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To: Board of Supervisors
From: David O. Livingston, Sheriff-Coroner
Date: September 25, 2018

Subject: Forensic Pathology Services - Arnold R. Josselson M.D.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Sheriff-Coroner, or designee, to execute a contract with Arnold R. Josselson M.D., in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 for the provision of forensic pathology services for the term of October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2020.

FISCAL IMPACT:

100% County General Fund; \$500,000. Budgeted.

BACKGROUND:

The County's current forensic pathologist contractor, Forensic Medical Group (FMG), has advised effective October 1, 2018, they will no longer be providing the county forensic pathologist services due to the dissolving of the company. Three pathologists that currently make up FMG are able to continue to provide these services to the county under individual contracts. One of these forensic pathologists is Arnold R. Josselson M.D. who specializes in pathology and forensic pathology. Dr. Josselson will assume responsibility for and perform autopsy services for deaths that fall within the jurisdiction of the Coroner, will prepare documents and reports as required, provide training to personnel, provide court testimony as required, and ensure that quality standards are met for the services performed. This will

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **09/25/2018** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I
Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II
Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV
Supervisor

ABSENT: Diane Burgis, District III
Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V
Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: September 25, 2018

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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cc:

allow the Sheriff-Coroner's Office to continue to meet the obligations to provide forensic pathology services.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The current contractor will no longer be providing forensic pathology services effective October 1, 2018. If a negative action is given this will result in the Sheriff's Office not having access to a vendor to perform autopsy services and related reporting in the Coroner's Division.