

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA
TALLAHASSEE DIVISION

CAIR-FOUNDATION, INC., and
CAIR-FLORIDA, INC.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Case No.: 4:26cv315-MW/MJF

RONALD DESANTIS, et al.,

Defendants.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

This Court recognizes that Plaintiffs intend to file an amended complaint based on events that have occurred since the complaint was filed on July 1, 2026. *See* ECF No. 62 at 2 (requesting deadline by which to file amended complaint). However, “[s]tanding is determined at the time the plaintiff’s complaint is filed.” *Arcia v. Fla. Sec’y of St.*, 772 F.3d 1335, 1340 (11th Cir. 2014); *see also Falls v. DeSantis*, 2023 WL 3568526, at *1 (N.D. Fla. May 19, 2023). And here, it appears that this case has been on hold to allow events to occur that may afford Plaintiffs standing to proceed. *See, e.g.*, ECF No. 39 (July status report identifying proposed regulations that would not take effect for weeks and asserting that Plaintiffs would withdraw a pending motion for preliminary injunction).¹ Accordingly, **on or before**

¹ Defendants highlighted the potential standing issue in the parties’ joint scheduling report, ECF No. 59 at 3, and this Court believes briefing this issue now is a better use of the parties’ time

Friday, September 25, 2026, Plaintiffs must **SHOW CAUSE** why this case should not be dismissed for lack of standing. **On or before Wednesday, September 30, 2026**, Defendants shall respond to Plaintiffs' brief in response to this Order.

SO ORDERED on September 21, 2026.

s/Mark E. Walker
United States District Judge

to address this threshold jurisdictional issue before getting into the weeds of any forthcoming motion for preliminary injunction.