

# State of Florida

## RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, line-of-duty deaths of U.S. law enforcement officers in 2020 have already greatly exceeded those for 2019, with 179 line-of-duty deaths as of September 1, 2020, compared to 147 in all of 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, thirty-three law enforcement officers have been feloniously killed nationwide as of September 1, 2020, compared to thirty as of the same time last year; and

**WHEREAS**, thirty-one law enforcement officers have been accidentally killed nationwide as of September 1, 2020, compared to twenty-nine as of the same time last year; and

**WHEREAS**, twelve Florida law enforcement officers have died in the line of duty as of September 1, 2020, compared to eight in all of 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 has presented a deadly threat to all first responders, and particularly law enforcement officers, claiming the lives of nearly one hundred law enforcement officers nationwide, and nine law enforcement officers in Florida, as of September 1, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, despite the unique dangers to which they have been exposed, American law enforcement officers have continuously and courageously responded to the call of duty throughout 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Florida Police Chiefs Association and the Florida Sheriffs Association have designated the month of September 2020 to honor the service and sacrifice of Florida law enforcement officers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor and Cabinet of the State of Florida support and honor the men and women of law enforcement in Florida and nationwide; and commend them for their service and sacrifice.

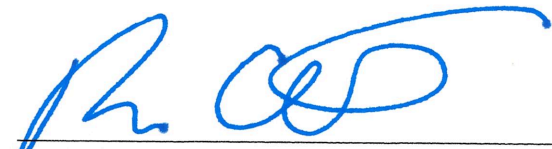
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governor and Cabinet of the State of Florida do hereby recognize the month of September, 2020 as

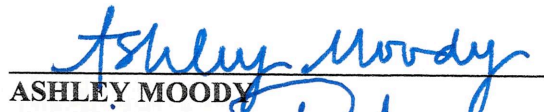
### **FLORIDA LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICE AND SACRIFICE MONTH**

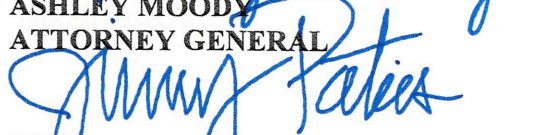
in the State of Florida, and encourage all Florida residents to recognize the service and sacrifice of Florida's law enforcement officers.

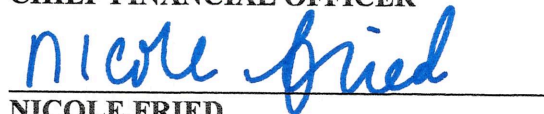
**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, the Governor and Cabinet of the State of Florida have hereunto subscribed their names and have caused the Official Seal of the State of Florida to be hereunto affixed in the City of Tallahassee this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2020.



  
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GOVERNOR

  
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