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Via Email and Regular Mail

June 7, 2024

Honorable Rachel Mitchell
Maricopa County Attorney
225 W. Madison Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

Re: Sunshine Residential Homes Investigation

Dear County Attorney Mitchell,

I am aware that you are planning to, or have initiated, an investigation into the situation involving Sunshine Residential Homes. As you know, a referral was made to both my office and yours by Senator T.J. Shope. Yesterday, my office informed Senator Shope that we would be opening a criminal investigation into this matter. I am also aware that you have reached out to the Auditor General's Office to coordinate on an investigation.

As outlined in A.R.S. § 41-1279.04(F), the Attorney General shall supervise the prosecution of all offenders investigated by the Auditor General. The Criminal Division of my office is statutorily authorized to investigate the allegations and offenses outlined in Senator Shope's referral.

It would not be appropriate or in the best interest of the state to conduct parallel investigations into the same matter. Furthermore, a separate process conducted by the MCAO could jeopardize the integrity of the criminal investigation that my office will now proceed with.

Should my office need the assistance of either your office or the Auditor General, we will reach out and let you know. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to reach out at any time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "K. Mayes", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Kris Mayes
Arizona Attorney General

CC: Auditor General Lindsey Perry, Senator T.J. Shope, Representative Matt Gress