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GOODHUE COUNTY DEPUTY'S LOCAL 91 ENDORSES JOSH HANSON FOR SHERIFF

August 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2022

In a historical vote, the Goodhue County Deputy's Local 91 voted to endorse a candidate for Goodhue County Sheriff. Per policy, Local 91 may choose to endorse a political candidate through a defined process. This is the first time the Local 91 has voted on an endorsement.

On July 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2022 the Local 91 Deputies endorsed Josh Hanson for the Office of Goodhue County Sheriff. On June 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2022, following a forum, Josh Hanson received the majority of votes for the endorsement. 22 votes for Josh Hanson, 5 votes for Marty Kelly. The Local 91 includes members from the Goodhue County Sheriff's Office Patrol Division, Civil Division, Bailiff's, Recreational Enforcement, and Investigations.

"I feel honored to receive the official endorsement of our local union chapter. I have stated from the beginning that leadership in this County has a very simple but consequential choice – we either dedicate ourselves to revision how we do law enforcement here, starting with taking care of our people first, focusing on mental and physical health, training, education, and standards. If we don't, someone or some other agenda will."

Josh has served in numerous leadership positions while with the Goodhue County Sheriff's Office including Patrol Captain and Emergency Response Team Commander. The Local 91 endorsement solidifies that he is a proven leader and brings the knowledge, experience and trust needed as Sheriff.

"As your Sheriff, our administration will start with taking care of those who protect the citizens of Goodhue County. The current administration has valued a budget surplus over providing sincerely effective and well-trained law enforcement services to the community. This is reckless, negligent, and irresponsible. In simple terms – they have ultimately failed your community. Through education and training standards, our administration will invest in our staff, building future leaders and critical components of our team."