

PROCLAMATION

Of the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors Designating March 2023 as Grand Jury Awareness Month

WHEREAS, the Civil Grand Jury is made up of 19 citizens who serve El Dorado County for a one-year term following selection; and

WHEREAS, the individual Grand Jurors are selected from volunteer applicants that have been screened and qualified by the judges of the Superior Court, with final selection of the 19 obtained by random drawing; and

WHEREAS, the jurisdiction of the Grand Jury extends to all activities of local government within the geographic limits of El Dorado County; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Jury is granted subpoena powers that extend to records, persons and entities, and parallel powers to undertake independent investigations and issue public reports detailing the results of these investigations; and

WHEREAS, the primary function of the Grand Jury is to provide independent oversight into the efficiency, effectiveness, honesty, and impartiality of government by the citizens of El Dorado County; and

WHEREAS, the Grand Jury in large part relies upon public awareness and responsiveness of the public to its reports which detail its findings and recommendations; and

WHEREAS, it is believed that public awareness and responsiveness of the Grand Jury's function and purpose can be furthered by governmental declarations of awareness.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of El Dorado County does hereby proclaim the month of March, 2023 as Grand Jury Awareness Month.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting, held the 21st day of February, 2023.

Attest: Kim Dawson Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Deputy Clerk

Wendy Thomas, Chair, Board of Supervisors

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