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I'm Don Cheatham and I have been one of your two State Representatives for the last two years. I am running for re-election and I would be honored to have your support.

I have spent a lifetime of service protecting and defending my community and our nation. A few years ago, I retired from my position as Regional Director for the Southwestern Region at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, where along with my team, we had the responsibility for keeping more than 45 million Americans safe and our critical infrastructure protected from terrorist attacks and to prevent the unauthorized acquisition, importation, movement or use of chemical, biological, radiological, and/or nuclear materials.

Prior to this, I was a Vice President and Regional Manager of Corporate Security for Bank of America. I oversaw a \$10 million plus annual effort to address the bank's security vulnerabilities.

Earlier, I served nearly 25 years with the Los Angeles Police Department in detectives, SWAT, detective supervisor in Gangs, Internal Affairs, Organized Crime, the Anti-Terrorist Division and the Joint Terrorism Task Force. I also proudly served in the United States Air Force during Vietnam.

I have a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice and a Lifetime Limited Teaching Credential. I was also a licensed realtor, private investigator and a Certified Protection Professional.

The proper role of government is to protect the people. In these dangerous times, we cannot afford "on the job training" in matters of safety, security and privacy. I have the training and experience needed in Boise to evaluate security strategies that do not invade the privacy of law abiding citizens.

I am passionately Pro-Life and also a co-sponsor on the recently passed Constitutional Carry law that protects our 2nd Amendment rights. My mother was a teacher in the public school system for over 40 years, so I understand the need for proper funding and educational options. I support legislation that improves business growth, protects peoples' rights, assists veterans and promotes fiscal responsibility.

I am endorsed by US Congressman Raul Labrador, NRA with an A rating and the Idaho Freedom Alliance. I would welcome your endorsement and your vote on May 17th, so that I may continue serving our community.

Thank you, Don Cheatham