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1 Senate Resolution No. \_\_\_ 2 A resolution recognizing the 40th Anniversary of the Civil Rights Act and the 35th 3 4 Anniversary of the Florida Commission on Human 5 Relations, and commending the Commission on its 6 many significant accomplishments. 7 WHEREAS, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 gave the Federal 8 9 Government the right to end segregation, and 10 WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature, pursuant to the Civil Rights Act, established the Florida Commission on Human 11 12 Relations, and WHEREAS, the Florida Commission on Human Relations 13 promotes freedom from discrimination under the Civil Rights 14 15 Act, and WHEREAS, the act includes, but is not limited to, the 16 17 elimination of discrimination based on race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, handicap, or marital status, and 18 19 WHEREAS, the Florida Commission on Human Relations 20 works to identify and eliminate discrimination in public 21 lodging, food service establishments, and certain private 22 clubs, and WHEREAS, the Florida Commission on Human Relations 23 promotes and encourages mutual understanding and respect among 24 25 members of all economic, social, racial, religious, and ethnic 26 groups, and 27 WHEREAS, the Florida Commission on Human Relations 28 endeavors to eliminate discrimination against and antagonism 29 among religious, racial, and ethnic groups, and their members, 30 and 31

WHEREAS, more than 70,000 civil rights investigations have been closed, more than \$15 million has been negotiated through the Commission's Mediation Unit, and thousands of Floridians have been impacted through its Commission's Community Relations Service Unit, and WHEREAS, the year 2004 marks the 40th Anniversary of the Civil Rights Act, and the 35th Anniversary of the Florida Commission on Human Relations, NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida: That the Florida Senate recognizes the 40th Anniversary of the Civil Rights Act and the 35th Anniversary of the Florida Commission on Human Relations and commends the Commission on its energetic work and its many significant accomplishments.