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Board of Supervisors County of Santa Cruz 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Funding for 1998-99 Winter Shelter Program

Dear Members of the Board:

Elsewhere on today's agenda your Board is considering a report from the HRA Administrator regarding the Winter Shelter Program for 1998-99. That report indicates that, due to a veto of legislation to fund state-wide shelters, there is a significant funding shortfall for operating the National Guard Armories portion of the local winter shelter program. While a substantial portion of that funding is proposed to be made up by the local cities and the County, a funding gap of \$32,567 remains. The purpose of this letter is to address this remaining gap.

Because of a one-time expenditure savings, there are adequate funds within the County's CDBG Fund (Index 135436) to cover these expenses for 1998-99. Unlike the Redevelopment Agency's housing funds, these funds are available for a very broad range of housing programs, including homeless programs. These funds will not, however, be available in future years, if this funding **difficulty** occurs in the future.

It is therefore RECOMMENDED that your Board authorize the use of up to \$32,567 from Index 135436 for the purpose of funding the National Guard Armories 1998-99 Winter Shelter Program.

Hery truly yours,

Redevelopment Agency Administrator

RDA, HRA, Auditor-Controller

RECOMMENDED:

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County Administrative Officer

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