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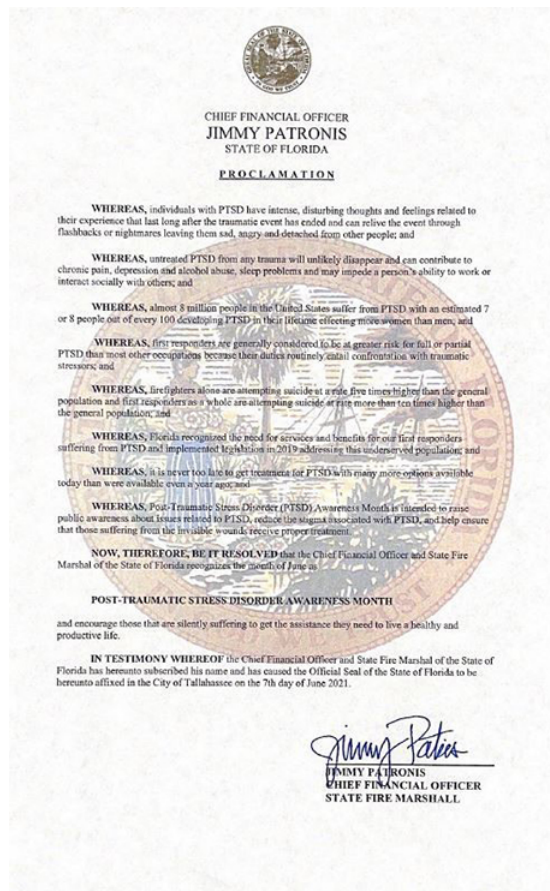
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Floridians,

On Monday, in recognition of June as Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) Awareness Month, I issued a [proclamation](#) recognizing the mental health challenges facing Florida's first responders.

Every day, 365 days a year, 7 days a week, our first responders are the frontlines of our communities, responding to emergency calls. On a daily basis, they see awful things that most people will not see in an entire lifetime. PTSD within our first responder community is real and firefighters alone attempt suicide at a much higher rate than the general population. Let's come together to raise awareness and provide support and resources for our first responders to ensure no one fights alone.



On Wednesday, I [addressed](#) the Enterprise Florida, Inc.'s (EFI) June board meeting and praised Governor DeSantis' decision to end enhanced jobless benefits and criticized the Biden Administration for incentivizing individuals not to go back to work. In May, the national workforce dropped by 53,000.

As someone who spent nearly their entire professional career in the restaurant business, I know firsthand the struggles these men and women face every day. I cannot imagine trying to navigate the business environment the Federal government has created. It's time to get people back to work. The fact is the Biden administration has shoved Americans out of the labor force. I saw firsthand how these businesses were putting everything on the credit card to stay afloat. Now they're having trouble hiring and are

increasing prices. I applaud Governor DeSantis' decision to end the enhanced jobless benefit, which will ensure our businesses have the available workforce they need to succeed.

Lastly, on Tuesday, I **warned** Florida consumers to beware of mobile phone app fraud as a recent report suggests nearly two percent of the top 1,000 App Store titles are some form of scam. While many apps are legitimate, some are created to steal your personal information and possibly your hard-earned money. Florida consumers must be on the lookout for app scams and know the warning signs to avoid falling victim to a fraud scheme. Parents should educate kids on apps to avoid and closely monitor app downloads in your household. If you feel you have become the victim of an app scam, delete the app immediately and monitor your financial accounts closely for any fraudulent charges.

I hope you have a great weekend!

Sincerely,



Jimmy Patronis
Chief Financial Officer
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