THE SUPREME COURT OF MONTANA

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Hon. John C. Brown, Chair Judicial Nomination Commission Law and Justice Center, Room 202 615 South 16th Avenue Bozeman, MT 59715

Dear Judge Brown:

The Honorable Holly Brown has given notice of her intention to retire from her position of state district judge in the Eighteenth Judicial District effective October 2, 2020. Pursuant to Montana law, the Judicial Nomination Commission is required to solicit applications to fill the position and submit a list of nominees to the Governor. I am asking that you initiate the process as soon as possible. Attached is a proposed appointment schedule.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Mike McGrath Chief Justice

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Hon. Holly Brown

Hon. Rienne H. McElyea

Jennifer Brandon, Clerk of District Court, Gallatin County

Jim Stordahl, District Court Administrator

Beth McLaughlin, Supreme Court Administrator