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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, JANUARY 29, 2019 ON PAGE 150]

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5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** ALL RIGHT. GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE.  
6 GOOD MORNING. IF YOU'D LIKE TO TAKE A SEAT, WE'RE GOING TO GET  
7 THE BOARD MEETING STARTED. WE WELCOME YOU TO THE REGULARLY  
8 SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF  
9 SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, JANUARY 29TH. WE TAKE NOTE THAT  
10 THERE ARE THREE SUPERVISORS PRESENT. SUPERVISOR HAHN AND  
11 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS WILL NOT BE HERE TODAY. WE ALSO NOTE  
12 THAT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, COUNTY COUNSEL, AND  
13 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND OUR SERGEANT-AT-ARMS ARE HERE TO  
14 ASSIST. WE WILL NOW BEGIN WITH THE INVOCATION, LED BY REVEREND  
15 SANDY LIDDELL FROM THE MALIBU UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN  
16 MALIBU, IN THE THIRD DISTRICT, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF  
17 ALLEGIANCE BY MARNISHA MINTLOW, FORMER LANCE CORPORAL, UNITED  
18 STATES MARINE CORPS IN LOS ANGELES, WHICH IS IN THE SECOND  
19 DISTRICT. IF YOU ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND.

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21 **REV. SANDY LIDDELL:** PLEASE BE WITH ME IN A SPIRIT OF PRAYER. O  
22 HOLY ONE, WE ARE GRATEFUL WITH YOUR PRESENCE WITH US ALWAYS,  
23 ESPECIALLY HERE TODAY IN THIS PLACE, AS WE COME TOGETHER TO  
24 CONSIDER THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY. WE ARE MINDFUL OF THE  
25 DIVERSITY OF OUR CONSTITUENTS, DEVELOPERS, REAL-ESTATE

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1 SALESPEOPLE, RESTAURATEURS, UNION MEMBERS, AND, OF COURSE,  
2 THOSE THAT HAVE NO VOICE: THE HUNGRY, THE HOMELESS, THE  
3 POWERLESS, PEOPLE WHO NEED OUR SPECIAL ATTENTION AND HELP. O  
4 COMPASSIONATE ONE, HELP US TO REMEMBER THEIR VERY LIVES MAY  
5 DEPEND ON OUR DOING OUR JOBS WITH COMPASSIONATE HEARTS AND  
6 BRAVE DECISIONS. HELP US TO BE WISE AND STRONG AND GENEROUS  
7 AND TENDERHEARTED, SO THAT WE MAY SEE EACH PERSON THAT WE  
8 REPRESENT AS OUR SISTER OR OUR BROTHER, YOUR CHILDREN ALL.  
9 AMEN.

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11 **MARNISHA E. MINTLOW:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG. PLACE YOUR HAND  
12 OVER YOUR HEART-- YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART. AND IF YOU  
13 ARE A VETERAN, YOU MAY RENDER A SALUTE. PLEASE JOIN ME IN THE  
14 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.] THANK  
15 YOU.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NOW SUPERVISOR KUEHL  
18 WILL PRESENT.

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL:** IN 2012, THE REVEREND SANDY LIDDELL JOINED THE  
21 MALIBU UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, WHERE SHE'S BEEN AN INCREDIBLE  
22 LEADER, ADVOCATE, AND PARTNER IN OUR FIGHT TO TRY TO END  
23 HOMELESSNESS. SANDY GREW UP AT THE OTHER END OF THE THIRD  
24 DISTRICT, IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, AND WAS IN THE FIRST  
25 GRADUATING CLASS TO GO ALL THE WAY THROUGH CHATSWORTH HIGH



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1 SCHOOL. SANDY AND HER HUSBAND, A CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROLMAN,  
2 HAVE THREE CHILDREN AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN. THANK YOU,  
3 REVEREND, FOR YOUR BEAUTIFUL INVOCATION THIS MORNING,  
4 ESPECIALLY FOR ENCOURAGING US TO REMEMBER TO BE TENDERHEARTED,  
5 AND YOUR CONTINUED COMMITMENT TO HELPING LIFT UP OUR HOMELESS  
6 NEIGHBORS. PLEASE HELP ME THANK THE REVEREND SANDY LIDDELL.  
7 [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. AND NOW, ON BEHALF OF  
10 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, IT IS MY HONOR TO PRESENT OUR  
11 PLEDGE VET. MS. MARNISHA MINTLOW, SERVED IN THE U.S. MARINE  
12 CORPS FROM 1997 TO 2001, AND ATTAINED THE RANK OF LANCE  
13 CORPORAL. HER LAST UNIT OF ASSIGNMENT WAS WITH THE SECOND  
14 MARINE WING HEADQUARTERED SQUADRON IN NORTH CAROLINA. MS.  
15 MINTLOW IS THE RECIPIENT OF THE NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION, THE  
16 MERITORIOUS MAST OF THE GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL. SHE'S A MEMBER OF  
17 AMERICORPS, THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BLACK MILITARY WOMEN,  
18 AND THE WOMEN MARINE ASSOCIATION. SHE'S A KIDNEY DONOR, AND  
19 PLANS TO ATTEND THE 2019 NATIONAL KIDNEY FOUNDATION SUMMIT IN  
20 WASHINGTON, D.C. NOW, THAT DESERVES A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. WOW.  
21 [APPLAUSE.] WOW. WOW. AND WILL MEET WITH THE CALIFORNIA  
22 SENATORS AND CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES WHILE BACK IN  
23 WASHINGTON, D.C. SEND THEM YOUR WISDOM, PLEASE. SHE RESIDES IN  
24 THE SECOND DISTRICT WITH HER TWO SONS AND HER GRANDDAUGHTER.  
25 THANK YOU, MS. MINTLOW, FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY, YOUR

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1 CONTINUED SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY, AND FOR LEADING US IN  
2 TODAY'S PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. MAY GOD BLESS YOU. THANK YOU FOR  
3 YOUR SERVICE. WHAT AN HONOR. WOW. [APPLAUSE.] OKAY. MADAM  
4 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA?

5

6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR PRO TEM AND  
7 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN WITH PAGE 3,  
8 CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 7. ON  
9 ITEMS 1 AND 2, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THESE  
10 ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM 3, SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND A MEMBER OF THE  
11 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 4 AND ITEM 5, A  
12 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD.  
13 ON PAGE 8, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 8 THROUGH 40. ON ITEM  
14 8, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE  
15 HELD. ON ITEM 9, DUE TO A LACK OF FOUR VOTES, THIS ITEM WILL  
16 BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO FEBRUARY 5, 2019. ON ITEMS 10 AND 11,  
17 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON  
18 ITEM 13 AND 14, DUE TO A LACK OF FOUR VOTES, THESE ITEMS WILL  
19 BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO FEBRUARY 5TH, 2019. ON ITEMS 15, 16,  
20 18, AND 19, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THESE  
21 ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEMS 23, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
22 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO FEBRUARY  
23 12TH, 2019, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM 24, DUE  
24 TO A LACK OF FOUR VOTES, THIS ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK  
25 TO FEBRUARY 5TH, 2019. ON ITEM 25, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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1 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO FEBRUARY  
2 12TH, 2019, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM 27, 28,  
3 29, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON  
4 ITEMS 30 AND 31, DUE TO A LACK OF FOUR VOTES, THESE ITEMS WILL  
5 BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO FEBRUARY 5TH, 2019. ON ITEMS 32, 35,  
6 36, AND 37, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS  
7 BE HELD. ON PAGE 25, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO  
8 THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF  
9 THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM  
10 38-A, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.  
11 ON ITEM 38-C, SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
12 REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 38-E, A MEMBER OF THE  
13 PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REMAINING ITEMS,  
14 THROUGH 38-E, ARE BEFORE YOU.

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16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** SO BEFORE I MOVE THAT, SUPERVISOR  
17 KUEHL, YOU'D LIKE TO...?

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL:** YES. ON ITEM 3, I BELIEVE IT WAS SUPERVISOR SOLIS,  
20 AND NOT MYSELF, THAT ASKED THAT IT BE HELD.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY. WITH THAT CORRECTION, MOVED  
23 BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, TO APPROVE  
24 THESE ITEMS. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE,



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1 THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. I UNDERSTAND THAT THOSE WILL BE  
2 CONTINUED TO THE NEXT BOARD MEETING FOR THE FOUR VOTE.

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4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** CORRECT. ON PAGE 26, ORDINANCES FOR  
5 INTRODUCTION-- [YELLING FROM THE AUDIENCE.]

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7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** EXCUSE ME! EXCUSE ME. I'M SORRY,  
8 GO AHEAD.

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10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ON PAGE 26, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTIONS,  
11 ITEMS 41 AND 42. ITEM 41 IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION  
12 AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 6, SALARIES, TO ADD, DELETE, AND/OR  
13 CHANGE CERTAIN EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATIONS AND NUMBERS OF  
14 ORDINANCE POSITIONS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS. THIS ITEM IS  
15 BEFORE YOU.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS,  
18 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, TO APPROVE. IF THERE ARE NO  
19 OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

20

21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 42 IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION  
22 AMENDING THE PROPRIETARY PETROLEUM PIPELINE FRANCHISE GRANTED  
23 TO FREEPORT MCMORAN OIL AND GAS TO REFLECT A TRANSFER OF THE  
24 FRANCHISE RIGHTS TO E&B NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT  
25 CORPORATION, AND EXTEND THE FRANCHISE TERMS FOR 15 YEARS,

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1 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2034. ON ITEM 42, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC  
2 HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM CS-3, THE CHIEF  
3 EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE  
4 WEEK TO FEBRUARY 5TH, 2019. ON CS-4, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF  
5 THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM  
6 BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO FEBRUARY 5TH, 2019. THAT COMPLETES  
7 THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PRESENTATIONS  
8 BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 5.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

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12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. AS A COUNTY, WE'VE MADE  
13 IT OUR MISSION TO KEEP PUBLIC SAFETY AS OUR ABSOLUTE TOP  
14 PRIORITY. TODAY, IT IS MY PLEASURE TO HONOR THE CO-CHAIRS OF  
15 OUR BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON PUBLIC SAFETY, WHO HAVE WORKED  
16 PASSIONATELY AND DILIGENTLY ON THIS EFFORT. IN AUGUST OF 2017,  
17 OUR BOARD APPROVED A JOINT MOTION BY MYSELF AND SUPERVISOR  
18 HAHN TO ESTABLISH THIS COMMISSION. IN CREATING IT, OUR GOAL  
19 WAS TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE IMPLICATIONS OF STATEWIDE PUBLIC  
20 SAFETY REFORMS, INCLUDING REALIGNMENT AND PROPOSITION 47 AND  
21 57. FROM THE START OF THE COMMISSION, WE DEDICATED OURSELVES  
22 TO MAKING IT A DIVERSE GROUP OF COMMUNITY LEADERS AND JUSTICE  
23 POLICY STAKEHOLDERS. THE COMMISSION HAS HELD 13 MEETINGS,  
24 INCORPORATING PRESENTATIONS AND INPUT FROM EXPERTS IN CRITICAL  
25 POLICY AREAS. WE MADE SURE TO INCORPORATE EXPERTISE ON A

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1 VARIETY OF SUBJECTS, INCLUDING RE-ENTRY, RECIDIVISM AND  
2 DIVERSION, WHICH PROVIDED INCREDIBLY HELPFUL INFORMATION WHEN  
3 IT CAME TIME FOR THE COMMISSION TO DRAFT THEIR FINAL REPORT.  
4 USING WHAT WE'VE LEARNED FROM THE COMMISSION, WE WERE ABLE TO  
5 MAKE BETTER-INFORMED DECISIONS FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY OF OUR  
6 COMMUNITIES. THIS COLLABORATION PRODUCED SIX RECOMMENDATIONS  
7 FOR THE COUNTY'S CONSIDERATION, AND WE INTEND TO MOVE ON THEM  
8 THIS YEAR. TODAY, WE WANTED TO TAKE A MOMENT TO HONOR THE TWO  
9 CO-CHAIRS, WHOSE TEMPERAMENT AND LEADERSHIP REALLY SET THE  
10 TONE FOR ALL THE MEMBERS WITHIN THIS ORGANIZATION. THIS TASK  
11 FORCE WAS NOT AN EASY ONE TO EMBARK ON, AND THE COMMISSION  
12 FACED MANY CHALLENGES. WHEN WE CREATED THESE COMMISSIONS AND  
13 APPOINTED MEMBERS TO THEM, THEY TAKE ON THIS RESPONSIBILITY ON  
14 A VOLUNTARY BASIS, WITH NO REIMBURSEMENT OR ACTUALLY EVEN  
15 ACCOLADES, IN SOME CASES. YOU GET BEAT UP A LOT. MANY OF THESE  
16 APPOINTEES HAVE FAMILIES AND FULL-TIME JOBS, AND THEY MAKE  
17 THESE SACRIFICES IN ORDER TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY. TRULY PUBLIC  
18 SERVANTS. IT IS WITH DEEP APPRECIATION THAT WE WANT TO HONOR  
19 THE WORK PRODUCED BY THE COMMISSION AND THE MEMBERS WHO  
20 OFFERED US THEIR TIME AND THEIR TALENTS. I'M PROUD TO HAVE  
21 STEPHEN LARSON AND TROY VAUGHN HERE TO SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT  
22 THEIR EFFORTS, AND WE WANT TO THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR  
23 DEDICATION TO THIS COMMISSION AND TO THE RESIDENTS OF LOS  
24 ANGELES COUNTY. ESQUIRE?

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1    **STEPHEN LARSON, ESQ.:** WELL, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER, AND  
2    THANK YOU ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD THAT ENTRUSTED US WITH THIS  
3    MISSION. REFLECTING BACK ON OUR 13 MEETINGS AND THE WORK THAT  
4    WE DID, IT CERTAINLY WAS NOT EASY AT TIMES, BUT I THINK WHAT  
5    MADE IT PRODUCTIVE, MADE IT A POSITIVE EXPERIENCE FOR EVERYONE  
6    THAT WAS INVOLVED, WAS THAT WE BROUGHT TOGETHER ALL OF THE  
7    VARIOUS DIFFERENT VIEWPOINTS. IT LENDS TO MORE, AT TIMES,  
8    CACOPHONY, BUT OUT OF THAT CACOPHONY CAME A CERTAIN HARMONY  
9    THAT'S REFLECTED IN THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE PRESENTED TO  
10   THE BOARD. SO I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR ENTRUSTING US WITH THIS  
11   OPPORTUNITY, AND I WISH YOU ALL THE BEST AS YOU GO FORWARD  
12   WITH THESE RECOMMENDATIONS AND THE EFFORTS TO CONTINUE TO  
13   IMPROVE BOTH THE SAFETY AND THE COMMUNITY OF OUR COUNTY.

14

15   **TROY VAUGHN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. IT WAS TRULY A PLEASURE TO  
16   SERVE BESIDE JUDGE LARSON WITH HIS LEADERSHIP, HELPING US TO  
17   MAINTAIN BALANCE, AND GIVING VOICE TO BOTH PUBLIC AND  
18   COMMUNITY MEMBERS ALIKE. AND AT TIMES, IT WAS EARLY ON IN THE  
19   PROCESS, WE DIDN'T KNOW IF WE WERE GOING TO GET THERE. BUT  
20   WITH THE LEADERSHIP AND THE SUPPORT OF MARK DELGADO AND HIS  
21   STAFF, WE WERE ABLE TO REALLY GET TO A PLACE WHERE I THINK WE  
22   GAVE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE CAN ALL BE PROUD OF. IT'S REALLY  
23   AN HONOR WHEN WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY IN  
24   SUCH A WAY WHERE WE GET TO EXEMPLIFY WHAT THE MEANING OF BEING  
25   A COMMUNITY IS, AND A LOT OF TIMES WE DON'T AGREE WHEN WE COME

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1 INTO A SPACE, BUT WE CAN ALWAYS FIND AN ABILITY TO AGREE ON  
2 CERTAIN THINGS, AND THAT IS THAT PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO  
3 ARE LESS FORTUNATE THAN OURSELVES, THEY DESERVE EQUAL VOICE,  
4 AND THEY DESERVE PEOPLE TO BE AT THE TABLE TO GIVE THEIR HEART  
5 AND THEIR COMPASSION TO CREATING SERVICES THAT WILL BE VIABLE  
6 FOR YEARS TO COME. LONG AFTER WE'RE GONE FROM THIS PLACE, WE  
7 WANT TO CREATE SOMETHING THAT OUR CHILDREN CAN BE PROUD OF. SO  
8 IT WAS REALLY AN HONOR TO BE OF SERVICE TO THIS COMMUNITY AND  
9 TO THIS COUNTY, AND THANK YOU AGAIN. [APPLAUSE.]

