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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON

2 TUESDAY, JULY 31, 2018 ON PAGE 189]

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5 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING. GOOD MORNING,
6 EVERYBODY. PLEASE TAKE A SEAT. GOOD MORNING, EVERYBODY. PLEASE
7 TAKE A SEAT. WELCOME TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE
8 L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY, THE VERY, VERY, VERY
9 LAST DAY THAT WE'LL EVER SEE OF JULY 2018, WHICH COULD BE A
10 GOOD THING OR A BAD THING, YOU DECIDE. WE HAVE A FULL
11 COMPLEMENT OF THE BOARD PRESENT AS WELL AS OUR C.E.O., COUNTY
12 COUNSEL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SERGEANT AT ARMS ALL HERE TO
13 ASSIST. WE'LL BEGIN WITH OUR INVOCATION AND THEN I WILL
14 INTRODUCE THE PERSON LEADING THE PLEDGE, JUNE PARK, A FORMER
15 LIEUTENANT COLONEL OF THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE IN
16 NORTHRIDGE. SO WE ARE NOW GOING TO HAVE A SPECIAL VIDEO
17 INVOCATION FROM A FRIEND OF THE FIFTH DISTRICT. SO IF YOU'RE
18 ABLE, PLEASE RISE FOR THE INVOCATION AND THE PLEDGE.

19
20 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS BARRY COREY AND I HAVE HAD
21 THE HONOR FOR THE PAST 11 YEARS TO SERVE AS PRESIDENT OF BIOLA
22 UNIVERSITY, A HISTORICALLY CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY THAT BEGAN
23 RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER FROM WHERE YOU ARE IN 1908 ON THE
24 CORNER OF SIXTH AND HOPE STREETS BEFORE MOVING TO LA MIRADA
25 OVER 50 YEARS AGO. BIOLA IS ONE OF THE NEARLY 50 EXEMPLARY

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1 INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY THAT
2 MAKE THIS ARGUABLY ONE OF THE FINEST AND STRONGEST COUNTIES
3 IN AMERICA. AND PERHAPS NO OTHER COUNTY IN OUR NATION HAS AS
4 MANY COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES AS LOS ANGELES COUNTY DOES. I'M
5 DEEPLY GRATEFUL FOR THE FIVE SUPERVISORS WHOSE PUBLIC SERVICE
6 BENEFIT ALL OF US WHO LIVE IN THIS GREAT COUNTY, THE LARGEST
7 IN THE NATION. SO, THANK YOU. PLEASE JOIN ME IN PRAYER. LORD
8 OF THE CITY AND LORD OF THE NATIONS, IN THIS ROOM ARE THOSE
9 WHO TOIL EVERY DAY FOR THE BENEFIT OF 10 MILLION WHO CALL L.A.
10 COUNTY THEIR HOME. THESE LEADERS KEEP US SAFE, HEALTHY AND
11 FLOURISHING. I GIVE YOU THANKS FOR CALLING EACH OF THEM TO
12 THIS ROLE AND FOR SURROUNDING THEM WITH TEAMS THAT LIFT THEM
13 UP AND PROPEL THEM FORWARD. LORD, YOUR WORD HAS TOLD US
14 THROUGH THE LIPS OF YOUR SERVANT JEREMIAH THAT WE ARE TO SEEK
15 THE PEACE AND PROSPERITY OF THE CITIES. WE'RE EVEN COMMANDED
16 TO PRAY TO YOU FOR THE PEACE OF THE CITY, BECAUSE WHEN CITIES
17 PROSPER, CITIZENS THERE WILL PROSPER, ALSO. SO THAT'S WHAT
18 WE'RE DOING RIGHT NOW. WE'RE PRAYING TO YOU FOR THE PEACE OF
19 THE CITIES THAT MAKE UP THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND AS
20 THESE SUPERVISORS SERVE THEIR CONSTITUENTS, MY PRAYER IS THAT
21 YOUR ABIDING PEACEGIVING, COMFORTING, SUSTAINING AND POWERING
22 AND TRUTH-REVEALING SPIRIT DESCENDS UPON THEM IN WAYS THAT
23 RENEW AND BREATHE LIFE. WE COMMEND TODAY THE HARD WORK OF
24 THESE ELECTED LEADERS AND THEIR TEAMS. GUIDE THEM IN
25 INTEGRITY. STEEP THEM IN WISDOM. GRANT THEM FAVOR FOR ALL THE

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1 GOOD THEY ARE DOING. WE ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THERE IS WORK TO
2 DO. AND WE PRAY FOR HELP FROM ON HIGH. MAY THIS COUNTY BE MORE
3 AND MORE KNOWN AS A COUNTY OF KINDNESS, WHERE THOSE WHO DON'T
4 SEE EYE TO EYE WILL SPEND MORE TIME TALKING ACROSS THE TABLE
5 THAN SHOUTING ACROSS THE STREET. MAY CIVILITY AND GENEROSITY
6 BE HALLMARKS OF THIS COUNTY, MODELED BY THESE SUPERVISORS. AND
7 MAY ALL OF US IN POSITIONS OF AUTHORITY CONTINUE TO LIVE AND
8 TO LEAD WITH COURAGE AND CONFIDENCE AND COMPASSION AND
9 HUMILITY. AS WE REFLECT ON THE GOOD WORK IN THIS COUNTY OF LOS
10 ANGELES AND IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, MAY IT POINT US
11 TO THE TRUTH, THE BEAUTY AND THE GOODNESS THAT COMES FROM YOU
12 AND POINTS TOWARDS YOU. AND WE PRAY THIS IN YOUR NAME, FATHER,
13 SON AND HOLY SPIRIT, AMEN. AMEN. OH, AND ONE MORE THING
14 BEFORE I CONCLUDE. I AM SO PROUD OF BIOLA'S GRADUATES WHO HAVE
15 GIVEN OF THEMSELVES FOR THE COMMON GOOD, MANY OF WHOM ARE
16 LIVING AND WORKING RIGHT HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I NEED TO
17 SAY I'M ESPECIALLY PROUD OF ONE BIOLA UNIVERSITY ALUMNUS,
18 ANDRES COREY, CLASS OF 2015. FOR THE PAST FEW YEARS, ANDRES
19 HAS WORKED IN THE STRONG AND EFFECTIVE OFFICE OF L.A. COUNTY
20 SUPERVISOR KATHRYN BARGER. ANDERS, I KNOW THIS IS YOUR FINAL
21 DAY ON THE JOB BEFORE HEADING TO BOSTON WITH YOUR NEW BRIDE
22 TO BUILD ON YOUR BIOLA EDUCATION AND ON YOUR EDUCATION UNDER
23 THE GOOD TUTELAGE OF SUPERVISOR BARGER. AND AS YOU SAY GOODBYE
24 TO THIS COMMUNITY OF PEERS, THOSE YOU WORK WITH DAY IN AND DAY
25 OUT IN THE SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE, A JOB YOU HAVE LOVED AND WHICH

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1 HAS BROUGHT OUT THE VERY BEST IN YOU, AND AS YOU RESETTLE ON
2 THE EAST COAST TO PURSUE A MASTER'S OF PUBLIC POLICY, I WANT
3 YOU TO HEAR FROM ME, YOUR FATHER, HOW MUCH JOY YOU GIVE YOUR
4 MOTHER AND ME. AND AS YOUR PARENTS, WE WISH FOR YOU AND ASHLEY
5 FAVOR AND WISDOM AND SUCCESS IN THIS NEW CHAPTER BEFORE YOU.
6 I LOVE YOU, DEAR SON. AND GO SOX! THE RED ONES. [APPLAUSE]

7

8 **JUNE A. PARK:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG. YOU ALREADY PUT YOUR HANDS
9 ON. OKAY. IF YOU ARE A VETERAN, YOU MAY RENDER A HAND SALUTE.
10 AND JOIN ME FOR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
11 RECITED.]

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** YOU KNOW, THE FIRST TIME I EVER
14 TALKED INTO A MIC, I WAS SO NERVOUS. I HAD SOMETHING THAT HAD
15 MY NAME ON IT AND IT SAID "HELLO, MY NAME IS." [LAUGHTER.] I
16 HAD TO LOOK DOWN ON IN MY NOTES. IT WAS LIKE... SO. NO
17 PROBLEMA. OUR PLEDGE TODAY WAS LED BY JUNE PARK, WHO IS A
18 LIEUTENANT COLONEL IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE, OR WAS FROM
19 1990 TO 2010. HER SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY WAS RECOGNIZED WITH
20 THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDAL, THE AIR FORCE COMMENDATION
21 MEDAL, THE AIR FORCE OUTSTANDING UNIT AWARD, AND THE IRAQ
22 CAMPAIGN MEDAL. PLEASE THANK ME IN JOINING LIEUTENANT PARK.
23 [APPLAUSE] SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. SINCE BARRY
2 COREY COULD NOT BE HERE, I'M GOING TO BRING ANDERS UP AND GIVE
3 HIM NOT ONLY A CERTIFICATE FOR HIS FATHER FOR LEADING US IN
4 THE PRAYER BUT ALSO, ANDERS, THIS IS FOR YOU. ANDERS IS
5 LEAVING TO GO BACK TO HARVARD AND PURSUE A DEGREE, A MASTER'S.
6 AND IT HAS BEEN SUCH AN HONOR TO HAVE YOU ON THIS TEAM. AND I
7 TELL PEOPLE THERE'S BEEN NO JOB TOO BIG OR TOO SMALL. YOU ARE
8 A MAN OF HUMILITY. YOU ARE SOMEONE WHO I SEE AS A GREAT
9 LEADER. YOU HAVE AN INCREDIBLE FUTURE IN FRONT OF YOU, ANDERS.
10 AND I AM THE SUCCESS I AM TODAY BECAUSE OF THE HARD WORK THAT
11 YOU HAVE DONE BECAUSE I KNOW THAT I COULD NOT DO IT ALONE. AND
12 I WANT TO THANK YOU. AND I KNOW ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE STAFF,
13 YOU ARE FAMILY. YOU ALWAYS HAVE A PLACE NOT ONLY IN OUR HEARTS
14 BUT IN OUR OFFICE. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK.
15 AND YOUR PARENTS HAVE DONE A REMARKABLE JOB RAISING A TRULY
16 GREAT LEADER, SOMEONE WHO'S GOING TO BE THE FUTURE. SO GOD
17 BLESS YOU, ANDERS. [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE]

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19 **ANDERS COREY:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO
20 SERVE, NOT ONLY TO GROW BUT TO LEARN AND TO WITNESS NOT ONLY
21 YOUR LEADERSHIP BUT THE LEADERSHIP OF ALL FIVE SUPERVISORS.
22 AND THE WAY YOU INTERACT AND THE WAY OUR STAFFS INTERACT HAS
23 REALLY BEEN AN EXAMPLE FOR ME AND I'VE LEARNED SO MUCH FROM
24 THE CAMARADERIE AND THE CHALLENGING CONVERSATIONS AND THE
25 GROWTH TO PURSUE A PASSION OF SERVING LOS ANGELES AND SERVING

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1 EVERYONE IN THIS COMMUNITY. SO, THANK YOU FOR YOUR EXAMPLES,
2 AS WELL. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
5 CALL THE AGENDA FOR TODAY.

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7 **CELIA ZAVALA, ACTING EXEC. OFCR.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR
8 AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE
9 3, THE SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDA. THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE
10 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. ON ITEM 1-D,
11 SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO
12 HER OFFICE AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THIS ITEM ALSO
13 RELATES TO ITEM 7. ON ITEM 2-D, SUPERVISOR HAHN AND MEMBERS OF
14 THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM RELATES
15 TO ITEM 12, AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE CALLED ONE TIME
16 TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON BOTH OF THESE ITEMS. ON ITEMS 3-D AND
17 4-D, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE
18 HELD. ON PAGE 6, CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS
19 1 THROUGH 18. ON ITEM 1, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED
20 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 2, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND
21 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM
22 4, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
23 ITEM 5, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
24 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 7TH, 2018, AS INDICATED ON THE
25 POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM 6, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS

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1 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 7TH, 2018, AS
2 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM 7, SUPERVISOR KUEHL
3 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE AS
4 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM 8, SUPERVISOR KUEHL
5 WOULD LIKE TO AMEND PAGE 3 OF THE MOTION TO DELETE THE PHRASE
6 "MEDICAL MARIJUANA SHOPS ARE PERMITTED" AND, IN ADDITION,
7 AMEND DIRECTIVE A, ON PAGE 4, TO ADD THE PHRASE "AND VAPING
8 PRODUCTS" AFTER THE WORD "E-CIGARETTES." AND COPIES OF THE
9 REVISED MOTION IS AVAILABLE AT THE RAILS. AND MEMBERS OF THE
10 PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 10, SUPERVISOR
11 HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 11, SUPERVISOR
12 HAHN AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
13 ON ITEM 12, SUPERVISOR HAHN AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST
14 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM RELATES TO ITEM 2-D. ON ITEM
15 NUMBER 9, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
16 HELD. ON ITEM 15, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
17 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 7TH, 2018. ON ITEM 16, A MEMBER
18 OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 18,
19 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 19 THROUGH 52. ON ITEM 19,
20 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS
21 ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS 20, 21, 22, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
22 REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEMS 27 AND 29, MEMBERS
23 OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEMS 30,
24 31, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON
25 ITEM 38, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE

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1 HELD. ON ITEM 39, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS
2 ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 7TH, 2018 AS INDICATED
3 ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON PAGE 32, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS
4 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS
5 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
6 AGENDA. ON ITEM 50-B, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT
7 THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REMAINING ITEMS THROUGH 50-B ARE BEFORE
8 YOU.

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10 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. SECONDED
11 BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. ANY OBJECTION TO UNANIMOUS VOTE?
12 SEEING NONE, THAT WILL BE THE ACTION.

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, ACTING EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 33, ORDINANCE FOR
15 INTRODUCTION. ITEM 53 IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION
16 AMENDING COUNTY CODE, TITLE 2 ADMINISTRATION, THE DIVISION 2
17 OFFICES AND TITLE 5 PERSONNEL APPENDIX 1 BY AMENDING CHAPTERS
18 2.08 - DEPARTMENT CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, AND 2.09 -
19 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, AND AMENDING CIVIL SERVICE
20 RULES 3 - ADMINISTRATION, AND 5 - CLASSIFICATION. ON ITEM 53,
21 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
22 THIS ITEM ALSO RELATES TO ITEM 22. ON SEPARATE MATTERS, ON
23 ITEM 54, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM
24 BE HELD. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF

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1 SUPERVISORS' PRESENTATIONS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
2 NO. 1.

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4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND TO THE BOARD
7 MEMBERS AS WELL AS THE PUBLIC. I JUST WANT TO BEGIN BY TELLING
8 YOU WHAT A GREAT HONOR IT IS FOR ME TO RECOGNIZE SOME OF THE
9 MOST INCREDIBLE PEOPLE THAT ARE TEACHING OUR CHILDREN IN OUR
10 SCHOOLS. THEY REPRESENT THE FINEST IN L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL
11 DISTRICT. AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, THEY'RE SERVING ONE OF THE
12 NEEDIEST POPULATIONS IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. THEY ARE ALL
13 TEACHING SOMEWHERE IN NORTHEAST L.A. OR EAST LOS ANGELES. I
14 HAVE COME TO KNOW THEIR WORK AND UNDERSTAND THEIR COURAGE,
15 THEIR VALOR AND THEIR ENTHUSIASM. AND I THINK ALL OF US HERE
16 CAN REMEMBER SOMEONE WHO CHANGED OUR LIVES. SOME TEACHER, SOME
17 COUNSELOR, SOMEONE, COULD HAVE EVEN BEEN A CLASSIFIED WORKER
18 WHO TOOK THE TIME TO LISTEN TO US. AND WE TOOK THAT TO HEART,
19 AND AS A RESULT, IT CHANGED OUR LIVES. I THINK BACK ABOUT MY
20 OWN GROWING UP IN HIGH SCHOOL AND ONE COUNSELOR WHO TOLD ME
21 THAT I COULD BE SOMETHING. AND HAD I NOT BELIEVED IN HIM, I
22 KNOW I WOULDN'T BE HERE TODAY. SO I THANK HIM, MR. SANCHEZ.
23 BUT TODAY IS A NEW DAY. WE'RE ALSO CELEBRATING THE GREAT
24 TEACHERS THAT DO DESERVE OUR RECOGNITION. EVERYONE WONDERS HOW
25 THEY MAKE IN IT LIFE BY WORKING SO HARD AND SOMETIMES NOT

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1 GETTING THE RECOGNITION OR EVEN SOMETIMES THE PAY. BUT THE
2 QUALITY OF WORK GOES ON. AND RECOGNIZING THESE INDIVIDUALS
3 TODAY GIVES ME A GREAT DEAL OF PRIDE. AND IT GIVES ME THAT
4 SENSE THAT OUR FUTURE OUTLOOK HERE IN THE COUNTY IS LOOKING
5 BETTER AND BETTER BECAUSE OF THEIR WORK. SO FIRST I'D LIKE TO
6 INTRODUCE EILEEN JENDRANO, IF SHE CAN JUST HOLD UP HER HAND
7 RIGHT HERE. SHE GOT A LITTLE LOST TODAY, SORRY ABOUT THAT. SHE
8 MADE IT TO THE COUNTY. THAT'S PART OF IT. EILEEN IS A MATH
9 TEACHER, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TEACHER. SHE SERVES AT MAGNET
10 ACADEMY AT ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL. MS. JENDRANO TEACHES 12TH
11 GRADE ENGLISH AND HAS BEEN TEACHING FOR 11 YEARS. 11 YEARS. A
12 DECADE. AND THOSE ARE HARD SUBJECTS. AND I REALLY JUST WANT
13 TO SAY HOW PLEASED AND HONORED WE ARE TO HAVE YOU HERE,
14 BECAUSE ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL IS ONE OF THOSE SCHOOLS THAT YOU
15 ASSOCIATE WITH EAST LOS ANGELES, IN TERMS OF WHAT HAPPENED IN
16 THE EARLY RIOTS THAT OCCURRED, THE WALKOUTS, TEACHING POWER
17 AND TRUTH TO STUDENTS AND HOW IT'S EVEN REFLECTED TODAY IN
18 WHAT YOU DO. SO WE ARE SO PROUD AND HONORED THAT WE JOINED IN
19 YOUR CELEBRATION, YOUR 11 YEARS OF SERVICE TO OUR STUDENTS.
20 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE] JALINA RAMIREZ. JALINA SAYS SHE MET ME
21 WHEN SHE WAS 13. SHE SAID SHE MET ME IN SACRAMENTO IN THE MID
22 '90S WHEN I WAS IN THE STATE SENATE AND SHE GOT TO SIT ON THE
23 FLOOR OF THE SENATE TO HEAR ABOUT THE CHALLENGES THAT
24 UNDOCUMENTED STUDENTS WERE FACING AT THAT TIME, BEFORE IT WAS
25 EVEN KNOWN AS D.A.C.A. SHE REMINDS US OF THAT INSPIRATION.

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1 JALINA RAMIREZ OF FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE BUSINESS
2 ENTREPRENEURSHIP TECHNOLOGY MAGNET SCHOOL. MS. RAMIREZ HAS
3 BEEN TEACHING FOR 12 YEARS. SHE LOOKS LIKE A STUDENT. AND SHE
4 TEACHES BOTH SIXTH AND EIGHTH GRADE BUSINESS ENTREPRENEURSHIP
5 AND COMPUTER SCIENCE CLASSES. SHE'S ALSO A RESIDENT IN THE
6 FIRST DISTRICT AT MONTEREY PARK. AND I WANT TO THANK HER FOR
7 STAYING COMMITTED TO OUR CHILDREN. AND EVEN LIVING SOME OF THE
8 EXPERIENCES THAT THEY HAVE GONE THROUGH GIVES HER MUCH MORE
9 CREDIBILITY AND SO MUCH MORE THAT SHE GIVES BACK TO OUR
10 STUDENTS AND TO OUR PARENTS THAT NEED SO MUCH SUPPORT RIGHT
11 NOW, BECAUSE THEY ARE IN MANY WAYS INTIMIDATED BY THE
12 ENVIRONMENT THAT THEY LIVE. THANK YOU SO MUCH. AND WE SALUTE
13 YOU AND YOUR FAMILY. AND WE KNOW THAT YOU'RE GOING TO
14 CONTINUE TO DO MORE TO CHANGE THE LIVES OF OUR STUDENTS. THANK
15 YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU. [APPLAUSE] BENJAMIN FEINBERG OF LUTHER
16 BURBANK MIDDLE SCHOOL HAS BEEN TEACHING FOR 10 YEARS. HE NOT
17 ONLY TEACHES THE EIGHTH GRADE STUDENTS IN MATH, BUT HE ALSO
18 COACHES THE SCIENCE BOWL TEAM. AND I WANT TO SAY A LITTLE BIT
19 ABOUT HIM. I JUST HAD A CONVERSATION, BUT HE TOLD ME HE USED
20 TO TEACH IN HUNTINGTON PARK. AND HE WAS INFORMING ME ABOUT HIS
21 EXPERIENCES WITH THE CHILDREN THERE AND PARENTS HAD WITH
22 EXIDE. AND HE KNEW HOW TROUBLING THAT WAS. AND HE MADE IT
23 VERY CLEAR TO ME IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO LISTEN TO STUDENTS,
24 BECAUSE OFTENTIMES STUDENTS AND PARENTS THINK THAT HE IS
25 REPRESENTATIVE OF OUR PUBLIC GOVERNMENT AND SERVICE, AND HE

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1 IS. SO THANK YOU FOR REMINDING US OF THAT. AND THANK YOU FOR
2 YOUR COURAGE AND FOR YOUR FORESIGHT AND YOUR KNOWLEDGE. THANK
3 YOU. PLEASE. [APPLAUSE] JENNIFER COCHEZ -- ROCHEZ. OKAY, GOT
4 IT. FROM GATES STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. SHE'S BEEN TEACHING,
5 GET THIS, 21 YEARS. SHE STILL LOOKS VERY YOUNG.

6

7 **JENNIFER ROCHEZ:** THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** SHE USES HER SKILLS AS A NATIONAL BOARD
10 CERTIFIED TEACHER TO ENSURE THAT FIFTH GRADERS RECEIVE THE
11 BEST EDUCATION POSSIBLE. AND WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR 21
12 YEARS OF SERVICE AND FOR YOUR COURAGE, INSIGHT AND INITIATIVE
13 AND GANAS TO HELP OUR STUDENTS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE] AND
14 LAST BUT NOT LEAST, DIANA SHAR, FROM THE EAST LOS ANGELES
15 RENAISSANCE ACADEMY. SHE'S BEEN TEACHING FOR 11 YEARS AND
16 CURRENTLY TEACHES SOCIAL SCIENCE. BUT SOMETHING VERY
17 INTERESTING ABOUT HER. SHE RUNS A PILOT SCHOOL. I DIDN'T EVEN
18 KNOW WHAT A PILOT SCHOOL WAS. SHE INFORMED ME THAT IT'S A
19 SMALLER CLASS SIZE OR CLASS OF STUDENTS. IT'S VERY INTIMATE.
20 SO PEOPLE REALLY GET TO KNOW WHO YOUR TEACHERS ARE. BUT SHE'S
21 ALSO FOCUSING IN ON URBAN PLANNING. SO STUDENTS ARE LEARNING
22 ABOUT THE ART OF URBAN PLANNING. AND SHE'S OPENING UP THEIR
23 MINDS IN SO MANY WAYS AND ALSO HELPS TO PROVIDE INSTRUCTION
24 AND HELP IN JOURNALISM, MUCH OF WHICH GETS COLLABORATED WITH
25 THE L.A. TIMES, I MIGHT SAY. AND THEY DO GET PICKED UP. SO WE

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1 WANT TO THANK YOU, DIANA. IT WAS A PLEASURE MEETING YOU THIS
2 MORNING. THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATIONS. SHE ALSO LIVES IN MY
3 DISTRICT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE] PLEASE WELCOME ALL OF THESE
4 FIVE TEACHERS THAT ARE HERE TODAY. THEY ARE A GROUP OF 22
5 TOTAL TEACHERS THAT RECEIVED RECOGNITION FROM L.A. UNIFIED
6 SCHOOL DISTRICT TEACHER OF THE YEAR. NOW MORE THAN EVER, WE
7 NEED TO LIFT UP OUR TEACHERS AND LET THEM KNOW THAT WE CARE
8 ABOUT THEM DEEPLY AND WE KNOW THAT THEY ARE DOING WONDERFUL,
9 PHENOMENAL THINGS WITH OUR CHILDREN. AND WE WANT TO THANK YOU
10 ON BEHALF OF THE FIRST DISTRICT. SO WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE
11 YOU ALL. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** SO ON BEHALF OF ALL OF THE
14 SUPERVISORS, I WANT TO TELL YOU ABOUT DR. JEFFREY
15 GUNZENHAUSER. FOR 20 YEARS, HE WAS A PUBLIC HEALTH PHYSICIAN
16 IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY. DURING THOSE YEARS, HE COMMANDED A
17 MEDICAL UNIT IN SOMALIA DURING OPERATION RESTORE HOPE AND WAS
18 THE PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISER TO THE ARMY SURGEON GENERAL AT THE
19 TIME OF THE PENTAGON ATTACKS AND THE EARLY PHASES OF THE WARS
20 IN AFGHANISTAN AND IRAQ. THEN IN 2003, L.A. COUNTY GOT LUCKY.
21 DR. GUNZENHAUSER BROUGHT ALL HIS EXPERIENCE, HIS CLEAR-EYED
22 LEADERSHIP TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, WHERE HE HAS
23 SPENT THE LAST FOUR YEARS AS OUR INTERIM HEALTH OFFICER. HERE
24 HE LED THE COUNTY'S RESPONSE TO THE ALISO CANYON GAS LEAK, TO
25 THE HEPATITIS A. OUTBREAK, TO ZIKA AND WEST NILE VIRUS. HE

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1 OVERSAW THE DEPARTMENT'S EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE NATIONAL
2 ACCREDITATION WITH THE PUBLIC HEALTH ACCREDITATION BOARD,
3 OVERSAW THE INTRODUCTION OF A NEW ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD
4 SYSTEM, AND LED THE BUREAU OF DISEASE CONTROL, OVERSEEING
5 1,400 EMPLOYEES IN OUR VARIOUS DIVISIONS. SO, TODAY WE WANT TO
6 TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO THANK HIM FOR EVERYTHING HE'S DONE FOR
7 OUR COUNTY AND EXPRESS OUR HOPE THAT HE WILL CONTINUE TO SERVE
8 THE COUNTY OF L.A. AND ITS 10 MILLION RESIDENTS FOR MANY, MANY
9 YEARS TO COME. PLEASE HELP ME TO THANK DR. GUNZENHAUSER.

10 [APPLAUSE] HE HAS TAKEN IN THE MOST IMPORTANT LESSON ABOUT A
11 STANDING OVATION: NEVER, NEVER, SAY, OH, SIT DOWN, SIT DOWN.
12 JUST TAKE IT IN. [LAUGHTER.] DR. FERRER WOULD LIKE TO SAY A
13 FEW WORDS.

14

15 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. AND
16 FIRST, I WANT TO START WITH SOME THANK YOUS TO THE SUPERVISORS
17 FOR BEING SO GENEROUS AND REALLY ACKNOWLEDGING HOW IMPORTANT
18 IT IS TO HAVE A LEADER LIKE DR. GUNZENHAUSER HERE FOR THE
19 COUNTY. THERE IS NO WAY OUR RESPONSE TO EMERGING OUTBREAKS, TO
20 CHRONIC DISEASE, TO THE CONTINUED FOCUS ON KEEPING RESIDENTS
21 INFORMED AND ENGAGED COULD HAVE POSSIBLY HAPPENED WITHOUT DR.
22 GUNZENHAUSER'S LEADERSHIP. AND I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND
23 THANK THE D.P.H. FAMILY WHO'S HERE TODAY, YOU KNOW, ALSO, TO
24 MAKE SURE THAT JEFF KNOWS HOW MUCH WE LOVE HIM AND HOW MUCH
25 WE'VE APPRECIATED THE FACT THAT HE HAS FOR FOUR VERY LONG

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1 YEARS SERVED IN TWO ROLES, TWO VERY IMPORTANT ROLES. HE'S
2 OVERSEEN OUR BUREAU THAT REALLY HANDLES ALL OF OUR DISEASE
3 CONTROL ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING INFECTIOUS DISEASE CONTROL WHILE
4 AT THE SAME TIME STEPPING UP AND REALLY TAKING ON THIS
5 OBLIGATION TO SERVE AS OUR INTERIM HEALTH OFFICER. AND THAT'S
6 A 24/7 JOB. SO ACTUALLY IT'S TWO 24/7 JOBS. HE'S DONE IT FOR
7 THE LAST FOUR YEARS. AND HE'S DONE IT WITHOUT EVER COMPLAINING
8 ABOUT THE FACT THAT WE HAD ASKED HIM TO DO SO MUCH. SO I ALSO
9 WANT TO THANK HIS FAMILY, WHO'S BEEN SO GENEROUS. WE'RE JOINED
10 HERE WITH HIS WIFE DIONA AND HIS DAUGHTER CHRISTINA. AND I
11 KNOW HIS SISTER-IN-LAW IS IN THE AUDIENCE, AS WELL. [APPLAUSE]
12 FOR GIVING -- FOR ALLOWING JEFF TO SO GRACIOUSLY GIVE HIS
13 TIME. AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL MENTIONED, YOU KNOW, HIS MANY
14 ACCOMPLISHMENTS SERVING AS THE INTERIM HEALTH OFFICER. I WANT
15 TO TALK ABOUT THE VALUES HE BROUGHT TO THE WORK AND HOW LUCKY
16 WE ARE THAT HE CONTINUES TO WORK WITH US AND BRING THESE
17 VALUES FORWARD EVERY DAY ON OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM. JEFF IS WHAT
18 YOU REALLY WANT TO SEE IN A PUBLIC SERVANT. HE CARES
19 PASSIONATELY AND DEEPLY FOR EVERY RESIDENT THAT LIVES IN THIS
20 COUNTY. AND HE SHOWS UP IN EVERY WAY TO EXPRESS HIS DESIRE TO
21 BE OF SERVICE. HE LEADS BY EXAMPLE WITH KINDNESS AND
22 COMPASSION. HE ACTUALLY EMBODIES THIS SPIRIT OF COLLABORATION
23 AND PARTNERSHIP. AND MOST IMPORTANTLY FOR ME HE HAS TAKEN ME
24 UNDER HIS WING AND MENTORED ME THROUGHOUT THIS FIRST YEAR. SO
25 I CAN'T THANK DR. GUNZENHAUSER ENOUGH FOR HIS SERVICE. I'M SO

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1 GLAD WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZE HIS
2 SERVICE AS THE INTERIM HEALTH OFFICER. BUT I WANT TO SAY I
3 FEEL MOST BLESSED THAT HE CONTINUES ON THE LEADERSHIP TEAM
4 HERE AT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. SO THANK YOU, JEFF,
5 FOR YOUR SERVICE. [APPLAUSE]

6

7 **DR. JEFFREY GUNZENHAUSER:** WELL, I'LL TRY TO BE BRIEF. THOSE
8 WORDS REALLY TOUCHED MY HEART. SO THANK YOU BOTH VERY MUCH FOR
9 SAYING THOSE THINGS. I DO WANT TO THANK THE ENTIRE BOARD FOR
10 YOUR TREMENDOUS SUPPORT THESE PAST FOUR YEARS. THE
11 CONVERSATIONS WITH YOU AND YOUR STAFF HAVE MADE ALL THE
12 DIFFERENCE IN PROMOTING WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH IN
13 PUBLIC HEALTH, SO I THANK YOU ALL FOR THAT. YOU KNOW, I DO
14 WANT TO TALK JUST A MOMENT ABOUT THE WORK OF PUBLIC HEALTH.
15 WHEN NEARLY 40 YEARS AGO I WAS A MEDICAL STUDENT AND HEARING
16 THE STORIES OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE DISASTERS AND CHALLENGES
17 OVER HISTORY AND HEARING STORIES ABOUT WHAT HEALTH OFFICERS
18 DO, I REALLY DIDN'T KNOW VERY WELL WHAT ALL THAT KIND OF WORK
19 WOULD BE. AND EVEN NOW IT'S VERY HARD TO DESCRIBE TO OTHERS
20 WHAT IT IS WE DO IN PUBLIC HEALTH. BUT IN THE END, IT'S ALL
21 ABOUT ACHIEVING HEALTH EQUITY, PROTECTING THE HEALTH AND
22 IMPROVING THE HEALTH OF THE FOLKS IN THIS GREAT COUNTY. AND
23 IT'S REALLY A FANTASTIC JOB. AND WE HAVE DONE A LOT IN THE
24 LAST FOUR YEARS, AND ALL THE CREDIT GOES TO THE WORKERS IN OUR
25 DEPARTMENT. I THANK YOU ALL FOR ATTENDING HERE. I DO WANT TO

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1 JUST TAKE -- THANK A FEW PEOPLE. I REALLY WANT TO THANK MY
2 WIFE DIANA AND MY FAMILY FOR ALL THE SUPPORT THIS FIRST YEAR.
3 SO THANK YOU, DIANA, FOR ALL OF THAT. AGAIN, I WANT TO THANK
4 THE BOARD FOR YOUR SUPPORT. I LOVE BEING A CIVIL SERVANT, LOOK
5 FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO SERVING THE COUNTY INTO THE FUTURE.
6 AGAIN, I WANT TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES IN PUBLIC HEALTH. BUT
7 WE'VE HAD TREMENDOUS SUPPORT FROM ALL THE DEPARTMENTS HERE IN
8 THE COUNTY. EVERY TIME, I THINK, WITH EBOLA, WE CONVENED A
9 GROUP OF 18 DEPARTMENTS AS WE WORKED THROUGH THE CHALLENGES OF
10 PROTECTING THE COUNTY AGAINST THAT THREAT. BUT, REALLY, THE
11 WORK OF PREVENTION AND HEALTH EQUITY INVOLVES THOUSANDS OF
12 PEOPLE HERE IN THE COUNTY. AND TO ALL OF THEM, I'D LIKE TO
13 EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE AND THANKS. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14 [APPLAUSE]

15

16 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** SO NEXT, IT'S OUR GREAT PLEASURE TO
17 PRESENT, REALLY, DISTRICT BY DISTRICT, THE WOMEN'S RESILIENCE
18 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS. I'M GOING TO BEGIN WITH THE THIRD
19 DISTRICT, BECAUSE THAT'S ALWAYS THE PRIVILEGE OF THE CHAIR,
20 AND THEN WE'LL GO TO THE FOURTH, THEN THE FIFTH, THEN THE
21 FIRST, THEN THE SECOND, JUST SO EVERYBODY'S READY. LET ME TELL
22 YOU A LITTLE ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIPS THEMSELVES. THE COUNTY'S
23 COMMISSION FOR WOMEN HAS BEEN PROVIDING SCHOLARSHIPS TO
24 HUNDREDS OF YOUNG WOMEN FOR ALMOST 20 YEARS. THESE RESILIENCE
25 SCHOLARSHIPS ARE SPECIAL AWARDS, BECAUSE NOT ONLY DO THEIR

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1 RECIPIENTS HOLD EXCEPTIONAL PROMISE, THESE SCHOLARSHIPS ALLOW
2 FOR THE MONEY TO BE USED NOT ONLY FOR TUITION BUT FOR BOOKS,
3 FOR MEDICAL INSURANCE, FOR SCHOOL SUPPLIES, FOR CHILDCARE, AND
4 FOR CLOTHING, THINGS THAT MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR A PERSON TO
5 CONTINUE THEIR EDUCATION. SO, I HAVE THE GREAT PLEASURE OF
6 INTRODUCING OUR THREE WINNERS FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT. ALANI C
7 ABRONE. GRAD PLEASE STEP FORWARD. GRADUATED FROM PALISADES
8 CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL IN 2018, WHERE SHE WAS ON THE PRINCIPAL'S
9 HONOR ROLL AND SERVED AS THE SECRETARY AND DIRECTOR OF
10 MARKETING AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL'S BLACK
11 STUDENT UNION. SHE WAS AN ACTIVE AND PASSIONATE MEMBER OF THE
12 EVERY BODY CLUB, A HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS ORGANIZATION THAT
13 FOCUSED ON SPREADING BODY POSITIVITY THROUGHOUT HER SCHOOL.
14 SHE WILL BE PURSUING A DEGREE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AT
15 SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY, CALIFORNIA. PLEASE GIVE HER A BIG
16 ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE] ALONDRA CHAVARIA TRANSFERRED
17 FROM PIERCE COLLEGE TO CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, NORTHRIDGE
18 WHERE SHE'S PURSUING A DEGREE IN MARKETING AND MANAGEMENT.
19 SHE'S AN ACTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER WITH THE BOY SCOUTS OF
20 AMERICA, CUB PACK 474, AND VOLUNTEERS AS THE TREASURER,
21 ASSISTING WITH FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES. SHE IS CURRENTLY THE
22 CALIBRATION TECHNOLOGY AND TEAM LEADER WITH MICRO QUALITY
23 CALIBRATION IN CHATSWORTH, CALIFORNIA. PLEASE GIVE HER A BIG
24 ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE] AND JOSEPHINE R. CUENCA
25 GRADUATED FROM SHERMAN OAKS CENTER FOR ENRICHED STUDIES MAGNET

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1 SCHOOL IN JUNE OF 2018. SHE WAS THE PHOTOGRAPHER FOR THE
2 CAMPUS NEWSPAPER AND YEARBOOK. SHE ALSO SERVED AS THE
3 PRESIDENT OF THE RED CROSS CLUB AS A VOLUNTEER AND ORGANIZED
4 FUNDRAISERS FOR VICTIMS OF NATURAL DISASTERS, SUCH AS
5 HURRICANE IRMA. SHE WILL BE ATTENDING U.C. RIVERSIDE IN FALL
6 OF THIS YEAR, WHERE SHE WILL PURSUE A DEGREE IN NEUROSCIENCE.
7 PLEASE GIVE HER A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE] THANK YOU
8 TO ALL THREE OF THE RECIPIENTS FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT. WE'LL
9 TAKE A PICTURE OF THE THREE, THE FOUR OF US HERE. AND THEN IF
10 YOU'LL GO DOWN TOWARD THE WELL AT THE END OF THE
11 PRESENTATIONS, WE'LL TAKE A PICTURE OF EVERYBODY ALL TOGETHER
12 WITH US. SO A BIG HAND FOR ALL THREE OF MY WINNERS. [APPLAUSE]
13

14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I WILL NOW BE
15 HONORING THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT.
16 AND JOINING ME UP HERE ARE MY COMMISSIONERS, KAREN GRISHAM AND
17 ALLISON CASTELLANO. SO, THANK YOU, COMMISSIONERS, FOR BEING
18 HERE. AND I HAVE THREE HONOREES. ONLY ONE IS HERE. AND THAT'S
19 LAUREN SLAUGHTER FROM LAKEWOOD. AND LAUREN RECENTLY GRADUATED
20 FROM MILLIKIN HIGH SCHOOL, WHERE SHE WAS ACTIVE IN THE BLACK
21 STUDENT UNION, THE FEMALE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY, AND WAS PART OF
22 THE GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM. SHE'S DECIDED TO PURSUE HIGHER
23 EDUCATION AND WILL BE ATTENDING AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY THIS
24 FALL. THERE SHE'LL BE WORKING TOWARDS A DEGREE IN MARKETING.
25 LAUREN HAS PROVED TO BE AN INDEPENDENT AND RESILIENT YOUNG

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1 WOMAN. NEVER STOP DREAMING, LAUREN. AND CONGRATULATIONS.
2 [APPLAUSE] AND JUST BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT HERE DOESN'T MEAN
3 WE'RE NOT GOING TO HONOR THE OTHER TWO RECIPIENTS. THEY ARE:
4 JULIA NORMAN AND MARY KATHRYN STANKY, WHO WERE UNABLE TO
5 ATTEND BUT WE DID WANT TO SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT THEM. JULIA IS
6 FROM SAN PEDRO AND IS CURRENTLY ATTENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF
7 CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY, WHERE SHE IS PURSUING A DEGREE IN
8 POLITICAL ECONOMY. SHE HAS A PASSION FOR GLOBAL POLITICS AND
9 HUMAN RIGHTS AND HOPES TO ONE DAY WORK FOR A GOVERNMENT
10 ORGANIZATION TACKLING ISSUES RELATED TO FOREIGN POLICY AND
11 WELFARE. JULIA IS ACTIVELY INVOLVED WITH COMMUNITY
12 ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS THE Y.M.C.A. CAMPING PROGRAM AND GIRL
13 UP, AN ORGANIZATION THAT SUPPORTS PROGRAMS PROMOTING HEALTH,
14 SAFETY, EDUCATION AND LEADERSHIP FOR GIRLS IN DEVELOPING
15 COUNTRIES. AND THEN THE LAST RECIPIENT IS MARY KATHRYN STANKY
16 FROM SAN PEDRO. MARY KATHRYN IS AN ACTIVE VOLUNTEER WITH THE
17 BOYS & GIRLS CLUB AND THE Y.M.C.A. SHE'S ALSO A CARE PARTNER
18 AT KAISER PERMANENTE HOSPITAL IN HARBOR CITY. SHE'S CURRENTLY
19 ATTENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO PURSUING
20 BACHELOR'S DEGREES IN BIOCHEMISTRY AND CELL BIOLOGY. SHE WAS
21 INSPIRED TO PURSUE A DEGREE IN SCIENCE RESEARCH WHEN SOMEONE
22 NEAR AND DEAR TO HER HEART WAS AFFECTED BY A RARE ILLNESS.
23 CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THREE OF THE RECIPIENTS IN THE FOURTH
24 DISTRICT. WE WISH YOU THE BEST OF LUCK. AND THANK YOU FOR

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1 INSPIRING EVERY SINGLE ONE OF US WITH WHAT YOU'RE DOING IN
2 YOUR LIVES.

3

4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** NOW IT IS MY TURN. I'D LIKE ALSO TO
5 ACKNOWLEDGE MY COMMISSIONER, ALICE BEDROSIAN, WHO IS HERE, AS
6 WELL. LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS FILLED WITH SO MANY BRILLIANT
7 YOUNG WOMEN, AND I'M EXCITED THAT WE HAVE SOME OF THE VERY
8 BEST WITH US THIS MORNING. OUR HONOREES HAVE USED THEIR GIFTS
9 AND ABILITIES FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THE COMMUNITIES. MADELEINE
10 ALBRIGHT SAID, "IT TOOK ME QUITE A LONG TIME TO DEVELOP A
11 VOICE, AND NOW THAT I HAVE IT, I'M NOT GOING TO BE SILENT." WE
12 ARE LUCKY TO HAVE THESE EXTRAORDINARY GROUP OF WOMEN HERE WHO
13 ARE WILLING AND ABLE TO USE THEIR VOICES FOR THE GREATER GOOD.
14 NOW I'M PROUD TO RECOGNIZE WOMEN FROM THE FIFTH DISTRICT.
15 VIVIAN LEE REED, A LANCASTER RESIDENT, IS A RECENT GRADUATE OF
16 STUDENTS ON ACADEMIC RISE, WHICH IS S.O.A.R. HIGH SCHOOL.
17 WHILE WORKING TOWARD HER DIPLOMA, SHE SIMULTANEOUSLY EARNED
18 HER ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE IN ARTS AND HUMANITIES FROM THE
19 ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE. SHE IS PASSIONATE ABOUT ANIMAL CARE
20 AND WORKS CLOSELY WITH ANIMALS THROUGH THE S.O.A.R. 4.H.
21 PROGRAM. VIVIAN LEE IS NOW PURSUING A DEGREE IN ANIMAL SCIENCE
22 AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS. WE WANT TO THANK YOU
23 FOR YOUR HEART TO HELP ANIMALS, VIVIAN LEE. I WISH YOU THE
24 BEST OF LUCK IN AN EXCITING NEXT CHAPTER. [APPLAUSE] NEXT, I
25 WOULD LIKE TO HONOR ELENA C. FLORES, A PASADENA RESIDENT WHO

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1 JUST GRADUATED FROM MARANATHA HIGH SCHOOL, ACTUALLY WITH
2 SUPERVISOR MIKE ANTONOVICH'S SON, LITTLE MICHAEL, JR.
3 THROUGHOUT HER TIME THERE, SHE WAS INCREDIBLY ENGAGED IN
4 SEVERAL CLUBS AND SERVED AS A PRESIDENT OF THE FEMINIST CLUB.
5 ELENA IS AN ACTIVE VOLUNTEER WITH MANY ORGANIZATIONS IN HER
6 COMMUNITY AND IS PROUDEST OF HER SERVICE AS A CITY OF PASADENA
7 YOUTH AMBASSADOR AND AN INTERN FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S
8 OFFICE. IN THE FALL, SHE WILL PURSUE A DEGREE IN LAW OR FILM
9 PRODUCTION FROM LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY. THANK YOU FOR
10 YOUR SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY, ELENA. WE ARE ALL ROOTING FOR
11 YOU. [APPLAUSE] AND LAST BUT DEFINITELY NOT LEAST, I'M HAPPY
12 TO PRESENT BOWAY PAULINE GABRO. CLOSE? CLOSE. WHO JUST
13 GRADUATED FROM MARSHALL FUNDAMENTAL SECONDARY SCHOOL IN
14 PASADENA. AS A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT, SHE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF
15 THE ASIAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CLUB AND IS A MEMBER OF THE
16 ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY. SHE IS NOW LOOKING FORWARD TO EARNING
17 HER DEGREE IN MATERIAL SCIENCE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF
18 CALIFORNIA, IRVINE. I KNOW HER LEADERSHIP AND EXPERIENCE AND
19 HEART FOR THOSE AROUND HER WILL TAKE HER VERY, VERY FAR. I
20 WANT TO THANK ALL OF THESE FANTASTIC YOUNG WOMEN WHO HAVE
21 JOINED US TODAY. YOU ALL HAVE AN AMAZING LIFE AHEAD OF YOU,
22 AND YOU ARE OUR LEADERS IN THE FUTURE. SO THANK YOU AND GOD
23 BLESS. [APPLAUSE]
24

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES. NOW WE HAVE THE FIRST DISTRICT HERE,
2 AND I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE OUR COMMISSIONERS ANA MARIA
3 GARCIA, WHO IS OUR CHAIR, AND ALSO IRMA ARCHULETA, WHO IS MY
4 COMMISSIONER. WE WANT TO THANK THE COMMISSION ON WOMEN FOR
5 HOSTING THIS EVENT. IT'S ONE OF THE BEST, I THINK, BECAUSE IT
6 REALLY GIVES US A CHANCE TO BE A LITTLE BIT MORE INTIMATE AND
7 TALKING WITH THE HONOREES AND UNDERSTANDING WHAT THEIR VISION
8 IS AND THEIR HEART, WHERE THEY'RE GOING, AND WHAT THEIR HOPES
9 AND DREAMS ARE. FIRST WANT TO RECOGNIZE THESE THREE AMAZING
10 WOMEN FROM OUR FIRST DISTRICT. OUR FIRST HONOREE IS CYNTHIA
11 OLMOS. MS. OLMOS GRADUATED FROM GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL COMPUTER
12 SCIENCE MAGNET SCHOOL IN JUNE. CYNTHIA HAS BEEN A DEDICATED
13 VOLUNTEER AT WHITE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND AT THE MIDNIGHT
14 MISSION. AND THIS FALL, SHE'LL BE ATTENDING CAL STATE
15 NORTHRIDGE IN PURSUIT OF HER BIOCHEMISTRY DEGREE. HOW ABOUT
16 THAT? LET'S GIVE HER A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE] MY
17 SECOND HONOREE IS CHIO KIM. MS. KIM GRADUATED FROM EAGLE ROCK
18 HIGH SCHOOL IN JUNE, WHERE SHE WAS THE PRESIDENT OF HER
19 SCHOOL'S MODEL U.N. AND SHE WAS ALSO CHOSEN TO BE A DELEGATE
20 TO THE LOS ANGELES MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL. THIS FALL, MS. KIM
21 WILL BE ATTENDING PRINCETON UNIVERSITY AND PURSUING A DEGREE
22 IN NEUROSCIENCE. LET'S GIVE HER A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. WOW.
23 THAT'S AWESOME. [APPLAUSE] OUR THIRD AND FINAL AWARDEE IS
24 SONYA AVILA CONTRERAS. MS. CONTRERAS IS CURRENTLY A STUDENT
25 ATTENDING EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE AND HAS BEEN ACCEPTED TO

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1 TRANSFER TO U.C.L.A. TO PURSUE HER DEGREE IN CHEMISTRY.
2 [APPLAUSE] MS. CONTRERAS IS A DEDICATED VOLUNTEER FOR THE
3 ORGANIZATION KNOWN AS BUILD P.O.D.E.R., WHICH STANDS FOR
4 BUILDING THE INFRASTRUCTURE LEADING TO DIVERSITY PROMOTING
5 OPPORTUNITIES FOR DIVERSITY AND EDUCATION AND RESEARCH. ALL OF
6 THEM ARE GOING TO BE FUTURE LEADERS IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND
7 MATH. AND I WANT TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO THINK ABOUT THE COUNTY
8 WHEN YOU GET YOUR DEGREES, TO COME BACK AND MAYBE MAKE A HOME
9 WORKING WITH US. THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU.
10 [APPLAUSE]

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, AND I'M
13 DELIGHTED TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT THE SECOND
14 DISTRICT'S FINE REPRESENTATIVES. AND AS I BEGIN THAT EFFORT, I
15 WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE COMMISSIONER FOR THE COMMISSION FOR
16 WOMEN, MARIA, WHO REPRESENTS THE SECOND DISTRICT. AND, MARIA,
17 WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR EFFORTS IN THAT REGARD. AND I'M HERE TO
18 MOVE FORWARD WITH THREE EXTRAORDINARY YOUNG SCHOLARS FROM THE
19 SECOND DISTRICT, BEGINNING WITH CARMEN NOYOLA. GIVE CARMEN A
20 BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE, WON'T YOU? [APPLAUSE] CARMEN IS
21 PURSUING A DEGREE IN NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS AND SOCIAL
22 CHANGE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. AS A PART OF
23 THE U.S.C. PROGRESSIVE DEGREE PROGRAM, SHE IS SIMULTANEOUSLY
24 WORKING TOWARD A MASTER'S DEGREE IN URBAN SUSTAINABLE PLANNING
25 AT THE SOL PRICE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY. IF THAT WEREN'T

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1 ENOUGH, CARMEN SERVES AS A RESEARCH INTERN FOR THE LOS ANGELES
2 COUNTY HOMELESS INITIATIVE, WHERE SHE ANALYZES INNOVATIVE
3 SOLUTIONS AND REINTEGRATING AND SUPPORTING PEOPLE WHO ARE
4 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. LAST YEAR, CARMEN WAS UNABLE TO
5 ATTEND THE BOARD PRESENTATION AS SHE WAS STUDYING ABROAD.
6 GUESS WHERE? IN TAIWAN. AND SO SHE'S HERE TODAY. AND SO IT'S
7 WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT TO CARMEN THIS OPPORTUNITY
8 TO BE IN PERSON AN HONOREE FOR THE SECOND YEAR IN A ROW. GIVE
9 CARMEN NOYALA A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE] MAY I NOW
10 RECOGNIZE OUR NEXT HONOREE, WHO IS KATHRYN YAM. KATHRYN
11 GRADUATED FROM WOODROW WILSON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL IN 2018,
12 WHERE SHE WAS A MEMBER OF THE INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE
13 DIPLOMA PROGRAM, LAW MAGNET MENTORSHIP PROGRAM, AND THE MOCK
14 TRIAL CLUB. SHE HAS A DEEP INTEREST IN THE LAW AND PLANS TO
15 PURSUE A DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF
16 CALIFORNIA-LOS ANGELES WITH ASPIRATIONS TO BE THE FIRST IN HER
17 FAMILY TO BECOME AN ATTORNEY. AND I'M PLEASED TO RECOGNIZE
18 KATHRYN YAM AS THE RECIPIENT OF THIS YEAR'S RESILIENCE
19 SCHOLARSHIP. GIVE KATHRYN A BIG, BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE.
20 [APPLAUSE] AND, FINALLY, I WANT TO RECOGNIZE ELIJAH AZATE.
21 ELIJAH IS A RECENT GRADUATE OF LOS ANGELES. GIVE ELIJAH A
22 ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE] YOU BROUGHT YOUR CHEERING
23 SECTION WITH YOU. I GOT YOU. ELIJAH'S A RECENT GRADUATE OF THE
24 LOS ANGELES HARBOR COLLEGE, WHERE HE EARNED AN ASSOCIATE OF
25 ARTS DEGREE IN ARTS AND HUMANITIES. IN THE FALL, HE WILL

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1 ATTEND CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, DOMINGUEZ HILLS TO PURSUE
2 A DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY. ELIJAH'S ULTIMATE PROFESSIONAL GOAL IS
3 TO BE A CLINICAL SUPERVISOR IN ORDER TO TRAIN AND PREPARE
4 FUTURE THERAPISTS. PLEASE JOIN ME IN CONGRATULATING ELIJAH FOR
5 RECEIVING THE 2018 RESILIENCE SCHOLARSHIP. BIG ROUND OF
6 APPLAUSE FOR ALL THESE WONDERFUL PEOPLE. [APPLAUSE]

7

8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANKS TO ALL OF OUR WINNERS. PLEASE
9 GATHER IN THE WELL WITH THE FIVE OF US FOR AN HISTORIC
10 PICTURE. I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE MY APPOINTEES TO THE
11 WOMEN'S COMMISSION, VANESSA THOMPSON, JULIE FRIEDMAN, AND
12 KERRY ANN FERREL HEINZ FOR THEIR WONDERFUL WORK. HOPE TO SEE
13 YOU ALL AT THE SWEARING IN OF THE NEW OFFICERS AT BREAKFAST
14 SOME MORNING, I THINK, IN SEPTEMBER. BUT WHENEVER IT IS, I'M
15 SURE YOU KNOW.

