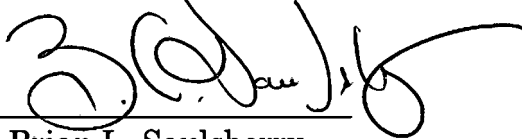


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DATED this 8th day of February 2026.

Respectfully submitted,



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