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Jon Adler, BJA Director
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RE: Request for Bureau of Justice Assistance approval of an alternative criminal justice use for the Lassen County Juvenile Detention Facility

Dear Mr. Adler:

Thank you for your letter dated September 10, 2019, approving of and authorizing Lassen County's request to close the Lassen County Juvenile Detention Facility.

The purpose of this letter is to request the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)'s approval and authorization to use the facility for alternative criminal justice purpose. The alternative purpose would be to expand upon the capacity and services of the Lassen County Adult Detention Facility. Initially, the facility may be used as an intake center to receive low-level non-combative offenders for assessment, help to provide transition services from custody to community, and to link offenders with service providers prior to release.

On December 20, 2018, field representatives with the State of California's Board of State and Community Corrections toured the facility. A verbal determination was offered that the facility exceeds the State's Title 24 physical standards for use of the facility as an Adult Detention Facility. In addition, the facility meets Title 15 minimum standards for local detention facilities.

We are hopeful that the BJA will approve and authorize the County's request to use the facility to expand upon the capacity and services of the Lassen County Adult Detention Facility.

Sincerely,

RICHARD EGAN, County Administrative Officer

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