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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Honorable Al Nienhuis Sheriff Hernando County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Hernando County, Florida, Sheriff (the Sheriff), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Sheriff's financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Sheriff as of September 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position, budgetary comparisons, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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Honorable Al Nienhuis Sheriff Hernando County, Florida

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (Concluded)

Emphasis of Matter - Incomplete Presentation

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial statements referred to above were prepared solely for the purpose of complying with the *Rules of the Auditor General* of the State of Florida (the Rules). In conformity with the Rules, the accompanying financial statements are intended to present the financial position, changes in financial position, budgetary comparisons, and cash flows of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information, where applicable, only for that portion of the major funds and the aggregate remaining fund information of Hernando County, Florida, that is attributable to the Sheriff. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position as a whole of Hernando County, Florida, as of September 30, 2017, and the changes in its financial position, budgetary comparisons, or cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Sheriff's financial statements. The supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements.

The other financial information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the other financial information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated February 21, 2018, on our consideration of the Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Perusa Gray and Company, Lit February 21, 2018

Sarasota, Florida

HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA SHERIFF BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

×	General	Federal orfeitures	E-911		Inmate Welfare		Federal Inmates	Nonmajor vernmental Funds		Total
Assets			 					 		
Cash and Cash										
Equivalents	\$ 2,372,022	\$ 820,546	\$ 782,532	\$	543,277	\$	476,774	\$ 833,463	\$	5,828,614
Accounts Receivable	0	0	0		28,423		0	0		28,423
Due from Other Funds	21,924	0	0		7,853		0	0		29,777
Due from Other										
Governments	 18,179	 0	 189,267		145		112,203	 85,789	_	405,583
Total Assets	 2,412,125	 820,546	971,799	_	579,698	_	588,977	 919,252		6,292,397
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows, and Fund Balances										
Liabilities										
Accounts Payable	407,118	0	143		1,456		0	1,704		410,421
Accrued Wages and										
Benefits Payable	1,878,490	0	12,270		9,512		0	6,860		1,907,132
Due to Hernando										
County, Florida,										
Board of County										
Commissioners	126,517	0	0		0		588,977	0		715,494
Deposits	 0	 0	 0		0		0	 40		40
Total Liabilities	 2,412,125	 0	 12,413	_	10,968	_	588,977	 8,604	_	3,033,087
Deferred Inflows										
Unavailable Revenues	 0	0	126,178		0		. 0	0		126,178
Fund Balances Restricted for: Law Enforcement										
Activities	0	820,546	0		0		0	154,435		974,981
Communications Education and	0	0	833,208		0		0	227,816		1,061,024
Training	0	0	0		0		0	522,533		522,533
Inmate Benefits	0	0	0		568,730		0	0		568,730
Other	0	0	0		0		0	5,864		5,864
Total Fund Balances	 0	820,546	 833,208		568,730		0	910,648		3,133,132
Total Liabilities,										
Deferred Inflows,										
and Fund Balances	\$ 2,412,125	\$ 820,546	\$ 971,799	\$	579,698	\$	588,977	\$ 919,252	\$	6,292,397

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

	Gen	eral	Fede Forfeit			E-911		Inmate Welfare	Fede Inms			onmajor vernmental Funds	Ì	Totai
Revenues						***	_						~-	20141
Intergovernmental	\$	0	\$.0	S	0	\$	0	S	0	S	220,401	\$	220,401
Charges for Services	2	298,884		0	•	808,267	•	428,220	1,428	_	4	173,336	•	3,137,372
Fines and Forfeitures		0	18	.461		0		0	-,	0		208,938		227,399
Interest Revenue		23,317		264		972		1,264		0		1,176		26,993
Miscellaneous		67,294		0		0		4.108		0		101,725		173,127
Total Revenues		89,495	18	,725		809,239		433,592	1,428			705,576	_	3,785,292
Expenditures Public Safety:									1					
Personnel Services	36,5	28,147		G		463,675		209,088		0		155,620		37,356,530
Operating Expenditures	6,1	65,468	16	,053		220,294		97,309		0		392,591		6,891,715
Capital Outlay	1,4	11,104	14	,678		0		Ũ		0		47,847		1,473,629
Court Services: Personal Services	_	20 032				_		_						
Operating Expenditures		79,937		0		0		Û		0		0		979,937
(Total Expenditures)		42,602 27,258)	27000	0		9	_	0		Û	- —	0.		242,602
(10tal Expenditures)	(43,3	44,438)	(20,	731)	_	(683,969)		(306,397)		0		(596,058)		(46,944,413)
(Deficiency) Excess of Revenues (Under) Over Expenditures	(44,9	37,763)	(12	,006)_		125,270		127,195	1,428	,665		109,518		(43,159,121)
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfers in: Hernande County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners Appropriations Transfers (out): Hernando County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners: Other Revenues	ŕ	42,089		0		0		0		0		0		45,342,089
	•	89,495)		0		0		0	(2,791			0		(3,181,037)
Excess Fees Total Other Financing		14,831)		<u> </u>		0		0		0		0		(14,831)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	44.0	37,763		0		0		•	(2.70*	E 403				40.144.004
Net Change in Fund Balance	44,7	31,103	(12,			125,270		127,195	(2,791,			100.519		42,146,221
Fund Balance, Beginning		Ü	(12,	000)		±43,410		127,190	(1,362,	011)		109,518		(1,012,900)
of Year		0	920	550		707 020		441.505	1000	0.00		004.485		
Fund Balance, End of Year	•	0	832,		r.	707,938	-	441,535	1,362			801,130		4,146,032
rand Dalance, End of Tear	\$		\$ 820,	340	\$	833,208	\$	568,730	\$	0	\$	910,648	\$	3,133,132

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

	Original	Budg	et Final	Actual	Variance With Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues					
Charges for Services	\$ 1,591,7	23	\$ 280,000	\$ 298,884	\$ 18,884
Interest Revenue	20,0	00	20,000	23,317	3,317
Miscellaneous	62,7	00	62,700	67,294	4,594
Total Revenues	1,674,4	23	362,700	389,495	26,795
Expenditures					
Public Safety:					
Personnel Services	38,137,3	75	36,522,291	36,528,147	(5,856)
Operating Expenditures	5,900,8	45	6,395,491	6,165,468	230,023
Capital Outlay	216,33	21	1,192,321	1,411,104	(218,783)
Court Services:					
Personnel Services	963,78	36	974,386	979,937	(5,551)
Operating Expenditures	268,20	00	257,600	242,602	14,998
(Total Expenditures)	(45,486,52	27)	(45,342,089)	(45,327,258)	14,831
(Deficiency) of Revenues (Under)					
Expenditures	(43,812,10	04)	(44,979,389)	(44,937,763)	41,626
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfers in: Hernando County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners Appropriations Transfers (out): Hernando County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners:	44,174,86	04	45,342,089	45,342,089	0
Other Revenues	(362,70	00)	(362,700)	(389,495)	(26,795)
Excess Fees	•	Ó	Ó	(14,831)	(14,831)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	43,812,10)4	44,979,389	44,937,763	(41,626)
Net Change in Fund Balance		0	0	0	0
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		0	0	0_	0
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$	0 \$	0	\$ 0	\$ 0

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL - FEDERAL FORFEITURES FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

