



Dear Friends:

I am a Democrat who is supporting our Sheriff, Al Lamberti. I would like to take this opportunity to tell you why I am voting to keep Al Lamberti as our Sheriff, and why I think you should, too.

This is the first time in the 93-year history of the Broward Sheriff's Office that the Sheriff has come up through the ranks. Sheriff Lamberti started as a Corrections Deputy in the Jail and worked his way throughout the agency in various positions before being appointed as Sheriff. Sheriff Lamberti's 30-year career with BSO, especially leading the department since he was appointed by the Governor, gives him a much stronger advantage than his opponent, who most recently was the chief of North Bay Village, in Miami-Dade county, a very small department compared to BSO.

The Miami Herald agrees, endorsing Sheriff Lamberti and stating that his opponent, "would have a steep learning curve in directing a multifaceted agency with a \$700 million budget and 6,300 employees."

The Sun-Sentinel says that if people vote along party lines in this race, this would be a mistake since party politics has no place in this race. As the Sun-Sentinel says, "it's about competence and integrity." That is why the Sun-Sentinel has endorsed Sheriff Lamberti. In addition, his opponent was a registered Republican until he switched parties after he was passed over by the Governor when Lamberti was appointed. Thus, this race should not be about partisan politics, but which candidate is the most qualified.

I, along with countless community leaders, city mayors and commissioners, as well as organizations such as the Police Benevolent Association, the Fraternal Order of Police, the International Association of Firefighters, civic organizations, as well as many others believe that Sheriff Lamberti is the most qualified candidate. I hope you will join me in supporting Sheriff Al Lamberti, and vote to retain him as our sheriff.

Remember to vote during early voting starting on October 20th – November 2nd or in the general election on November 4th.

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