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August 7, 2018

The Honorable Kelly V. Simmons
Mann County Superior Court
P.O. Box 4988
San Rafael, CA 94913-4988

Ron Brown, Foreperson
Mann County Civil Grand Jury
3501 Civic Center Drive, Room #275
San Rafael, CA 94903

Re: Response to the June 1, 2018 Civil Grand Jury Report titled "Yellow School Bus for Traffic Congestion Relief"

Dear Judge Simmons and Mr. Brown:

The Town Council of the Town of San Anselmo has received a copy of the June 1, 2018 Civil Grand Jury Report titled "Yellow School Bus for Traffic Congestion Relief". As required, I have enclosed the Town Council's response to Recommendations R2, R4, R7, R8 and R10.

Recommendations 2 and 10 have been implemented. Recommendations 4, 7 and 8 will require a coordinated countywide effort in which San Anselmo would participate. The attached responses reflect our current efforts related to the Ross Valley Yellow School Bus program.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you need additional information or clarification.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Wright". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

John Wright, Mayor

Cc: David P. Donery, Town Manager
Megan Acevedo, Town Attorney
Carla Kacmar, Town Clerk

**TOWN OF SAN ANSELMO
RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATIONS
MARIN COUNTY CIVIL GRAND JURY
*“Yellow School Bus for Traffic Congestion Relief”***

Recommendation 2: All municipalities should work with Marin Transit to secure ample locations for bus parking and a location for bus maintenance by the end of 2018.

Response to Recommendation 2: The Town of San Anselmo is actively engaged with Marin Transit in relation to the operational needs of the Ross Valley Yellow School Bus program, which has included the discussions regarding finding space for both bus parking and maintenance. Through discussions with Marin Transit regarding this issue, it has been determined that there is not adequate space for either parking or maintenance within the Town of San Anselmo.

Recommendation 4: Marin Transit should facilitate negotiations for a financial arrangement across the full group of participants that would distribute any tax revenue lost by a municipality or the County for providing a parking or maintenance facility.

Response to Recommendation 4: Through discussions with Marin Transit regarding this issue, it has been determined that there is not adequate space for either parking or maintenance within the town of San Anselmo.

Recommendation 7: School districts (with or without existing YSB programs) and municipalities within the urbanized area of the County should join and actively participate in the YSB committee providing guidance to Marin Transit on YSB issues, such as cost allocations, bell times and routes. The initial meeting should be held by October of 2018.

Response to Recommendation 7: The Town of San Anselmo is actively engaged with Marin Transit, the County of Marin, the Town of Fairfax and the Ross Valley School District in relation to the Ross Valley Yellow School Bus program. This group meets regularly and is currently working on an updated operational structure of the program with the goal of creating a sustainable framework for an ongoing program.

Recommendation 8: The YSB committee should work toward the establishment of a coordinated YSB for K-8 program for the urbanized areas of Marin with the goal of beginning the coordinated program by the 2019-2020 school year.

Response to Recommendation 8: The Town of San Anselmo is actively engaged with Marin Transit, the County of Marin, the Town of Fairfax and the Ross Valley School District in the ongoing operations of the Ross Valley Yellow School Bus program. This group meets regularly and is currently working on an updated operational structure of the program with the goal of creating a sustainable framework for an ongoing program.

Recommendation 10: The County and municipalities of the urbanized corridor should make financial support of all YSB programs a part of each year's budgeting process.

Response to Recommendation 10: The Town of San Anselmo contributes funding to the Ross Valley Yellow School Bus program as part of its annual budget process.