County Executive Office

June 29, 2016

Mr. Peter Hersh Foreperson, 2015-2016 Orange County Grand Jury 700 Civic Center Drive West Santa Ana, CA 92701

Dear Mr. Hersh,

Thank you for your letter dated May 31, 2016, regarding the County's responses to the 2014-15 Grand Jury Report titled *The Mental Illness Revolving Door: A Problem for Police, Hospitals, and the Health Care Agency*.

Similar to the Grand Jury's work in preparing reports, the County of Orange takes great care in responding to Grand Jury Reports, and the Board of Supervisors does not take lightly its responses to the Grand Jury. In accordance with the law, the County complies with all requirements set forth clearly in the Penal Code Sections 933 and 933.05 regarding required responses to the Grand Jury, including its response to the report regarding mental illness. The combined County response is considered and approved in public session by the Board of Supervisors prior to the transmission deadline. The County has established policies and procedures to train staff in the development of these responses.

Also, in accordance with the spirit of the law, although not legally required, the County provides follow-up responses on any open responses to recommendations (defined as "The recommendation has not yet been implemented, but will be implemented in the future" and "The recommendation requires further analysis") in March as an Agenda Staff Report on a public Board of Supervisors agenda. The most recent example of this follow-up was in March 2016. In addition, I have agreed to meet with the Grand Jury to discuss follow-up responses on an annual basis.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss our responses further.

Sincerely,

Frank Kim

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