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Speaking on behalf of Florida's Supervisors of Elections, we are deeply concerned about recent public statements about the state of our readiness that continues to erode voter confidence and undermine our ability to conduct free and fair elections.

One year ago, while Florida's Senators were painting a grim picture of our elections community's readiness Matt Masterson, the Senior Cybersecurity Advisor for the Department of Homeland Security, said, "Florida is one of the most, if not the most, engaged state working with DHS on securing election systems infrastructure."

Since that time we have 100% of our counties participating with MS-ISAC and/or EI-ISAC, 100% who have installed or contracted to install threat detection and reporting systems, conducted specific training with DHS, the EAC and the University of West Florida's Center for Cybersecurity, and spent nearly \$17 million statewide to harden our infrastructure prior to the 2018 election cycle.

We recognize that the threat is not only very real, but also ever-changing. We remain active and engaged with the Department of Homeland Security, the Center for Internet Security, and our other partners to ensure Florida has done everything to prepare.

Paul Lux, CERA

President