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***** Press Conference - February 8, 11:30 AM ET *****

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Local elected officials call on legislature to focus on protecting renters, local democracy,

First Amendment rights, and reproductive justice

TALLAHASSEE -- As we enter into a third year of this pandemic, Floridians continue to sound the alarm on the ever-growing need for our state to prioritize housing, local democracy, and First Amendment rights. However, the legislative session so far has made it clear that Governor DeSantis and GOP legislators will continue ignoring the real needs of our communities and instead fast track bills that undermine home rule and further restrict local democracy.

Floridians know what they need and have a right to local power. Local elected officials put partisanship aside to employ innovative solutions and put people first. The legislature must end its assault on home rule and let locals work.

WHAT: Press Conference with Local Elected Officials

WHEN: Tuesday, February 8 at 11:30 am ET

WHO:

- **Representative Anna Eskamani (D- Orlando)**
- **Commissioner Jack Porter**, City of Tallahassee
- **Commissioner Sabrina Javellana**, City of Hallandale Beach
- **Supervisor Alissa Schafer**, Broward County Soil and Water Conservation District
- **Gail Johnson**, advocate and former Gainesville Commissioner
- **Francesca Menes**, Deputy Organizing Director, Local Progress

WHERE: Capitol Building, 4th Floor Rotunda (400 S Monroe St, Tallahassee, FL 32399)

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