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RE: Request for Support for Community Project Funding – County of Orange Overwatch Monitoring System Implementation Project

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

On behalf of the Orange County Board of Supervisors, I write to request your support for the County of Orange's community project funding request of $1 million 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 to 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.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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