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Senate Resolution No. ____

A resolution recognizing January 2003 as Jewish
History Month.

WHEREAS, for more than 4,000 years, the Jewish people
have made invaluable contributions to developing modern
civilizations of the world, and

WHEREAS, the history of Jewish people is rich in
culture, complex in suffering and triumph, and characterized
by perseverance, self-sacrifice, and an indomitable spirit to
overcome oppressive legal, economic, social, and religious
injustices, and

WHEREAS, the Jewish people were among those who sailed
with Christopher Columbus when he discovered America and who
thereafter migrated to America and pioneered its development
into a free and independent nation under God, and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida is uniquely situated to
recognize and celebrate Jewish history because so many Jewish
men and women pioneered development of Florida; were and
remain distinguished leaders in our civic, commercial,
economic, and governmental affairs; and continue to provide
leadership into the new millennium, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That the month of January 2003 is recognized as Jewish
History Month to acknowledge the cultural significance of
Jewish people and the invaluable contributions they have made
to our nation and to our state.