



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: On September 28, 2022, Mr. Richard D. Morgan, Sheriff of Miller County, was indicted on one count of Violation of Oath of Public Officer and one count of Sexual Battery; and

WHEREAS: The indictment was transmitted to the Governor pursuant to Code Section 45-5-6(b), and the certified copy was received on September 29, 2022; and

WHEREAS: An Executive Order was issued on October 18, 2022, appointing members to the Review Commission to determine whether the indictment relates to and adversely affects the administration of the Office of the Miller County Sheriff such that the rights and interests of the public are adversely affected; and

WHEREAS: By report dated October 25, 2022, the Review Commission found that the indictment of Mr. Richard D. Morgan does relate to and does adversely affect the administration of the Office of the Miller County Sheriff, and that the rights and interests of the public are adversely affected thereby; and recommended that Sheriff Morgan be suspended from office pursuant to the provisions of Code Section 45-5-6.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO CODE SECTION 45-5-6 AND THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That Mr. Richard D. Morgan is hereby suspended from office immediately and without further action pending the final disposition of the case or until the expiration of his term of office, whichever occurs first, as provided in Code Section 45-5-6(c).

This 26th day of October 2022.

GOVERNOR