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

August 2, 2005

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:

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S SPECIAL APPROPRIATION FUND
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Determine the amount of the Sheriff's Department's Special Appropriation Fund to be $430,000.

2. Direct the Auditor-Controller to issue a warrant to the Sheriff's Department in the amount of $130,000. This amount will be appropriated to the Sheriff's Department's Special Appropriation Fund and will have no impact on net County cost.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The increase is necessary to allow sufficient funds to accommodate current and anticipated demands. In addition, it will allow for any procedural delays that may be experienced in processing the weekly reimbursements due to an increase in the level of spending associated with special task forces set up to combat crimes, as well as in monies paid to informants.

The appropriation is used by various units within the Sheriff's Department for expenses incurred in criminal cases, preservation of peace, or suppression of crime in accordance with requirements of Government Code Section 29435. Monies expended are processed for reimbursement on a weekly basis from the Sheriff's General Fund Appropriation, upon approval by your Board. The increase is necessary to

accommodate the growing number of requests for funds to be used in criminal investigations resulting from planned sustained proactive law enforcement operations, as well as increases in the use of informants.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The requested actions will implement Strategic Plan Goal #4, Fiscal Responsibility, by properly adjusting the Sheriff's Special Appropriation Fund to accommodate its increased use.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

No budgetary impact. The Special Appropriation Fund increase will be fully absorbed within the Sheriff's Department's 2005-06 Adopted Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Government Code Section 29430 established a Sheriff's Special Appropriation in each county, in an amount to be determined by the Board of Supervisors. It is now recommended that your Board increase the fund amount from its current level of $300,000 to $430,000, to support a higher level of spending associated with special crime task force operations.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

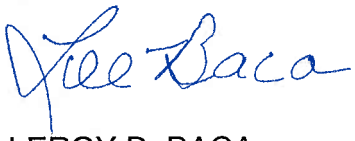
None.

CONCLUSION

Upon Board approval, please provide an adopted copy of the Board letter to Administrative Services Division Headquarters, Financial Programs Bureau.

Should your staff have any questions or need additional information, please contact Director Glen Dragovich, Financial Programs Bureau, at (323) 526-5232.

Sincerely,



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