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The Honorable Annette Taddeo Florida Senate 404 South Monroe Street, Room 210 SOB Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100

Re: SB 196 Electronic Payment of Governmental Fees

Dear Senator Taddeo:

We write to express our support for Senate Bill 196, requiring agencies to provide an electronic payment option for fees associated with inspecting and copying electronic payments. We welcome any effort to make public records more accessible, including by providing additional means to pay for such records.

If there is anything we can do to help with the passage of this legislation, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Pamela C. Marsh, President

Cc: The Honorable Bill Galvano, President, The Florida Senate

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