



FLORIDA RESTAURANT & LODGING ASSOCIATION

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To whom it may concern,

On behalf of our members and with the wholehearted and unanimous support of the Florida Restaurant & Lodging Association (FRLA) Board of Directors, I am thrilled to issue our endorsement for Jimmy Patronis for Florida's 1st Congressional District. Jimmy's personal and professional experience make him the very best candidate for this office.

We think of Jimmy Patronis as one of our own. The Patronis family has owned and operated one of the Florida Panhandle's most iconic restaurants for five decades. Jimmy knows what it means to serve people, operate a business, balance a checkbook, and to lead and motivate a team. Floridians need that type of experience in Washington D.C.

Jimmy Patronis is the consummate public servant. He served two terms in the Florida House of Representatives; was appointed to the Florida Elections Commission, the Florida Public Service Commission, and the Constitutional Revision Commission; and is currently Florida's longest serving Chief Financial Officer. In these roles, he has always focused on what is best for Florida's citizens, communities, and economy. He has a passion for people, and it shows in every moment he has spent in elected office.

Jimmy Patronis is a trusted leader whose business acumen, integrity, values, and demonstrated commitment to Floridians make him the right choice for the constituents of Congressional District 1. Florida's Panhandle and all of Florida's citizens deserve a friend and a champion like Jimmy Patronis in our nation's capital. For these reasons and in continued support of his decades of service, it is a privilege and a pleasure to endorse his candidacy.

Sincerely,

Carol B. Dover

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President/CEO