



REPUBLICAN BUSINESS COUNCIL

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Dear Republican Leadership,

In the next US. Congress we have a huge opportunity to capitalize and demonstrate strong principled and conservative values. With that being said we at the Republican Business Council would like to offer our endorsement of our Congressman, Cliff Stearns, for Chairman of the Energy and Commerce Committee.

Cliff Stearns has seniority on the Energy and Commerce Committee and has been a forceful and effective Chairman or a Republican Leader on several Energy and Commerce Subcommittees.

The GOP Convention for President will be held in Tampa, Florida in 2012. Florida will have two new House seats in 2012, two more electoral votes. Florida should have a key role in the U.S House.

Of all the candidates for Chair of this important Energy and Commerce Committee, there is only one candidate who has actually met a payroll, signed the front of checks for employees and created jobs in the marketplace. Cliff Stearns started a business from scratch, struggled hard to make it succeed, raised his family and served his country as a captain in the US Air Force. He has experienced the American Dream.

Earlier this year Cliff Stearns organized an event for the NRCC in our hometown of Ocala. Leader Boehner was our honored guest. Unemployment was 14.5 percent and yet we raised \$90,000 to help win the Majority in the House.

We also support Cliff Stearns because of his consistent conservative voting record. Cliff has a 95% rating from the American Conservative Union.

Thank You,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian Forte". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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