

RESOLUTION NO. .

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

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**RESOLUTION WAIVING THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING PROCESS FOR THE
PURCHASE OF HANDHELD NARCOTICS ANALYZER DEVICES AND
AUTHORIZING THE SAN MATEO COUNTY SHERIFF OR HIS/HER DESIGNEE TO
PURCHASE TRUNARC NARCOTICS ANALYZER DEVICES FOR AN AMOUNT NOT
TO EXCEED \$257,083**

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

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office wishes to purchase eight TruNarc handheld narcotics analyzer devices; and

WHEREAS, the objective of this request is to enhance the health and safety of Sheriff's Office deputies and correctional staff by minimizing their exposure to potentially dangerous chemicals; and

WHEREAS, narcotics are often located by Sheriff's Office sworn staff in the performance of their duties requiring them to handle, test and package the narcotics for evidence; and

WHEREAS, fentanyl and other opioid based narcotics which have become more prevalent in recent years are among the many narcotics being located daily in San Mateo County, posing a threat to the health and safety of law enforcement personnel; and

WHEREAS, the TruNarc device is a handheld scientific drug analyzer that allows trained staff to scan substances through packaging, eliminating the need for direct contact and manipulation of possible harmful substances; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County to waive the competitive bidding process requirement because the TruNarc device is the preferred drug analyzer of many law enforcement agencies and is currently utilized by the San Mateo County Narcotics Task Force, the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office Bomb Squad, and the San Mateo Police Department; and

WHEREAS the purchase of the TruNarc Analyzers is for an amount not to exceed \$257,083.09 which will be funded by asset forfeiture funds and reimbursement from contract law enforcement agencies.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED that the requirement for the competitive bidding process is waived;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Sheriff or Sheriff's designee is hereby authorized and directed to purchase TruNarc narcotics analyzer devices for an amount not to exceed \$257,083.

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