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ED HOOPER RECEIVES PINELLAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S ENDORSEMENT

Clearwater – Florida Senate candidate Ed Hooper received the endorsement of two Republican Pinellas County Commissioners this week. Commissioners Dave Eggers and John Morroni announced that they would be supporting Hooper in the 2018 Florida Senate District 16 election.

"Ed will continue the great leadership that we in Pinellas have grown to expect. His hard work, his candor and his honesty all speak to his character and the type of man we know Ed to be. Always the consummate Republican, Ed will reach across the aisle to ensure all of his resident's concerns are heard as he works for his constituents and the residents of Florida," Commissioner Eggers said in a statement.

Longtime Commissioner and former legislator John Morroni said, ""Ed Hooper and I have worked together for decades in Pinellas County. Ed has always been a reliable partner to tackle issues and get things done to benefit the citizens of our community. I enthusiastically support Ed in his campaign and believe he is the right guy to represent our area in the Florida Senate."

Ed Hooper was born in North Carolina and moved to Clearwater in 1972. He attended St. Petersburg Junior College where he studied fire science and emergency medicine studies. Hooper retired from the Clearwater Fire Department after 24 years of service. He was previously elected to the Clearwater City Council and spent eight years in the Florida House before retiring in 2014 due to term limits. Hooper, who currently spends his time as a consultant, has a long history of involvement in the Clearwater Chamber of Commerce, Leadership Pinellas, and the Pinellas County Republican Executive Committee. He and his wife Lee live in Clearwater. They have four children and ten grandchildren. Florida Senate District 16 includes northern Pinellas County and southwestern Pasco County. Other recent endorsements include State Senators Jack Latvala, Jeff Brandes and Dana D Young, Pinellas County Sheriff Bob Gualtieri, and Pasco County Sheriff Chris Nocco.