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**CFHLA PAC/PC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNOUNCES ENDORSEMENTS
IN CITY OF ORLANDO ELECTIONS**

ORLANDO, FLA (August 25, 2023) - Today, the Central Florida Hotel and Lodging Association (CFHLA) PAC and PC Board of Directors announced their endorsements of four candidates who are seeking re-election in the 2023 City of Orlando elections. This includes Mayor Buddy Dyer; Tony Ortiz, City Commissioner, District 2; Patty Sheehan, City Commissioner, District 4 and Bakari F. Burns, City Commissioner, District 6.

“Mayor Dyer has consistently served as a friend of the hospitality and tourism industry for a number of years, as well as an economic catalyst for the area,” said Jay Leonard, General Manager of the Wyndham Garden Lake Buena Vista Disney Springs Resort Area, and the Chairman of the CFHLA PAC and PC. “The industry is excited to endorse his candidacy, along with this effective group of pro-tourism candidates during the 2023 election cycle, as we ensure that our region remains the best place to work, play, live and visit.”

Robert Agrusa, President and CEO of the Central Florida Hotel and Lodging Association went on to say, “having a mayor that is forward thinking and leaders on the City Commission that understand the importance of tourism, is important in ensuring a thriving economy for all. Each of these leaders have displayed an outstanding track record of service, are willing to face the challenges confronting the industry and are focused on providing an exceptional quality of life for the residents of our community.”

The General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023.

The Central Florida Hotel and Lodging Association’s mission is to represent the Central Florida Hospitality Industry, by setting the standard of excellence through advocacy, collaboration, education, recognition, and service. As the largest regional lodging association in the United States, CFHLA represents approximately 80 percent of the more than 129,500 hotel rooms in Orange, Seminole and Osceola counties, and more



than 500 "supplier" organizations that do business with the hospitality and tourism industries.

For more information on the Central Florida Hotel and Lodging Association, please visit www.cfhla.org.

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