

By Senator Bean

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing September 13, 2017, as "See the Girl Day" in Florida.

WHEREAS, Delores Barr Weaver is a lifelong advocate for girls and young women, and her vision, passion, leadership, and philanthropy are nationally known and have enriched the Jacksonville community, and

WHEREAS, the Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center in Jacksonville is a nonprofit organization established in 2013 as the outgrowth of the girls' justice reform movement that began more than 15 years ago, and

WHEREAS, the nonprofit Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center's mission is guided by girl-centered principles, and the work of the center focuses on training and the development of model programming to advance the rights of girls and young women, particularly those in the justice system, and

WHEREAS, since its founding, the work of the Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center has focused on reducing the number of girls and young women who are incarcerated, and, during the lifetime of the center, there has been a 67 percent decrease in the number of girls incarcerated in Duval County and a 48 percent decrease in the number of girls incarcerated on the First Coast, and

WHEREAS, the Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center's call to action, "See the Girl," has inspired the community to see girls for who they are and who they can become, and

WHEREAS, on September 13, 2017, the Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center will celebrate the birthday of its founder and her

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30 legacy of love and empowerment, NOW, THEREFORE,

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32 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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34 That September 13, 2017, is recognized as "See the Girl  
35 Day" in Florida and all Floridians are urged to show their  
36 support for girls and young women at risk for involvement in the  
37 justice system.