

House Resolution

A resolution designating November 2, 2024, as "Ocoee Remembrance Day" in Florida.

WHEREAS, the events of November 2, 1920, in Ocoee, represent a significant and tragic chapter in the history of the state and the United States, marked by racial violence and the suppression of African-American voting rights, and

WHEREAS, the Ocoee Massacre, as it has come to be known, resulted in the loss of African-American lives and the displacement of the African-American population from Ocoee for several decades, and

WHEREAS, the events of that day in Ocoee reflect the struggle for civil rights in the United States, and

WHEREAS, acknowledging, remembering, and learning from the past, including the most painful parts, can help to prevent such injustices from being repeated, and

WHEREAS, the remembrance of the Ocoee Massacre serves not only as a tribute to the victims but also as a solemn reminder of the ongoing journey towards racial equality and justice in our state and nation, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida:

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26           That November 2, 2024, is designated as "Ocoee Remembrance  
27 Day" and that the significance of democratic participation and  
28 civil rights, particularly the right to vote, are recognized as  
29 fundamental tenets of our society.