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Thompson for sheriff

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WATERLOO --- This is a simple letter to endorse a wonderful candidate to become the next sheriff of Black Hawk County. Tony Thompson has certainly met the challenge of preparing himself, representing the office for over 14 years. His military background, his leadership ideas, his service oriented past makes him the clear choice to take over the office from retiring Sheriff Mike Kubik.

I find it fantastic that Tony took the time to develop a drug education curriculum tailored to Black Hawk County. Who else would take that kind of time or commit to our communities in such a dramatic fashion?

Tony developed the free access 911 Cell Phone Program for senior citizens who could not afford this technology, addressing a growing need and helping thousands remain in contact with emergency services when needed.

Finally, Tony is an educator, not just with drug education, but also at the University of Northern Iowa, at Iowa Military Academy, at the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy, and elsewhere in the U.S. Army. As any good leader knows, he must develop subordinates and I believe that Tony Thompson possesses the skills necessary to be a good dynamic leader.

Tony Thompson is about the same age as Mike Kubik was when he took office. This is not a job that Tony will take to fill until his retirement, he will be there for a long time doing a great job as our next Black Hawk County sheriff. Vote Tony Thompson for Black Hawk County sheriff.