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Subject:

FW: North Branch Jail

Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Barbara

Dear Members of the Board:

This letter is to encourage you to go forward with the Assembly Bill 900 and Senate Bill 1022 grant projects. This \$120 million from the state should be welcomed.

It has long been a goal of the county to build a North Branch Jail--now, the realization of that goal is almost here.

What impresses me most about the plan for both grants is the benefits that inmates will receive. Having toured the existing jail, I am well aware of conditions there, which are substandard and inadequate.

The new STAR program at the North Branch Jail will be a great benefit. There is no question that the new facility will be far superior to the existing one from many perspectives.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,
Lanny Ebenstein