

KRISTA KEATING-JOSEPH Community Servant.

Yes, it is election time. Time for the St Johns County community to have a commissioner who has demonstrated strength and understanding for what it takes to benefit the citizens. Having served with Krista Joseph on a five-member board that was charged with the responsibility of ensuring quality health care for our small community (Citrus-pop of ~150K) The hospital was hemorrhaging and management needed to be changed. The management group did not see the need, possibly because of loss of their own powers. However, Krista joined in assessing the needs, developing a strategic plan, stood the pressure to continue as is, participated in joint decisions for change. Her strength, endurance, and willingness to communicate what needed to be said at the appropriate time- led to a lease with a quality health care organization and the county has a quality health care provider. Sometimes, change seems to cost money- true at the time; but at the end of the transaction, such leads to positive health care experiences for which no money can buy. Community is experiencing the change, and thankful to Krista and other board members for not “caving” to pressure from “some of the powers that be.” A VOTE for KRISTA, ensures stable, fair, knowledgeable, and professional leadership.

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