

By Senator Rouson

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing the Florida Commission on Human Relations on the occasion of its 50th anniversary and commending the commission on its many significant accomplishments.

WHEREAS, the Florida Commission on Human Relations was created in 1969 to enforce the Florida Civil Rights Act, and was charged with addressing discrimination through education, outreach, and partnerships, and

WHEREAS, in 1983, the Legislature enacted this state's Fair Housing Act to ensure that the State of Florida would make every effort to provide equal access to housing for all residents and to prohibit discrimination in the sale, rental, or financing of any dwelling on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or religion, and

WHEREAS, the Fair Housing Act was amended in 1989 to prohibit discrimination based on a person's disability or familial status, and

WHEREAS, in 1992, the Legislature amended the mission of the Florida Commission on Human Relations to include enforcement of anti-discrimination laws and expanded the commission's role with respect to discrimination in public lodging, food service establishments, and private clubs, and

WHEREAS, the Florida Commission on Human Relations promotes freedom from discrimination based on race, color, religion, gender, pregnancy, national origin, age, disability, or marital status, and

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30 and encourages mutual understanding and respect among members of
31 all economic, social, racial, religious, and ethnic groups, and

32 WHEREAS, 2019 marks the 50th anniversary of the
33 establishment of the Florida Commission on Human Relations, NOW,
34 THEREFORE,

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

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38 That the Senate recognizes the Florida Commission on Human
39 Relations on the occasion of its 50th anniversary and commends
40 the commission on its many significant accomplishments.