STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 13-209

(Executive Order of Suspension)

WHEREAS, Sorania Tomas, is presently serving as a Notary Public of the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, this Office received a complaint reporting Sorania Tomas for notary misconduct; and

WHEREAS, the complainant states that Sorania Tomas failed to disclose prior felony convictions for attempted homicide, kidnapping, robbery, escape, conspiracy to commit escape, and resisting officer with violence, in her sworn notary public application dated March 27, 2012, in violation of Section 117.01(4)(h), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, Sorania Tomas appears to be in violation of Sections 92.525(2) and (3), Florida Statutes, which pertain to perjury by false written declaration; and

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2012, this Office mailed correspondence to Sorania Tomas requiring that she resign from her notary public commission; and

WHEREAS, to date, this Office has not received the required resignation from Sorania Tomas; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the citizens of the State of Florida that Sorania

Tomas be immediately suspended from the public office, which she now holds, upon the grounds
set forth in this Executive Order;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 of the Florida Constitution and Section 117.01(4), Florida Statutes, find and state as follows:

- A. Sorania Tomas is a duly appointed Notary Public of the State of Florida, pursuant to Section 117.01, Florida Statutes.
- B. Sorania Tomas' current commission runs from May 16, 2012, through May 15, 2016.
- C. Sorania Tomas made a material false statement on the application submitted on March 27, 2012.
- D. Sorania Tomas refused to respond to an investigation by the Governor's Office, as required by Section 117.01(4) (c), Florida Statutes.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premise, and in accordance with the Florida Constitution and the laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued:

Section 1. Sorania Tomas is suspended from the public office which she now holds:

Notary Public of the State of Florida.

Section 2. Sorania Tomas is prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of this public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of this public office during the period of suspension, which shall begin today until further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 31st day of July, 2013.

RICK SCOTT, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE

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