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LEROY D. BACA, SHERIFF

March 13, 2007

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

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SHERIFF TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING FROM THE CALIFORNIA VOLUNTEERS, OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, FOR THE CITIZEN PREPAREDNESS AND PARTICIPATION GRANT PROGRAM (ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Sheriff to submit a grant application to the California Volunteers, Office of the Governor, for the Citizen Preparedness and Participation Grant Program in the amount of $80,000.

2. Adopt the attached Resolution (Attachment I) authorizing the Sheriff of Los Angeles County, as an agent for the County, to execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests which may be necessary for completion of the project.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On February 13, 2007, California Volunteers, through its Citizen Corps Program (CCP), released a request for applications for the Citizen Preparedness and Participation Grant Program. The program requires the collaborative efforts of local government and the volunteer community during disasters and emergencies. In order for the proposal to be considered for funding, an adopted resolution, authorizing the Sheriff to submit and execute all documents related to the grant, must be submitted to the California Volunteers no later than Friday, March 16, 2007.

The primary objective of this grant program is to provide funding to applicants in developing the best practices in citizen preparedness and participation during

emergency and disaster situations. In meeting this objective, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Department) will use the grant funds to develop, implement, and engage Californians to significantly increase individual, family, and community preparedness in any and all phases of emergency management during disasters, emergencies, and acts of terrorism.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Department's application to the California Volunteers for the Citizen Preparedness and Participation Grant Program supports three of the goals within the County of Los Angeles' Strategic Plan. Specifically, with the support of this funding source, the Department will be able to realize the achievement of Goal #1: Service Excellence, Goal #3: Organizational Effectiveness, and Goal #4: Fiscal Responsibility. These goals will be accomplished by using this grant funding to train community volunteers to work collaboratively with the Department in emergency, disaster, and terrorist situations.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total amount of grant funding requested is $80,000 and the initial grant period is from April 1, 2007, to February 1, 2008. A 20 percent in-kind match of the total project cost is required.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

California Volunteers, CCP, requires the Department to submit an application in order to be considered for funding. In addition, a resolution approved by the Board of Supervisors must be submitted to them by March 16, 2007.

The resolution (Attachment I) has been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

This grant funding will have a positive impact on the services currently provided by the Department. With this funding, the Department will be given the opportunity to increase community preparedness in the event of disasters, emergencies and acts of terrorism.

CONCLUSION

Upon your Board's approval, the Department requests that your Board please provide four (4) individually adopted copies of this action and two (2) originally executed copies

of Attachment I to the Department. The Department's contact for this requested Board action is Sherry Lewis, Grants Coordinator, at (323) 526-5359.

Sincerely,

LEROY D. BACA
SHERIFF

GOVERNING BODY RESOLUTION FOR CALIFORNIA VOLUNTEERS

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles that Sheriff Leroy D. Baca is hereby authorized to execute for and on behalf of the named legal applicant, a public entity established under the laws of the State of California, any actions necessary for the purpose of obtaining federal financial assistance through the Citizen Preparedness and Participation grants administered by California Volunteers – Office of the Governor.

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true copy of the resolution adopted by the Los Angeles County of Board of Supervisors in a meeting thereof held on the_____day of _____2007 by the following:

Vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Typed Name and Title: _____

ATTEST: Date _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.
County Counsel

By: Gary Gross

GARY GROSS
Principal Deputy County Counsel