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Portage-Geauga Juvenile Detention Center Portage County 8000 Infirmary Road Ravenna, Ohio 44266

To the Board of Trustees:

As you are aware, the Auditor of State's Office (AOS) must modify the *Independent Accountants' Report* we provide on your financial statements due to an interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). While AOS does not legally require your government to prepare financial statements pursuant to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the AICPA interpretation requires auditors to formally acknowledge that you did not prepare your financial statements in accordance with GAAP. Our Report includes an adverse opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the amounts the statements present are misstated under the non-GAAP basis you follow. The AOS report also includes an opinion on the financial statements you prepared using the cash basis and financial statement format the AOS permits.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Mary Taylor

October 31, 2008

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Portage-Geauga Juvenile Detention Center Portage County 8000 Infirmary Road Ravenna, Ohio 44266

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Portage-Geauga Juvenile Detention Center, Portage County, (the Detention Center) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Detention Center's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the Detention Center has prepared these financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. These practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Although we cannot reasonably determine the effects on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and GAAP, we presume they are material.

Instead of the combined funds the accompanying financial statements present, GAAP require presenting entity wide statements and also presenting the Detention Center's larger (i.e. major) funds separately. While the Detention Center does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards requires us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require the Detention Center to reformat their statements. The Detention Center has elected not to follow GAAP statement formatting requirements. The following paragraph does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis the Auditor of State permits. Our opinion on the fair presentation of the amounts reported pursuant to its non-GAAP basis is in the second following paragraph.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding two paragraphs, the financial statements referred to above for the year ended December 31, 2007 do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Detention Center as of December 31, 2007, or its changes in financial position for the year then ended.

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Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances and reserves for encumbrances of Portage-Geauga Juvenile Detention Center, Portage County, as of December 31, 2007, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the year then ended on the accounting basis Note 1 describes.

The Detention Center has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the financial statements.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 31, 2008, on our consideration of the Detention Center's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Mary Taylor

October 31, 2008

COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

	Governmental Fund Types			
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts: Contracts - Services Federal Grants Tuition Refunds/Reimbursements Other Revenue	\$1,967,328 134,160 4,453 561	\$98,643	\$27,636_	\$1,967,328 98,643 134,160 4,453 28,197
Total Cash Receipts	2,106,502	98,643	27,636	2,232,781
Cash Disbursements: Current: Salaries Supplies Food Contracts-Services PERS and STRS Retirement Worker's Compensation Health Benefits and Medicare Construction Projects Other Expenses	1,082,342 95,488 334,415 148,156 27,968 221,249 129,768	38,776 34,872 6,605 1,001 4,781	20,965	1,121,118 95,488 34,872 334,415 154,761 28,969 226,030 20,965 129,768
Total Cash Disbursements	2,039,386	86,035	20,965	2,146,386
Total Receipts Over Disbursements	67,116	12,608	6,671	86,395
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	254,485	5,575	172,675	432,735
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u>\$321,601</u>	\$18,183	\$179,346	\$519,130
Reserve for Encumbrances, December 31	\$50.478			\$50.478

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2007

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

The Portage-Geauga Juvenile Detention Center, Portage County (the Detention Center) operates under Section 2151.34 of the Ohio Revised Code for District Detention Homes. The Detention Center operates under the direction of a seven member Joint Board of Trustees, made up of two members from Geauga County, three members from Portage County (whom all serve staggering terms of five years), and the two Juvenile Court Judges from Portage and Geauga counties. The primary purpose of the Detention Center is to provide a secure and safe environment for youth prior to a court hearing on a delinquency charge, or while awaiting placement or commitment to another facility.

The Detention Center's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Detention Center is financially accountable.

B. Accounting Basis

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. This basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements accounting basis. The Detention Center recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as the Auditor of State prescribes or permits.

C. Cash and Investments

As authorized by Ohio Revised Code Section 2151, the Detention Center's cash is held and invested by the Portage County Treasurer who acts as the custodian for Detention Center monies. The Portage County Auditor acts as the Detention Center's fiscal agent. The Detention Center's assets are held in the County's cash and investment pool, and are valued at the County Treasurer's reported carrying value.

D. Fund Accounting

The Detention Center uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Detention Center classifies its funds into the following types:

1. General Fund

The General Fund (District Detention Home Fund) reports all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2007 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

2. Special Revenue Funds

These funds account for proceeds from specific sources (other than from capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Detention Center had the following significant Special Revenue Funds:

<u>Detention Center Title 1</u> - This fund receives Title 1 grants from the federal government.

Food Service – This fund accounts for Lunchroom grants from the federal government.

3. Capital Project Funds

This fund accounts for receipts restricted to acquiring or constructing major capital projects. The Detention Center had the following significant capital project fund:

<u>Construction Fund</u> - This fund accounts for receipts from the Counties of Portage and Geauga that are restricted for the acquisition or construction of major capital projects.

