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Governor Jerry Brown
c/o State Capitol, Suite 1173
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Brown:

As Chair, and on behalf of all members of the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors, I would like to recognize your leadership and ongoing efforts to promote public safety in California. Alongside you, our citizens in El Dorado County and our leaders in local government are concerned with the circumstances requiring the response that was enacted this year within Assembly Bill 109 and other associated Justice System Realignment legislation. The El Dorado County Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) worked immediately and exhaustively in partnership with your efforts at the State level to establish an Initial Realignment Implementation Plan to ready El Dorado County for our new responsibilities under realignment. On September 26, 2011, our Board of Supervisors approved the CCP Plan presented to us by our Chief Probation Officer and other local law and justice leaders.

Although we wish circumstances did not require such a large and immediate realignment of this jurisdiction and responsibility to Counties, we stand ready to do our part for the citizens we serve in promoting and managing a successful public safety outcome. That said, the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors wishes to present to you two major concerns regarding 2011 public safety realignment:

1. **Insufficient funding levels realigned for counties** - The funding allocated for the services now the responsibility of each county was less than that allocated to CDCR prior to realignment for their completion of the same work. Although based upon data analysis and conclusions of the size and impact of the realigned workload, we believe the future workload associated with the realigned responsibilities will be greater than anticipated, thus requiring additional funding at the local level. Local jurisdictions do not have adequate funding to supplement shortfalls and thus will require adequate levels of funding realigned from the State.
2. **No security for long term funding** - Counties must have assurance that the funding realigned with this important public safety transfer of duties and responsibilities will be provided indefinitely and at adequate funding levels.

We are aware of and support your efforts toward a Constitutional Amendment to protect this funding for counties. We strongly urge you and all legislative members in Sacramento to accomplish this so the Justice System Realignment effort of 2011, as the largest change in California justice in 35 years, can ultimately be successful. Thank you again for your leadership in this important area affecting our local jurisdiction.

Sincerely,



Ray Nutting

Chair, El Dorado County Board of Supervisors