IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA

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IN THE MATTER OF JURISDICTION OF JUVENILE CASES AND JUVENILE **HEARING OFFICERS**

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER No. 2023-028

AMENDING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO 2023-023

In Administrative Order No. 2023-023, it was ordered that effective immediately the Superior Court's Juvenile Department would exercise non-exclusive jurisdiction over violations listed in A.R.S. §8-323(B) committed by juveniles under the age of 18 with the exception of civil traffic violations. It was further ordered that effective immediately, all Justices of the Peace in Maricopa County were appointed to serve as juvenile hearing officers solely for the purpose of hearing juvenile civil traffic violations. The purpose of the Administrative Order was to move juvenile cases involving violations listed in A.R.S. §8-323(B) from the Justice Courts to the Superior Court's Juvenile Department or the municipal court that has jurisdiction over the violations.

It has now come to this Court's attention that there are over 180 current active cases in the County's Justice Courts involving violations listed in A.R.S. §8-323(B). To give the Justice Courts time to resolve most of these active cases, IT IS HEREBY **ORDERED** reappointing all Justices of the Peace as juvenile hearing officers for any current active cases they have involving A.R.S. §8-323(B). This appointment will expire in 120 days on June 15th, 2023, at which time all Justices of the Peace in Maricopa County will continue as juvenile hearing officers for juvenile civil traffic only.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED any new juvenile violations listed in A.R.S. §8-323(B) will be cited into either Superior Court or a municipal court that has jurisdiction over the violations, with the sole exception that all civil marijuana cases involving juveniles will continue to be heard exclusively in the Superior Court, as previously ordered.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 2023.

/s/ Joseph C. Welty Hon. Joseph C. Welty Presiding Judge

Original: Clerk of the Court

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