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**GELBER FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL CAMPAIGN PICKS UP KEY
ENDORSEMENTS FROM STATE ATTORNEY'S**

Rundle & Ward First State Attorney's to endorse in the Attorney General Race

Miami Beach, Fla. – Highlighting his near decade of service as a federal prosecutor, his experience of managing hundreds of prosecutors while in the U.S. Attorney's Office and his passion to preserve the rule of law and protect Floridians, State Attorney's Katherine Fernandez Rundle and Dennis Ward announced their endorsement of State Senator Dan Gelber's campaign for Attorney General.

Katherine Fernandez Rundle, State Attorney, 11th Judicial Circuit said, "I've known Dan since his days as a young federal prosecutor fighting public corruption. He has a deep understanding of the challenges facing our community, and the precise skill set and experience to be an effective Attorney General."

Dennis Ward, State Attorney, 16th Judicial Circuit said, "I've known Dan his entire professional life, and he presents the perfect skill set for Attorney General. He has deep law enforcement experience as a prosecutor, and is an accomplished attorney having achieved the highest rating from his peers. Most importantly he has demonstrated he cares about our community and will work to protect all our citizens."

Responding to the endorsement, **Sen. Gelber said,** "I am grateful to have the support of two great leaders who are on the frontline combating public corruption and fighting everyday to protect Floridians. They understand the importance of having an Attorney General who will be a partner with the twenty State Attorney's across Florida, working to ensure the well-being and safety of every Floridian."

Dan Gelber was elected to the State House of Representatives in 2000, serving as the House Democratic Leader from 2006-2008; and elected to the State Senate in 2008. Prior to elected life, Dan spent nearly a decade as a federal prosecutor, working mostly on public corruption, narcotics and civil rights cases, and serving as a top deputy in that office. He was then appointed chief counsel and staff director for the United States Senate's investigations committee where he focused primarily on terrorism and domestic security. Dan is an AV rated attorney and listed in various peer review publications including Best Lawyers in America and Florida's Legal Elite. He and his wife Joan Silverstein, a career prosecutor, make their home in Miami Beach with their three children. For more information about Dan Gelber, please visit www.dangelber.com.

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