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Hernando County Board of County Commissioners 20 North Main Street Brooksville, FL 34601 Via Electronic Mail

Dear Honorable Commissioners:

The Office of the Clerk of Circuit Court and County Comptroller respectfully requests a total budget authority of \$14,469,830.00 for fiscal year 2025-26. This budget request includes the placement of the GIS set up and maintenance, should the County decide to add this to the Clerk's IT Department for the 2026 Fiscal year. The GIS portion of the budget would be for 11 positions at an estimated personnel cost of \$1,080,846 and operational cost of \$240,000, totaling \$1,320,846.

The budget request *without* the GIS addition for the Clerk's Office would be \$13,148,984. Also, we have not been apprised of the new health care costs for FY 2026, therefore a second request may be forthcoming should we be notified by the County of changes to the health care rates.

The budget includes funding based upon the following statutory object codes:

Personal Services	\$ 7,877,546
Operating Expenses	6,112,884
Capital Outlay	300,000
Debt Service	0
Grants and Aids	0
Other Uses (Article V - Court Communications	s) 5,000
CARE ATC	174,400

Pursuant to Florida Statute 218.35(2), I hereby certify that the amounts requested are reasonable and necessary for the statutory and constitutional functions that my office performs on behalf of county government. My staff and I have worked diligently to ensure that we are operating at the most efficient levels possible while continuing to provide the excellent service our constituents have come to expect.

Respectfully submitted,

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