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1 House Resolution

2 A resolution commemorating the 100th anniversary of
3 Indian River County.
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5 WHEREAS, Indian River County was officially established on
6 May 30, 1925, when it was formed from the northern portion of
7 St. Lucie County, becoming Florida's 65th county, and

8 WHEREAS, the county was named in honor of the Indian River
9 Lagoon, a precious ecological estuary that continues to play a
10 vital role in the region's ecological well-being and identity,
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12 WHEREAS, as of 2024, Indian River County's estimated
13 population stood at 172,139, reflecting its steady growth, and

14 WHEREAS, Indian River County comprises diverse and vibrant
15 municipalities, including the City of Vero Beach, the City of
16 Sebastian, the Town of Indian River Shores, the Town of Orchid,
17 and the City of Fellsmere, that are united under the county's
18 governance framework, and

19 WHEREAS, the county's Board of County Commissioners,
20 serving as the governing body of Indian River County, currently
21 includes Deryl Loar, Chairman; Laura Moss, Vice-Chairman; Susan
22 Adams, Commissioner; Joe Earman, Commissioner, and Joseph E.
23 Flescher, Commissioner, all working collectively to guide the
24 county's laws, policies, and progress, and

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25 WHEREAS, Indian River County is renowned for its vibrant
 26 citrus industry, particularly Indian River grapefruit and its
 27 environmentally rich habitats, including the Indian River Lagoon
 28 and Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge, which is the first
 29 national wildlife refuge in the United States, and

30 WHEREAS, 2025 marks a milestone celebrating a century of
 31 contributions to Florida's history and community life, NOW,
 32 THEREFORE,

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

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37 That the Legislature honors and congratulates Indian River
 38 County on its 100th anniversary, recognizing its rich heritage,
 39 enduring spirit, and contributions to Florida's prosperity and
 40 quality of life.

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
 42 presented to the Indian River County Board of County
 43 Commissioners as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed
 44 herein.