SAN DIEGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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MaryAnne Pintar, Board Chairperson Citizens' Law Enforcement Review Board 1600 Pacific Highway, Suite 251 San Diego, CA 92101

CLERB POLICY RECOMMENDATION: 22-080

Dear Chairperson Pintar,

The San Diego County Sheriff's Office (SDSO) welcomes and supports the Citizens' Law Enforcement Review Board's (CLERB) independent review of complaints alleging improper actions by members of the Sheriff's Office. SDSO continuously strives to respond with professionalism and concern to the citizens we serve, and the CLERB process provides invaluable input to that end.

CLERB sent the following policy/training recommendations reference CLERB Case #22-080:

- 1. Create and disseminate to all sworn staff a training bulletin providing an overview of "no negative contact orders," how to properly interpret and read them, and what constitutes a violation of them.
- 2. Mandate the direct supervision deputy notify Central Control to man intercoms and doors during a medical emergency.

Thank you for the recommendations regarding these issues. Below is SDSO's response to the respective recommendations:

In response to policy recommendation number one (1), the Sheriff's In-Service Training Unit prepared a training bulletin entitled "No Negative Contact Orders," (attached for reference) which was disseminated to all sworn Deputy Sheriff personnel via the County's Learning Management System (LMS). As of 2/14/25, 98% of SDSO sworn staff have completed this training bulletin review.

Policy Recommendation number two (2) only applies to the Las Colinas Detention and Re-Entry Facility (LCDRF), where SDSO has both direct incarcerated person (I/P) supervision housing modules and the technology to remotely take over intercoms and doors.

In response to CLERB's request, the LCDRF Command has made the following policy revisions:

• Updated DSB Policy (green sheet) M.5L "Medical Emergencies" (attached for reference). The updated sections are below in italics:

IV. RADIO USE

- A. The responding deputy will have priority on the radio, ensuring all necessary information is relayed to central control. Advise central control if Black Creek touchscreen takeover is needed.
- Updated LCDRF Central Control Deputy Post Order (attached for reference) under the "Specific Duties" section. The updated sections are below in italics:

-In the event of a critical incident, the CC deputy will verify with the affected direct supervision housing deputy if Black Creek touchscreen control takeover is needed.

In closing, we appreciate the time and effort of the Citizens' Law Enforcement Review Board.

Thank you for your service to the citizens of San Diego County and the policy recommendations. Our goal is to provide the highest quality public safety service to everyone in San Diego County.

Sincerely,

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