

RESOLUTION NO. .

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FY 2024 PAUL COVERDELL FORENSIC SCIENCE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANT SUB-AWARDED BY THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR’S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (CAL OES) FOR DISTRIBUTION TO THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO FOR THE TERM OF APRIL 1, 2025 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2026, IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$62,118

RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that

WHEREAS, the Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement (CQ) Program grant, sub-awarded through Cal OES, offers an opportunity for government entities with existing crime laboratories to obtain funding for improvements; and

WHEREAS, this grant program assists with improving the quality and timeliness of forensic science services, reducing backlogs, and maintaining accreditation. These improvements are critical in reducing backlogs and helping the criminal justice system use the full potential of forensic technology; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff’s Office applied for and anticipates being awarded the 2024 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement (CQ) Program grant in the amount of \$62,118, for a period commencing April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, funding will assist with overall turnaround time for the testing of controlled substances, latent prints, and firearms; increase the throughput of the Sheriff’s Office Forensic Laboratory; and reduce existing controlled substances, latent print, and firearms casework backlogs. In addition, funding will assist to maintain continuing

education of staff in the fields of latent print examination, firearms examination, toxicology, and crime scene investigation and will assist to upgrade aging equipment; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement (CQ) Program award will be applied towards funding travel and training expenses, to purchase storage bins for toxicology samples, to purchase a high-volume scanner, and to outsource backlogged controlled substances for testing.

WHEREAS, the State requires a Resolution from the Board authorizing execution of the Grant Subaward before the applicable Grant Subaward performance period.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Sheriff of the County of San Mateo, the San Mateo County Forensic Laboratory Director, or the Sheriff's Office Management Analyst assigned to Contracts and Grants is authorized, on its behalf to enter into the Grant Subaward including any extensions or amendments thereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Sheriff agrees to provide all matching funds required for said project (including any extension or amendment thereof) and abide by the rules and regulations of Cal OES.

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

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