

STATE OF FLORIDA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 16-164

WHEREAS, Robert William Wolfe is presently serving as Mayor for the City of Tavares, Florida; and

WHEREAS, on July 13, 2016, Robert William Wolfe was charged by Information with Insurance Fraud (Less Than \$20,000), a third-degree felony in violation of section 817.234, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, section 112.51(2), Florida Statutes, provides that the Governor may suspend from office any elected municipal officer who is informed against for the commission of a state felony or misdemeanor; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents of the City of Tavares, and the citizens of the State of Florida, that Robert William Wolfe be immediately suspended from the public office, which he now holds, upon the grounds set forth in this executive order.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICK SCOTT, Governor of Florida, pursuant to section 112.51, Florida Statutes, find as follows:

- A. Robert William Wolfe is, and at all times material hereto was, Mayor for the City of Tavares, Florida.
- B. The office of Mayor for the City of Tavares, Florida, is within the purview of the suspension powers of the Governor, pursuant to section 112.51, Florida Statutes.
- C. On July 13, 2016, Robert William Wolfe was charged with Insurance Fraud (Less Than \$20,000), a third-degree felony in violation of section 817.234, Florida

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Statutes, as evidenced by the attached Information filed in the Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida, which is incorporated as if fully set forth in this Executive Order.

BEING FULLY ADVISED in the premises, and in accordance with the Constitution and the Laws of the State of Florida, this Executive Order is issued, effective immediately:

Section 1. Robert William Wolfe is suspended from the public office, which he now holds, to wit: Mayor for the City of Tavares, Florida.

Section 2. Robert William Wolfe is prohibited from performing any official act, duty, or function of public office; from receiving any pay or allowance; and from being entitled to any of the emoluments or privileges of public office during the period of this suspension, which period shall be from today, until further Executive Order is issued, or as otherwise provided by law.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at The Capitol, Tallahassee, Florida, this 14th day of July, 2016.



RICK SCOTT, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR LAKE COUNTY

THE STATE OF FLORIDA

CASE NO. 2016-CF-001788-A-01

vs

INFORMATION

ROBERT WILLIAM WOLFE

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

BRAD KING, State Attorney of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of the State of Florida, in and for Lake County prosecuting for the State of Florida, by and through the undersigned Assistant State Attorney, in the said County, under oath, information makes that: ROBERT WILLIAM WOLFE (R/G: W/M, DOB: 02/21/1969) in the County of Lake, and the State of Florida, on or about the 13th day of February in the year of Our Lord, twenty-sixteen through the 2nd day of March in the year of Our Lord, twenty-sixteen:

COUNT I

INSURANCE FRAUD (F3)

817.234(1)(a)1 and 817.234(11)(a)

did, with the intent to defraud or deceive Security First Insurance, present an oral or written statement as part of, or in support of, a claim for payment pursuant to an insurance policy, knowing that such statement contained false, incomplete, or misleading information concerning any fact or thing material to such claim, to wit, claim for payment for alternative living expenses due to displacement from his primary residence, in violation of Florida Statute 817.234(1)(a)1 and 817.234(11)(a),

contrary to the form of the statute in such cases made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Florida.

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Personally appeared before me, BRAD KING, State Attorney for the Fifth Judicial Circuit, State of Florida, in and for Lake County, State of Florida, or his duly designated Assistant State Attorney, who first being sworn, says that the allegations as set forth in the foregoing information are based upon facts that have been sworn to as true, and which if true, would constitute the offense therein charged. Prosecution instituted in good faith and subscribed under oath, certifying he has received testimony under oath from the material witness or witnesses of the offense.



Walter Andrew Forgie, Assistant to BRAD KING State Attorney,
Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida
Florida Bar No. 0280800

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of July, 2016.

JOY WHITEHEAD

Affiant Personally Known to Notary Public