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April 24, 2018

Honorable Thomas Anderson
Supervising Judge of the Grand Jury
201 Church Street
Nevada County, CA 95959

RE: Response to Grand Jury Report on the subject of A Sally Port is needed at the Truckee Branch of the Nevada County Superior Court

Dear Honorable Judge Anderson,

In response to the Grand Jury Report dated February 5, 2018 regarding a Sally Port at the Truckee Branch of the Nevada County Superior Court.

FINDINGS:

F1. The sally port at the Truckee Jail increases safety for the public during the transfer of prisoners from secure vehicles into the secure jail.

Agree

F2. The absence of a sally port at the Truckee Courthouse increases the risk to the public, law enforcement, and the prisoners at this location during the transfer of prisoners from secure vehicles into the secure courthouse.

Agree

F3. The absence of a sally port at the Truckee Courthouse, in immediate proximity to a public parking area, County offices, and the Truckee Library, creates an increased risk to the public, law enforcement, and the prisoners at this location.

Agree

F4. The addition of a sally port to the prisoner entrance at the Truckee Courthouse would increase safety for the public, prisoners, and citizens of Truckee.

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Agree

RECOMMENDATIONS:

R2. The Nevada County Board of Supervisors should provide funding to install a sally port at the prisoner entrance to the Truckee Courthouse.

The Sheriff's Office is currently conducting a cost analysis for the design and construction of a sally port at the Truckee courthouse that would allow the transfer of prisoners from a secured transport vehicle into the courthouse. The Sheriff's Office will be reporting their findings to the County Executive Office on or before July 1, 2018 for additional input for a final recommendation. The County's budget for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 is anticipated to be adopted in June of 2018 which will not include proposed funding for a sally port at the Truckee Courthouse. Subsequently, it is anticipated that the Sheriff's Office will provide the Board of Supervisors with recommendations for funding and construction of a sally port at the prisoner entrance to the Truckee Courthouse for Fiscal Year 2019-2020. At such time, the Board will consider funding for a sally port at the prisoner entrance to the Truckee Courthouse in reference to the aforementioned Grand Jury Report and the Sheriff's Office and County Executive Office's final recommendation.

The Board of Supervisors thanks the members of the 2017-2018 Grand Jury for their participation and effort in preparing their reports and raising issues of importance for the County.

Sincerely,

Ed Scofield
Chair, Board of Supervisors