## EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 4-2022 (Effects of in Criminal Justice Reform)

WHEREAS, government has a fundamental responsibility to protect the welfare and safety of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Legislature approved a cashless bail system for criminal defendants and eliminated judicial discretion for many criminal cases effective January 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, between July 2020 and June 2021, reports indicate that approximately 2,050 recidivist defendants were rearrested on a violent felony while another case was pending; and

WHEREAS, between July 2020 and June 2021, reports indicate that approximately 430 recidivist defendants were rearrested for a violent felony with a firearm; and

WHEREAS, reports indicate that approximately 20 percent of bail-related cases for the aforementioned time period led to someone being rearrested for any offense, including misdemeanors and felonies; and

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Police Department does an impeccable job of providing safety and security to the residents of Nassau County; which can only be enhanced by greater dissemination of public information;

WHEREAS, given the recidivism data on defendants rearrested while released under the State of New York's cashless bail system, and the need to forewarn the public of the presence of these recidivist criminals in their community, the Nassau County Police Department will now fully inform the public with the bail status requirement ordered herein.;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **BRUCE A. BLAKEMAN**, as County Executive of the County of Nassau, by virtue of the authority vested in me by authority vested in me by the Nassau County Charter and the Laws of the State of New York, and all other applicable laws, direct that Nassau County Police Department implement new departmental policies to increase transparency by disclosing in daily reports the pending criminal case data and bail status of those rearrested by the Department. This Executive Order is effective immediately.

Dated: January 19, 2022

BRUCE A. BLAKEMAN COUNTY EXECUTIVE