

To the Board of Supervisors,

Citizen Oversight of Law Enforcement in Mendocino County is both timely and overdue.

Budget for the Sheriff's Department should not be a rubber stamp.

Transparency concerning operations and policies affecting all communities in Mendocino County is much needed.

Citizens need to know that law enforcement is "with them" and accountable.

Thanks for your consideration. Please adopt the proposed measure. To do otherwise would be shirking your responsibility as our elected representatives.

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