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1 Senate Resolution

2 A resolution recognizing March 2021 as "Kidney Disease
3 Awareness Month" and March 11, 2021, as "World Kidney
4 Day" in Florida.

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6 WHEREAS, chronic kidney disease (CKD) is the progressive,
7 gradual loss of kidney function which results in a decrease in
8 the ability of the kidneys to remove waste from the body, and

9 WHEREAS, it is estimated that 37 million adults in the
10 United States have CKD, and of those, approximately 90 percent
11 remain undiagnosed, and

12 WHEREAS, without diagnosis and treatment to slow its
13 progression, CKD can progress to end-stage renal failure, which
14 is fatal unless the patient receives dialysis or a kidney
15 transplant, and

16 WHEREAS, CKD is associated with more severe COVID-19
17 infections, and COVID-19 may cause acute kidney damage that can
18 lead to dialysis or even death, and

19 WHEREAS, regular screening and early detection can prevent
20 the progression of kidney disease to kidney failure, and it is
21 essential that awareness of kidney disease and the importance of
22 prevention and early detection be raised, and

23 WHEREAS, kidney disease awareness empowers patients and
24 families to seek diagnosis, support, and appropriate treatment,
25 NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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29 That March 2021 is recognized as "Kidney Disease Awareness

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30 Month" and March 11, 2021, is recognized as "World Kidney Day"
31 in Florida.