



**RICK SCOTT**  
GOVERNOR

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The Honorable Michael H. Dunkley  
Government of Bermuda  
The Cabinet Office  
105 Front Street  
Hamilton, HM 12 Bermuda

Dear Premier Dunkley:

Thank you and the people of Bermuda for your condolences and support for Florida and the Orlando community that was attacked on June 12, 2016, when a terrorist proclaimed his allegiance to ISIS and opened fire at a nightclub. This tragedy was an attack on Florida, our nation, and all of us. At least 49 people were killed, and more than 50 people were injured during the attack. Their families' lives have been forever changed by this horrific incident, and I invite you to join me and Ann in saying a special prayer to help these families and our state heal.

Even when confronted with such suffering and loss, we have seen Floridians unite together. Orlando's incredible law enforcement and first responders bravely risked their lives on that horrific Sunday to engage the gunman. Their hard work every day to protect our communities has allowed Florida to achieve a 45-year crime low - and I am humbled by their service, dedication, and fortitude. The outpouring of support and hope from the Orlando community, the entire state, and our friends around the world is inspiring. Following the attack, we have seen an overwhelming response in the number of people who volunteered to donate blood, support the survivors and their families, and come together in a spirit of unity.

The coming days will be hard. We have suffered an enormous loss, and we will take time to mourn this tragedy together. Please join Ann and me in continuing to pray for strength, peace, and healing for all impacted by this horrific tragedy.

Sincerely,

Rick Scott  
Governor