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House Resolution

A resolution recognizing October 15, 2025, as "National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day" in Florida.

WHEREAS, the loss of an infant is a devastating occurrence, yet many parents and families feel they cannot talk openly about such grief and trauma due to social and cultural taboos against miscarriage, stillbirth, and medical complications, and

WHEREAS, in 1988, the United States Congress chose the month of October as "Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month," and President Ronald Reagan subsequently issued a proclamation observing this month, and

WHEREAS, on September 28, 2006, the United States Congress passed Concurrent Resolution 222 supporting the goals and ideals of National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day, and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization reports that, in 2022, 2.3 million infants died within the first month of life; that there are nearly 2 million stillbirths every year, or one in every 16 seconds; and

WHEREAS, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists estimates miscarriage is the most common form of pregnancy loss, occurring in approximately 10 percent of clinically recognized pregnancies, and

WHEREAS, among the approaches to combat infant mortality is

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Florida's Healthy Start program, which offers home visits, parent education, stress management education, and care coordination services to pregnant women and families of young children and, through its manifold services, strives to reduce risk factors associated with preterm labor, low birth weight, infant mortality, and poor developmental outcomes, and

WHEREAS, National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day is a day to shatter the culture of silence surrounding infant and pregnancy loss and to help parents and their families defy the social and cultural taboos against disclosing and remembering the loss of their young ones, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That October 15, 2025, is recognized as "National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day" in Florida.

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