16

17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** NOW IT IS MY HONOR TO INTRODUCE CHUY.
18 CHUY IS A CHIHUAHUA 8-WEEK-OLD MALE WHO IS AVAILABLE FOR
19 ADOPTION AT THE DOWNEY SHELTER BY CALLING 562-728-4610 AND
20 THERE ARE MANY MORE CHUYS TO BE ADOPTED AND I WOULD ENCOURAGE
21 YOU TO GO ONLINE OR TO ONE OF OUR SHELTERS. THIS IS CHUY. ALL
22 RIGHT. AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST, I'M GOING TO INTRODUCE YOU TO
23 MILO. MILO IS A DOMESTIC SHORT HAIR ALSO AVAILABLE FOR
24 ADOPTION, 8- WEEK-OLD-MALE, AT OUR DOWNEY SHELTER, 562-728-
25 4610. AND I'D ALWAYS ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO GO AND ADOPT AT OUR

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1 ANIMAL CARE SHELTERS. YOU'LL NEVER REGRET IT. THANK YOU,
2 MADAME CHAIR.

3

4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. EVERYBODY
5 ADOPT SOMEBODY, OR AN ANIMAL. OKAY. PLEASE, MADAME EXECUTIVE
6 OFFICER, PLAY THE CODE OF CONDUCT FOR US.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR
9 ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
10 SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW
11 BE READ AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE
12 EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE
13 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD
14 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,
15 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED
16 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE
17 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE
18 REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES: SPEAKERS MUST CEASE
19 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT
20 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT
21 ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE
22 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE
23 RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF.
24 PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM
25 UTTERING, WRITING OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,

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1 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING OR OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS
2 TOWARDS THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY OTHER
3 PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF THE
4 VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF AND BOARD MEMBERS AND MAY
5 NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY
6 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT
7 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE
8 BOARD MEETING. AND, FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR
9 BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR
10 ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING,
11 PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF.
12 THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

13

14 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LADIES AND
15 GENTLEMEN, I WANT YOU TO KNOW THE ORDER THAT WE'RE TAKING UP
16 THESE ITEMS TODAY. THERE WERE FIVE ITEMS THAT WERE HELD BY
17 SUPERVISORS. WE TAKE THOSE FIRST. SO WE'LL FIRST HEAR ITEM 2-D
18 COMBINED WITH ITEM 12. THEY BOTH COVER THE SAME SUBJECT
19 MATTER. AND THEN ITEM 2. THEN ITEM 10. THEN ITEM 11. AND THEN
20 ITEM 19. FOLLOWING THAT, WE TAKE TESTIMONY FROM EVERYBODY WHO
21 SIGNED UP FOR ANY OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA THAT WERE NOT HELD
22 BY SUPERVISORS. SO LET US START WITH ITEM 2-D AND ITEM 12.
23 SUPERVISOR HAHN.

24

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1 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. SO, AS WE ALL KNOW,
2 IT'S A BIG PRIORITY FOR US HERE IN L.A. COUNTY TO END THE
3 HOMELESS CRISIS. BUT WE'RE FINDING THAT IT'S A HARD JOB AND
4 IT'S NOT TOO BIG FOR US BUT IT'S REALLY DIFFICULT AND THERE'S
5 A LOT OF ANGLES TO SOLVING HOMELESSNESS. BUT CERTAINLY ONE OF
6 THOSE SOLUTIONS IS BUILDING HOMES THAT FAMILIES CAN ACTUALLY
7 AFFORD TO BE IN. AND TODAY WHAT WE'RE DOING ON THIS ITEM IS
8 VOTING TO INVEST IN A PROJECT THAT DOES JUST THAT. IT'S THE
9 SPARK AT MIDTOWN PROJECT IN LONG BEACH AND IT'S A FIVE-STORY
10 APARTMENT BUILDING WITH A TOTAL OF 95 UNITS AND 47 OF THOSE
11 UNITS WILL HOUSE FORMERLY HOMELESS RESIDENTS AND 47 UNITS WILL
12 HOUSE LOW-INCOME FAMILIES. AND THE MANAGER WILL ACTUALLY BE
13 ABLE TO LIVE ON SITE. AND ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THIS MULTI-
14 USE DEVELOPMENT, A NEW Y.M.C.A. OF GREATER LONG BEACH AND A
15 ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL CLINIC WILL SERVE NOT JUST THE RESIDENTS
16 LIVING UPSTAIRS BUT THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY. SO THIS IS ONE OF
17 THOSE MODEL PROJECTS THAT WE KNOW WORKS. AND I REALLY WANTED
18 TO THANK L.I.N.C. HOUSING, THE DEVELOPER OF THIS PROJECT, FOR
19 THEIR LEADERSHIP AND THEIR COMMITMENT TO BUILDING AND
20 PRESERVING AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THEY ARE
21 GOING TO BE A GREAT PARTNER FOR US HERE IN L.A. COUNTY.
22 THEY'RE AN INNOVATIVE DEVELOPER. AND I THINK WE HAVE SOMEONE
23 FROM L.I.N.C. HERE TO SPEAK BRIEFLY ABOUT THIS PROJECT. THANK
24 YOU. THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR.

25

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1 **SUNY LAY CHANG:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

2

3 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** WELCOME. MY NAME IS SUNY LAY CHANG,
4 AND I AM THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER FOR L.I.N.C. HOUSING. AND
5 I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TREMENDOUS SUPPORT OF THIS
6 PROJECT FROM THE BEGINNING AND THE ENTHUSIASM. AND I ALSO WANT
7 TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK ALL FIVE SUPERVISORS FOR ALL
8 OF YOUR SUPPORT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND GENERATING THE
9 RESOURCES, ALLOCATING THE STAFF, PARTICULARLY THE C.D.C. STAFF
10 WHO HAVE BEEN VERY HELPFUL IN ALLOCATING THESE RESOURCES. AS
11 YOU MENTIONED, SUPERVISOR, THIS IS A PROJECT THAT WILL SUPPORT
12 47 FORMERLY HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS. AND WE ALL KNOW ALSO THAT
13 THE SLOPE FROM HOUSE TO HOMELESS IS EXTREMELY SLIPPERY
14 SOMETIMES. AND SO THERE ARE ALSO 47 UNITS THAT WILL BE SERVING
15 LOW-INCOME AFFORDABLE-HOUSING RESIDENTS. AND WE BELIEVE THAT
16 WHAT WE DO IS TO START WITH THE HOUSING, BUT WE DON'T END
17 THERE, THAT THERE IS A REAL ARGUMENT FOR BRINGING IN ALL OF
18 THE SERVICES, WRAPAROUND SERVICES FOR THE HOMELESS, BUT ALSO
19 GENERAL COMMUNITY SERVICES THAT WE ALL NEED TO LIVE. SO,
20 THERE'S EDUCATION THROUGH THE Y.M.C.A. THE YOUTH INSTITUTE
21 WILL BE THERE. THERE'S HEALTH THROUGH THE ST. MARY'S CLINIC.
22 THERE IS A POCKET PARK THAT WILL BE PART OF THIS. AND, REALLY,
23 THE IDEA IS THAT IF YOU KNOW WHERE THIS PROJECT IS LOCATED ON
24 LONG BEACH BOULEVARD, IT IS AN AREA WHERE THE POTENTIAL OF A
25 TRANSIT AND COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR STILL HAS YET TO BE REALIZED.

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1 AND THIS IS THE FIRST PROJECT TO BE APPROVED IN THE MIDTOWN-
2 SPECIFIC PLAN. AND SO, WITH THE INTENTION OF REALLY
3 REVITALIZING THAT AREA. AND SO WE PUT SOME THOUGHT INTO IT.
4 WE'RE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THE MODEL WE'RE BRINGING AND THE
5 DEVELOPMENT THAT WE'RE BRINGING AND THE BROADER COMMUNITY
6 DEVELOPMENT. WE THOUGHT AN APPROPRIATE NAME FOR THIS PROJECT
7 WOULD BE THE SPARK AT MIDTOWN, WITH THE IDEA THAT THIS IS
8 GOING TO IGNITE, HOPEFULLY, THE REVITALIZATION OF MIDTOWN, NOT
9 JUST BECAUSE IT'S BRINGING IN A BEAUTIFUL DEVELOPMENT BUT
10 BECAUSE IT'S ALSO BRINGING ALL OF THESE OTHER COMMUNITY
11 RESOURCES TO BEAR IN A NEIGHBORHOOD THAT REALLY COULD BENEFIT
12 FROM IT. SO WE'RE HAVE VERY EXCITED TO BE HERE. WE'RE PLEASED
13 TO HEAR THAT THIS PROJECT IS BEING CONSIDERED FOR ADDITIONAL
14 SUPPORT. AND WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING YOU HAVE DONE
15 FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND FOR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING IN
16 THE COUNTY.

17

18 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MADAME
19 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THOSE WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO
20 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

21

22 **CELIA ZAVALA, ACTING EXEC. OFCR.:** WOULD DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL
23 AND ERIC PREVEN PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** GOOD MORNING. IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD
2 DISTRICT, AND I'LL BE BRIEF. I THINK THIS IS A SUPPORTABLE
3 PROJECT. I TOOK NOTE OF THE 8 PERCENT COMMISSION FOR THE
4 COMMISSION OF THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. THAT SEEMS LIKE
5 \$120,000 ON TOP OF THE 1.5 MILLION. BUT MISSING IS THE -- WHAT
6 IS THE BUDGET FOR THIS PROJECT? I SAW ONE THAT MITCH O'FARRELL
7 WAS DOING WITH L.I.N.C. HOUSING. WHAT CAUGHT MY ATTENTION
8 THERE WAS WE ARE PROVIDING SOME GOOD THINGS IN THIS FACILITY,
9 BUT HOW ARE WE GOING TO, LIKE ALL THESE THINGS, WE HAVE TOO
10 FEW SLOTS FOR THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE. SO THE QUESTION BECOMES:
11 HOW AND WHAT IS THE PROCESS FOR GETTING IN? THERE WAS AN
12 ARTICLE IN THE NEWSPAPER IN LONG BEACH. I THINK IT WAS IN THE
13 L.A. TIMES ABOUT LONG BEACH AND THE HEARTBREAKING EVICTIONS
14 THAT ARE TAKING PLACE, BECAUSE DEVELOPERS ARE REALIZING THAT
15 THEY CAN RAISE THE RENT, DUE SOME RENOVATIONS, GET PEOPLE OUT
16 AND JACK IT UP AND PEOPLE FALL OUT. SO WE HAVE TO STEM BOTH
17 THE TIDE OF PEOPLE GOING INTO HOMELESSNESS AND ALSO,
18 UNFORTUNATELY, GETTING SHELTER. WE HAVE TO DO MORE. SO I DON'T
19 KNOW WHAT TO SAY. GOOD LUCK. GOOD WORK.

20

21 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE CAN USE ALL THE LUCK
22 WE'RE WISHED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

23

24 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

25 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I THINK THAT'S A GOOD PROJECT. I THINK

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1 IT'S TIME WE ARE LOOKING AT SOLUTIONS OUTSIDE THE BOX. I THINK
2 NO MATTER THAN NOT, IT'S BETTER THAN NOTHING. AND I KNOW IN
3 LONG BEACH THERE IS A COUPLE OF OTHER GOOD PROGRAMS WHO HAVE
4 BEEN IMPLEMENTED FOR MANY YEARS THAT COULD TAKE ALONG, SO
5 THANK YOU FOR DOING IT. I WILL COME BACK LATER.

6

7 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** LET US POUR YOU A GLASS OF WATER,
8 DOC.

9

10 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** YOU BET. THANK YOU. I BELIEVE THAT'S
13 ALL THE FOLKS THAT SIGNED UP ON THIS ITEM. SO, MOVED BY
14 SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. ANY OBJECTION
15 TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ITEMS 2-D AND 12? SEEING NONE, THAT
16 WILL BE THE ACTION. LET US MOVE, THEN, TO FILE ITEM 2,
17 SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

18

19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I THINK THAT
20 EVERYONE HERE IN THE ROOM AND OUT IN THE PUBLIC UNDERSTAND
21 THAT WE'VE BEEN EXPERIENCING VERY EXTREME WEATHER PATTERNS.
22 AND WITH THAT, I BELIEVE WE ALSO NEED TO HAVE AN APPROPRIATE
23 EMERGENCY RESPONSE. SO I'VE ALSO ASKED FOR OUR DIRECTOR AND
24 C.E.O. OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT JEFF REEB TO BE HERE.
25 AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR JOINING ME AS

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1 COAUTHOR. WE'VE HAD THE EXPERIENCE OF SEVERAL MAJOR FIRES,
2 JUST ONE YESTERDAY IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT. AND IN FOURTH OF
3 JULY DURING THAT WEEK, WE HAD SOME FIRES OUT IN SANTA FE DAM.
4 AND WE SEE A CONTINUING NEED TO TRY TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF
5 INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE LIVING IN ENCAMPMENTS IN THE RIVER BEDS
6 AND ALONG OUR VARIOUS WATERSHEDS THAT ARE EXPOSED TO EXTREME
7 HEAT BUT ALSO TO THE FIRES. AND I KNOW THAT WE'VE BEEN WORKING
8 VERY CLOSELY WITH THE COUNTIES FROM THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, AND I
9 REALLY WANT TO APPRECIATE THAT EFFORT AND KNOW HOW IMPORTANT
10 IT IS BECAUSE FIRES AND HOMELESSNESS ARE NOT JUST 9 TO 5; THEY
11 ARE 7 DAYS A WEEK, 24/7. AND I'M HAPPY THAT THIS ITEM IS BEING
12 BROUGHT UP TODAY, BECAUSE WE DO NEED TO ADDRESS WHAT THE
13 IMPACTS ARE IN OUR AREA AND HOW WE CAN BEST ADDRESS THEM. SO I
14 HAVE A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS I'D LIKE TO ASK OUR DIRECTOR, THE
15 OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, JEFF REEB, IF YOU MIND, AND
16 SOME OF IT IS VERY BASIC. WHAT KIND OF WEATHER OR TEMPERATURES
17 TRIGGER A RESPONSE FROM YOUR OFFICE? AND WHAT ABOUT THE
18 EVENINGS AND WEEKENDS?

19

20 **JEFF REEB:** YES, GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, MADAME CHAIR,
21 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I'M JEFF REEB, THE DIRECTOR OF THE
22 OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. SO, THE ACTIVATION TO DO
23 OUTREACH FOR THE HOMELESS POPULATIONS IS TRIGGERED BY THE
24 HEALTH OFFICE ISSUING EITHER A HEAT ALERT OR A HEAT EMERGENCY.
25 A HEAT ALERT IS ISSUED WHEN THE TEMPERATURES ARE BETWEEN 95

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1 AND 104 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT FOR TWO OR MORE DAYS AND A HEAT
2 EMERGENCY IS WHEN THREE OR MORE DAYS ABOVE 105. AND WHEN THAT
3 HAPPENS, WE REACH OUT AND COORDINATE A DEPARTMENT RESPONSE
4 THAT CONSISTS OF WORKING WITH L.A.H.S.A. AND SENDING THEIR
5 TEAMS OUT TO DO ENGAGEMENT. WE COORDINATE WITH THE SHERIFF'S
6 DEPARTMENT AS WELL, BECAUSE THEIR C.O.P.S. TEAM IS OUT THERE
7 AS A MATTER OF ROUTINE ALMOST EVERY DAY. ON WEEKENDS -- AND WE
8 KNOW THAT THESE HEAT TEMPERATURES, THEY DON'T SURPRISE US. WE
9 KNOW THEY'RE COMING. WE'RE ABLE TO CONVENE OUTREACH BETWEEN
10 THE HOURS OF 8 AND 5 OVER THE WEEKENDS, AS WELL. SO IT'S
11 REALLY A 7-DAY-A-WEEK OUTREACH EFFORT BY L.A.H.S.A. AND THEIR
12 TEAMS.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** HOW MANY TEAMS DO YOU HAVE CURRENTLY?

15

16 **JEFF REEB:** OVER THE WEEKEND, WE HAD TEAMS OUT FRIDAY,
17 SATURDAY, AND SUNDAY. WE HAD FIVE TEAMS OUT.

18

19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND WHAT DOES THAT CONSIST OF? HOW MANY
20 INDIVIDUALS?

21

22 **JEFF REEB:** TEAMS VARY IN SIZE BETWEEN -- A NORMAL TEAM IS AT
23 LEAST TWO MEMBERS. AND SOME OF THE -- WE WERE IN THE ANTELOPE
24 VALLEY, SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, EAST L.A. AND

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1 SANTA CLARITA. THE TEAM SIZE WILL VARY FROM TWO TWO-PERSON
2 TEAMS OR UP TO MAYBE AS MANY AS THREE TWO-PERSON TEAMS.

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND WHAT TYPE OF RESOURCES ARE DISTRIBUTED
5 BY THE TEAMS?

6

7 **JEFF REEB:** YES, THEY HAND OUT BOTTLED WATER OVER THE WEEKEND.
8 THEY HANDED OUT OVER 300 BOTTLES OF WATER. HYGIENE KITS. AND
9 THEY OFFER TRANSPORTATION TO OUR COOLING CENTERS AND ALSO BUS
10 TOKENS.

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** RIGHT. I AM JUST WANT TO BE ABLE TO
13 UNDERSTAND. TRANSPORTATION, I UNDERSTAND, HAS BEEN ACTIVATED
14 OR MAYBE ACTIVATED WHEN TAKING PEOPLE TO COOLING CENTERS. IS
15 THAT THE CASE? OR ARE WE LOOKING AT THAT POTENTIAL?

16

17 **JEFF REEB:** WE ARE. NOW, RIGHT NOW, THE L.A.H.S.A. HOMELESS
18 ENGAGEMENT TEAMS DO HAVE A TRANSPORTATION COMPONENT THAT THEY
19 CAN USE TO TRANSPORT PEOPLE TO THOSE COOLING CENTERS. AND SO,
20 LIKE I MENTIONED WHETHER BUS TOKENS OR THE UNITS THAT THEY
21 HAVE. WAS THERE ANOTHER PART OF THAT QUESTION THAT MAYBE I
22 NEED TO ADDRESS?

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YOU KNOW, I'M INTERESTED IN FINDING OUT,
25 BECAUSE I KNOW IN ONE OF OUR ENCAMPMENTS IN THE SAN GABRIEL

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1 VALLEY BY WHITTIER NARROWS, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT OVER 100
2 EXIST. AND NOT EVERYONE, OBVIOUSLY, IS GOING TO JUMP ON A BUS
3 OR A SHUTTLE, BUT I STILL THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR PEOPLE TO
4 BE ABLE TO, IF THEY KNOW THAT THERE'S A COOLING CENTER AND
5 THEY'RE EXPERIENCING HEAT STROKE OR ILLNESS, THAT WE HAVE A
6 WAY OF TRANSPORTING THEM. AND I'M WONDERING HOW WE CAN BETTER
7 COORDINATE THAT EVEN WITH OUR OWN SHUTTLE SERVICES THAT WE
8 HAVE, BECAUSE I KNOW IN SOME PARTS OF THE COUNTY, WE PAY FOR
9 THAT SHUTTLE SERVICE. AND THERE SHOULD BE BETTER COORDINATION,
10 ESPECIALLY DURING THESE EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS THAT WE'RE
11 FACED WITH. AND I'M HOPING THAT WE CAN TRY TO DO THAT IN SOME
12 WAY FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT NEED IT AND WOULD WANT IT.

13

14 **JEFF REEB:** ABSOLUTELY. WE'RE CONVENING A TASKFORCE -- A
15 COMMITTEE, RATHER, ON AUGUST 2ND AT 2:00. IT'LL HAVE THE LEAD
16 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS PARTICIPATING IN THAT TASKFORCE AS WELL AS
17 L.A.H.S.A. AND WE'LL LOOK AT HOW WE CAN INCREASE OUR
18 TRANSPORTATION RESOURCES FOR THAT PURPOSE.

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** ONE OF THE OTHER QUESTIONS I HAVE IS: HOW DO
21 OUR DEPARTMENTS COLLABORATE ONCE WE BECOME AWARE OF A FIRE IN
22 AN AREA KNOWN TO HAVE HOMELESS ENCAMPMENTS?

23

24 **JEFF REEB:** SO, WE HAVE SOME RECENT EXPERIENCE WITH THAT. BOTH,
25 AS YOU HAD MENTIONED EARLIER, MY OFFICE WILL BE CONTACTED AS A

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1 MATTER OF ROUTINE THAT THOSE NOTIFICATIONS COME OUT OF BOTH
2 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS CENTER AS WELL AS THE FIRE
3 DEPARTMENT. WE GET NOTIFICATION VIA PAGE. WE'LL EITHER
4 DISPATCH SOMEONE FROM O.E.M. TO GO OUT AND INTERFACE WITH THE
5 INCIDENT COMMANDER AT THE COMMAND POST OR WE CAN DO IT
6 REMOTELY. AND THEN IF THE COMMANDER REPORTS THAT THERE IS
7 UNMET NEEDS OUT THERE BY PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS,
8 WE'LL CONTACT L.A.H.S.A. AND SEE IF THEY HAVE ANYONE THAT CAN
9 GO OUT. ALSO, WE HAVE THE RED CROSS AVAILABLE. THE RED CROSS
10 WILL DO A SHORT-TERM EVACUATION CENTER FOR PEOPLE THAT ARE
11 DISPLACED WHILE THE FIRE IS ACTIVELY BURNING. SO, THERE IS
12 SOME SHELTER SERVICE, OR SOME COMFORT SERVICES PROVIDED THERE.
13 THEN WE WORK WITH L.A.H.S.A. TO GO OUT AND WORK THE AREA THE
14 NEXT DAY. YOU KNOW, PEOPLE TYPICALLY WHEN THERE'S A FIRE,
15 PEOPLE WOULD TYPICALLY KIND OF RELOCATE DURING THAT ACTIVE
16 PERIOD WHILE THE FIREFIGHTERS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT ARE AROUND.
17 THEN THEY'LL DRIFT BACK IN. AND WE MAKE GOOD CONTACTS WITH
18 THEM THE NEXT DAY.

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** SO I'M HOPING THAT AS WE MOVE THROUGH ON
21 THIS REPORT BACK THAT WE CAN LOOK AT OTHER RESOURCES THAT THE
22 COUNTY HAS AVAILABLE. I KNOW IN THE INSTANCE WHERE WE HAVE THE
23 RIVERBED ADJOINING WHITTIER NARROWS, WE'VE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN
24 AT LEAST BEGINNING OUR PILOT MOBILE SHOWER EFFORT WHERE NOW
25 PEOPLE ARE COMING IN. WE'RE EXTENDING THE HOURS. AND I HEAR

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1 THAT'S AT CAPACITY, WHICH I THINK IS GREAT. WE'RE ACTUALLY
2 MEETING THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE. BUT THEY'RE GETTING WRAP-AROUND
3 SERVICES, AND THEY'RE GETTING SERVICES ALSO FROM OUR D.P.S.S.,
4 FROM OUR EXPUNGEMENT UNIT, WITH OUR P.D.S, AND ALL KINDS OF
5 TERRIFIC THINGS THAT WE NEED TO GET HOMELESS PEOPLE BACK ON
6 THEIR FEET. I'M HOPING THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO EXPAND THAT,
7 BUT NOT JUST HAVING THE MOBILE SHOWERS, BUT WHERE WE HAVE
8 AQUATIC FACILITIES THAT ARE NOT BEING USED WHERE THERE ARE
9 SHOWERS, THAT PERHAPS WE CAN AT SOME POINT BEGIN TO LOOK AT
10 WHERE PEOPLE, HOMELESS PEOPLE THAT ARE ADJACENT TO THESE PARKS
11 MIGHT BE ABLE TO USE THOSE FACILITIES AND CONTINUE WITH THIS
12 WHOLE EFFORT OF HAVING WRAP-AROUND SERVICES WITH THE INTENT OF
13 GETTING THEM OUT OF BEING HOMELESS AND INTO TRANSITIONAL
14 HOUSING AND GETTING THE ASSISTANCE THAT THEY NEED.

15

16 **JEFF REEB:** YES. SO THE OFFICE OF HOMELESS INTEGRATION IS
17 WORKING IN THAT AREA TO EXPAND THAT PROGRAM. THERE ARE SOME
18 RESOURCES THAT ARE AVAILABLE. I KNOW THAT THEY'RE ACTIVELY
19 LOOKING AT HOW WE CAN LINK PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AT
20 OTHER FACILITIES AND RESOURCES FROM THE COUNTY. SO THAT IS
21 UNDERWAY.

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I WANT TO THANK YOU IN PARTICULAR, JEFF, FOR
24 YOUR WORK AND THE C.E.O. AND OBVIOUSLY OUR SHERIFFS AS WELL AS
25 OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT, BECAUSE I THINK MANY TIMES PEOPLE DON'T

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1 UNDERSTAND THE ROLE THAT THEY PLAY, WHICH IS REALLY PROTECTING
2 THE SAFETY OF THE HOMELESS BUT ALSO, EVEN BEYOND THAT, OUR
3 COMMUNITIES IN PROVIDING SECURITY. AND WE'RE UTILIZING, I
4 BELIEVE, OUR RESOURCES IN A MORE EFFICIENT MANNER AND ONE THAT
5 REALLY CAN PROVIDE MORE HOLISTIC ATTENTION AND SERVICE TO
6 THESE INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE MULTIPLE NEEDS. I WANT TO THANK
7 YOU AND LOOK FORWARD TO THE REPORT BACK. AGAIN, I WANT TO
8 THANK MY COAUTHOR AND THE BOARD FOR BEING SO SUPPORTIVE,
9 BECAUSE IT REALLY DOES MAKE A DIFFERENCE. THANK YOU, MADAME
10 CHAIR.

11

12 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.

13

14 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU,
15 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP ON THIS MOTION. AND I
16 KNOW THAT WHEN WE HAD TEMPERATURES REACHING INTO THE HIGH --
17 LOW 100S, I UNDERSTAND YOU AND YOUR OFFICE WERE ON THE GROUND
18 MAKING SURE THERE WAS WATER FOR THE HOMELESS IN THE RIVER
19 BEDS. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT IS LIFE-THREATENING, AND WITH THE
20 UNSEASONABLE AMOUNT OF HUMIDITY WE'VE HAD, IT JUST EXACERBATES
21 THE SITUATION AS IT RELATES TO THE PEOPLE GETTING HEAT
22 EXHAUSTION AND NOT EVEN REALIZING IT. I KNOW IN MY MARKET
23 THERE WERE PEOPLE BUYING CASES OF WATER TO HAND OUT TO THE
24 HOMELESS, RECOGNIZING THAT WHILE WE TAKE IT FOR GRANTED FOR
25 THE HOMELESS, THAT CAN BE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THEM ENDING

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1 UP IN OUR EMERGENCY ROOMS OR EVEN DYING. THERE ARE THOSE
2 LIVING WITHOUT SHELTER IN L.A., AND THEY ARE PARTICULARLY
3 IMPACTED BY THESE CONDITIONS. AND OPENING UP OUR FACILITIES TO
4 THEM IS REALLY A NECESSITY BUT ALSO MORALLY THE RIGHT THING TO
5 DO. WHILE THE COUNTY IS COMMITTED TO CONTINUING ITS EFFORTS TO
6 OFFER THE COOLING CENTERS TO THOSE IN NEED, WE MUST CONSIDER
7 EXPANDING PROGRAMMING TO ADDRESS THE CHALLENGES THAT OUR
8 COMMUNITIES FACE. UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, THE TEMPERATURES
9 OUT IN THE DESERT CAN BE AS HIGH AS 115, 120 DEGREES AND WITH
10 NO WATER WITHIN A DISTANCE TO GET. AND SO IT'S IMPORTANT THAT
11 THESE OUTREACH TEAMS GO OUT AND REALLY CANVAS THE COMMUNITY.
12 AND I WANT TO THANK OUR TEAMS, BECAUSE WHILE WE ARE TALKING
13 ABOUT THE HOMELESS AND THE HEAT EXHAUSTION, THEY'RE OUT THERE
14 TRULY BEING THE SOLDIERS AND THE WARRIORS ON THE ROAD MAKING
15 SURE THAT INDIVIDUALS ARE GETTING THE SERVICES AND HELP THEY
16 NEED. SO, AGAIN, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS,
17 FOR LETTING ME BE A COAUTHOR ON THIS MOTION. AND I ALSO WOULD
18 LIKE TO THANK OUR MEN AND WOMEN, OUR FIRST RESPONDERS IN
19 PARTICULAR, L.A. COUNTY FIRE, ESPECIALLY WITH WHAT'S GOING UP
20 IN SANTA CLARITA WITH THE FIRES. THEY ARE PUTTING THEIR LIFE
21 AT RISK IN ORDER TO SAVE PEOPLE'S LIVES AND PROPERTIES. SO I
22 LOOK FORWARD TO GETTING THE REPORT BACK. AND I THINK THIS IS
23 REALLY A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

24

25 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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1

2 **JEFF REEB:** YOU'RE WELCOME. THANK YOU, BOARD.

3

4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
5 CALL THOSE WHO SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

6

7 **CELIA ZAVALA, ACTING EXEC. OFCR.:** WOULD THE FOLLOWING
8 INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME. BRIGID
9 KELLY. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, ERIC PREVEN, VICTOR TRUJILLO.
10 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

11

12 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** WELCOME.

13

14 **ERIC PREVEN:** WELCOME, AND THANK YOU. I THINK A LOT OF PEOPLE
15 HAVE BEEN THINKING ABOUT THIS, SO GOOD AREA. WHAT DO YOU DO
16 WHEN IT'S SO HOT AND PEOPLE ARE OUTSIDE? SO HANDING OUT 300
17 WATERS IS GREAT. BUT WE HAVE SO MANY PEOPLE. AND I KNOW YOU'RE
18 TRYING TO TUNE IT UP. I THINK TUNING UP PARKS AND RECS PLACES
19 WITH SHOWERS IS A VERY GOOD IDEA. I DON'T LIKE THE IDEA OF
20 HYGIENE KITS, BECAUSE I DON'T UNDERSTAND IT. I FEEL LIKE
21 PEOPLE WHO ARE ON THE STREET, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH A
22 HYGIENE KIT. YOU NEED THE LAVAME TRUCK AND THE HYGIENE KIT HAS
23 TO COME WITH THE TRUCK. WE'RE DOING IT IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD AND
24 I CAN'T UNDERSTAND BECAUSE YOU DON'T WANT A LITTLE FIRST CLASS
25 BAG WHEN YOU'RE ON THE STREET. YOU WANT A PLACE TO GET CLEAN

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1 AND STUFF. NOW, THERE'S A LITTLE CORRECTION REQUEST IN THIS
2 ITEM, BECAUSE ON FEBRUARY 4TH WE WROTE IN THE INTERCEPT
3 ARTICLE ABOUT HOW THE LOS ANGELES CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT DREW A
4 CONCLUSION THAT THEY BACKED OFF QUICKLY. THERE WAS NOT A
5 HOMELESS PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SKIRBALL FIRE, AND YOUR
6 ITEM MENTIONS THAT THERE WAS OR AS IF IT WAS DETERMINED. AND
7 THAT DETERMINATION HAS NOT BEEN FINALIZED. MIKE CASTILLO IS
8 THE GUY AND CHIEF TERRAZAS. BUT THAT WAS A BIG, BIG BLOW TO
9 HOMELESS PEOPLE, PEOPLE WHO ARE EXPERIENCING IT ALL OVER
10 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

11

12 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13

14 **BRIGID KELLY:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS BRIGID KELLY, AND I
15 WORK AT P.A.T.H. AS A HOMELESS SERVICES ORGANIZATION COMMITTED
16 TO ENDING HOMELESSNESS FOR INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES AND
17 COMMUNITIES, OUR PROGRAMS ARE COMMITTED TO HELPING THE MOST
18 VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS LIVING ON OUR STREETS. I WANT TO THANK
19 THE SUPERVISORS AND THE COUNTY FOR RECOGNIZING THE NEED TO
20 PROTECT THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF OUR NEIGHBORS EXPERIENCING
21 HOMELESSNESS DURING TIMES OF EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS. THE
22 MOST RECENT HEAT WAVE, FOR EXAMPLE, PRESENTS OVERWHELMING
23 CHALLENGES AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS CONDITIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS
24 LIVING OUTSIDE. DURING EXTREME WEATHER CONDITIONS,
25 TRANSPORTATION AND ACCESS TO COOLING CENTERS ALONG WITH A

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1 COORDINATED RESPONSE ARE NECESSARY TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF
2 BOTH OUR COMMUNITIES AND OUR NEIGHBORS EXPERIENCING
3 HOMELESSNESS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR CONSIDERING THE ITEM
4 BEFORE YOU. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER,
7 PLEASE.

8

9 **VICTOR TRUJILLO:** HI, MY NAME IS VICTOR TRUJILLO. I'M VERY --
10 IT'S INTERESTING THAT WE HAVE HOMELESS PEOPLE OVER 150 YEARS.
11 WE HAVE BUILT SKYSCRAPERS AND WE HAVE BUILT MANY THINGS. BUT
12 \$1, IF YOU GO TO ANY BANK, YOU CAN GET MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF
13 LOANS. WE CAN BUILD BUSINESSES, COMMUNITIES IN LANCASTER, THAT
14 I GUESS DISTRICT 5 KNOWS ABOUT, THAT WE ARE IN DEMAND OF A
15 POPULATION GROWTH, AND WE CAN'T TAKE CARE OF THESE PEOPLE. WE
16 LOOK AT THEM AND WE SAY HOW SAD. WE GIVE THEM WATER, GIVE THEM
17 THIS, BUT IN JAIL, THEY GIVE YOU EVERYTHING BECAUSE THE
18 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S PAYING. THEN WE HAVE THIS CRISIS WITH THE
19 KIDS BEING HURT OVER THERE. AND WE'RE IGNORING THAT. WE'RE NOT
20 BRINGING IN EDUCATED PEOPLE AND SAYING, LOOK, WAIT A MINUTE.
21 YOU KNOW, ASK ONE OF THESE MEMBERS, WHY DON'T YOU GO OUT AND
22 LIVE OUTSIDE IN THE COLD IN LANCASTER? YOU WILL FREEZE TO
23 DEATH. IT IS SO SAD. AND EVEN IN LOS ANGELES. THERE'S SOME
24 PEOPLE WE CALL ARTHRITIS. WHEN YOU REACH THE AGE OF 35 TO LIKE

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1 50, YOU DIE IN THE COLD. AND WE DON'T RECOGNIZE IT. PLEASE.

2 WAKE UP. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

5

6 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD MORNING. DR. GENEVIEVE
7 CLAVREUL. I AM VERY GLAD TO SEE THAT YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT
8 LANCASTER AND SO ON, BECAUSE IT'S WHERE THE TEMPERATURES ARE
9 ONE OF THE HIGHEST IN OUR COUNTY, AND THEY ARE THE LAST ONES
10 TO HAVE A LISTENING SESSION. IT'S NOT GOING TO BE UNTIL THE
11 MIDDLE OF SIX MONTHS. AND THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN, ACTUALLY, ONE
12 OF THE FIRST ONES AFTER THE WATTS AREA AND SO ON TO HAVE THE
13 LISTENING SESSION. AND THAT SESSION WAS ONLY ADDED, ACTUALLY,
14 BECAUSE I INSISTED MULTIPLE TIMES WHEN WAS IT GOING TO HAPPEN.
15 I REALLY WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND AND BARGER TO
16 REALLY EMPHASIZE TAKING CARE, ESPECIALLY IN THAT PERIOD WE
17 HAVE NOW OF SUCH HIGH TEMPERATURES AND SO ON, BECAUSE WATER IS
18 GOOD, BUT HUMAN BODY NEED MORE THAN WATER. BUT THAT'S A VERY
19 GOOD BEGINNING. I WILL SEE SOMETHING MAYBE MORE. A FEW MONTHS
20 AGO, I SENT A PROPOSAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON HOW TO
21 REALLY DEVELOP A QUALITY ASSURANCE TEAM. AND I HAVE -- I
22 RECEIVED A RESPONSE FROM MR. ANSELL. AND IT'S OBVIOUS HIS
23 IDEAS OF QUALITY ASSURANCE AND MINE ARE QUITE DIFFERENT. SO I
24 WILL SHARE WITH YOU MY RESPONSE TO HIS LETTER. IT'S A COPY TO
25 EACH OF THE SUPERVISORS AND ONE FOR OUR WONDERFUL C.E.O. SACHI

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1 HAMAI. AND I WOULD APPRECIATE IF YOU READ IT CAREFULLY. BUT I
2 CAN TELL YOU THAT'S THE FIRST TIME IN MY LIFE I AM SO HAPPY
3 NOT TO HAVE A PROPOSAL ACCEPTED.

4

5 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, DOC. I BELIEVE THERE ARE
6 NO OTHER PERSONS WHO SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. SO ITEM
7 2 IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
8 THOMAS. ANY OBJECTION TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ITEM 2? SEEING
9 NONE, THAT WILL BE THE ACTION. LET US MOVE NOW TO ITEM 10 HELD
10 BY SUPERVISOR HAHN.

11

12 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I JUST WANTED TO
13 HIGHLIGHT THIS, BECAUSE I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR L.A. COUNTY
14 RESIDENTS TO KNOW HOW PROACTIVE WE ARE AS A BOARD IN TERMS OF
15 EMISSIONS ALONG OUR FREEWAYS. AND COMMUNITIES IN THE HARBOR
16 AREA PARTICULARLY ALONG THE 710 AND THE 110 HAVE FOR SO LONG
17 SHOULDERED THE BURDEN OF OUR GOODS MOVEMENT SYSTEM AND THE
18 POLLUTED AIR THAT COMES WITH IT. WE KNOW THAT 40-PLUS PERCENT
19 OF ALL THE TRADE THAT COMES INTO OUR COUNTRY COMES THROUGH
20 LONG BEACH AND LOS ANGELES. AND WHILE THE REST OF THE COUNTRY
21 BENEFITS FROM GETTING GOODS ON TIME, IT'S OUR COMMUNITIES THAT
22 HAVE OVER THE YEARS REALLY BORE THE BURDEN OF BAD HEALTH
23 BECAUSE OF GOODS MOVEMENT. AND THE DIRTY DIESEL TRUCKS AND THE
24 TRAFFIC, THEY CONTRIBUTE CERTAINLY TO CLIMATE CHANGE, BUT
25 THEY'VE CREATED WHAT'S KNOWN AS THE DIESEL DEATH ZONE WHERE

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1 CITIZENS DIE FROM HEIGHTENED RATES OF ASTHMA, HEART DISEASE,
2 AND CANCER. AND WHAT WE'RE DOING IS INVESTING IN ZERO-
3 EMISSIONS TRANSPORTATION FUTURE, AND WE'RE BEING PROACTIVE
4 ABOUT IT. AND THAT'S WHY SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND I HAVE PUT FORTH
5 THIS MOTION TO ALLOW THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO BE A MEMBER
6 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ELECTRIFICATION PARTNERSHIP THAT WAS
7 LAUNCHED BY L.A. CLEANTECH INCUBATOR. THE ELECTRIFICATION
8 TRANSPORTATION PARTNERSHIP IS AN AMBITIOUS EFFORT TO NOT ONLY
9 INVEST IN THE NECESSARY RESEARCH TO FIND THE TECHNOLOGICAL
10 SOLUTIONS FOR A ZERO-EMISSIONS FUTURE BUT PUTS US ON A PATHWAY
11 TO MAKING THEM A REALITY. AND SHOULD THIS MOTION PASSES TODAY,
12 L.A. COUNTY WILL JOIN THE RANKS OF L.A. CITY, THE PORT OF LOS
13 ANGELES, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON, TESLA, B.M.W., METRO AND
14 OTHERS WHO HAVE ALREADY BEEN A PART OF THIS PARTNERSHIP TO
15 ACCELERATE ZERO-EMISSIONS GOODS MOVEMENT AND ELECTRIC
16 TRANSPORTATION. AS PART OF THIS NEW PARTNERSHIP, THIS TEAM
17 WILL ALSO JOIN METRO AND HELP THEM ACHIEVE THE ZERO EMISSIONS
18 ON THE 710 FREEWAY THROUGH THE ZERO EMISSIONS WORKING GROUP.
19 AND WHILE WE'VE STRUGGLED ABOUT THE 710 FREEWAY AND WHETHER OR
20 NOT WE'RE EVER GOING TO WIDEN IT OR BUILD IT, WE KNOW THAT IF
21 WE DO, IN THE FUTURE, ADD A LANE TO THAT FREEWAY, WE WANT TO
22 MAKE SURE THAT WE MAKE IT FOR TRUCKS AND VEHICLES THAT ARE
23 ZERO EMISSIONS. THE PORTS ARE BOTH MOVING TO ZERO- EMISSIONS
24 TRUCK AND GOODS MOVEMENT. AND THERE'S NO REASON WHY WE CAN'T
25 HIGHLIGHT THAT ON THE 710 FREEWAY. SO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR

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1 KUEHL, FOR JOINING WITH ME ON THIS VERY IMPORTANT ENDEAVOR. I
2 THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR PEOPLE'S HEALTH.

3

4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I'M VERY
5 PLEASED TO DO SO. I THINK PEOPLE QUESTION WHEN YOU HAVE AN
6 ITEM THAT'S RELATED ONLY TO ELECTRIC PROPULSION OR ONLY TO
7 METHANE EXTRACTION AND USE, BUT I THINK THE ANSWER IS WE'RE
8 LOOKING-- IT'S SORT OF AN EVERY KIND OF THING IN TO CUT BACK
9 ON EMISSIONS. AND SO THIS, I THINK, IS A VERY GOOD WAY TO GO.
10 A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE LOOKING TO THE ELECTRIFICATION OF
11 EVERYTHING. I MEAN, YOU GO NOW TO BUY NEW APPLIANCES FOR YOUR
12 KITCHEN, THERE'S A LOT MORE SORT OF TO LOOK AT IN TERMS OF
13 ELECTRIC APPLIANCES THAN THERE WAS. AND PEOPLE ARE, YOU KNOW,
14 KIND OF THINKING ABOUT HOW TO MOVE ALTOGETHER TOWARDS
15 SUSTAINABILITY AND BETTER AIR QUALITY. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH
16 FOR DOING THIS. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, HAS ANYONE SIGNED UP
17 TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM?

18

19 **CELIA ZAVALA, ACTING EXEC. OFCR.:** YES. WE HAVE ONE SPEAKER.
20 WOULD JENNIFER KROPKE PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL
21 ASSIST YOU.

22

23 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** WELCOME.

24

25 **JENNIFER KROPKE:** GOOD MORNING.

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1

2 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** GOOD MORNING.

