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Honorable Wendy Getty Presiding Judge of the Superior Court Solano Superior Court 600 Union Ave Fairfield CA 94533

<u>REGARDING</u>: County Board of Supervisors response to FY2021-2022 Civil Grand Jury Report, Electric Vehicle Infrastructure in Solano County

Dear Honorable Judge Getty,

The Solano County Board of Supervisors, under Penal Code sections 933 and 933.05, is responding to the following findings and recommendations contained in the FY2021/22 Civil Grand Jury Report entitled: "Electric Vehicle Infrastructure in Solano County."

Civil Grand Jury Finding 1

There will not be enough electric vehicle charging stations in Solano County to support the State's goals for electric vehicles identified in Executive Order N-79-20.

Response to Finding 1

Board of Supervisors: The Solano County Board of Supervisors agrees that a shortfall currently exists, within Solano County, for electric vehicle (EV) charging stations and will develop a plan to install appropriate chargers on County properties when guidance has been received from the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) board related to the number of chargers that should be allocated to the County. Separately, the County has funded and will be installing additional public facing EV charging stations and County Fleet EV charging stations on County properties.

Civil Grand Jury Recommendation 1

Solano Transportation Authority (STA) Board members commit to programs to increase the number of EV charging stations in their jurisdictions at a rate sufficient to meet Executive Order N-79-20.

Response to Recommendation 1

Board of Supervisors: This recommendation requires further analysis. Solano County works closely with STA and other entities to utilize the available incentives to install electric vehicle charging stations such as: Transportation Fund for Clean Air; Charge!; Volkswagen; Environmental Mitigation Trust; California Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Project; Industrial and Commercial Incentive Program; and Self-Generation Incentive Program grants. Solano County is developing a formal plan to determine charging and infrastructure needs for county staff and property as it relates to future EV purchases. It is anticipated that the plan will be completed over the next fiscal year (2022/23) and planning for additional infrastructure needs will commence at that time. In

addition, Solano County will work with STA and the other jurisdictions to develop and County-wide plan which allocates desired numbers of chargers to each jurisdiction.

Civil Grand Jury Finding 3

In the 2018 EVTP, the STA Board approved a plan to install trailblazing signs to identify locations of electric vehicle charging stations. As of 2022, there is no evidence of progress on that plan.

Response to Finding 3

Board of Supervisors: The Board of Supervisors agrees with this finding.

Grand Jury Recommendation 3

STA Board work with jurisdictions and agencies to install signage denoting the location of existing charging stations and to include appropriate signage as a component of future installations.

Response to Recommendation 3

Board of Supervisors: This recommendation has not been implemented but will be implemented in the future. Solano County will include signage discussions with STA as part of the long-term planning efforts and tasks to be completed.

On behalf of the Solano County Board of Supervisors, we would like to thank the Solano County Civil Grand Jury for their time and attention to County processes and operations. Thank you for the opportunity to address your findings and recommendations – and for your work and contributions to the overall success of Solano County in services to our residents.

Sincerely,

John M. Vasquez

District 4 Supervisor and Chair of the Board

Cc: Solano County Civil Grand Jury Office (CDClower@Solano.Courts.Ca.Gov)