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Your Turn: I did not call for an investigation of Contra Costa Sheriff Rupf's office

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The letter you published from Jack Roddy (Sept. 17) is unfortunately based on false reports, questions my character and demands clarification.

I never called for an investigation of Contra Costa County Sheriff Warren Rupf nor his office. Never.

In response to a reporter's question, I did say that all the agencies that have any involvement with Philip and Nancy Garrido need to study if they could have improved their roles monitoring the convicted sex abuser who abducted and hid Jaycee Dugard for 18 years.

As a result of the Garrido case, Sheriff Rupf told me he is conducting an internal investigation of his office's role. I hope that the other agencies — including state and federal parole boards — that might have had the opportunity to discern that something was not right at Garrido's house, conduct their own study so that something like this cannot happen again.

As a county supervisor who oversees the district in which Garrido resides, and as chair of the supervisors' Public Protection Committee, it is entirely within my realm of responsibility and within my constituency's expectations, to make sure this is not repeated.

I'm afraid if there is any political showboating being done, it is not being done by me.

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