IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF IOWA

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No. 6-752 / 96-1150

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IN THE INTEREST OF L.M.L., L.M.L., and L.M.L., Minor Children.

S.L., Mother,
Appellant.

Appeal from the Iowa District Court for Linn County, Stephen C. Gerard, II, Associate District Judge.

Mother appeals a district court order terminating her parental rights to her three minor children. **AFFIRMED BY OPERATION OF LAW.**

Jean C. Lawrence of White, Stone & Aasgaard, Marion, for appellant.

Thomas J. Miller, Attorney General, Charles K. Phillips, Assistant Attorney General, and Lance Heeren, Assistant County Attorney, for appellee State.

Deborah L. Leonard, Cedar Rapids, guardian ad litem for minor children.

Considered en banc.

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PER CURIAM

The court being equally divided, the judgment is affirmed by operation of law. Iowa Code § 602.5106(1) (1995).

AFFIRMED.

For affirmance: Cady, Streit and Vogel, JJ.

For reversal: Habhab, C.J., and Sackett and Huitink, JJ.