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November 16, 2006

Mr. A.L. Musgrave, Chairperson
Orange County Grand Jury
Special Issues/Continuity Committee
700 Civic Center Drive West
Santa Ana, California 92701

Dear Mr. Musgrave:

This letter shall serve as the Placentia Police Department's response to the applicable Findings and Recommendations in the Orange County Grand Jury report, "Improving Child Abuse Response."

Finding 6.2 The Placentia Police Department agrees with the planned expansion of the enhanced protocol.

Finding 6.3 The Placentia Police Department agrees with the finding that *this* law enforcement agency has not been approached by SSA on the enhanced protocol and has not included it in *our* procedures nor trained *our* officers in its use.

Recommendation 7.1 The Placentia Police Department has not implemented the enhanced SSA Protocol. The Placentia Police Department would be amenable to adopting such a procedure within six months after social worker capacity is increased and the protocol is made available to our agency.

Recommendation 7.2 The Placentia Police Department has not implemented the enhanced SSA Protocol. Once the Placentia Police Department is notified that social worker staffing is sufficient to allow implementation of the enhanced protocol, a time frame of not more than six months would be reasonable to adopt these procedures and train line officers in its use.

Thank you for this opportunity to work with the Orange County Grand Jury to better protect our community's children.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John T. Schaefer', is written over a horizontal line.

John T. Schaefer
Chief of Police