		Buo	dget	æ		V	Variance Vith Final Budget Positive
	C	riginal		Final	Actual		Negative)
Revenues							
Fines and Forfeitures	\$	0	\$	0	\$ 18,461	\$	18,461
Interest Revenue		200		200	264		64
Total Revenues		200		200	 18,725		18,525
Expenditures ·							
Public Safety:							
Operating Expenditures		9,600		23,600	16,053		7,547
Capital Outlay		0		15,000	14,678		322
(Total Expenditures)		(9,600)		(38,600)	(30,731)		7,869
Excess of Revenues							
Over Expenditures		(9,400)		(38,400)	(12,006)		26,394
Other Financing (Uses) Sources							
Reserve for Contingencies		(823,152)		(794,152)	 0		794,152
Net Change in Fund Balance		(832,552)		(832,552)	(12,006)		(820,546)
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		832,552		832,552	 832,552		0
Fund Balance, End of Year	_\$	0	<u>\$</u>	0	\$ 820,546	S	(820,546)

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL - E-911 FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

		Bu- Driginal	dget	Final		Actual		Variance With Final Budget Positive
Revenues	_	Ji igiliai	_	г шаі	_	Actual	_	(Negative)
Charges for Services	\$	731,000	\$	731,000	\$	808,267	\$	7 7,267
Interest Revenue	,	3,500	-	3,500	•	972	•	(2,528)
Total Revenues		734,500		734,500		809,239		74,739
Expenditures								
Public Safety:								
Personnel Services		463,839		463,839		463,675		164
Operating Expenditures		352,200		352,200		220,294		131,906
Capital Outlay		350,000		350,000		0		350,000
(Total Expenditures)	(1,166,039)		(1,166,039)		(683,969)		482,070
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures		(431,539)		(431,539)		125,270		556,809
Other Financing (Uses) Sources Reserve for Contingencies		(276,399)		(276,399)		0		276,399
Net Change in Fund Balance		(707,938)		(707,938)		125,270		833,208
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		707,938		707,938		707,938		0
Fund Balance, End of Year		0	\$	0	\$	833,208	\$	833,208

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL - FEDERAL INMATES FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

		e: Rue	lget				Variance Vith Final Budget Positive	
		Original	Set	Final	Actual	(Negative)		
Revenues		O I I GIII II		T III II	 - Actual		Licgarite)	
Charges for Services	\$	860,000	\$	860,000	\$ 1,428,665	\$	568,665	
Total Revenues		(860,000)		860,000	1,428,665		568,665	
Expenditures								
Public Safety		0		0	0		0	
(Total Expenditures)		0		0	0		0	
Excess of Revenues								
Over Expenditures		860,000		860,000	1.428,665		568,665	
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfers (out): Hernande County, Florida, Board of County Commissioners:								
Other Revenue		(2,222,877)		(2,222,877)	(2,791,542)		(568,665)	
Net Change in Fund Balance		(1,362,877)		(1,362,877)	(1,362,877)		0	
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		1,362,877		1,362,877	1,362,877		0	
Fund Balance, End of Year	_\$_	0_	\$	0	\$ 0	\$	0	

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE - INTERNAL SERVICE FUND SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

	Internal
	Service
Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 430,422
Cash and Invesstments with Fiscal Agent	4,622,514
Accounts Receivable	67,796
Total Assets	5,120,732
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	345,495
Liability for Unpaid Claims	307,563
Unearned Revenue	376,260
Total Liabilities	1,029,318
Net Position	
Unrestricted	4,091,414
Total Net Position	\$ 4,091,414

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE - INTERNAL SERVICE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

	Internal Service
Operating Revenues	100
Interfund Charges	\$ 4,029,809
Premiums - Employees	785,414
Premiums - Retirees	481,752
Miscellaneous	121,583
Total Operating Revenues	5,418,558
Operating Expenses	
Claims	4,283,970
Professional Services	1,139,301
Insurance	274,419
(Total Operating Expenses)	(5,697,690)
Operating (Loss)	(279,132)
Nonoperating Revenues	
Interest	 17,225
Change in Net Position	(261,907)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	 4,353,321
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 4,091,414

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE - INTERNAL SERVICE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

		Internal Service
Cash Flows From Operating Activities Cash Received from Interfund Charges Cash Received from Employees Cash Received from Retirees Other Cash Receipts Payments to Suppliers Claims Paid Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$	4,047,403 785,414 481,752 121,583 (1,413,720) (4,309,025) (286,593)
Cash Flows From Investing Activities Interest Received		17,225
Net Decrease in Cash		(269,368)
Pooled Cash and Investments, Beginning of Year		5,322,304
Pooled Cash and Investments, End of Year	\$	5,052,936
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Pooled Cash and Investments Provided by Operating Activities		
Operating Loss Adjustment to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities: Changes in Assets and Liabilities:	_\$	(279,132)
Decrease in Accounts Receivable		(15,976)
(Decrease) in Accounts Payable (Decrease) in Liability for Unpaid Claims		(19,579) 10,500
Increase in Unearned Revenue Total Adjustments		17,594 (7,461)
Net Pooled Cash and Investments Provided by Operating Activities	\$	(286,593)

HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

SHERIFF

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AGENCY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

Assets Cash and Cash Equivalents Total Assets	\$ 117,513 117,513
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	44,774
Due to Other Funds	29,777
Due to Other Governments	8,470
Deposits	34,492
Total Liabilities	\$ 117,513

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Reporting Entity

Hernando County, Florida, (the County) is a political subdivision of the State of Florida. It is governed by an elected Board of County Commissioners (the Board) and managed by an appointed County Administrator. The Hernando County, Florida, Sheriff (the Sheriff), is an elected constitutional officer as provided for by the Constitution of the State of Florida. Pursuant to Chapter 129, Florida Statutes, the Sheriff's budget is submitted to the Board for approval.

The Sheriff is the chief law enforcement officer of the County. Funding for the Sheriff's operations comes primarily from annual appropriations from the Board and all unexpended proceeds must be returned to the Board at year-end.

For financial reporting purposes, the Sheriff is deemed to be part of the primary government of the County and, as such, is included in the County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements include all the funds and accounts of the Sheriff's office, but are not intended to be a complete presentation of the County as a whole. Except for this matter, they are otherwise in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). The accompanying financial statements were prepared for the purpose of complying with Section 218.39, Florida Statutes, and Section 10.557(4), Rules of the Auditor General—Local Governmental Entity Audits.

The financial transactions of the Sheriff are recorded in individual funds. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balance accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures. These funds are segregated for the purpose of carrying on specific activities or attaining certain objectives in accordance with specific regulations, restrictions, or limitations.

The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. GAAP sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures) for the determination of major funds. Each major fund is reported in a separate column.

The Sheriff reports the following major governmental funds:

- General Fund—The General Fund is used to account for the general operations of the Sheriff and includes all transactions which are not accounted for in another fund.
- Federal Forfeitures Fund—This fund is used to account for forfeited property passed down from the U.S. Department of Justice or by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Utilization of revenue can include enhancements to law enforcement delivery and operations.

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Basis of Presentation (Concluded)

- E-911 Fund—This fund is used to account for the proceeds of telephone charges collected for the installation and operation of an Emergency 911 System.
- Inmate Welfare Fund—This fund is used to account for revenue from commissions from the commissary and pay phone. The funds are used for expenditures in the commissary operation, including compensation for commissary employees.
- Federal Inmates Fund—This fund is used to account for the proceeds of housing federal inmates at the detention facility, as well as associated guard and transport reimbursements.

