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FINAL REPORT

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DEDICATED TO MEMBER**

BRAD KUIPER



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The Grand Jury suffered a great personal loss with the passing of Brad Kuiper.

Brad was serving on his fourth Grand Jury.

He was foreman of the 2005-2006 Grand Jury.

Brad was quiet and unassuming, but we discovered early on that Brad had a deep understanding of the workings of the Grand Jury and was able to share it with us and give advice and opinions that helped guide us. We came to respect and depend on him in our day-to-day work. He became our “go to guy.”

Shakespeare wrote the following which describes Brad very well:

*“His life was gentle
and the elements so mixed in him,
that nature might stand up
and say to all the world
This Was a Man.”*



Rest in Peace, Brad



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Honorable Douglas M. Elwell, Presiding Judge
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Dear Judge Elwell:

On behalf of the 2010-2011 Grand Jury, I am pleased to present this Final Report to you and to the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors, and to the citizens of San Bernardino County.

I would like to state that this Grand Jury believes that the vast majority of San Bernardino County employees are truly dedicated servants who strive to be the best at their jobs. Department Heads and Department Supervisors were very cooperative and helpful in allowing the Grand Jury to understand how their departments function. We were impressed with their knowledge and dedication.

I would especially like to thank Chief Executive Officer Greg Devereaux and the Board of Supervisors who were extremely cooperative with the Grand Jury. This year witnessed an administrative change, when the County Administrative Officer became the Chief Executive Officer. I feel this will be a very positive step in bringing a more ethical and moral transparency to our county.

Our Final Report could not have been completed without the legal expertise of our Grand Jury Legal Advisor, Charles Umeda, and our Grand Jury Assistant, Melonee Vartanian, who gave us guidance and advice throughout the year. A special "thank you" and a "job well done" go to Nellie Jamie, who filled in for Melonee for several weeks during her absence.

On July 1, 2010, we were 19 individuals interested in making a contribution to the county. All of us had some idea as to what should be done, and there were a number of different approaches as to how we would ultimately get the job done. We began the process of learning to work together and becoming a team. We accomplished this goal and were soon forged into a purposeful, informed team that produced the attached Final Report.

Last year's Grand Jury challenged each and every member of our county and city governments, especially the elected officials, to investigate their own departments and work toward erasing the negative image that San Bernardino carries. We stood behind this challenge and issue the same challenge again this year. We continued to investigate two entities that were initially investigated by the past Grand Jury. For the first time in the history of the San Bernardino County Grand Jury, several jury members were held over for a second year to continue their investigations. I strongly recommend that the incoming Grand Jury continue to follow up on these and other investigations.

I note with great satisfaction that the Board of Supervisors has agreed to forego their annual discretionary funds and move them back into the General Fund. The 2009-2010 Grand Jury recommended this change in the Final Report.

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Like past grand juries, this year's Grand Jury was passionately concerned about the County's "culture of corruption" image. District Attorney Mike Ramos' continuing investigations into the Colonies scandal is most encouraging and helpful in the ongoing fight against corruption. We applaud his efforts and wish him success as he presses forward in his pursuit of justice.

This year, the Grand Jury looked into some distant, rural areas of our county, and with the assistance from the CEO and the Board of Supervisors we were successful in starting a dialogue between the county and these rural communities that will be helpful to both parties.

Sadly, during our term, we lost a valuable member of our jury. Brad Kuiper passed away suddenly on February 4, 2011. Brad had been on several past grand juries and had served as foreman once. He was an intelligent, dedicated man who possessed the ability to summarize complicated information and put it into an understandable format. He was also a good friend to the jurors and was the epitome of a true gentleman. He is missed by all of us.

To my fellow Grand Jurors, it has been a learning experience for me. Your wisdom, diligence, intelligence, and search for the truth make me very proud to have served with each of you. I owe a special debt of gratitude and thanks to Foreman Pro Tem Wayne King, for his continued support throughout the year.

It has been a distinct privilege to serve as Foreman for the 2010-2011 Grand Jury, and I thank you, Judge Elwell, for selecting me as the Foreman.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Dunlap". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Robert Dunlap, Foreman
2010-2011 San Bernardino County Grand Jury

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