

Manatee County Commissioner

Dr. Bob McCann, District 5

Letter of Endorsement

February 3, 2026

I wholeheartedly support and endorse Edward Bailey for District 2, Manatee County Commissioner. Ed Bailey's vision for the community's future is one of greater prosperity and individual freedom. He will strive to create an environment that is conducive to economic growth while still protecting the rights of all citizens.

Ed Bailey has a deep understanding of the issues and challenges facing Manatee County, District 2, and he has the education, skills, and expertise to address them effectively. Ed has mastered being an Inter-Agency Liaison where he functioned as the primary point of contact between a commissioner, the public, and the various departments of Manatee County ensuring that projects moved from discussion to completion. Beyond the technicalities of the office, Ed understands that a commissioner's primary job is to listen. I have seen him oversee difficult constituent grievances with a level of patience and solution-oriented thinking that is uncommon. He does not just "manage" problems; he solves them by bringing the right stakeholders to the table. Ed is ready for the Dais as his transition from Aide to Commissioner is a natural and necessary step for our county. He will not need an "onboarding" period. He will arrive on Day One with a deep understanding of the current legislative agenda and a clear, principled vision for our county's future progression and infrastructure needs.

As a County Commissioner, Ed Bailey will work hard for the people of District 2 and the entire county. He will prioritize the needs of people first. He will strive to work to give the Manatee County Government back to the people of Manatee County.

Ed Bailey possesses the vision and leadership that Manatee County needs at a critical time. He served with integrity and distinction as a Commissioner's Aide, and he has my complete and total endorsement for County Commissioner.

Sincerely,

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