

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

CITY OF TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

Petitioner,

CASE NO.: SC21-651

L.T. Nos.: 1D20-2193

37-2020-CA-001011

v.

FLORIDA POLICE BENEVOLENT
ASSOCIATION, INC., JOHN DOE 1,
and JOHN DOE 2,

Respondents.

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**NOTICE OF INTENT TO SEEK LEAVE TO FILE AMICUS CURIAE
BRIEF OF THE REPORTERS COMMITTEE FOR FREEDOM OF
THE PRESS, THE BRECHNER CENTER FOR FREEDOM OF
INFORMATION, AND THE SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL
JOURNALISTS**

Pursuant to Fla. R. App. P. 9.370(d), by counsel, the Joseph L. Brechner Center for Freedom of Information at the University of Florida (“the Brechner Center”), the Reporters’ Committee for Freedom of the Press, and the Society of Professional Journalists Florida Pro Chapter provide notice of their intent to seek leave to file an amicus curiae brief in support of Petitioner, City of Tallahassee and Intervenor should this Court accept jurisdiction in this case.

Amici are interested in participating in this matter as its disposition and outcome could have broad implications not only for

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the news media but also for any person seeking access to records held by law enforcement agencies across Florida, and implications for people who are interested in crime and law enforcement's response, subjects that are always of great public concern.

Amici would provide perspectives from non-profit organizations and open government advocates who work in the public interest to advance our constitutional framework including matters of open government, self-government, government accountability, and an informed citizenry.¹

Respectfully submitted,

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