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August 13, 1999

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

BOARD AGENDA: August 24, 1999

The Honorable Jeff Almquist, Chairperson and Members of the Board of Supervisors Governmental Center 701 Ocean Street, Room 500 Santa Cruz, California 95060

RE: DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S FISCAL YEAR 1999-2000 STATE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FRAUD PROGRAM

Dear Chairperson Almquist and Members of the Board:

This is to request your Board's authorization to reapply to the State Department of Insurance for \$66,282 in FY 1999-2000 to support the efforts of this office in the investigation and prosecution of Automobile Insurance Fraud cases. The receipt of these insurance fraud funds and the expenditure of said funds for program purposes were anticipated and approved in the county budget for FY 1999-2000. The statutory authority authorizing the Department of Insurance to provide funding for Automobile Insurance Fraud investigations and prosecutions is contained in California Insurance Code Section 1872.8, California Code of Regulations Subchapter 9, Article 4, Section 2698.65.

Staffing and essential operating expenses which are required for this program leave sufficient funds available for the recovery of indirect overhead costs. Thus, we are able to include recovery of indirect overhead charges from the Department of Insurance for our investigation and prosecution of automobile insurance fraud cases.

A copy of our reapplication will be placed on file for your review with the Clerk of the Board. We will continue to notify your Board of any changes to the fiscal year 1999-2000 State Department of Insurance Automobile Insurance Fraud Program.

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IT IS THEREFORE RECOMMENDED that your Board:

- 1. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the District Attorney to reapply to the State Department of Insurance for \$66,282 in fiscal year 1999-2000 Automobile Insurance Fraud funds; and
- 2. Include the requirement for the recovery of indirect costs from the Department of Insurance for the Automobile Insurance Fraud Program in fiscal year 1999-2000, pursuant to County Procedure Section 900A.3.

Sincerely,

RONALD L. RUIZ DISTRICT ATTORNEY

RECOMMENDED:

SUSAN A. MAURIELLO

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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BEFORE TEE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION NO.
On the motion of Supervisor
duly seconded by Supervisor
the following resolution is adopted

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO APPLY FOR FUNDS DURING FISCAL YEAR 1999-2000 FOR AN AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FRAUD PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Santa Cruz County desires to undertake a certain project designated the Automobile Insurance Fraud Program, to be funded from funds made available through Chapter 1222 (SB 953), Statutes of 1991 administered by the California Department of Insurance.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RESOLVES AND ORDERS that the District Attorney of the County of Santa Cruz is authorized, on its behalf to submit an application for state funds for an Automobile Insurance Fraud Program to the California Department of Insurance and is authorized to execute on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of Santa Cruz County a Grant Award Agreement, including any extensions or amendments thereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that grant funds received hereunder shall not be used to supplant expenditures controlled by this body;

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of California, this day of	of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz , State 1999, by the following vote:
VOTE :	
AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:	
	JEFF ALMQUIST CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD
ATTEST : Clerk of Said Board	

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

DISTRIBUTION: District Attorney

Assistant County Counsel

County Counsel
Auditor, CAO

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