By Senator Jones

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing February 2012 as "Adopt a Shelter Pet Month" in Florida.

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WHEREAS, Florida and the nation have an enormous problem with pet overpopulation, with 3 to 4 million cats and dogs euthanized nationally each year, and

WHEREAS, adopting a pet from a shelter and caring for that animal for the rest of its life is a responsible way to help Florida's pet population, and

WHEREAS, pets adopted from Florida animal shelters are generally spayed or neutered at the time of adoption, helping reduce pet overpopulation, and

WHEREAS, animal shelters are focused on animal placement, providing low-cost adoptions so that everyone can have the opportunity to bring a loving pet into his or her home, and

WHEREAS, adopting a pet from a local animal shelter is one way Floridians can make a difference, not only in their own lives but also in the life of an animal in need, and assist local shelters in these difficult times, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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That the month of February 2012 is recognized as "Adopt a Shelter Pet Month" in Florida, and all Floridians are encouraged to visit their local animal shelter and enrich their lives and save a life by adopting an animal from that shelter.