County of Los Angeles
Sheriff's Department Headquarters
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LEROY D. BACA, SHERIFF

November 30, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPTANCE OF A 1972 "MONARCH BOATS" SAFETY VESSEL DONATED TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S MARINA DEL REY STATION (FIRST DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve and authorize the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department to accept the donation of a 1972 "Monarch Boats" safety vessel (the *Yellowtail*), Vessel Documentation Number 542-722, valued at $1,000,000, from the California Department of Fish and Game, for use by the Department for homeland defense and maritime law enforcement related missions.

2. Agree to indemnify and defend the State of California from all liability arising out of the County's use of the vessel, other than liability resulting from defects or malfunctions related to acts or omissions of the manufacturer.

3. Instruct the Executive Officer of the Board to send a letter of appreciation to Director Ryan Broddrick of the California Department of Fish and Game,1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California 95814, for the generous donation, and to send a letter of appreciation to the local area contact Lieutenant John Suchil, Department of Fish and Game - Marine Region, 3600 S. Harbor Boulevard #161, Oxnard, California 93035, for generously facilitating the donation.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The California Department of Fish and Game wishes to donate a 1972 "Monarch Boats" safety vessel, the *Yellowtail*, Vessel Documentation Number 542-722, to Marina del Rey Sheriff's Station.

In donating this vessel to the Sheriff's Department, the California Department of Fish and Game asks that this vessel be utilized exclusively by the Sheriff's Department for homeland defense and maritime law enforcement related missions.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Acceptance of this donation supports the County's homeland security and emergency response preparedness goals. The donated vessel will enhance the capabilities of the Sheriff's Department to perceive, prevent, and/or respond to criminal activity; including terrorist related incidents, and to conduct emergency rescue and recovery operations in the Los Angeles County Maritime Region.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

An application for a grant from the Office of Domestic Preparedness, which will pay for the total refurbishment of the vessel, has been approved. No costs other than fuel and maintenance are projected. Staffing of the vessel will initially be accomplished by personnel already assigned to Marina del Rey Station.

The donation of this vessel will augment the Sheriff's Department's fleet and enhance Marina del Rey Station's service to the citizens of Los Angeles County, and provide the Department with a platform for rescue, recovery, and homeland security missions within the Los Angeles County Maritime Region.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

None.

CONCLUSION

Upon the Board's approval, please return four (4) adopted, stamped copies to the Fleet Management Bureau, Attention: Deputy Steve Woolum, 1277 North Eastern Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90063.

Sincerely,

LEROY D. BACA
SHERIFF