## **PROCLAMATION**

## STATE OF FLORIDA EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR **TALLAHASSEE**

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE FLORIDA SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2016, 71% of the voters in the General Election approved the adoption of Amendment 2, an amendment to Florida's Constitution addressing the production, possession, and use of medical marijuana; and

WHEREAS, Amendment 2 took effect on January 3, 2017, and has been codified as Article X, section 29, of the Florida Constitution; and

WHEREAS, Article X, section 29(e), of the Florida Constitution acknowledges the authority of the Florida Legislature to enact implementing laws consistent with the amendment; and

WHEREAS, the 2017 Regular Session of the Legislature adjourned without adopting legislation to implement Article X, section 29, of the Florida Constitution; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the people of the State of Florida that the Legislature enact legislation implementing the amendment approved by the voters regarding the production, possession, and use of medical marijuana; and

WHEREAS, I have called a Special Session commencing at 9:00 a.m. on June 7, 2017, and extending through 6:00 p.m. on June 9, 2017; and

WHEREAS, it is prudent to expand the call for this Special Session;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Scott, Governor of the State of Florida, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by Article III, Section 3(c)(1), Florida Constitution, do hereby proclaim as follows:

The call to the Legislature of the State of Florida is expanded for the sole purpose of considering the following:

Legislation relating to the medical use of marijuana

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed to this Proclamation expanding the call to the Legislature in Special Session at the Capitol, this 7th day of June, 2017.

**GOVERNOR** 

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE