UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

CASSANDRA ALEXANDER,

Defendant.

CR NO. 15 RO0607-GW

INFORMATION

[18 U.S.C. § 666(a)(1)(A): Theft From Organization Receiving Federal Funds]

The Acting United States Attorney charges:

[18 U.S.C. § 666(a)(1)(A)]

- 1. The City of Glendale, California ("Glendale") was a local government located within Los Angeles County that received Federal assistance benefits in excess of \$10,000 for each of the years 2001 through 2017 under a Federal program.
- 2. At all times relevant to this Information, defendant CASSANDRA ALEXANDER ("ALEXANDER") was an agent of Glendale employed in the position of Claims and Litigation Support Supervisor at the Glendale City Attorney's Office.

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As part of her duties, defendant ALEXANDER was responsible for assembling "Settlement Packets," which contained records memorializing the settlement of claims brought against Glendale for personal injury or property damage, including the documents showing that an assistant City Attorney and the City Council had approved the settlement and payment to the claimant. Defendant ALEXANDER was also responsible for submitting the Settlement Packets to the City Attorney's Office Finance Department for issuance of checks payable The Settlement Packets included a "Request for to the claimants. Demand" form, which authorized the Finance Department to issue the check payable to the claimant in the approved amount. Defendant ALEXANDER had authority to sign the Request for Demand form, without limit as to the amount. Defendant ALEXANDER also had the authority to take possession of the checks issued by the Finance Department, for the purpose of providing the checks to claimants' attorneys.

4. Beginning in or about July 2001, and continuing through on or about March 2017, in Los Angeles County, within the Central District of California, defendant ALEXANDER knowingly and willfully embezzled, stole, and obtained by fraud approximately \$692,764.84 in funds owned by, and under the care, custody, and control of Glendale.

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