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1	House Resolution
2	A resolution recognizing the historical and cultural
3	contributions of Nicaraguan-Americans in Florida.
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5	WHEREAS, according to the United States Census Bureau,
6	Florida has the largest population of Nicaraguans in the United
7	States, and
8	WHEREAS, Nicaraguan-Americans constitute one of the largest
9	Hispanic communities in the state and in Miami-Dade County, and
10	WHEREAS, migration of Nicaraguans has continued to increase
11	in Florida, and
12	WHEREAS, the largest group of Nicaraguan immigrants arrived
13	in the state in September of 1979, after fleeing the communist
14	regime in Nicaragua, and
15	WHEREAS, the influx of Nicaraguans has helped contribute to
16	the economy of the state and to an increased trade between
17	Florida and Nicaragua, and
18	WHEREAS, Nicaragua is one of Florida's top bilateral
19	trading partners, and
20	WHEREAS, Nicaraguan-Americans have served as activists,
21	athletes, accountants, community leaders, educators, nurses, and
22	doctors, contributing significantly to the richness of the
23	state, and

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24	WHEREAS, through its cuisine, festivals, tales, and crafts,
25	Nicaraguan-Americans have contributed to the cultural diversity
26	of the state, and
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28	Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
29	Florida:
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31	That the State of Florida recognizes the culture and
32	heritage that Nicaraguans bring to the state and the residents
33	of this state are encouraged to participate in programs,
34	ceremonies, and activities celebrating the historical and
35	cultural contributions of Nicaraguan-Americans.

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