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**MEDIA ADVISORY**

Voting Rights Bus Tour arrives in Palmetto, Bradenton and Sarasota to Urge Citizens to #FreeTheVote

*Florida Rights Restoration Coalition continues multi-city tour for early voting initiative in support of returning citizens, people with past felony convictions*

**Palmetto, FL** – On Friday, October 30th, the Florida Rights Restoration Coalition (FRRC) continues its statewide voting rights bus tour, stopping in Palmetto and Bradenton. This multi-stop tour of the cities early voting sites is a part of FRRC’s statewide voting rights bus tour, where alongside local partners and canvassers, they are mobilizing returning citizens to the polls. Together, they will ensure returning citizens can vote safely, confidently, and without the risk of intimidation.

**WHO:** Florida Rights Restoration Coalition, Neil Volz, Deputy Director

**WHAT:** A multi-stop bus tour in Palmetto, Bradenton and Sarasota to energize and engage the returning citizen community, their families and friends in early voting. FRRC will pass out masks and PPE to encourage safe voting.

**WHEN:** Friday, October 30, 2020
Noon - Meet Returning Citizens
2 p.m. - Distribute PPE

**WHERE:**
Stop 1: Palmetto Library (early voting site)
   Palmetto 6th Street West
   Palmetto, FL 34221
Stop 2: Bradenton Polling Location
   Supervisor of Elections 600 Blvd. W
   Bradenton, FL 34205
Stop 3: North Sarasota Public Library
   2801 Newton Blvd.
   Sarasota, FL 34234
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**About The Florida Rights Restoration Coalition**

FRRC is a grassroots, membership organization run by Returning Citizens (Formerly Convicted Persons) who are dedicated to ending the disenfranchisement and discrimination against people with convictions and creating a more comprehensive and humane reentry system that will enhance successful reentry, reduce recidivism, and increase public safety. For more information, visit [https://floridarrc.com/](https://floridarrc.com/).

As Deputy Director of FRRC, Neil Volz is recognized for his work on voting and criminal justice reform issues. Neil helped lead FRRC to a historic victory in 2018 with the successful passage of Amendment 4, a grassroots citizen’s initiative which restored voting rights to over 1.4 million Floridians with past felony convictions.