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House Concurrent Resolution No. 740

A concurrent resolution designating the square dance as the American folk dance of the State of Florida.

WHEREAS, love of state and professions is enhanced by the traditions that have become a part of our way of life and the customs of the American people, and

WHEREAS, we have distinctive and meaningful symbols of our ideals in our state's flag and in many cultural endeavors, but no official designation of a state folk dance, and

WHEREAS, the square dance, which was first associated with the American people and recorded in history since 1651, has consistently been the one dance traditionally recognized by the American people as a dignified and enjoyable expression of American folk dancing, and

WHEREAS, square dancing is the American folk dance which is called, cued, or prompted to the dancers, and includes squares, rounds, clogging, contra, line, and heritage dances, and

WHEREAS, official recognition of the square dance will enhance the cultural stature of Florida both nationally and internationally, and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the square dance be added to the array of symbols of our state character and pride, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida, the Senate Concurring:

That the dance known as the square dance is hereby designated the American folk dance of the State of Florida.

Filed in Office Secretary of State May 29, 1986.