

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA**

SPECIAL ORDER

**VACATING JUNE 4, 2020, SPECIAL ORDER CANCELING AND DIRECTING THE
RESCHEDULING OF FORECLOSURE SALES DURING COVID-19 EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, on June 4, 2020, the Court entered a Special Order Canceling and Directing the Rescheduling of Foreclosure Sales During COVID-19 Emergency (hereinafter “Foreclosure Relief Special Order”) in response to Governor Ron DeSantis’ Executive Order Numbers 20-94 and 20-137 that “suspend[ed] and toll[ed] any statute providing for a mortgage foreclosure cause of action under Florida law for 45 days from the date of [the] Executive Order, including any extensions”; and

WHEREAS, the Foreclosure Relief Special Order cancelled all foreclosure sales previously scheduled and directed that the sales be rescheduled to a date after expiration of the Governor’s Executive Order Number 20-94, including any extensions; and

WHEREAS, on July 29, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-180 that limited the extension of mortgage foreclosure relief to “single-family mortgagors and residential tenants adversely affected by the COVID-19 emergency” and defined “adversely affected by the COVID-19 emergency [to] mean[] loss of employment, diminished wages or business income, or other monetary loss realized during the Florida State of Emergency directly impacting the ability of a single-family mortgagor to make mortgage payments”;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the Court’s June 4, 2020, Special Order Canceling and Directing the Rescheduling of Foreclosure Sales During COVID-19 Emergency is **VACATED** immediately upon entry of this Special Order.

DONE AND ORDERED in Bartow on this 7th day of August, 2020.

s/ELLEN S. MASTERS, CHIEF JUDGE

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