E. Budgetary Process

The Ohio Revised Code requires that each fund be budgeted annually.

1. Appropriations

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the fund, function or object level of control, and appropriations may not exceed estimated resources. The Joint Board of Trustees must annually approve appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. The County Budget Commission must also approve the annual appropriation measure. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at year end.

2. Estimated Resources

Estimated resources include estimates of cash to be received (budgeted receipts) plus unencumbered cash as of January 1. The County Budget Commission must also approve estimated resources.

3. Encumbrances

The Ohio Revised Code requires the Detention Center to reserve (encumber) appropriations when individual commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are carried over, and need not be reappropriated.

A summary of 2007 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2007 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

F. Property, Plant, and Equipment

The Detention Center records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets.

G. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. The financial statements do not include a liability for unpaid leave.

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Portage County Treasurer acts as custodian for the Detention Center funds and maintains a cash and investments pool along with the Portage County funds. The Ohio Revised Code Section 2151 prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments at December 31 was \$519,130. These funds were adequately collateralized

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2007 follows:

2007 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

	Budgeted	Actual	_	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance	
General	\$2,325,522	\$2,106,502	(\$219,020)	
Special Revenue	95,816	98,643	2,827	
Capital Projects	197,031	27,636	(169,395)	
Total	\$2,618,369	\$2,232,781	(\$385,588)	

2007 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$2,225,521	\$2,089,864	\$135,657
Special Revenue	90,240	86,035	4,205
Capital Projects	24,356	20,965	3,391
Total	\$2,340,117	\$2,196,864	\$143,253

4. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

All Detention Center employees belong to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS), or the State Teacher's Retirement System of Ohio. OPERS is a cost-sharing, multiple employer plan. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes this plan's benefits, which include postretirement healthcare and survivor and disability benefits. OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report which may be obtained by writing to the Public Employees Retirement System, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2007 (Continued)

4. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS – (Continued)

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. For 2007, OPERS members contributed 9 percent of their gross salaries. The Detention Center contributed an amount equaling 14 percent of participants' gross salaries. The Detention Center has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2007. The State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio), is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. STRS Ohio provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS Ohio issues a stand-alone financial report that may be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3371 or by calling (614) 227-4090.

The Detention Center participates in the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer public employee retirement system. STRS Ohio provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS Ohio issues a stand-alone financial report that may be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3371, by calling (614) 227-4090, or by visiting the STRS Ohio web site at www.strsoh.org.

New members have a choice of three retirement plans, a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined Plan. The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary times a percentage that varies based on years of service, or an allowance based on member contributions and earned interest matched by STRS Ohio funds divided by an actuarially determined annuity factor. The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and employer contributions equal to 10.5 percent of earned compensation into an investment account. Investment decisions are made by the member. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The Combined Plan offers features of both the DC Plan and the DB Plan. In the Combined Plan, member contributions are invested by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. DC and Combined Plan members will transfer to the Defined Benefit Plan during their fifth year of membership unless they permanently select the DC or Combined Plan. Existing members with less than five years of service credit as of June 30, 2001, were given the option of making a one time irrevocable decision to transfer their account balances from the existing DB Plan into the DC Plan or the Combined Plan. This option expired on December 31, 2001. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years of credited service who becomes disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible spouses and dependents of these active members who die before retirement may qualify for survivor benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The School District was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendations of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10 percent for members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2007 (Continued)

5. RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk Pool Membership

The Detention Center is a member of the County Risk Sharing Authority (CORSA) which is a property and liability self insurance pool established by the County Commissioners Association of Ohio in 1987. The program is governed by a nine member Board of Trustees, all of whom must be commissioners in member counties. The pool covers the following risks:

- General liability and casualty;
- Public official's liability; and
- Vehicle.

The Detention Center also provides health insurance and dental and vision coverage to full-time employees through a private carrier.

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Portage-Geauga Juvenile Detention Center Portage County 8000 Infirmary Road Ravenna, Ohio 44266

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of the Portage-Geauga Juvenile Detention Center (the Detention Center) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated October 31, 2008, wherein we noted the Detention Center followed accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Detention Center's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not to opine on the effectiveness of the Detention Center's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Detention Center's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Detention Center's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the Detention Center's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement misstatement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies resulting in more than a remote likelihood that the Detention Center's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all internal control deficiencies that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider material weaknesses, as defined above.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Detention Center's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management and the, Joint Board of Trustees. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

Mary Taylor, CPA Auditor of State

Mary Taylor

October 31, 2008



PORTAGE-GEAUGA JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER

PORTAGE COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED

DECEMBER 16, 2008