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Mr. John Maltbie, County Manager
County Manager's Office
400 County Center, 1st Floor
Redwood City, CA 94063

RE: 2017 Annual Report "Rape Kit Processing In San Mateo County"

Dear Mr. Maltbie:

As part of the report "Rape Kit Processing In San Mateo County", the 2015-2016 San Mateo County Civil Grand Jury requested the Sheriff's Office Forensic Laboratory submit an annual report detailing the year's activities in the analysis and testing of sexual assault kits for San Mateo County.

In calendar year 2017, the Sheriff's Office Forensic Laboratory received one hundred eighty-one (181) sexual assault kits; one hundred seventy-seven (177) of those sexual assault kits were received from the Keller Center. Five (5) sexual assault kits were received from out of county agencies. Of the five (5) sexual assault kits received from out of county agencies, one (1) received from the San Francisco International Airport had been previously processed by the San Francisco Police Department Crime Laboratory, so this sexual assault kit was not tested again.

Of the one hundred eighty-one (181) sexual assault kits, sixty-nine (69) were cancelled by the submitting law enforcement agency. To date, of the one hundred twelve (112) sexual assault kits that were submitted for processing, eighty-six (86) have been completed and twenty-six (26) are currently in progress.

Thirty-two (32) sexual assault kits yielded DNA profiles that qualified for and were entered into the Combined DNA Index System, (CODIS). The average number of days between the submission of the sexual assault kits to the Forensic Laboratory and the release of the report is eighty-one (81) days. For calendar year 2016, the average was eighty-four (84) days. The statute requirement is one hundred twenty (120) days.

Sincerely,

Carlos G. Bolanos
Sheriff

cc: San Mateo County Board of Supervisors