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Fraternal Order of Police Endorses Perdue

Cary, NC - Terry Mangum, President of the North Carolina Fraternal Order of Police, announced the organization's endorsement of Lt. Governor Bev Perdue for the office of Governor.

The North Carolina Fraternal Order of Police represents more than 6,300 active and retired law enforcement officers across the state.

For a candidate to receive the endorsement of the North Carolina Fraternal Order of Police, he or she must receive a majority vote of the delegates attending the State Conference. Unlike many law enforcement organizations in this state, the North Carolina Fraternal Order of Police's endorsements are the decision of its membership and not just a small handful of members.

Both Gubernatorial candidates, along with the candidates for other offices, received the NC FOP questionnaire which was designed to examine the candidates' position on issues of importance to the membership. The returned questionnaires were sent to all 55 of the Local FOP Lodges across the State prior to the State Conference. Then, candidates were provided the opportunity to address the membership during the State Conference and to respond to questions from the floor.

President Mangum stated, "Prior to this endorsement we carefully considered Lt. Governor Perdue's record and her responses to the questionnaire and the direct questioning from the membership. She made it very clear that she is with us on many of our priority issues and is willing to work with us on the other issues most important to our members."

Mangum continued by saying, "Lt. Governor Perdue is a proven leader with a clear record of support for the men and women of law enforcement. I am proud to give Lt. Governor Perdue our endorsement and I look forward to working with her and her administration over the next four years on the issues most important to our membership."

The Fraternal Order of Police is the largest law enforcement labor organization in the United States, with more than 327,000 members nationwide.

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