EL DORADO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL

Meeting of

February 27, 2007 **AGENDA TITLE:** Grand Jury Audits and Contingency Transfer **DEPARTMENT:** Board of Supervisors DEPT SIGNOFF: **CAO USE ONLY: CONTACT:** Helen Baumann **DATE:** 2/12/2007 **PHONE:** 5390 **DEPARTMENT SUMMARY AND REQUESTED BOARD ACTION:** Authorize the transfer from Contingency in the amount of \$30,000 for the Grand Jury to contract with an outside auditing services firm. Attached is recent correspondence from the Grand Jury Presiding Judge requesting the additional funding. **CAO RECOMMENDATIONS:** Funding Source: (X) Gen Fund () Other Financial impact? (X) Yes () No **BUDGET SUMMARY:** Other: Total Est. Cost \$30,000.00 **CAO Office Use Only:** 4/5's Vote Required (4) Yes () No **Funding** Change in Policy () Yes () No New Personnel () Yes () No \$0.00 Budgeted New Funding CONCURRENCES: Savings Other \$30,000.00 Risk Management _____ County Counsel _____ **Total Funding** \$30,000.00 \$30,000.00 Other **Change in Net County Cost** *Explain Contingency Fund **BOARD ACTIONS:** Vote: Unanimous Or I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered into the minutes of the Ayes: **Board of Supervisors** Noes: Date: _____ Abstentions: Attest: Cindy Keck, Board of Supervisors Clerk Absent: Rev. 6/04 ISKW001 Agenda By: __

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OR THEIR INFORMATION

JERALD M. LASAROW JUDGE February 7, 2007

El Dorado County Board of Supervisors Attention Chairperson Supervisor Helen Baumann 330 Fair Lane, Placerville CA 95667

Re; Grand Jury request for additional funds

Dear Supervisors.

I am writing this letter on behalf of the 2006-2007 Grand Jury as I am their supervising Superior Court Judge.

The Grand Jury is requesting additional funding to investigate and conduct an audit of several county agencies. I have personally reviewed some documentation regarding their request. I also have contacted the Auditor Controller Office and they seem to agree that the county agencies that the Grand Jury wants to examine could benefit from outside expertise or auditing. This investigation could result in increased revenue to the county and or substantial savings to the county and the tax payers.

The Grand Jury is requesting an additional \$30,000.00 to investigate and pay an expert auditing firm.

We are requesting the funding now since this investigation can be completed by this years Grand Jury. Since we anticipate that this investigation will result in increased revenue and or saving to the county, we feel that it is imperative that we start and complete this investigation as soon as possible.

I request your prompt attention to this matter.

Jerald Lasarow

El Dorado County Superior Court Judge cc Lou Green County Counsel Ray Van Asten Foreperson of the Grand Jury