

Sunrise Mayoral Candidate Mike Ryan Announces Endorsement by Sierra Club

Sunrise, Florida (August 15, 2010): Sunrise Mayoral Candidate Mike Ryan has already been endorsed by Metro-Broward Firefighters, Local 3080 (Sunrise); Broward County Council of Firefighters; Sunrise Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge 80; Fraternal Order of Police, District 5 (Broward and other counties); Fraternal Order of Police, State of Florida; Sunrise Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge 80-A. Today, Ryan announced he has also received the Endorsement of the Sierra Club, a nationwide environmental advocacy and educational organization.

The Sierra Club, founded in 1892, is the oldest, largest and most influential grassroots environmental organization in the United States, boasting one million three hundred thousand (1,300,000) members. The Sierra Club Broward Group serves the entirety of Broward County.

"After a full screening of the candidates, I am honored to have received the endorsement of the Sierra Club. I organized and fought against the private garbage transfer station, which many called "a dump". The current Mayor supported the garbage project. I spoke out against the Everglades corporate development project as planned. The Everglades project is planned to be built on land that was once part of a park system. The current Mayor voted to rezone that precious land to allow corporate development. Then, years later despite our renewed understanding of how precious the Everglades is, he supported a development project in the shadow of the Everglades," explained Ryan.

Ryan is well-known in the City of Sunrise for his work and advocacy on behalf of residents, families, neighborhoods and small businesses. In addition, along with parents and school administrators, Ryan has worked in the community to increase environmental consciousness and sensitivity.

"We must educate as many as possible regarding the serious issues involving our environment. From water conservation to recycling of toxins and electronics, our City should be a leader in protecting our environment," said Ryan.

Summing up, Ryan emphasized, "As the City of Sunrise, we have unique responsibilities to so many people and communities. Our City is responsible for a water system which is crucial to our collective future. Our City borders one of the greatest environmental gifts in the world, the Everglades. The endorsement of the Sierra Club is an overwhelming vote of confidence that I will appropriately balance development interests against the overarching responsibility to preserve and protect our environment, neighborhoods and way of life."

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