CLEARLAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Honorable Michael S. Lunas
Presiding Judge
Superior Court of California, County of Lake
675 Lakeport Blvd.
Lakeport, CA 95453

SUBJECT: Response to 2025-2026 Grand Jury Final Report Entitled: "Clearlake Animal Association A New Leash on Life"

Dear Judge Lunas:

Pursuant to California Penal Code Section 933.05(a), (b), and (c), the following is my response as Chief of Police of the Clearlake Police Department to the recommendation in the above-entitled Grand Jury Report:

RECOMMENDATIONS

R-8 Has been implemented.

That Clearlake PD timely responds to every crime committed against the City of Clearlake Animal Shelter.

The Clearlake Police Department currently responds to reported criminal incidents at the City of Clearlake Animal Shelter in accordance with established departmental procedures, as it does with reported crimes throughout the City.

Regarding the incident referenced in the Grand Jury report, a representative of the Clearlake Animal Association contacted a police lieutenant by telephone concerning a missing dog. During that conversation, the representative indicated that it was unclear whether the dog had escaped or had been stolen. The lieutenant instructed the representative to contact the patrol division to initiate a police report, and the representative indicated that she would do so.

A subsequent review of the Department's computer-aided dispatch records did not identify a request for police service associated with this incident. Although the lieutenant was contacted, the available records do not establish that a formal request for a patrol response was subsequently made.

The Clearlake Police Department remains committed to responding to reported criminal activity at the animal shelter and working cooperatively with shelter personnel to ensure that suspected crimes are appropriately reported and investigated.

I would like to thank the Grand Jury for their efforts in completing this report and their recommendations.

Best Regards,

TIMOTHY HOBBS
Chief of Police