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BOONE JEFFERSON BLOCK,

Petitioner,

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v.

MONTANA EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, GALLATIN COUNTY, THE HONORABLE JOHN C. BROWN, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, PRESIDING Respondent

Respondent.

RESPONSE OF RESPONDENT EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, GALLATIN COUNTY, THE HONORABLE JOHN C. BROWN,

DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

BreeAnna LeeLynn Benz v. Boone Jefferson Block,

Consolidated District Court Cause Nos. DV 19-1413C and DR 19-488AX

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On March 23, 2023, the Montana Supreme Court issued an Order providing that the Respondent Eighteenth Judicial District Court in Gallatin County Consolidated Cause Nos. DV 19-1413C and DR 19-488A is granted thirty (30) days from March 23, 2023, the date of the Order, to file a summary response to Petitioner's Petition for Writ of Supervisory Control. Respondent files this Response.

Having reviewed the Petition, the Court apologizes for its delay in setting a hearing on Petitioner's request for an interim parenting plan. On April 20, 2023, in Consolidated Cause Nos. DV 19-1413C and DR 19-488A the Court issued an Order for Scheduling Conference directing counsel to appear before the Court's Law Clerk on May 9, 2023, to set a parenting plan hearing. A copy of the April 20, 2023, Order is attached as Exhibit "A".

Dated: April 21, 2023.

EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, GALLATIN COUNTY, THE HONORABLE JOHN C. BROWN, DISTRICT JUDGE

By:

John C. Brown **District Court Judge**

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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

Pursuant to Rules 11(4)(c) and 14(9)(b) of the Montana Rules of Appellate Procedure, I certify this Response is double spaced (except for point headings, footnotes and quotes), printed with proportionately space Times New Roman Type fact, 14 point, and contains 161 words as calculated by Word, excluding any certificate of service and certificate of compliance.

Date: April 21,2023

Høn. John C. Brown District Court Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Judge John C. Brown hereby certify that I have served by United States mail, postage prepaid and by email, true and accurate copies of the foregoing Response of Respondent Eighteenth Judicial District Court, Gallatin County, the Honorable John C. Brown, District Judge to the following on April 21, 2023:

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