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March 17, 2021

Norman Foster, Director  
Office of Management and Budget  
Broward County Governmental Center  
115 South Andrews Avenue, Room 404  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

**Re: LETF Request for Appropriation**

Dear Mr. Foster:

Attached please find the electronic submission of the following request for appropriation from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund:

**Subject:** Appropriation Request  
**User:** BSO – Automate Robots DNA Unit (please see attached)  
**Amount:** \$125,761.00

Thank you for your prompt review and processing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Colonel Jems Reyes". The signature is stylized with several loops and a long horizontal stroke.

Colonel Jems Reyes  
Department of Administration

JR:ag

cc: Sheriff Gregory Tony  
General Counsel, Terrence Lynch, Office of the General Counsel  
Director, Heather Mitchell, Bureau of Finance

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February 10, 2021

Board of County Commissioners  
Broward County Governmental Center  
115 South Andrews Avenue.  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Attn: Honorable Steve Geller, Mayor

**Re: Request for Appropriation – Law Enforcement Trust Fund (LETf)  
Automate Robots DNA Unit**

Dear Mayor Geller and Board Members:

Request is hereby made for the following described appropriation from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund (LETf).

- I. **AMOUNT REQUESTED:** \$125,761.00
- II. **LETf ACCOUNT** \_\_\_\_\_ State/Local  Federal/Justice  
\_\_\_\_\_ Federal/Treasury
- III. **AMOUNT & TYPE:** \$125,761.00 Federal/Justice
- IV. **USER:**  BSO \_\_\_\_\_ Other
- V. **STATUTORY PURPOSE:**
- |                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| _____ Crime prevention     | _____ Drug abuse education/prevention                             |
| _____ Grant matching funds | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other law enforcement purpose |
| _____ Safe neighborhood    | _____ School resource officer                                     |

**VI. SUMMARY DESCRIPTION:**

The Broward Sheriff's Office supports this LETF for the Automate Robots DNA Unit for the Broward Sheriff's Office Crime Lab. The Automate Robots DNA equipment will increase the amount of DNA evidence the Crime Lab is able to process as well as allowing for expanding the sample types processed to include hair and bone samples, reducing the potential for contamination and the ability to be expended to larger robots in the future. The Automate Robots will increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the Crime Lab DNA Unit in processing DNA for criminal investigations.

**VII. EXHIBITS ATTACHED:**       Budget       Correspondence

1. LETF Request for Funding.

**VIII. CERTIFICATION:**

The undersigned hereby certifies that:

- a. These funds will not be used to meet normal operating expenses of the Broward Sheriff's Office; and
- b. This request complies with the provisions of Section 932.7055, Florida Statutes.

Reviewed and Approved as to  
Form and Legal Sufficiency:



Terrence Lynch  
General Counsel



Gregory Tony  
Sheriff of Broward County