



January 16, 2019

The Honorable Ron DeSantis, Governor
The Capitol
Tallahassee, FL 32399
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Dear Governor DeSantis:

The Board of Directors of the Florida Keys Fishing Guides Association ("FKFGA") wish to express our support of your call for the resignation of the entire South Florida Water Management District's ("SFWMD") board and your Executive Order designating \$2.5 billion over the next four years towards Everglades restoration and the protection of our water resources.

For far too long the members of the SFWMD have ignored the worsening water crisis we face in South Florida. Our demands are simple, yet critical for Florida's water-based economy – expedite Everglades restoration projects, make polluters pay to clean up their discharges and restore fresh water flowing south to Florida Bay.

The FKFGA strongly urges the six remaining SFWMD board members – Chairman Federico Fernandez, Rick Barber, Brandon Tucker, Jim Moran, Jaime Weisinger and Sam Accursio – to heed the Governor's call to resign.

Established in 1956, the FKFGA is one of the oldest conservation organizations in the state of Florida fighting for clean water and a bright future and we applaud your efforts on this front.

Thank you for your support,

Capt. Steve Friedman
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