## Florida Senate - 2005 (NP)

By Senator Miller

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1	Senate Resolution No
2	A resolution congratulating the Tampa Police
3	Department on its reaccreditation by the
4	Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement
5	Agencies for the sixth consecutive time, and
6	commending the department for having taken
7	extraordinary steps in delivering quality law
8	enforcement service to the community.
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10	WHEREAS, the Tampa Police Department has a long history
11	of valiant and dedicated service to the Tampa community,
12	dating back to its inception in 1887, and
13	WHEREAS, the Commission on Accreditation for Law
14	Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) reaccredited the Tampa Police
15	Department on July 31, 2004, for yet another 3-year term, and
16	WHEREAS, the Tampa Police Department is one of only two
17	agencies in the United States to have been reaccredited by
18	CALEA six consecutive times, and is the only agency of its
19	size to have done so, and
20	WHEREAS, to achieve accredited status, an agency must
21	comply with all 439 CALEA performance standards during a
22	rigorous on-site assessment that involves a public information
23	hearing, standards documentation reviews, ride-alongs, and
24	interviews with sworn officers and civilian personnel, and
25	WHEREAS, in complying with the CALEA performance
26	standards, the Tampa Police Department has shown that its
27	members and staff vigorously embrace the intent of the
28	Legislature set forth in section 943.125, Florida Statutes,
29	and
30	WHEREAS, the intent of the Legislature in section
31	943.125, Florida Statutes, is that law enforcement agencies
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should adopt high and meaningful standards for their officers and personnel in order to provide equal and fair enforcement of the law, maximize crime prevention and control capabilities, and increase interagency cooperation throughout the state, and WHEREAS, the Tampa Police Department has more than 1,350 sworn and civilian personnel who work together to make meeting these high standards possible, NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida: That the Senate congratulates the Tampa Police Department for being reaccredited for the sixth consecutive time by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies and commends the department's officers and staff for providing outstanding law enforcement service on a daily basis to more than 300,000 residents of the Tampa community. 2.4 

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