

Mayor Jim Gray

LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Division of Grants and Special Programs

TO:

JIM GRAY, MAYOR

URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

FROM:

IRENE GOODING, DIRECTOR

DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS

DATE:

JANUARY 23, 2012

SUBJECT:

REQUEST COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE REQUESTING FEDERAL FUNDS UNDER THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY THEFT ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,000 FOR ENHANCED INVESTIGATION BY THE MAJOR

VIOLATOR UNIT IN THE DIVISION OF POLICE

The Division of Police has prepared an application for submission to the U.S. Department of Justice under the Intellectual Property Theft Enforcement Program requesting federal funds in the amount of \$44,000 to enhance the capability of the Major Violator Unit (MVU) to investigate crimes relating to counterfeit goods. The efforts of MVU will focus on the following areas of Intellectual Property Crimes including the following: (1) seizure of counterfeit media and merchandise; (2) investigation of trafficking sources in counterfeit media and merchandise; (3) extend public education of counterfeit merchandise in an effort to reduce part 1 crimes generally associated with intellectual property crimes.

If approved funds will be used for officer overtime, training, and other miscellaneous expenses. No matching funds are required.

The Intellectual Property Theft Enforcement Program, administered by Bureau of Justice Assistance, is designed to provide national support and improve the capacity of state, local, and tribal criminal justice systems to address intellectual property criminal enforcement, including prosecution, prevention, training, and technical assistance.

Council authorization to submit the application is hereby requested.

Irene Gooding, Director

Xc: Clay Mason, Commissioner, Department of Public Safety