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DATE OF MEETING: October 11, 2016

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing acceptance of grant funds from the California Department of Insurance for \$75,049 for investigation and prosecution for the Workers' Compensation Insurance Fraud Program for the period of July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the resolution accepting the grant award.

FUNDING SOURCE: The California Department of Insurance funds the investigation and enforcement of workers' compensation fraud to serve the community and protect consumers. The revenue will be expended on the salary of a temporary District Attorney Investigator and associated operating expenses. These revenues and expenses are budgeted, no budget amendment is necessary.

BACKGROUND: Under the direction of the Insurance Commissioner of the State of California, the California Department of Insurance administers the grant program and the distribution of funds for enhanced investigation and prosecution of workers' compensation insurance fraud by local district attorneys. The authority is granted to the Insurance Commissioner under Section 1872.83 of the California Insurance Code.

This is the fourth year the District Attorney's Office has been awarded this grant. A request for application was submitted to the Insurance Commission in April 2016. The District Attorney's Office presented the Nevada County Plan to the California Department of Insurance Worker's Compensation Grant Review Panel on June 8, 2016. Based on the Review Panel's evaluation of each county Plan, the Panel forwards funding recommendations to the Commissioner. The recommendation of the review panel to the Insurance Commissioner was reviewed and approved to include Nevada County. A total of 37 counties in California are participating in this program.

Very truly yours,

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