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Board of Supervisors  
County of Ventura  
800 South Victoria Avenue  
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**Subject: Hold a Community Forum to Provide Information to the Public Concerning Immigration and Customs Enforcement Access to Individuals Housed in County Jail Facilities in 2019 in Accordance with the Transparent Review of Unjust Transfers and Holds (TRUTH) Act**

**Recommendation:**

Hold a community forum to provide information to the public concerning Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) access to individuals housed in County jail facilities in 2019 in accordance with the TRUTH Act.

**Fiscal Impact:** None

**Discussion:**

California State Assembly Bill 2792, otherwise known as the TRUTH Act, is codified, in part, in Government Code sections 7283-7283.2. It requires the local governing body of any county or city, within which a local law enforcement agency has provided ICE access to an individual during the last year, to hold at least one community forum that is open to the public during the following year. The forum's purpose is to provide information to the public about ICE's access to individuals, and to receive and consider public comment. Because the Sheriff's Office has provided ICE with access to an individual within the last year, your Board is required to hold a community forum to share information with the public concerning the access provided. This item has been scheduled in order to conduct

the community forum. Notices of this forum were published in both Spanish and English newspapers in general circulation in Ventura County; and were posted at least 30 days in advance, in accordance with the TRUTH Act.

During this community forum the Sheriff will make a presentation, and an official from the Probation Agency will be available to answer questions. The forum will be streamed on the County's meeting page in English; and streamed on the County's Spanish Facebook page in Spanish. Spanish and Mixteco interpreters will be present to provide interpretation services during public comment. Any PowerPoint presentations will be available in Spanish and English.

This item has been reviewed by the County Counsel's Office, Sheriff's Office, Probation Agency, and the County Executive Office. If you have any questions regarding this item, please contact Mike Pettit at 654-2864 or me at 654-2681.



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