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Representative Angie Nixon Issues Statement on Secretary of State Appointment

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. – In response to Governor DeSantis' new Florida Secretary of State appointment, **Representative Angie Nixon (D-Jacksonville)** issued the following statement.

"Florida's top elections official should be a consensus builder whose sole focus is running free and fair elections for every citizen of our state. Cord Byrd is not that person. He is unqualified in both his credentials and his temperament, has proved time and again he will put partisanship ahead of good policy, and is unfit to lead the elections department of a diverse state of more than 20 million people. The idea that he will now be in charge of the Governor's Elections Police force should be a frightening thought for every Floridian, no matter who you are or where you come from. This is another glaring example of Ron DeSantis' attempt to weaponize government against his political opponents and we will not be silent in the face of the attacks on Black and Brown communities we know are coming."