

Contact: Christina Johnson 850.391.5040 Office 850.339.5773 Cell Christina@On3PR.com

Governor Scott Appoints Two to the Florida Transportation Commission

-John Browning of East Palatka, Jim Sebesta of St. Petersburg fills vacancies through 2015-

(Tallahassee, FL) – Florida Governor Rick Scott announced Tuesday two new appointments to the Florida Transportation Commission (FTC). The appointment of John Browning and Senator Jim Sebesta fill the two current vacancies on the nine-member commission, with a term beginning June 25, 2013 and ending September 30, 2015.

"On behalf of the Florida Transportation Commission, we thank Governor Scott for appointing John Browning and Senator Jim Sebesta to fill our current vacancies," said Ronald Howse, Chairman of the Florida Transportation Commission. "John is a returning Chair of the FTC board, and Jim's previous experience as Chair of the Senate Transportation Committee allows a seamless transition for understanding and implementing FTC's mission."

From Governor Scott's Press Office on June 25, 2013:

Tallahassee, Fla. – Today, Governor Rick Scott announced the appointments of John Browning and Senator Jim Sebesta to the Florida Transportation Commission.

Browning, 67, of East Palatka, is the president of Browning Packing and Browning Consulting. Browning previously served on the Florida Transportation Commission from 1987-2001. He received his bachelor's degree from Florida State University. He fills a vacant seat and is appointed for a term beginning June 25, 2013, and ending September 30, 2015.

Sebesta, 77, of St. Petersburg, is the president of Sebesta Consulting Services. Sebesta has previously served as a member of the Florida Senate and is currently a member of the Pinellas Housing Finance Authority. He received his bachelor's degree from Loyola University and his master's degree from DePaul University. He fills a vacant seat and is appointed for a term beginning June 25, 2013, and ending September 30, 2015.

About the Florida Transportation Commission

The mission of the Florida Transportation Commission is to provide leadership in meeting Florida's transportation needs through policy guidance on issues of statewide importance and by maintaining oversight and public accountability for the Department of Transportation and other statutorily specified transportation authorities. More information may found at http://www.ftc.state.fl.us