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



FROM: Supervisors John Tavaglione SUBMITTAL DATE: February 7, 2012

SUBJECT: Riverside County Free Library System Internet Safety Policy

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors Adopt the Internet Use and Safety Policy to clarify the use of Internet resources by staff, volunteers, and the public in facilities operated by the Riverside County Library System.

BACKGROUND: The Riverside County Library is a library system currently operating in 33 cities throughout the County and contracts with Library Systems & Services (LSSI) for operations. In accordance with its contract with the county, LSSI is responsible for implementing county policies as adopted by the Board of Supervisors. Given the rapidly changing technology environment policies regarding internet safety will need to be re-examined as technology and its uses evolve. The Riverside County Library System provides public access computers enabling local residents to access the internet for education, health and well-being. The refined Internet Use and Safety.

Policy will give county libraries an enforceable vehicle to restrict and control internet use with in the library system. This policy prohibits staff and patrons to use the county library system's internet to transmit inappropriate material via internet, electronic mail or other forms of direct electronic communication in libraries. By complying with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) and AB 1156, it protects the safety of children thus enabling it to access special grant funds available to schools and libraries.

John Tavadlione, Chairmar

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