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AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Santa Barbara, California

Pursuant to California Government Code §26920(a) and Santa Barbara County Code of Ordinances §2-23-2(a), we have reviewed the accompanying County of Santa Barbara Treasurer's Investment Pool Statement of Assets (Statement) as of December 31, 2023, and for the quarter then ended. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to the Treasurer's financial data and making inquiries of Treasurer management and staff. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the Statement. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The purpose of the review was to determine whether cash and investments as represented on the Statement are reasonably stated.

As required under California Government Code §26920, our review included the following procedures:

- (1) The quarterly review of the Statement of Assets in the County Treasury.
- (2) A physical count of selected cash in the County Treasury.
- (3) Verifying the records of the County Treasury and Auditor-Controller are reconciled for cash and investment accounts required under California Government Code §26905.

The Treasurer is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the Statement and for designing, implementing, and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the Statement.

Our responsibility is to conduct the compliance review in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards (Standards), and in accordance with certain sections of the California Government Code as well as certain sections of the Santa Barbara County Code of Ordinances. These Standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance that there are no material modifications that should be made to the Statement. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for the results, observations, and recommendations contained in our report.

Results:

Based on the results of our procedures the Statement appears to be reasonably stated except for a clerical error of \$4,230,520 which overstated the cash balance. The clerical error was identified by determining that the cannabis cash amount was correctly included on the face of the Statement but also inadvertently included in the Cash - BofA line item. Clerical errors of this nature are highly irregular for the Treasurer's Office and reflect a one-time occurrence.

The clerical error has been brought to the attention of the Treasurer, who intends to disclose the nature of the occurrence to your Board in the next Statement for quarter ending March 31, 2024.

We would like to thank the Treasurer's Office for their assistance and professionalism during this review.

Thank you,

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Joel Boyer, CPA Internal Audit Chief Office of the Auditor-Controller County of Santa Barbara, California

Santa Barbara County Treasurer's Investment Pool Statement of Assets As of December 31, 2023

Asset Description	\$ 23,123,601 * Asset Description Cost		Fair Value* 12/31/2023	Percent of Portfolio	Yield to Maturity	Weighted Average Days to Maturity		Fair Value* 9/30/2023		Net Change	
Cash - BofA	\$ 27,354,121	\$	\$ 27,354,121	1.03	-	1	\$	17,377,669	\$	9,976,452	
Cash - BofA (Interest Bearing)	61,419,161		61,419,161	2.31	2.740	1		18,703,840		42,715,321	
Cash - JP Morgan Chase (Interest Bearing)	20,000,000		20,000,000	0.75	3.620	1		20,000,000		-	
Federally Insured Cash Account (FICA)	000,000,08	-	80,000,000	3.01	4.530	1		1,000,000		79,000,000	
California Asset Management Program (CAMP)	30,000,000	-	30,000,000	1.13	5.550	1		60,000,000		(30,000,000)	
Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF)	75,000,000	-	75,000,000	2.82	3.960	1		29,982,113		45,017,887	
U.S. Treasury Bills	49,165,344	192,656	49,358,000	1.86	5.336	90		-		49,358,000	
U.S. Treasury Notes	843,661,891	(5,837,291)	837,824,600	31.52	2.678	675		781,140,649		56,683,951	
Government Agency Bonds	683,456,343	(3,221,493)	680,234,850	25.59	3.576	905		626,783,807		53,451,043	
Government Agency Discount Notes	87,655,151	721,449	88,376,600	3.33	5.294	126		9,827,300		78,549,300	
Government Agency Bonds - Callable	743,635,464	(35,415,444)	708,220,020	26.65	0.981	581		719,553,410		(11,333,391)	
Total	\$ 2,701,347,474	\$ (43,560,123)	\$ 2,657,787,352	100.00	2.614	606	\$	2,284,368,788	\$	373,418,563	
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\$ 2,653,556,832 *

*Provided by US Bank \$ 2,697,116,954 *

Treasurer's Pool Earnings Summary:

Total Net Earnings on the Treasurer's Pool**

Average Daily Balance on the Treasurer's Pool

Net Interest Rate on the Treasurer's Pool

2,477,894,602.00

2.298%

^{**}Total net earnings including earned interest, amortization and realized gains and losses on investments.

Asset Description	Cost		Net Unrealized Holding Gains/(Losses)		Fair Value 12/31/2023		Percent of Portfolio	Yield to Maturity	Weighted Average Days to Maturity	Fair Value 09/30/2023		Net Change	
Cannabis Cash*** Cannabis Cash (Interest Bearing) ***	\$	2,000,000 4,230,520	\$	-	\$	2,000,000 4,230,520	32,10 67.90		1	\$	2,000,830 2,130,026	\$	(830) 2,100,494
Total	\$	6,230,520	\$	-	\$	6,230,520	100.00	1.860	1	\$	4,130,856	\$	2,099,664

^{***}Proceeds from Cannabis operations are segregated from the Investment Pool and do not receive Investment Pool interest apportionment.

^{*}clerical error of \$4,230,520 identified.

Santa Barbara County Treasurer's Investment Pool Notes to the Statement of Assets December 31, 2023

Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Financial Reporting Entity

The Treasurer's Investment Pool Statement of Assets includes the cash balances of substantially all funds, which are invested by the County Treasurer. The Santa Barbara County Treasurer's Investment Pool (The Pool) is managed by the Treasurer on behalf of the Pool participants which includes the County, local school districts, and certain special districts who are required by State statutes to participate in the pool. Other municipal agencies may voluntarily participate in the pool.

Cash

The cash balance on the Statement of Assets includes cash on deposit at the bank, deposits in-transit to the bank, and deposits in-transit from banks for payments related to third-party credit card and debit card transactions.

Investments

Pursuant to Section 53646 of the Government Code, the County Treasurer prepares an *Investment Policy Statement* annually, presents it to the Board of Supervisors and Treasury Oversight Committee, which the Board of Supervisors will review and approve.

The Investment Policy Statement provides the basis for the management of a prudent, conservative investment program. The objectives of the Pool are primarily to safeguard investment principal, secondarily to maintain sufficient liquidity to meet cash flow needs, and lastly to attain a return on the funds. All investments are made in accordance with the Government Code and, in general, the Treasurer's Investment Policy is more restrictive than state law. Types of securities in which the Treasurer may invest include U.S. Treasury and U.S. government agency securities; state and/or local agency bonds, notes, warrants or certificates of indebtedness; bankers' acceptances; commercial paper; corporate notes; negotiable certificates of deposit; repurchase agreements; reverse repurchase agreements; securities lending; bank deposits; money market mutual funds; the State of California Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF); and investment pools managed by a Joint Powers Authority.

Financial Statement Presentation

The accompanying special-purpose statement of assets was prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting and for the purpose of presenting the assets of the Treasury pursuant to the California Government Code Section 26920 and is not intended to be a presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Accordingly, Treasury management has elected to omit certain note disclosures required by Governmental Accounting Standards Board statements since such disclosures are not required by the California Government Code Section 26920.