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IN THE GENERAL DISTRICT COURT FOR CHESTERFIELD COUNTY

COIN ACCEPTANCE ORDER

WHEREAS pursuant to 31 U.S. Code §5103 United States coins and currency (including Federal reserve notes and circulating notes of Federal reserve banks and national banks) are legal tender for all debts, public charges, taxes, and dues.

WHEREAS from time-to-time people make payment to this Court in United States coin (e.g., pennies, nickels, dimes, etc.) and payments made by excessive United States coin will negatively affect this Court's ability to maintain an efficient operation by overburdening its Clerk and Deputy Clerks.

WHEREAS according to guidance from the United States Federal Reserve Bank's Board of Governors that, "there is no federal statute mandating that a private business, a person, or an organization must accept currency or coins as payment for goods or services. Private businesses are free to develop their own policies on whether to accept cash unless there is a state law that says otherwise." See www.federalreserve.gov/faqs/currency_12772.htm.

IT IS HEREBY, ADJUDGED, ORDERED, and DECREED, the Chesterfield County General District Court Clerk's Office will not accept unrolled coins more than 25 coins on any given business day for any debts owed. Any payment made with more than 25 coins will only be accepted as packaged rolled coins. The Chesterfield County General District Court Clerk's Office will require each package of rolled coins to be labeled with the debtor's full name and case number. Additionally, people making payments at the Chesterfield County General District Court Clerk's Office in coin will be required to remain present during the completion of the transaction, which is when the receipt for the transaction is presented. Furthermore, all debtors will be responsible for any identified shortages upon payment validation by the Clerk's bank.

SO ORDERED this 21st day of October, 2026

By: _____

Matthew D. Nelson, Chief Judge, 12th Judicial District