

## FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION Resolution 2019-1

## Florida Sheriffs Association Resolution in Support of the Constitutional Right to Bail

WHEREAS, the right to bail is a fundamental constitutional right protected by the Eighth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States and State constitutions;

WHEREAS, striking the right balance between ensuring the accountability of a defendant to appear in court, protect public safety, guarantee the rights of victims of crime including having their day in court, and the right of due process in the criminal justice system is of paramount importance;

## NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

The Florida Sheriffs Association opposes any efforts to eliminate the bail system, including the option for judges to set proper and sufficient bail amounts within their unhampered discretion.

THIS RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP OF THE FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION ON THE  $30^{TH}$  DAY OF JULY 2019.

FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION:

**ATTEST:** 

Sheriff Mark Hunter

Mark Hunter

**President** 

Steve Casey
Executive Director