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**IN THE THIRD DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR
SALT LAKE COUNTY, STATE OF UTAH**

IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF:

DECREE OF DIVORCE

NATHAN GLAD,

Petitioner,

and,

ELLEN CHRISTINE PETERSON,

Respondent.

Case No. 234905048

Judge: Amanda Montague

Commissioner: Michelle Blomquist

THIS MATTER came on regularly before the Honorable Judge Amanda Montague on April 29, 2026, for the Ruling from Trial, conducted on April 17, 2026. The court, having reviewed the pleadings on file herein, and having entered its *Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law*, does now ORDER, ADJUDGE, and DECREE as follows:

GROUND & JURISDICTION

1. **Bonds of Matrimony.** That the bonds of matrimony heretofore existing between Petitioner, NATHAN GLAD, and Respondent, ELLEN PETERSON, be and the same

are hereby dissolved. Petitioner is awarded a Decree of Divorce from Respondent on the grounds of irreconcilable differences. The same to be final upon entry by the Court clerk.

2. **Residency.** That Petitioner and Respondent are residents of Salt Lake County, State of Utah, and have been for more than three (3) months immediately prior to the filing of the Petition for Divorce in this matter.

3. **Marriage.** That Petitioner and Respondent were married on the 29th day of April 2016, in Draper, County of Salt Lake, State of Utah.

4. **Separation.** That Petitioner and Respondent separated on the 5th day of May 2023.

5. That Petitioner and Respondent have experienced irreconcilable differences which cannot be resolved, and such has made it impossible for the marital relationship to continue (*See* Utah Code Ann. §81-4-405(1)(h)).

MINOR CHILDREN

6. The parties have two (2) minor children born as issue of their marriage. To wit: M.L.G., born December 2017; and M.J.G., born May 2019.

7. **Custody.** That Petitioner and Respondent shall be awarded the joint legal and physical custody of the minor children pursuant to the Joint Parenting Plan filed contemporaneously herewith.

8. **Regular Parent-Time.** That Petitioner and Respondent shall be awarded parent-time pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §81-9-305, based upon a week-on, week-off parent-time schedule with parent-time exchanges to take place at 8:00 p.m. on Sunday. This schedule is as follows:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday (Exchange day)
Wk1	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom
Wk2	Dad	Dad	Dad	Dad	Dad	Dad	Dad

9. **Holiday Parent-Time.** That Petitioner and Respondent shall be awarded holiday and summer parent-time as they may agree, or in the event they cannot agree, then pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §81-9-303(15), with Ellen being designated as the custodial parent solely for purposes of calculating the holiday parent-time schedule. Utah Code Ann. §81-9-303(15) is as follows:

<i>Holiday</i>	<i>Holiday Time Period</i>	<i>Non-Custodial Parent (Nathan)</i>	<i>Custodial Parent (Ellen)</i>
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day	(1) Holiday begins: (a) at the time that school is dismissed for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day; or (b) Friday at 5:30 p.m. at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends: upon delivering of the minor child to school on the day that school resumes.	Odd years	Even years
President's Day	(1) Holiday begins: (a) at the time that school is dismissed for Presidents' Day; or (b) Friday at 5:30 p.m. at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends: upon delivering the minor child to school on the day that school resumes.	Even years	Odd years
Spring Break	(1) Holiday begins at: (a) the time school is dismissed for spring break; or (b) 5:30 p.m. on the day that school dismisses for spring break at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends upon delivering the minor child to school on the day that school resumes.	Odd years	Even years

