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Orange County Grand Jury  
700 Civic Center Drive West  
Santa Ana, CA 92701

Dear Orange County Grand Jury:

The City of Brea received and reviewed the 2023-2024 Orange County Grand Jury report entitled, "Law Enforcement's Response to Mental Health Calls for Service." As required by California Penal Code Sections 933 and 933.05, the City of Brea has prepared the following responses to the report.

## FINDINGS

**F1.**

**Mental health training for law enforcement officers in Orange County exceeds the State's requirements, resulting in law enforcement applying these skills to better evaluate and handle mental health calls for service.**

Response: The City of Brea agrees with this finding.

**F2.**

**Law enforcement agencies in Orange County have developed unique ways to deal with mental health calls in their communities based on their particular needs and budgets, enabling law enforcement to better serve their communities.**

Response: The City of Brea agrees with this finding.

**F4.**

**People with mental illness respond more positively to "soft uniformed" police personnel, which can be effective in de-escalating situations.**

Response: The City of Brea agrees with this finding.

**F5.**

**Providing follow-up case management is not only necessary but critical for the wellbeing of people experiencing mental health issues.**

Response: The City of Brea agrees with this finding.

Thank you for the opportunity to address the Grand Jury report. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Adam Hawley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends downwards and to the right.

Adam Hawley  
Chief of Police

CC: Orange County Grand Jury  
Christine Marick, Mayor