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Governor DeSantis and Commissioner Corcoran,

Please accept this communication as a formal resignation as the current Superintendent of Clay County District Schools, effective March 1, 2020, at 11:59 p.m. At this time in my professional career, I am both honored and humbled to be selected as the new Superintendent for Hillsborough County Public Schools. In this capacity, I will be afforded the opportunity to use the knowledge and skills learned in both Clay and Duval County Public Schools to positively impact over 220,000 students and 24,000 employees. My journey in Hillsborough County will begin effectively on Monday, March 2, 2020.

Over the last three years as Superintendent of Clay County District Schools, we have made monumental growth in the areas of student performance, climate and culture, safety and security, school choice programs, graduation rate, career and technical education, equity of curriculum offerings, school-based supports, technology accessibility, and fiscal responsibility (including our reserve balance and district credit rating). I am incredibly proud of what our team has accomplished together in Clay and confident that established systems and processes will continue to lift Clay County District Schools as a premier educational school system in the state of Florida.

Working as the Superintendent of Clay County District Schools has been a great honor, and my decision to pursue the role of Superintendent of Hillsborough County Schools was not made lightly. I have the utmost respect for educators, community members, educational advocates, and students that I have collectively worked alongside in Clay County since being elected in 2016. Our singular vision has always been to provide world-class education and this goal remains with the current leadership in place. It has been my pleasure to graciously serve as Superintendent and work in conjunction with the state's best educators.

Over the last twenty years, I have dedicated my efforts to improving teaching and learning while ensuring that all students are provided with high-quality, rigorous educational experiences in every classroom, every day. Natalie and I have made Clay County our home for 16 years and will always be a special place in our hearts. With this said, we are equally excited about our transition to Hillsborough County and look forward to having a positive impact within our new community.

I am confident that the current leadership team in Clay County District Schools will be able to continue the upward trajectory and I am hopeful that you will select a qualified educator to lead our work. I stand ready and available to assist you and your team with professional recommendations for the interim Superintendent in whatever way possible. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Respectfully,

Addison Davis
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Superintendent of School