By Senator Bradley

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing April 2019 as "Springs Protection Awareness Month" in Florida.

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WHEREAS, Florida's springs are essential to the environment and the economy and to the residents of and visitors to this state, and

8 WHEREAS, Florida has one of the most productive aquifers in 9 the world, which supports more than 900 natural springs and 10 gives this state one of the world's highest concentrations of

WHEREAS, the groundwater supply is vital to the state's economy, and approximately 93 percent of Florida residents rely on it for their drinking water, and

WHEREAS, Florida's springs reflect groundwater conditions and provide an important habitat for wildlife, making them a natural resource that must be protected, and

WHEREAS, springs provide important recreational resources and opportunities that are enjoyed by residents and visitors alike, and

WHEREAS, Florida's springs discharge nearly 8 billion gallons of water each day, and healthy springs reflect the State of Florida's commitment to sustainable groundwater and surface water resource protection, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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That April 2019 is recognized as "Springs Protection Awareness Month" in Florida.