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August 3, 2023

The Honorable Daniel M. Wolk
1000 Main Street
Woodland, CA 95695

Grand Jury Foreperson
P.O. Box 2142
Woodland, CA 95776

RE: Return Response to 2022-2023 Yolo County Grand Jury Report Findings and

Recommendations: ARE WE THERE YET? On the Road to School Safety

Dear Judge Wolk and Grand Jury Foreperson:

The Winters Joint Unified School District (JUSD) received the Grand Jury's May 22, 2023 report regarding the Grand Jury Report findings and recommendations referenced above. Please find the District's response attached.

Winters Joint Unified School District acknowledges the findings and conclusions presented by the County Grand Jury in its comprehensive report on school safety within Yolo County. We recognize the diligent efforts of the Grand Jury in conducting interviews, reviewing materials, and conducting internet research to assess the safety measures implemented by our district and others in the county.

The Grand Jury's report acknowledges that the safety of our students and staff is of utmost importance to us. We are committed to ensuring a secure learning environment for all. The findings of the Grand Jury affirm that our district, along with the other four Yolo County school districts, is earnestly and continuously working towards enhancing safety measures.

In this response, we aim to address the Grand Jury's findings, provide further insights into our safety protocols, and outline the ongoing initiatives we have undertaken to ensure the highest level of security within our district. We remain dedicated to maintaining open lines of communication with the Grand Jury and other relevant educational partners to collaboratively address any concerns.

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Responses to the findings and recommendations are attached and have been authored in accordance with the required format outlined in Penal Code Section 933.05.

These responses were written in collaboration with other District leaders including Dr. Jenny Pinedo, Director of Special Education Services and Student Services, and Phoebe Girimonte, Assistant Superintendent. I appreciate their time and attention to our response to the Grand Jury's inquiry. On August 3, 2023, at a regularly scheduled meeting, the Winters JUSD Board of Trustees approved this response.

Thank you for your investment in Winters JUSD and the opportunity to highlight the ongoing endeavors of our District in ensuring the safety of our students and staff.

Sincerely,

Dr. Rody Boonchouy
Superintendent
Winters Joint Unified School District

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