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## **Pasco County Commissioners receive NACo Appointments**

*~~Commissioners will serve on multiple select committees~~*

**PASCO COUNTY, FL** ---- Two Pasco County Commissioners have been selected to serve on three National Association of Counties (NACo) committees. The Commissioners will serve for the 16-17 term on their respective committees.

Chairman Kathryn Starkey was appointed to the NACo International Economic Task Force committee. The Task Force facilitates the exchange of information, ideas and resources, and guides NACo programming concerning county-level engagement in international economic development activities.

Commissioner Starkey was also nominated as a member of the Community, Economic and Workforce Development Steering Committee. The Committee has jurisdiction over all matters pertaining to housing, community and economic development, and workforce development programs. Particular emphasis is on advocating for funding for federal programs such as the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program, Economic Development Assistance (EDA) programs, and Workforce Investment Opportunity Act (WIOA) program. The committee also works to refine the role of federal, state and county governments in enhancing workforce and economic development opportunities, and to create housing options for different populations.

“I am excited to be part of these important committees with the National Association of Counties,” said Chairman Kathryn Starkey. “These appointments will give Pasco County an opportunity to help develop policy in the future.”

Commissioner Jack Mariano was selected to serve on the NACo Transportation Steering Committee. The Committee looks at matters pertaining to federal transportation legislation, funding and regulation and its impacts on county government, including highway and bridge development, finance and safety, public transit development and finance, transportation planning, airport development and service, passenger and freight railroads, ports and waterways, freight movement, and research and development of new modes of transportation.

## 2-2-2 NACo APPOINTMENT

“As president of the National Association of Counties, I have the honor and privilege of appointing NACo’s leadership team,” said Sallie Clark, President of NACo. “Committee participation at the national level is a serious commitment and a big responsibility, even more so this year with a federal administration engaged in developing policy on a number of issues facing counties.”

The main website for the National Association of Counties can be found at this link:  
<http://www.naco.org>.

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