January 21, 2014

Spokane County Commissioners
Spokane County Courthouse
1116 West Broadway Ave.
Spokane, WA 99260

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Sheriff’s Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) members from throughout Spokane County have reviewed immediate needs of the Sheriff’s Department. These needs are key to the safety of our citizens and deputies.

We feel the county is heading into a crisis that will decrease the ability for the continuous delivery of necessary services for our citizen’s safety and security. Our recommendation is that you fund the following areas of technology, infrastructure, and manpower:

Technology:
- Body Cameras
- CAD/RMS

Infrastructure:
- Training Center Location

Manpower:

The CAB’s study and review of these ongoing issues has shown a stalemate in resolution due to lack of necessary level of funding. The implementation of these initiatives can also be cost effective and create savings in the long term. We ask that the Board of Country Commissioners accept our recommendations to improve the overall efficiency of the Sheriff’s Department. This acceptance by the Board will increase the safety and security of the citizens of Spokane County.

Sincerely,

Charles G. Parker
Citizens Advisory Board Representative