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## **Florida Superintendent's Applaud Commissioner Robinson's Selection of Pam Stewart for Chancellor**

Tallahassee, FL – The Florida Association of District School Superintendents (FADSS) applauds Florida Education Commissioner Gerard Robinson's appointment of Pam Stewart as the new Chancellor of Public Schools for the Florida Department of Education (DOE).

"Commissioner Robinson could not have made a better choice than Pam Stewart to serve as Public Schools Chancellor," states Orange County School Superintendent and FADSS Board President Ronald Blocker. "The selection of Stewart to serve in this crucial role is a positive signal that Commissioner Robinson is committed to working in concert with Florida Superintendents, as we face very difficult decisions that have very profound consequences for Florida's youth," Blocker adds.

Stewart has a long history of service and exceptional hands-on experience in the realm of public education; ranging from school principal, to Deputy Chancellor of Educator Quality at DOE, and most recently as Deputy Superintendent of Academic Services for the St. Johns County School District.

"Pam will be an excellent Chancellor," states St. Johns County School District Superintendent Dr. Joe Joyner. "She clearly understands the challenges facing school districts and is a great listener. Superintendents can rest assured that we will have an advocate in Pam Stewart," said Joyner.

The primary role of the Public Schools Chancellor is to serve as an advocate for public education, and is a direct conduit for Florida Superintendents to ensure that Florida's public school system is moving forward in concert with DOE, with the ultimate goal of providing the best possible educational opportunities for every student in the public school system.

"I am confident Chancellor Stewart will be a champion for public education in Florida," says FADSS CEO Bill Montford. "She is well-versed and knowledgeable of K-12 issues and challenges; and I am confident that under her direction, the highest priority will be to ensure that Florida K-12 public school students continue to receive the best educational opportunities available," adds Montford.

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