By Senator Saunders

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1	Senate Resolution No
2	A resolution recognizing September 2005 as
3	Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month in Florida and
4	commending the Ovarian Cancer Alliance of
5	FloridaGulf Coast.
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7	WHEREAS, approximately 25,000 women are diagnosed with
8	ovarian cancer in the United States every year, with 80
9	percent of women diagnosed in the late stages of cancer, and
10	WHEREAS, ovarian cancer is the most deadly of the
11	gynecological cancers, with over 16,000 women in the United
12	States dying from ovarian cancer annually, and
13	WHEREAS, if diagnosed and treated at an early stage,
14	survival rates among ovarian cancer patients increase
15	dramatically, and
16	WHEREAS, the risks and symptoms of ovarian cancer are
17	not well known by the public, and
18	WHEREAS, the Ovarian Cancer Alliance of FloridaGulf
19	Coast is dedicated to public education related to ovarian
20	cancer through programs that raise awareness of the disease
21	and promote education regarding its risks and symptoms, and
22	WHEREAS, it is appropriate for all the residents of the
23	State of Florida to learn more about ovarian cancer and to
24	recognize the efforts of the Ovarian Cancer Alliance of
25	FloridaGulf Coast as it promotes Ovarian Cancer Awareness
26	Month in our state, NOW, THEREFORE,
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28	Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:
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30	That the Florida Senate designates September 2005 as
31	Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month in Florida and commends the

Ovarian Cancer Alliance of Florida--Gulf Coast for its efforts to educate people about this deadly disease, thereby promoting early diagnosis of the disease and helping to save lives. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution, with the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to Carolyn Benivegna, President and Founder of the Ovarian Cancer Alliance of Florida, as a tangible token of the sentiments of the Florida Senate.