3

4 **JENNIFER KROPKE:** THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HAVING ME. MY NAME IS
5 JENNIFER KROPKE. I WORK FOR THE INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF
6 ELECTRICAL WORKERS LOCAL 11 AND THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL
7 CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION. WE ARE SO PROUD TO COME UP AND
8 SUPPORT THIS MOTION. AS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE L.A. ELECTRIC
9 BUS COALITION, I.B.E.W. LOCAL 11 HAS COMMITTED OUR RESOURCES
10 TO ELECTRIFICATION OF TRANSPORTATION. AND BY ELECTRIFICATION,
11 WE MEAN ZERO EMISSIONS IN TRANSPORTATION AND, AS WELL, IN
12 GOODS MOVEMENT. AND IT IS SO EXCITING THAT OUR COUNTY
13 CONTINUES TO TAKE A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN REALLY WORKING FOR
14 SOLUTIONS THAT ARE SUSTAINABLE AND THAT INCLUDE WORKERS AND
15 THAT CONSIDER OUR HEALTH AND OUR AIR QUALITY. I.B.E.W. IS ALSO
16 COMMITTED TO JOINING L.A. CLEANTECH INCUBATOR IN THIS
17 ENDEAVOR. SO, IT'S SO EXCITING THAT OUR COUNTY IS REALLY
18 COMMITTING OUR RESOURCES TO BEING VERY PROGRESSIVE AND
19 FORWARD-THINKING AND SOLUTIONS-SOLVING. SO WE ARE VERY PROUD
20 TO STAND UP AND SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OR
21 AGENDA ITEM.

22

23 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I DON'T BELIEVE
24 THERE WERE ANY MORE REQUESTS TO SPEAK FROM THE PUBLIC, AND I
25 DON'T SEE ANY REQUESTS FROM MY COLLEAGUES, SO I HAVE A MOTION

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1 FROM SUPERVISOR HAHN, WHICH I'M HAPPY TO SECOND. AND IF
2 THERE'S NO OBJECTION TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, PLEASE RECORD THAT
3 AS THE ACTION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SO WE'LL MOVE NOW TO FILE
4 ITEM 11 HELD BY SUPERVISOR HAHN.

5

6 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I WANT YOU GUYS TO KNOW I'M BACK. THANK YOU,
7 MADAME CHAIR. AND I THINK DR. SHERIN IS GOING TO SAY A FEW
8 WORDS, TOO, ON THIS ITEM. BUT TODAY I'M AUTHORIZING THE SECOND
9 MOTION IN ORDER TO EXPAND OUR SCHOOL THREAT ASSESSMENT
10 RESPONSE TEAM, S.T.A.R.T., PROGRAM, AND I WANT TO THANK
11 SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR COAUTHORING THIS. AND THE S.T.A.R.T.
12 TEAM, WHICH IS SO INNOVATIVE, IS MADE UP OF MENTAL HEALTH
13 PROFESSIONALS WHO RESPOND TO CALLS FROM PRINCIPALS,
14 COUNSELORS, SCHOOL SECURITY OFFICERS, OR PARENTS WHO ARE
15 WORRIED ABOUT STUDENTS WHO HAVE TALKED ABOUT SUICIDE,
16 EXHIBITED BIZARRE BEHAVIOR, OR MADE OUTRIGHT THREATS. AND WHEN
17 WE FIRST BEGAN TO TALK ABOUT EXPANDING THIS VERY IMPORTANT
18 S.T.A.R.T. PROGRAM, IT WAS JUST TWO WEEKS AFTER 17 PEOPLE WERE
19 SHOT AND KILLED IN PARKLAND, FLORIDA, AND IT WAS ONE WEEK
20 AFTER L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES THWARTED A PLOT BY A
21 STUDENT TO CARRY OUT A SHOOTING AT EL CAMINO HIGH SCHOOL IN
22 WHITTIER. SINCE THEN, OUR S.T.A.R.T. PROGRAM HAS RECEIVED 133
23 REFERRALS. AND WHETHER OR NOT THOSE WOULD HAVE EVER AMOUNTED
24 TO ANYTHING, THE THOUGHT, THE PICTURE IN OUR MIND OF WHAT
25 COULD HAVE HAPPENED WITH THOSE 133 POSSIBLE THREATS IS

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1 DEVASTATING. AND RIGHT NOW, OUR DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
2 PROGRAM EMPLOYS A TEAM OF JUST 10 EMPLOYEES WHO RESPOND TO
3 CALLS AND INTERVENE BEFORE TRAGEDY STRIKES. BUT JUDGING BY THE
4 GUN EPIDEMIC WHICH IS SWEEPING OUR NATION, IT'S CLEAR THAT
5 THIS PROBLEM IS NOT GOING AWAY SOON. AND IN A COUNTY OF OVER
6 10 MILLION RESIDENTS, 10 EMPLOYEES SIMPLY, IN MY OPINION, IS
7 NOT ENOUGH, NO MATTER HOW BRILLIANT THESE TEAM MEMBERS ARE. IN
8 THE FUTURE, THE NEWLY EXPANDED TEAM WILL GO TO THE SCHOOL,
9 EVALUATE THE STUDENT, GO TO THE STUDENT'S HOME, AND DETERMINE
10 IF THIS STUDENT POSES A THREAT TO THEMSELVES AND TO OUR
11 COMMUNITY. IN MOST CASES, THE S.T.A.R.T. TEAM CAN REFER THE
12 STUDENT TO COUNSELING, AND IN MORE SERIOUS CASES, THE STUDENT
13 MIGHT BE PUT ON A 17-HOUR HOLD WHILE THEY STABILIZE. BUILDING
14 PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
15 AND OUR SCHOOLS IS KEY TO TACKLING THIS PROBLEM HEAD ON. AND
16 WHILE WE EXPAND THE S.T.A.R.T. PROGRAM, THIS MOTION DIRECTS
17 OUR DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO REACH OUT TO ALL L.A.
18 COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN ORDER TO WORK ON TRAININGS AND
19 COMMUNITY AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS PERTAINING TO SCHOOL VIOLENCE
20 PREVENTION AS STUDENTS BEGIN TO START SCHOOL AGAIN. I THINK
21 THIS IS SUCH AN IMPORTANT THING, DR. SHERIN, THAT YOU AND YOUR
22 DEPARTMENT WILL BE DOING, BECAUSE I THINK A LOT OF OUR SCHOOL
23 DISTRICTS AREN'T EVEN AWARE THAT S.T.A.R.T. TEAMS EXIST. AND I
24 THINK THEY WILL BE SO GRATEFUL TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
25 FOR OUR WILLINGNESS TO REACH OUT AND PARTNER ON THIS VERY

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1 SERIOUS ISSUE. IT'S A GREAT STEP FORWARD. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE
2 A REPORT BACK, I THINK, IN 60 DAYS OF HOW WE CAN MAKE SURE
3 THAT WE'RE EXPANDING THESE PROGRAMS AND GROW IT. SO THANK YOU,
4 DR. SHERIN. THANK YOU FOR, AGAIN, YOUR LEADERSHIP, YOUR VISION
5 OF, YOU KNOW, HOW WE CAN PREVENT TRAGEDY BEFORE IT STARTS. SO,
6 THANK YOU TO MY WONDERFUL COLLEAGUES WHO SUPPORTED THE FIRST
7 MOTION THAT SAID, "I THINK WE OUGHT TO LOOK AT EXPANDING THIS
8 PROGRAM." AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR BARGER, WHO SHARES
9 THE SAME SENSE OF URGENCY, PARTICULARLY AS SCHOOL WILL BE
10 STARTING AGAIN, THAT, YOU KNOW, WE NEED TO STOP TRAGEDY BEFORE
11 IT STARTS. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.

14

15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU, AND I WANT TO THANK YOU,
16 SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP ON THIS. THERE IS NO
17 QUESTION. I MEAN, WHEN WE TALK ABOUT PEER TO PEER, EDUCATING
18 NOT ONLY THE STUDENTS BUT THE PARENTS AND THE TEACHERS AND THE
19 ADMINISTRATORS ON SIGNS TO LOOK FOR, HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU
20 HEARD SOMEONE SAY AFTER THE FACT, "I NOTICED IT NOW, BUT I
21 DIDN'T KNOW AT THE TIME." AND BY EXPANDING THIS PROGRAM, WE
22 ARE ACTUALLY EMPOWERING INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE WITH THESE
23 STUDENTS SIX TO EIGHT HOURS A DAY, ARGUABLY A LOT MORE TIME
24 THAN THEY PROBABLY ARE SPENDING AT HOME. AND TEACHERS,
25 ESPECIALLY, CAN KNOW AND UNDERSTAND WHEN THERE'S A CHANGE IN

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1 THE DEMEANOR OR IF THEY ARE ALL OF A SUDDEN ABSENT QUITE A BIT
2 OR IF THERE ARE THINGS GOING ON WITH THE RELATIONSHIP AND
3 INTERACTION WITH OTHER STUDENTS IN THE SCHOOL, THERE ARE RED
4 FLAGS. AND THIS S.T.A.R.T. PROGRAM, I BELIEVE, IS GOING TO BE
5 A CRITICAL TOOL TO ENSURING THAT AT LEAST WE ARE DOING
6 SOMETHING TO EQUIP ALL OF OUR STUDENTS, PARENTS, TEACHERS ON
7 WHAT TO LOOK FOR AND WHAT SIGNS TO RESPOND TO. AND I THINK
8 THAT IT'S ONE THING TO SAY, "IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY
9 SOMETHING," BUT A LOT OF PEOPLE DON'T KNOW WHAT TO LOOK FOR.
10 AND I THINK THAT IS IMPORTANT. THIS IS GOING TO SHOW THEM AND
11 TEACH THEM WHAT TO LOOK FOR, THE RED FLAGS. SO, I WANT TO
12 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN, BECAUSE AFTER THE SHOOTINGS, I
13 KNOW THERE'S DEBATE IN TERMS OF HOW DO WE MOVE FORWARD, AND TO
14 ME THIS IS AN OBVIOUS. AND DR. SHERIN, YOU'VE BEEN ON THE
15 CUTTING EDGE AS IT RELATES TO PEER COUNSELING. AND IF YOU TALK
16 TO STUDENTS, THEY WILL TELL YOU THAT THEY HAVE A FAR DIFFERENT
17 RELATIONSHIP WITH THEIR PEERS AND THEIR PEERS ARE MORE LIKELY
18 TO OPEN UP TO THEM. SO, I COMMEND YOU AND YOUR TEAM FOR
19 HELPING US ADVANCE THIS. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU AGAIN FOR
20 YOUR LEADERSHIP ON THIS, SUPERVISOR HAHN, AS WELL AS THE
21 ENTIRE BOARD, BECAUSE THIS HAS NOT BEEN -- WHILE THERE ARE TWO
22 NAMES ON THIS MOTION, THIS HAS BEEN AN EFFORT BY ALL FIVE
23 SUPERVISORS RECOGNIZING THAT WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO MAKE
24 CHANGES AND DO THINGS THAT ARE GOING TO IMPACT OUR YOUTH. SO,
25 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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1

2 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. LET ME PICK UP
5 WHERE SUPERVISOR BARGER LEFT OFF IN SAYING THIS IS A CONCERN
6 OF ALL FIVE SUPERVISORS. THERE'S AMPLE EVIDENCE OF THAT OVER A
7 GOOD PERIOD OF TIME. ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO THE MAKER OF THIS
8 MOTION AND THE CONTINUED WORK THAT'S BEING DONE TO PRESS THIS
9 ISSUE FORWARD. IT'S A CONCERN OF THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS
10 WITHIN THE HEALTH AGENCY, MENTAL HEALTH, OBVIOUSLY, FOR
11 REASONS THAT ARE REQUIRING NO EXPLANATION. THE WORK OF PUBLIC
12 HEALTH IS IMPORTANT IN THIS SPACE, AS WELL, IN TERMS OF THE
13 EPIDEMIOLOGY OF VIOLENCE AND ALL OF WHAT CONNECTS THERE, NOT
14 JUST THE CLINICAL WORK THAT NEEDS TO HAPPEN WITH INDIVIDUALS
15 WHO MAY BE SUFFERING FOR A RANGE OF REASONS AND COULD HURT
16 THEMSELVES AND/OR OTHERS. OBVIOUSLY, D.H.S.S. HAS TO BE IN
17 THIS. BUT IN ADDITION TO THAT, A RANGE OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS
18 HAVE TO BE EDUCATED. WE DID A LOT OF WORK ON THE ISSUE OF
19 IMPLICIT BIAS. IT SEEMS TO ME WE OUGHT TO ELEVATE THIS ISSUE
20 SIMILARLY WITH THE KIND OF TRAINING THAT PEOPLE NEED TO HAVE
21 AND KNOW SO THAT THEY COULD BE AWARE AND ACT ACCORDINGLY. I
22 WOULD HOPE, AS IS BEING EVIDENCED TODAY, THAT THE WORK THAT WE
23 ARE DOING AROUND VIOLENCE PREVENTION, PUBLIC AWARENESS,
24 EDUCATION, NONVIOLENT TRAINING, ET CETERA, IS NOT OF MOMENT,
25 NOT EPISODIC, NOT BECAUSE IT'S IN VOGUE BECAUSE WE ARE

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1 REACTING, BUT WE NEED A SUSTAINED AGENDA AROUND THIS WORK. THE
2 OFFICE OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
3 HEALTH IS A CRITICAL PIECE OF THAT. BUT THE WORK THAT'S BEING
4 DONE BY DIVERSION AND RE-ENTRY IS ANOTHER PIECE OF IT. WE NEED
5 TO CONNECT A LOT OF THESE PIECES TOGETHER FOR THE PURPOSES OF
6 REALIZING THAT WE CAN ANTICIPATE THAT THINGS WILL HAPPEN THAT
7 WE WILL NOT BE HAPPY ABOUT OR PROUD OF. BUT WE CAN BEHAVE MORE
8 PREVENTIVELY WITH A HIGH LEVEL OF CONSCIOUSNESS AND A SYSTEMIC
9 WAY OF ADDRESSING THAT. AND SO I JUST WANT TO OFFER THOSE
10 INSIGHTS AND SAY THANK YOU TO BOTH SUPERVISORS HAHN AND BARGER
11 FOR COMING FORTH AND SALUTE THE ENTIRETY OF THE BOARD FOR ITS
12 SUSTAINED CONCERN AND ITS CONNECTION. AND WE NEED TO REALLY
13 KEEP PRESSING ON THIS. THESE ARE HORRIFIC CIRCUMSTANCES WHEN
14 THEY TAKE PLACE. WE CAN DO MORE TO HELP ON THE PREVENTIVE
15 FRONT. MADAME CHAIR.

16
17 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. DR. SHERIN, DID YOU WANT
18 TO SAY SOMETHING TO US?

19
20 **DR. JONATHAN SHERIN:** YES, GOOD MORNING. JON SHERIN, MENTAL
21 HEALTH. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. THIS IS AN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT
22 INITIATIVE FOR OUR COUNTY. IT REALLY PIGGYBACKS ON A LOT OF
23 THE WORK THAT WE'RE DOING, WHICH IS INTENDED TO BE SUSTAINED
24 WHERE WE INVEST IN OUR SCHOOLS. OUR SCHOOLS ARE PLATFORMS IN
25 NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITIES WHERE WE ARE ABLE TO IDENTIFY

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1 INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY BE SUFFERING AND IN NEED OF CARE. WE ALSO
2 MAY BE ABLE TO, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT, IDENTIFY
3 THOSE WHO POSE A THREAT. SO, WHILE WE DO HAVE 10 PEOPLE NOW
4 DEDICATED SPECIFICALLY TO THIS TEAM, WE'RE DOING A LOT OF WORK
5 IN RECENT MONTHS TO CROSS TRAIN AND TO HAVE A LARGER CAPACITY
6 THAN 10. HOWEVER, WE HAVE A SIGNIFICANT NEED TO EXPAND WELL
7 BEYOND WHAT WE HAVE. AND IT'S THROUGH OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH
8 L.A.C.O. AND WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS AS WELL AS LAW
9 ENFORCEMENT, INCLUDING THE SHERIFF AND THE POLICE DEPARTMENTS,
10 THAT WE CAN, WITH A LARGER WORKFORCE, REALLY PUT IN PLACE THE
11 SYSTEMS, THE PROGRAMS ALONG WITH AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS AND
12 EDUCATION TO MITIGATE A RISK THAT EXISTS HERE AND AROUND OUR
13 COUNTRY.

14

15 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I SEE SEVERAL OF OUR
16 DEPARTMENT HEADS ALSO HERE. I THINK THE REPORT WAS A VERY GOOD
17 START. A LITTLE LIGHT ON DETAILS, BUT THAT'S OKAY, BECAUSE
18 WE'VE ASKED FOR A REPORT BACK IN 60 DAYS ABOUT, I THINK, HOW
19 TO EXPAND THIS. I MEAN, REALLY, WHAT WILL IT TAKE AND WHAT
20 WILL WE DO? I THINK LOOKING TO PUBLIC HEALTH IN TERMS OF
21 VIOLENCE PREVENTION, BUT ALSO I NOTICED THAT A PART OF THE
22 MOTION ASKS YOUR DEPARTMENT AND L.A.C.O. TO REALLY PROVIDE
23 RESOURCES TO ALL THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR A SCHOOL VIOLENCE-
24 PREVENTION AWARENESS CAMPAIGN. DOES SUCH A CURRICULUM ALREADY
25 EXIST?

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2 **DR. JONATHAN SHERIN:** WELL, IT'S A GREAT QUESTION. AND, IN
3 FACT, WHAT WE'RE DOING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PUBLIC HEALTH IS
4 INVESTING IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF CURRICULUM AS WELL AS
5 INTERNSHIPS FOR MORE SENIOR STUDENTS IN HIGH SCHOOL WHO WILL
6 BE HOPEFULLY BROUGHT ON AS COUNTY STAFF BUT IN THE PROCESS,
7 HELP US AS, YOU KNOW, VECTORS TO ASSESS WHAT'S GOING ON IN
8 THEIR COMMUNITIES AND THEIR SCHOOLS IN A WAY THAT NO TRAINED
9 CLINICIAN CAN. THERE ALSO WERE TWO STATES THAT ARE MANDATED TO
10 HAVE MENTAL HEALTH CURRICULUM. AND THIS COULD BE ONE OF THE
11 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES THAT YOU'LL BE RECEIVING FROM THE
12 DEPARTMENT FOR THE NEXT LEGISLATIVE SEASON.

13

14 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** DR. FERRER, COULD I ALSO ASK,
15 BECAUSE WE'RE STILL KIND OF DEVELOPING -- AND I'M REALLY,
16 REALLY GRATEFUL TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FOR THE
17 CENTER FOR VIOLENCE PREVENTION. IT'S GOING TO BE --IT'S REALLY
18 EXCITING, BUT IT COVERS A LOT OF DIFFERENT ARENAS. I GUESS,
19 BOTH OF YOU ARE VERY COLLABORATIVE, I KNOW, NATIONALLY, AS
20 WELL. AND I'M REALLY INTERESTED WHEN WE HEAR BACK ABOUT WHAT
21 MIGHT BE IN USE, AND ALSO IMPORTANT TO ME NOT ONLY TO
22 EMPHASIZE THE POTENTIAL FOR VIOLENCE AS WE KNOW IT BECAUSE A
23 THREAT WAS MADE. AS YOU KNOW, IT'S ALWAYS KIND OF A FINE LINE.
24 A STUDENT IS ACTING OUT AND PEOPLE THINK THEY MIGHT BE
25 DANGEROUS TO THEMSELVES OR SOMEONE ELSE. BUT, YOU KNOW, WHAT

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1 ARE THE SIGNS? SO, I'M JUST INTERESTED IF THERE HAVE BEEN
2 VALIDATED KIND OF CURRICULA THAT YOU KNOW OF OR IT'S IN
3 DEVELOPMENT.

4

5 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH, I THINK THESE ARE REALLY GREAT
6 QUESTIONS THAT YOU'RE ALL ASKING, SUPERVISOR, AND I REALLY
7 APPRECIATE THE FOCUS ON THE PREVENTION SIDE. FIRST OF ALL,
8 MANY OF YOU KNOW, I WAS A HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL FOR YEARS, AND
9 I DID SEE THE IMPORTANCE OF ACTUALLY GETTING IN FRONT OF
10 ISSUES AROUND VIOLENCE. AND I WANT TO GO BACK TO SOMETHING
11 THAT DR. SHERIN SAID, BECAUSE IT IS REALLY ABOUT EMOTIONAL
12 WELL-BEING, AND THERE ARE WONDERFUL CURRICULUMS, K-12, WITH
13 PARENT/CAREGIVER COMPONENTS ATTACHED THAT ARE EVIDENCE-BASED
14 THAT TALK ABOUT SOMETHING CALLED SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL
15 LEARNING, WHICH IS REALLY A CURRICULUM THAT ALLOWS YOUNG
16 PEOPLE TO BUILD THEIR SKILLS ON HOW TO HANDLE THEIR OWN
17 EMOTIONS AND THEN THEIR EXCHANGES AND RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER
18 PEOPLE. MOST VIOLENCE IS PREVENTABLE, YOU KNOW, PRETTY MUCH,
19 IN MY MIND, BUT PEOPLE NEED A TOOLKIT. AND I SAW EXAMPLE AFTER
20 EXAMPLE OF YOUNG PEOPLE WHO DIDN'T HAVE ANYTHING IN THEIR
21 TOOLKIT EXCEPT TO DO A PRE-EMPTIVE STRIKE, WHICH IS OFTEN A
22 VIOLENT PRE-EMPTIVE STRIKE. SOMEONE'S GETTING IN MY FACE, I
23 HIT THEM FIRST, BECAUSE I THINK THEY MIGHT HIT ME. SO I THINK
24 THAT'S ONE COMPONENT, IS HOW DO WE MAKE SURE THAT BOTH OUR
25 YOUNG PEOPLE AND OUR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS UNDERSTAND HOW TO

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1 BUILD SKILLS SO THAT PEOPLE ACTUALLY MANAGE THEIR OWN
2 EMOTIONS. YOU KNOW, EVERYONE GETS ANGRY AND EVERYONE FEELS
3 HURT AND EVERYONE FEELS DISRESPECTED, BUT WE NEED TOOLS THAT
4 ALLOW US TO HANDLE THOSE FEELINGS, WHICH ARE NORMAL FEELINGS,
5 IN A WAY THAT DOESN'T HURT OTHER PEOPLE. WE ALSO NEED TO DEAL
6 WITH THE FACT THAT IN OUR SCHOOLS, WE HAVE MANY PEOPLE WHO
7 HAVE ALREADY BEEN HURT, WHICH IS SORT OF THE TRAUMA SIDE OF
8 THE WORK. AND HERE, AGAIN, THERE'S A LOT OF PROGRAMMING THAT
9 HAS BEEN DONE AROUND HOW DO YOU CREATE A TRAUMA-INFORMED
10 SETTING, WHETHER THAT'S A SCHOOL SETTING OR A SETTING WITH,
11 YOU KNOW, YOUR POLICE DEPARTMENTS OR PUBLIC HEALTH CLINIC. HOW
12 DO YOU CREATE SETTINGS THAT ACKNOWLEDGE THE FACT THAT TRAUMA
13 HAS A HORRIFIC IMPACT ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUR BRAIN AND
14 THAT IT CAN, IN FACT, CAUSE YOU TO RESPOND TO WHAT OTHERWISE
15 SEEM LIKE LOW-LEVEL SITUATIONS IN WAYS THAT EXHIBIT HEIGHTENED
16 AGGRESSION, HEIGHTENED FEAR. AND WE HAVE TO FIGURE THAT PIECE
17 OUT, AS WELL. SO, I THINK ON BOTH ENDS WE'VE GOT EVIDENCE ALL
18 ACROSS THE COUNTRY ABOUT PRACTICES THAT ARE WORKING. YOU KNOW,
19 JON AND I, DR. SHERIN AND I HAVE BEEN WORKING ABOUT SORT OF
20 SOME EXCITING PROPOSALS THAT WE HOPE WE'LL BE ABLE TO BRING TO
21 YOU AND SEE WHETHER THEY MAKE SENSE FOR SOME INVESTMENT AREAS,
22 LOOKING AT BOTH EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING/MENTAL HEALTH AND SEXUAL
23 HEALTH AS AREAS WHERE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE ASKING US -- THEY'RE
24 DESPERATELY ASKING US -- FOR MORE SUPPORT ON HOW, IN FACT, WE
25 CREATE ENVIRONMENTS WHERE THEY THRIVE. SO, WE'RE LOOKING

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1 FORWARD TO A CONTINUED DIALOGUE. AND OBVIOUSLY, THIS WRAPS IN,
2 YOU KNOW, VERY INTIMATELY WITH THE COUNTY'S OFFICE OF VIOLENCE
3 PREVENTION. AND I THINK THAT'S THE TASK IN FRONT OF US, IS TO
4 CONNECT ALL THESE DOTS.

5

6 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THERE'S JUST ONE OTHER THING. THEN
7 I'LL CALL ON MY COLLEAGUE, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. WE DID A LOT OF
8 WORK OVER THE YEARS ON ISSUES THAT CAME TO SORT OF GENERICALLY
9 BE CALLED ISSUES OF BULLYING, BECAUSE WE'VE SEEN A NUMBER OF
10 CONNECTIONS OVER THE YEARS IN STUDENTS WHO HAVE BECOME VIOLENT
11 OR AT LEAST THINK ABOUT RETRIBUTION AS HAVING SUFFERED FROM,
12 AS I SAID, WHAT WE KIND OF GENERICALLY HAVE CALLED BULLYING.
13 SO I WANT TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT WE KIND OF PAY ATTENTION, AS
14 WELL, AS WE DEVELOP FROM THE RECOMMENDATIONS WHAT THE SCHOOLS
15 ARE DOING THERE, AS WELL, BECAUSE DEALING WITH SOMEONE WHO'S
16 ALREADY BEEN HURT OFTEN INVOLVES TRYING TO HAVE THEM NOT BE
17 CONTINUOUSLY RE-HURT. AND ALSO, I THINK, FOR OUR COMMUNITIES,
18 EVEN OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITIES OF STUDENTS TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY
19 FOR THEIR OWN ACTIONS AND THINKING ABOUT HOW THE ATMOSPHERE
20 THAT THEY CREATE -- THAT'S WHAT WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO DO WITH
21 THE ANTI-BULLYING STUFF -- THE ATMOSPHERE THEY CREATE, INSTEAD
22 OF JUST SHIFTING THE BLAME TO THE PERSON WHO SNAPS. SO I'M
23 LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING IF THERE'S ANY WAY TO SEE HOW THAT
24 MIGHT BE INTEGRATED AS THE SCHOOLS AND THE REST OF US ARE, YOU
25 KNOW, CALLED UPON TO DEAL WITH THIS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU. I'M REALLY PLEASED TO HEAR
3 FEEDBACK FROM BOTH OF YOU, OUR TWO LEAD AGENCIES THAT HAVE
4 MUCH TO DO WITH PREVENTION AND ALSO EXPLORING HOW WE CAN
5 BETTER INTEGRATE IN OUR DEPARTMENTS THE COORDINATION OF DATA.
6 AND I'M REMINDED OF WHAT HAPPENED TWO WEEKS AGO AT TRADER
7 JOE'S IN SILVER LAKE. AND WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE HISTORY OF THE
8 YOUNG MAN INVOLVED IN THAT UNFORTUNATE INCIDENT, HE WAS IN OUR
9 SERVICE. AND I'M VERY CONCERNED THAT WHEN WE TALK ABOUT
10 VIOLENCE, THE CENTER FOR VIOLENCE PREVENTION OR THIS MOTION OR
11 ANY OTHER, HOW REALISTICALLY ARE WE GOING TO BE COORDINATING
12 THAT DATA, IN TERMS OF KNOWING THE HISTORY OF, FOR EXAMPLE,
13 THIS YOUNG MAN WHO WE HAVE RECORDED INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE. WE
14 SAW IT MANIFESTED IN MANY WAYS OVER THE YEARS. AND NOW BECAME
15 AN ADULT AND CONTINUED. AND HOW DO WE REALLY INTEGRATE THAT
16 WITH OUR SCHOOLS, IF WE CAN, BUT AT LEAST WITH OUR
17 DEPARTMENTS, D.C.F.S., PROBATION, COURTS AND ALSO WITH THE
18 FOLKS THAT ARE PROVIDING INITIAL MENTAL HEALTH GUIDANCE TO
19 INDIVIDUALS LIKE THAT. I REALLY BELIEVE THAT WE ARE MISSING
20 SOMETHING HERE IF WE DON'T EVEN BEGIN TO LOOK WITHIN OURSELVES
21 AND UNDERSTAND WHAT HAPPENS WHEN A YOUNG PERSON THEN IS
22 TRIGGERED OFF OF OUR SERVICES, WE LOSE THEM, THEY GO INTO
23 SOCIETY AND WE DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENS. WHO'S RESPONSIBLE, IF
24 ANYBODY, IN THAT INSTANCE? WHAT CAN WE DO TO KEEP THAT
25 ACTIVATED IN SOME WAY SO THAT WE KNOW HOW SUCCESSFUL WE ARE IN

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1 OUR JOBS? AND ARE WE REALLY PREVENTING SOMETHING, OR ARE WE
2 JUST, YOU KNOW, DOING WHAT WE CAN AT A MOMENT IN TIME AND THEN
3 YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN? I THINK THAT THE PUBLIC EXPECTS MUCH MORE
4 FROM US. SO I'D LIKE TO HEAR BOTH OF YOUR THOUGHTS ON THAT.

5

6 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** I THINK THE SHARING AND COORDINATION OF
7 DATA ISSUE IS HUGE. I WANT TO SAY I'M SO PROUD TO BE PART OF
8 THIS COUNTY FAMILY, BECAUSE WE DID HAVE AN INITIAL MEETING
9 AFTER THE MOTION TO ESTABLISH THE OFFICE OF VIOLENCE
10 PREVENTION, WHERE WE HAD PARTNERS FROM, YOU KNOW, I WANT TO
11 SAY 20 DEPARTMENTS. AND SOME OF THE MOST BRILLIANT IDEAS WERE
12 THE IDEAS THAT ACTUALLY CAME FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND
13 PROBATION AROUND THE IMPORTANCE OF ACTUALLY CONNECTING
14 SERVICES TO PEOPLE WHO THEY KNOW NEED SERVICES BUT FOR WHOM
15 THEY ARE NOT EQUIPPED TO NECESSARILY PROVIDE THE RANGE OF
16 SERVICES. SO, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE A WONDERFUL LEADERSHIP WITH
17 THE OFFICE OF RE-ENTRY. WE HAVE A REALLY STELLAR AND BRILLIANT
18 TEAM THAT'S HELPING CONNECT THE DOTS FOR FOLKS WHO ARE
19 INCARCERATED. AND I THINK YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT TO SORT OF
20 SAY WE HAVE TO RAISE THE EXPECTATIONS THAT WHERE THERE ARE
21 PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN IN SERVICE OR HAVE KNOWN ISSUES THAT ARE
22 GOING TO REQUIRE FOLLOWUP, WE SOMEHOW FIGURE OUT WHAT IS THE
23 DATA-SHARING AGREEMENTS THAT WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO ALLOW US
24 TO CONNECT THE SERVICES AND, YOU KNOW, I THINK THIS IS A BIG
25 CHALLENGE, NOT INSURMOUNTABLE. I THINK IT'S EXACTLY THE KIND

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1 OF CHALLENGE I'M HOPING THE OFFICE OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION
2 TAKES ON, WHICH IS, WE HAVE SERVICES; THEY'RE SOMETIMES NOT
3 CONNECTED. IN SOME AREAS, WE NEED TO DO MORE ON THE PREVENTION
4 SIDE, AND THAT SOMETIMES ALSO COULD BE SUPPORTED BY ALL OF THE
5 OTHER DEPARTMENTS THAT TAKE CARE OF PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTY. AND
6 I LOVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE CONNECTED. I DON'T THINK I HAVE
7 LIKE THE ANSWER. BUT I THINK YOU'RE RAISING, YOU KNOW, A
8 CRITICALLY IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR US TO REALLY HIGHLIGHT AS WE
9 OPEN THAT OFFICE. AND I WANT TO SAY I'M SO ENCOURAGED, BECAUSE
10 I FEEL LIKE FOLKS IN THE OTHER DEPARTMENTS ARE PURPOSELY
11 SAYING THIS IS WHAT WE WANT THE OFFICE TO DO, SO VERY
12 INTENTIONAL ABOUT SAYING IF YOU'RE GOING TO CREATE THIS OFFICE
13 -- WE ASKED THAT QUESTION: WHAT SHOULD THE OFFICE BE DOING?
14 AND THE SORT OF DATA SHARING COORDINATION BETWEEN THE
15 DIFFERENT KINDS OF SERVICES THAT ARE OFFERED IN DIFFERENT
16 PLACES ACROSS THE DEPARTMENT CAME UP OVER AND OVER AGAIN.

17

18 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN. OH, I'M SO SORRY.
19 DR. SHERIN FIRST AND THEN SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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21 **DR. JONATHAN SHERIN:** I'LL TRY TO KEEP IT REAL QUICK.

22

23 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THAT'S OKAY. I DIDN'T MEAN TO CUT
24 YOU OFF. I KNOW THE QUESTION WAS ASKED TO BOTH OF YOU.

25

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1 **DR. JONATHAN SHERIN:** ALL RIGHT. I AGREE STRONGLY WITH DR.
2 FERRER AND ALL OF HER POINTS. LET'S FACE IT, THE FACT THAT WE
3 DON'T HAVE COMPATIBLE INFORMATION SYSTEMS MAKES THIS WORK A
4 HEAVY, HEAVY LIFT. WE'RE ALL HOPEFUL WE'LL MOVE IN A DIRECTION
5 WHERE WE WON'T ADD THAT OR WE CAN KIND OF REMOVE THAT BARRIER
6 TO BETTER COORDINATION. AND I THINK THAT THE COMMITMENT
7 BETWEEN THE KEY DEPARTMENTS IS UNQUESTIONED. AND I THINK THAT
8 THE OFFICE OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION IS A REALLY GREAT START. I
9 CAN TELL YOU ALSO THAT, YOU KNOW, AND I BELIEVE IN THIS CASE,
10 WHICH WE'RE EXPLORING VERY CAREFULLY, WE HAVE A LOT TO LEARN.
11 YOU KNOW, WE CAN ENGINEER OUR WORK BASED ON WHERE THINGS WENT
12 WRONG, AND THERE WERE DISCONNECTS. WITHIN MY OWN DEPARTMENT,
13 WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, WE ARE CONSOLIDATING
14 WHAT I REALLY HAVE SEEN AS SILOED SYSTEMS OF CARE TO CREATE A
15 SYSTEM OF CARE SO WE CAN COORDINATE MORE EFFECTIVELY ACROSS
16 OUR SYSTEMS ACROSS THE LIFE SPAN. AND I THINK THAT ALL OF OUR
17 DEPARTMENTS ARE MOVING IN THAT SAME DIRECTION, BECAUSE IT
18 REALLY IS THE SHARING OF INFORMATION, THE COORDINATION OF
19 EFFORT, IDENTIFYING INDIVIDUALS WHO WE KNOW ARE -- WHO ARE AT
20 POTENTIAL RISK, MANY OF WHO ARE SUFFERING DUE TO TRAUMA, AND
21 MAKING SURE THAT WE FOLLOW THROUGH AND WE DON'T LET PEOPLE
22 FALL THROUGH THE CRACKS WHO THEMSELVES WILL CONTINUE TO SUFFER
23 AND MAY PUT OTHERS AT RISK OF VIOLENCE.

24

25 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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2 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. WHILE I REALLY
3 APPRECIATE THIS DISCUSSION THAT WE'RE HAVING AND CERTAINLY
4 VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND ALL THAT WE CAN DO GOING FORWARD IS SO
5 IMPORTANT, AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION IS WORTH A POUND OF CURE,
6 BUT I JUST REALLY WANTED TO REFOCUS US ON EXACTLY WHAT IT IS
7 WE'RE DOING TODAY, AND THAT IS ABOUT SCHOOL THREAT ASSESSMENT
8 TEAM. YOU CAN'T DO EVERYTHING, BUT THIS IS VERY SPECIFIC. AND
9 THE MOTION DOES TALK ABOUT WORKING WITH THE SCHOOLS ON GIVING
10 THEM TOOLS FOR VIOLENCE PREVENTION, BUT IT ALSO IS REALLY
11 FOCUSING ON THE FACT THAT WE HAVE A SCHOOL THREAT ASSESSMENT
12 TEAM THAT IF, IN FACT, THERE ARE SIGNS OF ANY KIND OF THREAT,
13 THEN WE HAVE GOT THIS GREAT TEAM, TOO FEW IN MY OPINION, THAT
14 CAN ACTUALLY ASSESS THE THREAT FOR THE SCHOOL, FOR THE
15 TEACHERS, FOR THE FAMILY AND SEE WHAT WE NEED TO DO AT THAT
16 MOMENT. SO, IT IS KIND OF REACTIONARY, BUT I THINK IT'S
17 IMPORTANT AND IT'S CRITICAL AS WE MOVE FORWARD. SO, I WANT TO
18 THANK ALL MY COLLEAGUES FOR THEIR SUPPORT ON THIS, AND I LOOK
19 FORWARD TO THE REPORT BACK TO SEE HOW WE CAN CODIFY THE
20 EXPANSION OF THE S.T.A.R.T. TEAM AND SEE WHAT ELSE WE CAN DO
21 MOVING FORWARD SO THAT ONE DAY IT WOULD BE GREAT IF WE HAD
22 VIOLENCE-FREE SOCIETY AND SCHOOLS AND WE ALL HOPE.

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24 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU TO
25 BOTH OF YOU. THANKS TO DR. GHALY, ACTUALLY TO THE DRS. GHALY,

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1 TO JUDGE NASH, TO MR. LEAF, TO MS. DAVENPORT, ALL OF THOSE OF
2 YOU WHO ARE WORKING ON THIS. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
3 CALL THOSE WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK FROM THE PUBLIC ON THIS
4 ITEM.

5

6 **CELIA ZAVALA, ACTING EXEC. OFCR.:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR.
7 WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I
8 CALL YOUR NAME AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. DR. GENEVIEVE
9 CLAVREUL, ERIC PREVEN, FRANK LANGSTROM, GEORGE BUZZETTI,
10 GERALD CERDA, AND VICTOR TRUJILLO. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND
11 STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** WELCOME. GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** WELL, I WOULD LIKE TO REITERATE THAT WE TOOK THE
16 BIBLE OUT OF SCHOOLS 67 YEARS AGO. THIS IS WHAT WE HAVE
17 ADVANCED TO. THE ONLY DEVOTION SOME OF THE KIDS WAS GETTIGN
18 WAS IN SCHOOL. THE PARENTS WASN'T GOING TO CHURCH, SO THEY
19 WERE GETTING SPIRITUAL DEVOTION IN SCHOOL. YOU TAKE IT OUT OF
20 SCHOOL, A LOT OF THE KIDS AIN'T GETTING NO SPIRITUAL DEVOTION.
21 AND THIS IS WHAT WE HAVE ADVANCED TO. AND I THINK WHAT
22 HAPPENED IN 1951, ONE LADY PROTESTED ABOUT HER CHILD BEING
23 TAUGHT DEVOTION IN SCHOOL. ONE LADY. THEY TOOK THE WHOLE BIBLE
24 OUT OF SCHOOL FOR ONE LADY. DOES THAT MAKE ANY SENSE? NOW, IF
25 SHE WENT TO COURT ON THAT, SHE HAD A LOT OF HELP TO DO IT. SHE

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1 HAD A LOT OF HELP TO DO IT. AND THE THING ABOUT IT: THE BIBLE,
2 SHE SHOULD HAVE NEVER BEEN TAKEN OUT OF SCHOOL, BECAUSE THAT'S
3 WHERE A LOT OF THE KIDS GET THEIR ONLY DEVOTION. THIS IS WHAT
4 WE HAVE ADVANCED TO. YOU TOOK THE BIBLE OUT AND YOU DONE
5 BROUGHT THE GUN, THE KNIFE IN, THE GUN, THE KNIFE, AND THE
6 BOMB IN SCHOOL. WE HAVE TO DO BETTER THAN THAT. WE GOT TO GET
7 KIDS SOME DEVOTION. A LOT OF TIMES, THE ONLY DEVOTION THE KID
8 GETS IS IN SCHOOL. AND THIS IS WHERE WE CAME INTO BULLETS AND
9 EVERYTHING ELSE. WE GOT TO DO BETTER. THIS IS WHAT WE HAVE
10 ADVANCED TO. YOU WANT A BETTER WORLD? GO BACK TO A BETTER
11 PLACE. GO BACK TO A BETTER TIME AND PLACE. START ALL OVER
12 AGAIN. PUT THE BIBLE BACK IN SCHOOL. THANK YOU.

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14 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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16 **GERALD CERDA:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIR, SUPERVISORS. I'M GERALD
17 CERDA WITH SOCIAL EQUAL EDUCATION. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK
18 SUPERVISORS HAHN, BARGER AND DR. FERRER ALONG WITH STAFF FOR
19 THIS ITEM. PARAMOUNT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT HAD AN INCIDENT
20 EARLIER THIS YEAR WHERE A MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT JUMPED OFF AN
21 AWNING ROOF. SHE SUSTAINED NUMEROUS FRACTURES. ONE ASKS HOW
22 DID THIS KID GET ACCESS TO THE ROOF? WHERE IS THE SUPERVISION?
23 I CALLED THE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL TO CHECK ON THE STUDENT'S STATUS
24 BUT WAS SURPRISED WHEN SHE SAID KIDS EXAGGERATE AND THAT
25 INJURIES WERE NOT FROM JUMPING OFF THE ROOF. THERE IS VIDEO ON

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1 SOCIAL MEDIA OF THE GIRL JUMPING OFF THE ROOF. SO, WHY WOULD
2 THE PRINCIPAL MIS-INFORM STAKEHOLDERS? I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST
3 THAT NOT ONLY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH BE ALLOWED FULL
4 ACCESS TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS BUT ALSO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH.
5 LOS ANGELES COUNTY OF EDUCATION AND BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
6 SHOULD CONDUCT FULL INVESTIGATION REPORTS WHERE IT'S AVAILABLE
7 TO PUBLIC WHEN SUCH INCIDENTS OCCUR. DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
8 HEALTH AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH SHOULD TAKE THE LEAD
9 WITH THEIR SPECIALTY WHEN IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS INSTEAD OF JUST
10 BEING OBSERVERS. PARAMOUNT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT CONDUCTED
11 MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING ON MAY THE FIFTH, WHERE THEY INVITED
12 THE PUBLIC ON SOCIAL MEDIA. BUT WHEN THE PUBLIC ARRIVED, THEY
13 WERE TURNED AWAY AT THE DOOR. THEY SAID IT'S FOR STAFF ONLY.
14 NOW, I WOULD ENCOURAGE THE COUNTY OF SUPERVISORS TO WORK WITH
15 THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND BE A LITTLE BIT MORE PERSISTENT, MORE
16 AGGRESSIVE, ESPECIALLY WITH THIS SCHOOL DISTRICT, SINCE IT'S
17 BEING A LITTLE BIT FIRM ON WHAT THEY WANT THE COUNTY TO DO.
18 THE STATE, WHICH IS PART OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, THERE'S NO
19 ACCOUNTABILITY THERE. SUBMITTED A COMPLAINT TO LOS ANGELES
20 COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
21 EDUCATION AND THERE SEEMS TO BE NO ACCOUNTABILITY WITH THE
22 SCHOOL DISTRICT. SO I APPLAUD THAT THE COUNTY'S WORKING HARD
23 TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THESE ISSUES. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER,
2 PLEASE.

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4 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** GEORGE BUZZETTI. NOW FOR A DOSE OF REALITY.
5 NOW, WHY DO YOU KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON, JUDGE NASH? WHY DON'T
6 YOU KNOW THE BOOKS IN L.A. UNIFIED AND 150,000 DON'T COME TO
7 SCHOOL EVERY DAY? JUDGE NASH, YOU SHOULD BE TALKING TO THE
8 PRO. I'VE BEEN THERE SINCE 1990 BUSTING THESE FOOLS. WHY DON'T
9 YOU KNOW THAT? THAT'S 2 BILLION IN LOST REVENUE, ABOUT 8 TO
10 10,000 S.E.I.U. JOBS. THAT'S 25 PERCENT OF ALL STUDENTS, AND
11 YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THIS STUPIDITY WITH MR. SHERIN, N WHO IS
12 ILLEGALLY PROSECUTING ME WITH HIS FILTHY, FILTHY ORGANIZATION
13 AND WHAT YOU'RE DOING OUT THERE IN ROSEMEAD. YOU HAVE NO RIGHT
14 PUTTING THESE PEOPLE TO SIT DOWN ON THESE PEOPLE LIKE THEY ARE
15 ON THE HOMELESS OUT THERE. AND YOU, MISS BARGER, HIDING AGAIN,
16 HUH? YOU'RE THE ONE BEHIND THE SWEEP-EM-UP OFF THE STREETS.
17 AND NOW YOU WANT TO SWEEP EM OUT OF THE SCHOOLS, WHEN YOU
18 DON'T CARE IF THEY GO TO SCHOOL. AND WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON 10
19 YEARS. WHERE THE HELL HAVE YOU BEEN, JUDGE NASH?

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21 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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23 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** IN WRITING! AND YOU, BARGER, ARE A FAILURE.

24

25 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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2 **VICTOR TRUJILLO:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS VICTOR
3 TRUJILLO. I'M GOING TO SPEAK. THIS IS ABOUT THE SCHOOL AND
4 WHAT THEY'RE SAYING. AND BACK IN THE 70S WHEN I WAS A KID, I
5 MET ALL MY FRIENDS WERE FATHERS, WERE COPS, WERE CITY
6 EMPLOYEES, AND EVERYBODY IN THOSE DAYS IN THE 70S, BASICALLY
7 THE 80S WERE TALKING ABOUT, OH, YOUR FATHER'S A MASON, THEY
8 BECAME A CITY WORKER THROUGH A MASON PROGRAM. AND I DIDN'T
9 HAVE NO CLUE WHAT WAS GOING ON WHEN I WAS GROWING UP. I GOT
10 OLDER AND OLDER, AND EVERY LAWYER HAS TO BE BAPTIZED TO BE A
11 MASON. SO WHEN YOU START LOOKING AT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND
12 YOU WONDER WHO CONTROLS THE SCHOOL, WE SAY WE HAVE POLICE
13 OFFICERS THERE. WE SHOULDN'T HAVE THE SAME POLICE OFFICERS
14 THAT MONITOR ADULTS. WE SHOULD HAVE A SPECIAL PROGRAM WHERE
15 THEY IDENTIFY A CHILD. IT'S DIFFERENT WHEN YOU GO TO THE
16 PRESCHOOL, YOU SEE THE FENCING OF A LITTLE CHILD. YOU DON'T
17 SEE A POLICE OFFICER THERE. THAT'S MONITORED ONLY FOR THE CARE
18 OF PEOPLE THAT CARE TO EDUCATE THE KIDS. IT'S VERY DIFFICULT
19 TO EDUCATE A CHILD. NOW WE LOOK AT IT THIS WAY. WE HAVE
20 DOCTORS COMING IN AND SAYING THEY HAVE PROBLEMS. ANXIETY
21 STARTS WHEN YOU PUT SOMETHING THERE THAT'S NOT BELONGING
22 THERE. PEOPLE KNOW THOSE COPS ARE ONLY FOR THE ADULTS. WE
23 DON'T HAVE POLICE OFFICERS FOR THE KIDS. WE DON'T HAVE DOCTORS
24 THAT ARE DRESSED UP LIKE POLICE OFFICERS. WE GOT TO CHANGE OUR
25 MORALS, OUR REALITY OF LOOKING AT THIS. I WAS A CHILD AT ONE

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1 TIME. I'VE SEEN EVERY LITTLE TRICK IN THE BOOK. KIDS WOULD
2 TAKE CANDIES AND THEY WOULD TRICK THEM INTO TAKING ALL KINDS
3 OF LITTLE PILLS. BUT NOW TODAY, WE GOT DOCTORS IN THE
4 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, DOCTORS IN SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. WE GOT
5 ALL THESE PROBLEMS GOING ON. WE NEED TO BREAK THAT RIDDLE AND
6 GET REAL WITH THIS, BECAUSE KIDS TODAY NEED ANOTHER PERSON
7 THAT THEY CAN LOOK UP TO, NOT TO SOMEBODY WITH A BIG GUN THAT
8 ONLY MONITORS. IF YOU TELL A KID, IN REALITY, WHO IS
9 PROTECTING YOU, THEY'LL SAY THEY PROTECT ADULTS BUT THEY
10 PROTECT US. THAT CANNOT BE TRUE, BECAUSE THE PERSON THAT
11 PROTECTS ADULTS IS NOT TRUE. YOU HAVE TO PROTECT KIDS. THANK
12 YOU. HAVE A GOOD DAY.

