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### **RE: Request for Support for Community Project Funding – County of Orange Crime Lab Network Infrastructure Migration Project**

Dear Senator Padilla, Senator Schiff, Congressman Correa, Kim, Sánchez, Levin, Min, and Tran:

I write to request your support for the County of Orange's Community Project funding request of \$2 million for the Orange County Sheriff's Department Crime Lab Network Infrastructure Migration Project.

The Orange County Crime Lab is a comprehensive forensic facility that provides mission-critical toxicology, DNA, ballistics, and narcotics analysis to law enforcement. By investing in modern technologies, this initiative will significantly enhance public safety operations across the County. Improvements in the digital infrastructure for crime forensics will translate to better operational efficiency.

This project will upgrade and migrate the Lab's current network infrastructure to the Orange County Sheriff's Department network to improve performance, reliability, and cybersecurity. The Crime Lab currently operates in a separate network environment. A consolidated network environment improves scalability and flexibility, supports streamlined and more automated

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services, and reduces manual workload and unplanned downtime. It also strengthens the County's security posture by bringing the Crime Lab under the Sheriff's Department network security standards and centralized monitoring practices, reducing exposure to vulnerabilities and improving continuity of operations for critical public safety services.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this funding request.

Sincerely,

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Don Barnes  
Sheriff-Coroner

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Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

*Sharon Quirk-Silva*

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THE HON. SHARON QUIRK-SILVA  
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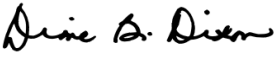
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Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
  
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Sincerely,

*Phillip Chen*

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Hon. Adam Schiff, Alex Padilla, and Derek Tran

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Sincerely,

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**Tony Strickland**  
California State Senator, 36<sup>th</sup> District



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I look forward to working with you and your staff on this important request. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to my office at (916) 651-4037 or email our staffer assigned to this request at [Meri.Kaftan@sen.ca.gov](mailto:Meri.Kaftan@sen.ca.gov).

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "S. Choi". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "S." and the last name "Choi" clearly legible.

Senator Steven Choi, Ph.D.  
California's 37<sup>th</sup> Senate District

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If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to my office at (916) 651-4034 or [Senator.Umberg@senate.ca.gov](mailto:Senator.Umberg@senate.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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Thomas J. Umberg  
California State Senate, District 34

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I write to request your support for the County of Orange's community project funding request for the Overwatch Monitoring System Implementation project. Funding would allow Orange County Jails to implement the state-of-the-art Overwatch system. The system is designed to detect potential medical distress early by tracking biometric and wellness indicators in real time.

The primary goal is to improve detainee safety by reducing the time between the onset of medical distress and staff intervention. Early identification and treatment of detainee medical issues translates the prevention of in-custody deaths and adverse outcomes. In addition to the human impact, the project helps protect taxpayers by reducing liability exposure and associated costs stemming from delayed recognition of medical emergencies.

If any additional information is needed, please reach out to Ana Gonzalez with my office at Ana.Gonzalez@sen.ca.gov or (714) 558-3785.

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