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11 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** NOW WE'RE GOING TO START WITH  
12 JITTERBUG. THANK YOU. OH, THIS IS JITTERBUG. JITTERBUG IS A  
13 SHORTHAIRED CHIHUAHUA, AND IS A THREE-MONTH-OLD MALE, AND IS  
14 AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION AT THE DOWNEY SHELTER: 562-728-4610.  
15 AND JITTERBUG'S HEART IS JITTERBUGGING RIGHT NOW. BUT I WOULD  
16 ENCOURAGE YOU TO GO ONLINE OR GO TO ONE OF OUR SHELTERS AND  
17 ADOPT. YOU WILL NEVER REGRET IT. THEY ARE LOOKING FOR FOREVER  
18 HOMES, AND THEY WILL GIVE YOU FOREVER LOVE. AGAIN, 562-728-  
19 4610. THIS IS JITTERBUG, A SHORTHAIRED CHIHUAHUA MALE, THREE  
20 MONTHS. YES, BABY. I KNOW. OKAY. READY? OH, BOY. GET A LITTLE  
21 NERVOUS WHEN THEY'RE BIG. STORMY. THIS IS STORMY, AND STORMY  
22 IS A DOMESTIC SHORTHAIRED TWO-YEAR-OLD FEMALE. SWEET,  
23 LOVEABLE. AND THERE ARE MANY OLDER CATS LOOKING FOR HOMES,  
24 562-728-4610, AVAILABLE AT THE DOWNEY SHELTER. AGAIN, THIS IS  
25 A TWO-YEAR-OLD, AND VERY SWEET, VERY CALM. AND I'M WORRIED

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1 ABOUT THIS FLASH, BUT OKAY, WE'LL TRY IT. SO IF STORMY TAKES  
2 OFF, ONE OF Y'ALL HAS TO GRAB HIM, OKAY? [LAUGHTER.]

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4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** AND NOW, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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6 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, AND GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. TODAY I  
7 HAVE THE PLEASURE OF INTRODUCING TO YOU CHESTER CHONG, THE  
8 CHAIRMAN OF THE LOS ANGELES CHINESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AND  
9 KEVIN CHEN, THE CHAMBER PRESIDENT. THEY ARE JOINING ME TODAY  
10 AT THE WELL, BECAUSE THIS IS A SPECIAL TIME OF THE YEAR. AT  
11 THIS TIME OF THE YEAR, WE TYPICALLY CELEBRATE WHAT WE KNOW IS  
12 CHINESE NEW YEAR'S. AND IT ISN'T JUST BY COINCIDENCE, I THINK,  
13 THAT WE'RE ALL HERE TODAY, BUT THERE'S SO MUCH HAPPENING IN  
14 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND THE CHINESE-AMERICAN COMMUNITY IS ONE  
15 IMPORTANT ASPECT, A VERY IMPORTANT ELEMENT OF OUR COUNTY. THEY  
16 MAKE UP WELL OVER 15 PERCENT OF OUR RESIDENTS THAT WE  
17 REPRESENT. THEY'RE OUR NEIGHBORS. THEY'RE OUR BUSINESSPEOPLE.  
18 THERE ARE FAMILIES AND FOLKS THAT WE ALL KNOW CONTRIBUTE  
19 GREATLY TO THIS COUNTY. BUT THE CHINESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
20 HERE IN LOS ANGELES HAS BEEN AROUND FOR ALMOST AS LONG, AS I  
21 UNDERSTAND, AS THE ROSE PARADE, MINUS 10 YEARS. HOW ABOUT  
22 THAT? WHO WOULD HAVE KNOWN? WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THAT? 120  
23 YEARS THAT THEY WILL SOON BE CELEBRATING AGAIN THEIR  
24 ANNIVERSARY. AND THEY HAVE HELD A TRADITION THAT MANY OF YOU  
25 HERE HAVE PROBABLY SEEN ON TELEVISION OR PARTICIPATED IN, AND



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1 THAT IS KNOWN AS THE GOLDEN DRAGON PARADE. AND IF YOU'VE EVER  
2 BEEN TO ONE OF THEIR PARADES-- AND THANK GOODNESS THAT I'VE  
3 BEEN EXPOSED TO THOSE FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS, AND BEEN ASKED TO  
4 SERVE AS HONORARY GRAND MARSHAL, AND JUST A PARTICIPANT. BUT  
5 THE BEAUTY OF THAT PARADE IS THAT IT BRINGS ALL GROUPS  
6 TOGETHER. AND THE LAST YEAR THAT I PARTICIPATED, I SAW JUST  
7 TENS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER LOS ANGELES AND  
8 FARAWAY PLACES, WHO COME JUST TO CELEBRATE THIS EXCITING TIME  
9 OF THE YEAR. AND THE YEAR IS APPROPRIATELY NAMED LUNAR NEW  
10 YEAR, THE YEAR OF THE PIG. NOW, I'M NOT GOING TO GO INTO WHAT  
11 THAT ALL SYMBOLIZES, BUT I'M SURE THEY'LL HELP TO EXPLAIN. BUT  
12 THIS YEAR THEY ARE INVITING ALL OF YOU TO ATTEND THE GOLDEN  
13 DRAGON PARADE THAT'LL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY THE NINTH IN OUR  
14 VERY OWN CHINATOWN. THE PARADE, AS YOU KNOW, DRAWS THOUSANDS  
15 AND THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE THROUGHOUT OUR AREAS AND DIFFERENT  
16 COUNTIES, WHO COME TO CELEBRATE LUNAR NEW YEAR. IT'S AN  
17 EXCITING TIME. THE CHINESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HAS EXISTED  
18 SINCE 1955, AND THEY'VE HELPED TO PROMOTE THE CHINESE-AMERICAN  
19 BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND THEIR CULTURE. AND TODAY THE CHAMBER  
20 INCLUDES HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF BUSINESSES,  
21 BUSINESS LEADERS, WHO HAVE AND SHARE A PASSION FOR  
22 HIGHLIGHTING THE MANY ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE CHINESE-AMERICAN  
23 BUSINESS COMMUNITY. I'M PROUD TO PRESENT THEM WITH OUR SCROLL  
24 TODAY, SO THAT AS WE BEGIN OUR PARTICIPATION IN THE LUNAR NEW  
25 YEAR'S, THAT ALL COUNTY RESIDENTS WILL UNDERSTAND THE

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1 IMPORTANCE OF THE MANY CONTRIBUTIONS THAT THEY HAVE MADE. TO  
2 THEIR STAFF, TO THE LOCAL AGENCIES, TO THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS  
3 WHO CONTRIBUTE IN THAT PARADE, IT DOES TAKE A VILLAGE TO PULL  
4 IT TOGETHER, AND I'M HAPPY TO SAY THAT L.A. COUNTY HAS BEEN  
5 ONE OF THOSE PARTICIPANTS FOR MANY YEARS. SO I WOULD ASK AT  
6 THIS TIME TO PLEASE HAVE MR. CHONG SAY A FEW WORDS, AND THEN  
7 WE'LL TAKE SOME PHOTOS.

8

9 **CHESTER CHONG:** THANK YOU. APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR, AND GIVE ME  
10 THIS GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO COME OVER HERE TO MEET ALL THE GREAT  
11 PEOPLE. THIS IS VERY, VERY IMPORTANT NOT ONLY TO CHINESE. I'VE  
12 BEEN AT THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR 30 YEARS, AND I'VE BEEN  
13 PRESIDENT FOR THE LAST 10 YEARS. I'VE BEEN CHAIRMAN FOR THE  
14 LAST TWO YEARS. TODAY IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO LET ME  
15 INTRODUCE OUR NEW PRESIDENT TO COME TO MEET EVERYONE. AND ONE  
16 THING FROM MY HEART: I LOVE PEOPLE, I LOVE MY COUNTRY, I LOVE  
17 MY COUNTY. IT IS REALLY IMPORTANT TO WORK TOGETHER AS A TEAM.  
18 IT DOESN'T MATTER WHERE YOU COME FROM. IT'S VERY, VERY  
19 IMPORTANT FOR ME. OKAY. I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE SOME INFORMATION  
20 FROM YOU.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. IN THE  
23 BEGINNING OF THE NEW YEAR, I'M HONORED TO ASSUME THE  
24 LEADERSHIP AS THE 25TH PRESIDENT OF THE CHINESE CHAMBER, AND  
25 PROUD AS ONE OF THE OLDEST AND LARGEST BUSINESS ASSOCIATIONS

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1 IN GREATER LOS ANGELES IN CELEBRATING 120 YEARS OF TRADITION  
2 AND CHINESE NEW YEAR IN LOS ANGELES. THE CHINESE CHAMBER OF  
3 COMMERCE PROUDLY PRESENTS THE 120TH ANNUAL GOLDEN DRAGON  
4 PARADE ON FEBRUARY 9TH. CHINESE NEW YEAR, COMMONLY KNOWN AS  
5 LUNAR NEW YEAR, IS THE CHINESE FESTIVAL THAT CELEBRATES THE  
6 BEGINNING OF THE NEW YEAR ON THE TRADITIONAL CHINESE CALENDAR.  
7 IN 2019, THE FIRST DATE OF THE LUNAR NEW YEAR WILL BE ON  
8 TUESDAY, THE FIFTH OF FEBRUARY, INITIATING THE YEAR OF THE  
9 PIG. THE LOS ANGELES CHINESE CHAMBER IS A NONPROFIT  
10 ORGANIZATION THAT HAS BEEN LEADING AND SERVICING THE BUSINESS  
11 COMMUNITY SINCE 1955. THE CHINESE CHAMBER PROMOTES THE  
12 INTERESTS OF OUR COMMUNITY BY ENCOURAGING TRADE, BUSINESS  
13 GROWTH, AND NEW OPPORTUNITY. WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU ALL  
14 TO JOIN THE 120TH GOLDEN DRAGON PARADE IN CELEBRATION OF THE  
15 CHINESE LUNAR NEW YEAR. IT IS A LIVE BROADCAST IN A MAJOR  
16 TELEVISION, RADIO, AND OTHER MEDIAS. HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF  
17 INDIVIDUALS LINING ON THE PARADE ROAD, COLORFULLY CELEBRATING  
18 ALONG THE HISTORICAL HILL STREET AND BLOCK TO BROADWAY. IN  
19 CHINATOWN, THAT HAS BECOME THE PREMIER CULTURAL EVENT IN THE  
20 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASIAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY. THIS FESTIVAL  
21 EVENT IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. HAPPY LUNAR NEW YEAR.  
22 TOGETHER WE CAN BUILD A STRONG COMMUNITY. EVERYONE BELONGS.  
23 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]  
24

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1    **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WILL TRY TO BE AS BRIEF  
2    AS I CAN. TODAY WE ARE ALSO ACKNOWLEDGING OUR FAMILY IN THE  
3    COUNTY, REPRESENTING ALL THE DIVERSE CHINESE EMPLOYEE  
4    ASSOCIATIONS THAT EXIST. AS I SAID EARLIER IN MY PRESENTATION,  
5    15 PERCENT OF THE L.A. COUNTY POPULATION IS MADE UP OF ASIAN  
6    PACIFIC ISLANDERS, AND HERE YOU SEE JUST A PREVIEW OF SOME OF  
7    THOSE THAT ARE SERVING IN LEADERSHIP POSITIONS HERE IN THE  
8    COUNTY. BUT FOR OUR PURPOSES, I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE LUIS LU,  
9    CHAIR, SHANE BAU, PRESIDENT, GENE HU, VICE PRESIDENT, SPENCER  
10   YU, PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER, ANITA YO, TREASURER, AND SUSAN  
11   PANG, EVENT COORDINATOR. THEY'RE ALL JOINING ME TODAY HERE TO  
12   HELP US KICK OFF OUR CHINESE LUNAR NEW YEAR. THEY REPRESENT  
13   THE CHINESE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION FOR THE GREATER LOS ANGELES  
14   COUNTY. PLEASE GIVE THEM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]  
15   THEY'RE BETTER KNOWN IN THE COUNTY AS C.E.A.L.A.C., THE  
16   CHINESE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION. CURRENTLY, THEY HAVE OVER 400  
17   ACTIVE MEMBERS ACROSS ALL OF OUR 37 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS.  
18   C.E.A.L.A.C. WAS ESTABLISHED IN THE COUNTY NEARLY 8 YEARS AGO,  
19   AND THE MISSION OF C.E.A.L.A.C. IS TO DEVELOP AND PROMOTE  
20   COMMUNICATION, UNDERSTANDING, RESPECT, AND APPRECIATION AMONG  
21   ALL ETHNIC EMPLOYEE GROUPS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY; AND AT THE  
22   SAME TIME, PROMOTE AND ADVANCE CHINESE CULTURE, HERITAGE, AND  
23   TRADITION. THEY WORK DILIGENTLY TO BUILD UPON BETTER  
24   COMMUNITIES BY PARTICIPATING IN EMPLOYMENT-RELATED ACTIVITIES,  
25   SUPPORTING THE EMPLOYEES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND ALSO

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1 PROVIDING VOLUNTEER WORK OUT IN OUR COMMUNITY. I KNOW THAT FOR  
2 A FACT, BECAUSE WE HAVE WORKED ALONGSIDE WITH THEM IN OUR  
3 COMMUNITY AT VARIOUS EVENTS. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, THEY  
4 REPRESENT THE MEN AND WOMEN THAT ALSO COME TO WORK EVERY DAY  
5 AND SERVE THE COUNTY. THEY HELP TO MAKE UP THE 109,000  
6 EMPLOYEES THAT REPRESENT THE COUNTY FACE. I'M SO HAPPY TO HAVE  
7 THEM HERE TODAY. AND I WOULD NOW LIKE TO ASK CHAIRMAN LUIS LU  
8 AND PRESIDENT SHANE BAU TO SAY A FEW WORDS.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND THE  
11 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, FOR YOUR CONTINUAL RECOGNITION AND  
12 SUPPORT OF OUR ASSOCIATION, AND ALSO TO SAY A SPECIAL THANK-  
13 YOU TO MY BOARD MEMBERS FOR THEIR HARD WORK, THEIR DEDICATION,  
14 IN PUTTING OUR ANNUAL EVENTS WHERE OUR MEMBERS CAN COME AND  
15 NETWORK WITH FELLOW COUNTY EMPLOYEES, ENGAGE IN COMMUNITY  
16 ACTIVITIES, AND ALSO TO PROMOTE OUR CHINESE CULTURE AND  
17 HERITAGE. YOU KNOW, L.A. COUNTY HAS SUCH A DIVERSE POPULATION  
18 AND WORKFORCE, WHERE OUR CULTURE, OUR COMMUNITY, AND OUR  
19 BACKGROUND PLAY A BIG FACTOR IN DEFINING AND SHAPING OUR  
20 FUTURE TOGETHER. AND WITH THAT SAID, I WANT TO SAY THAT WE'LL  
21 CONTINUE TO WORK HARD TO CULTIVATE AND EMBRACE THAT DIVERSITY,  
22 AND BENEFIT ALL THOSE WHO LIVE, LEARN, AND WORK WITHIN L.A.  
23 COUNTY. WITH THAT SAID, THANK YOU. WISHING EVERYONE A HAPPY  
24 CHINESE NEW YEAR. [SPEAKS CHINESE.] [APPLAUSE.]

