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STATE OF INDIANA )  
 ) SS:  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

IN THE \_\_\_\_\_ CIRCUIT COURT  
CAUSE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

IN RE THE PATERNITY OF: )  
 )  
\_\_\_\_\_(children names)\_\_\_\_\_)  
\_\_\_\_\_)  
\_\_\_\_\_)  
minor child(ren). )

BY NEXT FRIEND: )  
 )  
\_\_\_\_\_(parent name)\_\_\_\_\_)

PETITIONER, )

AND )

\_\_\_\_\_(parent name)\_\_\_\_\_)

RESPONDENT )

AND )

\_\_\_\_\_(intervener name)\_\_\_\_\_)

INTERVENER(S). )

**VERIFIED MOTION TO INTERVENE AND BE JOINED AS NECESSARY PARTIES  
AND PETITION FOR MODIFICATION OF CUSTODY**

Comes now, \_\_\_\_\_(intervener(s) names(s) and your relationship to the  
child(ren), ex. “Grandparents”)\_\_\_\_\_, and respectfully file my/our Verified  
Motion to Intervene and Be Joined as Necessary Parties and Petition for Modification of  
Custody. In support of these requests, I/we would respectfully show the Court as follows:

1. The following children were born out of wedlock to Mother and Father: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_(list names, dates of birth, and ages of children)\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Paternity was established for the children on the following date(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. The custody arrangement is as follows: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_(describe who has physical and/or legal custody, what kind of parenting time is in effect, and how long this custody arrangement has been in place)\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Since the above custody arrangement was put in place, the following events have occurred: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_(describe any events that have happened or circumstances that have changed, either for the children or the parents, that are impacting the children and are causing you to file for custody of the children; state whether the children have been living with you and for how long)\_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
5. I/we seek intervention to request that the Court appoint me/us as Third Party Custodian(s) of the above named child(ren).
6. My/our address is: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. I/we believe that the best interests of the child(ren) would be substantially and significantly served by placement with me/us based upon the following: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_(list reasons you think that being with you is in the children’s best interests)\_\_\_\_\_
8. I/we request that the Court permit me/us to intervene as necessary parties pursuant to Indiana Trial Rule 24(B) because I/we requesting to be appointed as third party custodian(s) for the child(ren).
9. I/we have a claim in common with the paternity proceedings in this cause.
10. I/we further request that the Court order the following parenting time for Mother and Father: \_\_\_(describe the parenting time you believe should be given to each parent)\_\_\_\_\_
11. The following parents have signed consents to my/our appointment as third party custodian(s) of the child(ren) by the Court, and the consents, if any, are attached to this Motion.

Mother’s Consent     Yes             No  
 Father’s Consent     Yes             No

Wherefore, I/we respectfully request that the Court permit me/us to intervene in this matter, and schedule a hearing on my/our Petition to Modify Custody.

I solemnly swear or affirm, under the penalty for perjury, that the foregoing facts and representations are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Intervener name and signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Intervener name and signature)

Certificate of Service

A copy of this Motion has been mailed to:

\_\_\_\_(names and addresses of all parties and their attorneys to whom you mailed this Motion)\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

On the following date: \_\_\_\_ (date you sent this Motion to Parties)\_\_\_\_\_

By the following method: \_\_\_\_ (how you sent the Motion to Parties (e-service, mail, etc.))\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Intervener signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Intervener signature)