

July 29, 2008

The Honorable J. William McLafferty
Superior Court
1100 Anacapa St. 2nd floor
Santa Barbara CA 93121-1107

Response of the Santa Maria Cemetery District to the Santa Barbara County
Grand Jury Findings and Recommendations.

The Honorable Judge J. William McLafferty:

During its regular meeting of Monday, July 28, 2008, the Board of Trustees of the Santa Maria Cemetery District (the District) adopted the following responses to the Grand Jury Findings and Recommendations contained in the report entitled: Santa Maria Cemetery District: An Organization in Turmoil

RESPONSES TO FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

FINDING 1:

The Santa Maria Cemetery District Board of Trustees failed to prepare a written document defining the relationship, duties, and responsibilities for the Angel of Hope project at the time of its acceptance. Without an accepted written document, there has been a continual financial drain on the district.

Response: We agree

RECOMMENDATION 1:

Without delay, the District must execute a written agreement defining the duties, relationships, and responsibilities of all parties relative to The Angel of Hope project.

Response: At the District Board Meeting on June 30, 2008, The MOU was agreed upon, resolved and signed by all concerned parties.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these responses.

Sincerely,

Frederick W Quigley
Board President