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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA Supreme Court Cause No. DA 22-0299

JAIMI L. ESPY,

Plaintiff and Appellant,

vs.

BRIAN A. LAGRECA, MD,

Defendant and Appellee.

NOTICE OF CHALLENGE TO THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF AN ACT OF THE MONTANA LEGISLATURE

Notice is given to the Supreme Court and to the Montana Attorney General that, in this action, the undersigned challenges the constitutionality of an act of the Montana legislature, namely: The cap on noneconomic damages contained in MCA § 25-9-411 (both effective and contingency versions) violates the Montana Constitution. Neither the state nor any agency or any officer or employee thereof is a party to this action in the officer's or employee's official capacity.

ı	This notice is given within 11 days of the filing of the notice of appeal, as required
by M.R	A.App.P. 27.
	DATED this <u>3rd</u> day of June, 2022.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have filed a true and accurate copy of the foregoing with the Clerk of the Montana Supreme Court and that I have served true and accurate copies of the foregoing upon the Attorney General for the State of Montana, each attorney of record, each court reporter from whom a transcript will be ordered, and each party not represented by an attorney in the above-referenced action as follows:

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Dated this 3rd day of June, 2022.

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