



Commissioner Scott Maddox's roots in Tallahassee and his devotion to serving its people run deep. As the son of a police officer and a special education teacher, Maddox learned at an early age what it meant to stand up for those who have no advocate.

In 1993 while still in law school and at only 24 years old, Maddox was elected the youngest City Commissioner in Tallahassee's history. A year later, his fellow commissioners elected him Mayor pro-tempore and in 1995 they elected him Mayor. In 1996, the citizens of Tallahassee passed a referendum calling for a new "leadership" Mayor directly elected by the residents to serve a four-year term. Tallahassee citizens then elected Maddox as Tallahassee's first leadership Mayor in February 1997 where he served until 2003.

Elected by his peers, Maddox served as President of the Florida League of Cities from 2000-2001. In that capacity, he advocated on behalf of municipalities on the state and federal levels. As FLC President, Maddox embarked on a 405 city tour called "Mayor on the Move" where he visited every current Florida municipality and met with their local officials to learn best practices. Also as Mayor, Maddox advocated on the federal level on behalf of local governments, including giving public testimony before key committees.

Over his 20 year political career, Maddox has served on dozens of boards and committees advocating especially on behalf of the disabled, children and seniors. He currently serves on the boards of the Miami-Dade Zoo, Florida League of Cities (including sitting on the Federal Action Strike Team, the Nomination Committee and the Governance Committee), American Cancer Society, Elder Care Services and Tallahassee Museum. He sits on the Tucker Center Advisory Council and the Tourist Development Council. He served as chair of the Blueprint 2000 Intergovernmental Agency and serves on the National League of Cities Public Safety and Crime Prevention Policy and Advocacy Committee and the Universities Communities Council. He has also served on the board of the Leon County Schools Foundation.

A Leon High School alumni and graduate of Florida State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science and a juris doctorate degree from the Florida State University College of Law, Maddox is a frequent lecturer in the fields of Political Science and Public Administration. Maddox and his wife Sha, a Leon County School teacher, are immensely proud of their family, Jack, an FSU Junior, and Denver, an FSU Freshman, and their bulldog Blue.