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The Honorable Donald Segerstrom
Tuolumne County Superior Court
60 North Washington Street
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Re: Response to Grand Jury Report – Ralph M. Brown Act Committee Report

Dear Judge Segerstrom:

The following is offered in response to the 2015-2016 Grand Jury Report as it pertains to Sonora Union High School District – Ralph M. Brown Act Committee Report.

Grand Jury Findings

- F3** There has been community concern regarding actions taken by the Sonora Union High School District Board of Trustees and that those actions might not be in full compliance with the Brown Act.

Response: SUHSD disagrees. One person does not make a community.

Grand Jury Recommendations

- R1** The Jury recommends that the Sonora City Council, the Sonora Union High School District Board of Trustees and the Summerville Union High School District Board of Education include in their website links to information regarding the Brown Act to enable citizens to post concerns about possible Brown Act infractions.

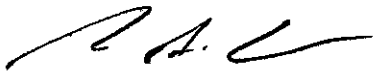
Response: Although not required by the Brown Act, this recommendation has already been implemented. On the District website: <http://sonorahs.k12.ca.us/> under the Board/Brown Act Information, the first box is a link to the 2003 California Attorney General document "The Brown Act".

- R2** The Jury recommends that the Sonora City Council, the Sonora Union High School District Board of Trustees and the Summerville Union High School District Board of Education have a link to an organization such as The First Amendment Coalition (<http://firstamendmentcoalition.org>) for both Cure and Correct, and Cease and Desist letters, with instructions.

Response: Although not required by the Brown Act, this recommendation has already been implemented. On the District website: <http://sonorahs.k12.ca.us/> under the Board/Brown Act Information, the second box is a link to the recommended website.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the above finding and recommendation. Please feel free to contact us should you have any questions regarding same.

Sincerely,



Patrick A. Chabot
Superintendent



Kathy Ankrom
Board Chair

cc: Board of Supervisors