13

14 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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16 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF
17 SUPERVISORS. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I THINK THAT'S A GREAT
18 IDEA, BUT WHAT I AM NOT SEEING AS PART OF THIS PROPOSAL IS
19 SOME FOLLOWUP AFTER SOME OF THOSE CHILDREN ARE BEING
20 IDENTIFIED AS HAVING ISSUES AND SO ON. WHAT'S BEING DONE IN
21 THE LONG TERM? AND WHAT SOMETIMES A SOURCE TEAM ARE VERY GOOD
22 ABOUT THE HERE AND NOW, BUT THEY DON'T LOOK AT THE
23 CONSEQUENCES LATER ON. AND I THINK THAT'S WHEN THINGS SHOULD
24 BE ADDED TO THAT PROJECT, THAT AFTER THOSE CHILDREN ARE

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1 IDENTIFIED, THEY ARE FOLLOWED UP FOR FURTHER TREATMENT AND SO
2 ON. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I THINK THAT'S ALL THOSE
5 WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. SO, THE ITEM IS
6 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER. ANY
7 OBJECTION TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE ON THIS ITEM? SEEING NONE, THAT
8 WILL BE THE ACTION. LET US MOVE, THEN, TO FILE ITEM 19.

9 WELCOME. ALL COUNTY ON BOARD. AND I THINK WE HAVE A POWERPOINT
10 IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN.

11

12 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** YES. WE ARE TRYING TO LOAD THAT NOW. AND
13 WHILE THAT'S STARTING, GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. FESIA
14 DAVENPORT FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE. WE ARE HERE TO
15 PROVIDE WHAT WILL BE THE C.E.O.'S FOURTH SEMIANNUAL REPORT ON
16 THE BOARD'S PRIORITIES. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO MAY NOT
17 KNOW WHAT THAT IS, IN 2015, THIS BOARD ADOPTED FOUR PRIORITIES
18 AND THEN ADDED TWO ADDITIONAL ONES. THEY ARE CHILD PROTECTION,
19 HEALTH INTEGRATION, HOMELESSNESS, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND
20 SHERIFF'S REFORM, ENVIRONMENTAL OVERSIGHT AND MONITORING, AND
21 IMMIGRATION. AND JUST AS AN F.Y.I., AT OUR LAST PRESENTATION,
22 OUR LAST ORAL PRESENTATION IN 2017, THE BOARD REQUESTED THAT
23 IF OUR NEXT REPORT, WHICH WILL BE THIS ONE, THAT WE CALL OUT
24 SOME PARTICULAR ITEMS. ONE WAS FAMILY FINDING, THE OTHER IS
25 WHOLE PERSON CARE, AND THEN THE LAST TWO WERE PROGRESS OF THE

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1 OFFICE OF DIVERSION AND RE-ENTRY AS WELL AS THE SHERIFF
2 CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION. SO WITH THAT, I'M GOING TO TURN
3 THE MICROPHONE OVER TO OUR FIRST PRESENTER, JUDGE NASH FROM
4 THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION.

5

6 **JUDGE MICHAEL NASH:** GOOD MORNING. AS THE BOARD IS AWARE FROM
7 THE QUARTERLY REPORTS THAT THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION
8 FILES WITH YOU, WE'RE INVOLVED WITH NUMEROUS PROJECTS THAT
9 FLOW DIRECTLY FROM THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION REPORT, MOTIONS
10 FROM THE BOARD, AND PROJECTS GENERATED BY THE O.C.P.'S
11 STRATEGIC PLAN. WE'LL BE FILING A REPORT TYING OUR ACTIVITIES
12 TO THE V.R.C. REPORT IN CONNECTION WITH THE ANTHONY AVALOS
13 CASE IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS. AND WE'LL ALSO BE VERY SHORTLY FILING
14 OUR MOST RECENT QUARTERLY REPORT WITH THE BOARD. I'M HERE
15 TODAY TO HIGHLIGHT THREE OF OUR PROJECTS. FIRST, IN RESPONSE
16 TO A BOARD MOTION, WE FILED A REPORT WITH THE BOARD ON MAY
17 4TH, 2017, THAT EXAMINED THE USE OF STRUCTURED DECISIONMAKING
18 AND PREDICTIVE ANALYTICS IN ASSESSING SAFETY AND RISK IN CHILD
19 WELFARE. THAT REPORT MADE NUMEROUS RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A
20 POLICY AND PRACTICE CHANGES ALONG WITH TRAINING ON THE USE OF
21 STRUCTURED DECISIONMAKING IN ASSESSING RISK AS PART OF AN
22 ABUSE AND NEGLECT INVESTIGATION. THE RECOMMENDATIONS WERE
23 WELL-RECEIVED BY D.C.F.S., AND THE BOARD RECENTLY APPROVED A
24 THREE-YEAR EXTENSION OF THE D.C.F.S. CONTRACT WITH THE
25 NATIONAL CENTER ON CRIME AND DELINQUENCY, THE CREATOR OF

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1 STRUCTURED DECISIONMAKING, TO IMPLEMENT THESE RECOMMENDATIONS.
2 THAT PROCESS HAS ALREADY STARTED, AND THE NEXT MEETING IS
3 ACTUALLY SET FOR NEXT WEEK, AUGUST 7TH. SECOND, ONCE AGAIN, IN
4 RESPONSE TO A BOARD MOTION TO INCREASE RELATIVE PLACEMENTS, TO
5 ENHANCE FAMILY INVOLVEMENT, AND TO MAKE MORE SYSTEMATIC USE OF
6 FAMILY-FINDING TECHNOLOGY, A PROJECT WAS CREATED IN THE SANTA
7 FE SPRINGS AND GLENDORA D.C.F.S. REGIONAL OFFICES IN OCTOBER
8 2016. IT WAS EXPANDED TO THE VERMONT CORRIDOR AND WEST L.A.
9 D.C.F.S. OFFICES IN JANUARY OF THIS YEAR. SINCE THE BEGINNING
10 OF THE PROJECT, OF THE NOW MORE THAN 1,500 DETENTIONS THAT
11 HAVE OCCURRED IN THOSE FOUR OFFICES, APPROXIMATELY 80 PERCENT
12 OF THE CHILDREN HAVE BEEN PLACED WITH KIN, OR TO PUT IT
13 ANOTHER WAY, ONLY 20 PERCENT OF THESE CHILDREN WERE PLACED IN
14 FOSTER CARE. THIS PROJECT HAS RECEIVED SIGNIFICANT ATTENTION
15 ON BOTH THE STATE AND NATIONAL LEVEL AS IT IS CONSISTENT BOTH
16 WITH FEDERAL AND STATE LAW AS WELL AS WITH STUDIES THAT
17 INDICATE THAT CHILDREN IN OUR SYSTEM ARE BETTER OFF WHEN
18 THEY'RE PLACED WITH KIN. WE'RE CURRENTLY IN DISCUSSIONS WITH
19 D.C.F.S. ON EXPANDING TWO ADDITIONAL OFFICES OVER THE NEXT FEW
20 MONTHS. IN FACT, I SPOKE WITH DIRECTOR KAGEL ABOUT THIS THIS
21 MORNING AND MET WITH HIS STAFF LAST WEEK ABOUT THIS. THE THIRD
22 PROJECT ON THE SCREEN HERE IS A UNIQUE ONE. FOLLOWING DATA
23 SHARING EFFORTS WITH MULTIPLE COUNTY ENTITIES, AN ELECTRIC
24 PORTAL HAS BEEN CREATED CALLED E.R.I.S., EMERGENCY RESPONSE
25 INVESTIGATION SERVICE, THAT ALLOWS EMERGENCY RESPONSE SOCIAL

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1 WORKERS TO ACCESS ON THEIR IPHONES -- AND YOU CAN SEE ON THE
2 SCREEN HERE WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE -- CRIMINAL BACKGROUND DATA
3 RELEVANT TO CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT INVESTIGATIONS AS WELL AS
4 PREVIOUS D.C.F.S. INVOLVEMENT. IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS TOOL
5 BEGAN A FEW WEEKS AGO IN FIVE D.C.F.S. OFFICES, ONE IN EACH
6 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. IT'S NOW UP IN SEVEN OFFICES, AND IT
7 SHOULD BE COUNTY-WIDE BY SEPTEMBER. AND THIS IS ONLY THE FIRST
8 PHASE. THE SECOND PHASE INVOLVES ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH AND
9 OTHER RELEVANT DATA. AND I CAN TELL YOU THAT SOCIAL WORKERS
10 ARE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THIS NEW TOOL, AND RIGHTFULLY SO. THAT
11 CONCLUDES MY FEW MINUTES.

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, JUDGE NASH. I THINK WE'LL
14 HOLD OUR QUESTIONS TO THE END AND JUST CONTINUE THROUGH THE
15 PRESENTATION. WHO'S NEXT? MR. LEAF.

16

17 **FRED LEAF:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
18 IN THE INTEREST OF TIME, I'LL FOCUS ON TWO OF THE AGENCY'S
19 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES. FIRST, AS PART OF THE AGENCY'S EFFORTS
20 TO IMPROVE CULTURAL COMPETENCY AND LINGUISTIC ACCESS, THE
21 AGENCY LAUNCHED A NEW COLLABORATIVE EFFORT, THE INSTITUTE FOR
22 CULTURAL AND LINGUISTIC INCLUSION AND RESPONSIVENESS, UNDER
23 THE AGENCY'S CENTER FOR HEALTH EQUITY. THIS COLLABORATION, LED
24 BY D.M.H., WILL FOCUS ON IMPROVING CULTURAL AND LINGUISTIC
25 ACCESS TO ADDRESS GAPS IN SERVICE DELIVERY AND MEET THE NEEDS

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1 OF OUR COMMUNITIES. ALSO, THE CENTER FOR HEALTH EQUITY, LED BY
2 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, RELEASED A DRAFT ACTION PLAN,
3 WHICH OUTLINES A SET OF PRIORITIES, GOALS, STRATEGIES AND
4 OBJECTIVES TO FOCUS THE CENTER'S WORK TO IMPROVE THE WELL-
5 BEING OF ALL COUNTY RESIDENTS. THE CENTER WILL BE ELICITING
6 PUBLIC COMMENT AND HOST PUBLIC FORUMS AND FINALIZE THE PLAN IN
7 NOVEMBER OF 2018. FURTHER, THE AGENCY CONTINUES TO FOCUS
8 EFFORTS ON IMPROVING ACCESS TO PSYCHIATRIC EMERGENCY SERVICES.
9 THIS INCLUDES INCREASING THE USAGE OF INPATIENT TO PRIVATE
10 INPATIENT BEDS TO SUPPLEMENT COUNTY BEDS AND, IMPORTANTLY,
11 INCREASING THE PSYCH URGENT CARE CAPACITY. THIS PAST JUNE,
12 D.M.H. OPENED A NEW URGENT CARE CENTER AT HARBOR-U.C.L.A.
13 MEDICAL CENTER AND HELD A GRAND OPENING. AND WE JUST HELD A
14 GRAND OPENING FOR THE NEW LONG BEACH URGENT CARE CENTER JUST
15 YESTERDAY. D.M.H. IS ALSO ON TARGET TO OPEN THE SAN GABRIEL
16 U.C.C. IN OCTOBER OF 2019. AND SOMETHING WE'RE VERY
17 APPRECIATIVE OF IS THAT THE BOARD ALSO APPROVED ADDITIONAL
18 FUNDING FOR FURTHER EXPANSION OF UP TO FIVE U.C.C.S. THESE AND
19 OTHER EFFORTS LED TO SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS TOWARD DECOMPRESSING
20 D.H.S.-OPERATED PSYCH EMERGENCY SERVICES. SPECIFICALLY, THERE
21 WAS A 4.7 PERCENT REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF DAYS THESE PSYCH
22 EMERGENCY SERVICES WERE ABOVE CAPACITY WHEN COMPARED WITH
23 BETWEEN 2016 AND 2017. AND IN ADDITION, WE'VE CONTINUED TO
24 INCREASE URGENT CARE VISITS. THE AGENCY CONTINUES TO MOVE
25 FORWARD WITH PLANS TO ESTABLISH FACILITIES THAT PROVIDE

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1 INTEGRATED AND SUPPORTIVE DIRECT CARE SERVICES TO OUR PATIENT
2 POPULATIONS ON HOSPITAL CAMPUSES AND IN THE NORTH COUNTY.
3 WE'LL CONTINUE TO EXPLORE OPPORTUNITIES TO PROVIDE PROGRAMS TO
4 SUPPORT A FULL CONTINUUM OF CARE TO OUR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS
5 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. AND, FINALLY, THE AGENCY, WORKING WITH
6 THE DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS, INCLUDED THERE IS A NEED TO REVISE
7 AND REORGANIZE OUR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES TO BETTER ALIGN THEM
8 WITH THE BOARD'S VISION TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND WELLNESS OF
9 L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS. OUR REVISED PRIORITIES WILL CLEARLY
10 IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR COLLABORATION AMONG
11 DEPARTMENTS AND WITH RESPECT TO CLINICAL SERVICE DELIVERY AND
12 WILL HAVE A STRONGER FOCUS ON IMPROVING OUR ADMINISTRATIVE AND
13 OPERATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS. THIS INCLUDES PROVIDING PATIENTS
14 WITH A WARM CONNECTION TO OUR OTHER TWO DEPARTMENTS, TO ALL
15 OUR DEPARTMENTS AND FURTHER ALIGN OUR REGISTRATION AND
16 SCREENING PROCESSES. IN SUPPORT OF THESE NEW PRIORITIES, WE
17 WILL BE SUBMITTING A BUDGET PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH CORE AGENCY
18 STAFF DEDICATED TO SPECIFIC OPERATIONAL, FUNCTIONAL AND
19 PROGRAM AREAS FOR YOUR BOARD'S REVIEW AND APPROVAL. AND THAT
20 ENDS MY PRESENTATION. THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. DR. GHALY.

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24 **DR. MARK GHALY:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBERS.

25 MARK GHALY FROM THE C.E.O. I'M GOING TO SPEAK TO THE NEXT TWO

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1 SLIDES AND THEN HAND IT OVER TO JUDGE PETER ESPINOZA TO
2 PRESENT O.D.R.'S GREAT WORK. SO, THIS FIRST SLIDE REALLY
3 FOCUSES ON HOUSING FOR HEALTH EFFORTS, BUT, REALLY, WAY BEYOND
4 WHAT HOUSING FOR HEALTH HAS TRADITIONALLY DONE BUT REALLY
5 INTEGRATED WITH OUR SISTER DEPARTMENTS IN THE HEALTH AGENCY
6 AND SOME OF OUR JUSTICE PARTNERS WITH PROBATION AND SHERIFF.
7 SO, THE FIRST AREA, HOUSING INDIVIDUALS, THAT'S SORT OF WHAT
8 WE'RE IN THE BUSINESS OF TRYING TO DO, WORK ON HOUSING SOME OF
9 THE MOST VULNERABLE FOLKS IN L.A. COUNTY. WE ARE NORTH OF
10 5,500, CLOSER TO 5,700 PEOPLE WHO HAVE MOVED INTO PERMANENT
11 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING SINCE WE STARTED THE PROGRAM. WE'RE
12 CONTINUING TO FILL UP OUR INTERIM HOUSING BEDS, WHICH ARE THE
13 SHORT-TERM BEDS, 6-TO-9 MONTHS LENGTH OF STAYS. THIS YEAR BY
14 THE END OF THIS FISCAL YEAR, WE HOPE TO GROW THAT FROM 1,300
15 BY ANOTHER 30 PERCENT TO ALMOST 1,700. AND OUR FLEXIBLE
16 HOUSING SUBSIDY POOL WHICH YOUR BOARD HELPED US CREATE IN 2014
17 HAS SUPPORTED OVER 4,000 PEOPLE TO FIND A PERMANENT HOME WITH
18 SUPPORT SERVICES. ANOTHER PROJECT THAT O.D.R. AND HOUSING FOR
19 HEALTH PARTNERED ON WAS CREATING OUR SOBERING CENTER IN SKID
20 ROW, WHICH HAS PICKED UP STEAM AS OF LATE THROUGH SOME
21 ADDITIONAL PARTNERSHIPS WITH OUR COUNTY AND PRIVATE HOSPITALS
22 IN THE AREA, MAKING SURE THAT WE SERVE FOLKS WHO ARE
23 INEBRIATED AND PROVIDE THEM A SAFE PLACE TO SOBER UP AND THEN
24 AN OPPORTUNITY TO CONNECT TO SERVICES. AND THEN THE LAST
25 BULLET, WHICH I THINK IS VERY EXCITING WORK AND IS A TESTIMONY

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1 TO THE WHOLE VISION AROUND THE HEALTH AGENCY, IS THROUGH THE
2 EFFORTS OF MANY OF YOUR WONDERFUL DEPUTIES WORKING WITH OUR
3 DIFFERENT AGENCIES WITHIN OUR DEPARTMENTS THAT FOCUS ON
4 HOUSING, CREATING REALLY, TRULY INTEGRATED SUPPORT SERVICES
5 THAT FOCUS ON THE BEST OF THE FULL SERVICE PARTNERSHIP ON THE
6 CLINICAL SERVICES SIDE, THE INTENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES
7 THAT ARE CONTRACTED AND SUPPORTED THROUGH D.H.S., AND THEN THE
8 NAVIGATION AND OUTREACH SERVICES THROUGH S.A.P.S.E., FOCUSED
9 ON S.U.D., REALLY BRINGING ALL THREE TOGETHER TO SERVE FOLKS
10 IN PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. THAT WORK IS KICKING OFF.
11 CONTRACTUALLY, WE'RE BRINGING IT AND ALIGNING IT TOGETHER, AND
12 WE ANTICIPATE AS NEW PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS
13 COME ONLINE THAT ALL THREE OF THOSE SERVICES AND ENTITIES WILL
14 INTEGRATE AND SERVE THE FOLKS THAT WE HOUSE THERE. AND WE MOVE
15 ON TO THE-- GREAT, WHOLE-PERSON CARE SLIDE. SO, AT YOUR
16 REQUEST AT THE LAST BOARD PRIORITIES UPDATE, WE'RE PROVIDING
17 YOU A SORT OF SNAPSHOT OF WHAT WHOLE-PERSON CARE HAS BEEN UP
18 TO. WE RECENTLY PROVIDED IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS A FULL REPORT
19 TO THE BOARD WITH SOME DETAILED STORIES OF WHAT CLIENTS ARE
20 EXPERIENCING IN WHOLE-PERSON CARE AND MUCH GREATER DETAILED
21 INFORMATION ON THE PROGRESS OF THE PROGRAMS. AS YOU KNOW, WE
22 ARE SORT OF AT THE MIDPOINT OF A FIVE-YEAR PILOT THAT WAS
23 SUPPORTED THROUGH THE MEDICAID 1115 WAIVER. IT WAS GOING TO
24 BRING APPROXIMATELY \$900 MILLION OF ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO THE
25 COUNTY OVER THOSE 5 YEARS TO SUPPORT 16 DIFFERENT PROGRAMS

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1 ACROSS A NUMBER OF TARGET POPULATIONS. WE HAD A GOAL TO, AT
2 THE END OF THE PROGRAM, REACH ABOUT 50,000 UNIQUE INDIVIDUALS.
3 WE ARE AT THE HALFWAY POINT, ABOVE THE 20, 25,000 MARK. IT
4 SAYS 23,741 HERE, BUT THAT'S DATED INFORMATION. THE NICE THING
5 ABOUT WHOLE- PERSON CARE IS IT'S DYNAMIC. IT'S CONSTANTLY
6 ENROLLING AND SERVING FOLKS. AND WE ACTUALLY HAVE 300,000
7 MEMBER MONTHS IN THE PROGRAM SINCE THAT TIME. WE'VE DRAWN DOWN
8 A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF THE REVENUE. THE REVENUE THAT WE
9 HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO DRAW DOWN, WE'RE ALLOTTED AN OPPORTUNITY
10 TO RE-PURPOSE THOSE IN THE LAST 2-1/2 YEARS, AND THERE'S PLANS
11 TO SUPPORT EVERYTHING FROM ADDITIONAL HOUSING AND SUPPORT
12 SERVICES TO GREATER WORK ON THE RE-ENTRY SIDE, INCLUDING WITH
13 OUR PROBATION PARTNERS IN THE JUVENILE HALLS AND CAMPS AND
14 THEN BUILDING UP SOME OF OUR SERVICES FOR OUR VULNERABLE
15 PRENATAL POPULATION THAT CROSSES OVER BETWEEN D.H.S., D.M.H.
16 AND PUBLIC HEALTH. AND THEN ON THE STAFFING SIDE, ONE OF THE
17 REALLY EXCITING PARTS OF WHOLE PERSON CARE WAS AN OPPORTUNITY
18 TO GROW WHAT I WOULD SAY IS OUR COMMUNITY PROFESSIONALS, FOLKS
19 WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE WHO ARE PARTS OF TARGETED POPULATIONS IN
20 ROLES LIKE PEERS WITH D.M.H. COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS IN OTHER
21 AREAS. AND WE ARE WORKING DILIGENTLY WITH COUNTY COUNSEL, H.R.
22 AND OTHERS TO DEFINE WHAT THE PROCEDURES NEED TO BE TO BRING
23 PEOPLE IN TO COUNTY EMPLOYMENT. AND WE'RE MAKING SOME PROGRESS
24 THERE. AND JUST RECENTLY, WE RELEASED A JOB ANNOUNCEMENT FOR
25 COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS THAT WE HOPE TO BRING ABOUT 90 TO 100

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1 ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS ACROSS WHOLE-PERSON CARE
2 INTO PERMANENT COUNTY POSITIONS. SO, IT'S ANOTHER EXCITING
3 PART OF THIS AMBITIOUS PROGRAM. SO, WITH THAT, I'LL TURN IT
4 OVER TO JUDGE ESPINOZA.

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6 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. JUDGE ESPINOZA.

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8 **JUDGE PETER ESPINOZA:** PETER ESPINOZA, I'M THE OFFICE OF
9 DIVERSION AND RE-ENTRY. MY USUAL STUMP SPEECH ON O.D.R. TAKES
10 ABOUT TWO HOURS. I AM GOING TO TRY TO CONDENSE IT HERE THIS
11 MORNING. [LAUGHTER.] I KNOW THAT'S NOT SINCERE, SUPERVISOR
12 RIDLEY-THOMAS. [LAUGHTER.] BUT LET ME JUST SAY THAT OUR
13 ORIGINAL MISSION, AS YOU KNOW, WAS TO REDUCE THE MENTALLY ILL
14 POPULATION IN THE COUNTY JAIL. THE NUMBERS THAT YOU HAVE ON
15 THE SLIDES TODAY ARE A LITTLE OUT OF DATE. I LIKE TO COMPARE
16 OUR NUMBERS TO THE TIMES SQUARE NATIONAL DEBT BOARD. AS I'M
17 HERE TODAY, OUR CLINICAL TEAM IS WORKING HARD FOR THEIR
18 APPEARANCES IN SUPERIOR COURT TOMORROW, WHERE A NUMBER OF
19 PERSONS WILL BE RELEASED TO O.D.R. HOUSING. BUT WE HAVE
20 RELEASED OVER 2,000 MENTALLY ILL INMATES FROM THE COUNTY JAIL
21 INTO EITHER COMMUNITY-BASED RESTORATION PROGRAMS OR PERMANENT
22 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING THROUGH OUR M.I.S.T. AND O.D.R. HOUSING
23 PROGRAMS. I FREQUENTLY AND WILL BE HOSTING TOURS FOR YOUR
24 STAFF TO DEPARTMENT 44 OF THE SUPERIOR COURT. I WOULD
25 ENCOURAGE ANY OF YOU THAT WISH TO COME AND WATCH THAT IN

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1 PROCESS, IT'S REALLY A REMARKABLE THING TO SEE. IN ADDITION TO
2 THE 2,000 NUMBER WE'RE QUOTING FROM THOSE TWO SOURCES, WE'VE
3 ALSO, IN RESPONSE TO THE BOARD'S DIRECTION, BEEN WORKING ON A
4 PROGRAM TO DIVERT PREGNANT WOMEN FROM THE JAIL. I'M HAPPY TO
5 REPORT THAT 36 WOMEN THUS FAR HAVE BEEN DIVERTED INTO EITHER
6 PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING OR INTERIM HOUSING WHILE THEY
7 WAIT FOR PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. THERE IS ONE ITEM
8 THAT'S NOT CONTAINED IN OUR REPORT TO YOU BECAUSE IT IS SO
9 NEW, AND I JUST WANT TO SPEND A MINUTE TALKING ABOUT IT. THE
10 OFFICE OF DIVERSION AND REENTRY JUST RECEIVED AN INFUSION OF
11 FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HOSPITALS TO CREATE THE
12 FELONY INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL COMMUNITY-BASED RESTORATION
13 PROGRAM. YOU APPROVED THE ACCEPTANCE OF THAT MONEY FOR OUR
14 DEPARTMENT. AT ANY GIVEN TIME, THERE ARE AS MANY AS 400 FELONS
15 IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY JAIL WAITING UP TO SIX MONTHS TO GO
16 TO STATE HOSPITAL TO RECEIVE THEIR RESTORATION SERVICES. THERE
17 ARE TWO SIGNIFICANT THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT THAT. THE FIRST IS
18 THAT, BECAUSE THEY ARE IMMEDIATELY UNDER INVOLUNTARY
19 MEDICATION ORDERS ONCE THEY'RE DECLARED INCOMPETENT, MANY OF
20 THEM ARE ACTUALLY RESTORED TO COMPETENCY WAITING TO GO STATE
21 HOSPITAL. SO THE STATE HOSPITAL TRIP, IN MANY CASES, IS
22 UNNECESSARY. WE HAVE CREATED WHAT WE CALL AN OFF RAMP FOR
23 THOSE INMATES WHERE OUR MEDICAL DIRECTOR IS SENDING REPORTS TO
24 COURT FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN RESTORED TO COMPETENCY SO THAT
25 THEY DON'T HAVE TO GO TO STATE HOSPITAL. THEIR CRIMINAL

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1 PROCEEDINGS CAN BE REINSTITUTED AND WE HOPEFULLY CAN PLACE
2 THEM IN OUR O.D.R. HOUSING PROGRAM. THE SECOND IS A COMMUNITY-
3 BASED RESTORATION PROGRAM THAT WILL BE MODELED AFTER OUR
4 MIDEMEANOR INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL COMMUNITY-BASED
5 RESTORATION PROGRAM. SO, WE'RE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THAT. IT'S
6 THE ONLY PROGRAM OF ITS KIND IN THE STATE. AND THE STATE WAS
7 INSPIRED TO GIVE US THE MONEY AS THE RESULT OF OUR SUCCESS
8 WITH MISDEMEANANTS. WE'VE ALSO, SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE
9 OFFICE, BEEN -- HAVE MOVED INTO THE EXPANDED PARTNERSHIPS TO
10 REDUCE RECIDIVISM. AS YOU KNOW, WE'RE WORKING IN COLLABORATION
11 WITH PROBATION USING S.B. 678 DOLLARS TO ENHANCE SERVICES
12 PROVIDED TO PROBATIONERS. WE ARE ALSO ROLLING OUT RECIDIVISM
13 REDUCTION FUNDS PURSUANT TO PROP 47. WE RECEIVED A \$20-MILLION
14 GRANT AND ARE PROVIDING LINKAGES TO MENTAL HEALTH AND
15 SUBSTANCE- USE DISORDER TREATMENT FOR THE JUSTICE-INVOLVED
16 POPULATION, VERY BROADLY DEFINED. AND THEN, WE HAVE SERVED
17 OVER 130 CLIENTS THROUGH OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTED
18 DIVERSION PROGRAM, WHICH, AS YOU KNOW, IS A COLLABORATION
19 BETWEEN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENTS IN LYNWOOD AND COMPTON AND
20 THE LONG BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT TO DIVERT PEOPLE AT THE POINT
21 OF ARREST ALONG THE LONG BEACH CORRIDOR WHO ARE INVOLVED IN
22 LOW-LEVEL DRUG OFFENSES AND ARE VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING.
23 THAT PROGRAM IS -- THERE'S MORE TO COME. THAT'S A VERY
24 EXCITING INITIATIVE. WE'RE HOPING TO BE ABLE TO EXPAND IT TO
25 OTHER AREAS OF THE COUNTY. FINALLY, THIS BOARD IN NOVEMBER

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1 CREATED THE DIVISION OF YOUTH DIVERSION AND DEVELOPMENT WITHIN
2 THE OFFICE OF DIVERSION AND RE-ENTRY. WE HAVE BEEN VERY
3 SUCCESSFUL IN OUR EFFORTS THUS FAR. WE HAD A YOUTH SUMMIT IN
4 APRIL. 370 PEOPLE ATTENDED IN A ROOM THAT WAS THE FIRE
5 DEPARTMENT APPROVED FOR ABOUT 300. WE HAD TO START TURNING
6 PEOPLE AWAY THE WEEK BEFORE THE EVENT. IT WAS ATTENDED BY LAW
7 ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS, COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND
8 COMMUNITY ADVOCATES, ADVOCATES THERE ON BEHALF OF YOUNG
9 PEOPLE. OUR GOAL IN THAT PROGRAM, AS YOU KNOW, YOUR GOAL IN
10 THAT PROGRAM IS TO DIVERT YOUNG PEOPLE AT THE POINT OF LAW
11 ENFORCEMENT CONTACT. I WON'T EVEN SAY AT THE POINT OF ARREST,
12 BECAUSE OUR GOAL IS THAT THEY WILL NOT BE ARRESTED, THAT THEIR
13 PERSONAL DATA WILL NOT BE ENTERED INTO ANYBODY'S DATA SYSTEM,
14 BUT THAT WE WILL LINK THEM TO COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES AT THE
15 POINT OF CONTACT. WE HAVE IDENTIFIED THE FIRST NINE COHORTS OF
16 POLICE DEPARTMENTS AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS. WE HAVE
17 BEEN WORKING WITH ALL OF YOUR JUSTICE DEPUTIES IN OUR EFFORTS
18 TO IDENTIFY THOSE COHORTS. AND I WANT TO THANK YOUR JUSTICE
19 DEPUTIES FOR THEIR ASSISTANCE IN THIS WORK. AND WE'RE ABOUT TO
20 LAUNCH OUR SOLICITATION PROCESS IN THE NEXT COUPLE WEEKS FOR
21 THE COMMUNITY-BASED GROUPS. SO, THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, JUDGE. MR. WILLIAMS?

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1 **BRIAN WILLIAMS:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, AND THANK YOU
2 AGAIN FOR THIS INVITATION. I'M BRIAN WILLIAMS FROM THE
3 SHERIFF'S CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION. YOU KNOW, WE'RE 18
4 MONTHS TO THIS JOURNEY WE'VE BEEN ON. I WOULD SAY WHEN WE
5 FIRST STARTED WE WERE SOMEWHAT DRINKING OUT OF A FIRE HYDRANT.
6 NOW WE'RE DRINKING OUT OF A SPARKLETT'S BOTTLE. SO WE'VE GOT A
7 LITTLE BIT BETTER ON WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING. OVER THESE PAST 18
8 MONTHS, WE FORWARDED TO THE BOARD AND TO THE SHERIFF AND
9 LOOKED AT A NUMBER OF ISSUES. THOSE INCLUDED THE UNMANNED
10 AERIAL SYSTEMS, THE M.E.T. TEAMS, P.R.I.A., FAMILY ASSISTANCE.
11 WE FORWARDED TO YOU THIS MORNING OUR MOST RECENT REPORT OF
12 BODY- WORN CAMERAS THAT THE COMMISSION IS VERY FAVORABLE ABOUT
13 IT AND HOPE TO WORK WITH THE BOARD AND THE SHERIFF IN MOVING
14 THAT PROJECT FORWARD. AND THE LATEST ITEM THAT WE'VE BEEN
15 LOOKING AT HAS BEEN THE SECRET CLIQUE, THIS IDEA THAT HAS BEEN
16 FORWARDED TO US BY THE L.A. TIMES AND OTHERS OF RECENT WEEKS,
17 SOMETHING THAT WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A VERY CLOSE LOOK AT. THE
18 THINGS THAT WE'RE MOST PROUD OF AT THIS POINT REALLY HAS BEEN
19 OUR EFFORTS TOWARD ENGAGEMENT AND TRANSPARENCY. WE'VE ENGAGED
20 OVER 1,400 PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY, AND THAT'S JUST NOT IN THE
21 CENTRAL DOWNTOWN AREA, BUT FROM LANCASTER TO SAN PEDRO TO THE
22 WESTSIDE AND TO THE EASTSIDE, AS WELL. SOME OF THE CHALLENGES
23 THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT AS WE MOVE FORWARD IS MAKING SURE THAT
24 WE ARE LEARNING TO USE THE POWER THAT WE HAVE, THE POWER OF
25 THE BULLY PULPIT AND TO ALIGN THAT POWER WITH SOME OF THE

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1 PRIORITIES OF THE BOARD AND THE PRIORITIES OF THE COMMUNITY
2 ITSELF. THERE ARE SO MANY ISSUES THAT CAME OUR DIRECTION AND
3 SO MANY THINGS THAT WE DIDN'T KNOW. WE DESCRIBED OURSELVES AS
4 KNOWING SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE DIDN'T KNOW AND NOT KNOWING
5 WHAT WE DIDN'T KNOW. AND AT THIS POINT, I THINK WE'RE KNOWING
6 SOME OF THOSE THINGS THAT WE DIDN'T KNOW AT THIS POINT. I
7 THINK I'LL BE REMISS IF I DIDN'T TAKE A MOMENT TO THANK THE
8 EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR THEIR SUPPORT, TO THANK THE OFFICE OF
9 O.I.G. FOR THEIR COOPERATION, BUT ALSO TO THANK THE SHERIFF'S
10 DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR COOPERATION, AS WELL. THERE ARE CONSTANT
11 DOCUMENT REQUESTS AND REQUESTS FOR PERSONNEL TO COME TO OUR
12 MEETINGS. AND AT THIS POINT, WE HAVE NOT BEEN DENIED. SO, WE
13 GREATLY APPRECIATE THAT. WE'RE A WORK IN PROGRESS. WE'RE
14 LOOKING FORWARD TO MOVING FORWARD. LIKE I SAID, WE'RE 18
15 MONTHS INTO THIS THING. AND I THINK WE'RE REALLY, TRULY MAKING
16 SOME HEADWATERS HERE. I THE WANT TO POINT OUT ONE LAST THING
17 AND THAT WAS THE ARTICLE THAT OCCURRED IN THE OPINION PIECE OF
18 THE L.A. TIMES THIS MORNING OF THE BODY-WORN CAMERAS. AS A
19 COMMISSION, WE THINK THAT IT'S TIME FOR THOSE BODY-WORN
20 CAMERAS. THE L.A. TIMES AGREES. I BELIEVE THAT THE BOARD
21 AGREES, AND WE STAND POISED READY TO ASSIST ALL OF THE
22 ENTITIES INVOLVED IN MOVING THAT PROJECT FORWARD. SO WITH
23 THAT, I'LL LEAVE IT TO THE NEXT PERSON. THANK YOU.

24

25 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

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2 **COMMANDER KEN MCWAID:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS COMMANDER
3 MCWAID. I'M FROM CUSTODY DIVISION, AND I'M HERE TO DISCUSS THE
4 TWO NEW JAIL PROJECTS THAT ARE CURRENTLY BEING IMPLEMENTED.
5 THE FIRST ONE WE'RE GOING TO DISCUSS IS THE MIRA LOMA
6 DETENTION CENTER. WE HAVE CURRENTLY IDENTIFIED TWO PROPOSED
7 DESIGN BUILDERS. WE HAVE MET WITH OUR COUNTY TEAM, WHICH
8 INCLUDES DEPARTMENT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, E.O.'S OFFICE
9 AND L.A.S.D. ALONG WITH SOME OTHER ENTITIES THAT HAVE GONE AND
10 DISCUSSED VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THIS PARTICULAR BUILD, FOCUSING
11 MORE ON A CAMPUS ENVIRONMENT AND THAT'S GOING TO HOUSE
12 APPROXIMATELY 1,604 BEDS. AT THE SAME TIME, WE'VE ALSO BEEN
13 WORKING WITH TWO ADDITIONAL BUILDERS, DESIGNERS FOR THE
14 CONSOLIDATED CORRECTIONAL TREATMENT CENTER, WHICH IS GOING TO
15 BE PRIMARILY THE REPLACEMENT OF MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. WE HAVE
16 GONE TO NUMEROUS MEETINGS WITH THIS PARTICULAR TEAM AND
17 DISCUSSED VARIOUS ASPECTS AS A COLLABORATION BETWEEN L.A.S.D.,
18 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND CUSTODY HEALTH SERVICES IN
19 ORDER TO PROVIDE A STATE-OF-THE-ART KIND OF TREATMENT FACILITY
20 USING THE NEW INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY THAT WE'RE PROJECTING
21 WILL BE AVAILABLE DURING THIS TIME PERIOD UPON COMPLETION. AND
22 THE WHOLE HOPES OF INCREASING ASSIMILATION INTO THE COMMUNITY
23 FOR OUR CLIENTS AND PATIENTS AND ALSO IN AN EFFORT TO REDUCE
24 RECIDIVISM.

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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR. ANSELL.

2

3 **PHIL ANSELL:** GOOD MORNING. THREE YEARS AGO, THE BOARD LAUNCHED
4 THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE. AND IN THE LAST THREE YEARS, THE
5 COUNTY HAS SPEARHEADED THE EMERGENCE OF AN UNPRECEDENTED
6 MOVEMENT ACROSS THIS COUNTY TO PREVENT AND COMBAT
7 HOMELESSNESS, A MOVEMENT WHOSE BREADTH AND DEPTH LED TO THE
8 PASSAGE OF MEASURE H IN MARCH OF 2017. AS A RESULT OF THE
9 BREADTH AND DEPTH OF THAT MOVEMENT, WE WERE ABLE TO MOVE VERY
10 QUICKLY IN TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE RESOURCES PROVIDED BY THE
11 VOTERS THROUGH MEASURE H. AND I'LL HIGHLIGHT TODAY THREE KEY
12 DATA POINTS THAT EXEMPLIFY THE PROGRESS ASSOCIATED WITH
13 MEASURE H IN THE FIRST NINE MONTHS FROM JULY OF LAST YEAR
14 THROUGH MARCH OF THIS YEAR. IN THE MIDDLE OF AUGUST, WE'LL BE
15 SUBMITTING TO THE BOARD OUR QUARTERLY REPORT, WHICH WILL
16 INCLUDE MEASURE H OUTCOMES FOR THE FIRST FULL YEAR, FISCAL
17 YEAR '17/'18. SO, IN JUST THOSE FIRST NINE MONTHS, WE ENABLED
18 OVER 10,000 HOMELESS FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS ON THE STREETS
19 OR IN ENCAMPMENTS TO MOVE INTO INTERIM HOUSING FUNDED IN WHOLE
20 OR IN PART THROUGH MEASURE H. WE ENABLED 5,239 HOMELESS
21 FAMILIES AND ADULTS TO SECURE PERMANENT HOUSING SPECIFICALLY
22 FUNDED BY MEASURE H. AND WE ENABLED 5,700 DISABLED INDIVIDUALS
23 WHO ARE HOMELESS TO BEGIN THE PROCESS OF PURSUING FEDERAL
24 DISABILITY BENEFITS, SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME, OR VETERANS
25 DISABILITY BENEFITS. THIS LEVEL OF PROGRESS IN SUCH A SHORT

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1 TIME IS UNPRECEDENTED IN A MAJOR NEW GOVERNMENT-FUNDED
2 INITIATIVE. AND IT SPEAKS TO THE LEVEL OF COLLABORATION AND
3 ALIGNMENT AND MOBILIZATION ACROSS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, CITIES
4 AND A VAST NETWORK OF HOMELESS SERVICE PROVIDERS ON THE GROUND
5 WHO ARE WORKING EVERY DAY TO BRING OUR HOMELESS NEIGHBORS
6 HOME. THANK YOU.

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8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, OR GOOD MORNING, STILL,
11 ACTUALLY. I'M GOING TO TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE
12 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OVERSIGHT AND GIVE SOME EXAMPLES OF SOME
13 OF OUR WORK OVER THE PAST QUARTER RESPONDING TO ENVIRONMENTAL
14 THREATS IN VARIOUS COMMUNITIES. ONE OF THE TASKS THAT WE'RE
15 FACED WITH WHEN WE PERCEIVE THAT THERE'S AN ENVIRONMENTAL
16 THREAT OR THE COMMUNITY HAS EXPERIENCED AN ENVIRONMENTAL
17 THREAT IS ALWAYS ADDRESSING THE IMMEDIATE CONCERNS OF THE
18 RESIDENTS WHO WERE AFFECTED BY THE EXPOSURE. AND MANY TIMES,
19 THAT INCLUDES BOTH ADVOCACY BUT ALSO DEALING WITH THE
20 AFTERMATH OF THE NEED FOR SERVICES AND SUPPORT. SO I WANT TO
21 USE EXIDE AS AN EXAMPLE WHERE WITH YOUR LEADERSHIP AND
22 SUPERVISOR SOLIS' SUPPORT, WE'VE BEEN REALLY ACTIVE ON THE
23 ADVOCACY FRONT TRYING TO INSIST THAT THE STATE AGENCIES
24 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CLEANUP TAKE CARE OF COMPLETELY CLEANING
25 UP THE SOIL AND THE HOMES IN THE VAST AREA. ABOUT 20,000 HOMES

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1 ARE AFFECTED WITH LEAD CONTAMINATION. THE OTHER SIDE OF THE
2 WORK, THOUGH, IS ALSO SETTING UP EXPANDED SERVICES AND
3 SUPPORT. AND I'M REALLY PROUD OF THE TEAM AT D.P.H. IN
4 COLLABORATION WITH D.H.S. THAT ESTABLISHED A PERMANENT
5 WELLNESS CENTER AT THE EAST LOS ANGELES SERVICE CENTER FOR
6 RESIDENTS. THE CENTER IS A SAFE LOCAL PLACE WHERE RESIDENTS
7 AND UNINSURED PATIENTS CAN VISIT FOR HEALTHCARE, FOR
8 INFORMATION ABOUT LEAD CLEANUP, FOR RESOURCES, AND, VERY
9 IMPORTANTLY, FOR BLOOD-LEAD SCREENINGS. AND WE CONTINUE TO
10 MAKE SURE THAT WE PROVIDE BOTH ROLES HERE, RESPONDING TO
11 IMMEDIATE NEEDS OF RESIDENCE FOR INCREASED SERVICES AND
12 SUPPORT AS WELL AS ADDRESSING THE VAST ARRAY OF ADVOCACY
13 EFFORTS THAT ARE NEEDED TO BOTH PROTECT RESIDENTS FROM FUTURE
14 ASSAULTS BY ENVIRONMENTAL THREATS BUT ALSO TO MITIGATE FROM
15 PAST EFFECTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL THREATS. THE SECOND TASK THAT
16 WE'RE OFTEN ASKED TO PERFORM IS TO REALLY PAY A LOT OF
17 ATTENTION TO MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT OF EXISTING
18 REGULATIONS TO MINIMIZE EXPOSURES. AND I WANT TO TALK A LITTLE
19 BIT ABOUT OUR EXPERIENCES IN THREE PLACES, PARAMOUNT,
20 FLORENCE-FIRESTONE, AND ALISO CANYON. YOU KNOW, IN ALL THREE
21 AREAS, SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT EXPOSURES, BUT NONETHELESS, HUGE
22 THREATS TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF RESIDENTS. AND, REALLY,
23 WHAT WE NEEDED TO DO IN ALL OF THESE AREAS, BECAUSE WE ARE NOT
24 THE ENFORCER OF THE REGULATIONS, IS WORK VERY CLOSELY WITH
25 THOSE STATE AGENCIES THAT ARE THE ENFORCERS AS WELL AS WORKING

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1 WITH THE INDUSTRY. THE INDUSTRY NEEDS TO ADOPT NEW STANDARDS
2 TO REALLY MINIMIZE EXPOSURES. TECHNOLOGY ADVANCES MAKE IT
3 POSSIBLE TO ACTUALLY REDUCE DANGEROUS EMISSIONS WHILE
4 PROTECTING BOTH WORKERS AND RESIDENTS IN CLOSE PROXIMITY. IN
5 PARAMOUNT, WE'RE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE CONTINUED
6 EXPOSURE. ALTHOUGH WE'VE BEEN WORKING HARD AND DILIGENTLY WITH
7 A.Q.M.D. TO SET UP A MONITORING PROGRAM, THERE IS STILL A LOT
8 OF CONCERNS THAT THE EXPOSURES IN THE RESIDENTIAL PARTS
9 ADJACENT TO THE MANY PLANTS THAT ARE USING HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM
10 STILL EXCEED WHAT WE CONSIDER AT D.P.H. A SAFE LEVEL OF
11 EXPOSURE. AND SO, WE WILL CONTINUE TO INSIST ON BETTER
12 MONITORING AND BETTER ENFORCEMENT OF EXISTING REGS WHILE
13 WORKING WITH THE INDUSTRY AND WITH THE STATE REGULATORS TO
14 ESTABLISH WHAT WE THINK ARE MORE PRUDENT GUIDELINES AROUND
15 LEVELS OF EXPOSURE TO WHAT ARE KNOWN CARCINOGENS. YOU KNOW,
16 WITH CARCINOGENS, THERE IS ACTUALLY NO SAFE LEVELS. SO, WE
17 REALLY NEED TO MINIMIZE ANY EXPOSURES IN YOUR THOSE AREAS. THE
18 THIRD AREA WHERE WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO DO WORK BOTH BY THE BOARD
19 AND BY THE COMMUNITY IS REALLY TO PAY A LOT OF ATTENTION OF
20 EMERGING SCIENCE IN ORDER TO INFORM RESIDENTS, STAKEHOLDERS
21 AND BUSINESSES ABOUT THE BEST WAY TO PROTECT FROM
22 ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS. RECENTLY, WE WERE ASKED BY COMMUNITY
23 GROUPS TO REALLY, INCLUDING THE PREVENTION AND POPULATION
24 TASKFORCE THAT THIS BOARD APPOINTED, TO REALLY TAKE A LOOK AT
25 OIL AND GAS EXPOSURES, PARTICULARLY IN RESIDENTIAL

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1 NEIGHBORHOODS. SO, WE ARE NOT TALKING ABOUT THE LARGE FIELDS
2 HERE. WE ARE TALKING ABOUT THE SMALLER FIELDS WHERE THERE IS
3 ONE OR TWO DERRICKS THAT ARE OPERATING RIGHT NEXT DOOR TO
4 WHERE PEOPLE ARE LIVING AND PLAYING OR GOING TO SCHOOL. SO, WE
5 ISSUED A REPORT A FEW MONTHS AGO REALLY DOCUMENTING WHAT THE
6 LITERATURE TELLS US, WHAT THE SCIENCE TELLS US ABOUT HOW TO,
7 AGAIN, REDUCE AND MINIMIZE EXPOSURES TO WHAT ARE KNOWN HAZARDS
8 IN THE COMMUNITY. SO, THOSE ARE JUST SOME EXAMPLES. WE
9 CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE BOARD AND SO PROUD OF YOUR
10 LEADERSHIP IN THIS AREA TO REALLY PAY A LOT OF ATTENTION TO
11 THE FACT THAT MIXED USE NEIGHBORHOODS OFTEN CREATE ADDITIONAL
12 CHALLENGES FOR PEOPLE LIVING AND WORKING IN THOSE
13 NEIGHBORHOODS. SO, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

14

15 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND ON
16 IMMIGRATION

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18 **RIGOBERTO REYES:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, HONORABLE BOARD
19 MEMBERS. WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP, THE RESOURCES
20 YOU HAVE PROVIDED US, AND MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE, I THINK,
21 IT'S THE INSPIRATION TO WORK VERY JOINTLY WITH ALL OUR COUNTY
22 DEPARTMENTS TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF ALL OUR IMMIGRANTS AND
23 THEIR FAMILIES AND PROMOTE THEIR SUCCESS. MY NAME IS RIGO
24 REYES. I'M THE ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF OUR OFFICE OF
25 IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS. AND I JUST WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT A COUPLE OF

