

RESOLUTION NO. .

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

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE FY 2026 PAUL COVERDELL
FORENSIC SCIENCE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANT SUB-AWARDED BY THE
CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR
DISTRIBUTION TO THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO FOR THE TERM OF JULY 1, 2026
THROUGH JUNE 30, 2027, IN AN AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED \$58,900**

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 the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES), offers an opportunity for government entities with existing crime laboratories to obtain funding for improvements in the quality and timeliness of forensic science services, reducing backlogs, and maintaining accreditation; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office applied for, and anticipates being awarded, the 2026 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement (CQ) Program grant in the amount of \$58,900, for a term of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027 ("Grant"); and

WHEREAS, funding from the Grant will assist with overall turnaround time for the testing of controlled substances, toxicology, latent prints, and firearms; increase the throughput of the Sheriff's Office Forensic Laboratory; reduce existing controlled substances, toxicology, latent print, and firearms casework backlogs; assist with maintenance of continuing education of staff in the fields of latent print examination, firearms examination, toxicology, controlled substances, and crime scene investigation; and assist with upgrades of aging equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Grant award will be applied toward funding travel and training expenses, purchase of equipment for two latent print capture stations, purchase of laptops, purchase of 10 Draeger organizers, purchase of two quiet covers for the GC-MS instruments, and to partially fund the purchase of four fume hoods; and

WHEREAS, the State requires a resolution from the Board authorizing certain designated authorized agents to enter into a standard Grant agreement, including any extensions and amendments, before the applicable Grant performance period; and

WHEREAS, concurrent with this resolution, the Board will be approving an Appropriation Transfer Request (ATR) in the total amount of \$58,900 to establish a budget appropriation and record revenue for the Grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes 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 as the County's authorized agents to enter into on the County's behalf the Grant agreement, 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 shall not be used to supplant expenditures controlled by the Board.

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