

By Senator Montford

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Senate Resolution

A resolution commending the osteopathic physicians of this state and recognizing April 4, 2019, as "Osteopathic Medicine and Health Awareness Day" in Florida.

WHEREAS, there are currently more than 114,000 osteopathic physicians in the United States, and

WHEREAS, osteopathic physicians provide health care services that account for more than 76 million patient visits annually nationwide, and

WHEREAS, this state has three accredited osteopathic hospitals and 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 is 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, manipulation, and hospital referrals, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That the Florida Senate commends the osteopathic physicians of this state for their contributions to the health and welfare of the residents of this state and recognizes April 4, 2019, as "Osteopathic Medicine and Health Awareness Day" in Florida.