state, and

30 | WHEREAS, Jewish Americans have worked to promote civil
31 | rights and build bridges of mutual understanding between the
32 | world's religions, and

33 | WHEREAS, during Jewish American Heritage Month the nation
34 | celebrates and honors the invaluable contributions of Jewish
35 | Americans to our way of life, and it is fitting that the proud
36 | history of Jewish Americans be recognized in this state, NOW,
37 | THEREFORE,

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39 | Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
40 | Florida:

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42 | That February 12-16, 2018, is recognized as Jewish American
43 | Heritage Week in Florida.