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1    **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. TODAY WE HAVE A VERY, VERY  
2    SPECIAL PRESENTATION. I KNOW ALL OF US HERE IN THE ROOM KNOW  
3    WHO'S STANDING HERE NEXT TO ME. SHE IS OUR VERY OWN CYNTHIA  
4    BANKS, OUR DIRECTOR FOR W.D.A.C.S., THE DEPARTMENT. SHE  
5    OVERSEES THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, AGING, AND  
6    COMMUNITY SERVICES. SHE'S BEEN DOING THAT FOR THE PAST 13  
7    YEARS. IT'S A BITTERSWEET MOMENT TODAY FOR MANY OF US, BECAUSE  
8    SHE IS SUCH A WONDERFUL PERSON, AND YOU CAN TELL BY HOW SHE  
9    HAS EXTENDED HER ARMS TO SO MANY IN OUR COMMUNITY, AND TO SO  
10   MANY OF US. I MET HER ALMOST FIVE YEARS AGO, WHEN I TOOK  
11   POSITION AS A BOARD MEMBER REPRESENTING THE FIRST DISTRICT,  
12   AND I CAN TELL YOU THEN THAT THE SPARKLE IN HER EYE HASN'T  
13   DIMMED. IT STILL LOOKS TO GREATNESS. IT STILL LOOKS FOR  
14   OPPORTUNITY. IT STILL LOOKS FOR HOPE AND CHALLENGES FOR THE  
15   COUNTY, ALL OF US WORKING TOGETHER. AND I KNOW THAT THERE HAS  
16   BEEN SOME TREMENDOUS EFFORT TO BRING BETTER COLLABORATION  
17   AMONGST ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENTS, BUT IN PARTICULAR IN  
18   W.D.A.C.S. AND THE NAME CHANGED ITSELF, RIGHT? IT USED TO BE  
19   CALLED COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES. THAT WAS A LONG NAME.  
20   W.D.A.C.S. AND WE INCLUDED, NOW, WORKFORCE AND EMPLOYMENT. BUT  
21   AMONGST OTHER THINGS THAT SHE'S DONE, SHE'S ALSO INVOLVED IN  
22   OVERSEEING SOME VERY IMPORTANT COMMISSIONS, AND ONE THAT I  
23   RESPECT VERY MUCH, AND THAT'S HAVING TO DO WITH OUR HUMAN  
24   RELATIONS COMMISSION. AND NOT FOR ONE MOMENT DOES IT GO BY ME  
25   THAT I THINK ABOUT ALL THE THINGS THAT WE'VE GONE THROUGH IN



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1 THE LAST FOUR YEARS, AND ESPECIALLY IN THE LAST TWO YEARS WITH  
2 THE NEW ADMINISTRATION IN WASHINGTON, WHERE THE HUMAN  
3 RELATIONS COMMISSION CAME QUICKLY TOGETHER TO CONDONE AND SAY  
4 WE ARE GOING TO STAND BY ALL OF OUR ETHNIC GROUPS, ALL OF OUR  
5 RELIGIONS, AND ALL OF OUR PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY WITH A  
6 GREAT DEAL OF RESPECT. AND I LEARNED SO MUCH FROM HER  
7 REGARDING THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR FACE TO THE COMMUNITY,  
8 REPRESENTING THE DIFFERENT FACES AND MAKING SURE THAT WE WERE  
9 ALWAYS SPEAKING UP AND LIFTING THE VOICES OF THE MOST  
10 VULNERABLE IN OUR COMMUNITY. AND I'M SPEAKING RIGHT NOW ABOUT  
11 SENIOR CITIZENS, ABOUT THE AGED POPULATION. GUESS WHAT? I'M  
12 TECHNICALLY CONSIDERED A.A.R.P. [LAUGHTER.] I WON'T SAY HOW  
13 OLD I AM. BUT NONETHELESS, I DO WANT TO SAY THAT IT MAKES A  
14 DIFFERENCE TO HAVE ADVOCATES HERE IN THE COUNTY THAT WORK  
15 EVERY SINGLE DAY ON BEHALF OF THEIR SAFETY, THEIR NOURISHMENT,  
16 THEIR KNOWLEDGE, THEIR ACHIEVEMENT AND THEIR ABILITY TO BE  
17 RESPECTED BY ONE AND ALL. AND I KNOW THAT THROUGH HER EFFORTS  
18 IN HELPING US BRING ABOUT THIS WHOLE ISSUE OF PURPOSEFUL  
19 AGING, HOW SIMPLE. CAN WE EVEN SAY THAT WORD? PURPOSEFUL  
20 AGING. WHAT THAT MEANS TO ME IS YOU'RE RESPECTING THAT PERSON,  
21 AND YOU'RE GIVING THEM MEANING TO THEIR LIFE. AND I THINK, FOR  
22 SOME OF US WHO HAVE AGING PARENTS, IT MEANS A LOT TO US,  
23 HAVING TO GO THROUGH THAT EXPERIENCE WHERE PARENTS TOOK CARE  
24 OF US, AND NOW WE ARE IN A POSITION TO TAKE CARE OF THEM. BUT  
25 USING THE POWER AND WILL OF THE COUNTY AND ALL OF THE

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1 RESOURCES THAT WE HAVE, AND ALL OF THE STAKEHOLDERS, THAT HAS  
2 BEEN A TREMENDOUS EFFORT, AND I KNOW THAT IT'S GOING TO  
3 CONTINUE. UNDER HER LEADERSHIP, CYNTHIA HAS ALSO BEEN  
4 INCREDIBLY INVOLVED IN HELPING US TO REFRAME THE WHOLE ISSUE  
5 OF WORKFORCE INVESTMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND MAKING  
6 SURE THAT WHEN WE CAST THAT NET, THAT IT CATCHES EVERYBODY,  
7 THAT IT CATCHES THAT YOUNG CHILD THAT'S COMING OUT OF  
8 PROBATION OR FOSTER CARE, THAT IT CATCHES THAT YOUNGSTER THAT  
9 MAYBE IS CONSIDERED AT RISK, BUT DON'T EVEN KNOW THAT THEY'RE  
10 CONSIDERED AT RISK, BECAUSE THERE AREN'T ANY JOBS IN THEIR  
11 COMMUNITY. AND YET, THEY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY THROUGH OUR  
12 SUMMER PROGRAMS AND THROUGH OUR YEAR-LONG PROGRAMS TO BE ABLE  
13 TO BE GIVEN THEIR FIRST JOB, EVEN SOMEONE LIKE MYSELF, WHOSE  
14 FIRST PAYCHECK WAS SERVING AS A RECREATION AID. THAT CHECK,  
15 THAT TWO-WEEK CHECK, MADE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ME BEING ABLE  
16 TO BUY CLOTHING TO GO TO SCHOOL, AND I WOULDN'T HAVE TO RELY  
17 ON MY PARENTS, WHO WERE ALREADY WORRIED ABOUT TAKING CARE OF  
18 SIX OTHER CHILDREN. SO I KNOW WHAT A DIFFERENCE IT MAKES TO  
19 HAVE THESE PROGRAMS, TO EMBARK ON A PATH THAT HELPS TO RAISE  
20 ALL BOATS, TO HELP TO GIVE PEOPLE OPPORTUNITY, AND NOT TO MAKE  
21 THEM FEEL AS THOUGH THEY ARE ANY LESS. AND IT'S ALSO  
22 INVESTMENTS IN OUR AMERICAN JOB CENTERS AND CO-LOCATING THESE  
23 JOB CENTERS IN KEY PLACES IN OUR COMMUNITY, WHERE COMMUNITY  
24 MEETS; NOT WHERE THEY GO TO A FAR-OFF PLACE AND HAVE TO GET  
25 THERE TAKING THREE OR FOUR BUSES, BUT IT'S RIGHT IN THEIR

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1 NEIGHBORHOOD, AND IT'S AROUND PEOPLE THAT THEY KNOW THAT THEY  
2 CAN TRUST. AND IT'S AROUND PARTNERS: PARTNERS IN THE COMMUNITY  
3 THAT HELP US ESTABLISH APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS, ACADEMIC  
4 PROGRAMS, VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS, LICENSING PROGRAMS. AND IT'S  
5 DONE ALL WITH THE WORK OF MAKING SURE THAT OUR BUSINESS  
6 COMMUNITY IS THERE. WHETHER IT'S IN CONSTRUCTION JOBS, WHETHER  
7 IT'S IN CULINARY ARTS, WHETHER IT'S IN BECOMING A HEALTH AIDE,  
8 AN I.T. WORKER, ALL OF THOSE OPPORTUNITIES ARE THERE FOR ALL  
9 OF US; AND NOT JUST THE VERY YOUNG AND THOSE THAT HAVE HAD  
10 EDUCATION, BUT THOSE THAT WANT TO EMBARK AND START A NEW LIFE.  
11 SO IT IS ABOUT GIVING SECOND, THIRD, AND FOURTH, AND SOMETIMES  
12 FIFTH CHANCES. AND EVEN FOR THOSE RE-ENTRY INDIVIDUALS THAT  
13 ARE COMING OUT OF A SYSTEM WHERE THEY'VE BEEN INCARCERATED,  
14 AND MAYBE LOST THE DRIVE OR KNOW-HOW, AND NEED COACHING AND  
15 EXPERTISE AND HELP, THOSE OPPORTUNITIES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE  
16 THROUGH W.D.A.C.S. ALL THE GUIDANCE THAT'S PROVIDED, THE  
17 MENTORING, I CAN'T BEGIN TO EVEN PUT A PRICE TAG ON IT,  
18 BECAUSE I KNOW HOW PERSONALLY THESE PROGRAMS, IN THEIR WAY,  
19 HAVE IMPACTED SO MANY LIVES. AND IT'S MADE THE COUNTY A BETTER  
20 PLACE AND A BETTER EMPLOYER. AND WE CONTINUE TO REACH OUT WITH  
21 OUR DEPARTMENTS, BECAUSE NOW THEY ARE ALSO TAKING THOSE RISKS  
22 WITH W.D.A.C.S. SO I WANT TO THANK CYNTHIA BANKS, BECAUSE IT'S  
23 BECAUSE OF HER LEADERSHIP AND HER TEAM. SHE HAS AN OUTSTANDING  
24 TEAM, MANY THAT HAVE SPENT MANY, MANY YEARS, SOME DECADES,  
25 THAT HAVE GIVEN A LOT OF THEIR TIME AND KNOWLEDGE. AND NOW WE

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1 ARE TURNING A NEW LEAF. CYNTHIA IS GOING TO BE LEAVING, BUT  
2 SHE'S NOT REALLY. I ASKED HER, "WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WHEN  
3 YOU RETIRE?" SHE SAYS, "OH, WELL, I GUESS I'LL KEEP BUSY." AND  
4 I SAID, "I KNOW YOU'LL KEEP BUSY, BECAUSE YOU HAVE SO MUCH TO  
5 DO. AND YOU HAVE A WONDERFUL FAMILY THAT'S BEEN SO SUPPORTIVE  
6 OF YOU, AND WE THANK THEM FOR SHARING YOU WITH US, AND FOR THE  
7 ABILITY FOR YOU TO FLOURISH AND TO BRING UP OTHER PEOPLE  
8 BEHIND YOU." SO IT IS WITH A GREAT DEAL OF HUMBLENESS AND  
9 RECOGNITION AND RESPECT THAT, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY, WE  
10 PRESENT THIS PARTICULAR SCROLL-- I LIKE TO CALL IT A  
11 PROCLAMATION-- IN YOUR HONOR, FOR ALL THE WORK AND DEDICATION  
12 THAT YOU'VE GIVEN US. AND I KNOW CYNTHIA WILL SHARE HER  
13 PERSONAL STORY, BUT SHE'S ONE OF THOSE THAT I WOULD CALL A  
14 LIFER. ANYONE THAT HAS GIVEN 40 YEARS OF THEIR LIFE TO THE  
15 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, SHE DESERVES A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE.  
16 [APPLAUSE.] WITH THAT, CYNTHIA.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I'D LIKE TO SAY  
19 SOMETHING REALLY QUICKLY. CYNTHIA, I'VE BEEN WITH THE COUNTY  
20 30 YEARS. I'VE WATCHED YOUR CAREER, AND THERE'S NO QUESTION  
21 THAT I AM WHERE I AM BECAUSE OF PEOPLE LIKE YOU, AND THE WORK  
22 THAT YOU'VE DONE FOR THE COUNTY. YOU ARE AN AMAZING PERSON,  
23 BOTH INSIDE BEAUTY, BUT OUTSIDE. AND ALSO, YOUR FOCUS AND  
24 SUPPORT FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE POPULATION IN THE COUNTY HAS  
25 ALWAYS BEEN THERE. YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN TRUE TO WHO YOU ARE,

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1 REPRESENTING THIS COUNTY IN A WAY THAT I TELL PEOPLE IS WHY I  
2 LOVE THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND I'M SORRY TO SEE YOU GO,  
3 BUT I KNOW YOU'VE GOT A LOT MORE TO GIVE. AND I LOOK AROUND  
4 YOU AND I LOOK AT THE LEGACY YOU'VE GOT HERE, AND THERE'S NO  
5 QUESTION THAT YOU'RE LEAVING THIS COUNTY IN INCREDIBLE HANDS.  
6 AND I KNOW THAT YOU ARE NOT GOING TO BE FAR FROM THE PHONE, SO  
7 IF THERE'S EVER ANYTHING YOU THINK NEEDS TO BE DONE, I KNOW  
8 YOU WILL ALWAYS PROVIDE INPUT SO THAT WE DO OUR JOB BETTER. SO  
9 I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE  
10 RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

11

12 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU. WELL, IT'S A GOOD THING, I GUESS, ALL  
13 FIVE OF US AREN'T HERE, OR WE'D ALL BE TALKING FOREVER ABOUT  
14 YOU, BUT I WANT TO ADD MY ACCOLADES. PEOPLE ASKED ME, WHEN I  
15 FIRST RAN FOR THIS OFFICE, "WHY DO YOU WANT TO WORK FOR L.A.  
16 COUNTY? IT SEEMS SORT OF, YOU KNOW, HIDEBOUND AND NOT  
17 IMAGINATIVE, AND ALL OF THOSE THINGS." AND I SAID, "OH, JUST  
18 TAKE A DEEPER LOOK. LOOK AT THE LEADERSHIP." BECAUSE I'D  
19 ALREADY BEGUN TO STUDY UP. AND YOU HAVE BEEN ONE OF THE FINEST  
20 EXAMPLES OF A PERSON WHO HAS TAKEN THE VARIOUS AREAS UNDER  
21 YOUR CARE, AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, THE VARIOUS PEOPLE UNDER YOUR  
22 CARE, BOTH IN THE DEPARTMENT AND THOSE WHOM WE SERVE, TO SAY,  
23 "WE HAVE TO LOOK AT THEIR REAL LIVES, WE HAVE TO SEE WHAT  
24 REALLY WORKS FOR THEM, AND WE HAVE TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT THE  
25 COUNTY IS RESPONSIVE AND CARING AND ALL THE THINGS THAT PEOPLE

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1 DON'T THINK, FRANKLY, ON THE OUTSIDE THAT IT IS." BUT I'VE  
2 SEEN A LOT, AND YOU ARE, AS I SAID, ONE OF THE FINEST EXAMPLES  
3 OF THAT. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK. AND AS EVERYBODY SAID TO  
4 YOU, "DON'T GO TOO FAR AWAY." [LAUGHTER.] THANK YOU.

