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***** MEDIA ADVISORY for Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 12:00pm *****
Senator Book and Representative Skidmore Join Student Advocates to Promote Learning with Dignity and Launch Period Product Drive

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – On Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 12:00pm, **Senator Lauren Book (D – Plantation)** and **Representative Kelly Skidmore (D – Boca Raton)** will join student advocates and Leon County School Board members for a press conference at the Florida Capitol to discuss how the Learning with Dignity bills ([SB 334](#)/[HB 389](#)) will address the issue of period poverty. Period poverty refers to the inadequate access to menstrual hygiene products, such as sanitary pads and tampons. The legislation would require school districts to make these products available at no cost in middle and high schools. The bills require that this basic necessity be made available in at least 25% of each school’s total number of bathrooms and the nurse’s office.

The press conference will also launch a period product drive at the capitol. Members, staff, and visitors to the capitol complex are encouraged to drop off period products at specified collection locations from February 21 to March 21, 2023. The collected products will be distributed via Second Harvest and The Girl Flo Project to girls and women in the Leon County and surrounding areas.

Who: Speakers include –

- **Minority Leader Lauren Book**
- **Representative Kelly Skidmore**
- **Leon County Schools Assistant Superintendent Dr. Michelle Gayle**
- **Leon County School Board Member Rosanne Wood**
- **Amaya Waymon** – The Girl Flo Project
- **Nikki Dawkins** – PERIOD.

What: Press Conference on [SB 334](#)/[HB 389](#)

Where: 4th Floor Rotunda and via Facebook Live Stream.

When: Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 12pm

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