



GREEN BERET
JAY COLLINS
STATE SENATOR



From Senator Collins

Hello Lentera,

As we close December and look to the New Year, we're reminded of Florida's beauty and the blessings we share. This Christmas season, we honor our farmers for the food on our tables and reflect on the sacrifices of our veterans.

On December 7, we remembered the heroes of **Pearl Harbor**, and we continue to honor those who served, gave the ultimate sacrifice, and the families who carry their legacy throughout the year.

I know these are challenging times for many, and I want to remind you that Florida has resources to help. **My team stands ready to support, joining Floridians in their resilient spirit and strength as we overcome hardships together.** Together, we will build a brighter future.

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SAVE THE DATE

Mark your calendars for the 2025 Hillsborough Delegation Meeting taking place at 10 AM on January 10, 2025, at Pepin Distribution Company (4121 N 50th St, Tampa, FL 33610)

[Register Here](#)



In Case You Missed It



I appreciate the opportunity from the Florida Chamber of Commerce to take part in their Annual Insurance Summit.

The legislative panel took a deep dive into the future of Florida's insurance market in 2025. It was a pleasure to join the Chamber's Chad Kunde, Representative Fabricio, and Senator Truenow!

District Updates

Thanks to Attorney General Ashley Moody, who began this project with the Crisis Center of Tampa Bay, and to Hillsborough Sheriff Chad Chronister, our first responders have vital support. If you need someone to talk to, the Crisis Center's Hope Line is here for anonymous help and resources at 1-866-4FL-Heroes. Visit **LastToAsk.com** to learn more. You're never alone—reach out, recalibrate, and roll forward.



In the News

Federal Judge Upholds Florida Ban on Lab-Grown Meat, as Other States Propose Similar Bans by Brenda Baletti

The ruling means the ban will remain in place while the lawsuit challenging its legality moves through the courts.

“We are not surprised by the judge’s rejection of Upside’s preliminary injunction,” Florida Sen. Jay Collins, who co-sponsored the original bill, told **The Defender**. “The dangers of cultivated meat far outweigh any misleading environmental claims. Floridians will not be lectured by billionaires like **Bill Gates** on how to feed their families.”



Joe Rogan Talks Beef

Well-known Podcaster Joe Rogan praises Florida's first-of-its-kind, Cultivated Meat Ban with Pennsylvania Senator John Fetterman. I had the honor of Sponsoring this bill.

Senator Collins Cultivated Meat Ban



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