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Secretary

November 22, 2022

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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Re: Executive Order of Suspension, Exec. Order No. 22-215

Dear Mr. Martinez:

Earlier today, pursuant to Section 3 of Article III of Florida's Constitution, the Senate formally organized for the 2022-24 Legislative Term and elected Senator Kathleen Passidomo as Senate President. I am directed by the President to contact you regarding Executive Order 22-215 in which the Governor suspended you from office as a member of the Miami Dade County Commission.

Pursuant to Article IV, s. 7(b) of the Florida Constitution, the Florida Senate may either remove you from office or reinstate you to office. You have a right to a hearing conducted in accordance with Part V, Chapter 112, Florida Statutes and Senate Rule 12.

However, Senate Rule 12.9 (2) requires all inquiry, investigation, or hearings be held in abeyance and not be considered by the Senate until pending charges are dismissed or until final determination of the criminal charges is rendered, including the exhaustion of all appellate remedies. Given the criminal charges against you, this matter will be held in abeyance by President Passidomo pursuant to Senate Rule 12.9(2).

At the conclusion of the pending criminal matter, should you wish to have a hearing, please submit a written request to the Office of the Senate Secretary. To ensure timely correspondence, until you receive a notice of final action on this matter, it is your responsibility to make sure that the Senate has your correct contact information.

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If you have any questions concerning this notice, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully,



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