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KEITH PERRY ANNOUNCES RUN FOR STATE SENATE

Local Small Business Owner Keith Perry Will Run For Florida Senate, District 8

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Today Keith Perry announced his official entry into the race for Senate District 8. The newly drawn district takes in all of Putnam and Alachua counties and a large part of Marion county. Perry, a long-time North-Central Florida small businessman and public servant, had this to say:

"Friends and Neighbors,

Today I am officially announcing my run for Florida Senate.

North Central Florida has and always will be my home. I started my roofing business here when I was 18, and it's where my two daughters have grown up – attending school in Gainesville, playing volleyball in Ocala, and enjoying the beauty of the St. John's River in Palatka.

I believe in this community. We have some of the brightest and hardest working individuals in all of Florida living here. I'm proud to be one of the hardworking everyday folks that puts in the daily effort that makes where we live one of the greatest places in the world – and I really believe it is.

While we are extremely blessed to call North Central Florida home, I know that many of our neighbors are facing serious issues. They're looking hard to find a job, trying to pay off student loans, or just trying to get by. As a husband, father, and small business owner, I am concerned about the future of our education system and economy – and I want to do everything I can to lend a helping hand. It's also why, as your Senator, I'll work hard to keep the government off your back and out of your pocketbook.

It really has been an honor to work for you in the Florida House. I'm proud to have helped cut taxes by hundreds of millions of dollars, and because of the progress we've made, Florida was recently named the freest state in America.

However, there's still a lot of work to do, and that's why I want to serve you in the Senate.

I hope I've proven to you that no special interests can ever buy my vote. My promise to you is the same as it's always been: I will be your voice for commonsense principles like cutting taxes on working families, boosting funding for education, and creating a pro-jobs environment.

If I haven't had the chance to meet you in person yet, I hope that will change soon.

Gratefully,

Keith"

Keith was raised by his parents Nathan W. Perry, a University of Florida professor and Korean War Veteran, and Doris Perry, a registered nurse at the university's infirmary. Keith grew up in Florida with his three siblings, graduated from Buchholz High School, then started his own small business. A decade later, Perry Roofing was a Top 100 roofing company with numerous awards and 150 employees. However, Keith considers his greatest accomplishment to be marrying his wife Amy and having two beautiful daughters. For more of Keith's story, like his extensive work with local nonprofits, visit VoteKeithPerry.com.

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