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## **For Immediate Release**

### **Representative Alex Andrade Wraps up Third and Most Successful Session**

*Pensacola, FL* – The Florida 2021 Legislative Session adjourned on Friday, April 30th, and Representative Alex Andrade capped off his third constituent focused Session in office.

Representative Andrade passed four bills which now await Governor DeSantis' signature:

HB57/SB1194 – This transportation package includes a number of provisions to make Florida's infrastructure and roads the best in the nation. This is Representative Andrade's second transportation package to pass in his three years in the Florida Legislature.

HB1089/SB1532 – Navy Federal Credit Union requested a program called "Fast Levy" be implemented in Florida to allow them to better serve their customers, and Rep. Andrade committed to making it happen. This bill was unanimously passed by the Legislature, this bill automates and streamlines Florida's child support system, and ensures that children are getting the support they deserve.

HB 659/SB82 – This bill closes election law loopholes for political advertisements and strengthens Florida's secure and transparent elections.

HB433/SB518/HB1049/SB44 - Rep. Andrade is committed to never allowing a delay in FEMA individual assistance for Floridians again. This bill allows the Department of Emergency Management and local governments to safely and efficiently assess damages after a disaster with the use of drones. Rep. Andrade also worked with Senator Marco Rubio to make sure that no drones in Florida could be compromised by foreign countries.

In addition to these four bills, Andrade also brought home a record amount of funding with his partners in the House and Senate. Andrade secured fourteen special projects into Florida's budget, including:

\$1,000,000 for the Pensacola Institute for Human & Machine Cognition (IHMC) which helps pioneer technologies aimed at leveraging and extending human capabilities,

\$500,000 for Andrews Institute Research Regenerative Medicine,

\$50,000 for the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of Raising the American Flag in Pensacola Celebration that will be taking place this summer,

Perhaps most importantly, Rep. Andrade and Rep. Jay Williamson worked tirelessly to secure the funding for Pensacola's new FDLE evidence processing facility, a historic project for Northwest Florida, which will result in new ad valorem taxes for Escambia County and financial investment in the region.

"I want to thank Senator Broxson, Representative Williamson and our entire Northwest Florida Delegation for working with me as a team on securing huge wins for our region," said Andrade.

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