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By Senator Dockery

15-2029A-05 1 Senate Resolution No. 2 A resolution recognizing the Sumter County Board of County Commissioners for its work on 3 the Florida Organic Recycling Center for 4 5 Excellence. б 7 WHEREAS, Sumter County, in partnership with the Department of Environmental Protection and with public and 8 private researchers, created the Florida Organic Recycling 9 Center for Excellence (F.O.R.C.E.), and 10 WHEREAS, the purpose of F.O.R.C.E. is to bring together 11 12 academic researchers and industry leaders to develop practical 13 and applicable solutions for Florida's organic waste, and WHEREAS, the solid-waste stream accounts for about 14 one-half of Florida's solid waste, and 15 WHEREAS, training and outreach activities provided by 16 17 F.O.R.C.E. have been attended by a wide range of Florida government and industry leaders, and 18 WHEREAS, F.O.R.C.E. has been active in making 19 presentations at local, state, and national meetings and 20 21 conferences regarding solid-waste recycling and composting, 22 and 23 WHEREAS, the efforts of F.O.R.C.E. have produced a searchable database providing information and links to over 2.4 200 organizations nationwide in the organics processing 25 industry, and 26 27 WHEREAS, researchers from the public and private 2.8 sectors in conjunction with F.O.R.C.E. are involved in over \$200,000 worth of research and development projects, and 29 30 31

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WHEREAS, organics recovery and production can provide physical, chemical, and environmental benefits in helping to protect Florida's soil and groundwater, NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida: That the Sumter County Commission is commended for its outstanding efforts to reduce solid waste and improve the soil and groundwater in the State of Florida through the Florida Organic Recycling Center of Excellence.

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