



The Press-Enterprise Endorses Benoit

On Sunday, *The Press-Enterprise* endorsed Supervisor John J. Benoit for the June 8 election. While assessing the county's financial situation, the editorial concluded that Benoit is the "best choice for voters who wish to see fiscal restraint."

The newspaper also found "especially troubling" Benoit's opponent's "extreme reliance" on special interest money, adding:

Jeandron is especially troubling in that regard. His campaign is primarily funded by a single special interest -- the sheriff's deputies union, which provided \$220,000 of the \$253,618 in contributions Jeandron had collected as of March. His extreme reliance on county union money raises serious doubts about how willing he would be to hold the line on employee costs. Nor is that suspicion eased when Jeandron downplays the fiscal threat from the growing expense of pensions.

"*The Press-Enterprise* has followed my career closely and has taken a position to support my campaign because of my qualifications and the broad, county-wide implications entailed by this election," said Supervisor John J. Benoit. "I am especially pleased to gain their endorsement and trust that I am the best candidate to lead us through our county's current financial challenges."

To read *The Press-Enterprise's* editorial in its entirety, follow the link [here](#).

The Press-Enterprise joins a growing list of local leaders and organizations endorsing Benoit for Supervisor, supporters including: **a vast majority of City Councilmembers, all four colleagues on the Riverside County Board of Supervisors, *The Desert Sun*, Riverside County Superintendent of Education Kenn Young and numerous Coachella Valley educators, former Palm Springs Police Chiefs Don Burnett, Lee Weigel, and Tom Kendra, Four Coachella Valley Water District Directors, Riverside County Sheriff Stan Sniff, Retired Undersheriff and State Senator Robert Presley, and Former Sheriffs Cois Byrd and Larry Smith.**

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