5

6 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. THANK YOU,  
7 SUPERVISOR BARGER AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL. I WROTE SOME WORDS TO  
8 SAY, BECAUSE I THOUGHT I'D LOSE MY FOCUS, AND I'M GOING TO TRY  
9 TO FOLLOW THEM, BUT I MIGHT NOT ALONG THE WAY. FIRST OF ALL, I  
10 WANT TO THANK THE STAFF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.  
11 THROUGHOUT MY TENURE, SINCE 2003, WORKING FOR THE BOARD, THEY  
12 HAVE BEEN SUPPORTIVE OF ME AND THE WORK THAT WE DO AS A  
13 DEPARTMENT. SO I WANT YOU, SUPERVISORS, TO KNOW THAT YOU  
14 SHOULD BE VERY PROUD OF YOUR STAFF, AND I REALLY APPRECIATE  
15 THAT. 46 YEARS IS A VERY LONG TIME. BUT, QUITE FRANKLY, IT'S  
16 GONE VERY QUICKLY. IT'S REALLY A BLUR TO ME RIGHT NOW. MORE  
17 THAN ANYTHING, I AM GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY THAT I HAVE  
18 HAD TO SERVE THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IN MANY CAPACITIES. I  
19 STARTED AS A STUDENT WORKER EARNING MONEY TO BUY A CAR. AND I  
20 HAVE ENDED UP WORKING WITHIN MY PASSION AND MY PURPOSE, FOR  
21 WHICH I AM ETERNALLY GRATEFUL. IN MY CAREER, I'M PARTICULARLY  
22 PROUD OF BEING PART OF THE SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION OF THE  
23 UNIFICATION OF SUPERIOR AND MUNICIPAL COURTS, THE INITIATIVES  
24 PURPOSEFUL AGING AND L.A. FOUND, AND THE WORK OF WORKFORCE  
25 DEVELOPMENT. W.D.A.C.S., AS SUPERVISOR SOLIS INDICATED, IS AN



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1 ECLECTIC DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING HUMAN RELATIONS, COMMUNITY AND  
2 SENIOR CENTERS. ONE THING THIS PROGRAM TEAM HAS IN COMMON IS  
3 THE PASSION TO SAVE AND IMPROVE LIVES OF THE COMMUNITY THAT WE  
4 SERVE. SOME MEMBERS OF MY TEAM ARE WITH ME HERE TODAY. YOU SEE  
5 THEM SURROUNDING ME, AND THEY REALLY DESERVE A ROUND OF  
6 APPLAUSE. LET'S GIVE THEM. [APPLAUSE.] THEY HAVE SUPPORTED ME,  
7 THEY HAVE GUIDED ME, AND, AT TIMES, CORRECTED ME, BECAUSE I  
8 NEEDED CORRECTING. THANK YOU. I COULD NOT BE MORE PROUD OF YOU  
9 AS A TEAM. I REALLY COULDN'T. I WILL SINCERELY MISS MY FELLOW  
10 DEPARTMENT HEADS. SOME OF YOU, YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE. YOU ARE  
11 HERE. YOU HAVE BEEN ONLY A PHONE CALL AWAY FOR ME. YOU HAVE  
12 BEEN THROUGH MY UPS AND MY DOWNS AND MY PLATEAUS, AND I THANK  
13 YOU. YOUR WILLINGNESS TO LISTEN AND TO CARE ABOUT ME WILL NOT  
14 BE FORGOTTEN. WITH ME ALSO TODAY I HAVE MY THREE SISTERS,  
15 MARILYN, BEVERLY, AND JENNIFER. I'M THE OLDEST, AND I TOLD  
16 THEM THEY HAD TO BE HERE TODAY, SO THAT'S WHY THEY'RE HERE.  
17 [LAUGHTER.] THEY ARE TRUE SISTERS THROUGH THE GOOD AND THE  
18 BAD. AND ALTHOUGH THEY REALLY DIDN'T KNOW WHAT I DID...  
19 [LAUGHTER.] THEY WERE SUPPORTIVE OF ME, AND I APPRECIATED  
20 THAT. MY FATHER, WHO'S 89 YEARS OLD, FRED NORWOOD. [APPLAUSE.]  
21 I AM SO THANKFUL THAT HE ENCOURAGED ME TO JOIN GOVERNMENT  
22 SERVICE SO MANY YEARS AGO. I HAVE TWO CHILDREN, CAMEO AND  
23 QUINTON, WHO LIVE OUT OF STATE AND ARE UNABLE TO BE HERE WITH  
24 ME TODAY. BUT I WANT TO THANK THEM FOR ALLOWING ME TO WORK SO  
25 MANY TIMES WHEN I COULD HAVE SPENT TIME WITH THEM. FORTUNATELY

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1 NOW, NOT ONLY WILL I BE ABLE TO SPEND TIME WITH THEM, BUT ALSO  
2 WITH MY TWO GRANDCHILDREN, TYLER AND VICTORIA, AND MY  
3 WONDERFUL SON-IN-LAW ERIC. I'VE BEEN BLESSED TO SPEND THE LAST  
4 32 YEARS OF MY LIFE WITH MY HUSBAND JAMES. HE DESERVES A ROUND  
5 OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] HE'S AMAZING. HIS CARE, HIS LOVE, AND  
6 PATIENCE WITH ME IS UNMATCHED. I AM ETERNALLY GRATEFUL TO YOU.  
7 SO NOW I TRANSITION TO MY ENCORE. AS ELEANOR ROOSEVELT ONCE  
8 SAID, THE PURPOSE OF LIFE IS TO LIVE IT, TO TASTE EXPERIENCE  
9 TO THE UTMOST, TO REACH OUT EAGERLY AND WITHOUT FEAR FOR NEWER  
10 AND RICHER EXPERIENCES. AND THAT I WILL DO. THANK YOU.  
11 [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY. WHILE EVERYONE IS-- IF  
14 YOU'RE MAKING YOUR WAY OUT-- EXCUSE ME. [GAVEL.] I WOULD ASK  
15 THAT YOU, AS YOU LEAVE, TO TRY TO DO SO QUIETLY, SO WE CAN  
16 MOVE ON WITH THIS BOARD MEETING. AND WITH THAT, MADAM  
17 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE PLAY THE CODE OF CONDUCT.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR  
20 ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF  
21 SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW  
22 BE READ, AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE  
23 EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE  
24 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD  
25 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,

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1 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED  
2 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE  
3 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE  
4 REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES: SPEAKERS MUST CEASE  
5 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT  
6 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT  
7 ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE  
8 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE  
9 RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF.  
10 PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM, AND REFRAIN FROM  
11 UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,  
12 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING, OR OTHER ABUSIVE  
13 STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY  
14 OTHER PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF  
15 THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF, AND BOARD MEMBERS, AND  
16 MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY  
17 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT  
18 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE  
19 BOARD MEETING. AND FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR  
20 BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO  
21 REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY  
22 THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
23 COOPERATION.  
24

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1    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NOW, WITH THAT, WE HAVE  
2    TWO ITEMS THAT HAVE BEEN HELD BY THE BOARD, ITEM NO. 3 AND  
3    ITEM NO. 38-C. SO WITH THAT, WE'RE GOING TO START WITH ITEM  
4    NO. 3, WHICH IS A CENSUS 2020 EDUCATION OUTREACH TARGETING  
5    HARD-TO-COUNT COMMUNITIES, AND THAT WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR  
6    SOLIS. AND I KNOW YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE SOME OPENING REMARKS.

7

8    **SUP. SOLIS:** YES. THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AND I ALSO  
9    WANT TO THANK OUR CHAIR OF THE BOARD, JANICE HAHN, FOR JOINING  
10   ME AS A CO-AUTHOR. SHE'S NOT HERE TODAY, BUT I DID WANT TO  
11   UNDERSCORE THE IMPORTANCE OF ALL OF US ON THE BOARD WORKING  
12   TOGETHER. I DON'T THINK ANYTHING MORE IMPORTANT REALLY OCCURS  
13   WITH SUCH GRAVITY FOR US, AS ELECTED OFFICIALS. THIS REALLY  
14   MEANS A LOT, BECAUSE WHEN WE BEGIN TO PREPARE FOR THE NEXT  
15   2020 CENSUS, IT'S ABOUT REPRESENTATION. AND IT'S ABOUT MAKING  
16   SURE THAT ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES, ESPECIALLY WHEN WE SAY "HARD  
17   TO COUNT," WE MEAN VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES, WE MEAN COMMUNITIES  
18   THAT AREN'T LIKELY TO MAKE THEMSELVES AVAILABLE OR EVEN  
19   UNDERSTAND THE PROCESS OF PARTICIPATING IN A CENSUS COUNT. IT  
20   HAPPENS EVERY 10 YEARS, AND IT'S IMPORTANT BECAUSE IT HELPS TO  
21   SET UP THE BASIS FOR HOW WE SET UP OUR JURISDICTIONS, OUR  
22   DISTRICTS, JUST ABOUT EVERYTHING IN GOVERNMENT. BUT MORE  
23   IMPORTANTLY, IT ALSO HELPS TO PROVIDE THE SOURCES OF FUNDING  
24   THAT WE SO DESPERATELY NEED HERE IN THE COUNTY. SO I'M VERY  
25   PLEASED TODAY TO BRING THIS MOTION BEFORE US, THE BOARD, THAT

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1 WILL ENABLE THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO ACCESS \$9.4 MILLION,  
2 ITS SHARE FOR THE CENSUS 2020 GRANT FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF  
3 CALIFORNIA. AND I DO WANT TO GIVE A SHOUTOUT TO OUR GOVERNOR,  
4 BECAUSE I KNOW THAT HE CARES VERY DEEPLY ABOUT TAKING ON THIS  
5 CHALLENGE OF MAKING SURE THAT EVERYBODY IS COUNTED. AND I KNOW  
6 THAT THERE WILL BE MORE FUNDING COMING THROUGH THE COUNTY THAT  
7 WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO OTHER FORMS OF GOVERNMENT, AS WELL  
8 AS OUR STAKEHOLDER COMMUNITY. SOME OF YOU MAY KNOW THIS  
9 ALREADY: LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS THE HARDEST-TO-COUNT COUNTY IN  
10 THE ENTIRE COUNTRY. AND WE KNOW THAT AN UNDERCOUNT OF OUR  
11 RESIDENTS WOULD RESULT NOT ONLY IN THE LOSS OF BILLIONS OF  
12 DOLLARS, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, CRUCIAL FEDERAL FUNDING THAT WE  
13 NEED FOR HEALTHCARE, FOR SAFETY, FOR HOUSING, FOR MANY, MANY  
14 THINGS THAT WE TAKE FOR GRANTED. THERE ARE MANY CHALLENGES,  
15 THOUGH, THAT WE'RE GOING TO FACE IN THE COMING MONTHS. SOME OF  
16 YOU KNOW THAT THE NEW ADMINISTRATION HAS PROPOSED ADDING A  
17 CITIZENSHIP QUESTION TO THE CENSUS, A PROPOSAL THAT A FEDERAL  
18 COURT RECENTLY STRUCK DOWN. THANK GOODNESS FOR THE JUSTICE  
19 SYSTEM. THE 2020 CENSUS WILL BE CONDUCTED PRIMARILY ONLINE,  
20 AND THAT WILL HAVE AN IMPACT ON MANY OF OUR VULNERABLE  
21 COMMUNITIES, BECAUSE MANY DON'T EVEN HAVE ACCESS TO THE  
22 INTERNET IN THEIR HOMES OR NEIGHBORHOODS. SO IT IS GOING TO BE  
23 INCUMBENT UPON ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES THAT JOIN WITH US IN  
24 THIS EFFORT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE INCREASE ACCESS TO BEING  
25 COUNTED, AND THAT WE INCLUDE THOSE LOW-INCOME FAMILIES, THOSE

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1 COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, THOSE COMMUNITIES THAT SPEAK DIFFERENT  
2 LANGUAGES. THE 2020 CENSUS IS, I HOPE, THE TOOL THAT WILL HELP  
3 US PREVENT UNDERFUNDING OF VERY IMPORTANT PROGRAMS AND SOURCES  
4 OF PERSONNEL THAT HELP US MAKE OUR EFFORTS FRUITFUL HERE IN  
5 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE KNOW THAT IN YEARS PAST, BECAUSE  
6 OF UNDERCOUNTS, WE DO LOSE BILLIONS OF DOLLARS. AND EVEN THE  
7 SLIGHTEST OF 5 PERCENT COULD MAKE A BIG DENT IN OUR BUDGET. IN  
8 ORDER TO AVOID AN UNDERCOUNT, WE'LL HAVE TO ENGAGE, AND WE'LL  
9 HAVE TO DEPEND ON OUR COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, SOME THAT  
10 ARE HERE TODAY THAT WILL HELP US MAKE SURE THAT WE REACH  
11 EVERYONE. AND WE HAVE TO DO IT WITH THOSE COMMUNITY GROUPS  
12 THAT ARE TRUSTED BY OUR COMMUNITY TO HELP US MAKE THAT COUNT  
13 POSSIBLE. WE'LL ALSO BE WORKING CLOSELY WITH COMMUNITY  
14 PARTNERS SUCH AS THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, WHO WILL  
15 HELP US IDENTIFY, RECRUIT, AND SUPPORT LOCAL COMMUNITY  
16 ORGANIZATIONS IN THEIR EFFORT TO JOIN US IN THIS TREMENDOUS  
17 EFFORT. I'D LIKE TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE, AGAIN,  
18 THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THEIR INVESTMENT TO HELPING TO  
19 ENSURE THAT WE GET RID OF THOSE BARRIERS THAT PRECLUDE  
20 INDIVIDUALS IN THE COUNTY FROM BEING COUNTED. AND I'D ALSO  
21 LIKE TO THANK OUR C.E.O., SACHI HAMAI, AND THE VARIOUS COUNTY  
22 DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE GOING TO BE PARTICIPATING IN CONTINUING  
23 OUR EFFORT TO ACHIEVE AND ACTIVATE AND MAKE SURE THAT  
24 EVERYBODY PARTICIPATES FULLY IN THE CENSUS COUNT. I DON'T  
25 THINK I HAVE TO SAY MORE. WE HAVE, MADAM CHAIR, SOME



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1 WITNESSES, INDIVIDUALS THAT WE'VE ASKED TO COME AND SPEAK,  
2 REPRESENTING THE MAYOR'S OFFICE, CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY  
3 FOUNDATION, N.A.L.A.O., CALIFORNIA CALLS, AND L.A. VOICE. WITH  
4 THAT, MADAM CHAIR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. ANY COMMENTS? I JUST  
7 WANT TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AND SUPERVISOR HAHN,  
8 ALSO, FOR BRINGING THE MOTION FORWARD. IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT  
9 THE COUNTY HAVE A COMPLETE COUNT TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE ABLE TO  
10 RECEIVE APPROPRIATE RESOURCES FOR THE REGION. I WOULD ASK THAT  
11 WE KEEP A FOCUS ON THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND GLENDALE, AS WE  
12 MOVE FORWARD ON THESE EFFORTS. I KNOW, IN EVEN DEALING WITH  
13 THE HOMELESS COUNT, THE ANTELOPE VALLEY-- LANCASTER, PALMDALE--  
14 - HAVE MANY CHALLENGES AS IT RELATES TO DOING THE PROPER  
15 COUNTING, AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE GET ACCURATE  
16 REPORTING IN THOSE TWO AREAS. AND ALSO, YOU KNOW, SACHI, I  
17 WANTED TO UNDERSTAND WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THIS C.C.F. TAKING OUT  
18 OF THE 10 MILLION FROM THE CENSUS FUND FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND  
19 DISBURSEMENT OF THE FUND. WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THE C.C.F.'S  
20 TAKING OUT OF THE 10 MILLION FROM THE CENSUS FUND FOR THE  
21 MANAGEMENT AND DISBURSEMENT OF THE FUND?

22

23 **C.E.O. HAMAI:** YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THE ADMINISTRATIVE FEES?

24

25 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** YEAH.

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2 **C.E.O. HAMAI:** THE ADMINISTRATIVE FEES HAVE NOT BEEN  
3 ESTABLISHED YET, BUT WE WILL BE WORKING WITH THEM AS WE MOVE  
4 FORWARD IN THIS PROCESS, AND THEN WE COULD REPORT BACK TO YOU.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** FANTASTIC. OKAY, WITH THAT,  
7 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, ARE THERE PEOPLE THAT WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK  
8 ON THIS?

9

10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES. WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS  
11 PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME, AND STAFF WILL  
12 ASSIST YOU: MARIA DE LA LUZ GARCIA, EFRAIN ESCOBEDO, ZACHARY  
13 HOOVER, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, GIOVANY HERNANDEZ, AND ERIC  
14 PREVEN. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY. GOOD MORNING. WE'LL GO RIGHT  
17 TO LEFT. WE'LL GO WITH YOU. YEAH, LEFT TO RIGHT.

