STATE OF FLORIDA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 19-166

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2019, I, Governor Ron DeSantis, issued Executive Order 19-13 suspending Mary Beth Jackson from the office of Superintendent of Schools for Okaloosa County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Mary Beth Jackson is challenging the suspension in front of the Florida Senate pursuant to Article IV, section 7(b) of the Florida Constitution; and

WHEREAS, Article IV, section 7(a), Florida Constitution provides that a suspended officer may be reinstated by the Governor at any time prior to removal;

WHEREAS, in expectation of Mary Beth Jackson's imminent resignation, our efforts should be focused on ensuring a safe learning environment, protecting the students of Okaloosa County, and allowing the school district to move forward with new leadership;

NOW THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, Governor of Florida, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7(a), Florida Constitution, issue this Executive Order:

Section 1. Effective immediately, Mary Beth Jackson is reinstated to the public office she held at the time of the above-mentioned suspension, to wit: Superintendent of Schools for Okaloosa County, Florida.

Section 2. Effective immediately, Executive Order 19-13 is revoked and the suspension of Mary Beth

Jackson is terminated.



of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 17th day of July, 2019

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State

RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

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