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Honorable Todd Hopkins
C/O Caddo Parish Commission

Todd,

I was appointed to the Shreve Memorial Library Board in 2010 (I think) and am currently the Board President. My term expires on December 31, 2022. Even though the President serves a one year term, I have been elected to six terms as president. I've been on the Board through one tax election and will soon endure another one. I also was president when the previous director resigned and oversaw library operation for the eleven months when we had no Director until the current director was hired. I think I have served the library and the Parish well. I just turned 75 years old last month and do not look forward to another five year term. So I am requesting that I not be reappointed when my term expires.

I would like to recommend that Deborah Yarbrough be appointed to take my place on the Board.

Deborah is a life long resident of Caddo Parish. Her husband Ed, is a petroleum geologist.

She has a Bachelor's degree from LSU. She is an employee of the USPS and is the "Post Mistress" of the Belcher Post Office. I put quotes around Post Mistress because that is not her actual job title, but is what we all consider her to be.

She is an entrepreneur. She owns a successful Event Venue in Belcher (The Wild Petunia) and because of this, she has a lot of practical small business experience. She is very familiar with the principles of budgeting, bookkeeping and dealing with employees.

She is currently a Board Member of the Red River Crossroads Historical Society and is responsible for recruiting and organizing the vendors for the Sunflower Festival, held annually in Gilliam.

Finally, when we were interviewing applicants to fill the Director's position at Shreve Memorial, we developed a citizen's committee to interview the finalists and make a recommendation to the Board. Deborah served on that committee.

Her mailing address is:

P O Box 11,
Belcher, La 71004

Her Telephone is:

318-518-6588

Thanks for your time and consideration of Ms. Yarbrough as a new Board for Member for Shreve Memorial Library.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Neil", written over the word "Sincerely,".

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