STATE OF FLORIDA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 19-131

WHEREAS, the Honorable KATHERINE FERNANDEZ RUNDLE, State Attorney for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, was previously assigned by Executive Order 17-137, extended by Executive Order 18-92, to the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of Florida to represent the State of Florida concerning charges pending against Marcus Jackson and Dontavious Polk; and

WHEREAS, the Assigned State Attorney has advised the Governor that the duties required by the previous executive assignment have not yet been completed as Administrative Order 2019-33 was issued temporarily appointing a circuit court judge as administrator to hold an evidentiary hearing and make findings of fact as to whether Marcus Jackson timely requested counsel to file a notice of appeal. The case against co-defendant Dontavious Polk was dismissed; and

WHEREAS, the Assigned State Attorney 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 State Attorney 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 17-137, extended by Executive Order 18-92, is reaffirmed and the executive assignment is extended for an additional period of one (1) year, to and including May 1, 2020. Section 2.

The Assigned State Attorney shall notify the Governor on or before April 1, 2020, 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 24th day of May, 2019.

RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Ru SECRETARY OF STATE

