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PRESS RELEASE

Donald Spencer, Santa Rosa County Clerk of Court and Comptroller Announces Pre-trial Release Program Saves County an Estimated \$2,332,844

In 2017, the Santa Rosa County PTR Program generated an estimated net savings of \$2,332,844 for Santa Rosa County. This is an approximately \$870,000 increase in savings from the previous year. The Santa Rosa County PTR Program functions under the direction of the Honorable Donald C. Spencer, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller with the day to day supervision provided by the Director of the Santa Rosa County Probation Department. Costs of the program are offset by the collection of a one-time \$50 administrative fee and drug/alcohol testing fees paid by individuals in the program.

“This savings generated from the Pre-trial Release Program is returned directly into Santa Rosa County’s General Fund,” said Clerk Spencer. “The program is very beneficial to the individuals that are enrolled because it allows them to remain on their jobs to care for their families and provides a large financial savings for our county.”

The PTR savings is based on 282 people in the program in 2017 for an aggregate total of approximately 42,002 days of not being incarcerated.