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Fresno Deputy Sheriffs Endorse Jim Patterson for 23rd Assembly!

650-member Fresno Deputy Sheriff's Association votes unanimously to endorse Patterson

FRESNO--Today, the Fresno Deputy Sheriff's Association announced that they have voted unanimously to endorsed Jim Patterson for the 23rd Assembly District. Organized in 1973, the Fresno Deputy Sheriff's Association (FDSA) represents over 650 active employees in Fresno County. Although Deputy Sheriffs constitute the majority of the membership, dispatchers, community service officers, identification technicians, criminalists and deputy coroners are all part of the FDSA.

"Jim, your track record has proven your commitment to the people who elect you to serve them and their needs. Although there may be times we don't agree on every issue, as an Assemblyman, we at the FDSA believe you will carry out what is right for the people of this district, along with what is best for all Californians," said Eric Schmidt, President, Fresno Deputy Sheriff's Association in a letter to Jim Patterson.

"I am honored to receive the endorsement of the men and women of the Fresno Deputy Sheriff's Association. They are on the front line in the fight against crime and to have them on my side, supporting me, means a great deal to me and to my campaign. Public safety and protecting our homes, neighborhoods and schools is one of the centerpieces of my campaign and why I am running for the Assembly. Just as their letter says that I will always have a friend with the Fresno Deputy Sheriff's Association, they will always have a friend in Jim Patterson. I look forward to a great working relationship with them to help turn California around," said Jim Patterson.

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Jim Patterson
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April 24, 2012

I am pleased to announce the Fresno Deputy Sheriff's Association has voted unanimously to support you in your campaign seeking the newly formed California 23rd Assembly seat.

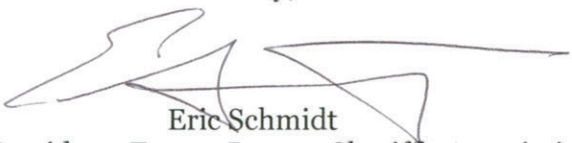
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The issues in California are not easy - - and everyone has their hand out for the mighty dollar. I believe you will keep your word when it comes to law enforcement and how important that is to the citizens of California and more importantly the citizens within your district. Your voice needs to be addressing the spending going on at the State Capital that is crippling the funding for our core services. The obvious interests of the FDSA relates directly to public safety as that core service.

Please know you always have a friend with the Fresno Deputy Sheriff's Association. We look forward to a great working relationship as our Assembly Representative in the 23rd District.

Please accept the endorsement of the Fresno Deputy Sheriff's Association. We look forward to an on-going cohesive working relationship with you in Sacramento and in Fresno County.

Sincerely,



Eric Schmidt
President, Fresno Deputy Sheriff's Association

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