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FCOR CHAIR TENA M. PATE ELECTED 2015-16 APAI VICE PRESIDENT

TALLAHASSEE, FLA- Florida Commission on Offender Review (FCOR) Chair Tena M. Pate was recently elected as Vice President to the Association of Paroling Authorities International (APAI) Board of Directors for the 2015-16 term, where she also serves as chair of the association's Victims Committee.

Chair Pate has more than 30 years of experience in criminal justice and government relations and was initially appointed to the Commission on Offender Review in 2003. She is currently in her fifth year serving as Commission Chair. Prior to her appointment to the Commission, Pate served in the administrations of four of Florida's Governors (Martinez, Chiles, MacKay and Bush). She has also served on the Florida Supreme Court's Florida Innocence Commission and is a member of the Attorney General's Statewide Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team, the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency, the Florida Police Chiefs Association, Leadership Florida, Leadership Tallahassee, and is a graduate of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Chief Executive Seminar.

Through innovative programming in victims' services, crime prevention education and supervision measures, FCOR has become an internationally-recognized public safety leader and is frequently asked to share best practices with similar entities including parole boards in Canada, Rhode Island and Arkansas, the National Parole Resource Center and the National Institute on Corrections.

APAI is a global association dedicated to the accomplishment of public safety and successful offender reentry through training, education, standards of evidence-based research and best practices, providing peer-based technical assistance and support in collaboration with strategic partners. More information about the organization is available at <http://apaintl.org/>.

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The Florida Commission on Offender Review (FCOR) (formerly the Florida Parole Commission), is a constitutionally authorized, quasi-judicial, decision-making body which has been serving the citizens of this state since 1941. The Commission holds offenders accountable for their behaviors and ensures public safety through its careful selection of offenders for re-entry into society by administering parole, conditional medical release, control release, conditional release, and addiction recovery release supervision. The Commission also acts as the investigative arm of the Governor and Cabinet, sitting as the Board of Executive Clemency in clemency matters. The Commission's mission is to ensure public safety and provide victim assistance through the post prison release process.