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The Honorable Wendy G. Getty
Presiding Judge of the Solano County Superior Court
Hall of Justice
600 Union Avenue
Fairfield, CA 94533

RE: 2022-2023 CIVIL GRAND JURY REPORT ENTITLED: **SOLANO COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS POST PANDEMIC AND SAFETY MEASURES**

Dear Judge Getty:

The Solano County Office of Education (SCOE) was named as an affected party in the 2022-2023 Civil Grand Jury Report entitled: Solano County Public Schools Post Pandemic and Safety Measures and, therefore, is required to respond under California Penal Code §933.05.

Below is SCOE's response to the finding and recommendation contained in the Grand Jury Report:

Finding 5 – Some schools have areas such as a wellness center/quiet/calming corners for students to access where they can regain focus and composure.

Recommendation 5 – All schools establish a calming/refuge area with dedicated mental health staffing available for students.

Response to Recommendation 5: The Golden Hills community school has a wellness center already in place. It is a dedicated space where all students are welcome. It is a trauma-informed calming space that students can access to regain focus and composure as needed. The students at Golden Hills Community school are also provided dedicated mental health services by licensed clinical staff as appropriate. Evergreen Academy, the school at the Juvenile Detention Facility, works in partnership with probation to have a wellness center space in each pod tailored to the needs of the students. They are able to utilize the wellness spaces in partnership with the school staff and probation, when needed, to provide a quiet and calming environment with access to regular mental health services provided by licensed clinical staff as appropriate.

Sincerely,

Lisette Estrella-Henderson
County Superintendent of Schools