Memorial Day	(1) Holiday begins: (a) at the time that school is dismissed for Memorial Day; or (b) Friday at 5:30 p.m. at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends: (a) upon delivering the minor child to school on the day following Memorial Day; or (b) at 8 a.m. on the day following Memorial Day if there is no school.	Even years	Odd years
Mother's Day	(1) Holiday begins at 5:30 p.m. on the day before Mother's Day. (2) Holiday ends on Mother's Day at 8:30 p.m.	Never	Always
Father's Day	(1) Holiday begins at 5:30 p.m. on the day before Father's Day. (2) Holiday ends on Father's Day at 8:30 p.m.	Always	Never
Juneteenth National Freedom Day	(1) Holiday begins at: (a) 5:30 p.m. on the day before Juneteenth National Freedom Day if the day before Juneteenth National Freedom Day is not Father's Day; or (b) 8 a.m. on Juneteenth National Freedom Day if the day before Juneteenth National Freedom Day is Father's Day. (2) Holiday ends at 5:30 p.m. on the day following Juneteenth National Freedom Day.	Even years	Odd years
Independence Day	(1) Holiday begins on July 3rd at 5:30 p.m. (2) Holiday ends on July 5th at 8:30 p.m.	Odd years	Even years
Pioneer Day	(1) Holiday begins on July 23rd at 5:30 p.m. (2) Holiday ends on July 25th at 8:30 p.m.	Even years	Odd years
Labor Day	(1) Holiday begins: (a) at the time that school is dismissed for Labor Day; or (b) Friday at 5:30 p.m. at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends: upon delivering the minor child to school on the day that school resumes.	Odd years	Even years

Fall Break	(1) Holiday begins at: (a) the time that school is dismissed for fall break; or (b) 5:30 p.m. on the day that school dismisses for fall break at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends: upon delivering the minor child to school on the day that school resumes.	Odd years	Even years
Halloween	(1) Holiday begins on October 31st or the day that Halloween is traditionally celebrated in the local community: (a) at the time that school is dismissed; or (b) at 3 p.m. if there is no school. (2) Holiday ends at 8:30 p.m. on the same day the holiday begins.	Even years	Odd years
Thanksgiving	(1) Holiday begins: (a) the time that school is dismissed for Thanksgiving; or (b) 5:30 p.m. on the day that school dismisses for Thanksgiving at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends: upon delivering the minor child to school on the day that school resumes.	Even years	Odd years
Winter Break (First Half)	(1) Holiday begins at: (a) the time that school dismisses for winter break; or (b) 5:30 p.m. on the day that school dismisses for winter break at the election of the parent granted the holiday. (2) Holiday ends on December 27th at 8:30 p.m.	Odd years	Even years
Winter Break (Second Half)	(1) Holiday begins on December 27th at 8:30 p.m. (2) Holiday ends upon delivering the minor child to school on the day that school resumes after the winter break.	Even years	Odd years

Day of Minor Child's Birthday	(1) Holiday begins at 3 p.m. (2) Holiday ends at 8:30 p.m.	Even years	Odd years
Day Before or After Minor Child's Birthday	(1) Holiday begins at 3 p.m. (2) Holiday ends at 8:30 p.m.	Odd years	Even years

10. **Extended Parent-Time.** That Petitioner and Respondent shall be awarded two (2) weeks of uninterrupted summer parent-time with the minor children. The parties shall designate their requested summer parent-time no later than May 1st of each year, with Petitioner being entitled to exercise his summer parent-time in the event of a conflict with Respondent's request parent-time during even years and Respondent being entitled to exercise her summer parent-time in the event of a conflict with Petitioner's requested parent-time during odd years.

11. **Precedence of Parent-Time:** If a conflict arises in the parent-time schedule the order of precedence is:

- a) the holiday schedule for Mother's Day or Father's Day;
- b) the holiday schedule for the child's birthday, unless a parent is exercising uninterrupted extended parent-time and takes the child away from that parent's residence during the uninterrupted extended parent-time;
- c) the holiday schedule for any holiday that is not Father's Day, Mother's Day, or the child's birthday;
- d) extended parent-time; and
- e) the regular parent-time schedule.

12. **Transportation:** Wherever possible, parent-time exchanges shall occur through the children's school/daycare, wherein the parent ending their parent-time timely drops the children off at school/daycare and the parent beginning their parent-time picks the children up from school/daycare. In all other instances, the parent beginning his or her parent-time shall be responsible for transportation. Unless otherwise dictated by the holiday statute, when school is not in session, exchanges will be at 8:00 p.m. on Sundays.

13. **Virtual Parent-Time:** Both parents shall allow the minor children unmonitored phone access to the other parent for a reasonable duration and at reasonable hours.

14. **Right of First Refusal:** Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §81-9-202, that Petitioner and Respondent shall be granted the right of first refusal to care for the minor children when the other party is unavailable to do so for any period the parent is unavailable for four hours or more, prior to the unavailable party engaging surrogate care.

