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The Honorable Charlie Crist
Governor of Florida
The Capitol
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0001

The Honorable Bill McCollum
Attorney General of Florida
The Capitol
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1050

The Honorable Charles Bronson
Commissioner of Agriculture
The Capitol
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0800

Dear Governor Crist and Members of the Cabinet:

In light of the pending January 4, 2011, retirement of Commissioner Fred Dunphy, and to avoid the critical work of the Commission from being interrupted by a six-month search process, I would like to propose that the Governor and Cabinet appoint his replacement at the September 28, 2010, Cabinet Meeting with an effective starting date of January 4, 2011. This sitting Cabinet re-appointed Commissioner Dunphy to a six-year term on August 12, 2008, and should have the responsibility to name his replacement.

I recommend that the Parole Qualifications Committee submit three names to the Governor and Cabinet for consideration from the list of applicants they have already interviewed. I have attached a copy of a letter from the Parole Qualifications Committee, who recommended that both appointments of Tena Pate's expired seat and the pending opening of Commissioner Dunphy's seat be selected from the current list of reviewed applicants.

Thank you for considering this recommendation; I look forward to hearing your decision on this very important matter.

Sincerely,

Alex Sink

cc: Florida Parole Commission
Parole Qualifications Committee