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June 23, 2023

Chief Sam Taylor  
Lakeland Police Department

*Via hand delivery*

Re: FDLE Use of Force Investigation  
Case #: TM-14-0193

Dear Chief Taylor,

I enclose, for your review, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) Report in the above-referenced matter. Based upon the factual findings of the investigation, my office will take no further action regarding the improper use of force complaint made by Defendant Antwan Glover.

The FDLE Report is the result of a thorough and comprehensive investigation, performed by multiple FDLE Agents. From my review of the report, it is clear to me that during his arrest on December 18, 2022, Antwan Glover presented an ongoing and escalating threat to the Lakeland Police Officers. Glover is very familiar with arrest procedures, as his record reflects being arrested more than ten times during his life. Glover refused the lawful command of the officers, made the decision to actively fight them and aggressively and violently prevented the officers from securing a satchel that was strapped to his body. The officers, with good reason, suspected the satchel contained a deadly weapon.

Officers made multiple attempts to secure Glover by using body blows, leg sweeps, and other less-than-lethal tactics, including two attempts to tase him. None of these tactics were successful. The violence that Glover offered against the officers escalated to the point of one of the officers being placed in a headlock. One of the officers on scene, Officer Anton Jefferson, expressed serious concern that Glover was going to choke Officer Cornn. Officer Jefferson stated: “[Glover] reached up and wrapped his entire arm around Officer Cornn’s neck...and had

him in a headlock.” Officer Jefferson further stated that the headlock continued for a period of time to cause Officer Jefferson to fear for Officer Cornn’s wellbeing. According to Officer Jefferson, even after Officer Cornn was able to escape the headlock, Glover was “still fighting, kicking and punching.”

The partial video of the arrest described herein that was circulated by the defendant is a misleading representation of the entire incident. The complete FDLE report provides critical context and information that leads to my conclusion that no charges are appropriate against any Lakeland Police Officer involved in this arrest.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian Haas". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Brian Haas  
State Attorney  
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