18

19 **MARIA DE LA LUZ GARCIA:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MARIA DE LA  
20 LUZ GARCIA, AND I'M THE MAYOR'S DIRECTOR OF CENSUS 2020. OUR  
21 MISSION IS TO INFORM, EDUCATE, AND ENGAGE ANGELINOS IN THE  
22 UPCOMING 2020 CENSUS, TO ACHIEVE A FAIR, INCLUSIVE, AND  
23 ACCURATE COUNT. I'M HERE TODAY TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND  
24 CHAIR HAHN FOR INTRODUCING THIS MOTION, AND TO ALL THE BOARD  
25 FOR MAKING CENSUS 2020 A PRIORITY. AS YOU KNOW, THE CENSUS IS

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1 VITAL FOR THE HEALTH AND PROSPERITY OF OUR NATION, PRIMARILY  
2 BECAUSE IT IS USED TO DETERMINE HOW NEARLY \$800 BILLION  
3 ANNUALLY ARE DISTRIBUTED AMONGST LOCAL, STATE, AND TRIBAL  
4 GOVERNMENTS FOR CRITICAL SOCIAL SAFETY-NET PROGRAMS IN  
5 HEALTHCARE, HOUSING, TRANSPORTATION, AND EDUCATION, AND FOR  
6 APPORTIONMENT AND REDISTRICTING AT ALL LEVELS OF OUR  
7 GOVERNMENT. WE'VE MADE AN EXTRA EFFORT TO PREPARE FOR THE  
8 UPCOMING CENSUS BECAUSE THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS THE  
9 HARDEST TO SURVEY IN THE NATION, DUE IN LARGE PART TO OUR  
10 GEOGRAPHIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY. APPROXIMATELY 44 PERCENT  
11 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS CONSIDERED HARD OR VERY HARD TO  
12 SURVEY, AND IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, THAT FIGURE JUMPS TO  
13 NEARLY 57 PERCENT. WE HAVE A LOT AT STAKE FOR 2020. TO PREPARE  
14 FOR THE COUNT, THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH  
15 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, HAS BUILT A 5-PILLAR STRATEGY  
16 TOGETHER THAT INCLUDES FORMING A LOCAL COMPLETE COUNT  
17 COMMITTEE, IDENTIFYING HARD-TO-SURVEY POPULATIONS, HOSTING  
18 CENSUS ACTION KIOSKS IN PUBLIC FACILITIES THAT HAVE COMPUTERS  
19 WITH INTERNET ACCESS, DEVELOPING AND IMPLEMENTING A CENSUS  
20 GOODWILL AMBASSADORS PROGRAM, AND FOSTERING AND SUPPORTING  
21 OUTREACH BY COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS. I'M PROUD TO SAY THAT WE  
22 ARE AMONG THE FIRST IN THE NATION AND THE FIRST IN THE STATE  
23 OF CALIFORNIA TO HAVE FORMED A LOCAL COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE,  
24 WHICH WE HELP TO CO-LEAD WITH THE COUNTY. THAT COMMITTEE IS  
25 USED AS A SPACE TO COORDINATE OUTREACH EFFORTS, AVOID THE

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1 DUPLICATION OF WORK, IDENTIFY GAPS, AND DISSEMINATE  
2 INFORMATION. THE CITY AND COUNTY OF L.A. HAVE BEEN LEADERS IN  
3 2020 CENSUS.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** CAN YOU WRAP IT UP, AND THEN YOU  
6 CAN SUBMIT THAT IN WRITING?

7

8 **MARIA DE LA LUZ GARCIA:** ABSOLUTELY. AND TODAY'S MOTION WILL  
9 ALLOW US TO CONTINUE THE WORK AND FURTHER POSITION THE CITY  
10 AND COUNTY OF L.A. AS 2020 LEADERS AND ROLE MODELS FOR OTHER  
11 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND ACROSS THE  
12 COUNTRY.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

15

16 **REV. ZACHARY HOOVER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. REVEREND  
17 ZACHARY HOOVER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF L.A. VOICE. HAPPY TO SEE  
18 YOU ALL. HAPPY TO ALSO RISE IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION, AND  
19 APPRECIATIVE OF YOUR LEADERSHIP ON THIS FRONT. L.A. VOICE IS  
20 AN ORGANIZATION OF 55 CHURCHES, SYNAGOGUES, MOSQUES, AND OTHER  
21 ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS THE COUNTY, AND WE'RE ALSO GOING TO BE  
22 THE LEAD FOR THE COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION HUB IN THE SAN GABRIEL  
23 VALLEY, WHICH WE'RE VERY EXCITED ABOUT, AND EXCITED TO PARTNER  
24 WITH C.C.F. AND MANY OTHERS ON THAT EFFORT. AS YOU ALL KNOW,  
25 BECAUSE OF SYSTEMIC RACISM, MOST OF OUR PEOPLE ARE

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1 QUOTE/UNQUOTE HARD TO COUNT. WE ORGANIZE WITH UNDOCUMENTED  
2 FOLKS, LOW-INCOME PEOPLE OF ALL COLORS, AND FORMERLY  
3 INCARCERATED PEOPLE, TO NAME A FEW. SO THIS IS IMPORTANT TO US  
4 FOR A BUNCH OF DIFFERENT REASONS. YOU KNOW, IN CHRISTIAN  
5 SCRIPTURE, THE MOST FAMOUS CENSUS WE KNOW OF IS THE ONE THAT  
6 SENDS MARY AND JOSEPH AND SOON-TO-BE-BORN BABY JESUS ON THE  
7 ROAD. THE ROMANS USED THE CENSUS FOR TAXES AND CONSCRIPTION.  
8 LUCKILY, THAT'S NOT WHAT THIS IS FOR. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR VERY  
9 DIFFERENT REASONS: NOT ONLY THE RESOURCES THAT WE NEED TO DO  
10 THE WORK THAT WE WANT TO DO HERE IN THIS COUNTY, BUT ALSO  
11 BECAUSE IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO SAY TO OUR FOLKS THAT  
12 THEY'RE FULLY SEEN, THAT COUNTING THEM IS A WAY OF US CLAIMING  
13 ALL OF OUR LIVES TOGETHER IN THIS COUNTY. AND I THINK PUTTING  
14 THE MONEY BEHIND THIS IS A WAY FOR US TO SAY THAT, YOU KNOW,  
15 THIS IS THE COUNTY THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE, AND ALL OF OUR  
16 PEOPLE REALLY MATTER. I WOULD JUST END BY SAYING THAT JUST  
17 LIKE ON HOMELESSNESS AND ON OTHER EFFORTS THAT THE COUNTY HAS  
18 HELPED LEAD ON, THAT YOU ALL HAVE TAKEN LEADERSHIP ON, BIG  
19 CHALLENGES LIKE THIS, THE PARTNERSHIPS HAVE BEEN INCREDIBLY  
20 CRUCIAL WITH FOLKS LIKE C.C.F., CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY  
21 FOUNDATION, AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS THE COUNTY, AND  
22 WE THINK THIS IS ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE OPPORTUNITIES. SO WE'RE  
23 GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY, AND WE ARE SUPPORTIVE OF THIS  
24 WORK.

25

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1    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU.

2

3    **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I'M EFRAIN ESCOBEDO, VICE  
4    PRESIDENT AT CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, AND WE ARE  
5    EXCITED AND READY FOR THE CHALLENGE OF CONTINUING TO PARTNER  
6    WITH THE COUNTY. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND  
7    CHAIRWOMAN HAHN FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP IN MAKING THE CENSUS A  
8    PRIORITY FOR THE COUNTY; MORE IMPORTANTLY, FOR THE C.E.O.'S  
9    LEADERSHIP IN RAMPING UP THE EFFORTS, RAISING THE FLAG FOR US  
10    TO COME TOGETHER AND BEGIN TO LOOK AT HOW TO MEET THE  
11    CHALLENGES OF COUNTING L.A. COUNTY'S DIVERSE COMMUNITIES, AND  
12    THAT'S ALLOWED US TO BEGIN OUR WORK. THAT'S ALSO MADE US THE  
13    FIRST, AS DIRECTOR GARCIA MENTIONED, BUT IT'S ALSO BECAUSE  
14    WE'RE THE HARDEST TO COUNT, SO THERE IS A LOT OF WORK AHEAD.  
15    AS WE LOOK AT THESE CHALLENGES FOR CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY  
16    FOUNDATION, THIS IS A NUMBER-ONE PRIORITY, FROM THE STANDPOINT  
17    THAT WE HAVE MADE GREAT STRIDES WITH THE LEADERSHIP OF THIS  
18    BOARD AND OTHER LOCAL OFFICIALS AT TRYING TO ACHIEVE GREATER  
19    EQUITY AND PROSPERITY FOR OUR COMMUNITIES HERE IN L.A. COUNTY.  
20    AND THE CENSUS IS PROBABLY ONE OF THE GREATEST RISKS AND  
21    THREATS TO ROLLING SOME OF THAT WORK BACK, WHETHER IT BE IN  
22    INCREASING AND SUSTAINING S.N.A.P. ENROLLMENT, OR WHETHER IT  
23    BE DELIVERING AND COVERING FULLY OUR COMMUNITIES THROUGH MEDI-  
24    CAL OR PROGRAMS LIKE CALW.O.R.K.S. SO, THAT SAID, WE ARE HAPPY  
25    TO RISE TO THE CHALLENGE AND WORK WITH THE COUNTY, AND HAVE TO

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1 SAY THAT WHEN IT'S COME TO RESPONDING TO INCREASED DOMESTIC  
2 ENFORCEMENT IN OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES, WHEN IT'S COME TO  
3 RESPONDING TO THE CHALLENGES OF HOMELESSNESS, IT HAS BEEN THE  
4 PARTNERSHIP OF NOT JUST THE COUNTY BUT THE PARTNERSHIP WITH  
5 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS ON THE GROUND THAT HAS HELPED TO  
6 EITHER INCREASE PARTICIPATION, PROVIDE MORE ROBUST DELIVERY OF  
7 SERVICES, AND, ONCE AGAIN, AS WE FACE THE CHALLENGE OF THE  
8 2020 CENSUS ENUMERATION, IT'LL BE THIS KIND OF PARTNERSHIP  
9 THAT WILL CARRY THE DAY AND HELP US CONTINUE TO MOVE FORWARD.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YES.

12

13 **GIOVANY HERNANDEZ:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE  
14 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS GIOVANY HERNANDEZ, AND I AM  
15 THE REGIONAL CENSUS CAMPAIGN MANAGER WITH THE NATIONAL  
16 ASSOCIATION OF LATINO ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS  
17 N.A.L.A.O. EDUCATIONAL FUND. ON BEHALF OF N.A.L.A.O.  
18 EDUCATIONAL FUND, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO  
19 TESTIFY IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION, WHICH WILL INCREASE THE  
20 COUNTY'S CAPACITY TO CONDUCT CENSUS 2020 OUTREACH AND  
21 EDUCATION TO HARD-TO-COUNT POPULATIONS. WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO  
22 THANK MADAM CHAIR HAHN AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR YOUR  
23 LEADERSHIP IN COSPONSORING THIS MOTION. AT N.A.L.A.O.  
24 EDUCATIONAL FUND, OUR MISSION IS TO FACILITATE THE FULL LATINO  
25 PARTICIPATION IN THE AMERICAN POLITICAL PROCESS, FROM



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1 CITIZENSHIP TO PUBLIC SERVICE. SO A FAIR AND ACCURATE CENSUS  
2 COUNT IS CRITICAL TO OUR MISSION. FOR SEVERAL DECADES, WE HAVE  
3 BEEN LEADERS, NATIONALLY AND LOCALLY, IN CENSUS POLICY  
4 DEVELOPMENT AND OUTREACH. WE BELIEVE THE PROPOSED PLAN OF  
5 ACTION AND VISION BY THIS MOTION IS A NEEDED AND EFFECTIVE  
6 APPROACH TO SECURING A FULL COUNT OF THE COUNTY'S HARD-TO-  
7 COUNT POPULATION. WITH LATINOS NOW THE NATION'S SECOND LARGEST  
8 POPULATION GROUP, AND ONE OUT OF EVERY SIX AMERICANS, FULL AND  
9 ACCURATE DATA ABOUT THE LATINO COMMUNITY ARE CRITICAL FOR A  
10 COUNTY AND COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC, SOCIAL, AND CIVIL WELLBEING. WE  
11 CANNOT OBTAIN AN ACCURATE COUNT WITHOUT AN ACCURATE COUNT OF  
12 THE COUNTY'S LATINOS. I ALSO WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THAT IN THE  
13 LAST CENSUS, LOS ANGELES COUNTY SAW AN UNDERCOUNT OF 74,000  
14 CHILDREN. OF THAT AMOUNT, THERE WAS 47,000 LATINO CHILDREN. WE  
15 FULLY SUPPORT THE SUBMISSION OF AN OPT-IN LETTER TO THE STATE  
16 OF CALIFORNIA C.C.C. OFFICE, IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THIS  
17 GRANT FUNDING. ADDITIONALLY, WE STRONGLY APPROVE OF THE  
18 COUNTY'S PLAN TO IDENTIFY FUNDING AND APPROVE \$2 MILLION TO  
19 THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION TO SUPPORT LOCAL CENSUS  
20 EDUCATION AND OUTREACH EFFORTS. C.C.F. HAS BEEN A LEADER  
21 REGIONALLY IN CONVENING, EDUCATING, AND SUPPORTING CENSUS  
22 OUTREACH EFFORTS ACROSS THE COUNTY. C.C.F.'S PRESENCE, WORK,  
23 AND EFFORTS ARE VITAL TO THE SUCCESS OF A FAIR AND ACCURATE  
24 COUNT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE LOOK FORWARD TO

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1 COLLABORATING WITH THE COUNTY, THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, AND  
2 OTHER PARTNERS. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. DR. CLAVREUL?

5

6 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES. GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF  
7 SUPERVISORS. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. THANK YOU FOR BRINGING  
8 THAT ISSUE TO THE FRONT, SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND KUEHL. I THINK  
9 IT'S NEEDED, AND THE MOST IS EDUCATION. AND I THINK IF YOU LET  
10 INDIVIDUALS KNOW HOW IT WOULD BENEFIT THEM AND THEIR FAMILY IN  
11 THE LONG RUN, THEY WILL PARTICIPATE. AND WHEN YOU THINK THAT  
12 MANY OF THE HOMELESS PEOPLE HAVE CELL PHONES RIGHT NOW-- I  
13 HAVE BEEN VERY SURPRISED, BUT MOST OF THEM HAVE CELL PHONES--  
14 IF YOU DEVELOP SOME KIOSK WHERE PEOPLE CAN GO AND INPUT THE  
15 INFORMATION, THAT'S A WAY TO GO ABOUT IT. BUT I THINK IT'S TO  
16 EDUCATE SO THE FEAR IS GONE, AND PEOPLE CAN PARTICIPATE IN A  
17 FULL WAY. IT CAN BE DONE SO EVERYBODY BENEFITS, INCLUDING  
18 CARE. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. MR. PREVEN?

