

STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 23-241

(Extension of Executive Order 22-213 - Activation of the Florida National Guard to Assist the Department of Corrections)

WHEREAS, on September 9, 2022, I issued Executive Order 22-213, activating members of the Florida National Guard to assist the Department of Corrections (Department) at correctional institutions where there were critical staffing shortages; and

WHEREAS, since the issuance of Executive Order 22-213, the Department has experienced improved hiring trends and the vacancy rate for correctional officers has decreased; and

WHEREAS, on June 2, 2023, I issued Executive Order 23-117, which extended Executive Order 22-213 for a period of six months from the date of expiration; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 22-213, as subsequently extended by Executive Order 23-117, expires on December 9, 2023, unless extended; and

WHEREAS, an extension of Executive Order 22-213 is necessary because ongoing staffing shortages, although much improved, continue to threaten the safety of officers, inmates, and the public; and

WHEREAS, the temporary assistance of the Florida National Guard has proven necessary for the care, custody, and control of inmates.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, Governor of Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in me by article IV, section 1, subsections (a) and (d) of the Florida Constitution and section 250.06(4) and (5) of the Florida Statutes do hereby declare as follows:

Section 1. All provisions of Executive Order 22-213 are renewed for six months following the expiration of Executive Order 23-117.

Section 2. Executive Order 22-213 is ratified and reaffirmed.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, this 8th day of December, 2023.



RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



SECRETARY OF STATE

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FL

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