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Honorable Donna L. Stashyn
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court
Solano Superior Court
600 Union Avenue
Fairfield, CA 94533

Re: Sheriff-Coroner's Response to 2020-2021 Grand Jury Report – Securing Health in County Buildings

Judge Stashyn:

Under Penal Code sections 933 and 933.05, I am responding to the following recommendations contained in the 2020-22021 Grand Jury Report that pertain to matters under my control as the Solano County Sheriff-Coroner:

Finding 1 – *Addressing COVID-19 and future public health safety threats in county buildings will require additional investment in strategies that mitigate and prevent future infections.*

Response to Finding 1 – I agree with this finding.

Recommendation 1a – *Solano County lobby state and federal governments for funding to research, identify, and implement proactive health safety strategies in county buildings.*

Response to Recommendation 1a – I agree with the recommendation; however, the Sheriff's Office does not have direct oversight over lobbying, Solano County legislative duties functions as a whole for all offices and departments.

Recommendation 1b – *Solano County Departments network to research, identify, and recommend strategies that promote, improve, and enhance public health safety in county buildings.*

Response to Recommendation 1b – I agree with this recommendation.

Finding 2 – *HDQ Neutral is a spray and air-dry surface sanitizer that can be harmful to public health if applied and not allowed to dry completely before coming into contact with humans.*

Response to Finding 2 – I agree with this finding. The Sheriff's Office currently allows for all applications of HDQ Neutral to dry completely before coming into contact with humans.

Recommendation 2– *Train all county employees who prepare and spray HDQ Neutral on its proper dilution, use, and required drying time before allowing public contact with any treated surfaces.*

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Response to Recommendation 2—I agree with this recommendation. The Sheriff's Office strictly adheres to the MSDS guideline for use and application of HDQ Neutral.

I would like to thank the Solano County Grand Jury for their time invested in this matter and for their report of findings and recommendations. As always, the recommendations and comments of the Solano County Grand Jury are greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tom Ferrara', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Thomas A. Ferrara
Sheriff-Coroner

cc: Solano County Grand Jury
County Administrator's Office