

RESOLUTION NO. .

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

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH SEROLOGICAL RESEARCH
INSTITUTE TO PROVIDE FORENSIC ANALYSIS OF UNTESTED SEXUAL ASSAULT
KITS, FOR THE TERM OF MARCH 1, 2026 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2028, IN AN
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$690,000**

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

WHEREAS, in the course of law enforcement activities, it is necessary to gather forensic evidence to establish objective facts in legal proceedings, primarily to identify perpetrators, link suspects to crime scenes, and exonerate the innocent; and

WHEREAS, sexual assault kits are used to collect and preserve biological evidence and law enforcement agencies in San Mateo County have identified over 650 untested sexual assault kits in their possession; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 081455 of this Board of Supervisors, the Sheriff's Office has executed an agreement with the California Department of Justice (DOJ) Bureau of Forensic Services for distribution of the FY 2025 Sexual Assault Evidence Submission Grant Program funds to enable the outsourced testing of these previously untested sexual assault kits; and

WHEREAS, in October 2025, the County issued a request for proposals for accredited forensic service providers to support the testing of untested sexual assault kits; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office received six proposals from qualified and responsible vendors, and a team of evaluators selected two vendors based on a best-value evaluation; and

WHEREAS, the County and Serological Research Institute now wish to enter into an agreement to provide forensic analysis of previously untested sexual assault kits for the terms of March 1, 2026 through June 20, 2028, in an amount not to exceed \$690,000; and

WHEREAS, this Board has been presented with a form of such agreement and has examined and approved it as to both form and content and desires to enter into the same.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED that the President of the Board of Supervisors, is hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement on behalf of the County of San Mateo, with Serological Research Institute for forensic analysis of untested sexual assault kit for a term of March 1, 2026 through June 30, 2028, in an amount not to exceed \$690,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Sheriff or Sheriff's designee is hereby authorized and directed to execute all necessary documents in connection with this agreement.

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