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The Honorable Luke E. Torian, Chair
House Appropriations Committee
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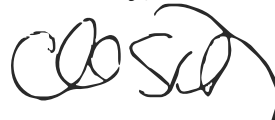
Dear Senator Lucas, Delegate Torian and Director Maul,

Chapter 2, Item 400 B. of the 2022-2024 Biennial Virginia State Budget requires that: "The Department of Corrections shall provide an annual report on the status of jail construction and renovation projects as approved for funding by the General Assembly. The report shall be limited to those projects which increase bed capacity. The report shall include a brief summary description of each project, the total capital costs of the project and the approved state share of the capital cost, the number of beds approved, along with the net number of new beds if existing beds are to be removed, and the closure of any existing facilities, if applicable. The report shall include the six-year population forecast, as well as the double bunking capacity compared to the rate capacity for each project listed. The report shall also include the general fund impact on community corrections programs as reported by the Department of Criminal Justice Services, and the recommended financing arrangements and estimated general fund requirements for debt service as provided by

the State Treasurer. Copies of the report shall be provided by October 1 of each year to the Chairmen of the Senate Finance and Appropriations Committee and House Appropriations Committee and to the Director, Department of Planning and Budget.”

The approved jail projects were presented as legislation during the 2023 General Assembly Session, Chapter 294 of the Virginia Acts of Assembly. Please find attached the revised annual report of those jail projects approved by the General Assembly in 2023. This revision dated January 26, 2024 replaces any previous reports of 2023.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. S. Dotson', with a large, sweeping flourish extending from the end of the signature.

Chadwick S. Dotson

Attachment: Annual Report of General Assembly Approved Jail Projects, September 21, 2023
(Revised January 26, 2024)

Annual Report of General Assembly
Approved Jail Projects
September 21, 2023
(Revised January 26, 2024)

Prepared by the
State Board of Local and Regional Jails
(with input from the Department of Criminal Justice Services
and the Department of the Treasury)

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Introduction

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This January 26, 2024, revised report is provided to recognize the two jail projects approved by the General Assembly in 2023.

Currently Approved Projects by the General Assembly

The following project has been approved by the General Assembly and is under construction:

Franklin County Security Upgrade – this project upgrades the security control system and replaces existing doors and windows; it does not impact inmate bed capacity.

The following projects have been approved by the General Assembly and are proceeding into design phases:

Albemarle-Charlottesville Regional Jail Renovation – this project remedies multiple design and layout inefficiencies in the facility and does not increase inmate bed capacity.

Loudoun County Adult Detention Center Expansion and Renovation – this project increases the inmate bed capacity by 48.

Approved Funding

Funding included in the 2022-2024 Biennial Budget for the Commonwealth's reimbursement of a portion of the approved capital costs as determined by the Board of Local and Regional Jails and other interest costs as provided in §53.1-80 through 53.1-82.2 of the Code of Virginia, for the following:

Commonwealth's Share of Approved Capital Costs

Project

Albemarle-Charlottesville Regional Jail	\$11,689,250
Loudon County Jail	\$9,975,250
Franklin County Jail	\$32,401

Total Approved Capital Costs	\$21,696,901
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Recommended Financing Arrangements and Estimated General Fund Requirements for Debt Service as Provided by the Department of Treasury

All estimates were computed using a budgeted interest rate assumption of 5.00%. The actual interest rate will be based on market conditions at the time of the transaction. Also, the estimates only relate to reimbursement of approved project costs and do not include reimbursement of the state's share of the regional authorities' financing (interest) costs from construction midpoint through completion, which will also be determined and at completion based on the timing and terms of their respective financings.

Since Board of Local and Regional Jails approval has been obtained, the Department of Treasury will establish a file for each of these and monitor for General Assembly reimbursement authorization during future sessions after which they will be added to our list of authorized jail projects.