## Attorney General Moody's Week In Review - May 7, 2021



Since the COVID-19 pandemic struck Florida last year, I have made it my mission to protect Floridians from scams and fraud related to the health crisis. Our Rapid Response Team mobilized and began taking reports from Floridians about outrageously priced essential commodities and scams. Through quick action by my office, these items were often removed from online platforms or the prices were reduced.

This week, I announced another milestone in our efforts to deter price gouging and protect Floridians.

Since activating Florida's Price Gouging Hotline to take reports of COVID-related price gouging, scams and deceptive business practices, our Consumer Protection Division has recovered more than \$3 million for consumers. These efforts would not be possible without the help of the thousands of consumers who contacted our office.

While this is great news, our work is far from over. My Rapid Response Team

continues to aggressively pursue allegations of extreme price increases and scams targeting Floridians.

If you suspect price gouging or any COVID-19 related scam, report it to my office by calling 1(866) 9NO-SCAM, visiting MyFloridaLegal.com, or downloading our Price Gouging Reporting App—NO SCAM.

By continuing to report instances of price gouging and helping us stop scams, we will build a Stronger, Safer Florida.



## In The News

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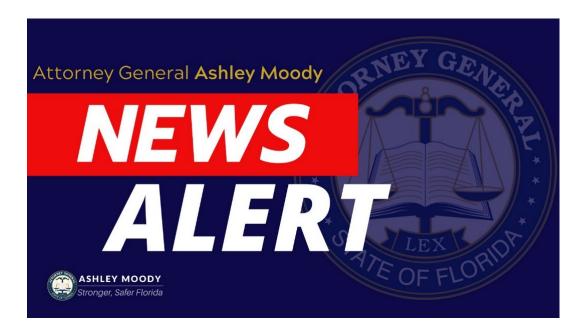
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## **Protecting Floridians**

Attorney General Moody Presents Resolution Honoring Florida Highway Patrol Auxiliary Troopers



Attorney General Ashley Moody presented a Cabinet resolution honoring auxiliary and reserve troopers throughout the state of Florida. Florida Highway Patrol Auxiliary Major Stephen Pigott, with 50 years as a volunteer service member of the FHP Auxiliary, accepted the resolution on behalf of all volunteer law enforcement officers. These volunteer members of law enforcement take as many risks as full-time officers, for no monetary benefit. Governor Ron DeSantis and the Florida Cabinet passed the resolution unanimously during a Cabinet meeting.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, "I am proud to serve alongside Florida's great Florida Highway Patrol Auxiliary troopers. I was so inspired by Major Pigott's 50 years of service that I wanted to present him with a Cabinet resolution honoring him and all of Florida's auxiliary volunteers. We owe a debt of gratitude to Major Pigott and Florida's more than 200 FHP Auxiliary troopers who have donated more than 200,000 hours of service over the last three years. They play a major role in helping build a Stronger, Safer Florida." Read More

## **Events**

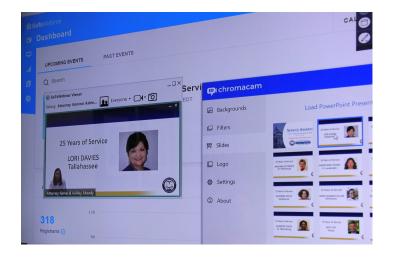
This week, Attorney General Ashley Moody honored Florida Highway Patrol's Auxiliary Troopers by presenting a resolution at a Florida Cabinet Meeting. Attorney General Moody presented the resolution to FHP Auxiliary Major Stephen Pigott, who has served for 50 years as a volunteer service member of the FHP Auxiliary. To watch the Florida Cabinet Meeting, click here.



From left to right: FHP Director Col. Gene Spaulding, Attorney General Moody, FHP Auxiliary Maj. Stephen Pigott and Millie Pigott

Attorney General Moody recognizing Office of the Attorney General's team members' service during the virtual 1st Quarter Service Awards ceremony.





Attorney General Moody, with her husband, Justin, speaking at the Tampa Bay National Day of Prayer Brunch.



Attorney General Moody congratulates Michelle Johnson, a Capital Appeals Victim Advocate, for being named the North Florida, Big Bend Victim Advocate Coalition's Victim Advocate of the Year!

