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Stanton City Council Supports Sheriff's Appeal to Court Ruling

Stanton, Calif. - December 21, 2020 – At a special meeting held on Monday, Dec. 21, the Stanton City Council voted unanimously to direct the City Attorney's office to file or join an amicus brief in support of Orange County Sheriff Don Barnes' challenge to a court order regarding the release of inmates.

On Dec. 11, the Orange County Superior Court ordered Sheriff Barnes to release over 1,000 inmates from County jails (about half of the total inmate population), to help reduce the spread of COVID-19. If the order stands, the inmates could be released in January.

Stanton's City Council strongly supports the Sheriff's plan for mitigating COVID-19 within the jail system, rather than a mass release of inmates risking the safety of our community. "Providing for a safe community is the City Council's top priority," Stanton Mayor David Shawver said. "The Council unanimously supports this action."

ABOUT STANTON

The City of Stanton is located in northwestern Orange County. With a population of more than 39,000 in 3.1 square miles, many residents enjoy the small town community feeling. The City was incorporated in 1956 and has enjoyed growth and prosperity since that time. The City's motto - Community Pride and Forward Vision identifies Stanton as a place where innovation and pride in the community are an important aspect of life in Stanton.

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