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Two Flagler County commissioners recognized as Florida Association of Counties ‘Presidential Advocate’

June 16, 2020 – The Florida Association of Counties (FAC) recognized Flagler County commissioners Greg Hansen and Donald O’Brien as “Presidential Advocate” for their work during the 2020 Legislative Session. Both commissioners received the designation during the association’s virtual Annual Business Meeting.

Providing a voice for the citizens and advocating for Flagler County’s issues in Tallahassee, as well as those common issues that impact many local governments across Florida are critical aspects of the Board of County Commissioners responsibilities to uphold as elected officials. Both O’Brien and Hansen fought for “home-rule” – the ability to establish its form of government through its charter and to then enact ordinances, codes, plans and resolutions without prior state approval – to protect Flagler County’s lifestyle and safety.

The FAC Presidential Advocate recognition is given to county commissioners who have shown exceptional leadership in advocating with FAC during the 2020 session to advance the county’s legislative agenda.

“It’s our duty as commissioners to stand up for our community, to fight to preserve the unique aspects of where we live, work, and play,” said FAC Immediate Past President and Leon County Commissioner, Nick Maddox. “This responsibility is only heightened during the Legislative Session where hundreds of bills are heard that directly impact that quality of life.”

For more than 85 years, the Florida Association of Counties has represented the diverse interests of Florida’s counties, emphasizing the importance of protecting home rule – the concept that government closest to the people governs best. The Florida Association of Counties helps counties effectively serve and represent Floridians by strengthening and preserving county home rule through advocacy, education and collaboration.

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