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Sincerely,

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SECTION 1.

(a) There is created for Madison County an office to be known as the Madison County Juvenile Court Clerk. The Juvenile Court Clerk for Madison County shall be elected by the qualified voters of the county in the August, 1990, General Election and every four (4) years thereafter. Each candidate for the office shall be a resident of Madison County and shall possess the qualifications, powers, duties, and liabilities of the Juvenile Court Clerk as established in this act and by law for clerks of court and shall provide for child support offices for the court or courts having juvenile jurisdiction in Madison County, Tennessee.

(b) The term of office of the Juvenile Court Clerk shall be four (4) years, and until a successor is elected and qualified, with each term beginning on September 1 of the year of the election for a period of four (4) years, ending August 31. Any vacancy occurring in the office shall be filled as provided by law for other clerks of court.

(c) The Juvenile Court Clerk shall execute an official bond in the same amount and in the same manner as provided by law for clerks of circuit court, except that such bond shall be approved by a judge exercising juvenile court jurisdiction in Madison County. Such judge may require an additional bond of the Juvenile Court Clerk.

(d) The Juvenile Court Clerk shall be entitled to the same compensation as is provided by law for the circuit court clerk.

(e) The Juvenile Court Clerk shall be entitled to have the number of deputies and assistants established by using the procedure set forth in Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 20, Part 1, except that a judge exercising juvenile court jurisdiction shall hear such petition and jurisdiction of such case shall be in juvenile court.

(f) The clerk shall be allowed to demand and receive those fees for services as prescribed by and set out in Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 21, and such other fees as prescribed and authorized by law. Such monies derived from fees, fines and costs collected by the clerk shall be paid to the Madison County trustee or as otherwise designated by the county commission of Madison County.

SECTION 2. Prior to September 1, 1990, the clerk currently serving the juvenile court of Madison County shall transfer all files, records and other documents pertaining to juvenile matters in Madison County to the juvenile clerk elected pursuant to this act.

SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end, the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the county legislative body of Madison County by May 31, 1990. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the county legislative body and certified by the presiding officer of the county legislative body to the Secretary of State.

SECTION 5. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall become effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective upon being approved as provided in Section 4.

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