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House Resolution A resolution recognizing the University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee. WHEREAS, in 1975, the University of South Florida began offering upper-division undergraduate and graduate classes in Sarasota County, and WHEREAS, the University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee was established as a regional campus by the Florida Legislature in 2001, and WHEREAS, in 2006, the University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee opened a new campus center near the Powel Crosley Estate in Manatee County, and WHEREAS, the University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee was granted separate academic accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges in 2011, and WHEREAS, in 2013, the University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee welcomed its inaugural freshman class, and WHEREAS, in 2015, the Board of Governors of the State University System gave approval to the University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee to offer a full range of general education and lower-level courses to students, NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida:

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27 28 That the University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee is 29 recognized on its 40th anniversary for its service to the 30 citizens of Sarasota and Manatee Counties and the greater Tampa 31 Bay Region. 32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be

33 presented to the University of South Florida Board of Trustees 34 and the University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee Campus 35 Board as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.