May 20, 2021

Mendocino County Board of Supervisors 501 Low Gap Road, Room 1010 Ukiah, CA 95482

Re: Agenda Item 6d, May 20, 2021

By email: bos@mendocinocounty.org

Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

The Coast Democratic Club joins the request from the South Coast Organizing for Radical Equity (SCORE) and Standing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ) Mendocino Chapter for a comprehensive audit of the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office (MCSO). Such an audit should provide valuable data for decisions on budgeting and allocations of resources. Future decisions on policies regarding law enforcement in the county would then be supported by measurable means.

The need to make all levels of government transparent and accountable has become more urgent in recent years. This audit should serve as a model for County decision-making.

It is in this context that we urge you to give favorable consideration to the SCORE and SURJ proposal before you.

Sincerely yours,

Karen Bowers Chair Coast Democratic Club

cc: SCORE,

SURJ, Mendocino Chapter