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By Senator Crist

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| 1 | Senate Resolution |
| 2 | A resolution commending the dedication and success of |
| 3 | The Pepin Academies, Inc. |
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| 5 | WHEREAS, The Pepin Academies, Inc., was founded in Tampa in |
| 6 | 1999 as a special education charter school by a devoted group of |
| 7 | volunteers, parents, and business leaders, and |
| 8 | WHEREAS, The Pepin Academies, Inc., which opened its doors |
| 9 | with an initial enrollment of 17 students, currently enrolls |
| 10 | more than 450 culturally diverse students in kindergarten |
| 11 | through grade 12 and also offers a post high school program for |
| 12 | students up to 22 years of age, and |
| 13 | WHEREAS, The Pepin Academies, Inc., serves students with |
| 14 | specific learning disabilities, language impairments, |
| 15 | intellectual disabilities, autism spectrum disorder, traumatic |
| 16 | brain injuries, attention deficit disorder, attention deficit |
| 17 | hyperactivity disorder, hearing and visual impairments, and |
| 18 | physical and occupational disabilities, and |
| 19 | WHEREAS, The Pepin Academies, Inc., is accredited by the |
| 20 | Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and is known for |
| 21 | sharing its longstanding success with other charter schools, and |
| 22 | WHEREAS, in an effort to meet the needs of each student, a |
| 23 | multidisciplinary team conducts an individualized comprehensive |
| 24 | diagnostic assessment that guides each student's personal |
| 25 | education program, and |
| 26 | WHEREAS, the individual schools that comprise The Pepin |
| 27 | Academies, Inc., use a combination of technology, team learning, |
| 28 | multiple intelligences training, and cross-age tutoring to |
| 29 | enable each student to enter the world with confidence and |
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