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Paul Renner Speaker-designate

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Speaker-designate Paul Renner Recommends Rep. Chuck Clemons for Speaker Pro Tempore

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (November 17, 2022) — Florida House Speaker-designate Paul Renner today recommended Representative Chuck Clemons to the House leadership team as Speaker *pro tempore* for the upcoming Legislative term.

As Speaker *pro tempore*, Representative Clemons will be responsible for performing the duties of the Speaker in the event of an interim vacancy of the Speaker through death, resignation, or disability. He will also preside in the Chamber when the Speaker leaves the Chair.

Speaker-designate Renner said, "When recalling the first time he entered the Chamber of the Florida House, Representative Clemons said, 'I do not deserve to be here.' True leaders have such reflections because they recognize the weight and value of the sacred trust voters place in us. I am honored to call him a colleague and a friend. Representative Clemons embodies servant leadership, and his experience throughout his time in the Legislature will help ensure we conduct our business on the House floor professionally and efficiently."

"I am honored that Speaker-designate Renner would nominate me to serve on his leadership team as Speaker *pro tempore*," said Representative Clemons. "Speaker-designate Renner will be leading us through a historic moment where all eyes are on the Sunshine State. I am grateful for his friendship, his leadership, and his commitment to leading the Florida House with courage and principle."

Representative Clemons represents the people of House District 22, which includes Gilchrist, Levy and, part of Alachua County. He was recently re-elected to his fourth consecutive term. Recently, Representative Clemons served as Deputy Majority Leader and Majority Whip from 2020-2022.

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