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June 15, 2006

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Chairman  
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Asst. County Administrator  
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RE: Pinellas County Charter Review Commission

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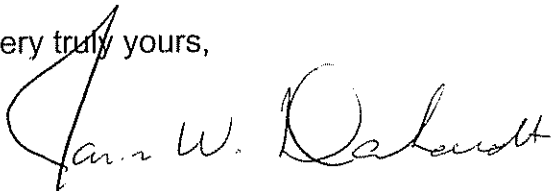
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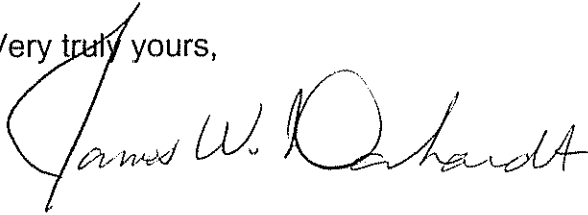
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VIA HAND DELIVERY

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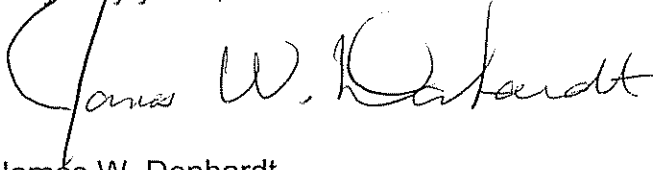
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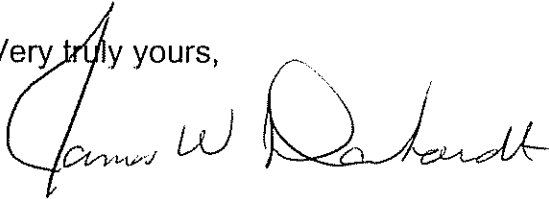
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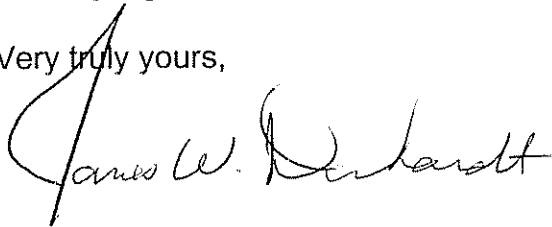
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