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The Honorable Jesse Gabriel, Chair
Assembly Committee on Budget
1021 O Street, Suite 8230
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The Honorable David Tangipa, Vice Chair
Assembly Committee on Budget
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The Honorable James Ramos, Chair
Budget Subcommittee No. 6
1021 O Street, Suite 8230
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: FY 2026-27 Budget Request for Shasta County Corrections and Rehabilitation
Campus**

Dear Chair Gabriel, Vice Chair Tangipa, and Chair Ramos,

We respectfully request \$50 million one-time over 5 years for the creation of a 90-acre Corrections and Rehabilitation Campus (CRC) in Shasta County as a pilot program for modernizing county corrections and rehabilitation in California.

The existing Shasta County jail, a 1970s facility in downtown Redding, operates at full capacity and is outdated and undersized. The jail houses only felony-related offenders. To accommodate violent offenders, non-violent offenders are frequently released with few meaningful rehabilitation opportunities. The recent passage of Proposition 36 will further increase non-violent and low-level offenders. Plans for relocating custody operations to a purpose-built campus have gained traction and buy-in at a local level, presenting an opportunity to meet a critical need and innovate with corrections and rehabilitation.

The CRC will provide offenders with opportunities for accountability, vocational training, and reintegration into the community. It will have 3 key features, ensuring comprehensive support for offenders: a Day Reporting Alternative Custody Program which offers in day programs focused on rehabilitation with no housing component; Integrated Services with co-located mental health, drug and alcohol treatment,

religious and education facilities; and, Vocational Training and Life Skills Programs aimed at equipping offenders with tools for long-term success.

The CRC will be implemented in stages over a five-year period. The footprint and operational design will accommodate diverse offender populations, future growth and evolving needs. The land transfer has already been initiated from the City of Redding, demonstrating local buy-in and support from the City of Redding and Shasta County. Please find attached materials from the Shasta County Sheriff Office.

This request aligns with the Governor Newsom's "California Model" to advance a more effective justice system in California by creating unique facility focused on improving public safety through rehabilitation and education.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you require any further information or would like to discuss this project in more detail, please do not hesitate to Andrew Nickens in my office at (916) 319-2011.

Sincerely,



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