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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF RICHMOND COUNTY

STATE OF GEORGIA

IN RE: GRAND JURY PRESENTMENTS FOR THE MAY TERM 2019

The Grand Jury having returned the attached general presentment for the May Term 2019, and the same having been reviewed and accepted by the Court on July 9, 2019, it is now,

ORDERED that the said presentment shall be filed in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court for Richmond County, and that it shall be published once in the *Augusta Chronicle*, the legal gazette for said County; and

FURTHER ORDERED that the said general presentment shall be posted by the Director of Information Technology on the Augusta-Richmond County website for public access through the Internet (World Wide Web).

It is so ORDERED this 9th day of July 2019.

Ashley Wright

Superior Court Judge

Augusta Judicial Circuit

TO:

The Honorable Ashley Wright.

Judge, Superior Court

FROM:

Richmond County Grand Jury

May Term 2019

DATE:

July 9, 2019

RE:

Grand Jury Presentment

We, the members of the Augusta-Richmond County Grand Jury for the May Term 2019, having been duly sworn by the Honorable James G. Blanchard on the 20th day of May 2019, submit our presentment on the 9th day of July, 2019, our last day as an official body of the Grand Jury.

To discharge our sworn duties, as prescribed by the laws of the State of Georgia, we met on seven (7) dates during our term and acted upon Bills of Indictments presented to us by the District Attorney's Office.

A Sub-Committee was formed to inspect the Charles B. Webster Detention Center and the Augusta Animal Services Department. The applicable reports are attached.

The Grand Jury respectfully submits this Presentment on the 9th day of July 2019 and requests that it is published.

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| Eunice Anita Guilfoyle | Matilda H. Roberson, Alternate |
| Vernice L. Gardenhire, Alternate | Wyatt Benjamin Jones, Alternate |

SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE JULY TERM 2019 GRAND JURY

Grand Jury Jail Visit

We visited the jail on May 28th, 2019. The jail was found to be very clean and organized. From the grand jury perspective security protocols were followed. The cafeteria was very clean. The food was very palatable. The staff was attentive to the inmate/patient population. The jail dorms for prisoners were found to be clean and well monitored. The staff was polite and respectful. The visitors center was clean and provided private booths for video visitation. The grand jury in attendance has no recommendations at this time.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paula Holloway - Grand Jury

Joe Richard Rodriquez - Grand Jury

Patsy Faulkner - Grand Jury

Rebecca Cano - Grand Jury

Dora Moore – Grand Jury

Michael Huff - Grand Jury

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SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE MAY TERM 2019 GRAND JURY AUGUSTA ANIMAL SERVICES VISIT JUNE 25, 2019

Meeting with Director James Hill, III

Introduced to Assistant Director, Crystal Eskola and Animal Shelter Supervisor, John White

Mr. Hill stated he would like to have a full-time veterinarian on premises, and mobile kennels for the dogs.

We were given a tour of the facility and grounds. The cat kennels were found to be well kept with clean litter. The dog kennels appeared to be recently cleaned, or in the process of being cleaned. All of the animals appeared to be well fed and cared for. The outside play area for canines provided shade and water.

A large hole in the ceiling was noted in the stray cat area. Tiles were also missing from the ceiling in the hallway. The grand jury members in attendance recommend the ceiling be repaired, as this could be a way of escape for animals in this section.

It was also noted that an awning to provide shade would be beneficial in the area where stray animals are delivered.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca Cano – Grand Jury Patsy Faulkner – Grand Jury Robin Kester – Grand Jury John McFall – Grand Jury Joe Rodriguez – Grand Jury