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**San Joaquin County Approves New 36-Month Contract With
Deputy Sheriff's Association**

(Stockton, CA) - Today, the San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors approved a new thirty-six month contract with the Deputy Sheriff's Association (DSA). DSA represents approximately 285 peace officers in San Joaquin County.

Elements of the contract include:

- A 6 percent cost of living increase over a 36-month period.
- A new longevity supplement for deputies with 7, 10, and 20 years of service.
- Some employees will be contributing an increased percentage towards their health insurance and retirement costs.

While reaching this agreement was not easy, in the end this agreement is what is good for the Deputies, the County, and our community.

This new contract will benefit both our hardworking deputy sheriffs and the people of San Joaquin County," said Board of Supervisors Chair Miguel Villapudua. "Reaching this agreement within the confines of a limited County budget was a major undertaking, for both the DSA and the County negotiating team led by Administrator Nino, and I am grateful for their efforts."

"Deputy sheriff's provide vital services that protect the safety of all County residents, and all of us appreciate the work they do every day," said Supervisor Kathy Miller. "This agreement ensures them competitive, livable wages while at the same time maintaining the County's long-term financial health so that we can continue funding critical health care, public safety, and human services programs."

"I'm proud to support this agreement. Reaching it took a huge amount of work, but in the end it is a win for all sides," said Supervisor Tom Patti. "The deputy sheriffs will receive a pay raise, County residents will continue to benefit from their extraordinary service and professionalism, and our budget will stay balanced."

“Today is a good day for San Joaquin county residents,” said Supervisor Chuck Winn. “Our goal throughout this negotiation process has been to balance the competing needs for fair total compensation, monetary responsibility and the continuation of vital public programs. This balance is reflected in the agreement our Board approved today, and we will work to resolve our remaining bargaining unit negotiations in that same spirit.”

“I very much appreciate the efforts of our County negotiating team and of the Deputy Sheriffs Association, who worked together under challenging circumstances to reach a deal that works for both sides,” said Supervisor Bob Elliott. “The deputy sheriffs are critically important public safety professionals. An agreement that provides them with a meaningful pay increase while at the same time protecting the long-term integrity of our budget is an accomplishment worth celebrating.”

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