The Sheriff also reports the following nonmajor special revenue funds:

- 800 MHz Fund
- Law Enforcement Educational Fund
- Child Saver Program Fund
- Grants and Contributions Fund

The Sheriff reports the following other fund types:

■ Proprietary Fund Type—Internal Service Funds

These funds are used to account for health and dental insurance benefits provided to the employees by the Sheriff. Their funding is based upon an annual actuarial study of expected benefit payouts.

■ Fiduciary Fund Type—Agency Funds

These funds are used to account for assets held by the Sheriff in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, and other governments.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Governmental funds are accounted for using the flow of current financial resources measurement focus. Only current assets and current liabilities, generally, are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements for these funds present increases (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities), and do not involve measurement of results of operations or have a measurement focus.

The modified accrual basis of accounting is used by both governmental and agency funds. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become measurable and available to finance liabilities of the current fiscal year). For this purpose, the Sheriff considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after year-end. Grants must also meet eligibility requirements to be accrued.

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting (Concluded)

For governmental funds, expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for certain compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures when paid. Substantially all of the Sheriff's operating budget funding is appropriated by the Board. These resources are reflected as other financing sources at the time of receipt. Interest and other revenue are recognized as they are earned and become measurable and available to pay liabilities of the current period.

The proprietary fund type - internal service fund accounts for medical insurance coverage for the Sheriff's employees. Proprietary fund types use the accrual basis of accounting, where revenues are recognized when they are earned and expenses are recognized when they are incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. In addition, proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items.

The focus on fiduciary type fund financial statements is by fund-type, not major fund. The Sheriff only has one fiduciary fund-type, the agency fund-type. Accordingly, there is only one column in the fiduciary fund financial statement.

Excess Fees and Other Revenues

Florida Statutes provide that the amount by which revenues and transfers exceed annual expenditures be remitted to the Board within one month following the fiscal year for which the funding was provided or following the fiscal year during which other revenue was recognized. This requirement is reflected in the Sheriff's General Fund where the amount of this distribution is recorded as a liability and as another financing use. Other revenues due to the Board consist of those third-party revenues received directly by the Sheriff for certain expenditures that are owed to the Board.

Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents are defined as highly-liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

Prepaid Items

Certain prepayments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods. These prepayments are recorded as expenditures in the year paid.

Deferred Inflows/Unearned Revenue

Deferred inflows in governmental funds represent revenues that have been earned, but are not available (because they were received more than 60 days after year-end). Unearned revenue in proprietary fund types represents revenues attributable to future periods.

Compensated Absences

Eligible full time employees are entitled to accrue compensatory time, annual vacation, and sick leave up to predetermined thresholds, and received pay for those hours at termination or retirement. Effective October 1, 2009, for terminations in good standing, the employee is paid for 25% of accumulated sick leave up to a total of 500 hours. Upon retirement, the employee is entitled to an additional percentage up to a total of 100% of total accumulated hours if the employee had ten or more years of service as of October 1, 2009, or 50% of up to 500 hours if the employee had less than ten years of service at October 1, 2009. For all payments of sick leave, the employee is paid at their pay rate effective at termination or retirement.

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Compensated Absences (Concluded)

Vacation and sick leave payments are included in personnel services when the payments are made to the employees. The Sheriff does not, nor is he legally required to accumulate financial resources for these obligations. Accordingly, the liability for compensated absences is not reported in the governmental funds but rather is reported in the basic financial statements of the County.

Fund Balances

The Sheriff implemented the provisions of GASB issued Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions (GASB Statement No. 54) in 2011, as required. The purpose of GASB Statement No. 54 was to improve the consistency and usefulness of fund balance information to the financial statement user. The statement established fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the organization is bound to honor constraints on the specific purpose for which amounts in the funds can be spent. Fund balance is reported in five components—nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned:

- Nonspendable—This component of fund balance consists of amounts that cannot be spent because: (a) they are not expected to be converted to cash; or (b) they are legally or contractually required to remain intact. Examples of this classification are prepaid items, inventories, and principal (corpus) of an endowment fund.
- Restricted—This component of fund balances consists of amounts that are constrained either:

 (a) externally by third parties (creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments); or (b) by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Committed—This component of fund balance consists of amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action (e.g., policy) of the organization's governing authority. By statute, the Sheriff himself is the governing authority. These committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Sheriff removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (e.g., policy) he employed to constrain those amounts.
- Assigned—This component of fund balance consists of amounts that are constrained by a less-than-formal action of the organization's governing authority, or by an individual or body to whom the governing authority has delegated this responsibility. The Sheriff has not delegated the responsibility to assign fund balances to any individual or body.
- Unassigned—This classification is used for: (a) negative unrestricted fund balances in any governmental fund; or (b) fund balances within the General Fund that are not restricted, committed, or assigned.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is generally the Sheriff's policy to use unrestricted resources first (committed, assigned, and unassigned) then restricted resources as they are needed. When unrestricted resources (committed, assigned, and unassigned) are available for use, it is generally the Sheriff's policy to use unassigned resources first, then assigned, and then committed as needed.

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Concluded)

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported and disclosed in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68

The Sheriff participates in the Florida Retirement System (FRS) defined benefit pension plan and the Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS) defined benefit plan administered by Florida Division of Retirement. As a participating employer, the Sheriff implemented GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, which requires employers participating in cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plans to report the employers' proportionate share of the net pension liabilities and related pension amounts of the defined benefit pension plans. However, these liabilities would be recorded in government-wide financial statements, which are not required in this special-purpose presentation. As such, only the applicable disclosures required by GASB Statement No. 68 have been presented herein. In addition, the cost-sharing multiple-employer plans mentioned above operate on a fiscal year ended June 30.

Note 2 - Budgetary Process

Florida Statutes, Sections 30.49, 129.021, and 129.03 govern the preparation, adoption, and administration of the Sheriff's annual budget. The Sheriff prepares individual budgets for the General Fund and the E-911 and 800 MHz Special Revenue Funds, and submits them to the Board for approval. Any budgets that are not subject to the approval of the Board of County Commissioners shall follow the same procedures as those approved by the Board with the exception that the Sheriff is the approver rather than the Board.

The budgets are prepared on a basis consistent with GAAP and serve as the legal authorization for expenditures. Amendments increasing total fund expenditures must be approved by the Sheriff and/or Board. Budgetary changes between or among expenditures within a fund may be made at the discretion of the Sheriff.

The original budget is the first complete appropriated budget. The final budget is the original budget adjusted by all reserves, transfers, allocations, supplemental appropriations, and other legally authorized changes applicable to the fiscal year and approved by the Board within 60 days after year-end.

Note 3 - Cash and Investments

At September 30, 2017, the carrying value of the Sheriff's cash and cash equivalents was as follows:

	Ca	rrying
		alue
Cash on Hand	\$	12,947
Demand Deposits		6,363,602
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	6,376,549

Note 3 Cash and Investments (Concluded)

Such amounts are reported as \$5,828,614, \$430,422, and \$117,513 in the governmental, internal service, and agency funds, respectively. In addition, there is cash and investments of \$4,622,514 held by the claims administrator reported in the internal service funds at year-end.

The Sheriff's bank deposits are held in qualified public depositories (QPDs) pursuant to Chapter 280, Florida Statutes. Under this Chapter, each QPD is required to pledge collateral to the State Treasurer against the public deposits. In the event of default by a QPD, all claims for public deposits would be satisfied by the State Treasurer from the proceeds of federal deposit insurance, pledged collateral of the QPD in default and, if necessary, assessments against other QPDs of the same type as the depositor in default.

