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The Honorable Judge Vincent O'Neill, Jr.
Presiding Judge, Superior Court of California
County of Ventura
800 South Victoria Avenue
Ventura, CA 93009

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VENTURA COUNTY
GRAND JURY

Subject: Grand Jury Report: Mandatory Detention Facilities Inspections (May 30, 2012)

Dear Judge O'Neill:

This letter is in response to the Grand Jury's Findings and Recommendations pertaining to the annual inspection of all places of incarceration in the County, as it relates to the Sheriff's Office Pre-Trial Detention Facility (PTDF), Todd Road Jail, and East Valley Jail.

FINDINGS

Finding Item FI-01:

Response: In the summary table, under the heading "Physical Facility Observations", the term "Average Capacity" is used. The Sheriff's Office is unclear as to the definition of Average Capacity, therefore, the numbers inserted for the PTDF, Todd Road Jail, and East Valley Jail cannot be confirmed. The Sheriff's Office otherwise agrees with the findings as they relate to the PTDF, Todd Road Jail, and East Valley Jail.

Finding FI-02 through FI-05:

Response: The Sheriff's Office agrees with the findings as they relate to the PTDF, Todd Road Jail, and East Valley Jail.

Finding FI-07:

Response: The Sheriff's Office agrees with the findings as it relates to the PTDF, Todd Road Jail, and East Valley Jail.

Finding FI-05, FI-08 and FI-09:

Response: These findings do not pertain to the PTDF, Todd Road Jail, or East Valley Jail.

RECOMMENDATIONS

There are no recommendations for the PTDF, Todd Road Jail, or the East Valley Jail.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to this Grand Jury report. If additional explanation is needed, please feel free to contact Captain Eric Dowd at 648-9275 or eric.dowd@ventura.org

Sincerely,



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Sheriff

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