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May 22, 2008

The Honorable Francisca Tisher  
The Honorable Raymond A. Guadagni  
Presiding Judges 2007/2008  
Superior Court of the State of California  
825 Brown Street  
Napa, CA 94559

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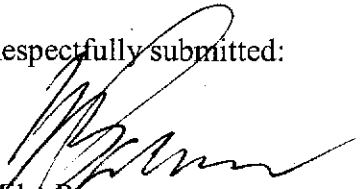
Clerk of the Napa Superior Court  
By:   
Deputy

Dear Judges Tisher and Guadagni:

The City of Napa has received and reviewed the Findings and Recommendations of the 2007-2008 Grand Jury Final Report on Drug Abuse Resistance Program (D.A.R.E.). This correspondence represents the collective response from the required respondents as called out in the Grand Jury Report. The City Council unanimously approved the responses, as included herein, in open public session on May 20, 2008.

The City's staff and elected officials wish to recognize the effort put into the report by the Grand Jury members. We took the Grand Jury's recommendations seriously and have endeavored to provide a thoughtful response. We hope that the Grand Jury will find this information helpful and that they will consider contacting us if they need clarifications regarding the attached response.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Mike Parness  
City Manager

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**CITY OF NAPA CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA REPORT**

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Agenda Item No. 5A  
Date: May 20, 2008

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Chief Rich Melton, Police Department *RM*

Prepared by: Commander Andy Lewis, Police Department, 257-9571

Subject: Response to Napa County Grand Jury Final Report on Drug Abuse Resistance Program, D.A.R.E.

**ISSUE STATEMENT:**

Approve the City response to the 2007-2008 Napa Grand Jury Report.

**DISCUSSION:**

The following is the Grand Jury finding and recommendation concerning the Drug Abuse Resistance Education Program (D.A.R.E.) offered by the Napa Valley Unified School District and the Napa Police Department. The response contained in this report is provided as required and in accordance with section 933c of the California Penal Code.

**Finding 1:** Napa Valley Unified School District (NVUSD), the City of Napa and the Napa Police Department cancelled the D.A.R.E. program for the 2007-2008 school year.

**City Response to Finding 1:** The City agrees with this finding.

**Recommendation 1:** NVUSD and the City of Napa fund D.A.R.E. or a similar program in the City's public elementary schools starting with the 2008-2009 academic school year.

**City Response to Recommendation 1:** The Napa Police Department worked closely with NVUSD during the 2007-2008 school year to evaluate the existing D.A.R.E. curriculum and other alternative prevention programs. The D.A.R.E. curriculum was revised and includes lesson(s) on bullying behavior and option to add a separate lesson on gangs. Beginning at the start of the 2008-2009 academic school year, NVUSD shall require the D.A.R.E. program in grade five (5) in all NVUSD elementary schools with eight (8) lessons minimally and/or implementation of Second Step Curriculum in grades K-5 at schools not offering the D.A.R.E. program. The D.A.R.E. program will be

delivered by active, uniformed Napa Police Officers and/or qualified retired Police Officers.

**FINANCIAL IMPACTS:**

None

**CEQA:**

The City Manager has determined that the recommended action described in this report is not subject to CEQA, pursuant to CEQA guidelines

**DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:**

None – A copy of the Grand Jury Report is available at the City Clerks office for public review.

**NOTIFICATION:**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

City staff recommends that the City Council move, second and approve each of the actions set forth below, in the form of the following motion stated as:

Move to:

Approve the City's response to the 2007-2008 Grand Jury Report finding and recommendation (as outlined above, and incorporating any changes made to the responses by the City Council during the meeting), and direct the City Manager to submit the response on behalf of the City Council, the City Manager and other City officials as required, to the presiding judge of the Superior Court.

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