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The Honorable Michael Jurkovich Supervising Judge of the Grand Jury Madera County Superior Court 200 S. G Street Madera, CA 93637

Subject:

Response to the 2022-23 Grand Jury Report entitled "Penal Institutions in Madera

County"

Honorable Judge Jurkovich:

Pursuant to the California Penal Code 933.05, the Madera County Board of Supervisors submits this response to the findings and recommendations in the 2022-23 Madera County Grand Jury report entitled "Penal Institutions in Madera County" See Attachment #1.

The following are the Grand Jury's findings and recommendations and the Board of Supervisors' responses to Part II of the report, "Madera County Department of Corrections":

## Finding 1:

The MCGJ finds that the Madera County Sheriff Department's operation of the Madera County Jail has done a responsible job implementing programs that provide opportunities for inmates.

#### Response

Respondent agrees with the finding per California Penal Code 933.05 (a) (1).

## Recommendation 1:

MCGJ recommends that the Madera County Sheriff's Department continue to offer job training opportunities for inmates.

## Response

Respondent agrees with the recommendation per California Penal Code 933.05.

The following are the Grand Jury's findings and recommendations and the Board of Supervisors' responses to Part III of the report, "Madera County Juvenile Detention Facility":

### Finding 1:

The MCGJ finds that the Madera County Juvenile Detention Facility provides structure and support to reduce the recidivism of youth at the facility.

#### Response

Respondent agrees with the finding per California Penal Code 933.05 (a) (1).

#### Finding 2:

The MCGJ finds that the staff throughout the facility demonstrate concern for the youth and take the success of the youth seriously.

## Response

Respondent agrees with the finding per California Penal Code 933.05 (a) (1).

#### Finding 3:

The MCGJ finds that with the passage of SB 823, Madera County will face unique challenges with the realignment population.

### Response

Respondent agrees with the finding per California Penal Code 933.05 (a) (1).

## Recommendation 1:

The MCGJ recommends that the administration, teachers, and staff continue to provide a nurturing environment.

## Response

Respondent agrees with the recommendation per California Penal Code 933.05.

## Recommendation 2:

The MCGJ recommends that the administration, teachers, and staff continue to build social and emotional support to further the success of the youth.

## Response

Respondent agrees with the recommendation per California Penal Code 933.05.

## Recommendation 3:

The MCGJ recommends that administration and staff work all relevant stakeholders to meet the needs and success of the SB823 realignment population.

#### Response

Respondent agrees with the recommendation per California Penal Code 933.05.

The Board acknowledges the Grand Jury's review and time involved in this matter and appreciates the opportunity to respond to the findings and recommendations.

Sincerely

David Rogers

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors