

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



FROM: Supervisor Jeff Stone

SUBMITTAL DATE: May 16, 2006

SUBJECT: Sexual Predator Internet Decoy Enforcement in Riverside County
(*SPIDER Program proposal*)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors commend Riverside County Sheriff Bob Doyle and his taskforce for the effective recent internet sting operation resulting in the arrest of several sexual predators attempting to prey on the children of Riverside County. That the Board direct the Executive Office to coordinate with the Sheriff, District Attorney, and Probation Department (Public Safety Partners) in the formation of a SPIDER program designed to perpetuate, on a regular and frequent basis, the success of the Sheriff's internet sting operation. The Executive Office is directed to prepare a funding plan to assist the Sheriff in integrating such SPIDER program with the Sheriff's Safe Taskforce program. The SPIDER program should have an annual review by the Public Safety Partners to determine the program's effectiveness.

BACKGROUND: A recent revealing edition of NBC television's Dateline, a television news documentary, in cooperation with the Riverside County Sheriff's Department focused on an internet sting decoy operation. The operation coordinated by Riverside County Sheriff Bob Doyle and his taskforce resulted in the arrest of numerous sexual predators preying on children that peruse the internet on such popular websites as "My Space." In Riverside County alone there are over 3000 registered sex offenders, many of whom have very little supervision. It is apparent that Riverside County and all its public safety agencies must partner as a focused and dedicated team to have a proactive effort to arrest those individuals that fully intend to molest, rape and/or murder children in our county through internet communications.



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