County Executive Office

March 12, 2018

Honorable Charles Margines Presiding Judge of the Superior Court of California 700 Civic Center Drive West Santa Ana, CA 92701

Subject: Response to Status Inquiry Regarding Grand Jury Report, "Annual Inquiry on Jails and Juvenile Detention Facilities"

Dear Judge Margines:

This letter is in response to the February 27, 2018 letter from Mr. Bob Niccum addressed to Frank Kim, County Executive Officer of the Orange County Board of Supervisors. The letter requested an update on Recommendation 7 of the aforementioned Grand Jury Report. Below is the update.

In the original response to the Grand Jury on April 20, 2016, Probation and OC Public Works estimated a planned completion date of fall 2017. Since then, Probation has experienced some progress and setbacks. In County Fiscal Year 2016-17, Probation completed the purchase of all video data room equipment. In July of 2017, contract negotiations with the selected contractor was initiated but due to an inability to agree on contract terms, the negotiations fell through. Since then, Probation has secured a new contractor and have begun negotiations with an anticipated purchase order issuance date of spring 2018. Based on this new timeline, the new estimated construction completion date has been moved to winter 2018.

If you have any questions, please contact Lilly Simmering of the County Executive Office at 714-834-6748.

Sincerely,

Frank Kim

County Executive Officer

cc: Bob Niccum, FY 2017-18 Orange County Grand Jury Foreman Steve Sentman, Chief Probation Officer, OC Probation Department Lilly Simmering, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, County Executive Office