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1 House Resolution

2 A resolution designating April 16, 2021, as Wolf-
3 Hirschhorn/4p- Syndrome Awareness Day.

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5 WHEREAS, the health and well-being of all Floridians is of
6 the utmost importance to the prosperity and livelihood of our
7 state's families and communities, and

8 WHEREAS, Wolf-Hirschhorn syndrome, also known as 4p-
9 syndrome, is a chromosomal disorder caused by a partial deletion
10 of the short arm of chromosome 4, and

11 WHEREAS, children with 4p- syndrome are usually born with
12 low birth weight and develop slowly, both cognitively and
13 physically, compared to their same-age peers, and experience
14 medical complications while still trying to maintain a normal
15 childhood, and

16 WHEREAS, dedicated professionals in the medical field are
17 presently involved in valuable research on this extremely rare
18 disease, its misdiagnosis, and the exploration of new therapies
19 and diagnostic tools to offer hope to individuals with 4p-
20 syndrome and their families, and

21 WHEREAS, the National Institutes of Health estimates that 1
22 in 50,000 births result in 4p- syndrome, which may be an
23 underestimate because some affected individuals may go
24 undiagnosed, and

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25 WHEREAS, effective diagnostic screenings, early
26 intervention, treatments, and families and advocates play a
27 vital role in helping advance the knowledge and awareness of 4p-
28 syndrome, and

29 WHEREAS, doctors in Florida currently provide services to
30 diagnose, treat, and study Wolf-Hirschhorn/4p- Syndrome, NOW,
31 THEREFORE,

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33 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
34 Florida:

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36 That April 16, 2021, is designated as Wolf-Hirschhorn/4p-
37 Syndrome Awareness Day in the State of Florida.