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1 THINGS THAT WE HAVE DONE THAT TRULY ILLUSTRATE HOW THE COUNTY
2 FAMILY HAS SET OUT TO RESPOND TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF
3 IMMIGRANTS AND ADVANCE THEIR SUCCESS TODAY IN THE MIDTERM AND
4 LONGTERM. ONE AREA THAT WE ENGAGED MORE THAN 14 COUNTY
5 DEPARTMENTS CONCERNED THE 2020 CENSUS. AS YOU KNOW, THAT'S
6 COMING UP, AND WE IDENTIFIED THE, RIGHT OFF THE BAT, CERTAIN
7 UNCONVENTIONAL RESIDENCES, AS THEY'RE CLASSIFIED, WERE GOING
8 TO BE LEFT OUT OF THE 2020 CENSUS COUNT UNLESS THE COUNTY
9 MOBILIZED AND WENT OUT NEIGHBOR BY NEIGHBOR IDENTIFYING THESE
10 CONVERTED GARAGES, THE BASEMENTS, THE IN-LAWS IN THE BACK AND
11 REPORTED THEM, SO THAT THE CENSUS BUREAU WOULD ACCOUNT FOR
12 THEM. WHY THAT WAS SO IMPORTANT IN ADDITION TO UNDERSTANDING
13 THAT EVERY RESIDENT HAS THE RIGHT TO BE COUNTED WAS THAT FOR
14 EACH RESIDENCE THAT IS MISSED BY THE CENSUS IN THE COUNT, THE
15 COUNTY IS UP TO LOSING \$60,000 OVER THE COURSE OF THE 10 YEARS
16 THAT MONEY IS REIMBURSED TO THE COUNTY FOR SERVICES THAT
17 DIRECTLY IMPACT THIS COMMUNITY, SUCH AS EDUCATION, HEALTH AND
18 THE LIKE. AND VERY, YOU KNOW, GLAD TO REPORT THAT THROUGH YOUR
19 LEADERSHIP, AND CERTAINLY MORE SO WITH THE C.E.O., WE SET OUT
20 TO DO THIS PROJECT. AT THE END OF THE DAY, AFTER YOUR BOARD
21 DECLARED JUNE 23RD AS THE COUNTY CENSUS DAY, SOME OF THE
22 NUMBERS WERE VERY, VERY PROMISING. SO, WE IDENTIFIED UP TO
23 4,568 RESIDENCES THAT WE THINK WERE NOT GOING TO BE INCLUDED.
24 OUT OF THE EFFORT, MORE THAN 14 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS
25 PARTICIPATED. THEY KNEW THEIR COMMUNITIES BEST AND HELPED US

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1 GO GET THE COUNTING DONE. BUT MORE SO, MORE THAN 300 EMPLOYEES
2 PARTICIPATED. ONE SINGLE DAY, A SATURDAY, WE SHOWED UP AT THE
3 EAST L.A. COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO GO AND CANVAS ALL DAY.
4 REGISTRATION OPENED AT 8:30. I WAS VERY PLEASANTLY SURPRISED
5 THAT EMPLOYEES WERE SHOWING UP AT 7 IN THE MORNING READY TO GO
6 CANVAS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. IF WE MULTIPLY THE NUMBER OF
7 UNITS THAT WE IDENTIFIED BY 60,000 EACH, WE ARE, YOU KNOW, UP
8 TO GET REIMBURSED OVER \$268 MILLION, LIKE I SAID, OVER 10
9 YEARS. SO THAT MONEY IS MONEY THAT WOULD GO BACK TO THOSE
10 COMMUNITIES TO GET THE SERVICES, TO ADVANCE AS WE SET OUT TO
11 DO, TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY BECOME INTEGRATED IN THE COUNTY
12 LIFE AND CONTRIBUTE IN THE WAY THEY HAVE BEEN DOING. THE
13 SECOND ITEM, QUICKLY, IT CONCERNS OUTREACH AND EDUCATION. OUR
14 IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES ARE HIGHLY AFRAID WITH ALL THAT'S GOING
15 ON. AND AS YOU KNOW, WHEN FACED WITH THOSE FEARS, THE FIRST
16 REACTION IS TO RETREAT AND NOT BE ENGAGED, NOT BECOME PART OF
17 ANY SYSTEMS THAT THEY FEEL MAY EVENTUALLY IMPACT THEIR LIVES.
18 SO IT IS REALLY CRUCIAL THAT WE REACH OUT TO THEM, THAT WE
19 EDUCATE THEM ABOUT NOT ONLY THEIR RIGHTS BUT ALSO THE SERVICES
20 THE COUNTY HAS SO THAT THEY CAN AVAIL THEMSELVES AND THEIR
21 FAMILIES, AGAIN, TO BE MORE SUCCESSFUL. I'D LIKE TO REPORT
22 THAT OVER THESE LAST SIX MONTHS, OUR OFFICE, IN PARTNERSHIP
23 WITH JUST ABOUT EVERY DEPARTMENT IN THE COUNTY, PARTICIPATED
24 IN AN AVERAGE OF 10 OUTREACH AND EDUCATION EVENTS THROUGHOUT
25 THE COUNTY. WE CONDUCTED SEVERAL LIVE MEDIA CHATS, SOMETHING

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1 THAT WE HADN'T TRIED BEFORE, THAT HAS BEEN QUITE SUCCESSFUL,
2 BECAUSE WE WERE ABLE TO CONNECT WITH PEOPLE WHERE THEY ARE,
3 NOT ASKING THEM TO COME INTO A GOVERNMENT BUILDING THAT
4 SOMETIMES THEY'RE AFRAID TO DO SO. AND WE HAVE CONTINUED DOING
5 WHAT WE CALL TRAIN THE TRAINER EVENTS FOR ALL DEPARTMENTS. ONE
6 EVENT, FOR INSTANCE, WHERE WE WORKED HELPING THE M.L.K.
7 OUTPATIENT CENTER ADMINISTRATION, WE WERE ABLE TO TRAIN ALL
8 THE DOCTORS, ALL THE PERSONNEL THERE ONE FRIDAY ON ALL THESE
9 ISSUES THAT ARE IMPACTING IMMIGRANTS AND HOW TO REACH OUT TO
10 THEM. WE ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT CONSUMER FRAUD AGAINST THESE
11 IMMIGRANTS, WHO ARE VERY RELUCTANT TO REPORT IT, SO WE'VE BEEN
12 A LOT MORE PROACTIVE. JUST TWO CASES THAT WERE PROSECUTED BY
13 OUR PROSECUTING PARTNER AGENCIES RESULTED IN OVER 500 VICTIMS
14 THAT WE HAD TO CONVENE ON SATURDAY WHEN THEY WERE ABLE TO COME
15 IN. THEY WERE ABLE TO GET FREE LEGAL REPRESENTATION FROM OUR
16 LEGAL SERVICE PROVIDER PARTNERS AND RECOVER THEIR FILES AND
17 MORE SO UNDERSTAND THE TYPE OF JUSTICE THAT THEY WERE GETTING
18 WHEN THESE CON ARTISTS WERE SIMPLY TAKING THOUSANDS OF
19 DOLLARS PROMISING TO HELP THEM AND, IN FACT, THEY JUST MADE
20 THINGS WORSE FOR THEM. AND THEN, LASTLY, THE MEDIA HAS BEEN
21 EXTREMELY SUPPORTIVE. WE'VE BEEN AVERAGING OVER FOUR
22 INTERVIEWS PER MONTH, ACTUALLY, THAT'S SOMETIMES EVEN PER
23 WEEK, WHERE THEY COME IN AND REPORT ON ISSUES THAT IMPACT THE
24 COMMUNITIES AND GET OUT THE WORD SO THAT PEOPLE KNOW HOW TO
25 IDENTIFY THE SCAMS, HOW TO PREVENT IT, AND, EQUALLY IMPORTANT,

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1 HOW TO REPORT IT SO THAT WE CAN GET THEM THE HELP THEY WANT.
2 SO, JUST IN CONCLUSION, I HAVE TO REALLY SAY THAT NONE OF
3 THESE THINGS WE'VE DONE, WE HAVE BEEN DOING ALONE. I'M SIMPLY
4 REPORTING ON BEHALF OF ALL THOSE DEPARTMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN
5 THERE DOING MOST OF THE WORK. WE ARE JUST HELP ALONG THE WAY.
6 AND FOR THAT, I'M REALLY, REALLY THANKFUL.

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8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WANT TO THANK
9 YOU ALL VERY MUCH FOR THE REPORTS. LET ME SAY A COUPLE THINGS
10 BEFORE I CALL ON MY COLLEAGUES. FIRST OF ALL, THE
11 IDENTIFICATION OF PRIORITIES BY THE BOARD IS MORE LIKE WE SEE
12 A FIRE AND IT CATCHES OUR ATTENTION. I WANT TO PRAISE THOSE
13 DEPARTMENTS NOT SITTING HERE AT THE MOMENT WHO ARE ESSENTIALLY
14 DOING THE SAFETY NETWORK OF THE COUNTY ALL THE TIME, YOU KNOW,
15 W.D.A.C.S. AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, THE
16 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES, SOCIAL SERVICES, ANIMAL
17 CONTROL, PARKS, LIBRARIES, BEACHES AND HARBORS. EVERY TIME, IF
18 THEY COULD ALL SIT AT THIS TABLE, AS WELL, AND THE FACT THAT
19 WE HAVEN'T IDENTIFIED AN INTERDEPARTMENTAL PRIORITY THAT
20 DEEPLY INVOLVES THEM, ALTHOUGH WE SEE THEM BEING INVOLVED IN
21 MANY WAYS, SAME WITH PROBATION, OF COURSE, DOESN'T MEAN THAT
22 THEY ARE NOT A PRIORITY. IT SIMPLY MEANS THAT FROM YEAR-TO-
23 YEAR, THINGS HAPPEN AND THE BOARD WILL SAY, YOU KNOW, WE MUST
24 ENGAGE SOMETHING NEW TO DEAL WITH THIS. SECONDLY, AS I LISTEN
25 TO ALL OF THESE REPORTS, I HAVE TO SAY I'M REALLY PROUD OF THE

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1 WAY OUR DEPARTMENTS HAVE STEPPED UP AND TAKEN WHAT WE KIND OF
2 TRIED TO KNIT TOGETHER AS A PHILOSOPHY, AS AN ETHOS, AS A
3 VALUE, SET OF VALUES IN THIS BOARD. IT REALLY GOES TO BEING
4 CLIENT-CENTERED. THAT DOESN'T MEAN IT'S THE FIRST TIME IN
5 HISTORY IN THE COUNTY THAT IT'S BEEN CLIENT-CENTERED. IT
6 SIMPLY MEANS THIS, YOU KNOW, WE REALLY MEAN IT. THIS IS ABOUT
7 SECOND CHANCES. THIS IS ABOUT TRYING TO KEEP PEOPLE FROM BEING
8 HARMED, FROM BEING HURT, FROM BEING CHEATED, FROM BEING
9 FRIGHTENED, FROM BEING -- IN EVERY WAY HAVING US HELP THEIR
10 LIVES BE BETTER. THAT DOESN'T ALWAYS SUCCEED. WE'RE JUST A
11 COUNTY. AND EVEN IF WE HAD ENDLESS RESOURCES, WE COULDN'T MAKE
12 MIRACLES. BUT AS I LISTEN TO EACH OF YOU, I HAVE TO SAY I'M
13 VERY PROUD OF THE MIRACLES THAT YOU HAVE STARTED, OF THE
14 HOMELESS PEOPLE WHO ARE NO LONGER HOMELESS, OF THE SICK PEOPLE
15 WHO ARE LESS SICK, OF THE CHILDREN WHO ARE SAFER, MOST OF
16 THEM, THAN THEY WERE BEFORE YOUR WORK WAS ENGAGED. THE SAME IN
17 PUBLIC HEALTH. IT WAS INTERESTING. DR. FERRER SAID TO ME,
18 "THIS HEALTH AGENCY IS KIND OF AN INTERESTING PLACE, BECAUSE
19 PUBLIC HEALTH, EVERYBODY IN THE COUNTY IS OUR CLIENT." IN
20 MENTAL HEALTH, ONLY CERTAIN PEOPLE ARE OUR CLIENTS, BECAUSE WE
21 HAVE DIFFERENT KINDS OF TESTS FOR QUALIFICATIONS TO BE OUR
22 CLIENTS, DIFFERENT IN HEALTH SERVICES. SO, WE LOOK AT SO MANY
23 DIFFERENT POPULATIONS. BUT I THINK, OVERALL, THE FIVE OF US IN
24 CONVERSATION, IN OUR MOTIONS AND KIND OF IN OUR SERVICE HAVE
25 SAID WE'VE GOT THIS IDEA THAT PEOPLE'S LIVES OUGHT TO BE IN

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1 SOME WAY MADE BETTER. AND IF THE GOVERNMENT CAN HELP, WE WANT
2 TO BE THERE. AND YOU TOOK THAT AND RAN WITH IT, AND I'M VERY,
3 VERY GRATEFUL FOR THIS REPORT THIS YEAR. SO LET ME CALL ON MY
4 COLLEAGUES TO SAY WHAT THEY'RE THINKING. SUPERVISOR BARGER WAS
5 FIRST.

6

7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I WANT TO ECHO
8 YOUR COMMENTS. AND HAVING BEEN WITH THIS COUNTY FOR A LONG
9 TIME, IT'S REFRESHING TO SEE ALL THE DEPARTMENTS SITTING UP
10 HERE THAT ARE PART OF THE PRIORITIES BUT BEYOND THAT, AND
11 RECOGNIZING THAT WE DON'T OPERATE IN SILOS, THAT, FOR EXAMPLE,
12 WHAT IS TAKING PLACE WITH FOSTER YOUTH, WE WANT TO DO FIRST
13 PLACEMENT AND LAST PLACEMENT IMPACTS L.A.C.O., BECAUSE OUR
14 GOAL IS TO KEEP CHILDREN IN ONE SCHOOL. IT ALSO AFFECTS THEIR
15 MENTAL HEALTH AND THEIR OVERALL WELL-BEING. AND WE'RE
16 RECOGNIZING THAT. WE ARE BREAKING DOWN BARRIERS. AND I REALLY
17 DO APPLAUD EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU UP HERE. AND I'M GOING TO
18 TRY NOT TO FILIBUSTER, BECAUSE I COULD ASK EACH ONE OF YOU
19 DIFFERENT QUESTIONS. BUT IN PARTICULAR, YOU KNOW, JUDGE NASH,
20 I HAD THE HONOR OF GOING OUT AND PARTICIPATING ON THE ROLLOUT
21 OF THE DATA SHARING PORTAL IN PALMDALE. AND I KNOW THAT THE
22 WORKERS AT FIRST WERE A LITTLE INTIMIDATED. HOW IS THIS GOING
23 TO WORK? BUT I WAS UP THERE AGAIN LAST WEEK AND TALKING TO
24 THEM AND THIS IS SOMETHING. THIS PORTAL IS SOMETHING THAT IS
25 GOING TO REALLY GIVE OUR E.R. WORKERS THE ABILITY TO IN REAL

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1 TIME GET ACCESS TO INFORMATION THAT OTHERWISE WOULD HAVE TAKEN
2 HOURS, SOMETIMES DAYS. AND IT WILL ALLOW THEM TO GO INTO
3 SITUATIONS KNOWING WHAT EXACTLY THEY'RE WALKING INTO AS IT
4 RELATES TO ANY CONTACT THEY'VE HAD WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT OR IF
5 FAMILY MEMBERS ARE READY AND ABLE TO TAKE THESE CHILDREN IF
6 THEY ARE TAKEN OUT OF THE HOME. SO I WANT TO APPLAUD YOU,
7 BECAUSE YOU TACKLED H.I.P.A.A. AND GOT DEPARTMENTS THAT AGAIN
8 WE CAN'T SHARE THAT DATA TO RETHINK IT, INCLUDING COUNTY
9 COUNSEL. AND I WANT TO THANK COUNTY COUNSEL FOR ALSO THINKING
10 OUTSIDE THE BOX AND RECOGNIZING THAT WE CAN GET THIS DONE. AND
11 SO, I APPLAUD YOU AND YOUR STAFF, ESPECIALLY CARRIE, WHO I
12 KNOW IT BECAME FRUSTRATING, BUT YOU ALL HAD A VISION. AND THIS
13 VISION, I THINK, IS SOMETHING THAT IS GOING TO REVOLUTIONIZE
14 HOW WE WORK WITH OUR SOCIAL WORKERS. SO I WANT TO THANK YOU
15 FOR THAT. AS IT RELATES TO THE WHOLE ISSUE OF THE PROGRAM
16 CALLED BRILLIANT CORNERS HOUSING, I WAS TALKING TO A GROUP
17 THAT SAID THAT THEY HAVE NOTICED A NUMBER OF REFERRALS GOING
18 DOWN, ALARMINGLY DOWN, AS IT RELATES TO BEING MOVED FROM THE
19 HOSPITAL INTO HOUSING. AND I DON'T NEED AN ANSWER NOW, BUT I
20 WOULD HOPE THAT WE WOULD CLOSELY MONITOR THAT, BECAUSE THE
21 GOAL -- AGAIN, AND THAT RELATES TO THE HOMELESS POPULATION --
22 OUR GOAL IS, ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE THAT ARE THE MOST
23 VULNERABLE, WHETHER IT BE MENTAL HEALTH OR PHYSICAL HEALTH,
24 THAT WE GET IN THE HOSPITAL. WE SHOULD MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE
25 A PATHWAY INTO HOUSING, WHICH WAS DR. KATZ'S VISION AND, I

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1 THINK, A BRILLIANT VISION AND IT MAKES SENSE ON A LOT OF
2 DIFFERENT LEVELS. SO IF WE COULD JUST TAKE A LOOK AT THAT. I
3 DON'T KNOW IF IT'S FACT OR FICTION. I KNOW MY OFFICE IS
4 LOOKING INTO IT. BUT IT'S SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT, BECAUSE WE
5 HAVE A NONPROFIT PARTNER THAT IS VERY ENGAGED AND IS CONCERNED
6 AND IS CONCERNED, BECAUSE IF THOSE NUMBER OF REFERRALS GO
7 DOWN, THE CONCERN IS THAT SOME OF THE LANDLORDS, OR THOSE WHO
8 ARE CURRENTLY PROVIDING WILL NO LONGER BE WILLING TO
9 PARTICIPATE. SO I WOULD ASK THAT YOU ALL LOOK AT THAT. AS
10 RELATES, AND I'LL STOP WITH THIS, YOU KNOW, THE CIVILIAN
11 OVERSIGHT COMMISSION. YOU, MR. WILLIAMS, ARE A BREATH OF FRESH
12 AIR. YOU ARE UNBIASED. YOU LOOK AT EACH ISSUE AS IT RELATES TO
13 THE IMPACT IT HAS ON THE COMMUNITY. AND YOU LISTEN IN AN
14 ENVIRONMENT WHERE SOMETIMES LISTENING IS VERY DIFFICULT. WE
15 ARE IN OUR SECOND YEAR, AND I WANT TO THANK THE COMMISSION FOR
16 THEIR COMMITMENT TO THIS HARD WORK. THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT
17 THERE HAVE BEEN SOME TRYING TIMES. BUT I ESPECIALLY WANT TO
18 THANK YOU, BRIAN WILLIAMS, AND OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND
19 JUDGE ROBERT BONNER, THE COMMISSION CHAIR, FOR ACCEPTING THE
20 CHALLENGE. AND I WELCOME OUR NEW COMMISSIONERS TO THE
21 OVERSIGHT BODY. THIS BOARD, TOGETHER, APPROVED THE MOST RECENT
22 COMMISSIONER ON THE BODY. I WANT TO SAY THAT I WAS REALLY
23 DISAPPOINTED WITH THE TONE AND BEHAVIOR WITH SOME OF THOSE IN
24 THE AUDIENCE WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE LAST MEETING. WHILE WE
25 HAVE THE RIGHT TO OUR FIRST AMENDMENT FREEDOMS AND I

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1 WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THAT, IT'S IMPORTANT IN A PUBLIC
2 SETTING FOR THE COMMUNITY TO ENGAGE. THIS TYPE OF ANGER AND
3 NAME CALLING WILL NEVER ALLOW US TO ACHIEVE ANYTHING. PEOPLE
4 WILL BECOME DEAF AND BLIND AS IT RELATES TO THE SUBSTANCE OF
5 THE PROBLEM. I HOPE THAT MOVING FORWARD, THE COMMISSION CAN --
6 AND THE AUDIENCE CAN CONDUCT THEMSELVES IN A WAY THAT
7 RECOGNIZES THE GOAL OF THIS COMMISSION IS TO CREATE
8 TRANSPARENCY, GIVE THE COMMUNITY A VOICE, GIVE THE SHERIFF AN
9 OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE WITH THE COMMISSION CONCERNS AND VIEWS
10 THAT HE HAS, AND ALLOW THE COMMISSION TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE.
11 ONE OF THE ISSUES, FOR ME, THAT I WANT TO ASK YOU, BRIAN,
12 ABOUT IS THE ISSUE OF STAFFING CONTINUES TO COME UP REGARDING
13 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND DEPENDING UPON WHO YOU TALK TO
14 THEY'RE DOWN 1,500, THEY'RE DOWN, YOU KNOW, 2,000, DEPENDING
15 UPON WHICH CAMP YOU'RE TALKING TO. IT CONTINUES TO BE AN
16 ISSUE. AND I WOULD ARGUE THAT THE OVERTIME FATIGUE CAN IMPACT
17 THE RANK AND FILE. HOW IMPORTANT DO YOU BELIEVE THE STAFFING
18 CRISIS IS AS IT RELATES TO THE OTHER TOPICS THAT YOU HAVE
19 DISCUSSED, IMPACT IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT?

20

21 **BRIAN WILLIAMS:** IT'S AN ISSUE THAT THE COMMISSION INTENDS TO
22 TAKE UP DURING THIS UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR. WE THINK IT'S A
23 VITALLY IMPORTANT ISSUE, NOT JUST IN TERMS OF THE OVERTIME BUT
24 BECAUSE OF THE DISCIPLINE. THERE ARE ISSUES THAT ARE
25 ASSOCIATED WITH THE OVERTIME, AS THE OFFICERS BECOME MORE

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1 FATIGUED AND HAVE TO WORK EXTRA HOURS, THAT THINGS BEGIN TO
2 HAPPEN. AND THAT'S AN UNFORTUNATE CIRCUMSTANCE FOR EVERYONE.
3 SO IT'S AN IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR US AND ONE THAT WE'RE GOING TO
4 REVIEW THIS UPCOMING YEAR.

5

6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** OKAY. AND, AGAIN, I WANT TO THANK EACH
7 AND EVERY ONE OF YOU. I COULD GO ON, ESPECIALLY WITH OFFICE OF
8 DIVERSION AND RE-ENTRY AS IT RELATES TO THE IMPACT. I KNOW
9 SHERIFF MCDONELL SAYS THE NUMBERS OF MENTALLY ILL IN OUR JAILS
10 IS GOING UP EVEN WITH DIVERSION. AND I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING
11 THAT I WOULD LIKE TO TALK ABOUT DOWN THE LINE. AND THEN, RIGO,
12 I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. THERE WAS REALLY
13 LITTLE OUTREACH BEING DONE OUT THERE. AND WE GOT CALLS, AND
14 YOU RESPONDED. I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO WORK, MAYBE PUTTING
15 SOMETHING ONLINE SO THAT THE PEOPLE HAVE ACCESS TO THE
16 INFORMATION AND EDUCATE OUR LIBRARIES UP THERE SO THAT WHEN
17 THEY GO IN OR WE CAN DIRECT THEM SOMEPLACE WHERE THEY COULD GO
18 TO ACCESS INFORMATION. BUT I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR QUICK
19 RESPONSE TO THE CONCERNS WE HAD REGARDING THE ANTELOPE VALLEY.
20 AND WITH THAT, I WILL LET MY COLLEAGUES SPEAK. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. I WILL CALL ON SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU. I WANT TO ALSO REITERATE MY
25 PROFOUND THANKS TO ALL OF YOU. I KNOW WE HAVE DEALT, MY OFFICE

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1 HAS DEALT WITH YOU EVERY ONE OF YOU ON DIFFERENT ISSUES. AND
2 IT TAKES A LOT OF COURAGE. AND I REALLY WANT TO THANK YOU TO
3 OUR C.E.O. AND OUR COUNTY COUNSEL, ESPECIALLY FESIA DAVENPORT,
4 WHO HAS BEEN BEHIND THE SCENES WORKING ON A LOT OF THESE
5 ISSUES THAT ARE INTERTWINED. SHE IS, IN MY OPINION, IS THE
6 FIXER, AND SHE'S DONE A TREMENDOUS JOB. SO I WANT HER TO
7 PUBLICLY KNOW THAT. I ALSO WANT THE COUNTY COUNSEL TO KNOW
8 THAT. I KNOW MARY WICKHAM ISN'T HERE WITH US, BUT WE'LL TAKE
9 LARRY. AND OBVIOUSLY, OUR C.E.O. SACHI HAMAI FOR ELEVATING
10 THESE ISSUES THAT ARE KNOWN AS OUR BOARD PRIORITIES. I WISH WE
11 COULD TAKE A WHOLE DAY JUST GOING OVER THESE, BECAUSE EACH OF
12 THEM DESERVES MUCH MORE ATTENTION THAN WE CAN GIVE TODAY,
13 BECAUSE THESE ARE SUCH COMPELLING ISSUES FOR OUR CONSTITUENTS.
14 SO I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK, EACH AND
15 EVERY ONE OF YOU. I WON'T ASK ALL THE QUESTIONS THAT MY STAFF
16 PREPARED, BUT I'LL HAVE THEM SEND THEM TO YOU, JUST FOR SAKE
17 OF BREVITY. BUT I DID WANT TO ASK -- I DID WANT TO POINT OUT
18 SOME THINGS, THOUGH. I WANT TO THANK DR. FERRER FOR HER
19 COURAGE AND HELPING US REALLY REACH OUT IN A DIFFERENT WAY IN
20 TERMS OF PUBLIC HEALTH, ESPECIALLY WITH RESPECT TO
21 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, NOT JUST WITH EXIDE BUT WITH ALISO
22 CANYON, WITH PARAMOUNT, WITH A LOT OF CRISES WE'VE HAD,
23 WHETHER IT'S DISEASES AND ALL OF THAT, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY,
24 YOUR WORK ALSO ON PARKS AFTER DARK, AND JUST A QUICK QUESTION,
25 AND YOU DON'T HAVE TO ANSWER RIGHT NOW, BUT HOW DO WE SUSTAIN

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1 FUNDING? WHAT OTHER ACTIVITIES CAN WE LOOK FORWARD TO FOR
2 PARKS AFTER DARK, BECAUSE IT IS AN ANTI-RECIDIVISM EFFORT AND
3 WE NEED OTHER PARTNERS ENGAGED TO HELP PROVIDE SUFFICIENT
4 FUNDING SO IT GOES ON, NOT JUST A ONE-OFF MOMENT IN TIME,
5 BECAUSE IT IS HAVING IMPACT. I REALLY WANT TO, YOU KNOW, KIND
6 OF SKEWER DOWN ON WHAT WE CAN -- WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED AND ALSO
7 WHAT OUR OTHER PARTNERS IN THE CITY, THROUGH THE G.R.I.D.
8 PROGRAM, WHICH IS VERY SIMILAR TO PARKS AFTER DARK, HAVE DONE,
9 SO THAT WE ALIGN OURSELVES WITH THAT. SO, THAT'S ONE QUESTION,
10 BUT, YOU CAN QUICKLY RESPOND.

11

12 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH, I MEAN, I CAN SAY WE SHARE THE NEED
13 TO IDENTIFY SUSTAINABLE FUNDING. I ALSO WANT TO THANK ALL OF
14 THE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS THAT HAVE IDENTIFIED FUNDING, AND I
15 WANT TO REALLY SORT OF ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS IS A REALLY TRULY
16 COUNTY-INTEGRATED OPPORTUNITY, WHERE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS
17 HAVE REALIZED JUST WHAT YOU SAID, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, IS LIKE
18 HOW IMPORTANT THESE INITIATIVES ARE TO THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN
19 THOSE COMMUNITIES. THE PARKS ARE A PLACE THAT BELONG TO THE
20 RESIDENTS, BUT MAKING THOSE PARKS SAFE AND MAKING SURE THAT
21 THEY ALSO ARE OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE TO LEARN AND GROW AND
22 BE WITH EACH OTHER IN A HEALTHY WAY BECOMES A RESPONSIBILITY
23 OF PRETTY MUCH ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENTS. SO, YOU KNOW, I WANT TO
24 THANK AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS IS AN EFFORT THAT CROSSES SO
25 MANY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. AND SO MANY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS HAVE

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1 HELPED FIND FUNDS TO SUPPORT THIS EFFORT. YOU KNOW, WE THINK
2 CLEARLY THAT THE COUNTY'S OFFICE OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION WILL
3 BE TASKED WITH MAKING SURE THAT THIS IS A SUSTAINABLE EFFORT
4 OVER A LONG PERIOD OF TIME AND LOOK FORWARD TO COMING BACK TO
5 THE BOARD WITH SUGGESTIONS ABOUT SUSTAINABLE FUNDING COULD
6 LOOK LIKE GIVEN THAT IT'S BRAIDED NOW BETWEEN MANY
7 DEPARTMENTS.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND I WANT TO THANK ALSO JUDGE NASH FOR YOUR
10 WORK. YOU DESCRIBED YOUR EFFORT IN GLENDORA AND SANTA FE
11 SPRINGS WITH THE TWO PILOT PROGRAMS THERE THAT WERE VERY
12 SUCCESSFUL. GLENDORA, THAT OFFICE SERVICES MY DISTRICT, AS
13 WELL, AND WE HAD A GOOD, LENGTHY CONVERSATION ABOUT HOW WE
14 WERE ABLE TO UNITE OUR FOSTER CHILDREN, D.C.F.S. CHILDREN THAT
15 CAN BE HANDED OVER TO A RELATIVE. I THINK THAT'S LAUDABLE,
16 WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE OF THAT HAPPEN THROUGHOUT ALL OF OUR
17 OFFICES AND WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THAT. BUT ONE OF MY KEY
18 CONCERNS WITH WHAT'S HAPPENING RIGHT NOW HAS TO DO MORE WITH
19 OUR MEDICAL HUBS, BECAUSE WE REALIZE THAT THERE'S A
20 DEFICIENCY. WE'VE LEARNED SOME GRAVE THINGS IN THE LAST MONTH
21 AND A HALF, AND I'D REALLY LIKE TO UNDERSTAND FROM YOUR
22 PERSPECTIVE: WHO SHOULD RUN THEM? AND WHAT ARE WE LACKING
23 RIGHT NOW?

24

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1 **JUDGE MICHAEL NASH:** WELL, AS YOU KNOW, THERE ARE SIGNIFICANT
2 CONVERSATIONS THAT ARE OCCURRING WITH RESPECT TO THE HUBS. I
3 WOULD SAY THAT FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, THERE ARE THREE GOALS
4 RIGHT NOW AS OF THIS MOMENT. NUMBER ONE, WE ARE ALL WORKING
5 TOGETHER TO ENSURE THAT CONSISTENT WITH THE RECENT BOARD
6 MOTION THAT THERE IS AN INFUSION OF RESOURCES INTO THE HUB IN
7 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, WHICH HAS ALWAYS BEEN EXTREMELY
8 UNDERRESOURCED. SECONDLY, THE HUBS THEMSELVES NEED TO BE THERE
9 FOR PRIMARILY TWO PURPOSES. THAT IS, FIRST, TO ENSURE THAT
10 THEY HAVE THE RESOURCES AND THE EXPERTISE TO CONDUCT FORENSIC
11 MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT CHILDREN
12 HAVE, IN FACT, BEEN ABUSED OR NEGLECTED. AND THE OTHER PIECE
13 THAT GOES ALONG WITH THAT, WHEN CHILDREN COME INTO OUR SYSTEM,
14 WITHIN 30 DAYS OR LESS, DEPENDING ON THEIR AGE, THEY HAVE TO
15 HAVE A COMPREHENSIVE MEDICAL EXAMINATION SO THAT WE KNOW WHAT
16 THEIR BASELINE HEALTH STATUS IS SO THAT WE CAN TAKE CARE OF
17 THEM MOVING FORWARD. SO, WE'RE WORKING VERY CAREFULLY AND
18 CLOSELY WITH ALL THE DIFFERENT AGENCIES, D.H.S., THE HEALTH
19 AGENCY, D.M.H., D.P.H., D.C.F.S. TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE THE
20 RESOURCES, THE TRAINING, THE POLICIES AND THE PRACTICES IN
21 PLACE SO THAT WE CAN GET THESE KIDS TO THE HUBS THE WAY THE
22 HUBS WERE SET UP FOR. THIRD, THE THIRD GOAL IS: WELL, WHAT
23 ELSE CAN THE HUBS DO? THERE ARE A VARIETY OF PERSPECTIVES ON
24 OTHER THINGS THAT THE HUBS CAN DO. AND QUITE FRANKLY, WE NEED
25 TO DISCUSS THAT. BUT FIRST AND FOREMOST, WE NEED TO ENSURE

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1 THAT THE D.C.F.S. CHILDREN ARE GETTING THE SERVICES THAT ARE
2 REQUIRED BY LAW. AND ONCE WE DO THAT, I THINK WE CAN MOVE ON
3 TO DISCUSS OTHER ISSUES. THE HUBS THEMSELVES ARE UNDER THE
4 UMBRELLA OF D.H.S. AND SO, WE LOOK TO THE LEADERSHIP RIGHT NOW
5 OF THE DIRECTOR OF D.H.S., DR. CHRISTINA GHALY, TO ENSURE THAT
6 THE HUBS ULTIMATELY WILL HAVE THE RESOURCES THAT THEY NEED TO
7 PERFORM THESE FUNCTIONS. ON TOP OF THAT, WE NEED TO ENSURE
8 THAT D.C.F.S. AND D.P.H. AND OTHERS ARE WORKING TO GET THE
9 KIDS TO THE HUBS IN A TIMELY MANNER.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, JUDGE. I'M REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT
12 THE LACK OF SUFFICIENT STAFF AT OUR HUBS. AND I KNOW WE'RE
13 GOING THROUGH AN EVALUATION -- DOCTOR CHRISTINA GHALY HAS
14 MENTIONED THAT TO SOME OF US -- AND WE'RE LOOKING AT DATA. BUT
15 I HATE TO SEE THAT RESOURCES WOULD BE TAKEN AWAY FROM ONE HUB
16 AND TRANSPORTED TO ANOTHER REGIONAL LOCATION. WE OUGHT TO BE
17 ABLE TO GROW AND ENHANCE OUR WORKFORCE. AND TO ME, WE DO HAVE
18 SUFFICIENT STAFF. IT'S ABOUT HOW YOU ALLOCATE THOSE RESOURCES
19 AND MAKE IT A PRIORITY. SO, I WOULD URGE -- I KNOW DR. GHALY
20 IS NOT HERE, BUT I APPRECIATE HER EFFORTS BUT WOULD LIKE TO
21 SEE THIS COUNTY MOVE IN THAT DIRECTION, BECAUSE NO CHILD,
22 WHETHER IT'S IN LANCASTER OR POMONA OR EL MONTE SHOULD HAVE TO
23 FACE THE FACT THAT THEY'RE NOT GOING TO GET AN EQUAL LEVEL OF
24 SERVICE IN THE COUNTY. RIGHT NOW, I KNOW L.A.C.+U.S.C. IS
25 PROBABLY THE PREMIER, BUT IT COULD BE IMPROVED UPON. BUT WHAT

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1 I'M ASKING IS THAT WE OUGHT TO BE THINKING ABOUT HOW WE EXPAND
2 A BALANCED APPROACH OF SERVICES SO THAT EVERY NEED IS EQUALLY
3 ADDRESSED BY QUALIFIED PHYSICIANS. IF WE DON'T HAVE QUALIFIED
4 PHYSICIANS AT THE HUBS, WE'RE RUNNING IN THE OPPOSITE
5 DIRECTION. SO I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT. I'M NOT TAKING OFFENSE
6 TO YOU, JUDGE NASH. I RESPECT YOU DEARLY AND KNOW THIS IS
7 GOING TO BE AN ONGOING CONVERSATION WITH US.

8

9 **JUDGE MICHAEL NASH:** AND I COULDN'T AGREE WITH YOU MORE ON ALL
10 THOSE, AND, CERTAINLY, I CAN TELL YOU IT'S THE HIGHEST
11 PRIORITY WITH ME AND WE'RE GOING TO PUSH AS HARD AS WE CAN TO
12 GET THIS DONE.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YEAY, AND JUST -- I'M SORRY, MADAME CHAIR --
15 THERE'S SO MUCH INFORMATION THAT HAS BEEN GIVEN. I DO WANT TO
16 THANK OUR O.I.A., OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS. I'D HOPE THAT
17 WE COULD SEE MORE PERMANENT STAFF MADE AVAILABLE, BECAUSE
18 YOU'RE DOING YEOMAN'S JOB AND YOU'RE ALSO UTILIZING OTHER
19 DEPARTMENTS. AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS, THEY'RE GLAD TO HELP,
20 WHICH IS WONDERFUL, BUT I REALLY DO THINK WE HAVE TO HAVE TO
21 HAVE A FLAGSHIP. SO I WOULD URGE OUR C.E.O. TO LOOK AT THAT.
22 AND THEN, OUR HOMELESSNESS, THANK YOU, PHIL, FOR YOUR WORK.
23 YOU'VE BEEN VERY ATTENTIVE. YOU TAKE OUR CALLS. YOU'RE COMING
24 UP WITH REMEDIES, AND YOU'RE WORKING WITH OUR CITIES. SO, THE
25 BIGGEST CITY IS RIGHT HERE, L.A. CITY. THEY ARE THE WHITE

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1 ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM, SO TO SPEAK. THEY GET A LOT OF
2 ATTENTION. BUT I'M TALKING ABOUT SOME OF OUR CITIES THAT I
3 REPRESENT AND, I KNOW, OTHER MEMBERS, WHERE WE WOULD LIKE TO
4 SEE SUFFICIENT SUPPORT AND FUNDING. WE DID SOME PLANNING
5 GRANTS THROUGH THE C.O.G.S., AND THERE'S STILL A LOT OF
6 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE THAT NEEDS TO BE PROVIDED OUT THERE. AND
7 I REALLY -- I THINK THERE'S AN URGENCY, BECAUSE THE VACUUM IS
8 NOT BEING FILLED AND THERE ARE MANY GAPS. AND I REALLY WANT TO
9 SEE HOW WE CAN ENHANCE THAT, BECAUSE THEY'RE OUR PARTNERS AND
10 NOT JUST CITY GOVERNMENT BUT PHILANTHROPIC AS WELL AS OTHER
11 SECTARIAN GROUPS THAT WANT TO GET ENGAGED BUT ARE STILL NOT
12 MAKING THE CONNECTION. SO, PHIL.

13

14 **PHIL ANSELL:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. AS YOU KNOW, THERE ARE 41
15 CITIES THAT ACCEPTED THE PLANNING GRANTS PROVIDED BY THE
16 COUNTY. AND THE CITY HOMELESSNESS PLANS WERE DUE IN DRAFT OR
17 FINAL FORM BY THE END OF JUNE. AND AS YOU MAY KNOW, THOSE
18 PLANS COLLECTIVELY ARE A THOUSAND PAGES LONG. AND THOUGH
19 QUANTITY IS NOT THE SAME AS QUALITY, THAT LINK IS INDICATIVE
20 OF THE SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH THE CITIES ENGAGED THESE
21 PLANNING EFFORTS AND WELCOMED THIS INVITATION FROM THE COUNTY
22 TO LOOK CLOSELY AT THEIR LOCAL REALITIES, AT THEIR RESOURCES
23 AND THE SERVICES THAT THEY OTHERWISE PROVIDE AND THEIR
24 RESPONSIBILITIES STARTING, FIRST AND FOREMOST, LAND USE AND
25 ZONING RESPONSIBILITIES TO SEE HOW THEY CAN COMPLEMENT THE

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1 COUNTY'S COUNTY-WIDE EFFORTS THROUGH OUR HOMELESS INITIATIVE
2 STRATEGIES. WE PRESENTED A DRAFT FORWARD LETTER TO THE
3 HOMELESS POLICY DEPUTIES LAST WEEK AND WILL BE COMING BACK TO
4 THE BOARD THE TUESDAY AFTER LABOR DAY WITH RECOMMENDATIONS
5 REGARDING COUNTY FUNDING TO SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
6 CITY PLANS, WHICH WILL BE DISTRIBUTED PURSUANT TO A
7 COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION PROCESS, WHICH WE WILL PURSUE IN
8 PARTNERSHIP WITH UNITED WAY HOME FOR GOOD FUNDERS
9 COLLABORATIVE. BUT OVERALL I WANT TO SAY THAT I AM VERY
10 EXCITED AND ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THE DEPTH AND BREADTH OF
11 ENGAGEMENT AND INTEREST AMONG SO MANY CITIES IN INCREASING
12 THEIR PARTNERSHIP AND THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THE COUNTY-WIDE
13 MOVEMENT TO PREVENT AND COMBAT HOMELESSNESS.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND JUST ONE LAST QUESTION, AND I PROMISE.
16 DR. GHALY, YOU TALKED ABOUT YOUR EFFORT TO BRING ABOUT
17 COMMUNITY WORKERS, AND THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT. WHEN I THINK
18 ABOUT COMMUNITY WORKERS, I ALSO THINK ABOUT PROMOTORAS. AND I
19 KNOW MENTAL HEALTH AND PUBLIC HEALTH HAVE BEEN UTILIZING THEM.
20 BUT I WANT TO CHALLENGE YOU TO GET US INFORMATION SO THAT WE
21 HAVE EQUITY ACROSS OUR S.P.A.S., BECAUSE I'D LIKE TO AT SOME
22 POINT GET THAT NUMBER BACK FROM YOU. AND THEN ALSO, JUST TO
23 UNDERSCORE, I SEE DR. CHRISTINA GHALY HERE. I WON'T ASK HER TO
24 COME AND SPEAK, BUT JUST TO SAY THAT I WANT TO GET AN UPDATE
25 ON HOW WE'RE DOING WITH INTERPRETERS IN OUR HEALTHCARE

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1 FACILITIES, BILINGUAL INTERPRETERS. I BELIEVE WE ONLY HAVE,
2 HOW MANY? MAYBE SEVEN IN THE ENTIRE? I FORGET WHAT THE NUMBER
3 IS, BUT IT'S A VERY SMALL NUMBER FOR A COUNTY THAT'S SO LARGE
4 WITH SO MANY, 3 MILLION IMMIGRANTS, AND DIFFERENT LANGUAGES
5 SPOKEN. I WANT TO GET AN IDEA OF HOW WE'RE DOING WITH FACE-TO-
6 FACE INTERPRETERS, NOT JUST SOMEONE ON A PHONE, BUT THE ACTUAL
7 HIRING AND STAFFING.

8

9 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** YEAH, THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION. I'D BE
10 HAPPY TO ANSWER THAT. SO, RIGHT NOW, D.H.S. HAS 18 BUDGETED
11 ITEMS FOR INTERPRETERS, FOR FACE-TO-FACE INTERPRETERS, AND
12 THEN WE USE CONTRACTS FOR PHONE AND VIDEO INTERPRETATION AFTER
13 THAT. IT'S INSUFFICIENT TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE POPULATION.
14 WE HAVE SUBMITTED TO THE C.E.O. A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO A BUDGET
15 PACKAGE FOR CONSIDERATION IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET TO ADD
16 WHAT WE CONSIDER TO BE A FIRST PHASE OF ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE
17 INTERPRETATION SERVICES. THAT'S AN ADDITIONAL 66 ITEMS SPREAD
18 ACROSS THE SYSTEM. WE'RE GOING SIMULTANEOUSLY UNDERGO A
19 PROCESS OF EVALUATION HOW WE USE OUR BILINGUAL STAFF, HOW WE
20 CAN BETTER UTILIZE OUR CONTRACTS SO THAT WE CAN THEN PUT
21 FORWARD PROBABLY IN THE FUTURE WHAT'S A SECOND PHASE OF
22 ADDITIONAL STAFF. BUT WE'RE CONFIDENT THAT WE AT LEAST NEED
23 THE 66.

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25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** SIXTY-SIX POSITIONS?

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2 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** SIXTY-SIX ADDITIONAL POSITIONS, AND THEN
3 WE'LL GO FROM THERE. I'M AND ALSO HAPPY, SUPERVISOR, TO
4 ADDRESS YOUR QUESTION ON THE HUB, AND WE CAN TALK MORE LATER,
5 BUT JUST TO CLARIFY, THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NO PLAN TO REALLOCATE
6 ANY STAFF FROM L.A.C.+U.S.C. OR ANY OTHER HUB TO MEET THE
7 NEEDS OF THE STAFFING SHORTAGES ELSEWHERE. SO, WHAT WE'RE
8 DOING IS UNDERGOING A STAFFING ASSESSMENT AND THEN WE'LL
9 REQUEST NEW ITEMS. BUT THERE'S NO PLAN TO DECREASE SERVICES AT
10 ANY HUB OR TO REALLOCATE STAFF FROM ONE SITE TO ANOTHER.

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU. OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
13 YOUR PATIENCE, ALL

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15 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, AND I WANTED TO
18 THANK EVERYONE FOR THEIR, THIS REPORT. IT IS AMAZING, THIS
19 COUNTY, AND WHAT WE UNDERTAKE. AND WHILE I'VE ONLY BEEN HERE
20 ABOUT A YEAR AND A HALF, IT IS INTERESTING WHEN PEOPLE, GEE,
21 HOW DO YOU LIKE BEING A COUNTY SUPERVISOR? WHAT ARE YOUR
22 PRIORITIES? AND YOU FIND YOURSELF, DEPENDING UPON WHO ASKS YOU
23 THE QUESTION, CHANGING. BUT CERTAINLY HOMELESSNESS IS ONE THAT
24 ALWAYS I ANSWER IMMEDIATELY. AND I DO WANT TO THANK PHIL FOR
25 YOUR WORK. AND I THINK FOR ALL OF US, WE'RE PROBABLY GOING TO

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1 BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE ON THAT ISSUE ALMOST MORE THAN ANY,
2 PARTICULARLY BECAUSE EVERYONE IS PAYING A QUARTER-CENT SALES
3 TAX EVERY TIME THEY PAY FOR SOMETHING. SO, I THINK THAT'S
4 WHAT'S GOING TO REALLY REMIND PEOPLE THAT THEY AGREED TO IT,
5 EVEN THOUGH THOSE WHO DIDN'T AGREE TO IT ARE PAYING THAT TAX.
6 BUT WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOU. AND I THINK THE NUMBERS ARE
7 GOOD. I KNOW THIS TAX ONLY LASTS 10 YEARS, BUT IN YOUR MIND,
8 PHIL, WE'RE ON TRACK. I MEAN, EVERY TIME I SEE WHAT WE'RE
9 DOING, I STILL FEEL LIKE THE NUMBERS ARE LOW IN TERMS OF HOW
10 MANY PEOPLE WE HAVE SLEEPING ON OUR STREETS EVERY NIGHT. AND
11 DO YOU THINK WE'RE GOING TO GET THERE IN NOW IT'S NINE YEARS
12 LEFT?

