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"Voters are demanding change! It's time to re- "DEVELOP" the Manatee County Commission!"

Manatee County Commissioner Candidate Robert K. McCann, DO, JD, MBA Unveils His Vision for a Prosperous Future

Manatee County, District 5, December 1, 2023 – Dr. McCann, a devoted public servant, Physician, Lawyer, Business Executive, Educator, and proud US Navy Veteran announces his candidacy for County Commissioner of Manatee County, District 5. "The power and authority of the government originates with the people, Dr. McCann says."

Dr. McCann will work together with residents, not special interests, to promote positive change while improving community interests by way of servant leadership and community engagement. He will address local problems with reasonable, conservative solutions promoting his constituents' desires in all decisions. Dr. McCann will work to lower Manatee's cost of living while raising its quality with your help. Citizens from Manatee County will serve as "*political consultants and advisors,*" rather than paid political influencers from outside the area.

Dr. McCann has lived in Manatee County, District 5 for the past 17 years. "I am honored to announce my candidacy for the Manatee County Commissioner," Dr. McCann says. "We can work together to create a vibrant, inclusive community that benefits everyone. My life experiences and dedication to hard work make me the ideal candidate to lead Manatee County to economic success emphasizing individual rights over special interests. Our people's spirit, community togetherness, and willingness to be informed, educated, and involved are our county's greatest assets."

Voters throughout the county are impacted by my vote as a commissioner, even though I am only open to voters in District 5! I'd appreciate the entire Manatee County's assistance in reforming the Commission.

Mission Statement:

1. **Transparent and Accountable Leadership for Change:** Dr. McCann pledges to uphold the highest standards of transparency and accountability in government to construct, approve, and implement a fiscally responsible budget to reduce Manatee's living expenses and taxes while improving its quality of life. The County must avoid taking on new debt. His tenure as County Commissioner will be defined by open communication, accessibility to constituents, and an open-door policy. For a new county commission, Dr McCann will inspire change while leading with purpose.

2. Community-Centered Governance: Dr. McCann has a proven record of putting people first and will ensure that our citizens' varied needs and concerns are not only "HEARD" but given top consideration during all shared decision-making processes, re-building trust in government.

3. **Economic Development:** With a focus on growing local businesses and fiscal responsibility, Dr. McCann plans to implement efficient and responsible policies that stimulate controlled economic growth, address traffic controls, create job opportunities, and attract new investments to Manatee County. Developers must cover all costs associated with the construction of a new community. Upgrades will be covered by the County or the builders during the redevelopment process. Property taxes should only be used to maintain existing infrastructure and cover essential services and programs.

4.. **Environmental Stewardship:** Dr. McCann will work to protect Florida's natural beauty. His plans include deliberate, sustainable development practices and initiatives to address environmental concerns such as wetlands protection, agriculture, and water preservation, as well as processes to ensure a healthy and vibrant community for future generations ensuring public health and safety. Responsible use and protection of the natural environment concerns are especially pressing in District 5 due to the county's eastern region's rapid growth as well as environmental challenges.

5. **Education and Youth Empowerment:** Dr. McCann will advocate for more educational opportunities and resources for our children to better prepare them for success in the future.

Get Involved: Dr. McCann's campaign is open to all community members and supporters. "We can all work together to improve the prosperity and well-being of OUR community, Dr. McCann says." Dr. McCann is eager to tackle the challenges and opportunities that await Manatee County. "In the coming weeks, there will be events, an interactive website, town hall meetings, and volunteer opportunities. Take control of YOUR county! COME JOIN MY TEAM!"

ABOUT DR. MCCANN

Dr. McCann is an honorably discharged US Navy veteran and an accomplished professional. He has a distinguished career as a Physician, Lawyer, and Adjunct Professor in Business Administration. He has achieved every educational and professional milestone, and now it's his time to give back to the community through community service and leadership.

EDUCATION

Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine, Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine (D.O.), 1988. Florida Coastal School of Law, Doctor of Law (J.D.) with Honors, 1999. Saint Leo University, MBA, Health/Health Care Administration/Management, 2020. Northern Illinois University, Bachelor of Science (BS), Biology, minor in Chemistry, 1983. Thornton Community College, Associate of Science, Medical, 1982.

PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL LICENSES

Osteopathic Physician, Florida, OS-7355.

PROFESSIONAL BAR ADMISSIONS

The State of Florida, 0195080. District of Columbia, 471123. United States District Court, Middle District of Florida. United States Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit, Atlanta, Georgia. United States Supreme Court Bar, Washington, D.C.

ADDITIONAL LICENSES AND PERMITS Commercial Pilot, Single and Multiengine Land, Instrument Airplane.

MILITARY SERVICE Honorably Discharged, US Navy Hospital Corps, 1975-1979.

MEMBERSHIPS

Member, The Federalist Society. Member, The Republican National Lawyers Association (RNLA). Life Member, National Rifle Association (NRA). Member, Society of Corporate Compliance and Ethics (SCCE). Member, The American Osteopathic Association (AOA). Member, Florida Osteopathic Medical Association (FOMA). Member, American Osteopathic College of Family Physicians (ACOFP).

AWARDS FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE

Member and Chairman of the Florida Osteopathic Medical Board appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the full Florida Senate.

Florida Board of Osteopathic Medicine Chairman's Award, 2010.

This award is presented to honor those who exemplify the professionalism, moral character, compassion, and intellect essential to leaders of the profession, as well as for outstanding leadership and services in the community.

Distinguished Service Recognition Award, 2010.

The Distinguished Public Service Recognition Award recognizes dedicated physicians whose recent contributions to the profession and the community deserve special recognition.

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