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Sent via email

Honorable Judge Wendy Getty Solano County Civil Grand Jury Hall of Justice 600 Union Avenue Fairfield, CA 94533

RE: City of Benicia Response to 2022-2023 Solano County Grand Jury Report, "Solano County Emergency Dispatch Report"

Dear Honorable Judge Getty:

This letter shall serve as the City of Benicia's ("City") response in accordance with Penal Code section 933.05 to the Solano County Grand Jury report entitled "Solano County Emergency Dispatch Report" as approved by the Benicia City Council on August 15, 2023.

The City has received and reviewed the Solano County Grand Jury's Emergency Dispatch Report, dated June 23, 2023. The report requests that the City respond only to Finding 3. Finding 3 of the report states, "[t]here is general acceptance among emergency service providers in the County to the idea of a consolidated dispatch center."

Pursuant to Penal Code section 933.05(a), the City disagrees partially with this finding. The City did not conduct interviews of all the Solano County emergency service providers, and is therefore, unable to agree with the assertion that there is a general acceptance on consolidating emergency dispatch Countywide. The City agrees that there is merit to further discussions with all emergency service providers throughout the County on what efficiencies can be achieved through pooling of resources for more effective emergency response.

Please contact me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Mario Giuliani City Manager

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cc: Carl DuBois, 2021-2022 Solano County Grand Jury Foreperson

City Council of the City of Benicia