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House Resolution

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WHEREAS, International Women's Day is an annual celebration of women's cultural, educational, economic, political, and social accomplishments, and recognizes the achievements of women, regardless of their cultural, economic, ethnic, linguistic, national, or political divisions, and

WHEREAS, on February 28, 1909, the first national Women's Day was observed in the United States, and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 1945, the Charter of the United Nations was signed, marking the first affirmation of equality between women and men by international agreement, and

WHEREAS, the United Nations celebrated International Women's Day for the first time on March 8, 1975, and 2 years later, declared a day for international peace and women's rights by resolution in the United Nations General Assembly, and

WHEREAS, every year, approximately 12 million girls worldwide are married before they reach the age of 18, and

WHEREAS, according to the International Labour Organization, 71 percent of the estimated 40 million victims of modern slavery in 2016 were women and girls, and

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WHEREAS, according to the World Health Organization, an estimated one out of three women around the world has experienced some form of physical or sexual violence, and

WHEREAS, currently, approximately 42 percent of the members of the Florida Legislature are women, including 54 representatives and 14 senators, and

WHEREAS, in continuing the tradition of honoring Florida women, Governor Ron DeSantis selected Senate President Kathleen Passidomo, Audrey Schiebler, and Lilly Pulitzer as the 2022 inductees to the Florida Women's Hall of Fame for making significant contributions in the life of women and residents of Florida, and

WHEREAS, approximately 57.6 percent of women are active in the workforce, with skincare specialists; teachers; secretaries and administrative assistants; and dental hygienists comprising the most popular career occupations for women, and

WHEREAS, the theme of International Women's Day 2025 is "Accelerate Action," NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That March 8, 2025, is recognized as "International Women's Day" in Florida to celebrate the day by honoring the achievements and accomplishments of women.

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