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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PRETRIAL SERVICES AGENCIES

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Re: San Francisco Pretrial Diversion Project

To Whom It May Concern:

The National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies (NAPSA) is the national membership organization dedicated to advancing pretrial justice through the promotion of legal and evidence-based practices, professional standards, accreditation, and education for the pretrial services field.

NAPSA does not take a position on which entity or organization should provide pretrial services in any jurisdiction, including San Francisco. Decisions regarding the structure and delivery of pretrial services are best made at the local level, based on a jurisdiction's unique needs, priorities, and statutory framework.

We write, however, to acknowledge the great work and leadership shown by the San Francisco Pretrial Diversion Project (SF Pretrial), which has provided high-quality pretrial services aligned with nationally recognized standards, and through this work, has achieved highly positive outcomes.

In addition, in recent years, SF Pretrial achieved Accreditation through NAPSA, reflecting adherence to established professional benchmarks in pretrial practice, including legal compliance, operations, and evidence-informed service delivery. NAPSA Accreditation signifies an agency has demonstrated conformance with rigorous standards designed to support fair, effective, and constitutionally sound pretrial practices. Agencies obtaining NAPSA Accreditation undergo a comprehensive review process and commit to continuous improvement consistent with evolving research and best practices.

Through its prior Accreditation and long-standing operation, SF Pretrial has contributed to the advancement of pretrial services and to the broader dialogue on evidence-based approaches within the field. The organization's work has been recognized within the profession, and its leadership, including Chief Executive Officer David Mauroff, has been actively and positively engaged in NAPSA's mission and professional community.

Sincerely,

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