

## 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 by 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:** The fourteen-day period following receipt of the indictment as prescribed by Code Section 45-5-6(e) has passed.

## 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 Attorney General Christopher Carr, Sheriff Rod Howell of Colquitt County, and Sheriff Ashley Paulk of Lowndes County are hereby appointed as the review commission to determine whether the above-mention indictment relates to and adversely affects the administration of the Office of the Miller County Sheriff and that the rights and interests of the public are adversely affected thereby, and to make a written report to me within fourteen days with a recommendation as to whether Sheriff Morgan should be suspended from office as required by Code Section 45-5-6(c).

This 18<sup>th</sup> day of October 2022.

GOVERNOR