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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Brenda J. Billingsley, Director, Purchasing Division

**FROM:** John Bruno, Chief Information Officer  
Enterprise Technology Services

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Date: 2017.05.19 16:56:08 -0400

**DATE:** May 18, 2017

**SUBJECT:** Forcepoint (Websense) – Emergency Procurement

This is a request to process an emergency procurement for the annual maintenance and support of the Forcepoint (Websense) solution. Forcepoint (Websense) provides web content filtering operations by blocking Internet access to offensive, hate promoting, non-business and cybersecurity threat websites.

This emergency procurement extends to the purchase of the Forcepoint Data Loss Prevention (DLP) module, to replace the County's existing DLP solution, which is at end-of-life and no longer provides software support. Aviation and Water and Wastewater Services (WWS) will also leverage this procurement vehicle to consolidate its purchases and attain better volume pricing for the County. Furthermore, the software will be used to support the County's "Digital Divide" initiative to provide tablets to eligible County residents.

The latest ransomware attack, Wannacry, was reported by the Public Technology Institute as "one of the most wide-spread cyber-security events in recent years infecting hundreds of thousands of computers in over 150 countries." This is only one example of the many cybersecurity attacks that the County faces every day. Forcepoint (Websense) helps mitigate the County's risk exposure by blocking these potential threats that could otherwise result in loss of data, potential fines and negatively impact the County's reputation.