STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 23-210

(Amending Executive Order 23-197)

WHEREAS, on October 11, 2023, Executive Order 23-197 was issued assigning the Honorable BRIAN HAAS, State Attorney for the Tenth Judicial Circuit, to the Ninth Judicial Circuit to handle allegations made against Jeffrey Ashton, Rita Ashton, and David Ashton; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 23-197 stated that the Honorable ANDREW A. BAIN, to avoid a conflict of interest or any appearance of impropriety, has voluntarily disqualified himself and has requested the executive assignment of another State Attorney regarding the investigation and prosecution of this case and all related matters, but the order then erroneously named Justin Hill, who is uninvolved, instead of naming Jeffrey Ashton, Rita Ashton, and David Ashton.

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, do hereby issue the following Executive Order effective immediately:

Section 1. Executive Order 23-197 is hereby amended to reflect that the Honorable ANDREW A. BAIN, to avoid a conflict of interest or any appearance of impropriety, has voluntarily disqualified himself and has requested the executive assignment of another State Attorney regarding the investigation and prosecution of this case and all related matters regarding Jeffrey Ashton, Rita Ashton, and David Ashton.

Section 2. Except as amended herein, Executive Order 23-197 is ratified and reaffirmed.



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 13th day of October, 2023.

RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE

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