21

22 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER. IT'S ERIC PREVEN  
23 FROM STUDIO CITY, AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR  
24 INITIATING WHAT APPEARS TO BE A 2-MILLION-DOLLAR HELP-OUT FOR  
25 THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION TO DO SOME COUNTING, AND THE HARD-TO-

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1 COUNT FOLKS AS WELL, BECAUSE IT'S IMPORTANT THAT EVERYBODY BE  
2 FAIRLY COUNTED. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR A LOT OF REASONS. ON THIS  
3 PARTICULAR CHART, YOU CAN SEE THAT NOT EVERYBODY IS BEING  
4 TREATED THE SAME WAY. THIS IS A CHART THAT HAS TO DO WITH  
5 COUNTING, BUT IT DOESN'T HAVE TO DO WITH COUNTING THE  
6 POPULATION; IT HAS TO DO WITH COUNTING MONEY. SO LOTS OF US  
7 ARE REALLY EXCITED ABOUT CHARTS, BECAUSE THEY SHOW AND HELP  
8 TELL A STORY. AND THIS ONE TELLS A STORY ABOUT HOW SORT OF THE  
9 YELLOW ON THIS CHART IS THE PUBLIC MATCHING MONEY, AND IT'S  
10 SUPPOSED TO HELP THE VOICES THAT ARE NOT HEARD IN OUR CITY AND  
11 COUNTY ELECTIONS; ACTUALLY, L.A. CITY. IN THIS CASE, YOU CAN  
12 SEE THAT ALL OF THE SORT OF SUBSIDY MONEY IS GOING TO THOSE  
13 WHO RAISE TONS OF MONEY ALREADY. AT THE VERY TOP IS GIL  
14 CEDILLO, WHO RAISED ALMOST \$2 MILLION IF YOU ADD THE PUBLIC,  
15 THE INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURE, AND HIS REGULAR CONTRIBUTIONS. SO  
16 THE REASON WHY I BRING IT UP IS BECAUSE I KNOW YOU GUYS ARE  
17 FIGHTING FOR FAIRNESS, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO TALKING MORE ON  
18 ITEM 37. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU, MR. PREVEN. SUPERVISOR  
21 SOLIS?

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. A LOT OF GOOD  
24 INFORMATION THAT OUR SPEAKERS HAVE SHARED WITH US. BUT I THINK  
25 WHAT COMES AWAY FOR SOME OF US-- AND YOU STATED-- THAT THERE

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1 ARE MANY PLACES IN THE COUNTY WHERE WE STILL HAVE GAPS, WHERE  
2 IT'S REALLY HARD TO REACH PEOPLE, AND IN ANTELOPE VALLEY, AND  
3 I CAN JUST THINK ABOUT THOSE HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS THAT LIVE IN  
4 THE WATERSHEDS AND ENCAMPMENTS THAT ALSO HAVE TO BE TOUCHED.  
5 AND WE DO HAVE TO CONNECT WITH THEM. BUT ALSO UNDERSTANDING  
6 THE IMPORTANT \$800 BILLION THAT IS GOING TO BE THEN  
7 REDISTRIBUTED THROUGHOUT THE NATION, AND A GOOD PORTION OF  
8 THAT. BECAUSE WE ARE ONE OF THE LARGEST COUNTIES IN THE SYSTEM  
9 AND THE SAFETY NET, WE ARE THE BENEFACTORS, IN TERMS OF OUR  
10 RESIDENTS RECEIVING THE APPROPRIATE TYPES OF SERVICES THAT  
11 WERE MENTIONED BY SOME OF OUR SPEAKERS. SO AGAIN, MADAM CHAIR,  
12 I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH ALL THE COMMUNITY-BASED  
13 ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING REACHING OUT TO THOSE HARD IMMIGRANT  
14 GROUPS THAT MAY NOT QUITE UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE. SO I'M  
15 ALSO TALKING ABOUT THE ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER GROUPS, I'M  
16 TALKING ABOUT OUR FRIENDS FROM EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, AS WELL AS  
17 CANADIAN AND OTHER PARTS OF THE PLANET THAT LIVE HERE IN LOS  
18 ANGELES COUNTY, AND MAKING SURE THAT WE DO A VAST SERIES OF  
19 ACTIVITIES OUT IN THE RURAL AREAS AND IN HOMELESS ENCAMPMENTS,  
20 SO THAT WE REALLY DO HAVE A ROBUST COUNT. SO WITH THAT, MADAM  
21 CHAIR, I WOULD ASK FOR AN AYE VOTE.

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY, WE HAVE ITEM 3 BEFORE US.  
24 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.  
25 WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE APPROVED. AND NOW WE ARE GOING

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1 TO MOVE ON TO ITEM 38-C. AND HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO DO THIS,  
2 SUPERVISOR KUEHL? WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY SOMETHING?

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** I WOULD, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** AND THEN WE HAVE SHERIFF  
7 VILLANUEVA IS HERE, AS WELL.

8

9 **SUP. KUEHL:** I SEE THE SHERIFF IS HERE, AND OTHERS. WELL, I  
10 ASKED-- FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO CO-AUTHOR  
11 THIS WITH YOU. I THINK THAT THERE HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF  
12 CONCERNS RAISED ABOUT THE ACTIONS OF THE SHERIFF. AND INSTEAD  
13 OF SPEAKING ABOUT YOU IN THE THIRD PERSON, IF I MAY, I'LL JUST  
14 SAY ABOUT YOUR ACTIONS, SHERIFF, IN TERMS OF SPECIFICALLY, AS  
15 PRETTY WELL DOCUMENTED IN THE NEWSPAPERS AND IN THE EDITORIAL  
16 THIS MORNING IN THE L.A. TIMES, THE REINSTATEMENT OF A  
17 PARTICULAR DEPUTY ABOUT WHICH YOU'VE BEEN QUESTIONED, BUT IT'S  
18 REALLY MORE THAN THAT. BECAUSE THERE HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF  
19 ARENAS IN WHICH YOU'VE BEEN QUOTED ABOUT THE WAY YOU FEEL  
20 DEPUTIES WERE TREATED IN THE PAST, AND THAT INVESTIGATIONS  
21 ONGOING CONCERNING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, ALLEGATIONS AGAINST  
22 DEPUTIES, OR PERHAPS A SECOND DRIVING-UNDER-THE-INFLUENCE  
23 CHARGE WILL NOT BE COUNTED BECAUSE THEY DON'T REALLY RELATE TO  
24 A DEPUTY'S PERFORMANCE; THE FACT THAT THERE ARE, I BELIEVE, 10  
25 WOMEN IN THE DEPARTMENT WHO ARE MEMBERS OF OR ON THE BOARD OF

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1 THE ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN EXECUTIVES IN CORRECTIONS, WHO HAVE  
2 INDICATED THEY ARE NOT CERTAIN THAT THEY CAN SERVE ANY LONGER  
3 ON THE BOARD, THAT THEY HAVEN'T BEEN TOLD THAT THEY CAN. I  
4 THINK THAT'S FAIR, BUT WE WOULD WONDER ABOUT THAT. BUT THE  
5 LARGER QUESTION REALLY IS THE PUBLIC TRUST, THE TRUST OF THIS  
6 BOARD. AND PERHAPS IT WOULD ALSO BE GOOD FOR YOU TO TAKE INTO  
7 ACCOUNT THE TRUST OF OUR CONTRACT CITIES, BECAUSE THERE ARE  
8 SEVERAL LARGE AREAS, AS YOU KNOW, ON WHICH WE COUNT ON THE  
9 SHERIFF TO BE THERE FOR US, IN THE JAILS, TO PROVIDE CUSTODY,  
10 CONTROL, BUT ALSO CARE FOR THOSE WHO ARE FORCED TO BE THERE.  
11 IN THE PAST, AS YOU KNOW, THERE'S BEEN SUIT AFTER SUIT AFTER  
12 SUIT. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT BECAME INVOLVED, REALLY ALL  
13 RELATING TO THE WAY IN WHICH OUR INMATES WERE TREATED,  
14 INCLUDING EXCESSIVE FORCE. DEPUTIES, WE FELT THERE WAS A  
15 CHANGE RECENTLY, THROUGH THE ACTIONS OF THE PAST SHERIFF, THAT  
16 MORE ATTENTION WOULD BE PAID TO THE ACTIONS OF DEPUTIES WHO  
17 WERE FOUND TO HAVE USED EXCESSIVE FORCE. SEVERAL OF THEM WERE  
18 INVESTIGATED AND RECEIVED PUNISHMENT, INCLUDING, IN SOME  
19 CASES, BEING TERMINATED. SOME OF THOSE CASES WENT TO THE CIVIL  
20 SERVICE COMMISSION. THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION WE HAVE BEEN  
21 CONCERNED IN THE PAST WERE, IN OUR OPINION IN THE PAST,  
22 SOMEWHAT LENIENT ABOUT-- ESPECIALLY ABOUT OFFICERS IN YOUR  
23 DEPARTMENT BEFORE YOU WERE THERE. AND SO THE FACT THAT A  
24 TERMINATION WAS UPHELD AFTER A HEARING IS A VERY IMPORTANT  
25 POINT TO US. IN TERMS OF COMMUNITY SAFETY, WE LOOK TO THE

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1 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN ALL ASPECTS OF COMMUNITY SAFETY, NOT  
2 ONLY IN THE AREAS WHERE THEY HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY. BUT, FOR  
3 INSTANCE, IN THE FIRES JUST PAST, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
4 PLAYED A VERY LARGE ROLE IN COMMUNITIES, IN WHICH THEY MAY NOT  
5 BE UNDER CONTRACT, BUT THEY ARE PROVIDING ASSISTANCE. AND  
6 FINALLY, IN CONTRACT CITIES, IN MY DISTRICT, IN WEST HOLLYWOOD  
7 AND MALIBU, HAVE BOTH EXPRESSED CONCERN TO ME ABOUT YOUR  
8 COMMENTS AND THE WAY THEY APPEAR TO BE INSENSITIVE TO THE  
9 CONCERNS THAT WE HAVE ABOUT HOW OUR PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS  
10 DEAL ESPECIALLY WITH THE WOMEN'S POPULATION IN JAIL, IN TERMS  
11 OF THE ACCUSED AND HOW THEY'RE TREATED, IN TERMS OF HOW  
12 SERIOUSLY THEY'RE TAKEN. AGAIN, THE DEPUTY THAT YOU  
13 REINSTATED, IT SEEMED LIKE YOUR OWN ATTITUDE WAS, "WELL, YOU  
14 KNOW, A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIM, IF THEY DON'T SPEAK RIGHT  
15 UP, HOW SERIOUS CAN IT BE?" WHICH, FRANKLY, WE THOUGHT WE LEFT  
16 BEHIND US ABOUT 40 YEARS AGO, IN TERMS OF ATTITUDES TOWARDS  
17 VICTIMS. SO IF I SOUND CRITICAL, IT'S BECAUSE I AM, BUT IT'S  
18 MOSTLY BECAUSE I'M WORRIED. I'M REALLY WORRIED AND CONCERNED  
19 ABOUT THE MESSAGE THAT IS BEING SENT, IN TERMS OF REINSTATING  
20 DEPUTIES WHO HAVE BEEN ACCUSED, AND FOUND TO HAVE COMMITTED  
21 EXCESSIVE VIOLENCE OR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, AND WHAT THIS MEANS:  
22 WHAT IT MEANS FOR WOMEN IN YOUR DEPARTMENT IN TERMS OF THEIR  
23 PARTICIPATION AND LEADERSHIP, WHAT IT MEANS BY WOMEN IN OUR  
24 JAILS AS WE CONSIDER A SETTLEMENT-- AGAIN, NOT UNDER YOUR  
25 LEADERSHIP-- BUT A SETTLEMENT HAVING TO DO WITH YEARS AND



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1 YEARS OF STRIP-SEARCHES OF WOMEN CONDUCTED IN A WAY THAT WHEN  
2 WE READ THE DESCRIPTION OF IT, WE WERE HORRIFIED. SO I WANTED  
3 TO BRING THIS UNPRECEDENTED MOTION WITH OUR CHAIR PRO TEM, IN  
4 ORDER TO EXPRESS OUR DEEP CONCERN, AND HOPEFULLY TO HAVE A  
5 DIALOGUE WITH YOU IN PUBLIC ABOUT THIS. I KNOW THAT THE  
6 COMMENTS THAT YOU MADE AT THE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION  
7 WERE PUBLIC, AS WELL, AND I'M QUITE AWARE OF THEM, AND WAS  
8 CONCERNED ABOUT THEM, AS WELL. AND THE OTHER PART OF THE  
9 MOTION THAT ASKS COUNTY COUNSEL ABOUT OUR AUTHORITY AS A  
10 BOARD, I THINK IT'S A GOOD THING TO CLARIFY FOR BOTH OF US,  
11 BECAUSE EVERY EMPLOYEE OF L.A. COUNTY IS AN EMPLOYEE OF THIS  
12 BOARD. AND IT IS NOT THE CASE THAT ANY DEPARTMENT HEAD, IN MY  
13 OPINION, INCLUDING THE SHERIFF, THOUGH YOU'RE INDEPENDENTLY  
14 ELECTED, CAN SIMPLY DO ANYTHING THEY WANT AFTER THERE'S BEEN A  
15 FINDING BY THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION THAT UPHOLDS A  
16 TERMINATION, FOR INSTANCE. IN ANY OTHER DEPARTMENT, THEY WOULD  
17 HAVE TO GO TO COURT IN ORDER TO HAVE THAT OVERTURNED. SO I  
18 REALLY WANT US TO BE ABLE TO CLARIFY THAT, BECAUSE NONE OF US  
19 IS SO INDEPENDENT THAT WE CAN DO ANYTHING WE DAMN WELL PLEASE  
20 IN OUR PLACE, IN OUR DEPARTMENT, OR ON OUR BOARD. SO WITH  
21 THAT, MADAM CHAIR, THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO OPEN ON THIS.  
22 IT MAY SEEM UNDULY HARSH, BUT, YOU KNOW, WHEN I'M CONCERNED,  
23 I'M CONCERNED. AND WHEN YOU START SOMETHING CALLED THE WOMEN  
24 AND GIRLS INITIATIVE IN THE COUNTY, I HAVE TO SAY I'M  
25 CONCERNED. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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2   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. AND, SHERIFF, WHEN WE  
3   BEGAN TO GET PHONE CALLS, I MADE IT CLEAR THAT THE BEAUTY OF  
4   THE WAY THIS COUNTY IS SET UP, YOU ARE AN ELECTED OFFICIAL,  
5   AND AUTONOMOUS AS IT RELATES TO WHAT YOU DO WITHIN YOUR  
6   DEPARTMENT, AND I RESPECT THAT. BUT AT THE SAME TIME, THE  
7   COMMENTS THAT WERE MADE-- AND I WAS NOT THERE, SO THEREFORE  
8   THAT'S WHY I WANTED TO GIVE YOU AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLAIN IF  
9   THEY WERE TAKEN OUT OF CONTEXT, OR HOW THEY WERE PRESENTED--  
10   REALLY CONCERNED ME. AND GIVEN WHERE THIS DEPARTMENT IS GOING,  
11   AND WHERE YOU'VE MADE A CAMPAIGN PLEDGE TO TAKE IT, AND BEING  
12   SOMEONE WHO IS MARRIED TO A SHERIFF'S DEPUTY AND HAS FRIENDS  
13   IN THE DEPARTMENT, I DON'T THINK THAT IS THE IMAGE THAT WE  
14   WANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT. AND I COMPLETELY AGREE WITH  
15   EVERYTHING THAT SUPERVISOR KUEHL HAS SAID. IT'S IMPORTANT THAT  
16   WE WORK TOGETHER. AND SOMEONE SAID THAT THEIR GOAL IS TO MAKE  
17   SURE THAT YOU SUCCEED AS A SHERIFF. AND MY COMMENT WAS, MY  
18   GOAL IS TO MAKE SURE THE DEPARTMENT SUCCEEDS. SO IF WE BOTH DO  
19   OUR JOB, YOU WILL SUCCEED AND I WILL SUCCEED. I DON'T KNOW  
20   THIS DEPUTY, AND I HAVE A QUESTION FOR COUNTY COUNSEL. I  
21   UNDERSTAND THAT THERE'S A TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER IN  
22   PLACE, AS IT RELATES TO THE RELEASE OF OFFICER PERSONNEL  
23   FILES. DOES THAT T.R.O. PROHIBIT ANY INDIVIDUAL DEPUTY FROM  
24   WAIVING THEIR RIGHT TO PRIVACY AND RELEASING THEIR PERSONNEL  
25   RECORDS?

