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1 House Resolution 2 A resolution recognizing April 11, 1997, as 3 National Pay Inequity Awareness Day. 4 WHEREAS, more than 30 years after the passage of the 5 6 Equal Pay Act, women continue to suffer from an unfair gap 7 between the salaries of women and men, and 8 WHEREAS, according to a state-by-state study, women in 9 Florida rank among the most economically dependent in the nation, and 10 WHEREAS, women nationally are paid only 71 cents for 11 each dollar a man earns, while in Florida a woman earns even 12 13 less: 69.6 cents for every dollar a man is paid, and WHEREAS, April 11 marks the day that a woman's pay, 14 15 combined with her earnings from the previous year, finally equals the wages a man is paid in just one calendar year, and 16 17 WHEREAS, fair pay is a long-term investment with a big 18 payoff in terms of stronger employee loyalty, better 19 production, and higher morale, and 20 WHEREAS, on April 11, 1997, women across the nation 21 will join together to call attention to the inequity between 22 the wages of women and men, NOW, THEREFORE, 23 24 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of 25 Florida: 26 27 That the House of Representatives pauses in its 28 deliberation to recognize April 11, 1997, as National Pay 29 Inequity Awareness Day. 30 31