Authorized Investments

The Sheriff's Investment Policy follows the state's guidance set forth in Section 219.075, Florida Statutes, regarding the deposit of funds received and the investment of surplus funds. That section requires local governments without written investment policies, including County officers, to follow the state policy in Section 218.415(17), Florida Statutes. That Section authorizes the following investments:

- a. The Local Government Surplus Funds Trust Fund or any intergovernmental investment pool authorized pursuant to the *Florida Interlocal Cooperation Act*, as provided in Florida Statute 163.01.
- b. Securities and Exchange Commission registered money market funds with the highest credit quality rating from a nationally recognized rating agency.
- c. Interest-bearing time deposits or savings accounts in qualified public depositories.
- d. Direct obligations of the United States Treasury.

Note 4 - Interfund Balances

Interfund balances at September 30, 2017, consisted of the following:

	 terfund ceivable	Interfund Pavable		
General Fund Inmate Welfare Fund Agency Fund	\$ 21,924 7,853 0	\$	0 0 29,777	
Total Due to/Due from Other Funds	\$ 29,777	\$	29,777	

The receivables represent primarily fees collected in an agency fund for other funds. These fees are from jail inmates for subsistence fees, booking fees, medical fees, and commissions on commissary sales.

Note 5 - Capital Assets

Pursuant to Florida Statutes, the Sheriff can own tangible capital assets, and the Sheriff maintains custody and recordkeeping responsibility for these assets. However, office space and facilities used in the Sheriff's operations are provided at no cost by the Board.

Capital assets paid for by the Sheriff are recorded as expenditures in the governmental funds of the Sheriff but are capitalized in the basic financial statements of the County. The capitalization threshold is \$1,000. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated fair value on the date received. Effective October 1, 2010, the Sheriff is responsible for recording all grant-related assets regardless of whether the grant origin was Hernando County or the Sheriff. Depreciation is recorded at the County level. Most of the capital assets listed below are being depreciated over five years.

Capital asset activity for the tangible property over which the Sheriff has custodial and recordkeeping responsibility, for the year ended September 30, 2017, was as follows:

								Balance
	(October 1,					Se	ptember 30,
	_	2016		Additions		Deletions	_	2017
Automobiles and Other Vehicles	\$	8,648,304	\$	1,133,309	\$	(554,983)	\$	9,226,630
Furniture and Equipment		11,451,669		401,908		(1,499,670)		10,353,907
Construction in Process		0	_	96,448	_	0		96,448
Total at Cost		20,099,973		1,631,665		(2,054,653)		19,676,985
(Less Accumulated Depreciation)		(15,247,258)	_	(1,664,355)		1,854,464		(15,057,149)
Book Value	\$_	4,852,715	\$	(32,690)	\$	(200,189)	\$	4,619,836

Proceeds from the sale or disposal of vehicles are netted against capital outlay in the accompanying statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance. Following is a reconciliation of 2017 capital asset additions above to capital outlay on the accompanying statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance:

	 2017
Capital Outlay	\$ 1,505,781
Proceeds from Vehicle Sales/Disposals	63,987
Purchased by Other Entities	 61,896
Total Additions	\$ 1.631.664

Note 6 - Long-term Liability

The following is a summary of changes in general long-term liabilities, which are reported in the basic financial statements of the County:

	Balance October 1,			Balance September 30,
Accrued Compensated	2016	Additions	Retirements	2017
Absences	<u>\$ 3,297,395</u> 19	\$ 2,697,828	<u>\$ (2,387,306)</u>	\$ 3,607,917

Note 6 - Long-term Liability (Concluded)

Of these above obligations, \$2,734,461 are expected to be paid during the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, primarily from the general fund, and so are considered current. These liabilities are not reported in the fund financial statements of the Sheriff since they have not matured.

Note 7 - Detention Operations

For twenty-two years, the Hernando County jail was operated by a private corporation. Effective August 27, 2010, the Sheriff took over the detention operations based on an Interlocal Agreement between the Sheriff and the Board. The initial term of the agreement was through September 30, 2013, with an automatic renewal period of an additional three years.

Note 8 - General Fund Revenues and Expenditures

General Fund Revenues and Expenditures for the year ended September 30, 2017, were as follows:

		Law		Emergency					
	Total	Enforcement	Detention	Management	Courthouse				
Revenues									
Inmate Booking	\$ 61,960	\$ 0	\$ 61,960	\$ 0	\$ 0				
Inmate Medical	38,822	0	38,822	0	0				
Inmate Subsistence	174,302	0	174,302	0	0				
Inmate Social Security	23,800	0	23,800	0	0				
Charges for Services	298,884	:0	298,884	0	0				
Interest Income	23,317	23,317	0	0	o				
Miscellaneous	67,294	67,294	0	0	0				
Total Revenues	\$ 389,495	<u>\$ 90,611</u>	\$ 298,884	<u>\$</u> 0	<u>S</u> 0				
Expenditures									
Personal Services	\$37,508,084	\$ 26,215,839	\$ 10,139,142	\$ 173,166	\$ 979,937				
Operating Expenditures	6,408,070	3,858,114	2,278,977	28,377	242,602				
Capital Outlay	1,411,104	1,381,138	29,966	0	0				
Total Expenditures	\$45,327,258	\$ 31,455,091	<u>\$ 12,448,085</u>	\$ 201,543	\$ 1,222,539				

Note 9 - Employee Retirement Plan

General Information about the Florida Retirement System (FRS)

The FRS was created in Chapter 121, Florida Statutes, to provide a defined benefit pension plan for participating public employees. The FRS was amended in 1998 to add the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) under the defined benefit plan and amended in 2000 to provide a defined contribution plan alternative to the defined benefit plan for FRS members effective July 1, 2002. This integrated defined contribution pension plan is the FRS Investment Plan. Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, established the Retiree Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS) Program, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, to assist retired members of any state-administered retirement system in paying the costs of health insurance.

Essentially all regular employees of the Sheriff are eligible to enroll as members of the state-administered FRS. Provisions relating to FRS are established by Chapters 121 and 122, Florida Statutes; Chapter 112 Part IV, Florida Statutes; Chapter 238, Florida Statutes; and FRS Rules, Chapter 60S, Florida Administrative Code; wherein eligibility, contributions, and benefits are defined and described in detail. Such provisions may be amended at any time by further action from the Florida Legislature. The FRS is a single retirement system administered by the Florida Department of Management Services, Division of Retirement, and consists of two cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined-benefit plans and other nonintegrated programs. A comprehensive annual financial report of the FRS, which includes its financial statements, required supplementary information, actuarial report, and other relevant information, is available from the Florida Department of Management Services' web site (www.dms.myflorida.com).

The Sheriff's contributions to the FRS Plan totaled \$4,728,719 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017, (all plans).

<u>Payables to the Pension Plan.</u> At September 30, 2017, the Sheriff's reported a payable of \$528,012 for the outstanding amount of contributions to the Plan required for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017.

FRS Pension Plan

<u>Plan Description</u>. The FRS Pension Plan (Plan) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan, with a DROP for eligible employees. The general classes of membership applicable to the Sheriff are as follows:

- Regular Class—Members of the FRS who do not qualify for membership in the other classes.
- Elected County Officer Class—Members who hold specified elective offices in local government.
- Senior Management Service Class—Members in senior management level positions.
- Special Risk Class—Members who are employed as law enforcement officers and meet the criteria to qualify for this class.