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1

2 **ATTORNEY:** SUPERVISOR, IT DOES NOT. IF THE INDIVIDUAL DEPUTY  
3 WANTED TO WAIVE THEIR OWN INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS, THEY COULD DO SO.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW ALL THE  
6 FACTS. AND I GUESS MY QUESTION TO YOU, SHERIFF, IS, IS THE  
7 SUBJECT DEPUTY WILLING TO WAIVE HIS RIGHT TO PRIVACY AND  
8 RELEASE HIS PERSONNEL RECORDS, GIVEN THAT HE BELIEVES THE  
9 FACTS DO NOT SET FORTH LEGITIMATE GROUNDS FOR TERMINATION,  
10 WHICH YOU AGREE WITH?

11

12 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** THE SUBJECT IS WILLING TO WAIVE HIS  
13 RIGHTS.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY, THAT IS SIGNIFICANT, BECAUSE  
16 I THINK MY FRUSTRATION IS, WHEN I GET ASKED BY THE PRESS, I  
17 CANNOT RELEASE THAT. AND I DO RESPECT PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO  
18 PRIVACY, INCLUDING THE VICTIM IN THIS CASE, WHO WAS ALSO  
19 WEARING A BADGE, WAS ALSO PART OF L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S  
20 DEPARTMENT, WAS ALSO PART OF YOUR FAMILY. SO I'M  
21 HYPERSENSITIVE TO THAT. THE SECOND PART OF THE MOTION, ASKING  
22 FOR A CLARIFICATION, I THINK IS IMPORTANT, BECAUSE FROM WHAT I  
23 UNDERSTAND-- AND RUMORS ARE EVERYWHERE. I HEAR THIS, THAT  
24 THERE ARE GOING TO BE MORE RE-HIRINGS. AND I THINK IT'S  
25 IMPORTANT FOR US TO UNDERSTAND WHAT OUR ROLE IS, AS IT RELATES

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1 TO THE CONFLICT. AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL BROUGHT UP THE CONTRACT  
2 CITIES. ONE OF THE BIGGEST ISSUES CONTRACT CITIES HAVE-- AND  
3 I'M SURE YOU'VE HEARD IT-- IS OVERLIABILITY. AND THEY'VE GOT A  
4 LIABILITY FUND OF WHICH THEY'VE PUT A LOT OF MONEY INTO IT.  
5 AND ONE OF THE THINGS THEY FOUND IS THAT IF THERE IS A NEXUS  
6 BETWEEN SOMETHING THAT THIS COUNTY OR THE SHERIFF, KNOWINGLY,  
7 DEPUTY HAS DONE, AND HE OR SHE IS, LET'S SAY, WITH A D.U.I.  
8 AND THEY'RE IN A CAR ACCIDENT, THE CITY IS HELD LIABLE. SO  
9 THERE IS A HYPERSENSITIVITY TO THE WHOLE ISSUE OF LIABILITY,  
10 AS IT RELATES TO CONTRACT CITIES. ONE OF THE QUESTIONS I HAD,  
11 AND I'M TRYING TO GET A CLARIFICATION ON THIS, IS I READ AN  
12 ARTICLE-- AND IT'S JUST THAT, SO I DON'T KNOW IF YOU SAID IT--  
13 THAT COUNTY COUNSEL WAS INVOLVED WITH THIS ACTION THAT YOU  
14 TOOK. WAS COUNTY COUNSEL INVOLVED IN THE ACTION TO BRING BACK  
15 THIS DEPUTY?

16

17 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** SUPERVISOR, COUNTY COUNSEL LEARNED OF THIS  
18 POTENTIAL REHIRING BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS, AND ADVISED THE  
19 DEPARTMENT NOT TO MOVE FORWARD UNTIL THERE WAS A FULL  
20 INVESTIGATION, AND UNTIL COUNTY COUNSEL WAS FURTHER CONSULTED.  
21 AND THAT LATTER CONSULTATION, IN MY UNDERSTANDING, DID NOT  
22 HAPPEN.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** BECAUSE, SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, I  
25 CAN'T REMEMBER WHICH ARTICLE IT WAS, YOU MADE A COMMENT THAT

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1 YOU HAD CONSULTED WITH COUNTY COUNSEL ON THE HIRING. I AND I  
2 JUST DIDN'T KNOW WHICH COUNSEL YOU DID SEEK, IN TERMS OF  
3 GETTING THAT OKAY. BUT WITH THAT, I'M GOING TO LET YOU SAY  
4 YOUR... OKAY. YEAH, I'LL CALL ON SUPERVISOR KUEHL, BUT I JUST  
5 WANT TO SAY THAT FOR ME, THE MOTION SPEAKS FOR ITSELF. I'M NOT  
6 TRYING TO DO AN "I GOT YOU." BUT TO ME, ESPECIALLY THE  
7 COMMENTS THAT WERE MADE AT THE COMMISSION, ESPECIALLY WITH A  
8 BOARD OF A MAJORITY OF WOMEN, SIT BACK AND NOT CHALLENGE THOSE  
9 STATEMENTS. SO WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

10

11 **SUP. KUEHL:** YES. I HAD A FURTHER QUESTION OF COUNTY COUNSEL,  
12 BASED ON SOMETHING YOU ASKED, BECAUSE THE SHERIFF SAID  
13 "SUBJECT WAS WILLING TO WAIVE HIS RIGHTS," I THINK HE SAID.  
14 HYPOTHETICALLY, IF A SUBJECT WAIVED HIS RIGHT TO PRIVACY ABOUT  
15 THE RECORD, WOULD THAT ALSO GIVE US ACCESS TO WHAT THE CIVIL  
16 SERVICE COMMISSION DID ITS HOLDING ON?

17

18 **ATTORNEY:** YES, IT WOULD, SUPERVISOR. THE WHOLE FILE.

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL:** GOOD. AND WHAT ABOUT THE VIDEO THAT THEY WERE ABLE  
21 TO SEE, THAT WE, OF COURSE, DON'T?

22

23 **ATTORNEY:** IF THE VIDEO IS IN THE FILE, AND I BELIEVE IT IS,  
24 THEN YES, THAT WOULD BE AVAILABLE, AS WELL.

25

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1    **SUP. KUEHL:** OKAY. BECAUSE I BELIEVE, SHERIFF, THAT YOU HAD  
2    INDICATED ANYBODY WHO LIED, YOU WOULD NOT RETAIN. SO IF IT  
3    CAME TO LIGHT, HYPOTHETICALLY, THAT THERE WAS A RECORD IN  
4    WHICH LYING WAS A PART OF THE REASON, I'M ASSUMING THAT WOULD  
5    GIVE YOU SOME REASON TO RETHINK IT, FROM WHAT YOU HAD SAID.  
6    BUT THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU FOR BEING SO  
7    PATIENT.

8

9    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** AND I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR COMING  
10   HERE TODAY. YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO. THIS WAS A REPORT-BACK, AND  
11   WE'RE GOING TO ALLOW YOU TO DO THAT. SO I APPRECIATE YOU  
12   COMING HERE AND HAVING A FACE-TO-FACE ON THIS. SO WITH THAT--

13

14   **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** WELL, IN LIGHT OF THE... LET'S JUST SAY  
15   THE MISREPRESENTATION OF MY COMMENTS TO THE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT  
16   COMMISSION, AND HOW IT WAS PLAYED OUT IN THE PRESS, AND  
17   SUBSEQUENTLY THIS BOARD FED ON THAT, LET ME GIVE YOU A QUOTE  
18   THAT YOU CAN QUOTE ME. THE PRESUMPTION OF VULNERABILITY IS NOT  
19   A LAWFUL SUBSTITUTE FOR THE PRESUMPTION OF INNOCENCE. AND THAT  
20   IS A FOUNDATION OF EVERY ACTION WE'RE TAKING. OF COURSE WE  
21   TREAT EVERY SINGLE ALLEGATION, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, WITH SERIOUS  
22   CONSIDERATION. WE TAKE THE ALLEGATIONS AT FACE VALUE. WE HAVE  
23   TO INDEPENDENTLY ESTABLISH THE FACTS OF THE CASE, IN ORDER TO  
24   BE ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD, BOTH IN THE CRIMINAL SENSE AND IN THE  
25   ADMINISTRATIVE SENSE. AND UPON REVIEW OF THIS CASE IN

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1 PARTICULAR-- AND OF COURSE I'M NOT RELEASING ANY INFORMATION,  
2 THE PARTICULARS OF IT-- I WILL JUST SAY THAT IT FAILED ON SO  
3 MANY DIFFERENT LEVELS THAT IT NEVER SHOULD HAVE LEFT THE  
4 DEPARTMENT. AND AS I SAID IN THE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION, EVEN ON  
5 THE STANDARD THAT WAS ARTIFICIALLY CREATED BY MY PREDECESSOR,  
6 IT DID NOT RISE TO THE LEVEL OF A DISCHARGE. IT WAS  
7 ARTIFICIALLY ELEVATED TO DISCHARGE AFTER THE FACT. AND ALL OF  
8 THIS, YOU WILL BE PRIVY TO IN CLOSED SESSION. AND ACTUALLY, I  
9 HAVE HALF A DOZEN CASES WHERE YOU'RE GOING TO DO A DOUBLE TAKE  
10 AND WONDER, WHAT ON EARTH WERE WE DOING? AND THAT IS THE WHOLE  
11 POINT OF TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION. WE HAVE TO OPERATE ON THE  
12 FACT-DRIVEN OBJECTIVE PROCESS IN EVERYTHING WE DO TO SUSTAIN  
13 ALLEGATIONS IN A CRIMINAL SENSE, WHEN WE'RE PURSUING CRIMINAL  
14 CASES, AND ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE SIDE, WE STILL HAVE TO HAVE  
15 THE SAME. THE LEVEL OF THE PROOF IS DIFFERENT, OBVIOUSLY:  
16 PROOF BEYOND REASONABLE DOUBT. BUT A PREPONDERANCE OF  
17 EVIDENCE, WHICH IS A STANDARD FOR CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, IS  
18 STILL A STANDARD. PREPONDERANCE OF EVIDENCE. AND HISTORICALLY,  
19 THE DEPARTMENT HAS ABUSED THAT STANDARD BY... AT THE ONSET OF  
20 INVESTIGATION, THEY DECIDED WHAT THE OUTCOME WAS, AND SO THEY  
21 IMPANELED THE INVESTIGATORS: "JUST FIND SOME FACTS YOU CAN  
22 COBBLE TOGETHER THAT SHOW THEY DID IT," AND THEY IGNORED THE  
23 MOUNTAIN OF THINGS THAT SHOWED THEY DIDN'T DO IT. THAT IS NOT  
24 JUSTICE. THAT'S A TRAVESTY OF JUSTICE. BUT WHAT WAS  
25 DISCONCERTING WAS TAKING THAT TO THE HEARING OFFICER, AND THE



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1 HEARING OFFICER REPEAT THE SAME THING. EVEN WHEN THE EVIDENCE  
2 IS PRESENTED TO THE HEARING OFFICER-- I'M SPEAKING IN GENERAL,  
3 THIS IS MORE THAN ONE CASE-- WHERE THE HEARING OFFICER HAS THE  
4 EVIDENCE, HAS THE EXCULPATORY EVIDENCE, AND HAS THE DEPARTMENT  
5 BASICALLY DIRTY CONCEALING EXCULPATORY EVIDENCE, AND THEY  
6 STILL PROCEED AND RULE AGAINST THE... I CALL IT THE APPELLANT.  
7 AND THAT IS OF GRAVE CONCERN, BECAUSE IT UNDERMINES THE  
8 INTEGRITY OF THE ENTIRE CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM. AND UNDER OUR  
9 DEPARTMENT THAT I'M INHERITING, THE ENTIRE THING HAS BEEN  
10 UNDERMINED. THE CREDIBILITY, THE INVESTIGATIONS, IS NOT THERE  
11 WHERE IT SHOULD BE. BECAUSE WE NEED TO SUSTAIN DISCIPLINE  
12 AGAINST PEOPLE THAT EITHER ARE NOT PERFORMING UP TO STANDARD,  
13 OR THEIR PERFORMANCE IS SUCH THAT IT IS INCOMPATIBLE WITH  
14 BEING A PEACE OFFICER IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AND THE  
15 HIGHER STANDARD OF BEING A DEPUTY SHERIFF IN LOS ANGELES  
16 COUNTY. BECAUSE WE WANT TO HOLD OUR EMPLOYEES TO THE HIGHEST  
17 STANDARD, BUT WE HAVE TO HAVE A STANDARD. WE CAN'T MAKE IT UP  
18 AS WE GO ALONG BECAUSE IT'S POLITICALLY EXPEDIENT TO HAVE A  
19 HIGH BODY-COUNT TO SHOW OFF TO THE PRESS, AND SAY "LOOK WHAT A  
20 REFORMER I AM." WHEN YOU INCREASE YOUR DISCHARGES SIX-FOLD--  
21 AND I'M SAYING SIX-FOLD PER YEAR-- THAT IS A PROBLEM, BECAUSE  
22 YOU HAVE TO MATCH IT WITH A SIX-FOLD INCREASE IN BEHAVIOR. IN  
23 A LARGE ORGANIZATION, YOU ALL KNOW VERY WELL BEHAVIOR DOESN'T  
24 CHANGE SIX-FOLD IN ANY CAPACITY, GOOD OR BAD. VERY LARGE  
25 ORGANIZATIONS, THEY JUST SLOWLY GO UP AND DOWN THROUGH THE

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1 PASSAGE OF TIME. SO IF YOU HAVE A JUMP OF A SIX-FOLD INCREASE  
2 IN DISCHARGE CASES, YOU BETTER HAVE SOME SOLID EVIDENCE TO  
3 SUPPORT THAT SIX-FOLD INCREASE. AND IF IT EXISTS, I'LL BE THE  
4 FIRST IN LINE TO MAKE SURE THAT PERSON IS PROPERLY  
5 INVESTIGATED, THE CASE IS PRESENTED. AND IF THE FACTS ARE THAT  
6 OF A DISCHARGE, IT GOES TO A HEARING OFFICER. AND I SURE HOPE  
7 THE HEARING OFFICER UPHOLDS IT BASED ON THE PREPONDERANCE OF  
8 EVIDENCE, THE STANDARD FOR CIVIL SERVICE. I DON'T EXPECT THEM  
9 TO WAIVE THE STANDARD BECAUSE OF SYMPATHY. NO. WE STILL HAVE  
10 TO OPERATE ON THE STANDARD. AND THE SAME THING WITH A CIVIL  
11 SERVICE COMMISSION. IF THE HEARING OFFICER SUSTAINS THE MOTION  
12 OF THE APPELLANT, THEN THE COMMISSION UNANIMOUSLY VOTES  
13 AGAINST THEIR OWN HEARING OFFICER, I WANT TO KNOW WHY. THE  
14 FACTS ARE PRETTY LAID OUT IN BLACK AND WHITE. SO WHAT IS GOING  
15 ON? AND I KNOW THE TIMES TODAY PUT OUT A VERY NICE EDITORIAL  
16 ABOUT EITHER I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'M DOING, OR THE BOARD-- THE  
17 COMMISSION HAS ISSUES. I CAN TELL YOU BEYOND A SHADOW OF A  
18 DOUBT, FROM THE INFORMATION I HAVE TO DATE, THERE ARE A LOT OF  
19 ISSUES. WE'VE INCENTIVIZED HEARING OFFICERS RULING IN FAVOR OF  
20 THE COUNTY, FINANCIALLY. AND THAT GOES TO THE HEART, OR THE  
21 CRUX, OF THIS MATTER. WE NEED TO HAVE A SOUND SYSTEM WHERE THE  
22 HEARING OFFICER IS A RELIABLE THIRD-PARTY TRYER OF FACT. AND  
23 THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION IS SERVING THE SAME CAPACITY AS  
24 AN OVERSIGHT OVER WHAT THE HEARING OFFICER DOES. BUT THEY HAVE  
25 TO BE RELIABLE THIRD-PARTY TRYERS OF FACT. WHAT HAPPENS WHEN

