FL-28: Rep. Carlos Gimenez Kicks Government Funding Down the Road...Again; Phil Ehr Condemns 'Government by Crisis' and Calls for Sanity in Budgeting, Where South Florida's Values are Honored.

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MIAMI – In the wake of the most recent stopgap measure passed by the Republicancontrolled House, Democratic Congressional candidate Phil Ehr on Wednesday condemned the ongoing 'government by crisis enabled by incumbent Rep. Carlos Gimenez and called for a budget that restores sanity and protects America's military and allies as well as the working families of South Florida.

Following is Ehr's statement:

"Once again, South Floridians narrowly avoided the danger of a government shutdown that has been caused by the misrule of House Republicans and their Trump lapdogs like Carlos Gimenez. Once again, Congressman Gimenez has kicked the can down the road as Republicans refuse to honor a budget deal they already had agreed to.

"This is a failure of leadership and vision. The latest extremist, Trump-approved Speaker is proving just as absent of ideas and backbone as the last, with Congressman Gimenez floundering around in the tow.

"Government shutdowns represent real economic harm to South Floridians and their ability to receive services, make their own family budgets and get their fair wages. And it's all being done with no plan, but plenty of MAGA rhetoric.

"Congressman Gimenez must insist on restoring sanity to the budget process and ensure that, instead of tax cuts and special favors for the super rich and corporations, we instead focus on fully funding our military, our commitments to our allies like Israel and Ukraine, federal support to education, efforts to secure our southern border and, most importantly, our efforts to combat the rising costs of living,

"Instead of acting as an in-house guest of Fox News, Congressman Gimenez needs to do his job and act like an adult within divided government. He must fight for a fullyfunded budget that stops playing political games and returns the House to regular order while protecting the values of South Florida's working families."



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