Judge Donald H. Mason 350 E. Marion Ave. Punta Gorda, FL 33950

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Governor Ron DeSantis Executive Office of Governor Ron DeSantis 400 S Monroe St Tallahassee, FL 32399

Dear Governor DeSantis:

Please accept this letter as official notification of my intent to retire from the position of Circuit Court Judge for the Twentieth Judicial Circuit effective June 30, 2023. It has truly been privilege and an honor to serve in this capacity since my appointment to the bench by former Governor Scott in 2012. However, at the age of seventy, I feel it is time for me to step away and focus my remaining years on family and personal interests.

I vacate this position prior to the end of my elected term confident that you will appoint someone in whom you have tremendous confidence as my replacement. I am truly grateful for having had the opportunity to serve the citizens of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit over these past ten years and wish my replacement every success in his or her future undertakings.

With the greatest respect, I am,

Judge Donald H. Mason

Cc: Judge Michael T., McHugh Mr. Jon Embry