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Dear readers,

When the executive editorial board was selected in January 2020, the world was a different place. In the year and a half that followed, the world underwent a drastic, sudden, and, for many, an unwelcome change. During this time, *FIU Law Review* also transitioned. Since the law review’s inception in 2004, we have been a symposium-based journal, producing issues based on ideas brought forth by our professors. However, this issue, the second of our fifteenth year and fifteenth volume, is our inaugural open submission issue, a long-term goal of our law review. The hard work of all the student editors and faculty advisors that guided and ultimately produced Volumes One through Fourteen paved the way for our student editors to further grow our journal in its fifteenth volume.

This transitional year presented challenges and difficulties that our executive editorial board did not anticipate when we assumed our roles. Through the diligence of our student editors, the guidance of our faculty advisors, the patience of our authors, and many adjustments to the circumstances of this year, we have successfully achieved our long-term goal and published the fifteenth volume of *FIU Law Review* based on author submissions. I’d like to extend my immense gratitude to everyone involved in the production of Volume Fifteen, especially to our authors, Mr. Juan Antonio Solis, Professor Rory Ryan, Professor Lynda Wray Black, Ms. Chelsea Caldwell, Professor Nicholas Georgakopoulos, and Professor Peter Huang, whose kindness, patience, and enthusiasm carried us through this transitional year. The articles featured in this issue discuss important and timely topics, which I am proud to have published in our journal. The outgoing board members and I wish continued success to future boards and to *FIU Law Review*, as it continues to transform and grow.

With gratitude,

*Sofia Perla*

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Editor in Chief, 2020–2021