CIRCUIT COURT THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

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Honorable Rick Scott Governor, State of Florida The Capitol 400 South Monroe Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

Dear Governor Scott:

Please accept this as my notice of retirement from the office of Circuit Judge, Group 13, Sixth Judicial Circuit of Florida, effective at midnight on March 31, 2016. It has truly been an honor to serve the citizens of Pinellas and Pasco County, the State of Florida and the Sixth Judicial Circuit as a County Judge then as a Circuit Judge.

I am providing this notice to you now so that you will have ample time to appoint a successor to fill this seat in order to avoid any further strain on our circuit's judicial resources. It would also let those who may be interested in being elected to this position know prior to the qualifying date in May, 2016, that the seat will be filled by appointment.

Respectfully submitted,

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J. Thomas McGrady Circuit Judge

Copies furnished to:

Honorable Jorge Labarga, Chief Justice Supreme Court of Florida

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