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Subject: Ballot Measure Help Needed - Save the Date
Importance: High

Gentlemen:

Next Tuesday (June 22, 2010) I will be asking the Board of Supervisors for a Resolution to place a Jail Construction, Operation and Public Safety Enhancement Ballot Measure for a ½ cent sales tax on the November ballot.

In addition to allowing us to expand our overcrowded custody system and end early releases by finally building and operating a 304-bed jail in the North County, the Measure would provide significant and much needed funding for crime prevention, intervention and alternative-to-custody programs (such as drug court, drug treatment, work furlough, homeless and mentally ill jail discharge planners, enhanced electronic monitoring, etc.).

But wait.....There's more! Much more. The measure would also provide significant funding to those front line law enforcement and fire protection agencies funded by the County, the incorporated Cities within the County, and those non-federal fire districts that provide first response to citizens of the County. The money would be distributed on a per-capita basis. Example estimated amounts to the Cities would be as follows (to be divided equally between police and fire): Santa Maria - \$1,609,195 annually; Santa Barbara - \$ 1,570,348; Lompoc - \$745,841; Guadalupe - \$113,618. These funds could only be used to enhance – not supplant – existing service levels.

The Chair of our Board of Supervisors, 2nd District Supervisor Janet Wolf, has asked that I include letters of support (in concept) for this measure with the Board letter. Accordingly, I am asking for your help in two areas:

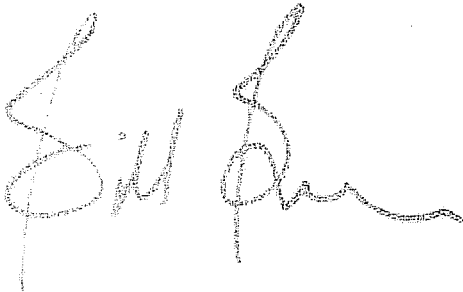
1. Please write a letter of support and mail or e-mail it to the following address (with a copy to me):

Supervisor Janet Wolf, Chair
Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors
105 East Anapamu Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
jwolf@sbbos2.org

2. If at all possible, please mark your calendars and plan to attend the Board meeting in person, in uniform, and express support during public comment for this much-needed measure. The Board meeting will be held in Santa Barbara at the Board of Supervisors Hearing Room at the above address. At this stage I do not know when this item will be heard, but I will follow up with each of you when I know. It's important that we present a united front on this, and your presence would be much appreciated. If you cannot make it, I would appreciate it if you would send a ranking member of your organization to speak in your stead.

This is huge for public safety in our County. We have a very short window to get this on the November ballot, and to do so we need to act now. If we miss this chance, we won't be able to put anything on a ballot until the primary election in 2012, so time is of the essence. Thank you in advance for your consideration, support and assistance.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill Brown". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized font.

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