Note 9 - Employee Retirement Plan (Continued)

FRS Pension Plan (Continued)

Plan Description. (Concluded)

Employees enrolled in the Plan prior to July 1, 2011, vest at six years of creditable service and employees enrolled in the Plan on or after July 1, 2011, vest at eight years of creditable service. All vested members enrolled prior to July 1, 2011, are eligible for normal retirement benefits at age 62 or at any age after 30 years of service, except for members classified as special risk who are eligible for normal retirement benefits at age 55 or at any age after 25 years of service. All members enrolled in the Plan on or after July 1, 2011, once vested, are eligible for normal retirement benefits at age 65 or any time after 33 years of creditable service, except for members classified as special risk who are eligible for normal retirement benefits at age 60 or at any age after 30 years of service. Members of the Plan may include up to four years of credit for military service toward creditable service. The Plan also includes an early retirement provision; however, there is a benefit reduction for each year a member retires before his or her normal retirement date. The Plan provides retirement, disability, death benefits, and annual cost-of-living adjustments to eligible participants.

DROP, subject to provisions of Section 121.091, Florida Statutes, permits employees eligible for normal retirement under the Plan to defer receipt of monthly benefit payments while continuing employment with an FRS employer. An employee may participate in DROP for a period not to exceed 60 months after electing to participate, except that certain instructional personnel may participate for up to 96 months. During the period of DROP participation, deferred monthly benefits are held in the FRS Trust Fund and accrue interest. The net pension liability does not include amounts for DROP participants, as these members are considered retired and are not accruing additional pension benefits.

Benefits Provided. Benefits under the Plan are computed on the basis of age and/or years of service, average final compensation, and service credit. Credit for each year of service is expressed as a percentage of the average final compensation. For members initially enrolled before July 1, 2011, the average final compensation is the average of the five highest fiscal years' earnings; for members initially enrolled on or after July 1, 2011, the average final compensation is the average of the eight highest fiscal years' earnings. The total percentage value of the benefit received is determined by calculating the total value of all service, which is based on the retirement class to which the member belonged when the service credit was earned. Members are eligible for in-line-of-duty or regular disability and survivors' benefits. The following chart shows the percentage value for each year of service credit earned:

Note 9 - Employee Retirement Plan (Continued)

FRS Pension Plan (Continued)

Benefits Provided. (Concluded)

Class, Initial Enrollment, and	Percent
Retirement Age/Years of Service	Value
Regular Class Members Initially Enrolled Before July 1, 2011:	
Retirement up to age 62 or up to 30 years of service	1.60
Retirement at age 63 or with 31 years of service	1.63
Retirement at age 64 or with 32 years of service	1.65
Retirement at age 65 or with 33 or more years of service	1.68
Regular Class Members Initially Enrolled on or After July 1, 2011:	
Retirement up to age 65 or up to 33 years of service	1.60
Retirement at age 66 or with 34 years of service	1.63
Retirement at age 67 or with 35 years of service	1.65
Retirement at age 68 or with 36 or more years of service	1.68
Senior Management Service Class	2.00
Special Risk Regular:	
Service from December 1, 1970 through September 30, 1974	2.00
Service on and after October 1, 1974	3.00

As provided in Section 121.101, Florida Statutes, if the member is initially enrolled in the FRS before July 1, 2011, and all service credit was accrued before July 1, 2011, the annual cost-of-living adjustment is 3% per year. If the member is initially enrolled before July 1, 2011, and has service credit on or after July 1, 2011, there is an individually calculated cost-of-living adjustment. The annual cost-of-living adjustment is a proportion of 3% determined by dividing the sum of the pre-July 2011 service credit by the total service credit at retirement multiplied by 3%. Plan members initially enrolled on or after July 1, 2011, will not have a cost-of-living adjustment after retirement.

<u>Contributions</u>. The Florida Legislature establishes contribution rates for participating employers and employees. Contribution rates during the 2016-2017 fiscal year were as follows:

		June 30, 2017 Gross Salary	Year Ended June 30, 2018 Percent of Gross Salary		
Class	Employee	Employer	Employee	Employer	
FRS, Regular	3.00	5.80	3.00	6.20	
FRS, Senior Management Service	3.00	20.25	3.00	20.99	
FRS, Special Risk Regular	3.00	20.85	3.00	21.55	
DROP - Applicable to					
Members from All of the Above Classes	0.00	11.33	0.00	11.60	
FRS, Reemployed Retiree	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	

Note 9 - Employee Retirement Plan (Continued)

FRS Pension Plan (Concluded)

Contributions. (Concluded)

The Sheriff's contributions (employer only) to the Plan totaled \$3,955,887 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017. This excludes the HIS defined benefit pension plan contributions.

<u>Pension Liabilities</u>. At September 30, 2017, the Sheriff's proportionate share of the FRS net pension liability was \$44,521,984.

Further details of the FRS Plan net pension liability, annual pension expense, actuarial assumptions, sensitivity analysis, and the other required disclosures can be found in the County-wide annual financial report.

HIS Pension Plan

<u>Plan Description</u>. The HIS Pension Plan (HIS Plan) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established under Section 112.363, Florida Statutes, and may be amended by the Florida Legislature at any time. The benefit is a monthly payment to assist retirees of state-administered retirement systems in paying their health insurance costs and is administered by the Division of Retirement within the Florida Department of Management Services.

<u>Benefits Provided</u>. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017, eligible retirees and beneficiaries received a monthly HIS payment of \$5 for each year of creditable service completed at the time of retirement, with a minimum HIS payment of \$30 and a maximum HIS payment of \$150 per month, pursuant to Section 112.363, Florida Statutes. To be eligible to receive a HIS Plan benefit, a retiree under a state-administered retirement system must provide proof of health insurance coverage, which may include Medicare.

Contributions. The HIS Plan is funded by required contributions from FRS participating employers as set by the Florida Legislature. Employer contributions are a percentage of gross compensation for all active FRS members. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, the contribution rate was 1.66% of payroll, respectively, pursuant to Section 112.363, Florida Statutes. The Sheriff contributed 100% of its statutorily required contributions for the current and preceding three years. HIS Plan contributions are deposited in a separate trust fund from which payments are authorized. HIS Plan benefits are not guaranteed and are subject to annual legislative appropriation. In the event the legislative appropriation or available funds fail to provide full subsidy benefits to all participants, benefits may be reduced or canceled.

The Sheriff's contributions to the HIS Plan totaled \$428,374 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017.

Note 9 - Employee Retirement Plan (Continued)

HIS Pension Plan (Concluded)

<u>Pension Liabilities</u>. At September 30, 2017, the Sheriff's proportionate share of the HIS net pension liability was \$8,556,586.

Further details of the HIS Plan net pension liability, annual pension expense, actuarial assumptions, sensitivity analysis, and the other required disclosures can be found in the Countywide annual financial report.

FRS - Defined Contribution Pension Plan

The Sheriff contributes to the FRS Investment Plan (Investment Plan), a defined contribution pension plan, for its eligible employees electing to participate in the Investment Plan. The Investment Plan is administered by the SBA, and is reported in the SBA's annual financial statements and in the State of Florida Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Service retirement benefits are based upon the value of the member's account upon retirement.

