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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: December 18, 2018

DATE: Wednesday, December 12, 2018
TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Sabrina Sweet, Case Compliance Specialist,
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THROUGH: Jackie Bryant, Court Administrator/Clerk of Court
SUBJECT: Recommendation to acknowledge and accept a donation of twelve mural paintings from the local artist Kandyce Ray for the benefit of the Second Judicial District Court Reading Room Project and children and families attending the Second Judicial District Court. The value of the donated murals is \$3,000.00. District Court. All Commission Districts

SUMMARY

The Second Judicial District Court received donated canvas murals from a local artist which are used to help create a friendlier and warmer environment for children and families attending court.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, Secure and Healthy Communities

PREVIOUS ACTION

There are no previous actions relevant to this item taken by the Board of County Commissioners.

BACKGROUND

The Second Judicial District Court Family Division occupies the first and third floor of the Washoe County building at 1 S. Sierra Street. Previously, the walls were painted white and there were few paintings hung on the walls. The children and families who attend court on a daily basis are parties to proceedings involving child abuse and neglect, child support and custody, divorce, protective orders, and guardianship.

The Second Judicial District Court developed the Reading Room project with the intent of providing a friendlier and warmer space for children and families attending court and to provide a book to each child who comes to court. Local agencies have provided donations to create the space.

Kandyce Ray is a local artist in Reno who volunteered her time and artistic ability to paint canvas murals to hang on the walls of the first and third floor of 1 S. Sierra Street.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

Five murals were donated on July 9, 2018 and were hung on the walls of the third floor. Ms. Ray is in the process of completing seven additional murals which will be hung on the walls of the first floor. The murals depict popular scenes from children's books such as Dr. Seuss's *Oh, The Places You'll Go* and Eric Carle's *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*.

This acknowledgement is requested retroactively because it was initially unclear what would be provided in order to make the appropriate request for acknowledgement.

FISCAL IMPACT

No fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioner acknowledge and accept the donation of twelve mural paintings from the local artist Kandyce Ray for the benefit of the Second Judicial District Court Reading Room Project and children and families attending the Second Judicial District Court. The value of the donated murals is \$3,000.00.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be "acknowledge and accept the donation of twelve mural paintings from the local artist Kandyce Ray for the benefit of the Second Judicial District Court Reading Room Project and children and families attending the Second Judicial District Court." The value of the donated murals is \$3,000.00.