

STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 17-167

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Florida, by constitutional amendment, have declared that a public office is a public trust and the people have a right to secure and sustain that trust against abuse; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida Commission on Ethics has been created to assure that public officers and employees do not abuse the trust placed in them; and

WHEREAS, Edward B. Braddy is at all times material hereto the Mayor of the City of Gainesville, and as such was subject to the provisions of the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, Part III of Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, and subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission on Ethics; and

WHEREAS, in the Final Order and Public Report No. 17-023 rendered on April 26, 2017, the Commission on Ethics found that Edward B. Braddy violated section 112.3148(4), Florida Statutes, by knowingly accepting a gift(s) from a lobbyist or principal of a lobbyist, valued in excess of \$100; and

WHEREAS, the Governor accepts the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the Commission on Ethics Final Order and Public Report No. 17-023.

NOW THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, in obedience to my constitutional duty to take care that the laws be faithfully executed, and pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida, issue this Executive Order, effective immediately, declaring that:

1. Edward B. Braddy violated section 112.3148(4), Florida Statutes, by knowingly accepting a gift(s) from a lobbyist or principal of a lobbyist, valued in excess of \$100.

2. A civil penalty in the amount of \$4,000 for the violation of section 112.3148(4), Florida Statutes, is hereby imposed against Braddy, which shall be satisfied within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order. Payment must be submitted with a written statement under oath by Braddy that the penalty amount was not paid with public funds and will not be reimbursed with public funds.

4. Edward B. Braddy is hereby publicly censured and reprimanded.



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 8th day of June, 2017.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Scott", written over a horizontal line.

RICK SCOTT, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ken Ritzman", written over a horizontal line.
SECRETARY OF STATE

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