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1 House Resolution

2 A resolution recognizing June 2021 as "Caribbean
3 Heritage Month" in Florida.
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5 WHEREAS, from a region that conjures images of a scenic
6 paradise, Caribbean Americans are as vibrant as the islands from
7 which they come, possessing a wealth of talent and history that
8 reverberates throughout this great state and nation, and

9 WHEREAS, as educators, authors, community leaders,
10 activists, athletes, artists, musicians, and politicians,
11 Caribbean Americans have made their mark in every facet of our
12 society and have contributed to the betterment and diversity of
13 our state and nation, and

14 WHEREAS, counted among many famous sons and daughters of
15 the Caribbean are civil rights activist W.E.B. Du Bois; United
16 States Secretary of the Treasury Alexander Hamilton; United
17 States Secretary of State Colin Powell; United States
18 Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm; Oscar-nominated actress Cicely
19 Tyson; Oscar-winning actor Sidney Poitier; author, poet, and
20 civil rights activist James Weldon Johnson; musician, actor, and
21 social activist Harry Belafonte; Haitian Revolution General
22 Henri Christophe; actor and author Louise Bennett-Coverley;
23 writer and nationalist leader José Martí; professor of
24 literature Mayra Santos-Febres; and numerous others who have
25 displayed great strength and resiliency while serving as

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26 | pioneers among the people of the Caribbean, and

27 | WHEREAS, the United States has thrived as a country of
28 | immigrants, united by common values and by the promise of a
29 | better tomorrow, NOW, THEREFORE,

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31 | Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
32 | Florida:

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34 | That June 2021 is recognized as "Caribbean Heritage Month"
35 | in Florida and all communities and individuals throughout the
36 | state are encouraged to celebrate their cultural and historical
37 | bonds.