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Board of Supervisors County of Marin 3501 Civic Center Drive San Rafael, CA 94903

Subject: Approval for continuation of the grant award for the

District Attorney's Vertical Prosecution Program.

Dear Board Members:

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board take the following action: Approve attached Resolution No. 2007-_______ for continuation of Marin County District Attorney's Vertical Prosecution Program.

Summary: The Vertical Prosecution Block Grant from the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES) allows the District Attorney's Office to provide vertical prosecution of statutory rape and child physical and sexual abuse cases. True vertical prosecution permits one attorney to handle a case from beginning to end. This reduces the victim's trauma and frustration caused by interaction with multiple attorneys.

Fiscal Impact: The grant award for upcoming fiscal year will be \$99,057 and no matching funds are required. The grant helps to offset prosecution costs.

Reviewed by: (x) County Administrator

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Respectfully submitted.

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