15. **Address and Phone Number:** Each party shall keep the other party informed of his or her address and telephone number at all times.

16. **Child Support.** That Petitioner is employed and earns average gross monthly income in the amount of \$6,155.00. Respondent is likewise employed and earns average gross monthly income in the amount of \$2,190.00, with an additional \$500.00 for music lessons, for a total of \$2,691.00. (*Child Support Obligation Worksheet, filed concurrently herewith*).

17. That commencing June 1, 2026, Respondent shall be awarded child support in the amount of \$312.00 per month, which sum is pursuant to the Uniform Civil Liability for Support Act, Utah Code Ann. §78B-12-101 et seq. Child support shall be payable on the first day of each month.

18. That Respondent shall be awarded said child support until the minor children reach the age of eighteen (18) years and graduate from high school with their normal and expected graduating class.

19. That at the time a child(ren) is no longer eligible to receive child support, the child support amount for the remaining child(ren) who is eligible to receive support shall be automatically adjusted to reflect the base child(ren) support obligation shown in the table for that number of children. This shall be done by using the appropriate calculation and worksheet pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §81-6-203.

a. The child support will be paid until (1) a minor child reaches the age of majority or graduate High School in the expected year of graduation, whichever occurs later, or (2) a child dies, marries, becomes a member of the armed forces of the United States, or is emancipated in accordance with Utah Code 78A-6-801 et seq. This child support may be submitted to and administered by the Office of Recovery Services (ORS).

b. The person entitled to receive child support will be entitled to mandatory income withholding relief pursuant to Utah Code 62A-11 parts 4 and 5 (1953 as amended). Any Federal and State tax refunds or rebates due the non-custodial parent may be intercepted by the State of Utah and applied to

existing child support arrearages. This income withholding procedure will apply to existing and future payers. All administrative fees and costs of income withholding assessed by the Office of Recovery Services will be paid by Nathan.

20. **Medical Insurance Coverage.** The children are currently covered by Medicaid, and should continue to do so unless or until they do not qualify to do so. Thereupon, whichever party is able to get health coverage for the children up until they reach the age of majority/18, should do so—utilizing the plan of whichever parent can obtain the insurance at the most reasonable rate. If a parent remarries and the dependent children are not covered by that parent's health, hospital, or dental insurance plan but is covered by a step-parent's plan, the health, hospital, or dental insurance plan of the step-parent shall be treated as if it is the plan of the remarried parent and shall retain the same designation as the primary or secondary plan of the dependent children.

21. **Medical Insurance Premiums:** If the children are no longer on Medicaid, both parties shall share equally the out-of-pocket costs of the premium actually paid by a parent for the children's portion of the insurance. The children's portion of the premium is a per capita share of the premium actually paid for the family and is calculated by dividing the premium amount by the number of persons covered under the policy and multiplying the results by the number of minor children of the parties. Pursuant to U.C.A. §81-6-208, a parent who provides insurance may receive credit against the child support or recover the other parent's portion of the premium.

22. **Out-of-Pocket Medical Expenses:** Each party shall pay half of all reasonable and necessary health, therapeutic, orthodontic, optical, hospital, dental and other medical expenses of the parties' minor children including, but not limited to: out-of-pocket costs actually paid by either parent for the minor children's portion of health and other medical insurance coverage and all reasonable and necessary uninsured health, and other medical expenses, including deductibles and co-payments, incurred for the dependent children and actually paid by either parent. Either parent who incurs these out-of-pocket medical expenses for the parties' minor children shall provide written verification of the costs and payment of such expenses to the other parent within thirty (30) days of payment, and the other parent will reimburse them within 30 days of receiving verification. Under U.C.A. §81-6-208 in addition to any other sanctions provided by the court, a parent incurring medical expenses may be denied the right to receive credit for the expense or to recover the other party's share of the expenses if that party fails to comply with this provision.

23. That Petitioner and Respondent shall cooperate in exchanging all claim forms and statements in order to coordinate the payment of all medical and dental expenses, as set forth in Utah Code Ann. § 81-6-208.

