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Commonwealth of Virginia

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August 16, 2023

Brenda A. Wood Treasurer

Lois B. Jacob Commissioner of the Revenue

Scott Foster Sheriff

Locality: City of Fredericksburg

We have reviewed the Commonwealth collections and remittances of the Treasurer, Commissioner of the Revenue, and Sheriff of the locality indicated for the year ended June 30, 2023. Our primary objectives were to determine that the officials have maintained accountability over Commonwealth collections, established internal controls, and complied with state laws and regulations. We limited our work to the collection of Commonwealth revenues. Local governments hire certified public accountants to audit all other financial activities of the locality and these firms issue separate reports on the results of their audits.

The results of our tests found the Treasurer, Commissioner of the Revenue, and Sheriff complied, in all material respects, with state laws, regulations and other procedures relating to the receipt, disbursement, and custody of state funds, except as follows.

The Commissioner of the Revenue did not comply with state laws and regulations as described below.

Promptly Remit State Collections

Repeat: No

The Commissioner of the Revenue did not remit state tax collections to the local Treasurer within two banking days of receipt as required by § 58.1-307 of the Code of Virginia. We noted four delayed state income tax payments out of five tested (80%). The Commissioner of the Revenue should promptly send all state tax collections to the Treasurer as required by the Code of Virginia.

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We discussed this finding with the Commissioner of Revenue on August 16, 2023, and we acknowledge the cooperation extended to us during this review.

Sincerely,

Staci A. Henshaw Auditor of Public Accounts

LJH: clj

cc: Mary Katherine Greenlaw, Mayor Timothy J. Baroody, City Manager Andrew Grossnickle, Member Robinson, Farmer, Cox Associates