



**THE FLORIDA SENATE**  
**SENATOR JOE NEGRON**  
*President*

## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** All Senators and Senate Professional Staff  
**FROM:** Joe Negron, President  
**SUBJECT:** Senator Hukill  
**DATE:** October 2, 2018

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Today, it is with great sadness that I inform you our friend and colleague Senator Dorothy Hukill has passed away.

Dorothy was a strong and passionate advocate for her community, serving in several positions in local government and also for eight years in the Florida House before her election to the Senate in 2012. I personally admired her passion for education and was proud to have Dorothy serve as Chair of the Committee on Education during my service as Senate President. She worked closely with Senator Galvano, myself, and many others on the Senate's legislation to expand the Bright Futures Scholarship. We all remember her commitment and dedication to teaching financial literacy in Florida schools.

Whenever I was in District 14 with Senator Hukill, I could literally feel the affection and admiration of her community. Even after her election to the Florida House and Senate, many constituents still warmly called her "Mayor," in fond recognition of her term as Mayor of Port Orange from 2000 to 2004.

In recent years, Dorothy faced her medical challenges with tremendous courage. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her. The prayers of the entire Senate family are with Senator Hukill's family and friends and we join in their grief over this terrible loss.