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1 House Resolution

2 A resolution designating March 2023 as "Colorectal
3 Cancer Awareness Month" in Florida.

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5 WHEREAS, colorectal cancer is currently the third-leading
6 cause of cancer-related death in the United States among men and
7 women, and

8 WHEREAS, in 2022, approximately 151,030 people were
9 diagnosed with and approximately 52,580 people died from
10 colorectal cancer in the United States, and

11 WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society estimates there will
12 be 106,970 new cases of colon cancer and 46,050 new cases of
13 rectal cancer in the United States in 2023, and

14 WHEREAS, according to the Department of Health, when
15 adjusted for age, there were 10,702 colorectal cancer incidences
16 per 100,000 Floridians in 2019, and

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

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

24 WHEREAS, educational campaigns and efforts can provide
25 information to the public on methods of prevention and screening

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26 | and can help with early detection of colorectal cancer, NOW,
27 | 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 2023 is designated as "Colorectal Cancer
33 | Awareness Month" in Florida.