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The Honorable Mark Magit
Presiding Judge
1000 Thompson Way
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To the Honorable Judge Magit:

Please find enclosed the invited responses of the County Administrative Officer (CAO) and the Registrar of Voters to the Grand Jury's report entitled "Mono County Election Procedures: Challenges and Opportunities." The CAO's responses are attached as "Attachment A" and the Registrar's responses are attached as "Attachment B."

The CAO and the Registrar would like to thank the Grand Jury for following up on its previous work concerning the operations and work of the Registrar of Voter's Office on elections that was issued in 2017. We are grateful for the recognition of the work that has been done to improve elections administration in the interim time and are appreciative of the additional recommendations and guidance.

The Registrar has been working in the last decade to manage a changing elections landscape with shifting laws and conditions. There are very real challenges in meeting the realities of the concerns around elections: addressing postal service staffing and operational difficulties with adequate voter education and outreach about voting early, communicating election security measures to the public, ensuring we adequately reach our non-English speaking voters, and securing an adequate base of elections volunteers to support elections into the future. We are confident we can continue our efforts to meet those challenges.

As a note, because the CAO and the Registrar both serve under the direction of the Board of Supervisors, it is very likely that the invited responses submitted today will largely mirror the responses the Grand Jury will ultimately receive from the full Board after their consideration.

Thanks and best,


Emily Fox