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House Resolution

A resolution recognizing April 2025 as "Minority Health Month" in the State of Florida.

5 WHEREAS, National Minority Health Month is a month-long 6 national initiative to advance health equity across the country 7 on behalf of all racial and ethnic minorities, and

8 WHEREAS, National Minority Health Month began with Booker 9 T. Washington advocating for a National Negro Health Week in 10 1915, and

11 WHEREAS, in 2002, the United States Congress said that a 12 National Minority Health and Health Disparities Month, "should 13 be established to promote educational efforts on the health 14 problems facing minorities and other health disparity 15 populations," and

16 WHEREAS, as an example of such health problems and 17 disparities, according to the Centers for Disease Control and 18 Prevention Office of Health Equity, Black women are three times 19 more likely than white women to die from pregnancy-related 20 causes, and

21 WHEREAS, according to a study published in 2019 by a 22 researcher at George Washington University School of Medicine 23 and Health Sciences, Black and Hispanic emergency room patients 24 were 40 percent and 25 percent less likely to receive pain 25 medication than white patients, respectively, NOW, THEREFORE,

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27	Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
28	Florida:
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30	That April 2025 is recognized as "Minority Health Month" in
31	the State of Florida.