By Senator Wright

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 transitional kindergarten classes at Tropical Elementary School for their creation and promotion of the "Kindness All Around" symbol.

WHEREAS, the term "kind" describes a person who has a sympathetic or helpful nature, with the term "kindness" meaning the quality or state of being kind, and

WHEREAS, the 2018-2019 transitional kindergarten students of Barbara Wilcox's class at Tropical Elementary School in Merritt Island created the "Kindness All Around" symbol to educate the public on the power of kindness, believing that helping others become more aware of kindness will generate more kindness, and

WHEREAS, Barbara Wilcox's 2019-2020 students are continuing the initiative by promoting the symbol with a classroom grant from the Brevard Schools Foundation, supported by the State of Florida School District Education Foundation Matching Grant Program, and

WHEREAS, the symbol, a heart encircled by a thin ring of connected arrows, is a visual image that reminds people to be more aware of ways to integrate kindness into their daily lives, and

WHEREAS, hundreds of individuals from across the United States, England, the Philippines, Australia, Spain, Canada, France, Ireland, and many other nations and the African continent have put their support behind the symbol, and

WHEREAS, there are existing symbols that serve as

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representations of love, peace, and happiness, and the addition of a kindness symbol will become a reminder of our human capacity for helpful generosity, sympathy, thoughtfulness, and understanding, NOW, THEREFORE,

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Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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That the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 transitional kindergarten students at Tropical Elementary School are recognized for their creation and promotion of the "Kindness All Around" symbol.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Barbara Wilcox's 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 transitional kindergarten classes at Tropical Elementary School as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.