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The Honorable Katherine Feinstein
Presiding Judge
Superior Court of California
City and County of San Francisco
400 McAllister Street, Room 206
San Francisco, CA 94102-4512

Re: In the Matter of the 2011-2012 Civil Grand Jury Report "Where There's Smoke... The Need to Strengthen the Art Commission's Stewardship of San Francisco's Cultural Legacy"—District Attorney's Response

Dear Judge Feinstein:

I write to provide the District Attorney's Office response to Findings 27 and 30, and to Recommendation 18, of the Civil Grand Jury's report entitled "Where There's Smoke... The Need to Strengthen the Art Commission's Stewardship of San Francisco's Cultural Legacy."

Finding 27 states: "The District Attorney has failed to respond to Sunshine Complaint No. 11023." We agree with the finding. Our office has no record of having received the complaint in question. We inquired of the Ethics Commission whether the Ethics Commission received the referral in question, as is asserted on page 21 of the Grand Jury's report. The Ethics Commission informed us that it too, had no record of receiving the referral in question.

Finding 30 states: "The Street Artists Program Manager is currently under investigation by the DA for violations of the Sunshine Ordinance." We disagree with the finding. This finding is factually incorrect. The Streets Artists Program Manager is not under investigation by the District Attorney for violations of the Sunshine Ordinance.

Recommendation 18 states: "The District Attorney respond to Sunshine Complaint No. 11023." The recommendation has been implemented. On August 23, 2012 the District Attorney's Office responded to the Sunshine Complaint No. 11023.

Respectfully,

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