

HR 9073

2015

House Resolution

A resolution recognizing June 2015 as "Caribbean Heritage Month" in the State of Florida.

WHEREAS, from a region that conjures images of a scenic paradise, Caribbean Americans are as vibrant as the islands from which they come, possessing a wealth of talent and history that reverberates throughout this great state and nation, and

WHEREAS, as educators, authors, community leaders, activists, athletes, artists, musicians, and politicians, Caribbean Americans have made their mark in every facet of our society and have contributed to the betterment and diversity of our state and nation, and

WHEREAS, counted among many famous sons and daughters of the Caribbean are civil rights activist W.E.B. Du Bois; United States Secretary of the Treasury Alexander Hamilton; United States Secretary of State Colin Powell; Oscar-nominated actress Cicely Tyson; Oscar-winning actor Sidney Poitier; author, poet, and civil rights activist James Weldon Johnson; musician, actor, and social activist Harry Belafonte; Haitian Revolution General Henri Christophe; actor and author Louise Bennett-Coverley; and numerous others who have displayed great strength and resiliency while serving as pioneers among the people of the Caribbean,

NOW, THEREFORE,

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26 | Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
27 | Florida:

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29 | That June 2015 is recognized as "Caribbean Heritage Month"
30 | in the State of Florida and all communities and individuals
31 | throughout the state and nation are encouraged to honor their
32 | culture and historical bonds and reminded that America's
33 | greatness lies in its diversity.