

(On file with the clerk: 2009 Domestic Cannabis Eradication & Suppression Program Amended Letter of Agreement)

Background: Since 1995, the Sheriff's Department has received grant awards from the Domestic Cannabis Eradication Suppression program ("DCESP") to support the Department's marijuana suppression efforts. There is no required match for participation in DCESP. Our annual award receipts for years 1995 through 2008 have been as follows: \$5,000; \$19,500; \$25,000; \$25,000; \$26,000; \$15,000; \$20,000; \$20,000; \$13,000; \$14,000; \$25,500; \$48,911; \$60,000; \$85,000. The awards have continually increased over the past seven years. The increase in funding is a result of the Department's eradication successes from the prior year's harvest season.

In April 2009, the Board authorized the Sheriff to execute the Agreement with the Drug Enforcement Administration ("DEA") to provide \$98,000 for the Year 2009 DCESP. The Department just received notification that the DEA is increasing the funding by \$10,000 for a total of \$108,000 as a result of the Sheriff's Narcotic Task Force's ("SNTF") historical seizure activity. The DEA is encouraged by SNTF's activity, and is providing funding to support continued efforts. To incorporate the \$10,000 increase, the original DCESP Agreement must be amended.

The grant funds are designated specifically to support marijuana eradication efforts. The Department will use the funds to cover detective overtime expenditures related to the seasonal marijuana harvest, which typically occurs July through November. The FY 09-10 recommended budget includes \$98,000 for DCESP revenues and related expenditures. The additional \$10,000 in revenue and corresponding expenditures will be included in the consolidated budget adjustments which will be before the Board for consideration in August.

Therefore, the Board is requested to authorize the Sheriff to execute the Amended Agreement with the Drug Enforcement Administration for the Year 2009 Domestic Cannabis Eradication Suppression Program which increases funding for the 2009 grant year and sign any amendments and modifications to the Agreement that do not substantially change the content thereof, upon approval of County Counsel

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Attachments:

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Board Action (If other than "Requested")

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