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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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The People of the State of South Dakota in the Interest of K.C., A.C., J.Q.B., C.Q.B. and W.Q.B., Children and Concerning L.Q.B. and J.D., Respondents, OGLALA SIOUX TRIBE, Intervener.

ORDER DIRECTING ISSUANCE OF JUDGMENT OF AFFIRMANCE

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Chief Justice

The Court considered all of the briefs filed in the above-entitled matter, together with the appeal record, and concluded pursuant to SDCL 15-26A-87.1(A), that it is manifest on the face of the briefs and the record that the appeal is without merit on the following grounds: 1. that the issues on appeal are clearly controlled by settled South Dakota law or federal law binding upon the states, 2. that the issues on appeal are factual and there clearly is sufficient evidence to support the findings of fact and conclusions of law and 3. that the issues on appeal are ones of judicial discretion and there clearly was not an abuse of discretion (SDCL 15-26A-87.1(A)(1),(2) and (3)), now, therefore, it is

ORDERED that a judgment affirming the Order of the circuit court be entered forthwith.

DATED at Pierre, South Dakota, this 6th day of February, 2024.

THE COUNT:

ATTEST:

Clerk of the

Supreme Court

(SEAL)

PARTICIPATING: Chief Justice Steven R. Jensen and Justices Janine M. Kern, Mark E. Salter, Patricia J. DeVaney and Scott P. Myren.