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14 **PHIL ANSELL:** SUPERVISOR, WHEN WE TOLD THE VOTERS BEFORE THE
15 MEASURE H ELECTION THAT THROUGH MEASURE H WE WOULD ENABLE
16 45,000 HOMELESS FAMILIES AND ADULTS TO SECURE PERMANENT
17 HOUSING IN THE FIRST FIVE YEARS OF MEASURE H AND THEN WE WOULD
18 ENABLE AN ADDITIONAL 30,000 FAMILIES AND ADULTS AT IMMINENT
19 RISK OF HOMELESSNESS TO RETAIN HOUSING AND AVOID HOMELESSNESS,
20 AND BASED ON OUR EXPERIENCE TO DATE, I AM VERY CONFIDENT THAT
21 WE WILL ACHIEVE BOTH OF THOSE OBJECTIVES. I DO WANT TO SAY,
22 HOWEVER, THAT THE MOST CRITICAL FACTOR HERE IS THE FLOW OF
23 PEOPLE INTO HOMELESSNESS, AND THAT IS THE FACTOR THAT WE HAVE
24 THE LEAST ABILITY TO IMPACT DIRECTLY AS PART OF THE HOMELESS
25 SERVICES SYSTEM BROADLY DEFINED. THE KEY FACTOR THERE IS THE

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1 SUPPLY OF HOUSING, BECAUSE ABSENT MORE HOUSING, RENTS WILL
2 CONTINUE TO RISE AND MORE AND MORE PEOPLE WILL CONTINUE TO BE
3 UNAVAILABLE, UNABLE TO EITHER RETAIN THE HOUSING THEY ALREADY
4 HAVE OR TO SECURE PERMANENT HOUSING WHEN THEY, FOR WHATEVER
5 ACCOMMODATION OF FACTORS, THEY NEED NEW RENTAL HOUSING. AND,
6 THEREFORE, I AM VERY CONFIDENT OF THE WORK THAT WE ARE DOING
7 WITHIN THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE AND THAT WE ARE MEETING OUR
8 TARGETS. AND, AS WAS MENTIONED BY ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE
9 BOARD EARLIER TODAY, THERE ARE MIRACLES HAPPENING EVERY DAY
10 THROUGH THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE AS THIS MOVEMENT BROADENS. AND
11 OUR ABILITY TO ULTIMATELY MAKE VERY SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTIONS IN
12 THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS DEPENDS ON OUR
13 ABILITY TO EFFECTIVELY ADDRESS THE HOUSING CRISIS IN PARALLEL
14 TO THE HOMELESS CRISIS.

15

16 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I THINK WE AGREE WITH THAT, AND CERTAINLY
17 HOMELESSNESS HAS A LOT OF ANGLES THAT WE ARE ATTACKING. AND I
18 THINK THIS BOARD IS VERY INTERESTED IN LOOKING AT THE
19 PREVENTION OF PEOPLE SLIPPING INTO HOMELESSNESS THROUGH THE
20 HOUSING STOCK AND POSSIBLY THROUGH RENT CONTROLS. SO, I THINK
21 WE'RE LOOKING AT HOW TO HELP ON THAT ANGLE, SO, BUT THANK YOU
22 FOR YOUR WORK. FRED, I WAS GOING TO, UNDER YOUR REPORT, JUST
23 COMMENT ON OUR MENTAL HEALTH URGENT CARE CENTERS. AND YOU
24 MENTIONED THAT. AND YESTERDAY I WAS WITH DR. SHERIN, AND WE
25 OPENED ONE IN LONG BEACH. AND THEY ARE SO IMPORTANT IN SO MUCH

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1 OF WHAT WE'RE DOING, DIVERTING PEOPLE FROM BEING ARRESTED AND
2 GOING INTO OUR JAILS, HOPEFULLY HELPING THEM STAY OFF OUR
3 STREETS, AND REALLY GIVING HELP TO FAMILIES AND PEOPLE WHO
4 FEEL LIKE, YOU KNOW, WHEN THEY DIAL 911, THEY DON'T EVEN KNOW
5 WHAT THEY NEED TO DO. AND I AM SO SUPPORTIVE OF THESE MENTAL
6 HEALTH URGENT CARE CENTERS. AND DR. SHERIN REALLY ARTICULATED
7 IT WELL YESTERDAY AT THE OPENING. THEY'RE NOT ALWAYS TOTALLY
8 ACCEPTED BY THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND COMMUNITY, BUT WE HAVE TO
9 CONTINUE TO MAKE THE CASE OF WHY THEY MATTER TO COMMUNITIES. I
10 TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY YESTERDAY TO REITERATE MY DISAPPOINTMENT
11 IN OUR INABILITY THIS LEGISLATIVE SESSION IN SACRAMENTO TO
12 CHANGE THE LAW WHICH PROHIBITS OUR PARAMEDICS FROM
13 TRANSPORTING PEOPLE TO URGENT CARE CENTERS. CURRENTLY, LAW
14 ENFORCEMENT CAN. PEOPLE CAN WALK IN. FAMILY MEMBERS COULD
15 DRIVE PEOPLE IN THERE. PRIVATE CITIZENS, I GUESS, COULD ESCORT
16 SOMEONE IN THERE. BUT OUR OWN PARAMEDICS ARE FORBIDDEN BY A
17 LAW, WHICH MY DAD WROTE IN 1970, TO TRANSPORT PEOPLE TO THESE
18 CENTERS. IN THE MEANTIME, AND WE'RE GOING TO TRY AGAIN, AND I
19 REALLY APPRECIATE OUR WHOLE COUNTY TEAM IN SACRAMENTO TRYING
20 TO GET THIS BILL PASSED THAT HAD WOULD ALLOW FOR THAT. WE'RE
21 GOING TO TRY AGAIN. BUT IN THE MEANTIME, AND, I DON'T KNOW,
22 DR. SHERIN OR, FELD, YOU COULD SAY, WHAT ARE WE DOING TO
23 MONITOR THESE URGENT CARE CENTERS, COME UP WITH GOOD DATA ON
24 THESE ALTERNATE DESTINATIONS FOR PEOPLE SO THAT WHEN WE DO TRY
25 AGAIN WITH OUR STATE LEGISLATORS, WE HAVE SOME MORE COMPELLING

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1 ARGUMENTS AND CAN ALLAY SOME OF THE FEARS THAT BLOCKED THIS
2 BILL FROM PASSING THIS TIME AROUND? AND, HOW ARE WE -- THAT
3 WAS A THREE-PART QUESTION -- AND HOW ARE WE EDUCATING THOSE
4 WHO CAN TRANSPORT PEOPLE TO THESE CENTERS, OUR LAW
5 ENFORCEMENT, OUR FAMILY MEMBERS, OR PEOPLE THEMSELVES, TO KNOW
6 THAT THESE CENTERS EXIST?

7

8 **FRED LEAF:** WELL, FIRST OF ALL, WHEN I SAY THAT I APPRECIATE
9 YOUR SUPPORT AND THE REST OF THE BOARD'S SUPPORT FOR THESE
10 SITES, URGENT CARE CENTERS ARE VERY CRITICAL AND CERTAINLY
11 SERVE TO REDUCE THE LOAD ON OUR EMERGENCY ROOMS. ON THE
12 QUESTION OF GATHERING DATA AND SO ON AND 1795, I'LL DEFER TO
13 JON, WHO'S BEEN IMMERSSED IN THIS FOR A LONG TIME. JON?

14

15 **DR. JONATHAN SHERIN:** THANKS, FRED. THANKS, SUPERVISOR. YEAH,
16 THESE URGENT CARE CENTERS ARE REALLY A BIG DEAL. AND IT WAS A
17 THRILL TO HAVE ONE OPEN YESTERDAY IN LONG BEACH. AND WE HAVE
18 MORE TO COME. THE ISSUE OF TRANSPORTATION IS A SIGNIFICANT
19 ONE. IF WE'RE TRYING TO DIVERT PEOPLE AWAY FROM HOSPITALS AND
20 CERTAINLY AWAY FROM THE JAIL, THEN WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO GET
21 THOSE WHO ARE IN THE COURSE OF BUSINESS IDENTIFYING AND
22 BRINGING PEOPLE TO THE URGENT CARES. AND I WILL ADD, AS I
23 MENTIONED TO YOU YESTERDAY, SUPERVISOR, THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF
24 MENTAL HEALTH, COMPELLED BY THE STANDARD OF CARE MOTION FROM
25 SUPERVISOR BARGER, IS IN THE PROCESS OF GETTING OUR OWN

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1 POLICIES AND OUR OWN VEHICLES TO SAFELY TRANSPORT INDIVIDUALS
2 FROM THE FIELD TO URGENT CARES. ANOTHER THING JUST POLICY-WISE
3 IS THE ISSUE OF HOW LONG SOMEONE CAN STAY IN AN URGENT CARE,
4 BECAUSE RIGHT NOW, IT'S LIMITED TO ONE DAY. AND WE ALL KNOW
5 THAT IN MANY CIRCUMSTANCES, EVEN WITH THE VERY ENRICHED
6 RESOURCE ARRAY AT AN URGENT CARE, THAT ONE DAY IS NOT
7 NECESSARILY THE BEST AMOUNT OF TIME. AND, IN FACT, PSYCHIATRIC
8 HOLDS ARE UP TO THREE DAYS. SO, THAT WOULD BE SOMETHING THAT
9 WILL ALSO BE ON OUR LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATION. WE'RE
10 OBVIOUSLY LOOKING AT OUTPUTS LIKE HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE SERVED.
11 WE'RE LOOKING AT THINGS LIKE LENGTHS OF STAY. WE'RE LOOKING AT
12 RATES OF RE-ADMISSIONS BACK INTO URGENT CARES. AT THE END OF
13 THE DAY, WE REALLY WANT TO LOOK AT INDIVIDUALS, WHETHER
14 INDIVIDUALS ARE REQUIRING LESS HOSPITALIZATIONS, WHETHER
15 THEY'RE GOING TO THE EMERGENCY ROOMS LESS, WHETHER THERE'S
16 LESS JUSTICE INVOLVEMENT AND LESS TIME HOMELESS WHEN WE ARE
17 CONNECTING THEM WITH URGENT CARES, AS OPPOSED TO NOT HAVING AN
18 URGENT CARE. THE OTHER THING THAT WE NEED TO RECOGNIZE IS THAT
19 URGENT CARES ALSO CAN SERVE A SAME-DAY ACCESS FUNCTION FOR
20 WALK-INS VOLUNTARILY, WHICH IS A REALLY BIG DEAL. AND IT'S A
21 BIG PART OF OUR OVERALL ACCESS INITIATIVE TO MAKE SURE THAT
22 INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE SUFFERING AND IN NEED OF CARE IN REAL TIME
23 HAVE A PLACE TO GO. AND IT'S WHY HAVING A SET OF SATELLITE
24 URGENT CARES AROUND THE COUNTY IS SO CRITICAL.

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1 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** HOW MANY DO WE HAVE NOW?

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3 **DR. JONATHAN SHERIN:** I BELIEVE THAT WAS OUR FOURTH. AND WE
4 HAVE -- I THINK WE HAVE THREE MORE THAT ARE SLATED, ALTHOUGH
5 OUR GOAL WOULD BE TO INCREASE THAT NUMBER. AND I THINK AS YOU
6 ALL KNOW, WITH THE REINSTATEMENT OF THE C.H.F.A. GRANT, WE
7 HAVE FUNDING FOR URGENT CARES, INCLUDING THOSE ON OUR D.H.S.
8 CAMPUSES. THE LAST THING I'LL SAY IS THAT, REALLY, YOU KNOW,
9 WE OUGHT TO SEE A DECREMENT IN OUR EMERGENCY ROOM OVERCROWDING
10 WHICH IS OBVIOUSLY A MAJOR METRIC. WE WOULD EXPECT TO SEE
11 FEWER HOMELESS WITH SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS IN THE STREETS. AND
12 WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE, PERHAPS MORE THAN ANYTHING, FEWER FOLKS
13 WITH SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS INCARCERATED.

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15 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, DR. SHERIN. AGAIN, I AM VERY
16 IMPRESSED WITH THEM. AND, AGAIN, I THINK YOU ARTICULATED
17 EXACTLY HOW IMPORTANT THEY ARE TO OUR WHOLE SYSTEM OF CARE.
18 AND THAT'S INTERESTING. EVEN THE EMERGENCY ROOM DOCTORS AND
19 THE EMERGENCY ROOM NURSES WERE SUPPORTIVE OF THE IDEA OF
20 PARAMEDICS TRANSPORTING THEM TO URGENT CARE CENTERS AND NOT TO
21 THE OVERCROWDED EMERGENCY ROOMS. THAT DIDN'T ALWAYS TRANSLATE
22 WHEN WE WERE LOBBYING FOR THE BILL, BUT IT'S COMMON SENSE AND
23 IT MAKES FOR GOOD PUBLIC HEALTH, IN MY OPINION. DR. FERRER, I
24 JUST WANTED TO TOUCH ON YOUR, THE COMMENTS ABOUT PARAMOUNT AND
25 WHAT'S GOING ON THERE. I REALLY WANT TO THANK YOU, YOU KNOW. I

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1 FEEL LIKE WE REALLY DESCENDED ON THE CITY. AND LIKE YOU SAID,
2 ALL THE RESIDENTS ARE UNDER OUR PUBLIC HEALTH PURVIEW. AND WE
3 ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH OF OUR RESIDENTS. AND I
4 THINK THEY REALLY APPRECIATED US PAYING ATTENTION TO THIS. I
5 MEAN, WHEN I FIRST GOT HERE, THOSE LEVELS OF HEXAVALENT
6 CHROMIUM WERE 300 TIMES THE AMOUNT. AND I THINK WE'VE DONE A
7 GREAT JOB IN HELPING TO LOWER THOSE EMISSIONS. WE'VE TAKEN
8 AWAY SOME OF THE MONITORS. BUT I DO KNOW THAT IN YOUR REPORT,
9 YOU MENTION THAT THERE ARE STILL SOME ELEVATED LEVELS IN SOME
10 RESIDENTIAL AREAS. AND I'M ALSO REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE
11 SEEMINGLY INABILITY FOR US TO WORK WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICT ON
12 MONITORING THE CLASSROOMS, BECAUSE I HEARD FROM PARENTS, I
13 HEARD FROM TEACHERS WHO WERE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE LEVELS
14 INSIDE THE CLASSROOMS. AND IT'S JUST BEEN A BATTLE FOR US TO
15 GET MONITORS INSIDE, TO WORK WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. AND NOW
16 I FEEL LIKE WE'VE STEPPED BACK AND WE SAID WE WOULD JUST
17 MONITOR THEM WORKING WITH THE CONSULTANT TO MONITOR THE AIR
18 QUALITY. CAN YOU GIVE ME -- AND THOSE PARENTS AND TEACHERS --
19 A LITTLE, SOME COMFORT OR HOPE ON WHERE WE ARE WITH THE
20 SCHOOL DISTRICT?

21

22 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH. THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR. I
23 WANT TO ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE HOW IMPORTANT YOUR LEADERSHIP HAS
24 BEEN. I THINK THE CONSTITUENTS THERE HAVE APPRECIATED SO MUCH
25 THAT YOU'VE TAKEN THIS ON. AND JUST TO AMPLIFY HOW MUCH YOUR

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1 LEADERSHIP HAS MEANT, YOU KNOW, WHEN WE STARTED DOING EXTRA
2 MEASURING -- SO THIS IS SORT OF ONE OF THOSE EXAMPLES OF WHERE
3 MONITORING MAKES A DIFFERENCE -- WE WERE SEEING REALLY HIGH
4 RATES, ABOUT, I THINK IT WAS 9 NANOGRAMS PER METER CUBED,
5 RIGHT AROUND THE FACILITIES. AND, YOU KNOW, WITH YOUR
6 LEADERSHIP AND THE EXTRA MONITORING AND THE PARTNERSHIP WITH
7 A.Q.M.D. TO REALLY ENFORCE SOME REGULATORY STANDARDS, YOU
8 KNOW, IT'S BELOW 1 NANOGRAM PER METER CUBED RIGHT NOW. NOW,
9 YOU KNOW, WE KNOW THAT THERE'S NO SAFE LEVELS OF CARCINOGENS.
10 AND SO, I THINK, AGAIN, YOUR LEADERSHIP IN SAYING,
11 PARTICULARLY IN SENSITIVE USE AREAS LIKE OUR SCHOOLS, WE NEED
12 TO PAY A LOT OF ATTENTION HOW IT TRANSLATES IN A RESIDENTIAL
13 AREA, WHERE THE STANDARDS HAVE TO BE SIGNIFICANTLY LOWER IN
14 TERMS OF ANY EXPOSURES. AND WE HAVE STRUGGLED. I MEAN, THE
15 LEVELS HAVE BEEN REDUCED OUTSIDE, BUT WE AGREE WITH THE
16 PARENTS AND THE TEACHERS AND THE STUDENTS THAT THERE HAS TO BE
17 MONITORING IN THE CLASSROOMS. SO, THE SUPERINTENDENT HAS
18 MONITORED IN THE CLASSROOMS AND HAS SHARED THE RESULTS WITH
19 US, BUT NOT THE METHODOLOGY. AND SO, YOU KNOW WE HAVE A
20 BRILLIANT TEAM, YOU KNOW, SMALL BUT THEY'RE A REALLY POWERFUL
21 TEAM OF FOLKS AT D.P.H. AND LOOKING AT JUST RESULTS IS NOT
22 SUFFICIENT TO EVALUATE WHETHER OR NOT WE WANT TO REMAIN
23 CONCERNED. WE NEED TO SEE THE METHODOLOGY. WE'VE ALSO ASKED
24 REPEATEDLY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR TO SET UP A TIME FOR US TO GO
25 IN AND DO OUR OWN MONITORING. WE FEEL LIKE WE HAVE AN

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1 AGREEMENT TO GO IN AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR AND
2 SPEND A DAY THERE DOING THE MONITORING. I WANT TO SAY WITH
3 YOUR LEADERSHIP, WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO MAKING SURE THAT
4 HAPPENS, BECAUSE WE WOULD AGREE THAT THIS IS A GOOD ROLE FOR
5 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND THAT FOR US TO HAVE OUR
6 OWN TEAM IN THERE WHEN THERE HAS BEEN SO MUCH ELEVATION OF THE
7 LEVEL OF EXPOSURE, TO HAVE US NOW GO IN AND CERTIFY THAT, IN
8 FACT, THE STUDENTS, THE TEACHERS AND THE STAFF THAT ARE
9 WORKING THERE ARE NOT HAVING AN ELEVATED EXPOSURE EVERY DAY
10 INSIDE THE BUILDING REMAINS SOMETHING THAT WE WOULD LIKE VERY
11 MUCH TO DO. WE DO HAVE A COMMITMENT RIGHT NOW THAT WE SHOULD
12 BE ABLE TO GO IN ONCE THE STUDENTS ARE BACK, BECAUSE THAT'S
13 THE TIME TO DO IT. IT'S REALLY NOT GOOD TO DO IT AFTER A DEEP
14 CLEAN IN AN EMPTY SUMMER WITH AN EMPTY CLASSROOM IN THE
15 SUMMER. WE'D LIKE TO BE THERE IN LATE AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER.
16 AND WE'LL WORK VERY -- I WANT TO ALSO THANK YOUR HEALTH DEPUTY
17 FOR ALL OF HER SUPPORT. SHE'S BEEN JUST FANTASTIC ABOUT
18 HELPING US ACTUALLY STAY ON TOP OF THIS AS A MAJOR PRIORITY
19 BUT ALSO FIGURING OUT HOW TO WORK BEST IN THE COMMUNITY WITH
20 THE PARENT GROUPS. SO I WANT TO THANK JACQUELINE A LOT. SHE'S
21 AWESOME.

22
23 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** SHE IS AWESOME. THANK YOU. YEAH, THANK YOU
24 TO JACQUELINE. SHE'S BEEN GREAT. AND SHE UNDERSTANDS, AS MANY
25 OF US DO, HOW MUCH THE ENVIRONMENT AFFECTS OUR KIDS. AND, YOU

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1 KNOW, WHETHER IT'S ASTHMA OR SOMETHING MORE SERIOUS, PARENTS
2 DO ALL THEY CAN TO TRY TO PROVIDE THESE PROTECTED LIFESTYLES
3 FOR THEIR CHILDREN, ONLY TO FIND, YOU KNOW, THE ENVIRONMENT
4 REALLY HARMING THEIR HEALTH..

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6 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH, IT'S HARMING THEM.

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8 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** ..AND, UNFORTUNATELY, LONG TERM. LONG-TERM
9 EFFECTS. SO, I ALSO WANT TO THANK JACQUELINE. OKAY, THANK YOU,
10 MADAME CHAIR. I WILL TURN IT BACK OVER TO YOU.

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12 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I SIMPLY WANT TO SAY, MADAME CHAIR AND
15 COLLEAGUES, THAT I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE
16 COMPREHENSIVE AND RATIONAL DISCUSSIONS ABOUT POLICY AS IS THE
17 CASE HERE TODAY. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT IT IS CLEAR THAT THERE IS
18 SUBSTANTIAL WORK AFOOT AND IT IS DRIVEN BY PRIORITIES SET BY
19 THE BOARD. WHETHER CONCRETELY, INTENTIONALLY, IT IS IN MANY
20 INSTANCES METRICS-DRIVEN, AS IS EVIDENCED BY THE REPORT GIVEN
21 BY MR. ANSELL ON HOMELESSNESS. OBVIOUSLY, VOTERS WANT TO KNOW
22 IF WE'RE DELIVERING ON WHAT WE SAID. AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO
23 DO MORE AND MORE. SO THE QUESTION REALLY BECOMES: IS THERE A
24 POLICY COHERENCE THAT CAUSES THE RANGE OF PRIORITIES THAT WE
25 ARE ARTICULATING TO PRODUCE OUTCOMES THAT BENEFIT THE

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1 RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE WORKING ON THESE ISSUES? AND I
2 THINK THAT'S AN IMPORTANT QUESTION FOR US TO CONTINUE TO FOCUS
3 ON COLLABORATION, SYNERGY, THAT'S WHAT ULTIMATELY MAKES A
4 DIFFERENCE IN TERMS OF OUTCOMES IN THE POLICYMAKING APPARATUS.
5 MADAME CHAIR, I KNOW THAT IN THE AREA OF DIVERSION AND
6 REENTRY, WE'VE BEEN SPEAKING OF THE LANGUAGE OF INNOVATION,
7 COMPASSION, FISCAL PRUDENCE AND THE RANGE OF THINGS TO BE BOTH
8 COST-EFFECTIVE AND ULTIMATELY EFFECTIVE WITH RESPECT TO HOW
9 THESE ISSUES ARE BROUGHT INTO FOCUS. AND BOTH DR. GHALY AND
10 JUDGE ESPINOZA HAVE BEEN WORKING VERY HARD ON THAT. SO, DATA
11 MATTERS. SO, THE QUESTION THAT I WISH TO POSE RELATES TO HOW
12 COST-EFFECTIVE IS DIVERSION AND RE-ENTRY SCENARIOS? AND HOW DO
13 WE CONSTRUCT THE APPROPRIATE DEFENSIBLE METHODOLOGIES SO THAT
14 WHEN WE WANT TO EXPAND OR DEEPEN THIS WORK WE CAN DO SO. ARE
15 WE ATTENDING THAT DISCUSSION, BECAUSE AT SOME LEVEL, THERE HAS
16 TO BE APPROPRIATE JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUING THIS WORK. AND
17 I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT, BUT IT HAS TO BE MORE THAN ANECDOTAL.
18 WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO SAY ON A COMPARATIVE BASIS THIS IS WHAT
19 WE WERE SPENDING, THIS IS WHAT WE'RE NOW SPENDING, AND THESE
20 ARE THE OUTCOMES THAT MAKE SENSE. NOW, IF WE CAN'T DO THAT,
21 THEN WE WEAKEN OUR ARGUMENT. I THINK WE CAN DO IT, MADAME
22 CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES. I THINK WE OUGHT TO ENCOURAGE THAT IN
23 WHATEVER WAYS THAT WE POSSIBLY CAN AND CAUSE THAT TO BE
24 WRAPPED INTO FUTURE REPORTS IN THIS VERY, VERY IMPORTANT AREA.
25 THIS IS CUTTING-EDGE, AND THERE ARE EFFORTS AFOOT TO MAKE IT

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1 EVEN MORE SUBSTANTIAL. THE DATA DIMENSION OF THIS IS
2 FUNDAMENTALLY IMPORTANT, AND I'D LIKE TO INVITE AND ENCOURAGE
3 THAT WE GIVE APPROPRIATE ATTENTION TO THAT. THERE'S A GAGGLE
4 OF ANALYSTS IN THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE THAT KNOWS HOW TO DO THIS
5 WORK, P.H.D.S HIDDEN IN THERE THAT WE DIDN'T EVEN KNOW WERE
6 THERE. THEY KNOW HOW TO DO THIS WORK. SO I WANT TO ENCOURAGE A
7 MULTIDISCIPLINARY COLLABORATION TO LOOK AT THIS WITH CARE AND
8 INTENSITY. AS I MENTIONED, THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, A LOT OF THIS
9 COMES TOGETHER BECAUSE OF THE IMPORTANT WORK AND LEADERSHIP
10 THAT IS BEING PROVIDED BY THE C.E.O. TO JUST TRY TO CAUSE THE
11 BOARD TO APPRECIATE THAT THERE IS INTENTIONALITY AS IT RELATES
12 TO THE SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES THAT WE'VE IDENTIFIED, WHETHER
13 IT'S IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM, CHILD WELFARE REFORM, THE
14 RANGE OF ISSUES THAT HAVE BEEN ARTICULATED HERE. I WANT TO
15 PUNCTUATE THE POINT THAT A LOT OF DISCUSSION HAS BEEN GIVEN TO
16 THE ISSUE OF HOUSING, AFFORDABLE HOUSING. AND, MADAME CHAIR,
17 AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME, I SUSPECT IT WILL COME TO OUR
18 ATTENTION THE WORK THAT THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
19 IS DOING IN TERMS OF OUTPUT DISTRICT BY DISTRICT. THAT'S WHERE
20 THE RUBBER HITS THE ROAD. IT SEEMS TO ME MR. ANSELL
21 PARENTHETICALLY REFERENCED THAT ISSUE. IF WE WANT RELIEF, WE
22 HAVE TO HAVE A CERTAIN LEVEL OF HOUSING STOCK THAT'S
23 AFFORDABLE, THAT'S QUALITY, AND THE LIKE. AND I THINK WE HAVE
24 GOOD NEWS TO REPORT ON THIS FRONT DISTRICT BY DISTRICT. I'VE
25 BEEN PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE AGENDA. ON ALMOST EVERY

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1 OTHER BOARD MEETING FROM ONE DISTRICT TO THE NEXT, THESE
2 PROJECTS ARE COMING FORWARD. IT'S IMPRESSIVE, AND WE OUGHT TO
3 CAUSE IT TO BE KNOWN FAR AND WIDE THAT THESE PROJECTS ARE
4 BEING DONE. AND THEY'RE FIRST-RATE, AND THEY ARE UNIQUE IN
5 SOME RESPECTS. THE NO COOKIE-CUTTER APPROACH HERE. BUT IT'S
6 REALLY AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE RAISING THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN
7 THE RESPECTIVE COMMUNITIES, DISTRICT 1 THROUGH 5. AND I WANT
8 TO SALUTE THE COMMISSION FOR ITS WORK IN COLLABORATION WITH
9 THE RESPECTIVE BOARD OFFICES. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT PRIORITY,
10 AND I TRUST THAT WE'LL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO FOCUS ON IT WITH
11 CLARITY AND INTENSITY, BECAUSE IT WILL CAUSE PEOPLE TO HAVE A
12 SENSE OF HOPE AND PURPOSE AS WE CONTINUE TO BUILD MORE
13 AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE OUGHTN'T
14 BE ASHAMED TO TOOT OUR OWN HORN, IF YOU WILL. THIS IS
15 IMPORTANT. AND IT WILL CAUSE PEOPLE TO HAVE A HIGHER DEGREE OF
16 CONFIDENCE AND A SENSE OF WELL-BEING AS RESIDENTS OF THIS
17 COUNTY. MADAME CHAIR, I THANK YOU AND I THANK YOU THE ENTIRETY
18 OF THE BOARD AS WELL AS THE C.E.O. AND THE RESPECTIVE
19 DEPARTMENTS FOR WHAT I THINK IS A VERY, VERY IMPRESSIVE
20 PRESENTATION.

21

22 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANKS TO MY
23 COLLEAGUES. THANKS TO ALL OUR COUNTY LEADERS WHO PRESENTED,
24 WHO PUT TOGETHER THE REPORT. IN A FUNNY WAY, IT'S JUST REALLY
25 THE TIP OF THE ICEBERG, AND WE DO UNDERSTAND HOW MUCH MORE OF

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1 THE ICEBERG YOU'RE WORKING ON AND, YOU KNOW, WHAT SUPPORTS THE
2 TIPS, I GUESS. SO THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. MADAME EXECUTIVE
3 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL FORWARD THOSE PERSONS WHO WISH TO SPEAK
4 ON THIS ITEM FROM THE PUBLIC.

5

6 **CELIA ZAVALA, ACTING EXEC. OFCR.:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR.
7 WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I
8 CALL YOUR NAME? DORI LYDE, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, ERIC
9 PREVEN, GEORGE BUZZETTI, HERMAN HERMAN, MARY JACOBS, VICTOR
10 TRUJILLO, WAYNE SPINDLER. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL
11 ASSIST YOU.

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** WELCOME. GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

14

15 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD
16 DISTRICT. AND, YOU KNOW, WHEREAS I ENJOY A GOOD TIP OF THE
17 ICEBERG REPORT, YOU KNOW, I DO FEEL LIKE PART OF THIS KIND OF
18 A BOARD PRIORITIES REPORT SHOULD ALSO BE FOCUSING ON THE
19 CHALLENGES THAT WE FEEL, BECUASE THIS FELT LIKE THERE WAS A
20 LOT OF GRATITUDE BEING SPREAD AROUND. AND, YOU KNOW, ONE ISSUE
21 IS THAT SOME ITEMS THAT WE HAVE NOT BEEN UPDATED ON AT REGULAR
22 BOARD ITEMS, FOR EXAMPLE, THE MIRA LOMA DETENTION FACILITY,
23 THERE'S A LITTLE UPDATE IN THERE. WE HEARD FROM THE SHERIFF
24 TODAY, BUT IT'S EMBEDDED IN A GIANT, YOU KNOW, BIG, AS YOU
25 CALLED IT, IMPRESSIVE REPORT. BUT THE DETAILS ABOUT THAT

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1 PROJECT AND THE FACT THAT IT HAD BEEN CIRCULATED TO YOUR
2 COMMISSIONS, THE WOMEN AND GIRLS INITIATIVE, THE CITIZENS
3 OVERSIGHT COMMISSION, IT DIDN'T COME UP THERE. AND THE
4 CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMISSION, IN FACT, WHO YOU'RE BUSY
5 PRAISING MR. WILLIAMS, HE HAS DONE A PRETTY BAD JOB OF
6 ACTUALLY PUTTING IT ON THEIR DESK. HE PUBLISHED A REPORT IN
7 MAY WHEN WE WERE SUPPOSED TO HAVE A MEETING IN JUNE. IT DIDN'T
8 HAPPEN. IT DIDN'T HAPPEN IN JULY. AND SO, YOUR OWN
9 COMMISSIONERS WHO ARE CYCLING OFF THAT COMMISSION ARE NOT
10 AWARE OF THE SIGNIFICANT PUBLIC HEALTH. AND DR. FERRER KEEPS
11 LOOKING AWAY FROM THIS ISSUE WHILST GETTING SOME THINGS GOING
12 IN THE SCHOOLS. EVERYBODY'S FOR VIOLENCE PREVENTION, BUT ARE
13 WE REALLY FOR SENDING PEOPLE TO AN INCARCERATED ENVIRONMENT
14 INVOLUNTARILY WHERE THEY'RE HIGHLY VULNERABLE, ATTORNEY
15 HAFETZ, OTHER ATTORNEYS? I MEAN, IT'S CRAZY. AND YOU'VE GOT A
16 LOT OF STUFF IN THIS REPORT. IT'S A GIANT, BIG REPORT THAT HAS
17 UPDATES, LIKE THAT JUDGE NASH HAS GIVEN A TED TALK ON KIN
18 CARE. AND I LOVE IT. I LOVE THAT EVERYBODY IS GOING OUT THERE
19 AND GETTING THE GOOD WORD OUT. BUT I'M STILL CONCERNED THAT
20 100-AND-SOMETHING PEOPLE PUT IN TO HAVE THEIR, YOU KNOW, THEY
21 ARE HOMELESS PEOPLE WHO HAVE NOT REALLY BROKEN THE LAW IN A
22 SIGNIFICANT WAY, AND 50 OF THE 115 APPLICATIONS ARE GRANTED.
23 SO, 50 IN A HUGE PERIOD. SO, WE HAVE SO MANY PEOPLE CYCLING
24 THROUGH THIS SYSTEM. I'M JUST VERY CONCERNED THAT WE'RE NOT --
25 YOU KNOW, THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO FEEL GOOD.

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1

2 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

3

4 **MARY JACOBS:** HI, MY NAME IS MARY JACOBS. I'M THE PRESIDENT OF
5 THE LOVE ONE ANOTHER ANTI-NUCLEAR CLUB, WHICH WORKS FOR PEACE.
6 AND THE REASON I'M HERE IS THAT OUR CLUBHOUSE IS GOING TO BE
7 BOARDED UP OR DEMOLISHED ACCORDING TO MUCH LEGAL WORK DONE BY
8 THE COUNTY OF L.A., IT'S THE D.C.71605. AND I WOULD LIKE FOR
9 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ATTORNEY, D. PAVLOVIC, TO ATTEND ONE
10 OF THESE MEETINGS WHERE YOU TALK ABOUT HOW WONDERFUL IT IS TO
11 HELP THE HOMELESS. AND I WOULD LIKE FOR THE BUILDING AND
12 SAFETY DEPARTMENT TO BE LISTED IN THAT GROUP OF VERY NICE
13 BUREAUCRATS SO THAT THEY WILL BE ON THE SAME PAGE AS THE
14 HEARTS OF L.A. COUNTY SUPERVISORS, BECAUSE I KNOW YOU DON'T
15 REALLY WANT TO CREATE 17 NEW HOMELESS PEOPLE. AND YET, ON
16 AUGUST 22ND, THE L.A. COUNTY COUNCIL, PAVLOVIC IS PLANNING
17 FORCE MY HUSBAND, MYSELF AND 16 OTHER PEOPLE TO BE HOMELESS.
18 AND I WOULD PREFER THAT WE GET MORE TIME TO FIX OUR PROPERTY,
19 BECAUSE BUILDING AND SAFETY THINKS A YEAR IS ENOUGH WHEN WE
20 DON'T HAVE MONEY TO EAT. AND I'M ASKING WHY PROPOSITION H WAS
21 1.\$2 BILLION AND H.U.D. \$18 MILLION CAN'T COME UP WITH MONEY
22 TO HELP US AT LEAST PAY FOR PERMITS, BECAUSE I HAVE THE MONEY
23 TO FIX THINGS. I HAVE EVEN BEEN ABLE TO GET A FOUNDATION TO
24 SAY THEY'LL PUT UP WINDOWS. BUT UNTIL WE GET MORE HELP,
25 NOTHING IS HAPPENING. I HAVE A GO FUND ME UNDER MARY JACOBS,

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1 IF ANYBODY WANTS TO HELP PAY ME MONEY TO PAY THE COUNTY TO
2 KEEP US FROM BEING HOMELESS. IT WOULD BE TERRIFIC. MY TAX
3 MONEY DIDN'T DO IT. MY PROP H DIDN'T HELP. I WISH IT DID, BUT
4 IT DIDN'T. SO, WE'RE GOING TO BE IN TROUBLE.

5

6 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** MISS JACOBS WHERE IS THAT LOCATED?
7 4111 HAMILL STREET. 4115 HAMILL AND 506 NORTH BRANNICK. IT'S
8 IN SUPERVISOR SOLIS' NUMBER.

9

10 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** IT'S IN SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S AREA?

11

12 **MARY JACOBS:** YES.

13

14 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** OKAY, SO, CINDY, CAN WE ASK
15 SOMEBODY FROM SUPERVISOR SOLIS' OFFICE JUST TO TALK TO MISS
16 JACOBS? YOU MAY HAVE DONE SO ALREADY, BUT...

17

18 **MARY JACOBS:** THEY KNOW MY VOICE. DON'T WORRY. THEY KNOW ME BY
19 VOICE, I CALL SO OFTEN. IT ISN'T HELPING. IT DOESN'T HELP. I
20 TRIED.

21

22 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** WELL, THERE'S ONLY SO MUCH WE CAN
23 DO, AND I'VE ASKED THEM IF THEY CAN HELP YOU.

24

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1 **MARY JACOBS:** BUT I'VE TRIED. I MEAN, YEAH, THEY CAN TRY
2 CALLING ME, WHILE I'M STILL ALIVE.

3

4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

5

6 **DORI LYDE:** OKAY, I WANTED TO ADDRESS THE DIRECTOR OF MENTAL
7 HEALTH OR THE... OH, I THOUGHT YOU WERE MARY AGAIN. THE
8 DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH, THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER, OR COUNTY
9 PARTNERS AS WELL AS PRIVATE STAKEHOLDERS REGARDING IMPLEMENTS
10 OR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES OR CONCERNS THAT
11 ONES MAY HAVE. PUT NOW THAT MARY IS HERE, I'M GOING TO FORFEIT
12 MY COMMENT, AND I'M NOT GOING TO SAY ANYTHING. AND I JUST WANT
13 TO SAY THAT MARY IS SUCH A BLESSING AND A HEAVEN SENT AND
14 SHE'S JUST TRULY A JEWEL AND AN AMAZING PERSON. AND I REALLY
15 AM VERY COMPASSIONATE, AND I FEEL SORRY FOR HER SITUATION THAT
16 SHE'S GOING THROUGH RIGHT NOW. AND I GUESS THAT'S IT. YEAH.

17

18 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

19

20 **DORI LYDE:** YEAH, YOU'RE WELCOME.

21

22 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

23

24 **VICTOR TRUJILLO:** HI, MY NAME IS VICTOR TRUJILLO. I'M LOOKING
25 AT THIS AS IT'S VERY IMPORTANT, BECAUSE WE'RE DEALING WITH

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1 LITTLE KIDS, AND WE'RE DEALING WITH THE REALITY. AND I LOOKED
2 AT THE HISTORY, AND THERE WAS A STORY ABOUT A KID NAMED
3 CHARLES LIMBER. IT WAS DONE IN 1932. HE WAS KIDNAPPED AND
4 KILLED. THE FEDS, THEY PUT A LAW. IT WENT INTO CONGRESS. AND I
5 LOOKED AT IT, AND SAID, WOW. SO, I STARTED LOOKING AT KERN
6 COUNTY. KERN COUNTY HAD PROBLEMS WITH THE KIDS WHERE BASICALLY
7 GOVERNMENT WAS FALSIFYING CASES AND THE COUNTY WAS NOT LIABLE.
8 NOW WE HAVE A SITUATION WHERE WE HAVE ONE HERE IN THE COUNTY
9 OF LOS ANGELES AND WE'RE ALL LOOKING AT -- WE'RE NOT CALLING
10 THE FEDS TO LOOK INTO THIS MATTER. WE GOT PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND
11 WE GOT THE SHERIFFS, BUT NO ONE'S LOOKING AT THE MATTER OF THE
12 KIDS. WE'RE NOT LOOKING AT THIS MATTER LEGALLY. IT HAPPENED 84
13 YEARS AGO. TIME MAGAZINE DID A BIG STORY ON IT. BUT WE'RE NOT
14 LOOKING AT THE REALITY OF REALLY LOOKING AT THIS ISSUE. THE
15 ISSUE IS LOOK AT THE STORY OF THE KIDS. WHO IS IN CHARGE OF
16 THIS IN GOVERNMENT? THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

19

20 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** GEORGE BUZZETTI. YOU HAVE NO BUSINESS HAVING
21 ANYTHING TO DO WITH THIS ISSUE UNTIL THERE'S SOME
22 ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THESE FILTHY OFFICES THAT BREAK THE LAW.
23 OKAY? YOU HAVE BROKEN THE LAW ON ME SO MANY TIMES. IN FACT,
24 YOU HAVEN'T GOT RID OF YOUR PROBLEM, HAVE YOU? I'M NOT GRAVELY
25 DISABLED, PEOPLE. THIS MAN HERE COMMITTED COLOR OF AUTHORITY

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1 ON ME AFTER HE WENT AND WHISPERED IN SOLIS' EAR SOMETHING JUST
2 BEFORE SHE STARTED LAUGHING ABOUT ME TALKING TO YOU ABOUT A
3 MURDER. HOW IS IT JUDGE NASH AND JUDGE ESPINOZA DON'T KNOW A
4 THING ABOUT THE JAILS OR L.A. UNIFIED.? WHO OF YOU HAVE BEEN
5 BEHIND THOSE BARS TO SEE THE FILTHY MESS CREATED IN THE PSYCH
6 WARD, WHERE 60 BEDS OF 68 TRIPLE- BUNKED AND YOU CUT OUT ALL
7 THE CHAIRS AND TABLES SO THERE'S GOING TO BE WAR IN THERE. YOU
8 GOT A MAJOR PROBLEM HERE WITH TOTAL UNACCOUNTABILITY, AND YOUR
9 MENTAL HEALTH IS THE WORST. AND BOY, I GOT GOODS. THAT MAN'S
10 LICENSE --

11

12 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13

14 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** AND WHY AREN'T THEY HERE LISTENING?

15

16 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

17

18 **HERMAN HERMEN:** WELL, LET'S FOLLOW -- YEAH, LET'S JUST FOLLOW
19 THE CALIFORNIA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY 2018 LAWS AND REGULATIONS.
20 LET US CALL BACK JONATHAN SHERIN AND ASK HIM UNDER 12101 ET.
21 SEQ. WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON WITH THIS HOMELESS ISSUE. WHAT
22 THE [EXPLETIVE] IS HAPPENING? IT'S JUST HORRIBLE.

23

24 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THAT'S ENOUGH OF THAT!

25

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1 **HERMAN HERMAN:** EXCUSE ME, MADAME CHAIR. I GOT THE FLOOR. LET
2 ME SPEAK.

3

4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** I'M GOING TO SPEAK OVER YOU. YOU
5 HAVE A RIGHT TO SPEAK, BUT YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO BE HEARD.
6 (SPEAKING OVER EACH OTHER) .

7

8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** TIME, PLACE, AND MANNER INDICATES YOU WILL
9 WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE IN THIS ROOM.

10

11 **HERMAN HERMAN:** LISTEN! LISTEN! I DON'T WANT TO USE THE WORD
12 LISTEN, [EXPLETIVE], BUT I'M JUST SAYING. LISTEN!

13

14 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** YOU'RE OUT OF HERE.

15

16 **HERMAN HERMAN:** LISTEN! (CONTINUES YELLING)

17

18 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** YOU'RE OUT OF HERE.

19

20 **HERMAN HERMAN:** ..PROHIBITS DISCRIMINATION. AND THERE ARE OTHER
21 LAWS THAT YOU CONTINUE TO VIOLATE AND SUPPRESS PEOPLE WHO HAVE
22 MENTAL HEALTH.

23

24 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** IT'S OKAY. IT'S OKAY, SHERIFF.

25

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1 **HERMAN HERMAN:** SO, YOU STILL CONTINUE TO DO SO UNDER 42 U.S.C.
2 12101, AND ALSO UNDER THE BALTIMORE POLICE DEPARTMENT CONCERNS
3 UNDER 14141. SO, IF I'M WRONG, HAVE ME ARRESTED. IF I'M RIGHT
4 AND CORRECT, ALLOW ME TO SPEAK. BUT DON'T SUPPRESS ME FOR
5 REACHING OUT TO THIS DEPARTMENT OR ANY DEPARTMENT IN THE STATE
6 OF CALIFORNIA THAT HAS NOT ALLOWED ME TO WORK AND HAS ALLOWED
7 THE L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TO HARM CHILDREN, THE SAME
8 WAY POLICE SLEEP WITH CADETS.

9

10 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** YOU KNOW, THIS IS NUMBER 19, NOT
11 JUST PUBLIC COMMENT.

12

13 **HERMAN HERMAN:** THIS IS MY PERSONAL ISSUE HERE TODAY.

14

15 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** YES, BUT YOUR PERSONAL ISSUES ARE
16 FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

17

18 **HERMAN HERMAN:** ..DR. SHERIN, JONATHAN SPOKE ABOUT, WHICH WAS
19 B.S. BUNCH OF B.S. I'VE GONE TO THE SALVATION ARMY AND TOOK A
20 CLIENT AND FIND OUT THAT THEY'RE SAYING TO ME I MADE A THREAT.
21 GO TO HELL. THAT'S NOT A THREAT. ALL I SAID IS I'M A BEANER
22 SPEAKING FOR A BEANER, AND ALL WE WANT IS CONSTITUTIONAL
23 PROTECTION.

24

25 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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1

2 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

3

4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

5

6 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. DR. GENEVIEVE
7 CLAVREUL. I AM SPEECHLESS WHEN I SEE THAT KIND OF BEHAVIOR.
8 NOBODY WINS WHEN YOU USE THAT KIND. BUT I'M VERY CONCERNED
9 ABOUT THE HOMELESS SITUATION. I AM VERY CONCERNED HOW IT IS
10 HANDLED. AND I AM NOT TALKING ABOUT THE FINANCIAL TYPE OF
11 AUDIT, BUT I AM TALKING ABOUT ISSUE HAVING THE RIGHT PEOPLE
12 HIRED FOR THE SPECIFIC JOB AND SO ON. IN FACT, RIGHT NOW IT IS
13 NOT DONE, AND I AM VERY CONCERNED. I WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE
14 IF FOR YOU ALL FIVE SUPERVISORS IF TO READ MY PROPOSAL, THE
15 RESPONSE OF MR. ANSELL, AND MY RESPONSE TO MR. ANSELL. AND I
16 WILL APPRECIATE YOU GET BACK TO ME ABOUT IT, THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ANY OTHER SPEAKERS? OKAY.
19 SO, THAT IS THE END OF ITEM 19. I BELIEVE IT'S JUST A RECEIVE
20 AND FILE. AND THOSE WERE ALL THE ITEMS THAT WERE HELD BY
21 SUPERVISORS. SO, LET US MOVE TO THOSE ITEMS THAT WERE ON THE
22 AGENDA BUT NOT HELD BY SUPERVISORS. SO, PLEASE CALL THOSE
23 PEOPLE AND THE AGENDA NUMBERS UPON WHICH THEY WISH TO SPEAK.

24

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, ACTING EXEC. OFCR.:** WOULD THE FOLLOWING
2 INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME? ERIC
3 PREVEN HAS REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS 2-D, 4-D,
4 4, 8, 9, 16, 21, 27, 30, 31, 38, 50-B, 54, AND C.S.-1. DOCTOR
5 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL HAS REQUESTED TO ADDRESS 2-D, 3-D, 4 D, 1,
6 7, 20, 22, 27 29, 31, AND 53. VICTOR TRUJILLO HAS REQUESTED TO
7 ADDRESS THE BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS 13, 22, 27, 53. KEN MENG HAS
8 REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS 7 AND 8. GEORGE
9 BUZZETTI HAS REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS 4-D, 21
10 AND 27. WAYNE SPINDLER HAS REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON
11 ITEMS 3-D, 4-D, 1, 4, 9, 16, 20, 21, 22, 27, 29, 30, 31, 38,
12 50-B, 53, 54, C.S.-1 AND C.S.-2. AND HERMAN HERMAN HAS
13 REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS 3-D, 4-D, 1, 4, 8, 9,
14 16, 20, 21, 22, 27, 29, 30, 31, 38, 50-B, 53, 54, C.S.-1 AND
15 C.S.-2. AND SIERRA WALTON AND MARIANILA ERMEY HAS REQUESTED TO
16 ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEM 50-B.

