By Senator Jones

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1 Senate Resolution No. \_\_\_\_ 2 A resolution recognizing the value of Florida's Apprenticeship programs in educating and training the workers 3 4 needed to perform the high-skill, high-wage jobs required to 5 support the state's developing economy, and recognizing March 6 6, 2003, as Apprenticeship Day 2003 in the State of Florida. 7 8 WHEREAS, apprenticeship programs are recognized 9 throughout the world as providing one of the most effective, 10 efficient, and economical means of educating and training workers who are needed to perform high-skill, high-wage jobs 11 12 in the building trades, and WHEREAS, since being authorized by the Florida 13 14 Legislature in 1947, apprenticeship programs in Florida have educated and trained tens of thousands of workers to perform 15 capably in every facet of the building trades, providing the 16 17 state's builders with the highly skilled personnel required to meet their employment needs and enabling the state's builders 18 19 to be competitive leaders in developing the state's economy, 20 and

21 WHEREAS, through the strong and viable partnerships 22 that have been developed by and among business and labor in 23 Florida, there are now 314 approved apprenticeship programs 24 operating in the state, actively educating and training 11,953 25 workers, and

26 WHEREAS, workers who graduate from approved 27 apprenticeship programs in Florida consistently earn high 28 wages, experience low rates of need for public assistance, 29 provide economic stability among the rank and file of 30 Florida's workforce, and supply the lifeblood of the state's 31 builders, NOW, THEREFORE,

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1	Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:
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3	That the Florida Senate acknowledges the immeasurable
4	value of the state's approved apprenticeship programs to
5	Florida's economy and recognizes March 6, 2003, as
6	Apprenticeship Day 2003 in the State of Florida.
7	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution,
8	with the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to the
9	Director of the Division of Workforce Development of the
10	Florida Department of Education as a tangible token of the
11	sentiments of the Florida Senate.
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