As provided in Section 121.4501, Florida Statutes, eligible FRS members may elect to participate in the Investment Plan in lieu of the FRS defined benefit plan. Sheriff employees participating in DROP are not eligible to participate in the Investment Plan. Employer and employee contributions, including amounts contributed to individual member's accounts, are defined by law, but the ultimate benefit depends in part on the performance of investment funds. Benefit terms, including contribution requirements, for the Investment Plan are established and may be amended by the Florida Legislature. The Investment Plan is funded with the same employer and employee contribution rates that are based on salary and membership class (Regular Class, Elected County Officers, etc.), as the FRS defined benefit plan. Contributions are directed to individual member accounts, and the individual members allocate contributions and account balances among various approved investment choices. Allocations to the investment members' accounts during the 2016-17 fiscal year were as follows:

	Percent of Gross
Class	Compensation
FRS, Regular	6.30
FRS, Senior Management Service	7.67
FRS, Special Risk Regular	14.00

For all membership classes, employees are immediately vested in their own contributions and are vested after one year of service for employer contributions and investment earnings. If an accumulated benefit obligation for service credit originally earned under the FRS Pension Plan is transferred to the Investment Plan, the member must have the years of service required for FRS Pension Plan vesting (including the service credit represented by the transferred funds) to be vested for these funds and the earnings on the funds. Nonvested employer contributions are placed in a suspense account for up to five years. If the employee returns to FRS-covered employment within the five year period, the employee will regain control over their account. If the employee does not return within the five year period, the employee will forfeit the accumulated account balance. Costs of administering the Investment Plan, including the FRS

Note 9 - Employee Retirement Plan (Concluded)

FRS - Defined Contribution Pension Plan (Concluded)

Financial Guidance Program, are funded through an employer contribution of 0.04% of payroll and by forfeited benefits of Investment Plan members. For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2016, the information for the amount of forfeitures was unavailable from the SBA; however, management believes that these amounts, if any, would be immaterial to the Sheriff.

After termination and applying to receive benefits, the member may rollover vested funds to another qualified plan, structure a periodic payment under the Investment Plan, receive a lump-sum distribution, leave the funds invested for future distribution, or any combination of these options. Disability coverage is provided; the member may either transfer the account balance to the FRS Pension Plan when approved for disability retirement to receive guaranteed lifetime monthly benefits under the FRS Pension Plan, or remain in the Investment Plan and rely upon that account balance for retirement income.

The Sheriff's contributions to the Investment Plan totaled \$344,458 for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017.

Note 10 - Other Postemployment Benefits

The Sheriff offers postemployment health care benefits and life insurance to all retired former employees of the Sheriff's Office and their eligible dependents. Participating retirees are required to reimburse the Sheriff for the entire premium cost. These retirees are receiving an "implicit subsidy" because the premium is a group rate which includes active, lower cost employees. The implicit subsidy has a cost which under GAAP is required to be disclosed in these financial statements. However, this annual cost, the accrued obligation, and other required disclosures have been calculated for the County as a whole, and not separately for the Sheriff's Office. Accordingly, these calculations and disclosures can be found in the County-wide financial report.

In accordance with Florida Statutes 112.19(1)(g), if a law enforcement officer is killed as a result of an act of violence inflicted by another person while the officer is engaged in the performance of law enforcement duties, the entire premium of the health insurance plan for the officer's surviving spouse, until remarried, and dependent children, is paid by the Sheriff. During the year ended September 30, 2017, \$25,260 was paid on behalf of the survivors who qualified.

Note 11 - Risk Management

The Sheriff participates in the Florida Sheriff's Risk Management Fund to insure against automobile, workers' compensation, and general liabilities claims. Except as disclosed in the next paragraph, there have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the prior year. Settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for any of the last three years.

Effective October 1, 2011, the Sheriff became self-insured for employee and retiree health coverage. Effective October 1, 2014, the Sheriff became self-insured for employee and retiree dental coverage. Prior to those dates, the Sheriff carried commercial insurance for its health and dental coverage.

Note 12 - Self-Insurance Internal Service Fund

The self-insurance program was established under Florida Statute 112.08 to reduce employee medical costs for the Sheriff's Office. The program is administered by an outside third party, and uses a combination of self-insurance and specific and aggregate stop-loss coverage to minimize risk exposure. It is accounted for in an internal service fund. Fund revenues are primarily contributions from other funds, retirees, and employees, for amounts needed to pay insurance premiums, anticipated self-insured losses, and administrative expenses.

Changes in claims liability amounts for the years ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, were as follows:

		2017	_	2016
Unpaid Claims, Beginning of Year		\$ 297,063	\$	320,024
Incurred Claims		4,319,525		4,744,409
Claim Payments		(4,309,025)	_	(4,767,370)
Unpaid Claims, End of Year	<u> </u>	\$ 307,563	\$	297,063

Note 13 - Leases

Revenue of the 800 MHz Fund includes lease payments received for space leased on the County's primary tower site. The lease began December 16, 1997, between the Board and Cingular (Tenant). There have been several amendments since then, extending the lease term and changing the monthly lease payment. The sixth amendment, effective July 1, 2016, amended the lease term to include a new initial term of sixty months, plus up to five additional sixty-month terms, built-in rate increases at the beginning of each renewal term. AT&T Mobility Corporation, who owns New Cingular Wireless, has a reduced monthly lease payment from \$5,407 to \$4,210. The Board has informally assigned the rights to the lease revenue to the Sheriff to operate the system. The amount of the lease revenue for the year ended September 30, 2017, was \$50,520. The future lease revenues are as follows:

Year	Amount
2018	\$ 50,520
2019	50,520
2020	50,520
2021	52,415
2022	58,098
2023-2027	301,383
2028-2032	346,591
2033-2037	398,580
2038-2042	458,366
2043-2047	482,665
Total	\$ 2,249,658

Note 14 - Claims and Contingencies

Litigation

The Sheriff is involved as defendant or plaintiff in certain litigation and claims arising from the ordinary course of operations. Any judgments against the Sheriff in excess of insurance limits would be settled by the Board. In the opinion of the Sheriff and legal counsel, the range of potential recoveries or liabilities will not materially affect the financial position of the Sheriff.

Federal and State Grants

Grant funds received by the Sheriff are subject to audit by grantor agencies. Audits of these grants may result in the disallowed costs, which may constitute a liability of the Sheriff. In the opinion of management disallowed costs, if any, would be insignificant to the financial position and operations of the Sheriff.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Combining and Individual Fund Financial Statements and Schedules

HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA SHERIFF SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

Special revenue funds are used to account for the proceeds of special revenue sources that are legally restricted to specified purposes. The Sheriff has the following nonmajor special revenue funds:

- 800MHz Fund—This fund derives its resources from lease payments for space leased on the County's primary tower site, fees assessed to each radio user department for maintenance contract costs, and a \$12.50 fee included in each fine paid for a traffic citation. The 800MHz system is maintained to ensure continuous and optimum radio communications for all public safety and County radio users.
- Law Enforcement Education Fund (L.E.E.)—This fund derives its resources from court cost assessments pursuant to Sections 938.15 and 318.18 of the Florida Statutes. The assessments are collected by the Clerk of the Circuit Court and remitted to the Sheriff monthly. Use of the funds received is restricted to criminal justice education and training in programs approved by the Florida Police Training and Standards Commission.
- Child Saver Program Fund—This fund derives its resources from funds received for the rental of infant and toddler car seats. The nonrefundable service fees charged are to be used for the maintenance and repair of returned car seats and to assist in the purchase of additional seats to expand the program as the population of the County grows and there is additional demand for car seats.
- Grants and Contributions Fund—This fund derives its resources from grants and donations. Each grant and donation is separately accounted for within the fund, to assure proper accounting in accordance with the grant agreements.

