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Ted Strickland endorses Tim DeGeeter

PARMA – Former Governor Ted Strickland has added his voice to an impressive display of support for State Rep. Tim DeGeeter as he continues his bid to become Mayor of Parma.

"I worked closely with Tim on critical issues facing Ohio, from fighting for jobs to cutting our state budget," Strickland said Tuesday. "Tim has shown himself to be a strong leader, and he's the right choice at the right time for Parma."

DeGeeter, who will face three other candidates in the Democratic primary on May 3, already enjoys endorsements from current Parma mayor Dean DePiero and several other Parma city leaders. Several organized labor groups have also endorsed DeGeeter, one of them Workers United Local 168-C, which represents the workers of Hugo Boss, a Brooklyn company which had been threatened with a shut-down. In his role as a state representative, DeGeeter's efforts were among those that helped saved area jobs.

In his endorsement, Strickland specifically mentioned those efforts.

"My administration worked closely with Tim to keep Hugo Boss open, and I can tell you he fought hard alongside the workers to help save more than 300 jobs," Strickland said.

"I'm honored to receive this endorsement from former Governor Strickland," DeGeeter said. "Accordingly, I would be honored to uphold his confidence as Mayor of Parma."

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