## STATE OF FLORIDA

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 23-114**

(Extension of Statewide Prosecutor Executive Assignment)

WHEREAS, the Honorable NICHOLAS B. COX, Statewide Prosecutor in the Office of the Attorney General, referred to as the "Assigned Statewide Prosecutor," was previously assigned by Executive Order 20-140, as extended by Executive Orders 21-113 and 22-138, to the Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Florida to represent the State of Florida concerning an investigation of Devante Brown and Johnny Ordaz for homicide; and

WHEREAS, the Assigned Statewide Prosecutor has advised the Governor that the duties required by the previous executive assignment have not yet been completed as the case is still pending; and

WHEREAS, the Assigned Statewide Prosecutor has further advised the Governor that an extension of this assignment is necessary in order to complete the assigned duties; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the State of Florida and of the ends of justice that the assignment of the Assigned Statewide Prosecutor be continued with respect to the above matters, pursuant to section 27.14, Florida Statutes.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, Governor of Florida, in obedience to my solemn constitutional duty to "take care that the laws be faithfully executed," and pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida, issue the following Executive Order:

Section 1. Executive Order 20-140, as extended by Executive Orders 21-113 and 22-138, is reaffirmed and the executive assignment is extended for an additional period of one (1) year, to and including June 15, 2024.

Section 2. The Assigned Statewide Prosecutor shall notify the Governor on or before May 15, 2024, if additional time is required.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, this 22nd day of May, 2023.

RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE