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GOD, FAMILY, AND COMMUNITY

District 66 demands proven leadership rooted in technical expertise, military discipline, and a deep commitment to public service. This platform outlines an action-oriented, data-driven legislative agenda designed to tackle the cost-of-living crisis, secure vital public infrastructure, and enhance the quality of life for families across northwest Hillsborough County.

PROPERTY & AUTO INSURANCE MITIGATION

COMBATING THE COST-OF-LIVING CRISIS

"Floridians are being priced out of their own homes and vehicles. We must tackle the root cause of premium spikes by expanding state-backed mitigation grants and aggressively cracking down on third-party litigation fraud that artificially inflates auto and property claims."

- ★ **Expand State Hardening Grants:** Secure continuous, robust funding for programs like My Safe Florida Home, allowing property owners in District 66 to fortify roofs, windows, and doors in exchange for mandatory, predictable insurance premium reductions.
- ★ **Eradicate Litigation Fraud:** Champion regulatory overhauls targeting predatory legal loopholes, fraudulent auto glass schemes, and staged-accident networks that artificially drive-up regional auto insurance rates.

TRAFFIC SAFETY & HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE

SECURING LOCAL CORRIDORS & SAVING LIVES

"Losing lives on our roads is entirely preventable. We must aggressively deploy state capital to re-engineer high-injury corridors, integrate smart-traffic technologies, and secure our daily commutes."

- ★ **Target High-Injury Corridors:** Secure dedicated state matching funds to accelerate Hillsborough County's Vision Zero initiatives, prioritizing critical structural improvements along high-accident stretches such as Dale Mabry Highway, Gunn Highway, and Sheldon Road.
- ★ **Smart Signalization & Lighting:** Direct the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to implement advanced pedestrian crosswalks, continuous high-visibility streetlighting, and AI-driven smart signaling networks to minimize collision risks and improve traffic flow.

EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE & FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY

EMPOWERING TEACHERS, AUDITING FACILITIES, AND FUNDING THE TRADES

"Our tax dollars must reach the classroom, not get trapped in administrative bureaucracy. I am proposing independent forensic audits of funds aimed at updating aging facilities, to ensure every dollar directly increases teacher salaries, updates classrooms, and expands career-technical programs."

- ★ **Independent Forensic Auditing:** Require transparent, third-party audits of aging facility capital outlay funds to verify that taxpayer dollars are spent on structural school renovations, rather than administrative overhead.
- ★ **Support Veteran Educators:** Restructure state funding metrics to provide competitive retention bonuses and career-ladder adjustments for mid-to-late career veteran teachers who bear the brunt of local economic inflation.
- ★ **Technical & Trade Pipelines:** Substantially expand state grants for dual-enrollment technical certifications, linking local high schools with accredited trade and electrical apprenticeships to build a strong local workforce.

WATER & WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE

PROACTIVE GROWTH MANAGEMENT & UTILITY MODERNIZATION

"Growth without infrastructure is a recipe for failure. We cannot wait for our pump stations and treatment plants to fail before we fund them. I will fight for Northwest Hillsborough's fair share of state environmental and utility revolving funds."

- ★ **Pump Station Modernization:** Leverage professional utility expertise to advocate for targeted state appropriations to upgrade aging municipal water systems, and secure our district's 154 pump stations, including their Supervisory Control and Data systems, against severe weather events and operational strain.
- ★ **Capacity Matching Loans:** Require local utilities to fully expand treatment capabilities in proportion to newly approved commercial and residential developments, supported by financing from the State of Florida.

VETERANS & MILITARY FAMILY PROTECTION

EXPANDING CAREER TRANSITIONS, LICENSING RECIPROCITY, AND SUPPORT SYSTEMS

"As a veteran, I know the transition to civilian life doesn't stop when you hang up the uniform. We must expand state property tax exemptions for disabled veterans, build stronger mental health networks, and support military spouses navigating employment barriers."

- ★ **Licensing Streamlining:** Sponsor comprehensive legislation to mandate immediate occupational and professional licensing reciprocity for active-duty and veteran military spouses relocating to Florida.
- ★ **Community Mental Health Integration:** Secure state funding allocations to bolster local, community-based veteran clinical networks specializing in PTSD treatment, ensuring immediate care that bypasses federal VA bureaucratic delays.

DIVERSIFIED CLEAN ENERGY & GRID RESILIENCE

MEETING DEMAND THROUGH PRACTICAL INNOVATION

"To keep Florida's economy running, we need an all-of-the-above energy strategy. Expanding commercial solar, battery storage, and smart-grid technologies ensures our grid won't buckle under soaring demand while lowering utility bills for working families."

- ★ **Commercial Solar & Storage Incentives:** Create state-level tax exemptions for commercial, industrial, and public entities that install rooftop solar arrays and decentralized battery microgrids to protect critical infrastructure during major storm outages.
- ★ **Grid Modernization Frameworks:** Champion practical regulatory updates that allow businesses and homeowners to adopt energy-efficient infrastructure without facing punitive utility fees, expanding capacity safely to keep pace with rapid regional growth.

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