17

18 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** OKAY. GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

19

20 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANKS. IT'S VERY HARD IN ONE MINUTE, BUT YOU'RE
21 LOOKING FOR A NEW PUBLIC DEFENDER. SO, I'M JUST WONDERING, IS
22 NICOLE DAVIS TINKHAM, HAVING BEEN INSIDE THE PUBLIC DEFENDER
23 ARENA, BARRED FROM NOW SERVING ON THE OTHER SIDE FOR THE
24 COUNTY? OR IS THAT WE'RE JUST GOING TO LOOK THE OTHER WAY ON
25 THAT? ALSO, WE'RE PICKING UP A CONTRACT FOR 8 MILLION OVER 8

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1 YEARS FOR THE SHERIFF TO RENT A FACILITY IN COMMERCE, AND
2 WE'RE GETTING A RENT REDUCTION FOR THE FIRST YEAR OF
3 \$29,000.00, WHICH IS JUST, IT DEFIES -- IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY
4 SENSE. AND IT WORRIES ME, BECAUSE THE REAL ESTATE DIVISION AND
5 MR. GABAY AND ALL THOSE SCANDALS, I JUST DON'T KNOW IF IT'S A
6 GOOD DEAL OR NOT. AND I WOULD ALSO SAY THAT, SUPERVISOR, THE
7 TRIATHLON PARKING WAIVER TODAY IS APPROPRIATE. IT'S A SMALL
8 ONE. I CERTAINLY HOPE YOU'VE BEEN MAKING IT CLEAR TO THE
9 MALIBU NAUTICA TRIATHLON PEOPLE THAT WE WILL NOT BE ENGAGING
10 WITH HERBALIFE, I CERTAINLY HOPE, UNDER A COUNTY-SPONSORED
11 EVENT. AND I ASK YOU THAT NOW IN ADVANCE OF THAT, SO THAT IT
12 DOESN'T COME BACK AND WE DON'T THROW OUR HANDS UP IN THE AIR
13 AND PRETEND WE DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE PYRAMID SCHEME AND THE
14 ANGELENOS ACROSS THE REGION WHO WERE HURT BY THAT PROGRAM AND
15 SHOULD NOT BE CELEBRATED ON THE COUNTY BEACHES. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18

19 **VICTOR TRUJILLO:** HI, MY NAME IS VICTOR TRUJILLO. TALKING ABOUT
20 ITEM 7 ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH. I SEE A PROBLEM WHERE WE'RE STILL
21 DEALING WITH A GROUP OF PEOPLE, THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, AND
22 WE'RE BRINGING IN -- WE HAVE NOT, AS THE PUBLIC, HAVE EVER
23 BEEN INTERVIEWED OR EVER MET THESE PEOPLE. IT'S LIKE PRIVATELY
24 DONE BY GOVERNMENT. WE NEED TO LOOK AT THE ISSUE OF WATCHING
25 AND LISTENING TO THESE PEOPLE, BECAUSE THEY WANT THESE

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1 PROGRAMS, BILLIONS OF DOLLARS, BUT WE NEED TO GIVE THEM
2 HOUSING. WE NEED TO START FROM SCRATCH. I BELIEVE JANICE HAHN
3 SAID, YOU YOU KNOW WHAT? WE'RE DOING THIS. WE'RE JUST RUNNING
4 AROUND, BECAUSE EVERYBODY IS SCARED. BUT WE HAVE SO MUCH MONEY
5 IN OUR GOVERNMENT. WE COULD FIX THIS. BUT WE'RE DEBATING ON
6 ISSUES THAT DON'T MAKE SENSE. LET'S FIX THE HOUSING PROBLEM,
7 BECAUSE WE CARE MORE ABOUT ANIMALS, I SEE. EVERY TIME WE COME
8 HERE, CARE ABOUT DONATING ANIMALS TO THE PUBLIC, BUT WE DON'T
9 TAKE CARE OF OUR HUMAN BEINGS. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

12

13 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** GEORGE BUZZETTI. WE'VE GOT A BUNCH OF ISSUES
14 HERE AT ONE TIME. I HAVE PRINTED SUBMISSIONS FOR YOU. THIS
15 SHERIFF'S THING IS A NIGHTMARE. THEY'RE THE TOP KILLERS ALONG
16 WITH L.A.P.D. AGAINST THE 2003 D.O.J. AGREEMENT. AND PUBLIC
17 COMMENT, I'M GOING TO BE READING THE CHIEF BECK LETTER THAT
18 YOU GUYS HAD BETTER PAY ATTENTION TO, BECAUSE IF YOU TEXT ME
19 AGAIN, YOU COULD BE LIKE PAUL MANAFORT, HUH? HIS TRIAL IS
20 STARTING TODAY, TOO. AND I WORK FOR YOU, SHERIFF, TO FIX THIS
21 MESS. NONE OF YOU HAVE BEEN IN THE PSYCH WARD. NONE OF YOU
22 KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THIS. YOU DON'T EVEN PAY ATTENTION TO US
23 WHEN WE TALK. YOU ARE TALKING UP THERE ABOUT ALL THESE
24 HOMELESS CRAP, AND I GOT THE BID FOR 65,000 UNITS, DON'T I? I
25 WOULD HAVE HAD 21,000 OFF THE STREET, AND THESE PEOPLE ARE

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1 BRAGGING ABOUT WHAT? WHAT IS IT THIS WITH THIS JOKE? YOU'VE
2 HAD THIS INFORMATION FOR HOW LONG, HAHN AND KUEHL? I SENT A
3 LADY TO YOU WHO IS 58 YEARS OLD, CAROLYN, AND YOU HAVE DONE
4 NOTHING BUT DESTROY HER LIFE. SHE'S BEEN UP 24 HOURS A DAY.
5 WHO DO I GIVE THIS TO? TAKE CARE OF BUSINESS FOR ONCE IN THIS
6 SLOP PIT.

7

8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

9

10 **HERMAN HERMAN:** SO, IN ALL DUE RESPECT AND APOLOGIES TO THE
11 PUBLIC, BECAUSE IT'S MY CONCERN TO SERVE THE PUBLIC AND PUBLIC
12 INTEREST UNDER 42 U.S.C. 1983. BUT I DON'T HAVE TO COME UP
13 HERE AND USE INTENSIFIERS. BUT THE TRIGGERS OF WHAT TRIGGERS
14 ME IS OUTRAGEOUS. SEEING PUBLIC HEALTH AT ITS WORST AND ITS
15 MOST DEPLORABLE CONDITIONS AS YOU ALL SEE AND KNOW. THANK YOU
16 FOR LISTENING, MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, BECAUSE, AGAIN, SUPERVISORS
17 LIKE YOURSELF, MS. SOLIS AND THOSE WHO FOLLOWED IN YOUR STEPS
18 HAVE PROVEN TO THE WORLD THAT WE HAVE ISSUES, CONCERNS,
19 PATTERNS AND PRACTICE OF ALLOWING HOMELESSNESS TO BECOME THE
20 NEXT GENERATION. AND WE KNOW THAT L.A.U.S.D. IS NOT CORRECTING
21 IT, BECAUSE OUR SCHOOLS HAVE FAILED OUR CHILDREN IN PROGRAMS,
22 SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES UNDER A.D.A. TITLE II TITLE III,
23 SUPPRESSING OUR CHILDREN WHO SUFFER FROM PUBLIC HEALTH OR
24 MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL HEALTH, ALL THESE CONCERNS. AND
25 HOW AM I ADDRESSING IT? PUBLICLY. NOW, AM I USING ANY SWEARING

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1 OR CURSE WORDS AT THIS POINT? NO, BECAUSE I GOT TO THANK
2 SHEILA KUEHL, BECAUSE SHE HAS FINALLY REALIZED THAT THE
3 SERGEANT AT ARMS SHOULDN'T SUPPRESS ME. AND WE CAN WORK
4 TOGETHER BY EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION IF WE'RE ALLOWED THAT
5 RESPECT. HOWEVER, MY POINT OF INTEREST AGAIN IN CLOSING IS
6 THAT HERMAN JASON WESSON, THE PRESIDENT OF L.A., CANNOT PAY
7 HIS CREDIT CARD BILLS FOR \$4,000. SO, WHO IS RUNNING THE CITY
8 OF LOS ANGELES? A TYRANT. HERMAN JASON WESSON, AS YOU HAVE ALL
9 HEARD FOR THE RECORD, CAN'T PAY HIS CREDIT CARD BILLS.

10

11 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. NEXT SPEAKER,
12 PLEASE.

13

14 **KEN MENG:** SUPERVISOR HAHN AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, I'M
15 THE PRESIDENT OF 1441 MANUFACTURED HOME RESIDENTIAL
16 ASSOCIATION. I'M HERE TO COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 7 AND ITEM
17 8. WHAT IS THE HIGHEST PRIORITY FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY? IT IS
18 TO DECREASE HOMELESSNESS. LOOK AT LOS ANGELES. HOW DOES THIS
19 HAPPEN ON THE GREAT LAND OF AMERICA IN THIS MODERN DEVELOPMENT
20 ERA? WHAT ARE THE MAIN CAUSES OF THIS HOMELESSNESS? IN MY
21 OPINION, IT IS DRUGS, GREED AND ALL KIND OF ADDICTIONS. TO
22 COME TO MONOPOLISTIC ACTIONS AND HAVE LIMITATIONS OF GREED,
23 WHAT ABOUT CALLING ITEM NUMBER 7 REASONABLE RENT ORDINANCES OR
24 MONOPOLY-CONTROLLED ACTION, INSTEAD OF RENT CONTROL OR RENT
25 STABILIZATION ORDINANCE? THIS WILL REMOVE CONFUSION AND

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1 POSSIBILITIES OF PEOPLE BEING MISLED AND MISUNDERSTANDING THAT
2 TOPIC. ITEM NUMBER 8 IS NECESSARY ACTION TO LIMIT DRUGS IN OUR
3 COMMUNITIES. THEREFORE, WE ABSOLUTELY SUPPORT IT. THANK YOU,
4 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR BRINGING THIS ISSUE
5 TO THE BOARD. LEAVING PEOPLE TO BE CLEAN, RIGHTEOUS AND TO
6 HOLD HIGH INTEGRITY SHOULD BE THE MAIN FOCUS AND GOAL FOR
7 LEADERS IN THIS GREAT NATION. AGAIN, THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS,
8 FOR YOU KIND HEART, HARD WORKING AND DILIGENT SERVICES.

9

10 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER,
11 PLEASE.

12

13 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON. DR. GENEVIEVE
14 CLAVREUL. ON ITEM 1, HAVING TO DO AGAIN WITH THE COMMISSION ON
15 H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S., LOOK INTO THIS. IT'S FOUR-MEMBER --
16 (AUDIENCE ARE CHANTING: IT'S THE RENTS! IT'S TOO DAMN HIGH!
17 THE RENT, THE RENT, IT'S TOO DAMN HIGH! LA RENTA, LA RENTA
18 ESTA MUY ALTA!) --

19

20 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** WE HEAR YOU, BUT IF YOU KEEP THIS
21 UP, YOU WILL BE DISTURBING THE MEETING, AND YOU CAN'T STAY IF
22 YOU DO THAT. WE SEE THE SIGNS. YOU KNOW THE RENT CONTROL ITEM
23 IS NOT ON THE AGENDA TODAY, BUT WE HEAR YOU. SO, IF YOU'RE
24 HERE TO TESTIFY DURING PUBLIC COMMENT, THAT WILL COME IN JUST
25 A MINUTE. BUT IF YOU MAKE A DEMONSTRATION, WE'LL HAVE TO CLEAR

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1 OUT THE ROOM. SO, I'D ASK YOU NOT TO. BUT WE KNOW WHY YOU'RE
2 HERE, AND WE'LL LISTEN TO YOU, JUST NOT YELLING AT US, OKAY?
3 THANK YOU. GO AHEAD, DOCTOR.

4

5 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES. ON THE H.I.V. COMMISSION AGAIN,
6 IT'S FOUR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE BOUGHT UP. THEY ALL ARE EITHER
7 H.I.V.-POSITIVE OR PROVIDE CARE TO H.I.V. PEOPLE. YOU KNOW,
8 SOME INDIVIDUALS NEED TO BE NEUTRAL. AND THIS IS, YOU KNOW,
9 LIKE I'VE SAID -- ONE OF THE TIMES YOU'RE REALLY A WRONG
10 COMMISSION. ON ITEM 27 HAVING TO DO WITH A SOLE- VENDOR
11 CONTRACT, AND YOU KNOW I'M ALLERGIC TO SOLE-VENDOR CONTRACTS,
12 ESPECIALLY IN TECHNOLOGY, AND THIS ONE IS ON TELE-MENTAL
13 HEALTH. YOU KNOW, 20 YEARS AGO, I WAS THE HEAD OF SATELLITE
14 NETWORK, THE LARGEST TELEMEDICINE IN THE WORLD. NO SUCH A
15 THING AS SOLE VENDOR ON THAT. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SO, OVER 20 PEOPLE SIGNED
18 UP TO SPEAK ON ITEM 8. SO, AS IS OUR WAY WITH THE BOARD, IF
19 MORE THAN 15 PEOPLE SIGN UP, WE LIMIT TESTIMONY TO 1 MINUTE
20 EACH. SO, ALL THE PEOPLE WHO ARE ABOUT TO BE CALLED UP TO
21 SPEAK ON ITEM 8, PLEASE UNDERSTAND IT'S 1 MINUTE EACH. AND WE
22 WILL BE DOING THE SAME THING FOR PUBLIC COMMENT, BECAUSE OVER
23 30 PEOPLE SIGNED UP FOR THAT. SO PLEASE CALL THE NEXT PEOPLE
24 ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

25

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, ACTING EXEC. OFCR.:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR.
2 WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD? THEY
3 REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEM 8. JAY OKU, JAIME
4 ROJAS, MARITZA ALVAREZ, J.J. JENKINS, TERRELL SNEAD,
5 STEPHANIE OKOLO, MELANIE TO, MARIA MAINELLA, SOKHOM PHOU, KEN
6 MENG, ALBERT MELENA, BART TREVINO, DIANE CHEUNG, ADRIANA
7 SANCHEZ, RICARDO NEVAREZ, ARLES BENAVIDES, MANNY SACHDEVA,
8 BRANDON SILA, AND SANDY LOGAN. PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF
9 WILL ASSIST YOU.

10

11 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU AND WELCOME.

12

13 **JAIME ROJAS:** MADAME CHAIR, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JAIME
14 ROJAS. I'M HERE REPRESENTING THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
15 TOBACCO OUTLETS. WE REPRESENT OVER 80,000 MEMBERS THROUGHOUT
16 THE UNITED STATES AND ABOUT CLOSE TO 300 MEMBERS HERE IN L.A.
17 COUNTY, OUT OF THE 3,500 RETAILERS BEING IMPACTED BY THIS
18 POSSIBLE CHANGE IN THE ORDINANCE. WE'RE ASKING AND WE'RE
19 LOOKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT AS WELL AS OF THE STAFF TO ADD TO THE
20 TABLE THE RETAILERS WHO ARE GOING TO BE IMPACTED BY ANY
21 CHANGES ACCORDING TO THE POSSIBLE VARIANCE ON THE ORDINANCE.
22 WE ALSO ASK THAT IN COMPARISON FOR THE COUNTY TO ALSO DO AN
23 ECONOMIC IMPACT REPORT, NOT ONLY OF THE RETAILERS BUT, MORE
24 IMPORTANTLY, TO THE COUNTY COFFERS. THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN
25 FRANCISCO, FOR EXAMPLE, WITH ONLY 350 RETAILERS HAD AN

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1 ECONOMIC IMPACT REPORT DONE THAT GAVE AN ESTIMATED LOSS,
2 REVENUE LOST TO THE CITY AND COUNTY OF \$50 MILLION PER YEAR.
3 AND SO WE'RE ASKING FOR YOU TO MAKE THAT SAME TYPE OF
4 CONSULTING AND REVIEW FOR THE COUNTY, AS WELL. THANK YOU FOR
5 YOUR CONSIDERATION.

6

7 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. NEXT SPEAKER,
8 PLEASE.

9

10 **JAY OKU:** MADAME CHAIR -- (AUDIENCE MEMBERS YELLING). (FIGHT,
11 FIGHT, FIGHT, HUMAN RIGHTS. FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT, ALL HUMAN
12 RIGHTS. FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT).

13

14 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SAFE TRAVELS. (CHANTING
15 CONTINUES).

16

17 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE. THEY
18 WERE ON THEIR WAY OUT, SO I THOUGHT, YOU KNOW, MIGHT AS WELL.
19 THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

20

21 **JAY OKU:** MADAME CHAIR AND HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
22 JAY OKU. I'M HERE AS A REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE DOZENS OF LOCAL
23 MANUFACTURERS IN THE E-VAPOR INDUSTRY, THE COMMUNITY, THE
24 NEARLY 60- PLUS E-VAPOR TOBACCO LICENSE HOLDERS IN LOS ANGELES
25 AND THE 516 ANGELENO SMOKERS THAT HAVE YET TO CONVERT TO THIS

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1 TOBACCO HARM-REDUCTION TECHNOLOGY, WHICH THE PUBLIC HEALTH OF
2 ENGLAND ACTUALLY NOTED IN A STUDY THAT IT'S AT LEAST 95-
3 PERCENT LESS HARMFUL THAN COMBUSTIBLE TOBACCO. I'M FROM A
4 COMPANY WITH 32 EMPLOYEES. WE ALL ECHO THE SAME SENTIMENT OF
5 BETTERING THE LIVES OF OTHERS. WE'VE MET WITH THE F.D.A., THE
6 O.M.B. ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION TO HELP EDUCATE THEM ON THE
7 INDUSTRY'S EFFORTS OF KEEPING THESE PRODUCTS OUT OF THE HANDS
8 OF CHILDREN AND IN THE HANDS OF LEGAL-AGE CONSUMERS. WE'RE
9 ASKING FOR THAT SAME OPPORTUNITY FROM YOU. WE'RE REQUESTING
10 THAT THE BUSINESSES BE INCLUDED IN YOUR DECISION-MAKING
11 PROCESS. AND JUST BE INVITED AND HELP DEVELOP POLICY. WE'RE
12 LOOKING AT KEEPING LICENSED, REGULARLY INSPECTED RETAIL
13 LOCATIONS THAT ARE SELLING PRODUCTS AND NOT PUSHING THESE
14 CONSUMERS TO THE BLACK MARKET.

15

16 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

17

18 **JAY OKU:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL ACCEPT ANY WRITTEN
21 COMMENTS THAT YOU MIGHT HAVE PRINTED OFF AND MAKE IT PART OF
22 THE RECORD.

23

24 **JAY OKU:** IT WAS 5 MINUTES GOING TO 3 AND NOW WE'RE AT 1.

25

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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** I KNOW. BUT THERE'S 20 OF YOU, SO
2 WE'LL GET THE POINT. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

3

4 **ALBERT MELENA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
5 IS ALBERT MELENA. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE EXPANSION OF THE
6 COUNTY'S SMOKE- FREE ORDINANCE TO INCLUDE ECIGARETTES AND
7 MARIJUANA. PUBLIC CANNABIS SMOKING IS BY FAR THE MOST
8 PERVASIVE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCE OF CANNABIS LEGALIZATION
9 IMPACTING THE GENERAL POPULATION. IT IS IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE
10 THAT LEGALIZATION DOES NOT IMPLY LACK OF REGULATION, AND WE
11 MUST CONSIDER THE PUBLIC HEALTH PERSPECTIVE FAVORING CERTAIN
12 TYPES OF REGULATION THAT TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE
13 DOCUMENTED HARMS ASSOCIATED WITH MARIJUANA USE, PARTICULARLY
14 FOR YOUTH. THIS IS ALSO A GENERAL QUALITY- OF-LIFE ISSUE
15 IMPACTING BOTH USERS AND NONUSERS IN SHARED SPACES. I HAVE HAD
16 PARENTS TELL ME THAT FIVE-YEAR-OLDS SHOULD NOT BE ABLE TO
17 IDENTIFY MARIJUANA SMOKE OR CRAVE THE SWEET SMELL OF VAPORS OR
18 NOT BE ABLE TO OPEN YOUR WINDOWS BECAUSE OF THE SMELL OF
19 MARIJUANA. LIMITING CONSUMPTION IN PUBLIC SERVES TWO PURPOSES.
20 IT REDUCES SECONDHAND EXPOSURE TO SMOKED MARIJUANA, AND, TWO,
21 IT REDUCED THE EXTENT TO WHICH MARIJUANA USE IS SEEN BY YOUTH
22 AS SOCIALLY ACCEPTABLE OR NORMATIVE. REGULATING MARIJUANA
23 CONSUMPTION IN PUBLIC PLACES CAN HAVE AN EFFECTIVE IMPACT ON
24 YOUTH.

25

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1 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

2

3 **BART TREVINO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
4 IS BART TREVINO, AND I WORK AND PART OF A MEMBER OF A
5 COALITION IN S.P.A. 2 CALLED COMMUNITIES IN ACTION. TODAY I'M
6 HERE TO SUPPORT EXPANDING THE COUNTY'S SMOKE-FREE ORDINANCE TO
7 INCLUDE ECIGARETTES AND MARIJUANA. I HAVE BEEN VISITING
8 APARTMENT BUILDINGS, PARKS AND BUSINESSES. AT THESE LOCATIONS,
9 MOST OF THE CONCERNS WERE THAT SMOKE AND THE SMELL OF
10 MARIJUANA BOTHERED MOST PEOPLE AND ESPECIALLY THOSE WITH
11 CHILDREN AND THE PERCEPTION IT GAVE THEIR CHILDREN THAT
12 MARIJUANA SMOKING IN PUBLIC IS OKAY. I ALSO VISITED STRIP
13 MALLS, AND AT THESE LOCATIONS, BUSINESS OWNERS STRESS THE
14 CONCERNS WITH PEOPLE LOITERING AND SMOKING MARIJUANA IN FRONT
15 OF THEIR LOCATION AND THAT CUSTOMERS AND STAFF COMPLAINED THAT
16 THIS WAS HAPPENING ON A DAILY BASIS. MOST BUSINESSES ALSO
17 EXPRESS THAT HAD THIS WOULD AFFECT CUSTOMERS COMING TO THEIR
18 PLACE OF BUSINESS AND THAT SOMETHING SHOULD BE DONE TO ENFORCE
19 THE LAW. TO CONCLUDE, WE FOUND THAT MARIJUANA SMOKING IN
20 PUBLIC AFFECTS THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN COMMUNITIES, AND WE
21 SUPPORT THE MOTION TO EXPAND THE COUNTY'S SMOKE-FREE ORDINANCE
22 TO INCLUDE E-CIGARETTES AND MARIJUANA. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

25

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1 **ARLES BENAVIDES:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. COUNTY
2 OF L.A. I'M ARLES BENAVIDES WITH FAIR FAMILY SERVICES IN
3 WHITTIER, AND I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY
4 ALLIANCE. WE'RE A COALITION IN SERVICE PLANNING AREA 7 AND
5 RETHINKING ACCESS TO MARIJUANA. AND I THINK THIS IS A GREAT
6 STEP TO RE-VISIT THE PUBLIC SMOKING ORDINANCE. WE HAVE SEEN AN
7 INCREASE IN PUBLIC SMOKING IN OUR COMMUNITY AT PARKS, BUS
8 STOPS, AROUND SCHOOLS. AND LIKE MR. TREVENO SAYS, YOU KNOW,
9 THIS IS A BAD EXAMPLE FOR YOUTH. WE HAVE DONE A LOT OF WORK
10 FOR SMOKING PREVENTION, ESPECIALLY WITH THE TRUTH CAMPAIGN.
11 AND IT SEEMS LIKE THINGS ARE GOING BACKWARDS. SO TO QUOTE DR.
12 FERRER, THERE ARE NO SAFE LEVELS OF CARCINOGENS. SO, YOU KNOW,
13 WE HAVE TO REMEMBER THAT FOR CANNABIS, AS WELL, AND FOR
14 VAPING, BECAUSE THERE ARE CARCINOGENS RELEASED WHEN CANNABIS
15 IS SMOKED AND ALSO WHEN IT'S VAPED. SO, THANK YOU FOR
16 CONSIDERING THIS.

17
18 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

19
20 **ADRIANA SANCHEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ADRIANA SANCHEZ.
21 I'M WITH WORKSITE WELLNESS L.A. WITH OUR OTHER PARTNERS ALONG
22 WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY OF EDUCATION AND AMERICAN LUNG
23 ASSOCIATION WORKING ON A PROJECT CALLED COMPADRES FOR
24 TOBACCO-FREE LOS ANGELES COUNTY. TOBACCO WORKSITE WELLNESS
25 PROJECT IS WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY HEALTH CLINICS AND

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1 HEADSTARTS WITH HIGH HISPANIC AND LATINO POPULATIONS IN L.A.
2 COUNTY TO ADAPT AND IMPLEMENT 100-PERCENT SMOKE-FREE POLICIES,
3 INCLUDING ELECTRICAL SMOKING DEVICES LIKE E-CIGARETTES. AS WE
4 HELP ADAPT, NOT ONLY IN THE COMMUNITY HEALTH CLINICS BUT
5 HEADSTARTS, YOU KNOW, IT SHOULD BE KEY THAT THERE SHOULD BE
6 MORE REGULATIONS WITH E-CIGARETTES AND THE DANGERS OF
7 SECONDHAND SMOKE AND RISKS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN. I SUPPORT THIS
8 ORDINANCE AND THE IMPACT THAT IT HAS ON THE HEALTH OF L.A.
9 RESIDENTS AND IMPROVE THE PUBLIC ENVIRONMENT AGAINST
10 SECONDHAND SMOKE. AND IT'S ALSO BE LESS VISIBLE FOR OUR YOUTH.

11

12 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

13

14 **STEPHANIE OKOLO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS STEPHANIE OKOLO,
15 AND I'M HERE AS A MEMEBER OF RETHINKING ACCESS TO MARIJUANA. I
16 AM IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION AND BELIEVE THAT IT WILL MITIGATE
17 THE FALSE PERCEPTION THAT SURROUNDS PROP 64 WHICH IS THAT JUST
18 BECAUSE ADULT RECREATIONAL USE IS ALLOWED FOR MARIJUANA THAT
19 PUBLIC CONSUMPTION IS ALSO ACCEPTABLE. SO, INCLUDING E-
20 CIGARETTES AND MARIJUANA IN THE COUNTY SMOKE- FREE ORDINANCE
21 WILL PROMOTE COUNTY HEALTH INITIATIVES AND IDEAS SURROUNDING
22 MARIJUANA AND MAKE IT SO THAT WHEN I WALK DOWN HOLLYWOOD
23 BOULEVARD 7 A.M. TO GET TO WORK, I'M NOT ACCOSTED WITH SMELLS
24 OF BURNING AND SMOKE. THANK YOU.

25

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1 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

2

3 **MELANIE TO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MELANIE TO, AND I'M A

4 MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RETHINKING ACCESS TO

5 MARIJUANA. AND WE WERE IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION. I'VE WORKED

6 WITH PARENTS WHO HAVE CONSTANTLY EXPRESSED THEIR CONCERNS OF

7 THE FAMILIES INHALING MARIJUANA AND E-CIGARETTES SMOKE OUTSIDE

8 OF THEIR HOMES AS WELL AS THE PARKS WHERE THEIR CHILDREN PLAY.

9 SMOKE IS A FORM OF AIR POLLUTION, AND THAT ALSO INCLUDES

10 MARIJUANA SMOKE. SMOKE IS SMOKE, AND WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO

11 INCLUDE MARIJUANA AS WELL AS E-CIGS IN OUR COUNTY SMOKE-FREE

12 ORDINANCES TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

15

16 **SOKHOM PHOU:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SOKHOM PHOU, AND I'M

17 THE CHAIR FOR THE L.A. COUNTY RETHINKING ACCESS TO MARIJUANA.

18 I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF THE SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY ALLIANCE AND ALSO

19 A YOUTH ADVOCATE FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIGHTING AT LIFE

20 PARTNERSHIP. I WANTED TO SAY TO YOU ON BEHALF OF THE YOUTH AND

21 COMMUNITY AND CONFIRM THAT WE DO NEED TO INCLUDE E-CIGARETTES

22 AND MARIJUANA IN THE SMOKE-FREE ORDINANCES. IT'S BEEN SHOWN

23 THAT IT'S A WAY TO HELP REDUCE YOUTH ACCESS AND EXPOSURE TO

24 THIS. I ALSO HAVE A WRITTEN TESTIMONY THAT MARITZA ALVAREZ

25 WANTED TO READ OFF AND ALSO A HANDOUT FOR SUPERVISORS KUEHL

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1 AND SOLIS. THE TESTIMONY IS FROM NORMA BARBABOSA. AND IN
2 SUMMARY, THIS SMELL IS VERY DISTURBING IN HER HOME. SHE HAS A
3 10-YEAR-OLD SON WHO HAS ASTHMA AND SMOKE IS A BIG CONCERN TO
4 HER AND THEY RECOGNIZE THE SMELL EVERY TIME. AND THERE'S ALSO
5 A NEW DISPENSARY THAT OPENED IN WHITTIER, AND HER SON IS
6 BEGINNIGN TO ASK WHAT THAT SMELL IS. AND THERE'S ONLY SO MUCH
7 TIME SHE CAN BE WITH HIM AND A 16-YEAR-OLD WHO WALKS TO SCHOOL
8 BY HERSELF REGULARLY. SO, IT'S REALLY IMPACTING A LOT OF HER
9 FAMILY AS WELL AS OTHER YOUTH IN THE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

12

13 **RICARDO NEVAREZ:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS RICARDO
14 NEVAREZ, AND I'M WITH L.A.C.O., LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF
15 EDUCATION, AND THE COMPADRES FOR TOBACCO-FREE LOS ANGELES
16 COUNTY PROJECT. AND L.A.C.O. RECENTLY RECEIVED FUNDING FOR
17 HISPANIC LATINO TOBACCO SMOKING PREVENTION AND CESSATION
18 SERVICES WITH THE GOAL TO ELIMINATE TOBACCO-RELATED HEALTH
19 DISPARITIES AND INCREASE HEALTH EQUITY AMONG HISPANIC AND
20 LATINO POPULATIONS IN L.A. COUNTY THROUGH OUR STRATEGIC
21 APPROACH. AND TO DO SO, WE ARE COLLABORATING WITH THE AMERICAN
22 LUNG ASSOCIATION AND WORKSITE WELLNESS L.A. OUR FOCUS IS ON
23 SMOKE-FREE POLICIES THAT PROHIBIT SMOKING, INCLUDING E-
24 CIGARETTES. AND OUR AREAS OF FOCUS AR ON TRADE VOCATIONAL
25 SCHOOLS, COMMUNITY COLLEGES, HISPANIC- SERVING INSTITUTES, AND

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1 REDUCING DENSITY OF TOBACCO RETAIL OUTLETS. AND WE ARE
2 CURRENTLY APPLYING FOR ANOTHER GRANT THAT IS TARGETING THE
3 BLACK AND AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY, AND THAT'S WHY WE ARE IN
4 SUPPORT OF THIS ITEM. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

7

8 **DIANE CHEUNG:** MY NAME'S DIANE CHEUNG. I'M REALLY GRATEFUL FOR
9 ALL THAT YOU HAVE DONE. FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS
10 MY SUPPORT FOR ITEMS 7 AND 8. FIRST OF ALL, I'M REALLY
11 GRATEFUL FOR ALL THE GREAT THINGS THAT THE COUNTY HAS DONE FOR
12 THIS COMMUNITY. I'M SURE THAT THIS COUNTY'S LEADERSHIP IS
13 GOING DOWN THE RIGHT PATH. I HAVE SEEN MANY HEROES THAT
14 HAVEN'T SPOKEN TODAY, AND I AM VERY GRATEFUL FOR THOSE THAT
15 HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THIS MEETING TODAY SERVING THE COMMUNITY.
16 YOUR LEADERSHIP AND SUPPORT OF THE OTHER STAFF HAVE REALLY
17 IMPACTED THE THE COUNTY IN A GOOD WAY. THIS CURRENT LEADERSHIP
18 HAS THE LONG TERM IN FOCUS, AND IT'S BRINGING THIS COUNTY IN A
19 BETTER LIGHT.

20

21 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **DIANE CHEUNG:** OKAY.

24

25 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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1

2 **BRENDA VILLANUEVA:** HI, MY NAME IS BRENDA VILLANUEVA, AND I'M
3 WITH RETHINKING ACCESS TO MARIJUANA. I ALSO WORK IN THE SAN
4 FERNANDO VALLEY, PRIMARILY IN THE NORTHEAST VALLEY, AND I AM
5 IN FULL SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 8, IN PARTICULAR, BECAUSE WE
6 HAVE A LOT OF PARENTS THAT WE WORK WITH THAT HAVE RAISED THEIR
7 CONCERNS, SPECIFICALLY WITH MULTI-UNIT HOUSING, WHERE IT'S
8 BECOME AN ISSUE. AND, AGAIN, IT ALSO REALLY DOES KIND OF
9 INCREASE THAT PERCEPTION OF HARM, YOU KNOW. IT DECREASES,
10 ACTUALLY, THE PERCEPTION OF HARM AND MAKES IT SEEM LIKE IT'S
11 OKAY TO SMOKE IN PUBLIC AND THAT IT'S NOT REALLY AN ISSUE WHEN
12 IT IS. SO, I AM ALSO VERY -- I WANTED TO COMMEND YOU GUYS FOR,
13 YOU KNOW, ACTUALLY THINKING ABOUT THAT AND PUTTING IT INTO
14 MOTION. SO, THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

17

18 **MANN SACHDEVA:** HI. HI, GUYS. MY NAME IS MANN SACHDEVA. I'M A
19 7-ELEVEN FRANCHISEE OWNER OF SEVEN STORES IN OUR BELOVED L.A.
20 COUNTY. AND WHAT I WANTED TO SAY WAS SPECIFICALLY -- I KNOW
21 OUR TIME IS SHORT --I WOULD LIKE TO PERSONALLY INVITE YOU ALL
22 TO OUR STORE SO YOU CAN COME AND SEE THE PROCEDURES THAT WE
23 HAVE, STATE-OF-THE-ART TECHNOLOGY, IN CONDUCTING TOBACCO SALES
24 FOR AGE-RESTRICTED FOR YOUNG ADULTS, AND THEN ALSO TO INCLUDE
25 US IN YOUR DELIBERATIONS MOVING FORWARD. AND AT THE SAME TIME,

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1 I WANTED TO ALSO ADDRESS THE FACT THAT ALL OUR TOBACCO SALES
2 AT THE STORE ARE NOT SELF-SERVED, UNLIKE ALCOHOL, SO, AND I
3 WILL FOLLOW UP WITH AN OFFICIAL EMAIL TO ALL YOU GUYS.
4 HOPEFULLY, SEE YOU GUYS THERE. APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

7

8 **J.J. JENKINS:** HELLO. MY NAME IS J.J. I OWN THE VAPOR SPOT,
9 WHICH IS THE VERY FIRST VAPOR SPECIALIST THAT DOESN'T -- I
10 DON'T SELL CIGARETTES. THE VERY FIRST SPECIALIST IN THE WORLD.
11 I STARTED IN LOS ANGELES IN 2010. I'M GOING ON 8-1/2 YEARS OF
12 HELPING PEOPLE QUIT SMOKING THE WAY I LIKE TO HELP IT. AND
13 THAT'S NOT ABSTINENCE. THAT'S NOT PHARMACEUTICALS. AND IT'S
14 WITH A LITTLE MORE EMPATHY THAN A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE BEEN
15 GIVING SMOKERS. SO, AS I SEE YOU DEBATING CHANGES TO PUBLIC
16 SMOKING POLICIES FOR YOUR -- FOR LOS ANGELES, I'D LIKE TO
17 FURTHER STRESS THAT VAPOR PRODUCTS ARE NOT SMOKE, AND THEY'RE
18 NO WHERE NEAR CLOSE TO IT IN THE ENVIRONMENT. IT DISSIPATES IN
19 FIVE SECONDS. IT DOESN'T LINGER. I ACTUALLY HAVE A MUCH MORE
20 MODERN VERSION OF YOUR VAPE SHOP AIR SAMPLING REPORT. THIS IS
21 FROM 2017. MOST OF THE INFORMATION YOU GUYS ARE GOING OFF OF
22 IS VERY OLD, 2015. PLEASE CONSIDER THE RETAILERS THAT HELP
23 PEOPLE FACE-TO-FACE.

24

25 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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1

2 **J.J. JENKINS:** HELP US HELP THEM.

3

4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

5

6 **J.J. JENKINS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. HAVE A GREAT AFTERNOON.

7 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

8

9 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE A SPEAKER IN
10 LANCASTER. SO, LET US GO TO LANCASTER.

11

12 **MARIA MAINELLA:** HELLO. HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARIA
13 MAINELLA. THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. I'M SPEAKING
14 IN FAVOR OF YOUR ITEM 8. I FIND IT THAT I CONSIDER MY BODY MY
15 TEMPLE. AND FROM THE BEGINNING OF TIME, I'VE ALWAYS TRIED TO
16 BE HEALTHY AND ALSO BE PROACTIVE IN KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY
17 HEALTHY, AS WELL, TEACHING THEM ABOUT HOW TO KEEP IT HEALTHY
18 AS A PROMOTORA. SO, TODAY I'M HERE WITH PUEBLO Y SALUD. THAT'S
19 THE AGENCY THAT I'M CURRENTLY WORKING FOR. AND WE WANTED TO
20 TELL YOU THAT THERE'S 80 RETAILERS IN PALMDALE ALONE THAT SELL
21 CIGARETTES. AND SO, WE JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY
22 DON'T SELL TO CHILDREN. AND AS FAR AS THE MARIJUANA, IF WE'RE
23 KEEPING OUR BODIES HEALTHY, THEN I DON'T ENJOY GETTING HIGH.
24 AND SO, THEREFORE, WHEN MY NEIGHBORS, ET CETERA, ARE SMOKING
25 IT OR I WALK IN THE PARK AND I'M SMELLING IT, I DON'T WANT TO

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1 GET HIGH. SO, IF THERE WAS A WAY TO PREVENT THAT FROM
2 HAPPENING, THAT WOULD BE GREAT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

3

4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. THANK YOU
5 VERY MUCH. ANY OTHER PERSON SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON ANY ITEMS ON
6 THE AGENDA?

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, ACTING EXEC. OFCR.:** NO OTHER SPEAKERS, MADAME
9 CHAIR.

10

11 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO, THAT IS ALL THOSE WHO
12 HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK. PLEASE TELL US THE ITEMS ON THE
13 AGENDA THAT WE STILL HAVE TO VOTE ON.

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, ACTING EXEC. OFCR.:** THE ITEMS BEFORE YOU ARE
16 ITEMS 3-D, 4-D, 1, 4, 8 AS REVISED, 9, 16, 20, 21, 22, 27, 29,
17 30, 31, 38, 50-B, 53 AND 54.

18

19 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
20 BARGER. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. ANY OBJECTION TO A
21 UNANIMOUS VOTE ON THESE ITEMS? SEEING NONE, THAT WILL BE THE
22 ACTION. WE HAVE ONE REQUEST FOR A SPECIAL ITEM FROM THE SECOND
23 DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

24

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, COLLEAGUES, I THINK IT'S
2 IMPORTANT FOR US TO CONTINUE THE WORK THAT WE HAVE BEGUN.
3 THEREFORE, I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR HER INTEREST
4 IN PARTNERING ON THIS ISSUE OF THE CIVIL SERVICE REFORM. I
5 THINK YOU WILL APPRECIATE THAT THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
6 PLAYS A CRITICAL ROLE IN SERVING AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE
7 APPELLATE ENTITY FOR ALLEGATIONS OF DISCRIMINATION FILED BY
8 OUR EMPLOYEES OR APPLICANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT WITH THE COUNTY. IT
9 IS ALSO THE CASE IN RECENT YEARS, THE BOARD HAS RECOGNIZED THE
10 SIGNIFICANT IMPACT THAT THE COMMISSION HAS ON THE COUNTY
11 WORKFORCE AND, BY EXTENSION, ITS IMPACT ON OUR RESPECTIVE
12 CONSTITUENTS. SO, IT'S IN AN EFFORT TO INCREASE ACCOUNTABILITY
13 AND MOVE TOWARDS REFORM THAT THE BOARD HAS DIRECTED A RANGE OF
14 ACTIONS OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS AS IT RELATES TO THE CIVIL
15 SERVICE COMMISSION. AND SO, THE MOTION BEFORE YOU TO BE
16 CONSIDERED NEXT WEEK IS INTENDED TO FURTHER ADVANCE THAT WORK
17 BY IMPLEMENTING RECOMMENDATIONS OFFERED IN RESPONSE TO
18 PREVIOUS MOTIONS AND CONTINUING TO GATHER DATA THAT WILL
19 INFORM OUR RESPECTIVE EFFORTS. AND IT'S GOING TO INSTRUCT THE
20 C.E.O. TO WORK IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL
21 AND COUNTY COUNSEL AND AFTER SOLICITING INPUT FROM LABOR TO
22 REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD WITHIN 45 DAYS WITH A DRAFT BOARD
23 POLICY REQUIRING A HIGH DEGREE OF HONESTY FOR ALL EMPLOYEES IN
24 THE WORKPLACE AS RECOMMENDED IN THE C.E.O.'S NOVEMBER 2017
25 REPORT ON IMPROVING ACCOUNTABILITY WITHIN THE CIVIL SERVICE

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1 PROCESS. IT'S GOING TO INSTRUCT THE PERSONNEL DIRECTOR, IN
2 COOPERATION WITH THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS, TO MOVE FORTH WITH A REVIEW AND ANALYSIS OF THE
4 CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION CASE OUTCOMES. IT DELINEATES MUCH OF
5 WHAT THAT WILL LOOK LIKE. THIS IS THE WORK THAT WE HAVE BEEN
6 DOING FOR THE PAST FEW YEARS. AND IT'S OBVIOUS THAT THERE IS
7 MORE WORK THAT'S NEEDED. AND I'LL BE GLAD TO SPEAK MORE
8 EXPLICITLY ABOUT THAT WHEN WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO
9 NEXT WEEK. I INVITE THE INPUT OF OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD IF
10 THEY HAVE COMPLEMENTARY SUGGESTIONS AND AMENDMENTS THAT THEY
11 THINK WOULD BE HELPFUL, AN IMPORTANT ASPECT OF OUR JOB. IT
12 AFFECTS THE RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS, SOME OF WHOM HAVE BEEN --
13 SOME OF WHICH HAVE BEEN IN THE NEWS. BUT OUR JOB IS NOT TO
14 LEGISLATE OR DEVELOP POLICY BY WAY OF HEADLINE BUT TO BE
15 FOCUSED ON THE WORK THAT'S BEFORE US IN TERMS OF THE OUTCOMES
16 THAT WE SEEK. MADAME CHAIR, THANK YOU FOR YOUR COLLABORATION
17 IN THIS EFFORT, AND I RETURN THE MIC TO YOU.

18

19 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SO, WE'LL CONSIDER THAT
20 MOTION NEXT WEEK. IT'S BEEN FILED, THEN, FOR THE AGENDA, WHICH
21 BRINGS US TO PUBLIC COMMENT. 40 PEOPLE HAVE SIGNED UP FOR
22 PUBLIC COMMENT, SO WE'RE GOING TO LIMIT EACH COMMENT TO A
23 MINUTE. AND MADAME -- OR, I'M SORRY, MR. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
24 PLEASE CALL THE FIRST 10 OR 15 PEOPLE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

25

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1 **JEROME JORDAN:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. WOULD THE FOLLOWING
2 INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU: DR.
3 INDIGO BUTTERFLY, ALICIA ORTIZ, ALICIA MOLINA, AMADOR CUEVAS,
4 ANNE FOX, ANTHONY ALVAREZ, ASITYAHOLA SANKARA, BERTHA GARCIA,
5 EDNA MONROE, EDWARD ANDERSON, ERIC PREVEN, GEORGE BUZZETTI,
6 GERALD CERDA, AND HENRY PEREZ. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF
7 WILL ASSIST YOU.

8

9 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD AND CALL THE REST, PLEASE.

10

11 **JEROME JORDAN:** ALL RIGHT. HERMAN HERMAN, INES ALCAZAR, ISRAEL
12 MENDEZ, JAMES ESSEX, JENNIFER BLANON, JESSA ORLUK, JOE DONLIN,
13 JOHN WALSH, JOSE NUNEZ, MARIA LEON, MARY JACOBS, MICHAEL
14 GENTHE, NORMA GAITAN, OLIVER BOUIE, PAMELA AUGUSTIN, PAULA
15 YANEZ, ROBERT GREEN, SILVIA MARROQUIN, TERRY AKINS, VALERIE
16 POWDRILL, VICENTA CONTRERAS, VICTOR TRUJILLO, WAYNE SPINDLER,
17 YVONNE FIGUEROA, RENEE MOYA, KATIE MCKEEHAN, AND JOE MENG.
18 PLEASE COME FORWARD.

19

20 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** GOOD DAY AND THANK YOU ALL FOR HAVING ME. THIS IS MY
23 FIRST TIME.

24

25 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** GOOD DAY.

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2 **SPEAKER:** AND I WANT TO THANK EACH ONE OF YOU FROM THE FIRST TO
3 THE FIFTH DISTRICT. AND MADAME CHAIRMAN, MADAME CHAIR, I HAVE
4 STRUGGLED THROUGH THE PROCESS OF DECIDING TO COME HERE OR NOT.
5 I'VE HAD SEVERAL CONVERSATIONS WITH DIFFERENT PEOPLE IN THE
6 DISTRICT IN DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS RELATING TO THE HOMELESS AND
7 THE CRISIS RELATING TO DISPLACED PEOPLE WHO ARE IN SHELTERS,
8 WHO ARE IN FACILITIES, WHO ARE IN ENVIRONMENTS OR
9 ORGANIZATIONS THAT SUPPORT THE ELIMINATION OF HOMELESSNESS.
10 IRONICALLY, IT'S SUCH A BEAUTIFUL THING THAT THAT HAPPENS.
11 HOWEVER, ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THAT, THERE ARE THINGS THAT GO
12 ON THAT ARE UNSEEN OR UNSPOKEN, BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE AFRAID TO
13 REPORT. SO, I'D LIKE TO REQUEST A FORMAL REVIEW ON POLICIES
14 AND PROCEDURES THAT AFFECT THE HEALTH AND SAFETY AND SECURITY
15 OF PARTICIPANTS IN THESE LOCATIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS OR WHO
16 ARE PARTICIPANTS IN THESE ORGANIZATIONS, EFFECTIVE PROTOCOLS
17 FOR REPORTING ABUSE SO THAT THE FOX IS NOT NECESSARILY
18 GUARDING THE HEN HOUSE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, AND I'LL
19 SUBMIT SOME MORE THINGS IN WRITING AT ANOTHER TIME.

20

21 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** IF YOU HAD THAT IN WRITING, THAT
22 REQUEST, AND YOU GIVE US YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS, I'LL BE SURE
23 THAT WE RESPOND TO IT.

24

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1 **SPEAKER:** IT'S WRITTEN DOWN HERE, BUT I'LL MAKE SURE WE HAVE
2 SOMETHING FORMAL FOR YOU.

3

4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

7

8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER,
9 PLEASE.

10

11 **ERIC PREVEN:** SURE, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, AND I'D LIKE TO ASK MR.
12 CZARABIAN, I'D LIKE TO DO A P.R.A. FOR THE CONTRACT
13 SOLICITATION DOCUMENT THAT WAS SENT UP TO THE STATE FOR MIRA
14 LOMA. I'D LIKE TO LOOK AT THAT. AND I WANT TO ASK YOU,
15 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, IF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS VOTED ON
16 THE DECISION TO APPEAL L.A. COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CASE NUMBER
17 B.S.145753 TO THE SECOND APPELLATE DISTRICT A COUPLE YEARS
18 AGO. IT'S IMPORTANT, BECAUSE I'M CONCERNED THAT THE COUNTY
19 COUNSEL AND THEIR PRIVATE COUNSEL ARE ENGAGED IN LIMITING THE
20 EXPOSURE OF CERTAIN MATTERS THAT ARE INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT, AND
21 POLICY MATTERS. AND I KNOW SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS WOULD
22 CONCUR THAT POLICY MATTERS. AND OUR POLICY MATTERS ABOUT WHAT
23 WE DO REGARDING THE WAY WE TAKE CARE OF PEOPLE IN OUR JAILS,
24 ACROSS-THE-BOARD. AND WE FOUGHT SOME LAWSUITS IN A
25 HEARTBREAKINGLY ABHORRENT MANNER OVER THE LAST COUPLE SEVERAL

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1 YEARS. AND WE'RE TRYING TO GET A READ ON THAT. I KNOW THE
2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WANTS TO DO THE RIGHT THING AND MAKE
3 DISCLOSURES. I'M CONCERNED, NOT THAT THE COUNTY COUNSEL ARE
4 DOING ANYTHING BUT WHAT THEY THINK IS THE RIGHT THING, BUT
5 IT'S THE WRONG THING. THAT'S WHERE I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT
6 YOU'RE UP TO SPEED. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

9

10 **AMADOR CUEVAS:** MY NAME IS AMADOR M. CUEVAS, AND IT SEEMS THAT
11 MY TIME IS RUNNING OUT, TOO. EVERY TIME I COME, THREE HOURS TO
12 COME OVER HERE, AND I SPEND JUST ONE MINUTE. THANK YOU VERY
13 MUCH, ANYWAY. BUT AT THE END, I WANT TO LEAVE THIS TO YOU AND,
14 AS I ALWAYS SAY, I JUST WANT TO DENOUNCE THAT THIS PROBLEM
15 THAT I HAVE IS A 60-YEAR WORK THAT IS ONLY GOING INTO THE
16 TRASH BY SOMEBODY THAT JUST COMMITTED ILLEGALLY FRAUD. I WANT
17 YOU TO PLEASE, IF YOU HAVE ANY TIME, WHOEVER, TO CHECK ON
18 THESE PAPERS THAT I HAVE IN HERE. I'M GOING TO LEAVE IT TO
19 YOU, PLEASE. PLEASE, LOOK AT THEM. PLEASE, TRY TO BE INVOLVED.
20 THIS IS THE JOB THAT YOU'RE REALIZING AND WORKING FOR. PLEASE
21 JUST TAKE A LOOK AND CHECK IT OUT. 60 YEARS OF WORK IS GOING
22 TO BE THROWN TO THE TRASH.

