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SAO9 COMMUNITY HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN

ORLANDO, FL – The State Attorney’s Office for the Ninth Judicial Circuit has stepped in to perform its part in the process to curbing the spread of the Coronavirus “COVID-19” by implementing the “Community Health and Safety Plan.” During this time, we are all acutely aware of the responsibility we have to seek justice on behalf of the citizens of Orange and Osceola Counties. Given the very severe threat posed by COVID-19, our responsibility to seek justice must be balanced with practices that keep our community healthy through strategies that limit the spread of COVID-19. Every individual, business and public agency has a duty to help flatten the curve of the pandemic’s growth—criminal justice agencies are no exception. The implications of COVID-19 spreading through the jails would pose a significant health risk to corrections officers, civilian jail employees, court personnel and the overall inmate population. This could also result in a major disruption to the criminal justice system.

We’ve had multiple requests from the media regarding this policy. As a result, we will host a press conference tomorrow morning at 9:30 AM in the State Attorney’s Conference Center. Due to restrictions imposed by COVID-19, we ask that you confirm your attendance by reaching out to: KMulfort@sao9.org.

For general media inquiries, please contact: PIO@sao9.org.

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