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Council Member

July 17, 2015

The Honorable Marie Sovey Silveira, Presiding Judge  
Superior Court of California, Stanislaus County  
PO Box 3488  
Modesto, CA 95353

**RE: Stanislaus County Civil Grand Jury – 15-16 GL – Local Effects of Prison  
Realignment (AB 109) and Proposition 47**

Honorable Judge Silveira:

The City of Waterford forwards to you the following documents:

- A certified copy of Resolution No. 2015-~~XX~~<sup>V5</sup>, adopted by the Waterford City Council on July 16, 2015 approving and authorizing the mayor to execute the City's response;
- Original of the City of Waterford Responses to the Stanislaus County Civil Grand Jury Report 2014-2015

Should you need anything further please feel free to contact me at (209) 874-2328 ext. 109.

Sincerely,

Lori Martin, MMC  
City Clerk

Cc: Judy Navarro, Foreperson (with enclosures)  
Stanislaus County Civil Grand Jury  
PO Box 3387  
Modesto, CA 95353

Michael Van Winkle, Mayor of the City of Waterford (with enclosures)  
Corbett J. Browning, city Attorney (with enclosures)

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Civil Grand Jury

Read by J. Silveira

**WATERFORD CITY COUNCIL  
RESOLUTION 2015-65**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATERFORD APPROVING AND  
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE CITY OF WATERFORD RESPONSE TO THE 2014-  
2015 STANISLAUS COUNTY CIVIL GRAND JURY REPORT ENTITLED, "LOCAL EFFECTS OF  
PRISON REALIGNMENT (AB109) AND PROPOSITION 47, CASE 15-16J**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to California Penal Code §933(c), a public agency which receives a Civil Grand Jury Report, addressing aspects of the public agency's operations, must comment on the Report's findings and recommendations contained in the Report in writing within ninety (90) days to the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court with a copy to the foreperson of the Grand Jury; and,

**WHEREAS**, California Penal Code §933 specifically requires that the "governing body" of the public agency provide said response and, in order to lawfully comply, the governing body must consider and adopt the response at a noticed public meeting pursuant to the Brown Act; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Waterford has received and reviewed the 2014-2015 Stanislaus County Civil Grand Jury Report, dated June 17, 2015 entitled "Local Effects of Prison Realignment (AB109) and Proposition 47, Case 15-16J and has prepared the city's response to Finding 5 and Finding 7; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of Waterford hereby:

Section 1. Approves and authorizes the Mayor to execute the City of Waterford's attached responses to the 2014-2015 Stanislaus County Civil Grand Jury Report entitled "Local Effects of Prison Realignment (AB109) and Proposition 47, Case 15-16J."

Section 2. Directs the City Clerk to forward the City's Civil Grand Jury Responses to the Presiding Judge of the Stanislaus County Superior Court and to the Foreperson of the Stanislaus County Civil Grand Jury.

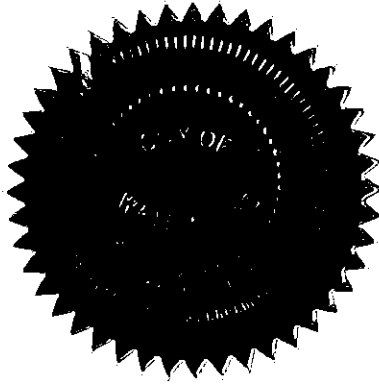
The foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Waterford, County of Stanislaus, State of California, at a regular meeting thereof held on the 16th day of July, 2015, by the following vote:

**AYES:** 5 Van Winkle, Aldaco, Krause, Whitfield, Gothan

**NOES:** 0

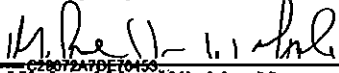
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**ABSTAIN:** 0




City of Waterford,

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Michael Van Winkle, Mayor

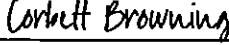
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Lori Martin, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Attorney

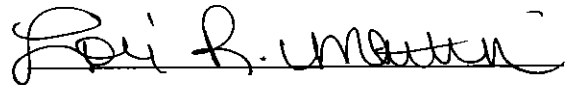


**CERTIFICATION:**

I, Lori R. Martin, City Clerk of the City of Waterford, County of Stanislaus, State of California, do hereby certify, that this is a true and correct copy of Waterford City Council Resolution 2015-65. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Waterford Approving and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the City of Waterford Response to the 2014-2015 Stanislaus County Civil Grand Jury Report Entitled, "Local Effects of Prison Realignment (AB109) and Proposition 47, Case 15-16J, passed and adopted on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015.

**DATED:** July 17, 2015



  
Lori R. Martin, MMC  
City Clerk

## **Stanislaus County Civil Grand Jury Responses – City of Waterford**

July 16, 2015

**Report Title: 2014-2015 Stanislaus County Civil Grand Jury – Local Effects of Prison Realignment (AB 109) and Proposition 47, Case 15-16J**

**Report Date: June 17, 2015**

**Public Release Date: June 19, 2015**

**Response By: Mayor Michael Van Winkle**

### **Prison Realignment (AB 109)**

**Finding 5:** AB 109 may have some effects to local public safety in the County, which may be compounded by budget cuts that have occurred to local law enforcement agencies.

**Recommendation 5:** The Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors and the City Councils of all nine incorporated cities within the County should take action to restore budgets and expand police services, particularly community-oriented and problem-oriented policing, to respond to the potential challenges of AB 109.

**Response 5:** Agreed. The City of Waterford has contracted with the Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department for police services since 1998, and is currently in an agreement for services through June 30, 2016. From 2012 to 2015, the City of Waterford has remained constant with the number of deputies at seven, 50% of a Sergeant, and in 2014 increased the Chief of Police allocation from 33% to 50%. The budget during this timeframe has increased 13.7%, accounting for nearly 50% of the city's general fund budget. The city remains committed to expanding police services as calls for service increase and funding permits.

### **California Proposition 47 ("Reduced Penalties for Some Crimes" initiative):**

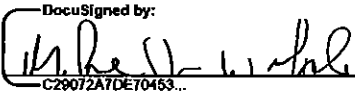
**Finding 7:** Proposition 47, combined with the budget reductions to local law enforcement agencies, may result in an increase in property crimes throughout the county.

**Recommendation 7:** The Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors and the City Councils of all nine incorporated cities within the county should take action to restore budgets and expand police services, particularly community-oriented and problem-oriented policing, to respond to the current and future challenges of Proposition 47.

**Response 7:** Agreed. The City of Waterford has contracted with the Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department for police services since 1998, and is currently in an agreement for services through June 30, 2016. From 2012 to 2015, the City of Waterford has remained constant with the number of deputies

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Date: 7/17/2015

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Michael Van Winkle, Mayor  
City of Waterford