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**Jacksonville's Education Commissioner Dr. Horner to Keynote
Annual Awards & Scholarship Banquet**

WHAT

Empowerment Resources, Inc. is proud to welcome Jacksonville's Education Commissioner, Dr. Donald "Donnie" H. Horner, Jr., as the keynote presenter for the 8th Annual Journey Into Womanhood Scholarship and Celebration Banquet. The annual event is an opportunity to recognize the accomplishments of the young ladies in the Journey Into Womanhood™ (JIW) program and award a scholarship to the graduating seniors. This year's honoree is Sierra Jones who will be graduating from Atlantic Coast High School later this month. Themed *Inner Beauty*, the banquet will feature performances by JIW participants and a reflection on the program year. Tickets are \$40 and can be purchased by visiting www.empowermentresourcesinc.org

WHEN

Saturday, May 19, 2012
12 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Keynote address begins at 12:30p.m.

WHERE

Jacksonville Marriott
4670 Salisbury Road
Jacksonville, FL 32256

INTERVIEW/PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES

- Dr. Donnie Horner, Education Commissioner - City of Jacksonville
- Elexia Coleman- Moss, Executive Director - Empowerment Resources
- Sierra Jones, Senior - Atlantic Coast High School

MORE INFORMATION

Since 2002, Empowerment Resources, Inc., a private 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization, has empowered more than 500 youth and adults in Duval and surrounding counties through its signature programs, Journey Into Womanhood™, Life Skills Workshops and Parenting Education Seminars and Coaching. Our programs help meet the needs of the community by exposing families to valuable community resources.

Journey Into Womanhood™ is a rites of passage program for girls ages 9-17, that focuses on their healthy transition from girl to young woman. It is facilitated by a dedicated team of experienced leaders and volunteers who help participants cultivate their self-awareness, develop leadership skills and put them on the path to positively impact the communities in which they live. Throughout the program year, participants engage in enrichment field trips, interactive workshops and community service projects.

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