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Greetings,

I am writing to inform you that 2026 will be my final year practicing hand surgery. With eager anticipation, I will be retiring in December, after nearly 30 years of practice in Missoula. It has been a great honor and joy to have spent my entire career in this community, caring for our neighbors from western Montana and beyond!

The practice of medicine has allowed me to develop relationships with so many people, at vulnerable times in their lives. I hope the care I provided to you eased the stress, pain, or disability you were experiencing. Thank you for inviting me into your life at such a delicate time. This is the greatest gift of being a doctor!

I am extremely proud and grateful to be a partner at Missoula Bone & Joint, where we provide the highest level of orthopedic care. With or without me, MBJ will continue to provide top notch comprehensive orthopedic care for years to come.

As for our hand surgery program, you will be in good hands (pun intended.) My partners, Dr. Charlie Sullivan and Dr. Nic Beck, are available to provide well informed, compassionate, and professional care for any new or ongoing hand problems that you experience.

That said, I would love to see you sometime this year! If you have ongoing problems, I would be honored to provide any care that you would like to address.

Please feel free to schedule an appointment at 406-721-4436, as I would love to see you prior to 'hangin' er up.'

With kind regards,

Andy Puckett, MD