24. **Childcare Expenses.** Both parties are to work together to agree upon a childcare provider. Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 81-6-209, Petitioner and Respondent shall share equally the reasonable work-related childcare expenses incurred on behalf of the minor child(ren). Both parties' portions of these childcare costs shall be paid directly to the childcare provider in a timely manner.

25. **Tax Credits.** That Petitioner and Respondent shall be awarded the Federal and State tax credits for the minor children, as well as any future stimulus payments or government benefits applicable to the minor child(ren), with Petitioner claiming the minor child, M.L.G., and Respondent claiming the minor child, M.J.G. At such time as only one minor child remains the parties shall alternate claiming that child. Petitioner's ability to claim a child shall be subject to him being current on his child support obligation by December 31st of each year.

26. **School.** The parties agree that the children shall remain in their current, enrolled schools. That the parties shall also equally pay one-half of all school fees, lunches, yearbooks, etc., related to the minor children's education. It is expected that both parents will provide clothing and necessities for the children in their respective homes. A parent is responsible for providing a child with a school lunch or lunch money on the days they deliver the child to school. The parties will equally share any mandatory school fees including, but not limited to, registration fees, lab fees, mandatory supplies, bus fees, etc.

27. **Extracurricular Activities.** Respondent presently receives State assistance to offset the cost of the minor children's extracurricular activities. Thus, any amount above and beyond the monthly benefit the children are receiving for extracurricular activities shall be equally split by the parties. However, said extracurricular activity must be agreed to, in writing, by the parties prior to the child(ren) being enrolled or taking part in such activities. If the parties are unable to agree on the extracurricular activity, either party shall still be entitled to have the child(ren) participate in the extracurricular activity if that party pays entirely for the extracurricular activity and so long as the extracurricular activity does not interfere with the other

party's parent time. The parties shall act in good faith in deciding whether the child(ren) should participate in an extracurricular activity.

PARENTING PLAN PROVISIONS FOR JOINT LEGAL CUSTODY

28. **Mutual Restraining Order:** The parties are restrained from disparaging the other party to or in the presence of the children and are to instruct third-parties to also be so restrained. Both parties are restrained from discussing the legal action or divorce finances with or in the presence of the children and are to instruct third-parties to also be so restrained. The parties are permanently restrained from bothering, harassing, annoying, threatening, and/or harming the other party at any time or in any place.

29. **Medical Information:** Both parties have the right to obtain medical information on the minor children from healthcare providers directly without the necessity of going through the other party or getting their permission.

30. **Educational Information:** Both parties have the right to obtain educational information on the children directly from educators and counselors without the necessity of going through the other party or getting their permission.

31. Each party will be listed as a parent for the purposes of school contact or medical care provider contact.

32. **Notice of Activities:** Both parties will have the right to be notified by the other party of major events in the children's lives that they otherwise would not be aware of, so that they can have enough advance notice to attend.

33. **Communication:** Each party will communicate directly with the other and not through third persons. The children will never be used as messengers. Communication will be

respectful and at no time will it be sarcastic or derogatory. Communication will be limited to matters involving the minor children such as their health, activities, and well-being.

34. **Out of State Travel:** Any parent intending to take a child out of state will provide a brief itinerary to the other parent including a telephone number for emergency communication as stated in Utah Code Ann §81-9-202(18).

35. **Relocation:** The parties will follow the notice provisions of Utah Code Ann. §81-9-209.

36. **Decision making:** It is anticipated that parental decisions will be required for major decisions in raising the children, including, but not limited to, medical, dental, psychological treatment/counseling, and education. When these issues arise, the parents will discuss the issues. Each parent will give good faith consideration to the views of the other. If the decision involves medical or schooling issues, the parties will seek input from the treating physicians or educators. Both parents will be provided with such input.

37. If the parents cannot agree after making a good faith effort to come to an agreed-upon decision, neither party will have “presumptive decision-making authority.” The parties should attempt to resolve cooperatively. In the event they cannot come to an agreement, the parties shall seek mediation prior to the Courts intervention.

38. **Emergency Medical Decisions:** The parent who has the child at the time he/she suffers a medical emergency has the authority to make any initial decision regarding emergency medical care. That parent will notify the other parent of the emergency immediately.

39. **Day-to-Day Decisions:** Whichever parent has the children in his or her physical custody may make minor, day-to-day decisions regarding them and their care.

40. **Implementation of Treatment:** Each of the parties will facilitate, help and promote the taking of medication or other regimens of therapy for the children as prescribed by a doctor.

41. **Mediation before Litigation:** If the parties have a dispute concerning an issue addressed in the provisions of the Decree or this Parenting Plan, they will seek first to resolve the dispute via mediation with a certified domestic relations mediator before conducting a hearing on any motion to enforce, interpret or modify the Decree, with the exception of the children's school. If the parties are unable to attend mediation within a reasonable timeframe after the issue arises, despite making a good faith effort to do so, they may bring the issue before the court.

42. **Tattooing, Body Piercing, and Permanent Cosmetics:** Neither parent will or allow others to permanently change the appearance of the body of the children, including but not limited to body piercing, tattooing, permanent cosmetics, and other cosmetic procedures, without the written consent from the other parent.

43. **Corporal Punishment:** The parties will refrain from using corporal punishment with the minor children, and shall keep third parties from doing so.

END OF PARENTING PLAN PROVISIONS

DEBTS & OBLIGATIONS

44. That during the course of the marriage, Petitioner and Respondent have incurred certain debts and obligations. That Petitioner shall assume and pay the following:

- a. Student Loans;
- b. One-half of the Sams Club Mastercard in the amount \$2,500.00; and
- c. Petitioner's individual debts and obligations.

45. That Respondent shall assume and pay the following:

- a. Respondent's Student loans;
- b. One-half of the Sams Club Mastercard in the amount \$2,500.00; and
- c. Respondent's individual debts and obligations.

46. Each party will be solely responsible for the debts held in his or her separate name and will hold the other party harmless therefrom. Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §81-4-406(3) the parties shall notify respective creditors regarding the division of debts, obligations, or liabilities herein and the parties' separate and current addresses.

PERSONAL PROPERTY

47. That Petitioner shall be awarded the following items of personal property, free and clear of any claim by Respondent:

- a. 2012 Ford Focus;
- b. The furniture, furnishings and fixtures in Petitioner's possession; and
- c. Petitioner's personal belongings.

48. That Respondent shall be awarded the following items of personal property, free and clear of any claim by Petitioner:

- a. Ford Explorer;
- b. The furniture, furnishings and fixtures in Respondent's possession; and
- c. Respondent's personal belongings.

49. **Bank Accounts.** That during the course of the marriage, Petitioner and Respondent have acquired certain savings accounts, checking accounts, and/or investment accounts. That Petitioner and Respondent shall be awarded be awarded their individual savings

accounts, checking accounts and/or investment accounts, free and clear of any claim by the other party.

50. **Life Insurance.** That Petitioner shall pay to Respondent the sum of \$3,084.08 as her share of Petitioner's life insurance policy, which sum shall be paid as more fully set forth in paragraph 54.

RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS

51. **Retirement Accounts.** That Respondent shall be awarded the sum \$14,088.26 from Petitioner's retirement benefits, which sum shall be paid as more fully set forth in paragraph 54. Respondent shall be awarded her individual retirement benefits, free and clear of any claim by Petitioner.

REAL PROPERTY

52. **Real Property.** That during the course of the marriage, Petitioner and Respondent did not acquire a home or real property.

ALIMONY

53. **Alimony:** Both parties to this action are able-bodied and employed, and neither party is awarded any alimony from the other.

JUDGMENT

54. That Respondent is entitled to the entry of a judgment against Petitioner in the amount of \$19,672.34, which resolves all claims and issues in this case.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

55. **Attorney's Fees.** Each party is responsible for his or her own attorney's fees.

56. **Delivery of Documents.** Each party is ordered to execute and deliver to the other such documents as are required to implement the provisions of the Decree of Divorce entered by the court.

[SEE TOP OF FIRST PAGE FOR COURT ENDORSEMENT]

APPROVE AS TO FORM:

/s/ _____
MATT OLSEN, ESQ.,
Attorney for Respondent
(Electronically signed By Matt Hurley
with Permission by Counsel 8/___/2026)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 7th day of August 2026, I personally served a true and correct copy of the foregoing **DECREE OF DIVORCE** via Electronic Notification to:

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Counsel for Respondent

/s/ Matt Hurley

Matt Hurley

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