

STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 2021E-18

WHEREAS, the State of Florida Commission on Ethics has issued Final Order and Public Report No. 20-090; and

WHEREAS, the Governor accepts the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the Commission on Ethics Final Order and Public Report No. 20-090, In re Julia Botel; and

WHEREAS, Julia Botel is at all times material hereto a member of the City Council of the City of Riviera Beach and as such was subject to the provisions of the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, Part III of Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, and subject to the jurisdictions of the Commission on Ethics; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, Governor of Florida, in obedience to my constitutional duty to take care that the laws be faithfully executed, and pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Florida, issue this Executive Order, effective immediately, declaring that:

1. Julia Botel violated section 112.313(6), Florida Statutes, by using her public office address at City Hall for her non-profit's address on its articles of incorporation; section 112.313(6), Florida Statutes, by using her public office Facebook page to solicit donations for "Friends of Riviera Beach Schools, Inc." a non-profit organization; and section 112.313(6), Florida Statutes, by using her official email account to solicit donations from the principal of a lobbyist of the City for "Friends of Riviera Beach Schools Inc."

2. Julia Botel is hereby publicly censured and reprimanded.



Ron DeSantis

GOVERNOR

DATE: January 28, 2021

By:

James Uthmeier

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On behalf of and by the authority of Governor Ron DeSantis

ATTEST:

Laurel M. Lee

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
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