

Mike Ryan is Running for Mayor of the City of Sunrise Who is Mike Ryan?

Friends,

I know some of you are asking this question or have been asked this question. Let me introduce myself, for those who have not already become supporters of my campaign.

My wife and I relocated our young family to Sunrise 10 years ago. We thought it was a great place for them to grow up, and we still feel the same way. My two school age children are both going to Sunrise schools this year. If elected, I will be the only member of the City Commission with children in Sunrise public schools.

I am a Partner in the law firm, Krupnick Campbell Malone. I graduated from Broward County public schools and then earned an undergraduate degree in Finance, with distinction, from The George Washington University. I was a bank examiner after college and later graduated *Summa Cum Laude* from Case Western Reserve School of Law.

As a long-time resident, I have been civically active in our community for a long time:

- I was one of the leaders successfully opposing the Garbage Transfer Station (often called “the dump”) in Sunrise. I then helped author a proposed Charter amendment to prevent any future transfer station from ever being built.
- On behalf of homeowners, I traveled to Tallahassee and Washington D.C. to meet and work with state and Federal elected leaders, including Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz, Congressman Klein, former Congressman Wexler, on Chinese Drywall and foreclosure issues.
- I assisted State Representative Ari Porth in authoring the “Klee” Law, which now opens the courthouse doors for families of victims’ who have been murdered.
- I worked with State Senator Nan Rich to improve school zone signage so we could better notify drivers when approaching a school zone.
- On behalf of all families in Sunrise, I rallied hundreds of families to help keep full-time School Resource Officers in City of Sunrise elementary schools.
- I brought to the City Commission’s attention a loophole in the “pill mill” ordinance, which was hurting local businesses and neighborhoods, and recommended strategies and solutions.
- I spoke against the Everglades Corporate Park Project as it was planned, which is intended to be placed west of Sawgrass Expressway on the border of the Everglades.

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I also have volunteered, trying to positively touch as many lives as possible.

- I have run 7 marathons for charity, including T.A.P.S. (Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors), the Semper Fi Fund, the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, Achilles International and Childhood First.
- I participated in a 900 mile wheelchair event for charity as a support rider for every mile. We completed the event in 8 days 10 hours.
- I helped organize a Wounded Warriors program to deliver needed goods and supplies to injured soldiers at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany; I later volunteered at the Landstuhl U.S.O. with my son.
- I am a member of the Board of Directors of the Minority Development and Empowerment, Inc and a member of the Executive Committee of the Broward County Haiti Relief Taskforce.
- While still in law school, I co-organized a National project bringing lawyers and law schools together to volunteer in South Florida to assist Haitians seeking political asylum. I have also traveled to Haiti twice after the January earthquake, bringing medical supplies and goods for children.
- I am an immediate past two-term President of the PTA at Sawgrass Elementary. I am a former Chair of Broward County Council of PTAs School Resource Officer Committee. I was appointed by the Sunrise City Commission for three terms to the Education Advisory Board; for two terms, I served as Chair of Advisory Board.
- I have coached youth soccer (girls and boys), baseball, and flag football in Sunrise.

I have been endorsed for Mayor of Sunrise by the Sunrise Fire-Paramedic Union, the Broward County Fire-Paramedic Union, the Sunrise Police FOP, the Broward County FOP, the State of Florida FOP, the Sunrise General Employees Union and State Representative, Ari Porth.

I do not consider myself a career politician. I have done many of the things that you may have done as well. I am a parent, a proud resident of Sunrise and a compassionate citizen who tries to improve the quality of life no matter where you live in our City.

Simply stated, "We are One City". I am working hard to bring our whole City together to build a stronger future in these tough economic times.

Best regards,

Mike Ryan

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