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Hon. Steve White, Presiding Judge
Sacramento County Superior Court
720 9th Street, Dept 47
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Response to Findings in 2010 – 2011 Final Report of the Sacramento County Grand Jury – The Safely Surrendered Baby Program – Saving the Children

Dear Judge White,

The Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District appreciates the commitment of the Grand Jury to ensure that government agencies in Sacramento County are managed efficiently, honestly and fairly.

Below is the District's response to the finding represented in the Grand Jury's 2010 – 2011 Final Report.


Finding 2.0: None of the agencies in Sacramento County that are designated as safe surrender sites provide that information on their websites.

Recommendation 2.1: Sacramento County, Sacramento area fire departments and hospitals should prominently display information about the locations of their "safe surrender sites" on their websites, or provide referral information on their websites if they are not "safe surrender" program participants.

District's Response: All Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District fire stations have been identified as safe-surrender sites as part of the Safely Surrendered Baby Program. Our website (<http://www.sacmetrofire.ca.gov> – Community Services, Programs, Safe Places) has been updated to reflect our participation in this program. In addition, we have added a direct link to a list of our fire stations and to the Safely Surrender Baby Law.

The District takes great pride in keeping the citizens in our communities safe. Please do not hesitate to contact my office at (916) 859-4501 if you have any questions.

Respectfully,


Kurt P. Henke
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cc: Becky Castaneda, Grand Jury Coordinator - (castanb@saccourt.com)