23

24 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

25

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1 **HERMAN HERMAN:** SO WE ALL HEARD THAT MR. WESSON, L.A. CITY
2 ELECTED OFFICIAL, IS UNABLE TO PAY HIS CREDIT CARD BILLS. AND
3 HE IS WHAT? THE PRESIDENT OF L.A. RUNNING THE CITY OF LOS
4 ANGELES? IF YOU CAN'T DO A CHECK AND BALANCE, YOU BETTER CHECK
5 YOURSELF OUT OF CITY HALL AND CORRECT YOURSELF VERY FAST,
6 BECAUSE NO ONE WANTS YOU STEALING, CORRUPTING, EMBEZZLING
7 MONIES JUST TO PAY OFF YOUR DEBT. AND THAT WAS THE REASON WHY
8 WAYNE SPINDLER WENT TO JAIL, BECAUSE HERMAN JASON WESSON WAS
9 TRYING TO EXTORT MONEY FROM MR. SPINDLER. WAYNE SPINDLER. AND
10 IN ADDITION TO THAT, I'D LIKE TO POINT OUT, AGAIN, FOR THE
11 RECORD, MR. SPINDLER'S WAITING FOR THAT TRACTOR TO CLEAN UP
12 HIS PROPERTY UP THERE, BECAUSE SOMEBODY VANDALIZED HIS
13 PROPERTY. WE NEED TO STOP USING THESE TACTICS TO SCARE PEOPLE
14 WHO LIVE OUTSIDE OF THE CITY AND DESTROY THEIR HOMES, MS.
15 BARGER. PLEASE LOOK INTO THAT INCIDENT.

16

17 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18

19 **PAULA YANEZ:** HI, MY NAME IS PAULA YANEZ, AND I LIVE IN
20 DISTRICT 4 IN WHITTIER. AND THE REASON I'M HERE TODAY IS
21 BECAUSE OF THE RENT. YOU KNOW, RENT AND HOUSING IS NOT
22 AFFORDABLE TO FAMILIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I USED TO BE A
23 CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKER. I'M RETIRED NOW. I WORKED IN AN
24 E.R., AND I ALSO WORKED IN AN INSTITUTION, MACLAREN CHILDREN'S
25 CENTER. AND, YOU KNOW, HERE YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT MENTAL

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1 HEALTH, CHILDREN IN PROTECTIVE CUSTODY, AND PART OF THE REASON
2 THAT FAMILIES ARE IN THESE SYSTEMS IS BECAUSE THE STRESS IS SO
3 HIGH FOR THEM. THEY CAN'T AFFORD THEIR HOMES, AND EVENTUALLY
4 THEY BECOME HOMELESS. AND THEN TO CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES
5 COMES INTO PLAY, WE GO OUT INTO THESE HOMES AND WE ASSESS
6 THESE FAMILIES AND SOMETIMES THEY HAVE TO BE REMOVED FROM
7 THEIR FAMILIES. AND IT'S BECAUSE THEIR HOUSING IS NOT
8 AFFORDABLE. SOMETHING HAS TO BE DONE TO HELP THESE FAMILIES
9 STAY IN THEIR HOMES SO THAT THEY DON'T HAVE TO BE REMOVED FROM
10 THEIR HOMES SO THEY DON'T HAVE TO BE ON THE STREET OR THEIR
11 FAMILIES DO NOT HAVE TO BE ON THE STREET. IT BOILS DOWN TO
12 THAT.

13

14 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **PAULA YANEZ:** I BELIEVE I NEED MORE THAN ONE MINUTE. THERE'S
17 NOT THAT MANY PEOPLE. IT'S JUST SO IMPORTANT. THIS IS OF DIRE
18 IMPORTANCE.

19

20 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** WE HEAR YOU.

21

22 **PAULA YANEZ:** I'M A COMMUNITY ADVOCATE NOW, ALSO BELONG TO
23 INDIVISIBLE. I'M A MOTHER AND A GRANDMOTHER, AND I'M A SENIOR
24 CITIZEN, AS WELL.

25

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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

2

3 **PAULA YANEZ:** AND 'M BEING AFFECTED BY THIS.

4

5 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** LET ME ASK SUPERVISOR HAHN TO ASK
6 ONE OF HER STAFF, THEN, TO HEAR THE REST, BECAUSE WE HEAR YOU,
7 AND WE HEARD ALL THE PEOPLE WHO WERE HERE. HONESTLY, HONESTLY.
8 BUT WE CAN'T GIVE EXTRA TIME BECAUSE OF THE SUBJECT MATTER,
9 EVEN IF I AGREE WITH IT.

10

11 **PAULA YANEZ:** ..IT DOESN'T NEED TO BE DELAYED, BECAUSE EVERY
12 SECOND, EVERY NANOSECOND IS IMPORTANT.

13

14 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** I UNDERSTAND.

15

16 **PAULA YANEZ:** EVERY NANOSECOND A PERSON IS OUT THERE ON THE
17 STREET, AND THAT'S TOTALLY WRONG.

18

19 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. NEXT SPEAKER,
20 PLEASE.

21

22 **JOE MENG:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JOE
23 MENG, AND I LIVE IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. AND I AM VERY PROUD
24 OF THE PROGRESS THAT THE COUNTY HAS MADE JUST FROM HEARING THE
25 QUARTERLY REPORT BY THIS COMMISSION. BUT DESPITE ALL THESE

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1 THINGS THAT HAVE HAPPENED, I'M STILL A LITTLE BIT
2 DISAPPOINTED. TOMORROW, OUR FAMILY'S RENT GOES UP 6 PERCENT.
3 AND FOR THE PLOT OF LAND THAT THE HOUSE THAT WE OWN SITS ON TO
4 BE MORE THAN A THOUSAND DOLLARS JUST FOR A PLOT OF LAND AND
5 FOR THE COMMUNITY, I THINK, IS PRETTY OUTRAGEOUS. AND OUR
6 FAMILY AND OTHERS HAVE HEARD THAT THIS RENT FREEZE IS IMMINENT
7 AND THIS RENT CONTROL IS ALMOST HERE, BUT WE ARE BEING
8 PUNISHED BY OUR LANDLORDS FOR WAITING FOR IT. AND IN THREE
9 MONTHS, WE MIGHT GET ANOTHER RENT INCREASE IN ANTICIPATION BY
10 OUR LANDLORD FOR THIS RENT INCREASE AND THE RENT STABILIZATION
11 ORDINANCE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14

15 **TERRY AKINS:** HI, I'M TERRY AKINS, AND YOUR OFFICES HAVE BEEN
16 THREATENING ME FOR OVER 20 YEARS. I HAVE ASKED FOR IT TO STOP.
17 AND I AM NOW HERE AFTER 20 YEARS TO SAY, HEY, IF YOU NEED ME,
18 I'M HERE. I HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH POLITICS. MY EX-HUSBAND
19 DID HAVE A LOT TO DO WITH POLITICS. MY FAMILY IMMIGRATED WITH
20 LEW WASSERMAN, WHO WAS RONALD REAGAN'S AGENT. THIS IS AN
21 ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY ISSUE. I AM THE ME IN THE ME TOO
22 MOVEMENT, AND THERE'S MORE. I JUST DON'T HAVE TIME RIGHT NOW
23 TO TELL YOU. BUT, PLEASE, STOP THREATENING ME. THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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1

2 **VICTOR TRUJILLO:** HI, MY NAME IS VICTOR TRUJILLO. UNDER
3 A.B.1909, BASICALLY I HAVE BEEN SAYING THINGS, LIKE I COULDN'T
4 BREAK IT. IT'S LIKE A PUZZLE. IN 1977, I WAS THROWN IN THE
5 STREET. THERE WAS AN INVESTIGATION BY L.A.P.D. INTERNAL
6 AFFAIRS. IT WAS COVERED UP. WHAT HAPPENED WAS IN THE HOSPITAL,
7 I HAD TWO COPS TRY TO STRANGLE ME. AND THESE COPS FOLLOWED ME
8 FOR 41 YEARS. I FOUND THAT EVERY COP AND THEY WERE BEHIND
9 CHILD RAPISTS. I KNOW EVERY PERSON I'VE BEEN FOLLOWING
10 DICTATING THIS. BUT WHEN I GO TO THE CITY OR I GO TO THE
11 POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ASK, THEY START STUTTERING. BUT, HEY, I
12 BECAME A VERY SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSMAN IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. I
13 WAS PUTTING UP A \$5 MILLION WATER COMPANY. I WAS PUTTING THE
14 FIRST TRUCK STOP IN HISTORY IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. AND MIKE
15 ANTONOVICH KNEW ABOUT IT. I HAD NEVER HAD A PROBLEM. BUT THE
16 PEOPLE THAT I -- THEY'RE FEARING ME. THEY'RE ALL COPS
17 CONNECTED TO ORGANIZED CRIME. AND, PLUS, THEY LOVE RAPING
18 LITTLE BOYS AND GIRLS. LET'S FIX THIS. AND I HAVE EVIDENCE.
19 AND I'VE BEEN HERE A LONG TIME. AND I'M NOT CRAZY. PLEASE,
20 WAKE UP.

21

22 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

23

24 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** GEORGE BUZZETTI. LET'S THE CORRUPTION OF
25 CHIEF BECK, MAY 16TH, 2018. DEAR MR. BUZZETTI, THE

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1 INVESTIGATION INTO YOUR COMPLAINT THAT WAS REPORTED ON
2 NOVEMBER 7, 2016 REGARDING THE CONDUCT OF EMPLOYEES OF THE
3 L.A.P.D. HAS BEEN COMPLETED. INVESTIGATION HAS GONE THROUGH
4 SEVERAL LAYERS OF REVIEW, INCLUDING MYSELF AND THE COMMAND
5 STAFF OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS GROUP. YOUR ALLEGATIONS THAT THE
6 DEPARTMENT FAILED TO IMPLEMENT THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS
7 COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT, 2003 D.O.J. AGREEMENT, THAT EMPLOYEES
8 FAILED TO TAKE YOUR COMPLAINT AGAINST THE L.A. SCHOOL POLICE
9 DEPARTMENT, L.A. SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEES, THAT MEMBERS OF
10 THE L.A.P.D. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ERASED THE POLICE
11 COMMISSION MEETING AUDIO RECORDING FROM THE LOS ANGELES CITY
12 WEBSITE AND THAT UNKNOWN EMPLOYEES DENIED YOUR RIGHT TO MAKE
13 TELEPHONE CALLS WHILE IN POLICE CUSTODY HAVE BEEN CLASSIFIED
14 AS NONDISCIPLINARY, NO MISCONDUCT AGAINST SUPREME COURT
15 DECISIONS, YOU PEOPLE. THIS MEANS THAT ACTS ALLEGED DID NOT
16 RISE TO THE LEVEL OF MISCONDUCT AND NAMED EMPLOYEE ACTIONS
17 WERE PROTECTED BY LAW AND FOUND TO BE CONSISTENT WITH
18 DEPARTMENT POLICY OR PROCEDURE. ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME YET? I
19 DIDN'T SAY CHIEF BECK SAID I COULD GO KILL PEOPLE, YOU FOOLS.
20 NOW, DEAL WITH IT! YOU HAD IT FOR TWO WEEKS!

21

22 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

23

24 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** YOU CRIMINALS! COCONSPIRATORS!

25

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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** NOW NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

2

3 **SPEAKER:** IN REGARDS TO THE RENT INCREASES AND THE LIMITS ON
4 THOSE, I WOULD LIKE YOU TO REFER TO THE TOP OF YOUR LEFT WALL.
5 THIS COUNTRY IS FOUNDED ON FREE ENTERPRISE, CHERISH AND HELP
6 PRESERVE IT. RENTAL HOUSING IS A FREE ENTERPRISE. AND WHEN YOU
7 SET PRICE CONTROLS, YOU DESTROY IT. JUST AS IN OTHER
8 INDUSTRIES, THE AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY, THE RETAIL CLOTHING
9 INDUSTRY, TECHNOLOGY INDUSTRY, RESTAURANT INDUSTRY, THEY ALL
10 OPERATE IN A FREE MARKET. AND IN THAT FREE MARKET, YOU HAVE
11 HIGHER-RANGE ITEMS AND YOU HAVE LOWER-RANGE ITEMS, SOMETHING
12 AFFORDABLE TO EVERY ECONOMIC SECTOR. YOU NEED TO ALLOW THAT
13 WITH RENT. THIS IS THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY THAT COMMISSIONED
14 THE R.A.N.D. REPORT. IT'S TIME TO READ IT, AND IT'S TIME TO
15 FOLLOW IT. IT RECOMMENDED THAT YOU NOT KEEP RENT CONTROL.

16

17 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. NEXT SPEAKER,
18 PLEASE.

19

20 **MARY JACOBS:** HI. I HAVE TO COMMENT ABOUT RENT CONTROL. I DON'T
21 KNOW IF YOU'RE AWARE OF THIS, BUT I KNEW OF A WOMAN WHO SPENT
22 ABOUT 700 OR MORE TO BUY THE KEY TO A RENT-CONTROLLED
23 APARTMENT. AND SO, OBVIOUSLY, SOME CHEATING IS GOING ON SO
24 THAT THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE RENT CONTROL CAN SELL THEIR SO-CALLED
25 RIGHTS TO KEEP CHEAP RENT. AND SOME WAS GETTING CHEATED,

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1 ANYWAY. AND I THINK HAVING, I DON'T KNOW, THEY SAY IT MAKES A
2 PROBLEM. I JUST WANT TO GIVE YOU MY IDEA, BECAUSE I WAS GOING
3 TO TAKE URBAN PLANNING WHEN I WENT TO GET MY MASTER'S, AND I'M
4 JUST AN URBAN PLANNER AT HEART. AND I WAS THINKING, WHY NOT
5 LET SOME OF THE PROPOSITION H MONEY GO TO PEOPLE WHO WANT THE
6 FIX THEIR PROPERTIES TO GET MORE PEOPLE IN CHEAP? AND SO, YOU
7 GIVE THEM LIKE ALMOST NO, YOU KNOW, INTEREST AND THEN THEY GET
8 NEW PLACES AND THEY ARE PROMISING 70 OR 50 PERCENT RATES OF
9 THE MARKET. YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN?

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11 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** I DO. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER,
12 PLEASE.

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14 **SPEAKER:** I DON'T KNOW WHY I WASN'T CALLED UP HERE. I DON'T
15 BELIEVE I ASKED OR REQUESTED TO SPEAK REGARDING THIS MATTER,
16 EVEN THOUGH IT IS A SERIOUS TOPIC, ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO
17 THE INDUSTRIAL WORLD. THERE IS A LOT OF STUFF GOING ON THAT
18 I'M SEEING BECAUSE I'M HOMELESS, AND, YOU KNOW, I GOT MY EYE.
19 I SEE THE RAW FOOTAGE I GET THE RAW FOOTAGE. SO, I KNOW A LOT
20 OF FOUL PLAY IS BEING INVOLVED WHEN IT COMES TO THESE
21 PROPERTIES. BUT I'M NOT GOING TO SPEAK ON THAT. I DIDN'T EVEN
22 REQUEST TO EVEN SAY ANYTHING RIGHT NOW. BUT I WILL TOUCH BASES
23 WITH YOU SOON ON THAT MATTER.

24

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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, MA'AM. NEXT
2 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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4 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.
5 NUMBER ONE, LET'S TALK ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENED TO THE CITY. HERB
6 WESSON DEFAULTED ON HIS CREDIT CARD. NOW, HERB WESSON
7 DEFAULTED ON HIS CREDIT CARD. HE CAN'T MANAGE HIS OWN
8 FINANCES. IS THAT A NEWS STORY? NOT ACCORDING TO THE L.A.
9 TIMES. OF COURSE, WE PRESENTED IT FACE-TO-FACE UNDER PUBLIC
10 COMMENT WITH HERB WESSON, AND HE GAVE US THE MIDDLE FINGER.
11 THE MIDDLE FINGER IS WHAT HE GAVE US. HE HAS BANKRUPTED ON HIS
12 CREDIT CARD. HE IS WORTHLESS. HE IS NOT WORTH A DIME. AND,
13 STILL, THE MAYOR OF OUR NEW -- PATRICK, THE NEW PUBLISHER OF
14 THE TIMES, IS ON HIS PADDED JAPANESE KNEES IN FRONT OF THE
15 TIMES..

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17 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

18

19 **JOHN WALSH:** ..EDITOR.

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21 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ANY OTHER SPEAKERS? YES,
22 I SEE ONE. WELCOME.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

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1 **JAMES ESSEX:** WHAT A PLEASURE TO BE HERE.

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3 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** OH, I'M SORRY. DID YOU CALL ON
4 LANCASTER? LET'S MUTE THAT, AND WE'LL LET HIM START OVER.

5

6 **JAMES ESSEX:** SHALL I PROCEED?

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8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** YES, YOU SHOULD.

9

10 **JAMES ESSEX:** 10 YEARS AGO TODAY, AN OCEAN WAVE BROUGHT ME TO A
11 SURGEON'S BLADE, AND I HAD MY SPINE CUT IN FOUR PLACES. NOW,
12 I'VE BEEN A HEALER ALL MY LIFE AND I COULD TAKE CARE OF
13 ANYTHING AND I COULD DO IT FOR ALMOST, OR FOR PENNIES. BUT
14 THIS WAS A SERIOUS THING. SO, I PUT MYSELF IN THE TRUST OF THE
15 MEDICAL COMMUNITY, AND THEY GAVE ME PAINKILLERS AND THAT SO I
16 WOULDN'T SUFFER. WITHIN ABOUT THREE OR FOUR MONTHS, I WANTED
17 TO KILL MYSELF. AND THEN IT CAME TO ME THAT IT WAS THE
18 PAINKILLERS THAT WERE GIVING ME THE SUICIDAL STUFF. NOW, I
19 HAVE A WAY TO TAKE CARE OF PAIN. I THINK THAT PAIN IS A GIFT.
20 IT BRINGS ONE'S BODY RESOURCES TO A PLACE WHERE IT NEEDS TO BE
21 HELPED. AND THIS IS SOME OF THE IDEAS THAT I'D LIKE TO SHARE
22 WITH YOUR TASKFORCE FOR SENIOR QUALITY CARE. I THINK I CAN
23 SAVE YOU A LOT OF MONEY.

24

25 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. ESSED.

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2 **JAMES ESSEX:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** ALWAYS A PLEASURE TO SEE YOU. I
5 BELIEVE WE HAVE A SPEAKER IN LANCASTER WHO THOUGHT WE HAD
6 CALLED ON HIM, SO WE'LL START HIS TIME OVER. GO AHEAD.

7

8 **ROBERT GREEN:** YEAH, THIS IS ROBERT GREEN TALKING ABOUT WEST
9 VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT. I GOT AN AGREEMENT HERE WITH
10 OCCIDENTAL LAND THEY'RE NOT LIVING UP TO. I GOT FOUR ROLLS OF
11 DEVELOPED PICTURE SHOWING WHAT'S WRONG. AND I'VE BEEN GIVEN
12 WATER BILLS THAT ARE NOT -- THEY SAY I'M LATE, BUT I'M NOT
13 LATE, BECAUSE I GOT CANCELED CHECKS TO SHOW I'M ON TIME. AND
14 I'VE BEEN -- WHEN I DETERMINED THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, I GOT THIS
15 LETTER FROM THE WATER DISTRICT SAYING AND SLANDERING ME AND
16 EVERYTHING. AND HERE'S MY WATER CERTIFICATE SHOWING I WAS A
17 100-PERCENT GOOD EMPLOYEE. AND HERE'S MY -- WITH A GOOD
18 RECORD. AND THIS IS ANOTHER THING. I'M A TRUE COWBOY. I CAN
19 RIDE AND ROPE WITH THE BEST. AND I'M DONE. BYE.

20

21 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALWAYS NICE TO SEE YOU.
22 ANY OTHER PERSON SIGNED UP TO SPEAK?

23

24 **JEROME JORDAN:** NO, MADAME CHAIR.

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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC
2 COMMENT. SO, AT THIS TIME IT'S APPROPRIATE TO HEAR
3 ADJOURNMENTS, BEGINNING WITH SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. TODAY I MOVE THAT
6 WHEN WE ADJOURN WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CONGRESSMAN RON
7 DELLUMS. IT IS WITH A VERY HEAVY HEART THAT WE ADJOURN IN
8 MEMORY OF CONGRESSMAN RON DELLUMS. CONGRESSMAN DELLUMS WAS NOT
9 ONLY A COLLEAGUE BUT A FRIEND, AS WELL. BORN AND RAISED IN
10 OAKLAND, CONGRESSMAN DELLUMS SERVED HIS COUNTRY AS A MARINE
11 FOR TWO YEARS BEFORE HE EARNED HIS MASTER'S DEGREE IN SOCIAL
12 WORK FROM U.C. BERKELEY. IN 1970, HE DEFEATED THE INCUMBENT
13 AND BEGAN HIS 27-YEAR CAREER IN CONGRESS. HE WAS KNOWN ON
14 CAPITOL HILL AS A FIRELY SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCATE AND AS
15 SOMEONE WHO STOOD BY THEIR BELIEFS AND WOULDN'T BACK DOWN FROM
16 ANYONE. THESE TRAITS MADE HIM BELOVED BY HIS COMMUNITY, WHO
17 SAW CONGRESSMAN DELLUMS AS SOMEONE WHO TRULY ADVOCATED FOR THE
18 PEOPLE. AFTER A SUCCESSFUL TENURE IN CONGRESS, HE CAME BACK
19 TO HIS ROOTS IN OAKLAND AND SERVED A TERM AS MAYOR TO CONTINUE
20 HIS FIGHT FOR THE COMMUNITY. IT WAS AT THAT TIME WHEN I WAS
21 SERVING IN CONGRESS AND LATER SECRETARY OF LABOR THAT I HAD
22 THE PLEASURE OF WORKING WITH CONGRESSMAN DELLUMS, WHO WAS
23 LOVED BY HIS COMMUNITY, HIS COLLEAGUES, AND ANYONE WHOEVER HAD
24 THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET HIM. YESTERDAY, WE LOST A CHAMPION. A

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1 FEW DAYS AGO, WE LOST A CHAMPION. BUT HE'S REMEMBERED AND WILL
2 BE TRULY MISSED BY SO MANY OF US.

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4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** I THINK OTHERS MIGHT WANT TO SAY
5 SOMETHING. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, DID YOU WANT TO?

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR, AND I
8 SIMPLY WANT TO SAY A WORD ABOUT RON DELLUMS, AN ICONIC FIGURE
9 IN THE LIVES OF EMERGING LEADERS WHO CAME BEHIND HIM A
10 GENERATION OR SO. AND HE MADE HIS MARK, AND HE DID SO AS
11 SOMEONE WHO WAS THE PATRIARCH IN HIS OWN RIGHT, AS ONE WHO
12 SERVED IN THE MARINE CORPS AND MUCH, MUCH MORE. DID HIS WORK
13 IN OAKLAND AND DID IT WELL. SERVED HIS NATION WITH A SENSE OF
14 PURPOSE AND INTEGRITY. AND DUG DEEP IN TERMS OF HIS EDUCATION
15 AND ULTIMATELY MOVED THROUGH A MASTER'S DEGREE AT BERKELEY IN
16 THE AREA OF SOCIAL WORK. AND SO, YOU'D TAKE A LOOK AT THE
17 IMAGE ON THE SCREEN. IT SAYS A LOT ABOUT WHO HE WAS AND WHAT
18 HE TRIED TO DO. SO, A LOT OF RESPECT FOR RON DELLUMS AND WHAT
19 HE MEANT TO GENERATIONS OF PERSONS TRYING TO CALL ACCOUNT TO
20 THE ISSUES OF JUSTICE, ECONOMIC JUSTICE, SOCIAL JUSTICE,
21 POLITICAL EMPOWERMENT. LED THE CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS, AND
22 AS CHAIRMAN SERVED A FULL LENGTH OF TIME IN SO DOING BECAUSE
23 OF THE RESPECT ACCORDED HIM BY HIS COLLEAGUES. SOME WANTED TO
24 DEFINE HIM AS AN ANTI-WAR ACTIVIST, AND HE WORE THAT TITLE
25 WITH HONOR AND BRAVERY. AND YET, HE WAS DEEPLY COMMITTED TO

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1 ADVOCATING FOR PEOPLE IRRESPECTIVE OF ETHNICITY AND WHATEVER
2 OTHER WAY IN WHICH THEY COULD BE DEFINED. AND THAT'S RON
3 DELLUMS' LEGACY. AND SO HE'S SURVIVED BY FAMILY MEMBERS WHO
4 HAVE MUCH TO CELEBRATE IN HIS PASSING, AND I THINK IT'S
5 APPROPRIATE TO JOIN SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND ALL MEMBERS
6 ADJOURNING IN THE MEMORY OF THE HONORABLE RON DELLUMS.

7

8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** ALL MEMBERS, PLEASE. SUPERVISOR
9 SOLIS, DO YOU HAVE OTHER ADJOURNMENTS?

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11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** NO.

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? YOUR
14 ADJOURNMENTS.

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I FOLLOW UP WITH THE ADJOURNMENT OF MARY
17 ANNE O'NEAL, BORN IN BAXTER, ARKANSAS FEBRUARY OF 1926. SHE
18 PASSED JUST A FEW WEEKS AGO IN CARSON AT THE AGE OF 92. AND
19 SUPERVISOR HAHN WISHES TO JOIN IN COAUTHORING THIS ADJOURNING
20 MOTION. SHE GRADUATED FROM ELIZA MILLER HIGH SCHOOL AS CLASS
21 VALEDICTORIAN AND RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES IN 1945. SHE MET
22 HER HUSBAND JOSEPH DURING A RIDE ON THE BUS ALONG CENTRAL
23 AVENUE, AND THE TWO WERE MARRIED SHORTLY THEREAFTER. SHE
24 RECEIVED HER MASTER'S DEGREE FROM CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN
25 UNIVERSITY, AND BECAME AN EDUCATOR WITH THE LOS ANGELES

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1 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, WHERE SHE WORKED FOR SOME 30 YEARS,
2 THREE FULL DECADES. AND IN 1994 THROUGH 1999, MS. O'NEAL
3 SERVED AS A COUNCILMEMBER FOR THE CITY OF CARSON. SHE AND HER
4 HUSBAND ESTABLISHED THE JOSEPH B., JR. AND MARY O'NEAL, MARY
5 ANNE O'NEAL STROKE CENTER LOCATED IN THE CITY OF CARSON. SHE
6 WAS A MEMBER OF THE FANNIE LOU HAMER, QUEEN MOTHERS SOCIETY.
7 LET ME SAY THAT AGAIN. THE FANNIE LOU HAMER QUEEN MOTHERS
8 SOCIETY. THAT'S A LITTLE SYNTAX THAT GRABS YOUR ATTENTION, I
9 THINK. AND SERVED AS THE PRESIDING QUEEN MOTHER. SHE WAS ALSO
10 A LONG-TIME MEMBER OF THE NORMANDIE CHURCH OF CHRIST. MS.
11 O'NEAL WILL BE REMEMBERED AS THE FIRST GRANDMOTHER OF CARSON.
12 HER UNCONDITIONAL LOVE AND STRONG FAITH WERE BOTH ABIDING. AND
13 SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER TWO SONS, BRIAN AND KEVIN, FIVE
14 GRANDCHILDREN, BROOKE, JOSEPH, KLAIRE, TREVOR AND WILLIAM,
15 EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO WILL ALL MISS THE QUEEN
16 MOTHER, MOST ASSUREDLY, MARY ANNE O'NEAL. IF YOU WOULD, MADAME
17 CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES, JOIN ME IN ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF DR.
18 JOHN WESLEY ROBB. BORN IN DECEMBER OF 1919. AND AFTER
19 GRADUATING FROM GREENVILLE COLLEGE IN ILLINOIS IN 1941, HE
20 ATTENDED U.S.C. AND RECEIVED A MASTERS OF THEOLOGY DEGREE AND
21 THAT WAS IN 1945. BUT UPON GRADUATION, DR. ROBB SERVED IN THE
22 U.S. NAVY AS A CHAPLAIN FOR TWO YEARS AND TAUGHT AT DICKERSON
23 COLLEGE IN PENNSYLVANIA FOR THREE YEARS. THEN IT WAS IN 1952
24 THAT HE RETURNED TO U.S.C. AND EARNED A DOCTORATE IN
25 PHILOSOPHY. DR. ROBB JOINED THE U.S.C.'S DORNSIFE DEPARTMENT

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1 OF RELIGION IN 1954 AND TAUGHT THERE FOR 33 YEARS UNTIL HIS
2 RETIREMENT. WHILE AT U.S.C., HE SERVED AS THE DISTINGUISHED
3 EMERITUS PROFESSOR OF RELIGION AND AS A DORNSIFE ASSOCIATE
4 DEAN AND WAS ACTIVE WITH THE FACULTY CENTER. IN THE LATE 50S,
5 DR. ROBB SPONSORED DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING TO SPEAK AT U.S.C.,
6 DESPITE SOME CONCERN THAT HIS APPEARANCE WOULD SPARK UNREST,
7 WHICH IT DID NOT. HE WAS A TWO-TIME RECIPIENT OF THE U.S.C.
8 ASSOCIATES AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING. DR. ROBB WAS A
9 VOLUNTEER ON THE ETHICS COMMITTEE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF
10 WASHINGTON, THE SWEDISH MEDICAL CENTER, AND NORTHWEST
11 HOSPITAL. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A CARING MENTOR AND AS A
12 SUPPORTER OF ACADEMIC FREEDOM. DR. ROBB IS SURVIVED BY HIS TWO
13 DAUGHTERS, JUDITH AND LYDIA, THEY GRANDCHILDREN, AMY, JULIA
14 AND TODD, AND THREE GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, ALEX, CAROLINA AND
15 THOMAS, EXTENDED FAMILY, FRIENDS, FORMER COLLEAGUES AND
16 STUDENTS WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. DR. ROBB WAS -- AFFORDED ME
17 THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HIS TEACHING ASSISTANT WHEN I WAS
18 WORKING ON MY DOCTORATE AT U.S.C., AND HE HAD QUITE AN IMPACT.
19 TAUGHT A CLASS CALLED HUMAN VALUES, BASICALLY IN PHILOSOPHICAL
20 ETHICS: AND IT WAS THE MOST SUBSCRIBED-TO COURSE IN THAT
21 ENTIRE UNIVERSITY OVER THAT SOME 30-YEAR PERIOD. A RATHER
22 EXTRAORDINARY INDIVIDUAL. AND, FINALLY, DR. ALVIN S. RUDISILL,
23 BORN JANUARY 10, 1929 AND HE PASSED ON EARLIER THIS YEAR IN
24 SAN GABRIEL AT THE AGE OF 89. AFTER GRADUATING FROM GETTYSBURG
25 COLLEGE IN PENNSYLVANIA, HE OBTAINED MASTER'S DEGREES FROM THE

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1 LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF
2 PENNSYLVANIA. DR. RUDISILL SERVED AS PASTOR OF THE HOLY
3 TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN NEW JERSEY. HE WAS A
4 FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR AT HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITY AND COMPLETED HIS
5 DOCTORATE DEGREE IN PHILOSOPHY AT DREW UNIVERSITY, AND THAT
6 WOULD BE IN NEW JERSEY, NOT TO BE CONFUSED WITH DREW
7 UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE SCIENCE IN LOS ANGELES. AND IT WAS IN
8 1962 THAT DR. RUDISILL JOINED U.S.C. AS THE CAMPUS PASTOR AND
9 WAS NAMED UNIVERSITY CHAPLAIN. AND WHILE AT U.S.C., HE SERVED
10 AS AN ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF MEDICINE AND MOVED THROUGH THE
11 EFFORT BEING A SENIOR FELLOW WITH THE CENTER FOR MULTIETHNIC
12 AND TRANSNATIONAL STUDIES. THAT WAS IN THE MID '80S THAT HE
13 OVERSAW COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND LEFT HIS MARK ON THE
14 UNIVERSITY IN TERMS OF THEIR OUTREACH TOWARD A DIVERSE
15 ENVIRONMENT. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR BEING A WISE COUNSELOR
16 TO FOUR UNIVERSITY PRESIDENTS AND RESHAPING THE RELATIONSHIP
17 WITH U.S.C. AND THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY. HE IS SURVIVED BY
18 HIS COMPANION, JANICE, TWO CHILDREN, ALAN AND SUZANNE, FIVE
19 STEPCHILDREN, BOBBY, CATHY, CINDY, MARK AND JENNIFER. HE HAD
20 FIVE GRANDCHILDREN, ALEXANDER, KRISTI, KURT, NATHANIEL AND
21 SAMANTHA, TWO ADDITIONAL STEP-GRANDCHILDREN, GREGG AND
22 MICHAEL, AND ONE GREAT-GRANDDAUGHTER, AURORA, EXTENDED FAMILY,
23 FRIENDS, FORMER COLLEAGUES AND STUDENTS WHO WILL ALWAYS
24 REMEMBER DR. ALVIN S. RUDISILL. THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR.

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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
2 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BEATRICE CANTERBURY
3 LAVERY, WHO DIED ON JULY 13TH. WHEN SHE WAS A MEMBER OF THE
4 ENCINO PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, SHE LED THE CAMPAIGN
5 AGAINST JETS AT VAN NUYS AIRPORT IN 1969. MAYOR TOM BRADLEY
6 APPARENTLY NOTICED AND TAPPED HER TO SERVE AS L.A. CITY'S VERY
7 FIRST CHIEF OF PROTOCOL, A POSITION SHE HELD FOR 21 YEARS.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL MEMBERS, YES.

10

11 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** SHE RECEIVED FIVE FOREIGN
12 DECORATIONS, INCLUDING MEDALS FROM QUEEN BEATRIX FOR THE ORDER
13 OF ORANGE NASSAU AND KING JUAN CARLOS OF SPAIN FOR THE LAZO DE
14 DAMA OF THE EXPRESSED ORDER OF ISABEL THE CATHOLIC. WOULDN'T
15 YOU LOVE TO HAVE A MEDAL LIKE THAT? SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER
16 DAUGHTER TRACY ELIZABETH AND HER SON GEOFFREY WILE. AND I MOVE
17 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BARBARA
18 KNOLL WENZEL, WHO DIED ON JULY 24TH. A COMMUNITY LEADER, SHE
19 WORKED TIRELESSLY FOR SAN FERNANDO VALLEY'S CHAPTER OF
20 NATIONAL CHARITY LEAGUE, INCLUDING SERVING AS PRESIDENT FROM
21 1973 TO 1974. SHE WAS LATER AWARDED AN HONORARY LIFE
22 MEMBERSHIP. SHE WAS ALSO PRESIDENT OF THE WOMEN'S COUNCIL AT
23 OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC CHURCH. AND IN 1990, SHE
24 COFOUNDED THE LEE B. WENZEL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AT U.C.L.A.
25 LAW SCHOOL. SHE'S SURVIVED BY 8 OF HER 9 CHILDREN. TERI, MARK,

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1 CHRISTY, DEAN, JULIE, LISA, KENT AND TODD. ALL MEMBERS? FOR
2 BEE, YES. FOR BEE LAVRY. OKAY. OVER TO YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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4 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
5 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF PAUL HOBUS, WHO PASSED
6 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 53. PAUL GRADUATED FROM MARY STAR OF THE
7 SEA HIGH SCHOOL AND RECEIVED A BACHELOR'S DEGREE FROM CAL
8 STATE, NORTHRIDGE ON A FULL BASKETBALL SCHOLARSHIP. HE WENT ON
9 TO BECOME A REALTOR WITH KELLER-WILLIAMS IN PALOS VERDES. PAUL
10 IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE VICKY, HIS SONS JACKSON, KYLE, AND
11 LUKE AND HIS 7 BROTHERS AND SISTERS. HE WAS A BELOVED HUSBAND,
12 DOTING FATHER, FUN LOVING BROTHER, FAVORITE UNCLE, COACH,
13 COUSIN AND FRIEND TO SO MANY. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
14 TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF AIKO HERZIG YOSHINAGA, WHO
15 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 93. YOU ALL KNOW HER SON, SOME OF
16 YOU MIGHT HAVE SERVED WITH HIM. HE WAS A FORMER SCHOOL BOARD
17 MEMBER AND OUR STATE ASSEMBLYMEMBER, WARREN FURUTANI. THAT WAS
18 HIS MOTHER THAT PASSED AWAY. SHE WAS BORN AUGUST FIFTH IN 1924
19 IN SACRAMENTO TO IMMIGRANT PARENTS FROM JAPAN. AIKO'S FAMILY
20 THEN MOVED TO LOS ANGELES IN 1933. IN FEBRUARY, 1942, SHORTLY
21 AFTER PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT SIGNED AN EXECUTIVE ORDER FORCING
22 JAPANESE- AMERICANS INTO CAMPS, AIKO AND HER FIRST HUSBAND
23 WERE BUSSED TO MANZANAR WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY CAMP, WHERE
24 SHE LIVED IN A 20 BY 25-FOOT SPACE WITH THREE FAMILIES IN TAR-
25 PAPERED BARRACKS AND GAVE BIRTH TO A DAUGHTER. AFTER THE WAR,

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1 SHE MOVED TO NEW YORK AND BECAME INVOLVED WITH THE ADVOCACY
2 GROUP ASIAN AMERICANS FOR ACTION. IN 1976, AIKO AND HER SECOND
3 HUSBAND SIGNED ON AS WASHINGTON LOBBYISTS FOR THE NEWLY FORMED
4 NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR JAPANESE AMERICAN REDRESS. AIKO'S
5 TENACIOUS ARCHIVAL RESEARCH PERSUADED CONGRESS TO APPROVE
6 REPARATIONS FOR HER FELLOW INMATES OF WORLD WAR II INTERNMENT
7 CAMPS AND ISSUE AN OFFICIAL APOLOGY TO THEM. IN 2009, SHE
8 PUBLISHED A DICTIONARY TO ENCOURAGE THE SUBSTITUTION OF MORE
9 GRAPHIC TERMS TO DESCRIBE THE JAPANESE- AMERICAN WAR TIME
10 EXPERIENCE. THE BOOK SUGGESTED REPLACING INTERNMENT CAMPS WITH
11 "GULAG" OR "CONCENTRATION CAMP" AND "EVACUATION" WITH "EXILE"
12 OR "BANISHMENT." IN 2016, SHE WAS FEATURED IN A DOCUMENTARY
13 FILM BY JANICE TANAKA TITLED "REBEL WITH A CAUSE: THE LIFE OF
14 AIKO HERZIG YOSHINAGA." WE NOW KNOW WHERE WARREN GOT HIS
15 POLITICAL PASSION. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER LISA AND
16 LISA'S HUSBAND. OH, SO, THIS WAS HIS MOTHER-IN-LAW. FORMER
17 CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLYMAN WARREN FURUTANI IS MARRIED TO LISA, WHO
18 THIS WAS HER MOTHER. AS WELL AS HER SON DAVID, DAUGHTER
19 GERRIE, HER BROTHER JOHN, SIX GRANDCHILDREN AND TWO GREAT-
20 GRANDCHILDREN. A WOMAN WHO HAS REALLY MADE A DIFFERENCE IN HER
21 LIFE. ALL MEMBERS.

22
23 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN
24 WE ADJOURN TODAY WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF ALFRED "JERRY" BLUFF, A
25 SERGEANT AND A RESIDENT OF LANCASTER AND A MEMBER OF OUR

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1 COUNTY FAMILY, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 66. JERRY WAS A
2 THE GRADUATE OF LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT CLASS 193 IN
3 1979. HE HELD MANY ROLES THROUGHOUT HIS OVER 29- YEAR CAREER,
4 WORKING LONGEST OUT OF THE LANCASTER STATION AS PATROL DEPUTY
5 AND AS A DETECTIVE. HE EARNED MANY STATION-LEVEL COMMENDATIONS
6 THROUGHOUT HIS CAREER AND A DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL
7 RECIPIENT END OF SERVICE WAS AWARDED ON MARCH 2008. JERRY IS
8 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE TERRY, HIS CHILDREN JEFFREY AND TRACEY,
9 AND HIS SIBLINGS THOMAS, VIRGINIA AND TINA. ALSO, MARGARET
10 BUCKLIN, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF GLENDALE, WHO PASSED AWAY AT
11 THE AGE OF 91. MARGARET ATTENDED POTSDAM UNIVERSITY IN NEW
12 YORK, EARNING A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN GENERAL EDUCATION AND
13 SUSEQUENTLY TEACHING ON AIR FORCE BASES IN EUROPE AND AFRICA.
14 AFTER MEETING HER HUSBAND AND MOVING TO GLENDALE, SHE
15 CONTINUED TEACHING WHILE RAISING THEIR CHILDREN. MARGARET IS
16 SURVIVED BY HER THREE CHILDREN, MARK, LAURA AND CARTER. ALSO,
17 WILLIAM "BILL" WEBSTER, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF ALTADENA, WHO
18 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 85. BILL WAS A SUCCESSFUL
19 BUSINESSMAN, OWNING WEBSTER'S OF ALTADENA AS WELL AS A NUMBER
20 OF OTHER BUSINESSES. HE ALSO PROUDLY SERVED IN THE UNITED
21 STATES ARMY BEFORE HIS CAREER AS A BUSINESSMAN. BILL WAS
22 ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY, SERVING ON THE BOARD OF MANY
23 ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE ALTADENA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,
24 ALTADENA OLD FASHIONED DAYS, CHRISTMAS TREE LANE ASSOCIATION,
25 AND THE SHERIFF'S SUPPORT GROUP OF ALTADENA. BILL IS SURVIVED

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1 BY HIS WIFE, FOUR CHILDREN, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN AND HIS SISTER.
 2 ALSO PEGGY WHITMORE, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SAN MARINO. PEGGY,
 3 WITH HER EVER-PRESENT CAPTIVATING SMILE AND WARM HEART, WAS
 4 DEARLY LOVED NOT ONLY BY HER PRECIOUS FAMILY BUT BY EVERYONE
 5 WHO KNEW HER. PEGGY WAS BORN AND RAISED IN GLENDALE AND
 6 ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY OF REDLANDS, WHERE SHE WAS A FRIEND TO
 7 ALL. PEGGY WENT ON TO WORK AT N.B.C. STUDIOS IN THE EARLY
 8 YEARS OF TELEVISION. IT WAS SHORTLY THEREAFTER THAT SHE MET
 9 HER FIRST HUSBAND, RUSSELL FRICHY. THEY MARRIED AND RAISED
 10 THREE DAUGHTERS, ANN MARIE, KAREN AND PAULA. THE FAMILY
 11 RESIDED IN SAN MARINO FOR 38 YEARS. A DEVOTED DAILY READER OF
 12 THE L.A. TIMES SPORTS SECTION, SHE WAS A LOYAL FAN OF
 13 U.C.L.A., CAL BERKELEY, AND THE DODGERS. TRAGEDY AND
 14 HEARTBREAK CAME TO THEIR HOME WHEN RUSSELL BECAME ILL AND DIED
 15 OF A.L.S. HE WAS 72 YEARS OLD. SADNESS CONTINUED SOON AFTER
 16 WHEN THEIR BELOVED DAUGHTER KAREN DIED AT THE AGE OF 42.
 17 HAPPINESS CAME AGAIN TO PEGGY WHEN SHE MARRIED EDGAR WHITMORE
 18 IN 2003. THEY WOULD HAVE CELEBRATED THEIR 15TH ANNIVERSARY IN
 19 OCTOBER. IN ADDITION TO HER HUSBAND ED, PEGGY LEAVES TWO
 20 DAUGHTERS, ANN MARIE NUGENT AND PAULA STEEL, AND THREE SON-IN-
 21 LAWS, JEFF PETERSON, BILL STEEL, III, AND JIM WALBURG. SHE
 22 ALSO LEAVES 8 GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO, RUTH WOLFE, A LONGTIME
 23 RESIDENT OF LA CRESCENTA, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 93.
 24 SHE WAS FEARLESS AND UP FOR ANYTHING, EVEN IF IT MEANT
 25 CONVENTION TOOK A BACK SEAT. WHETHER IT WAS SNEAKING A DUCK

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1 INTO DESCANSO GARDENS OR DIGGING FOR CLAMS AT SEAL BEACH ON A
2 SCHOOL NIGHT, HER ZEST FOR LIFE WAS INSPIRING. RUTH IS
3 SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN, RENEE, DANA, HOLLY, WENDE, SAM, AND
4 FRED, MANY GRAND AND GREAT- GRANDCHILDREN, HER SISTER BINA,
5 AND A NUMBER OF NIECES AND NEPHEWS. ALSO DAVE ZORN, LONGTIME
6 K.N.X. 1070 ANCHORMAN, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 73.
7 ANGELENOS WILL REMEMBER HIM FOR HIS MANY YEARS AS THE HOST OF
8 THE AFTERNOON DRIVE NEWSCAST. DAVE COULD BE IMMEDIATELY
9 RECOGNIZED FOR HIS BARITONE VOICE THAT ALSO LANDED HIM A SPOT
10 IN A POPULAR BARBERSHOP QUARTET. OVERALL, HE SPENT 25 YEARS
11 WITH K.N.X. AS A TRUSTWORTHY SOURCE OF NEWS FOR LOS ANGELES.
12 HE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED. AND LAST, I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF
13 SUPERVISORS ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS
14 WHO WERE IDENTIFIED AS INDIGENT VETERANS BY THE LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY CORONER AND WERE SUBSEQUENTLY BURIED WITH DIGNITY AND
16 HONOR AT THE RIVERSIDE NATIONAL CEMETERY THIS PAST MONTH.
17 BURTON ASTOR, ARMY. LAWRENCE CONMY, ARMY. DAVID DIXON, ARMY
18 AND AIR FORCE. THEODORE HATATE, AIR FORCE. ANDREW MORENO,
19 COAST GUARD. KENNETH MOUTON, ARMY. CHARLES PHILLIPS, ARMY.
20 LACEY PITTMAN, NAVY. QUITMAN RICHARDSON, ARMY. KENNETH SMITH,
21 AIR FORCE. BILLY THOMAS, ARMY. LAWRENCE UMOFF, AIR FORCE. MAY
22 THEIR CONTRIBUTION AND SACRIFICES AND SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY
23 NEVER BE FORGOTTEN. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.
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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL TAKE ALL MOTIONS AS
2 SECONDED. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE FOR ALL
3 ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS? SEEING NONE, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.
4 PLEASE READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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6 **CELIA ZAVALA, ACTING EXEC. OFCR.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
7 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
8 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM
9 NUMBER C.S.-1, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT INTERVIEW AND CONSIDERATION
10 OF CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF PUBLIC
11 DEFENDER, AND ITEM C.S.-2, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
12 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA.

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5 CS-1. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT

6 (Government Code Section 54957 (b)(1))
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8 Interview and consideration of candidate(s) for appointment to
9 the position of Public Defender. (18-4359)
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11 **No reportable action was taken.**
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14 CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

15 (Government Code Section 54957.6)
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17 Agency designated representatives: Sachi A. Hamai, Chief
18 Executive Officer, and designated staff
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20 Unrepresented employees (all). (13-4431)
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22 **No reportable action was taken.**
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2 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do
3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors July 31, 2018,
6 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my
7 direction and supervision;

8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
9 in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to
10 the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by
11 me.

12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
13 related to any party to the said action; nor
14 in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 7th
16 day of August 2018, for the County records to be used only for
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18 as on file of the office of the reporter.

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