WHEREAS, the estimated total annual societal burden of endometriosis-related symptoms in the United States is $56 billion, or $10,824 per patient, and

WHEREAS, there is no cure for endometriosis, and

WHEREAS, more research is necessary to develop treatment options to manage this debilitating disease, and

WHEREAS, providers traditionally have focused on managing the associated pain with oral contraceptives, progestins, danazol, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, opioids, and GnRH agonists, many of which are not specifically indicated for the treatment of endometriosis, and in more severe cases, surgical interventions, such as laparotomy or laparoscopy, are pursued, and

WHEREAS, such treatment may not be curative for all individuals, and

WHEREAS, education is important for promoting awareness of symptoms and early detection and diagnosis of endometriosis, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That March 2018 is recognized as "Endometriosis Awareness Month," and the residents of this state are encouraged to observe the month with related awareness and educational campaigns.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Health is encouraged to make available online resources and current information on endometriosis, including disease prevalence, symptoms, and treatment options.

—was introduced, read, and adopted by publication.

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At the request of Senator Garcia—

By Senator Garcia—

**SR 1932**—A resolution to recognize February 2018 as "Safe Haven for Newborns Month" in Florida.

WHEREAS, tragic cases of infant abandonment remain a reality in Florida and nationwide, and

WHEREAS, a society in which children are born to mothers and fathers lacking the capability and resources with which to nurture them must find ways to step in and provide shelter for each newborn child until a home can be found for that child, and

WHEREAS, the A Safe Haven for Newborns organization provides a safe and legal solution to the quandary of the parents of such children, saving the lives of infants otherwise in danger of abandonment and simultaneously preserving their biological parents from a lifetime of guilt, anguish, and irreparable regret, and

WHEREAS, A Safe Haven for Newborns helps to fulfill the dreams and needs of many Florida families who are prepared to raise children and who are waiting and hoping to adopt children, and

WHEREAS, in addition to the counseling and support that A Safe Haven for Newborns provides to often young and unprepared parents-to-be who are in extreme crisis, it also works with a variety of professionals to address the conditions leading to these potentially tragic pregnancies and births, and

WHEREAS, in creating A Safe Haven for Newborns, the Gloria M. Silverio Foundation has provided a magnificent service to Florida communities and vital leadership to others across the nation who share the organization's imperative to prevent the tragedy of infant abandonment, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That February 2018 is recognized as "Safe Haven for Newborns Month" in Florida.

—was introduced, read, and adopted by publication.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEE RELATING TO EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

The Honorable Joe Negron
President, The Florida Senate
Suite 409, The Capitol
404 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100

February 28, 2018

Dear President Negron:

The following executive appointment was referred to the Senate Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation and the Senate Committee on Ethics and Elections for action pursuant to Rule 12.7 of the Rules of the Florida Senate:

| *Office and Appointment* | *For Term Ending* |
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| Governing Board of the St. Johns River Water Management District | |
| Appointee: Price, Janet | 03/01/2018 |

As required by Rule 12.7, the committees caused to be conducted an inquiry into the qualifications, experience, and general suitability of the above-named appointee for appointment to the office indicated. In aid of such inquiry, the committees held public hearings at which members of the public were invited to attend and offer evidence concerning the qualifications, experience, and general suitability of the appointee. After due consideration of the findings of such inquiry and the evidence adduced at the public hearings, the Committee on Ethics and Elections and other referenced committee respectfully advise and recommend that in accordance with s. 114.05(1)(c), Florida Statutes:

(1) the executive appointment of the above-named appointee, to the office and for the term indicated, be confirmed by the Senate;

(2) Senate action on said appointment be taken prior to the adjournment of the 2018 Regular Session; and

(3) there is no necessity known to the committees for the deliberations on said appointment to be held in executive session.

Respectfully submitted,
*Keith Perry*, Chair

On motion by Senator Perry, the report was adopted and the Senate confirmed the appointment identified in the foregoing report of the committee to the office and for the term indicated in accordance with the recommendation of the committee.

The vote was:

Yeas—34

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| Mr. President | Gibson | Rouson |
| Baxley | Grimsley | Simmons |
| Bean | Hukill | Simpson |
| Benacquisto | Hutson | Stargel |
| Book | Lee | Steube |
| Bracy | Mayfield | Stewart |
| Bradley | Montford | Taddeo |
| Brandes | Passidomo | Thurston |
| Broxson | Perry | Torres |
| Campbell | Powell | Young |
| Gainer | Rader | |
| Garcia | Rodriguez | |

Nays—None

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