

Dear FOP Member,

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I am writing to you to ask for your official FOP endorsement and support for Muskingum County Commissioner in 2024. Following Commissioner Crooks' announcement to not run for re-election in 2024, I truly believe I am the most qualified candidate for this position. In November I was graciously endorsed by the Muskingum County Republican Club as their candidate to run for this position in the March Primary.

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My wife Beth and I live just outside of Dresden. We have three children Dayne, Hannah and Averie. Public service has always been my life, as I am currently in my 32nd year as a member of the Dresden Fire Department. Providing fire and emergency services to our community has been an honor. The past 26 years I have serviced as a Reserve Deputy Sheriff for the Muskingum County Sheriff's Office. I also served 5 years as a part-time officer for the Village of Dresden. In addition to this, I am a Muskingum County LEPC committee member, Cass Township Trustee, Muskingum Central Committee member for Cass Township, a small business owner, and a member of The Well Ministries.

I was elected to five terms as a Jefferson Township Trustee prior to moving to Cass Township. In the past, I was President of Muskingum County Water and Sewer Board, President of Muskingum Ruritan Club, and President of the Tri-Valley American Electric Power grant foundation. I also served as a liaison between Tri-Valley 12th Man Club, Tri-Valley Administration, Zanesville Muskingum County Port Authority, and Haliburton Services in constructing a new facility and bleacher upgrade for the Tri-Valley School District. I have been involved in numerous other community projects, but I consider this one of my biggest accomplishments in Muskingum County to date.

Currently, I have been the manager of Human Resources, Safety, and Environmental Specialist for Sidwell Materials Inc. in White Cottage for the past 18 years. With my government work experience in a variety of roles within Muskingum County, and my knowledge of the private sector, I feel that I am the best candidate for this position. I have strong community ties all over Muskingum County and have earned the respect of the local and federal government for the past 30 years. I have the drive, dedication, and work ethic to help lead the citizens of the City of Zanesville and Muskingum County. The FOP endorsement will be held December 20th, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. Please join me in making Muskingum County a wonderful place to live, work, and raise a family. Contact me at (740) 819-4876 with any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your time,

Drake Prouty

"Opportunity is missed by most people because

it's dressed in overhauls and looks like work."

~Thomas Edison

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