STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 20-301

(DISSOLVING EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-283)

WHEREAS, Executive Order 20-283 was issued on November 17, 2020, assigning the Honorable ARAMIS D. AYALA, State Attorney for the Ninth Judicial Circuit, to the Tenth Judicial Circuit to represent the State of Florida concerning a complaint filed against Brandon Vitola for grand theft, dealing in stolen property, scheme to defraud and petit theft; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable ARAMIS D. AYALA has recently become aware that the accused has a relative and a relative by marriage that are employed by the state attorney's office in the Ninth Judicial Circuit, and to avoid a conflict of interest or any appearance of impropriety, has voluntarily disqualified herself and has requested the executive assignment of another State Attorney with respect to the investigation and prosecution of this case and all related matters; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the State of Florida and of the ends of justice to dissolve Executive Order 20-283.

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 20-283 is hereby dissolved.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, this 8th day of December, 2020.

RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR