By Senator Bullard

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Senate Resolution No. \_\_\_\_

A resolution recognizing and celebrating

Parents' Day in Florida.

WHEREAS, in 1994, the Congress of the United States proclaimed that the fourth Sunday in July of every year is to be celebrated as "Parents' Day," and

WHEREAS, the family unit is the most fundamental of all organizational elements of civilized society, and is the primary source of the behavioral influences that develop ethical character, moral values, and the capacity of children to accept and responsibly perform their duties to others and themselves, and

WHEREAS, parents are best positioned to influence the growth and development of their children from the moment of their birth through their adolescent years to know right from wrong; to have the values necessary to be impelled to choose right instead of wrong; to be selfless enough to be aware of and have compassionate concern for other people; to always try to make their best efforts to accomplish the things they undertake to do without attempting to diminish anyone else; to readily and honestly acknowledge their mistakes with genuine humility; and to continually try to fully develop their God-given talents, completely realize their potential capabilities, and become all they can and should be for others and themselves, and

WHEREAS, the observance of Parents' Day is intended to serve as a reminder of the indispensable importance of successful marriages, wholesome lifestyles, and responsible parenting to ensure sound development of the young people who will be leading the world into the future, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida: That the Florida Senate recognizes the fourth Sunday in July of every year as "Parents' Day" in Florida, and encourages all parents to commit themselves to responsible and nurturing parenting to ensure sound development of their children and a healthier society.