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

	Special Revenue Funds								
28	800MHz	Law Child Enforcement Saver Education Program			Grants and Contributions		Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds		
Assets	 								
Cash and Cash									
Equivalents	\$ 214,480	\$	517,462	\$	5,964	\$	95,557	\$	8 33,463
Due from Other									
Governments	 14,980		5,071		0		65,738		85,789
Total Assets	229,460		522,533		5,964		161,295		919,252
Liabilities									
Accounts Payable	1,644		0		60		0		1,704
Accrued Wages and	•				•		6.060		6.060
Benefits Payable	0		0		0		6,860		6,860
Deposits	 0		0		40		0		40
Total Liabilities	 1,644		0	_	100		6,860		8,604
Fund Balances Restricted for: Law Enforcement									
Activities	0		0		0		154,435		154,435
Communications	227,816		ő		ő		0		227,816
Education and	227,010		· ·		Ü		Ū		227,010
Training	0		522,533		0		0		522,533
Other	0		0		5,864		0		5,864
Total Fund Balances	227,816		522,533		5,864		154,435		910,648
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 229,460	\$	522,533	\$	5,964	\$	161,295	\$	919,252

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

	Special Revenue Funds									
		800MHz		Law forcement ducation		Child Saver Program	Grants and Contributions		Total Nonmajor Governmental Funds	
Revenues										
Intergovernmental	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	\$	220,401	\$	220,401
Charges for Services		172,476		0		860		0		173,336
Fines and Forfeitures		137,836		71,102		0		0		208,938
Interest Revenue		7 7		332		0		767		1,176
Miscellaneous		50,520		0		0		51,205		101,725
Total Revenues		360,909		71,434		860		272,373		705,576
Expenditures Public Safety:										
Personnel Services		0		0		0		155,620		155,620
Operating								,		,
Expenditures		345,164		19,519		190		27,718		392,591
Capital Outlay		0		0		0		47,847		47,847
(Total Expenditures)		(345,164)		(19,519)		(190)		(231,185)		(596,058)
Net Change in						(22.2)		(===,===,		(,,
Fund Balance		15,745		51,915		670		41,188		109,518
Fund Balances, Beginning of Year		212,071		470,618		5,194		113,247		80 1,130
		<u> </u>								
Fund Balances, End of Year	\$	227,816	\$	522,533	\$_	5,864	\$	154,435	\$	910,648

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL - 800 MHz FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

	Budget						Variance With Final Budget Positive		
	Original			Final		Actual		(Negative)	
Revenues									
Charges for Services	\$	188,000	\$	188,000	\$	172,476	\$	(15,524)	
Fines and Forfeitures		140,000		140,000		137,836		(2,164)	
Interest Revenue		0		0		77		77	
Miscellaneous		50,520		50,520		50,520		0	
Total Revenues		378,520	_	378,520		360,909		(17,611)	
Expenditures									
Public Safety:									
Personnel Services		46,553		46,553		0		46,553	
Operating Expenditures		378,750		378,750		345,164		33,586	
Capital Outlay		25,000		25,000		0		25,000	
(Total Expenditures)		450,303		450,303		345,164		105,139	
Excess of Revenues									
Over Expenditures		(71,783)		(71,783)		15,745		87,528	
Other Financing (Uses) Sources									
Reserve for Contingencies		(140,288)		(140,288)		0		140,288	
Net Change in Fund Balance		(212,071)		(212,071)		15,745		227,816	
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		212,071		212,071		212,071		0	
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$	0	\$	0	\$	227,816	\$	227,816	

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL - INMATE WELFARE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

			dget					Variance With Final Budget Positive
D		Original		Final		Actual		(Negative)
Revenues	•				_		_	
Charges for Services Interest Revenue	\$	375,000	\$	375,000	\$	428,220	\$	53,220
Miscellaneous		500		500		1,264		764
Total Revenues		2,500		2,500		4,108		1,608
I otal Revenues	_	378,000		378,000		433,592		55,592
Expenditures								
Public Safety:								
Personnel Services		204,944		204,944		209,088		(4,144)
Operating Expenditures		197,951		197,951		97,309		100,642
Capital Outlay		50,000		50,000		0		50,000
(Total Expenditures)		(452,895)		(452,895)		(306,397)		146,498
Excess of Revenues								
Over Expenditures		(74,895)		(74,895)		127,195		202,090
Other Financing Sources (Uses)								
Reserve for Contingencies		(366,640)		(366,640)		0		366,640
Net Change in Fund Balance		(441,535)		(441,535)		127,195		568,730
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		441,535		441,535		441,535		0_
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$	0	_\$_	. 0	\$	568,730	\$	568,730

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL - LAW ENFORCEMENT EDUCATION FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

		Bue	lget					Variance With Final Budget Positive	
		Original	Final			Actual	(Negative)		
Revenues				•					
Fines and Forfeitures	\$	73,000	\$	73,000	\$	71,102	\$	(1,898)	
Interest Revenue		250		250		332	_	82	
Total Revenues		73,250		73,250		71,434		(1,816)	
Expenditures Public Safety: Operating Expenditures		46,850		46,850		19,519		27,331	
(Total Expenditures)		(46,850)		(46,850)		(19,519)		27,331	
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures		26,400		26,400		51,915		25,515	
Other Financing (Uses) Sources									
Reserve for Contingencies		(497,018)		(497,018)		0		497,018	
Net Change in Fund Balance		(470,618)		(470,618)		51,915		522,533	
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	_	470,618		470,618		470,618		0	
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$	0	_\$_	0	\$	522,533	\$	522,533	

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

		Bu	dget				Variance With Final Budget Positive	
	(Original		Final	Actual	(Negative)		
Revenues				,				
Intergovernmental	\$	240,248	\$	314,630	\$ 220,401	\$	(94,229)	
Interest Revenue		50		50	767		717	
Miscellaneous	-	51,005		51,005	 51,205		200	
Total Revenues		291,303		365,685	 272,373		(93,312)	
Expenditures								
Public Safety:		150 000		007.700	155 (00		01.000	
Personnel Services		172,982		236,700	155,620		81,080	
Operating Expenditures		89,934		100,598	27,718		72,880	
Capital Outlay		88,180		88,180	 47,847		40,333	
(Total Expenditures)		(351,096)	_	(425,478)	 (231,185)		194,293	
Excess of Revenues								
Over Expenditures		(59,793)		(59,793)	41,188		100,981	
Other Financing (Uses) Sources								
Reserve for Contingencies		(53,454)		(53,454)	0		53,454	
Net Change in Fund Balance		(113,247)		(113,247)	41,188		154,435	
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		113,247		113,247	 113,247		0	
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$	0	\$	0	\$ 154,435	\$	154,435	

HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA SHERIFF INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

Internal service funds are used when a fund primarily provides benefits for other funds, departments, or agencies of the primary government. The Sheriff has the following internal service funds:

- Health—This fund is used to account for the Sheriff's self-insurance program for employee health benefits.
- Dental—This fund is used to account for the Sheriff's self-insurance program for employee dental benefits.
- Clinic—This fund is used to account for the Sheriff's self-insurance program for the operation of the health clinic.

HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA SHERIFF COMBINING STATEMENT OF NET POSITION INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

		Health	,	Dontal		Climia	Total Internal Service
Assets		пеаны		Dental Clinic			 Service
Cash with Fiscal Agent Accounts Receivable	\$	4,885,354 67,796	\$	148,042 0	\$	19,540 0	\$ 5, 05 2,936 67,796
Total Assets		4,953,150		148,042		19,540	5,120,732
Liabilities Accounts Payable Liability for Unpaid Claims		335,226 283,357		10,269 24,206		0	345,495 307,563
Unearned Revenue		355,593		20,667		0	 376,260
Total Liabilities		974,176		55,142			1,029,318
Net Position							
Unrestricted		3,978,974		92,900		19,540	 4,091,414
Total Net Position	_\$	3,978,974	\$	92,900	\$	19,540	\$ 4,091,414

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

On our ting December	Health	Dental	Clinic	Total Internal Service
Operating Revenues Interfund Charges	A 3000 (05	b 166144		
<u> </u>	\$ 3,299,685	\$ 165,144	\$ 564,980	\$ 4 ,029 ,809
Premiums - Employees	707,045	78,369	0	785,414
Premiums - Retirees	445,960	35,792	0	481,752
Miscellaneous	121,583	0	0	121,583
Total Operating Revenues	4,574,273	279,305	564,980	5,418,558
Operating Expenses Claims	4.070.410	214.562		
Professional Services	4,069,410	214,560	0	4,283,970
	555,649	38,212	545,440	1,139,301
Insurance	274,419	0	0	274,419
(Total Operating Expenses)	(4,899,478)	(252,772)	(545,440)	(5,697,690)
Operating (Loss)	(325,205)	26,533	19,540	(279,132)
Nonoperating Revenues Interest	17,225	0	0	17,225
Change in Net Position	(307,980)	26,533	19,540	(261,907)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	4,286,697	66,624	0	4,353,321
Net Position, End of Year	\$ 3,978,717	\$ 93,157	\$ 19,540	\$ 4,091,414

COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

	_	Health	Dental		Clinic	 Total Internal Service
Cash Flows from Operating Activities						
Cash Received from Interfund Charges	\$	3,317,203	\$ 165,220	\$	564,980	\$ 4,047,403
Cash Received from Employees		707,045	78,369		0	785,414
Cash Received from Retirees		445,960	35,792		0	481,752
Other Cash Receipts		121,583	0		0	121,583
Payments to Suppliers		(830,068)	(38,212)		(545,440)	(1,413,720)
Claims Paid		(4,093,982)	(215,043)	_	0	 (4,309,025)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities		(332,259)	26,126		19,540	 (286,593)
Cash Flows From Investing Activities						
Interest Received		17,225	0		0	17,225
Not Income (December) Cont			26.126		10.540	
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash		(315,034)	26,126		19,540	(269,368)
Pooled Cash and Investments, Beginning of Year	_	5,200,128	 122,176		0	 5,322,304
Pooled Cash and Investments, End of Year	_\$_	4,885,094	\$ 148,302	_\$_	19,540	\$ 5,052,936
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Pooled Cash and Investments Provided by Operating Activities						
Operating Income (Loss)	\$	(325,205)	\$ 26,533	\$	19,540	\$ (279,132)
Adjustment to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities: Changes in Assets and Liabilities:			 		· ·	
Decrease in Accounts Receivable		(15,976)	0		0	(15,976)
(Decrease) in Accounts Payable		(17,421)	(2,158)		Ö	(19,579)
(Decrease) Increase in Liability for Unpaid Claims		8,825	1,675		0	10,500
Increase in Unearned Revenue		17,518	76		0	17,594
Total Adjustments		(7,054)	(407)		0	 (7,461)
Net Pooled Cash and Investments Provided by Operating Activities	\$	(332,259)	\$ 26,126	\$	19,540	\$ (286,593)

HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA SHERIFF AGENCY FUNDS SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

Agency funds are used to account for assets held by the Sheriff in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, and other governments. The Sheriff has the following agency funds:

- Civil Trust Fund—This fund is used to account for fees received by the Sheriff for serving documents (civil process) pursuant to Florida Statute 30.231(5). The funds received are returned to the Board of County Commissioners on a monthly basis. This fund is also used for cost deposits provided by plaintiffs or their attorneys in advance, to pay for the Sheriff's statutory fees and costs in executing Sheriff's Levies and Writs of Attachment.
- Inmate Trust Fund—This fund accounts for inmate personal accounts and the proceeds from certain inmate programs.

HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

SHERIFF

COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES ALL AGENCY FUNDS

SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

A A	Civil	Inmate	Total
	Trust	Trust	Agency
	Fund	Fund	Funds
Assets Cash and Cash Equivalents Total Assets	\$ 15,758	\$ 101,755	\$ 117,513
	15,758	101,755	117,513
Liabilities Accounts Payable Due to Other Funds Due to Other Governments Deposits	0 0 8,470 7,288	44,774 29,777 0 27,204	44,774 29,777 8,470 34,492
Total Liabilities	\$ 15,758	\$ 101,755	\$ 117,513

OTHER REPORTS



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Honorable Al Nienhuis Sheriff Hernando County, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Hernando County, Florida, Sheriff (the Sheriff), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated February 21, 2018.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstance for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Sheriff's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Sheriff's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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Honorable Al Nienhuis Sheriff Hernando County, Florida

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS (Concluded)

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Sheriff's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreement, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Curvin Groy and Company Let February 21, 2018

Sarasota, Florida



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 218.415, FLORIDA STATUTES

Honorable Al Nienhuis Sheriff Hernando County, Florida

We have examined Hernando County, Florida, Sheriff's (the Sheriff) compliance with the requirements of Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, as required by Section 10.556(10)(a), Rules of the Auditor General. Management is responsible for the Sheriff's compliance with those requirements. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Sheriff's compliance based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Sheriff complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referenced above. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about whether the Sheriff complied with the specified requirements. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our examination does not provide a legal determination on the Sheriff's compliance with specified requirements.

In our opinion, the Sheriff complied, in all material respects, with the aforementioned requirements during the year ended September 30, 2017.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, the Sheriff, its management, and the Board of County Commissioners of Hernando County, Florida, and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

February 21, 2018

Sarasota, Florida

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MANAGEMENT LETTER

Honorable Al Nienhuis Sheriff Hernando County, Florida

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Hernando County, Florida, Sheriff (the Sheriff), as of and for the year ended September 30, 2017, and have issued our report thereon dated February 21, 2018.

Auditors' Responsibility

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and Chapter 10.550, Rules of the Auditor General.

Other Reporting Requirements

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards; and Independent Accountants' Report on Compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes. Disclosures in those reports, which are dated February 21, 2018, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

Prior Audit Findings

Section 10.554(1)(i)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no findings or recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

Official Title and Legal Authority

Section 10.554(1)(i)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that the name or official title and legal authority for the primary government and each component unit of the reporting entity be disclosed in this management letter, unless disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. In that regard, the Sheriff was established by the Constitution of the State of Florida, Article VIII, Section 1(d). There were no component units related to the Sheriff.

Financial Management

Section 10.554(1)(i)2., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we communicate any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

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Honorable Al Nienhuis Sheriff Hernando County, Florida

MANAGEMENT LETTER (Concluded)

Additional Matters

Section 10.554(1)(i)3., Rules of Auditor General, requires that we address noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

Purpose of the Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and the Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, the Sheriff, its management, and the Board of County Commissioners of Hernando County, Florida, and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff for the cooperation and courtesies extended to us during the course of our audit. Please let us know if you have any questions or comments concerning this letter, our accompanying reports, or other matters.

February 21, 2018

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Sarasota, Florida