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The Honorable Brian R. Aronson
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court of California
County of Sutter
Civic Center Boulevard
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SUTTER
CLERK OF THE COURT
By JACKIE LASWELL Deputy

To the Honorable and Presiding Judge Aronson,

Re: Response to the Report of the 2015-2016 Sutter County Grand Jury

The Yuba City Unified School District (District) submits the following response to the report, findings, and recommendations of the 2015-2016 Sutter County Grand Jury. Specifically, this responds to the *Assessment on Sutter County Education* report prepared by the Education Committee.

The District appreciates the time invested by the Education Committee while visiting its schools. The Committee demonstrated genuine interest in and conducted a calibrated and comprehensive review of each school and for the District. Specifically, the Committee reviewed program, facilities, goals, personnel, students, and budget. Members were forthcoming with praise and asked important and relevant questions of the team hosting each visit.

Findings/Recommendations (pages 3 to 4 of 7, 5 of 7, Finding 4, and 6 of 7 Recommendation 3)

The District is pleased with the Committee summary that positively portrayed the District and its schools. The campus tour of each brought showcase to facilities, programs, and learning environments, with opportunity for many questions and answers during this visit component. Then, the discussion time that followed offered further clarification about budget, facility needs, and program design.

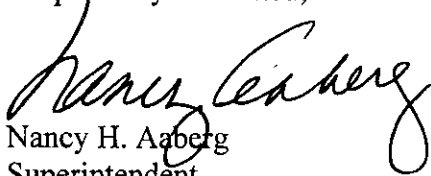
One specific finding was noted on page 5 of 7, F4 regarding the dirt track at Park Avenue School. It stated, "Park Avenue Elementary School has a deteriorated dirt track." The corresponding recommendation stated, "Park Avenue Elementary School be prioritized to have the school track replaced with grant funds, donation or any other means available."

Response:

The District carefully monitors the facilities for maintenance needs and responds to safety/compliance issues immediately. To that end, the District takes seriously the finding and desires to have calibrated standards of excellence in facilities amongst its schools. The Yuba City Unified School District Facilities Master Plan is a recent and

inclusive document that outlines needed facility replacement, addition, and repair at each site. That is monitored by the Governing Board's Facilities Committee and the Board. The Committee's Recommendation 3 will be referred to the Facilities Committee for study and resource analysis with the intention to identify a solution to improve the dirt track at Park Avenue School.

Respectfully submitted,



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