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To District Attorney, Susan Melyssah Rios and the Citizens of Lassen County:

The Lassen County Board of Supervisors has received your cease and desist letter dated February 18, 2025, alleging that the following described past action of the legislative body violates the Ralph M. Brown Act:

Specifically, your letter alleged a serial meeting violating the Brown Act with regard to the agenda item related to live streaming meetings of the Board of Supervisors. The allegation identifies that more than a quorum of supervisors discussed live streaming outside of a publicly noticed open meeting in advance of consideration of the board item.

In order to avoid unnecessary litigation and without admitting any violation of the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Lassen County Board of Supervisors hereby unconditionally commits that it will cease, desist from, and not repeat the challenged past action as described above.

The Lassen County Board of Supervisors may rescind this commitment only by a majority vote of its membership taken in open session at a regular meeting and noticed on its posted agenda as "Rescission of Brown Act Commitment." You will be provided with written notice, sent by any means or media you provide in response to this message, to whatever address or addresses you specify, of any intention to consider rescinding this commitment at least 30 days before any such regular meeting. In the event that this commitment is rescinded, you will have the right to commence legal action pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 54960 of the Government Code. That notice will be delivered to you by the same means as this commitment or may be mailed to an address that you have designated in writing.

Thank you for your work on this issue. Transparency and accountability are important to the Board, and we will endeavor to fulfill our obligations in that regard.

Very truly yours,

Tom Neely, Chair of the Lassen County Board of Supervisors