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Jacksonville Fire Fighters Endorse Michael Kirwan for Congress in Florida's 4th District

JAFF backs Kirwan as a fighter for firefighters, public safety, and retirement security

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Michael Kirwan today announced the endorsement of the Jacksonville Association of Fire Fighters, Local 122, in his campaign for Congress in Florida's 4th Congressional District, earning the support of the men and women who put their lives on the line every day to protect Jacksonville families.

The endorsement reflects a shared belief that firefighters need leaders in Washington who will stand up for public safety, protect retirement security, defend access to the benefits they have earned, and make sure first responders have a real voice when decisions are made that affect their lives and their work.

“Jacksonville’s firefighters know what it means to answer the call, and they also know what it means to fight for what’s right,” said **Kelly Dobson, President of the Jacksonville Association of Fire Fighters**. “Our members want leaders who will stand with firefighters and working families, protect the benefits we have earned, and push back when Washington threatens the retirement security our people counted on. Michael Kirwan understands that fight, and our members know he’ll stand with us.”

Kirwan said he is honored to have the endorsement of one of Jacksonville’s most respected labor organizations.

“I’m proud to have the support of the Jacksonville firefighters,” said **Michael Kirwan**. “These are the people who show up for our community on its hardest days, and they deserve leaders who will show up for them. That means protecting retirement security, defending the benefits they’ve earned, supporting public safety, and making sure the people who risk their lives for us are never treated like an afterthought in Washington.”

The Jacksonville Association of Fire Fighters has long advocated for the safety and well-being of its members, including proper equipment and training, advanced cancer prevention efforts, stronger behavioral health support, and a meaningful seat at the table on the public-safety decisions that affect both firefighters and the communities they serve. Kirwan said those priorities deserve a champion in Congress.

“At a time when so many firefighters and other public servants are worried about retirement security and whether Washington will protect what they have earned, this endorsement sends a clear message,” Kirwan said. “Jacksonville’s firefighters want someone who will fight with them, not against them.”

With the support of Local 122, Kirwan’s campaign continues to build momentum around a message centered on standing up for working people, protecting those who protect us, and making government more accountable to the communities it serves.

The campaign has previously announced endorsements from state Senator Tracie Davis; former state senators Audrey Gibson and Tony Hill; Jacksonville City Council Member Jimmy Peluso; former city council members Jim Love and Howard Dale; former Fernandina Beach city commissioners Kim Page, Chip Ross and Robin Lentz; former Atlantic Beach city commissioner Steve Rosenbloom, former Green Cove Springs mayor Sandra Dunnavant; Duval County School Board Members Warren Jones and Darryl Willie; former school board member Lori Hershey; former Tampa mayor Bob Buckhorn; the political action committee Defeat Extremists.

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