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City of Webster City  
Mayor Hawkins and City Council  
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Re: Notice of Resignation

Dear Mayor and Council,

It is with a mixture of emotions that I hereby submit my resignation as City Manager of the City of Webster City. This decision does not come easy for me and my family but I have accepted the same position with a city in California. For the past two years Webster City has been our home and will always hold a special place in our hearts. After all, our son was born here at Van Diest Medical Center. This is a deeply personal decision that my wife and I have reached after recognizing that time and health are precious. As our children grow up, soon to be 3 and 2 years old, we reflect back on our upbringing. We realize that a big part of what shaped our lives was being around our grandparents and extended family. My wife and I each lost a grandparent last year. Their passing was saddening but seeing how loving our children are with their grandparents when they get the opportunity to spend time with them, if only for a few days, once or twice a year really struck a chord. It made us realize that time is precious and it shouldn't be taken for granted. It is difficult to deny our children the opportunity while their grandparents' health allows them the chance to be active in their lives.

I am grateful for the opportunity and trust I was given to serve the City of Webster City. It is an amazing community with many great qualities and opportunities in the future. The City has accomplished many good things for our residents and there are many more projects in progress or planned that will serve the community for decades to come. I hope that the community can continue to maintain the positive momentum and move forward. I cannot leave without recognizing all the hardworking city employees who ensure that the city's services and operations are carried out. It has been a privilege to get to know, observe their dedication, share in their camaraderie, and work together to make Webster City a better community.

My final day in the office will be August 31, 2018. I will prioritize my time remaining to transitioning current projects and can be reached afterwards during the transition period to provide insight or answer questions as needed. It has been a pleasure to work with each of you, our employees, and the residents of Webster City. I wish everyone in the very best.

Respectfully,

Daniel Ortiz-Hernandez