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

Dear Supervisors:

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S
PLAN FOR DISPOSAL OF USED SHOTGUNS**

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Department) currently provides one County-owned shotgun in each patrol car for use by sworn members of the Department. In 2009, the Department embarked on a replacement program for all issued Ithaca 12-gauge shotguns. The Department is replacing the shotguns with the Remington Model 870 to modernize our shotgun inventory and enhance officer safety. This change of weapon has resulted in a large number of surplus Ithaca shotguns and has brought about a disposal problem. The attached plan was developed with the assistance of the Los Angeles County (County) Internal Services Department's Purchasing Agent and reviewed by County Counsel. We will begin implementing the plan in the next few months.

The Department's "Plan For Disposal of Used Weapons" will permit us to sell the used excess weapons to the Department's full-time sworn, and qualified reserve and retired personnel. The weapons will be sold at the fair market value established by the County's Purchasing Agent, thereby, precluding any financial advantage to the deputies. Any weapons remaining at the conclusion of the sale will be destroyed through existing processes. The plan was developed to address concerns regarding the inventory, as well as to ensure that the shotguns are never misused. A similar sale plan was implemented in 1989 when the Department changed the standard-issued handgun from revolvers to Beretta semi-automatic handguns.

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Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact Sergeant William Wicker, Central Supply Warehouse and Logistics Unit, at (562) 946-7092.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Leroy D. Baca". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

LEROY D. BACA
SHERIFF

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The Purchasing Agent will establish a fair market value for all excess shotguns.

The Purchasing Agent will sell the shotguns under a Posted Sales Procedure, whereby, the Sheriff will be authorized to conduct the sales, at the fair market value established by the Purchasing Agent, to the Department's full-time sworn, qualified reserve, and retired personnel as allowed by Penal Code Section 12078. Because these sales will be of a temporary or infrequent nature, a firearms sales license is not required as provided under Penal Code Section 12070. All sales will be entered voluntarily by the Department into the State of California, Department of Justice's Automated Firearms Systems.

All shotguns no longer needed by the Department and not sold through the processes listed above will be disposed of in accordance with established disposal procedures.

All revenue derived from the sale of the used shotguns, as well as surplus parts inventory, will accrue to the Department and be used to partially offset the costs of new County owned weapons and accessories.