

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF _____

FILE NO. _____
GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
DISTRICT COURT DIVISION

Plaintiff

VS.

Defendant

**MOTION THAT COURT ADOPT
PARENTING AGREEMENT**

(For pending actions only)

We the undersigned have reached a settlement of the issues concerning child custody and visitation, and desire that the attached memorandum, which bears our signatures, be:

- ADOPTED AS A CONSENT CUSTODY ORDER.** The effect of this alternative is to convert the agreement into a regular custody order wherein both parties have all of the rights and duties which arise from any custody order. The parties may voluntarily return to Mediation if they agree to do so. However, this option is a final resolution of the custody and visitation issue and will require a change of circumstances or agreement of the parties to justify a modification of the order.
- APPROVED BY THE COURT AND CONVERTED INTO A TEMPORARY ORDER WHICH CLOSES THE CUSTODY ACTION PENDING FURTHER ORDERS.** The effect of this alternative is that the court will approve and adopt the agreement as an order of the court which is fully enforceable as any custody order. However, since it is a temporary order entered to resolve the immediate issues, it is temporary until a trial on the merits is held or the parties enter a final custody order. It may remain effective for so long as both parties agree to leave it in place. The parties may voluntarily return to Mediation if they agree to do so. Neither party will be required to prove a change of circumstances to justify a change in the order if future litigation is required.
- NOT APPROVED BY THE COURT AND NOT MADE A COURT ORDER.** The effect of this alternative is to suspend further action on the custody and visitation issue and allow the parties to operate under the agreement. The parties will not be able to seek any assistance from the court in enforcing the agreement and there is no remedy in the courts for a violation of the agreement. The parties may voluntarily return to Mediation if they agree to do so. The court will enter an order directing the clerk to close the custody action pending further orders. This option is the least favored of the alternatives and should be chosen only if neither of the foregoing options can be agreed upon.

Plaintiff (Check if representing yourself)

Defendant (Check if representing yourself)

Attorney for Plaintiff

Attorney for Plaintiff

Additional parties:

