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December 17, 2009

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.
for Director and Health Officer

SUBJECT: **NOTIFICATION OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FOR PANDEMIC INFLUENZA PREPAREDNESS**

This is to inform you that I am exercising the delegated authority, as approved by your Board on July 29, 2008, authorizing the Director of the Department of Public Health (DPH), or his designee, to accept funding from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) for Pandemic Influenza Preparedness, in an amount estimated not to exceed \$500,000 per grant term.

Under this authority, DPH will sign an agreement with CDPH to support Pandemic Influenza Preparedness. Under Agreement Number EPO 09-60, CDPH will retain State General Fund Pandemic Influenza funding of \$391,014, awarded to Los Angeles County. On behalf of Los Angeles County, CDPH will use these funds to support the functionality of the California Health Alert Network (CAHAN) for Los Angeles County. CAHAN is a state-wide electronic system used for health alert messaging. The services to be provided for Los Angeles County include CAHAN user licensing, system upgrades, training and training materials, and Los Angeles County user and technical support. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

County Counsel and the Chief Executive Office have reviewed and approved CDPH Agreement No. EPO 06-60 as to form.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

JEF/jr

c: Chief Executive Officer
Acting County Counsel
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