

Statement provided by Jimmy Staley to Parents for Kids Health:

I am asking for your support as the next Sherrif of Davie County, and, more importantly, to tell you why I am the most qualified candidate.

I have been with the NC State Highway Patrol since 1997. I have served as a trooper in 15 of NC's 100 counties and have worked in conjunction with many different federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies-an invaluable collaboration that has given me insight as to what effective law enforcement on all levels looks like. I have, by choice, remained on the road for my entire career, something which sets me apart from the other candidates for sheriff and gives me the unique perspective and firsthand knowledge of field work. It has also allowed me to have a front row seat to the positive impacts of good leadership as well as the crushing effects of poor or tarnished leadership.

The DC Sherrif's Department has been steadily making improvements with regards to logistics and equipment, but now it is time to fully invest in its officers and focus on improved service to the community. As your sheriff, my focus will be on crime prevention and proactive patrol to locate criminals.

Officers are frequently called upon to make life altering decisions under tense, uncertain, and rapidly evolving conditions. This stressful environment highlights the need for ongoing, credible, and effective training. As a long term professional law enforcement trainer, I will turn my attention to prioritizing such effective training for the department and will minimize the data driven training that seeks only to inflate the reportable training hours for officers.

The question I am most often asked is, "Why should I vote for you? What makes you so different from the other candidates?" My answer to that is always the same: I am the candidate who has worked for over two decades in the field and knows what law enforcement officers need to be successful at their jobs. As a lifelong citizen and descendent of a multigenerational Davie County family, I understand what our citizens want and need in order to feel safe in our community. I am not a member of the political machine, good ole boys club, or clique, so my allegiance is to the people of Davie County and those I will lead. I eat local, worship local, and volunteer locally because I love Davie County.

As your sheriff, my door will always be open to you. Your concerns will be my concerns. Your needs will be my needs. Your family will be my family. I work for you.

Being your sheriff will combine my extensive law enforcement knowledge and experience with my willingness to tirelessly serve this community, always placing its needs above my own.

Thank you for your time, and I look forward to serving you.

Jimmy Staley

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