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Dear Governor,

I am very concerned that the State of Florida has resumed executions after 18 months without them, and I urge you to take action immediately to stop them again.

A majority of the countries in the world have turned their backs on this risky, costly and unnecessary punishment, and in recent years several states in the USA have also stopped executions. The annual number of death sentences in the country is at historic lows now that the flaws of the death penalty have become widely recognized. Two current US Supreme Court Justices consider that the error prone nature of capital justice in the USA, along with its arbitrariness, discrimination and bias, have likely rendered the death penalty unconstitutional.

Florida is a troubling part of this picture. For example, it leads the states in the number of wrongful convictions uncovered in capital cases.

Please do not allow executions in Florida, but instead work for acceptable alternatives. Execution does not equal justice.

Sincerely,