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The Honorable Ron DeSantis Governor of the State of Florida The Capitol 400 South Monroe Street Tallahassee, FL 32399

Dear Governor DeSantis:

I am grateful and honored that you have appointed me to serve as circuit court judge in the Ninth Judicial Circuit, Group 42, the vacancy created by the elevation of Judge Paetra Brownlee to the Sixth District Court of Appeal.

In light of this appointment, I hereby resign my position as Osceola County Court Judge, Group 4, to be effective immediately upon the issuance of my commission to the circuit court. Having consulted with the Chief Judge of the Ninth Judicial Circuit, the intended start date on the circuit bench will be November 1, 2023.

It has been a great privilege to serve the citizens of Osceola County for the past seventeen (17) years on the county bench and I'm grateful for the opportunity you have now given me to serve both Orange and Osceola counties as circuit judge.

Hal C. Epperson A.

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cc: Ryan D. Newman, General Counsel, Office of the Governor Meredith Pardo, Judicial Appointments Coordinator, Office of the Governor The Honorable Lisa Munyon, Chief Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit