

To the Citizens of Johnson County,

I have known Doug Bedford since he began his employment at the Johnson County Sheriff's Office in 1987.

As Doug's first line supervisor, he impressed me from the beginning. Doug displayed not only an excitement and energy toward his job, he also demonstrated an ability to learn quickly and thoroughly. Not only did Doug learn the duties of a deputy sheriff, but he also demonstrated common sense, a very valuable trait.

As time passed, Doug had the opportunity to work in the various divisions within the Sheriff's Office, again, demonstrating his ability to learn which resulted in his success regardless of his assignment. This successfully provided Doug with an overall knowledge of the entire Sheriff's Office.

Doug eventually began to move up the chain of command with promotion to sergeant and then lieutenant. With each promotion came additional responsibilities which Doug embraced completely. Doug not only performed his job well, but he frequently made suggestions that would not only improve the performance of his particular assignment, but the entire agency as a whole.

Doug has always been totally committed to the success of the Johnson County Sheriff's Office and to the citizens of Johnson County. He possesses an extraordinary work ethic, excellent communication skills and his integrity is beyond reproach. I fully endorse Doug Bedford for Sheriff of Johnson County.

Major Bret Cortright
Johnson County Sheriff's Office, Retired