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## House Resolution

A resolution designating March 2026 as "Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month" in Florida.

WHEREAS, colorectal cancer is currently the second most common cause of cancer deaths among men and women in the United States when the numbers are combined, and

WHEREAS, one in 24 people will be diagnosed with colorectal cancer in their lifetime, and

WHEREAS, each year, approximately 150,000 people are diagnosed with, and an estimated 50,000 people will die from, colorectal cancer in the United States, and

WHEREAS, according to the Department of Health, there were 37.8 colorectal cancer incidences per 100,000 Floridians, when adjusted for age, in 2022, and

WHEREAS, regular screening, beginning at the age of 45, can discover colorectal cancer in its earlier stages and may increase colorectal cancer survival rates, and

WHEREAS, increasing awareness and education concerning colorectal cancer can lead to significant progress in both preventing and overcoming the disease as the majority of cases have proven to be both treatable and survivable, and

WHEREAS, educational campaigns and efforts can provide information to the public on methods of prevention and screening and can help with early detection, and

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26           WHEREAS, there are more than 1.5 million colorectal cancer  
27 survivors in the United States, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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32           That March 2026 is designated as "Colorectal Cancer  
33 Awareness Month" in Florida.