STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 21-224

(Special Elections – Senate District 33, House District 88, and House District 94)

WHEREAS, section 100.101(2), Florida Statutes, provides that a vacancy in the membership of the State Senate or the State House of Representatives shall be filled by special election; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to article X, section 3 of the Florida Constitution, and section 114.01(1)(d), Florida Statutes, vacancies now exist in the State Senate and the State House of Representatives due to the resignations of Senator Perry E. Thurston, Jr., Senate District 33, Representative Omari J. Hardy, House District 88, and Representative Bobby B. DuBose, House District 94; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 100.141(1), Florida Statutes, the Governor, after consultation with the Secretary of State, shall issue an order declaring the dates on which the special elections shall be held; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 100.111(2), Florida Statutes, prior to setting the special election dates, the Governor shall consider any upcoming elections in the jurisdictions where the special elections will be held; and

WHEREAS, an upcoming election is scheduled to be held in Congressional District 20, if necessary, on January 11, 2022; and

WHEREAS, upcoming elections are scheduled to be held in Broward County and Palm Beach County on March 8, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, as 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 promulgate the following Executive Order, to take immediate effect:

Section 1. A Special Election shall be held in Senate District 33, House District 88, and House District 94 to fill the vacancies in the State Senate and the State House of Representatives.

Section 2. A Special Primary Election shall be held on January 11, 2022.

Section 3. A Special Election shall be held on March 8, 2022, if necessary, to select the State Senator for Senate District 33, the State Representative for House District 88, and the State Representative for House District 94.

<u>Section 4.</u> The Secretary of State shall work to implement other scheduling requirements for these special elections.

October, 2021.

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RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, this 27th day of

ATTEST:

ECRETARY OF STATE