

House Resolution

A resolution designating April 10, 1997, as
F.S.U. Day.

WHEREAS, the 50th anniversary of Florida State
University comes in the 146th year since the establishment of
the institution by the Legislature as the seminary west of the
Suwanee River, and

WHEREAS, its Tallahassee campus is the oldest
continuous site of higher education in Florida, and

WHEREAS, building on one of the nation's finest liberal
arts colleges for women, Florida State, by 1960, had become
nationally recognized as a major research university, and

WHEREAS, most sources cite this conversion from a
women's liberal arts college to a research university, as one
of the few successful such conversions in the United States,
and

WHEREAS, today, Florida State University is ranked as a
Carnegie I Research Institution, and

WHEREAS, the far-sighted support of the Legislature to
provide state funding for the development of scientific
research laboratories, which led to unprecedented federal
support for and recognition of the emerging university,
contributed to the early success of Florida State University,
and

WHEREAS, state support for these scholarly activities
continues today, and

WHEREAS, while developing internationally recognized
programs in the Fine and Performing Arts and in the Basic and
Social Sciences, Florida State University has also developed
strong student life programs including one of the major

1 intercollegiate athletic programs in the county, NOW,
2 THEREFORE,
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4 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
5 Florida:
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7 That the House of Representatives hereby designates
8 April 10, 1997, as F.S.U. Day in recognition of 50 years as
9 Florida State University and 146 years as an outstanding
10 institution of higher education.
11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution
12 be presented to Talbot "Sandy" D'Alemberte, President of
13 Florida State University, as a tangible token of the
14 sentiments expressed herein.
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