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Newly Appointed Chairman Cements Strong, Focused Workforce Florida Inc. Board
Governor Rick Scott's Appointment of Dwayne E. Ingram Comes at Pivotal Time for State Economic Development, Job Growth Efforts

TALLAHASSEE—Workforce Florida Inc. and its Board of Directors are key players in the state's ongoing economic development efforts, and Governor Rick Scott's appointment of board member and business executive Dwayne E. Ingram as Chairman comes at a pivotal time, said Workforce Florida President and CEO Chris Hart IV.

President Hart lauded Governor Scott's decision to appoint Ingram, Executive Vice President for Amadeus Americas, as Chairman of the Board. The selection follows several recent board reappointments and new appointments, and comes as Workforce Florida works with the newly formed Department of Economic Opportunity as well as Enterprise Florida Inc. — and other collaborative partners — to execute the Governor's job creation and retention initiatives.

"Dwayne has been such an asset to our board, and I know that as Chairman he will provide the leadership and business perspective needed to build and strengthen our workforce talent pipeline," said President Hart. "I look forward to working with him, and thank Governor Scott for putting this strong business voice at the helm of our statewide workforce investment board."

Ingram, 49, of Tampa, was first appointed to the Workforce Florida Board in 2008. He expressed his deep gratitude to Governor Scott for the opportunity to lead the Workforce Florida Board and pledged to work with fellow members and partners to support the Governor's job-creation goal and the continued movement toward one cohesive strategy for growing and sustaining Florida jobs.

"We must remain laser-focused on getting Floridians back to work," Ingram said. "Through our alignment of priorities and strategies and our commitment to developing a globally competitive workforce, we can accomplish our shared goals to make Florida the top state for business and talent."

Ingram brings a strong background in business and education policy to his new role. Prior to joining Amadeus, he had more than 20 years experience in a variety of executive roles at IBM, including serving as the senior executive in Florida from 2004-2008. A graduate of Lipscomb University in Nashville, Tennessee, Ingram previously served as a resident member of the Florida Council of 100. He also was a member of the Board of Governors with the Florida Chamber of Commerce and the Center for Educational Performance & Accountability for Florida TaxWatch.

Committed to community involvement, Ingram has served on the Board of Directors for the United Way and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Tampa Bay as well as volunteering for a number of other charitable organizations.

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About Workforce Florida

Workforce Florida Inc. is the statewide workforce investment board led by business and government leaders and charged with policy setting for Florida's workforce system, which includes the Agency for Workforce Innovation, which is transitioning to the new Department of Economic Opportunity, and 24 Regional Workforce Boards. Its mission is to develop strategies that help Floridians enter, remain and advance in the workforce while supporting economic development priorities and strengthening the state's business climate. Learn more about Florida's workforce resources and solutions at www.EmployFlorida.com.

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