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# MEMORANDUM

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Date: March 25, 2015

To: Tina Mattison, Deputy Administrator  
Juvenile Court

From: C.H. Huckelberry  
County Administrator

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "CHH", is written over the printed name "C.H. Huckelberry".

Re: **Our Meeting of March 19, 2015**

It was a pleasure to meet you and welcome to Pima County. You obviously have arrived at your new position during challenging times. I will try to make this as uneventful as possible, but I am unsure if I can say the same for the State Legislature and their State cost transfers.

Unfortunately, charging counties for operating a portion of the Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections will be a practice that will ultimately cost the State more money, since those counties that operate under modern concepts of diversion and rehabilitation will be forced to abandon those expensive programs and revert to transferring juveniles to the State system. This is an unfortunate policy. It is not good for Pima County's kids and, frankly, not good for the State budget, because inevitably their cost will be more.

However, in the wake of the severe impacts of State cost transfers, I have experienced unprecedented cooperation from the Courts' leadership – both the Presiding Judges and management – and for that I am very appreciative.

CHH/anc

c: The Honorable Sally Simmons, Presiding Judge, Superior Court  
The Honorable Kathleen Quigley, Presiding Judge Juvenile Court  
Kent Batty, Court Administrator, Superior Court