STATE OF FLORIDA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 21-31 (AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER 19-200, AS EXTENDED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-218)

WHEREAS, Executive Order 19-200, as extended by Executive Order 20-218, was issued assigning the State Attorney for the Eighth Judicial Circuit to the First Judicial Circuit to represent the State of Florida concerning a court-granted new trial for Jimmy L. Ates; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable GINGER BOWDEN MADDEN is the newly elected State Attorney for the First Judicial Circuit of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the original conflict for this case was related to State Attorney William Eddins, the previous State Attorney for the First Judicial Circuit of Florida, and the Honorable GINGER BOWDEN MADDEN has informed the Executive Office of the Governor that there is no longer a conflict in this case for the State Attorney's Office in the First Judicial Circuit of Florida; and

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 19-200, as extended by Executive Order 20-218, is hereby amended to revise the end of the effective period of the Executive Order from September 16, 2021 to February 9, 2021.

Section 2.

Based on the revision of the end of the effective period for Executive Order 19-200, as extended by Executive Order 20-218, the court-granted new trial for Jimmy L. Ates and all matters related to Jimmy L. Ates shall hereby revert to the Honorable GINGER BOWDEN MADDEN, State Attorney for the First Judicial Circuit of Florida.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, this 9th day of February, 2021.

RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

