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Dear Dr. Carmody:

This letter serves as an update to your request of January 25, 2017, regarding the Orange County Grand Jury Report entitled: "Drones Know Before You Fly" issued in May 2016.

Pursuant to your request, I am pleased to provide the following update:

- **R.1.** Each City Council should direct its City Attorney to provide a report to the city's police department and City Council on existing laws that can be applied to the use of recreational drones in the city's jurisdiction by December 30, 2016.
 - <u>Update</u>: This recommendation was completed via a staff report directed to City Council on August 9, 2016.
- **R.4** Each City should establish and publish on its website a point of contact for drone-related citizen complaints by December 30, 2016.
 - <u>Update:</u> The City has published a drone related webpage and designated the Special Assistant to the Chief of Police as the point of contact for inquiries regarding the operation of drones in the City of Irvine.
- **R.5.** Each City should post FAA drone ownership and operation education links on city-related websites, newsletters, and flyers by December 31, 2016.
 - <u>Update:</u> The City of Irvine has posted a webpage containing information regarding the operation of drones, including two educational links to the

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Federal Aviation Administration. The first link provides information for hobbyist drone operators to register their drones with the FAA if they weigh more than 0.55 pounds. The second link directs the public to the FAA's webpage containing important information related to the rules and regulations pertaining to drones. The Department of Public Safety has used social media to provide a link to its webpage regarding the operation of drones as previously agreed to.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dan Jung, Special Assistant to the Chief of Police at 949-724-7209 or djung@cityofirvine.org.

Sincerely

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