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Hon. Sandra Adams
Chairman
Orange County Legislative Delegation
2074 Winter Springs Boulevard
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Dear Sandy:

Sadly, I must tender my resignation as Chairman and Member of the Orange County/City of Orlando Consolidation of Services Study Commission to be effective at once.

My younger brother has just been diagnosed with terminal cancer and, as his only sibling, it has become incumbent upon me to virtually commute to Southern California where he lives during the coming months starting right away.

It has always been my practice to give any assignment that comes my way my very best effort in terms of time and energy and, obviously, that will now not be possible where the "Consolidation Commission" is concerned. The people of Orange County and the City of Orlando deserve a Chairman's full attention and I'm sure my successor will give them just that.

As you will recall, the delegation elected Carolyn Fennell as it's alternate for the purpose of service on the Commission should either of its two Members be unable to serve. Staff has kept her informed and I'm sure she is ready and able to step in as a Member.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

/s/ **Dick**

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