

Commonwealth of Virginia

Auditor of Public Accounts

P.O. Box 1295 Richmond, Virginia 23218

August 12, 2022

Jeffrey C. McKay Board Chairman County of Fairfax County

Dear Mr. McKay:

We have reviewed the Commonwealth collections and remittances of the Director of Finance and Sheriff of the locality indicated for the year ended June 30, 2022. 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.

The results of our tests found the Director of Finance 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 Sheriff did not maintain sufficient internal control over state funds as described below.

Promptly Deposit Sheriff's Fees

Repeat: No

The Sheriff did not promptly deposit Sheriff's fees into an official bank account. Having cash or checks on hand is a risk that could lead to a loss of funds. The Sheriff should follow the best practices outlined in the Virginia Sheriff's Accounting Manual, which recommends the Sheriff deposit all collections in the Sheriff's official bank account either weekly or when collections exceed \$200.

We discussed this finding with the Sheriff on August 12, 2022, and we acknowledge the cooperation extended to us during this review.

Sincerely,

Staci A. Henshaw Auditor of Public Accounts

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cc: Bryan J. Hill, County Executive Christopher Pietsch, Director of Finance Stacey Kincaid, Sheriff