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## Press Release

### Dwight Bullard Shares Vision for FDP

Quincy, Florida, January 4, 2017. Dwight Bullard, a former State Senator and a current candidate for Florida Democratic Party (FDP) Chair, released key positions today to reform and rebuild the Florida Democratic Party. Bullard said that uniting the party is urgent to his agenda. "Inspiring our folks across Florida, awakening their hearts and minds to what is possible, and re-engaging the people with their Democratic Party: that is my priority." Bullard believes that inspirational leadership will grow grassroots membership and seed small donor fundraising efforts.

Bullard's plan included several calls to action that reflect the needs of the people, and not the will of the powerful. He called on the Democratic Party to: **Move Hearts with Authentic, Hands-on, and Grassroots Leadership**. Let's engage real people in real conversations about issues that matter to the communities we serve and represent.

- Embrace Leaders who Reflect the Communities They Serve.** Let's dramatically increase the diversity of our leaders, including the representation of young people, communities of color, and the working poor in the leadership ranks of our state & local party organizations.
- Replace Dark Money with Small Donations.** Let's end our dependency on dark money and contributions from corporations who don't reflect the values of the Democratic Party by replacing at least 50% of FDP fundraising with donors who give under \$100 annually.
- Use Technology to Amplify Impact.** Let's invest in training and technologies that empower Florida's Democrats to engage with the communities we serve in effective, innovative ways.
- Spread the Love across Florida.** Let's build a 67-county strategy - including the 12 counties where no DEC currently exists.
- Inspire Without Force.** Let's build a party where our members and officers are no longer influenced by threats from people in powerful positions, nor motivated by promises of personal gain.
- Distribute Power.** Let's consider restructuring to enable truly unified, diverse, collaborative, regional leadership that spans the spectrum of our diverse Party.
- Take Our Thumbs Off the Scale.** Let's choose candidates who are most likely to win in general elections by ensuring our candidates participate in fair primaries that are not rigged by the voices or resources of Democratic organizations or officials.
- Build Our Bench.** Let's recruit, train and create opportunities for potential candidates to gain valuable experience so we can win in 2018 and beyond.

Full details can be found on Bullard's newly-launched website at:

**Dwightunites.com.** Former State Senator Dwight Bullard is a candidate for Florida Democratic Party (FDP) Chair. The election will be held on January 14, 2017 in Orlando, Florida. Democratic State Committeemen and Committeewomen, along with elected Democratic officials, will meet for the FDP reorganizational meeting and officer election. Dwight Bullard has qualified for the FDP race after becoming a member of the Gadsden County Democratic Executive Committee, where he is presently serving as State Committeeman.