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1 THE CASE GOES FROM THERE TO A WRIT OF MANDATE IN SUPERIOR  
2 COURT, THE PRICE STARTS GOING UP. IT STARTS CLIMBING UP.  
3 ULTIMATELY, WHEN THE TRUE THIRD-PARTY, NEUTRAL THIRD-PARTY,  
4 SEES ALL THE EVIDENCE AND REALIZES, "OH, YEAH, THIS IS A  
5 TRAVESTY OF JUSTICE," WE PAY DEARLY FOR THAT. AND THAT'S WHEN  
6 WE GET THE SEVEN-FIGURE SETTLEMENTS. AND THAT'S WHAT I'M  
7 TRYING TO AVOID. AND THIS IS LEGAL COST AVOIDANCE. WE'RE GOING  
8 TO WORK WITH THE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION. WE'RE GOING TO WORK  
9 WITH THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL TO MAKE SURE OUR POLICIES  
10 ARE SOUND. AND WE WANT TO HAVE THE OTHER PARTY TAKE A LOOK AT  
11 WHAT WE'RE DOING, AND TO PROVIDE THEIR INPUT IN THE PROCESS,  
12 SO IT IS A SOUND PROCESS MOVING FORWARD. BUT THERE'S A LOT OF  
13 INTERNAL DAMAGE TO THE ORGANIZATION THAT WE CANNOT DENY, AND  
14 THAT DAMAGE IS CONNECTED TO A LOT OF OTHER THINGS. IN OTHER  
15 WORDS, WHEN I HAVE A SYSTEM THAT IS COMPROMISED, MY EMPLOYEES  
16 ARE NO LONGER GOING TO RECRUIT THEIR OWN. THEY'RE GOING TO SIT  
17 ON THEIR HANDS, WHICH MEANS OUR VACANCIES START DRIVING  
18 UPWARDS, MY WORKERS' COMP CLAIMS START CLIMBING UPWARDS.  
19 PEOPLE ARE NOT HAPPY WITH WORK, THEY'LL FIND A WAY TO GET OUT  
20 OF WORK. AND THEN WE START SHRINKING, WHICH IS EXACTLY WHAT  
21 HAPPENED THE LAST FOUR YEARS. WE WERE SHRINKING, YEAR AFTER  
22 YEAR. WE'RE GETTING SMALLER WHEN WE NEED TO ACTUALLY GET  
23 BIGGER. IN ANTICIPATION OF OBVIOUSLY THE PROJECTED FUTURE  
24 GROWTH-- OLYMPICS AND ALL THOSE THINGS-- WE NEED TO GET BACK  
25 TO FULL STAFFING, IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE TRAINING THAT WE

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1    NEED FOR THE ENTIRE ORGANIZATION THAT WE'RE EXTREMELY  
2    SUBSTANDARD IN PROVIDING. ALL THESE THINGS DON'T HAPPEN IN A  
3    VACUUM, WHERE WE CAN JUST GO OFF ON A TANGENT AND ENGAGE IN A  
4    MASS FIRING SCHEME, AND SOMEHOW THAT'S GOING TO SOLVE  
5    SOMETHING, BECAUSE SOMEONE THINKS THAT WE'RE OUT OF CONTROL.  
6    NO. BY NO STRETCH OF THE IMAGINATION. AND BEFORE I CAME HERE  
7    TODAY, I LISTENED TO A TAPE-RECORDING OF MY COMMENTS TO THE  
8    OVERSIGHT COMMISSION, AND I STAND BY EVERY SINGLE WORD I SAID  
9    THERE. AND IF YOU GO BACK AND LISTEN TO WHAT I SAID, AND YOU  
10   LISTEN TO WHAT MY DEAR FRIENDS AT THE L.A. TIMES OR OTHER  
11   MEDIA OUTLETS REPORTED, YOU'RE GOING TO REALIZE YOU'RE GOING  
12   TO HAVE THE MOMENT OF "OOPS." I KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT.  
13   AND WE HAVE PROBLEMS. WE'RE GOING TO FIX THEM, BUT WE'RE NOT  
14   GOING TO FIX THEM BY BURYING OUR HEADS AND PRETENDING THAT  
15   EVERYTHING WAS OKAY IN THE PAST. SO IN THE CLOSED SESSION,  
16   THEN, I WILL DEFINITELY HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY. WE'LL SHOW YOU  
17   JUST THESE SIX ONES THAT THEY'RE WORKING THEIR WAY THROUGH THE  
18   SYSTEM NOW, AND IT POINTS TO ACTUALLY A BIGGER PROBLEM THAN  
19   JUST THAT. FROM THE SMALL SAMPLE SIZE THAT I'VE REVIEWED SO  
20   FAR, I HAVE PRETTY SOLID EVIDENCE OF SOME INSTANCES OF PERJURY  
21   COMMITTED BY DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVES. AND THE QUESTION IS, DID  
22   THEY DECIDE TO DO THIS ON THEIR OWN, WHEN THEY WERE ON THE  
23   STAND, OR WAS THERE SOMEONE WHO SOLICITED THEM TO COMMIT AN  
24   ACT OF PERJURY? AND THAT BECOMES SUBORDINATION OF PERJURY, 127  
25   OF THE PENAL CODE. AND WE WILL MOVE AGGRESSIVELY TO VERIFY

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1 THESE CASES. AND WE HAVE THE EVIDENCE FOR IT, INCLUDING SOME  
2 UNNAMED THIRD PARTY WHO MAY BE THE ONE THAT'S SOLICITING THEM  
3 TO COMMIT THE ACTS OF PERJURY, IN ORDER TO SUSTAIN AN  
4 ARTIFICIALLY BAD INTERNAL INVESTIGATION. WE'LL PURSUE THAT,  
5 EITHER HERE, LOCALLY, OR THROUGH THE STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S  
6 OFFICE. BUT I'M DEAD SERIOUS THAT WE'RE GOING TO CLEAN HOUSE.  
7 WE'RE GOING TO CLEAN HOUSE THE RIGHT WAY, AND THAT'S BECAUSE  
8 OF THE RULE OF LAW, AND RESPECT FOR THE RULE OF LAW.

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10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, DID YOU WANT  
11 TO...?

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13 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SHERIFF.  
14 I THINK THAT YOU AND I MAY HAVE SOME DEEP DISAGREEMENTS ON A  
15 NUMBER OF AREAS, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING WHAT MIGHT  
16 BE CALLED A DIALOGUE, HOPEFULLY.

17

18 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** ALWAYS.

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL:** IT'S PRETTY STANDARD WHEN PEOPLE ARE ASKED OR  
21 ACCUSED OF DOING SOMETHING THAT PEOPLE DON'T APPROVE OF TO TRY  
22 TO DEFLECT THE BLAME ONTO OTHERS, AND YOU'RE DEFLECTING BLAME  
23 TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION. IT MAY SEEM LIKE THE RIGHT  
24 MOVE FOR YOU. BUT YOU MAY BE UNAWARE THAT WE DID ABOUT AN 18-  
25 MONTH-- ASKED FOR A REPORT-BACK ON A LONG HISTORY ABOUT THE

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1 CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, IN ORDER TO SEE WHETHER WE NEEDED TO  
2 WORK A LITTLE HARDER ON THE TRAINING FOR OUR HEARING OFFICERS  
3 AND THE WAYS IN WHICH THE COUNTY WAS REPRESENTED. AND ONE OF  
4 THE INTERESTING THINGS THAT WE FOUND IN THAT STUDY IS THAT  
5 THERE WAS A VERY, VERY HIGH PERCENTAGE OF CASES WHERE CIVIL  
6 SERVICE COMMISSION FOUND FOR THE EMPLOYEES. THE BOARD HAS  
7 GENERALLY BEEN A LABOR-FRIENDLY BOARD. WE APPOINT PEOPLE TO  
8 THE COMMISSION THAT LISTEN TO WORKING PEOPLE. SO YOUR CLAIM  
9 THAT THEY MAY HAVE BEEN WEIGHTED AGAINST THE DEPUTIES, I HAVE  
10 MY DOUBTS ABOUT IT, IN TERMS OF WHAT I KNOW ABOUT THAT REPORT  
11 AND ABOUT THE HISTORY OF THAT BOARD. IF YOU CALL THIS BRINGING  
12 BACK DEPUTIES WITH QUESTIONABLE HISTORIES "LEGAL COST  
13 AVOIDANCE," I WOULD SAY, HAVING SAT THROUGH AN AWFUL LOT OF  
14 PRIVATE... I MEAN CLOSED SESSIONS, WHERE WE HAD TO APPROVE THE  
15 COSTS OF ACTIONS OF DEPUTIES JUST LIKE THAT, I WOULD SAY  
16 THAT'S NOT A VERY GOOD LEGAL COST AVOIDANCE STRATEGY, AND  
17 WOULD WANT TO QUESTION THAT. IN TERMS OF RECRUITMENT, THE  
18 REPORT TO ME WAS THAT ONCE WE STARTED LOOKING LIKE WE WERE  
19 RUNNING AN HONEST DEPARTMENT, RECRUITMENT NUMBERS WENT UP. AND  
20 I WONDER WHAT IT'S GOING TO LOOK LIKE NOW TO PEOPLE,  
21 ESPECIALLY WHERE WE'RE LOOKING AT DIVERSITY, AND ESPECIALLY  
22 WHERE WE WANT TO TRY TO RECRUIT WOMEN TO THE DEPARTMENT, WHY  
23 ANY WOMAN WOULD THINK THAT WAS A GOOD PLACE TO GO NOW, I WOULD  
24 HAVE MY DOUBTS. AND ALSO WHAT YOU SAID, "MY GUYS WON'T BE ABLE  
25 TO RECRUIT," WE'RE JUST HOPING THAT YOUR GUYS WON'T BE THE

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1 PEOPLE RECRUITING. AND I DON'T MEAN THE GOOD GUYS OR THE BAD  
2 GUYS. I MEAN THE WHOLE THING ABOUT "WE WILL ASK OUR FRIENDS TO  
3 JOIN THE DEPARTMENT," AND THAT'S HOW PEOPLE GET INTO THE  
4 DEPARTMENT. WE WERE LOOKING AT THAT NOT BEING THE WAY WE  
5 WANTED TO GO, BUT TO CREATE A GREATER DIVERSITY. SO MY  
6 CONCERNS, REALLY, HAVE NOT BEEN ALLEVIATED. I'VE SPOKEN TO  
7 MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION WHO HEARD WHAT YOU SAID AND,  
8 FRANKLY, WERE APPALLED. TO SAY THAT STANDARDS WERE  
9 ARTIFICIALLY ELEVATED BY YOUR PREDECESSOR, IT SOUNDS LIKE YOUR  
10 PREDECESSOR THOUGHT THAT HE HAD THE ABILITY TO SAY, "WE'RE  
11 GOING TO HOLD OUR DEPUTIES TO A HIGHER STANDARD," AND  
12 THEREFORE DID. I DON'T SEE THE ARTIFICIALITY.

13

14 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** LET ME, IF I MAY, JUST GIVE YOU TWO  
15 PARTICULAR INSTANCES. THERE'S A DEFINITE CASELAW FOR  
16 CALIFORNIA, IN TERMS OF WHAT CONSTITUTES FALSE STATEMENTS AND  
17 WHAT CONSTITUTES PERJURY. AND IT'S A LEGAL STANDARD, AND MR.  
18 HAFETZ IS AWARE OF IT. THE STANDARD WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT IN  
19 INTERNAL INVESTIGATIONS WAS ALTERED. IF THERE'S A DISPUTE  
20 BETWEEN EMPLOYEES, AND YOU SAY THAT EMPLOYEE LIED, AND THE  
21 INVESTIGATOR TALKS TO BOTH, AND SAY, "WELL, I THINK... I LIKE  
22 WHAT THEY SAID. I DON'T LIKE WHAT YOU SAID. YOU'RE GUILTY OF  
23 FALSE STATEMENTS." THAT IS HOW THE DEPARTMENT PROCEEDED, AND  
24 THAT IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH ESTABLISHED CASELAW. THERE'S ONE  
25 PART. THE OTHER PART IS THE ONE THAT WAS FROM ERCOM, ACTUALLY,



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1 WHICH WAS A RULING WHERE MY PREDECESSOR CHANGED THE STANDARDS,  
2 THE GUIDELINES, FOR DISCIPLINE. HE ARTIFICIALLY CHANGED THEM  
3 WITHOUT GOING THROUGH THE MEET-AND-CONFER PROCESS WITH THE  
4 CERTIFIED UNIONS THAT OVERSEE THAT. AND THE STANDARD WAS  
5 RECALLED, REAFFIRMED TO GO BACK TO THE 2012 STANDARD, BEFORE  
6 HE MADE THE UNILATERAL MOVE. THESE ARE MOVES THAT HE DID ON  
7 HIS OWN, AND THAT IT WAS NOT SUPPORTED BY PRECEDENT OR BY THE  
8 LAW, OR HE DIDN'T HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO DO THAT UNILATERALLY.  
9 AND THAT DID NOT IMPROVE THE SITUATION. IF YOU'RE MOVING THE  
10 GOALPOSTS, BUT THE FACTS STILL REMAIN THE SAME, THAT IS BEING  
11 AN ARTIFICIAL DRIVER. THAT IS NOT INCREASING SOMEHOW A HIGHER,  
12 A BETTER DEPARTMENT, MORE ETHICAL. ACTUALLY, NO, YOU'RE  
13 PLAYING GAMES WITH POLITICS. YOU'RE NOT ACTUALLY BEING DRIVEN  
14 BY FACT. WE HAVE THE GUIDELINES FOR DISCIPLINE. THE POLICIES  
15 THEMSELVES HAVE NOT CHANGED WHATSOEVER. WHAT WE NEED IS WE  
16 NEED TO RETRAIN OUR INVESTIGATORS TO MAKE SURE THEY INCLUDE  
17 ALL OF THE INFORMATION, ALL THE INFORMATION, BOTH THE POINTS  
18 TOWARDS GUILT AND THE EXCULPATORY INFORMATION. WE HAVE THE  
19 OBLIGATION TO DO THAT. AND WE FAILED MISERABLY DOING THAT AS  
20 AN ORGANIZATION, NOT OUTSIDE THE ORGANIZATION. SO I'M NOT  
21 PLACING THE BLAME IN ANOTHER ENTITY. THEY'RE JUST ACTUALLY THE  
22 END USER. AND IF YOU CAN SAY "GARBAGE IN, GARBAGE OUT," WE  
23 WERE GENERATING MOST OF THE GARBAGE THAT WAS FED THROUGH THAT  
24 SYSTEM. WE'RE CLEANING OUT THE GARBAGE, AND WE'RE SETTING THE  
25 FACTS WHERE THEY ARE. THERE'S PEOPLE, THEY'RE GOING TO TRY TO

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1 COME BACK THROUGH THE OVERSIGHT, THE TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION  
2 PROCESS THAT KNOW, AT FACE VALUE, NO. THERE WAS SOLID EVIDENCE  
3 THAT SUPPORTS THE DECISION. IT'S A GOOD DECISION. IT'S GOING  
4 TO REMAIN. IT'S THE ONES THAT DON'T EVEN COME CLOSE TO THAT,  
5 THAT PUTS US IN A LEGAL BIND IN MANY, MANY WAYS, AND WHEN YOU  
6 HEAR THE DETAILS OF THE CASES, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A CHANGE  
7 OF MIND.

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9 **SUP. KUEHL:** WELL, I THINK IF YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE RULE  
10 OF LAW, I KNOW A LITTLE BIT ABOUT IT-- ONLY A LITTLE. BUT,  
11 FRANKLY, WHEN YOU HAVE AN EVIDENTIARY HEARING, AND THERE IS  
12 SOMEONE TASKED WITH MAKING A DECISION, YES, IT IS TRUE THAT  
13 THEY SAY, "WELL, LET'S LISTEN TO WHAT YOU SAY AND WHAT YOU  
14 SAY," AND THEY MAKE THE DECISION BASED ON THEIR UNDERSTANDING  
15 OF THE RULE. I SUPPOSE SOME PEOPLE COULD SAY THAT YOU'RE  
16 ARTIFICIALLY DEFLATING THE STANDARDS IF THEY WANT TO, YOU  
17 KNOW, LOOK AT ACTIONS TAKEN. SO WE'LL LOOK FORWARD TO MORE  
18 DISCUSSION ON THAT. THE FINAL THING, I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND. YOU  
19 SAID YOU WERE MISREPRESENTED IN TERMS OF REPORT OF WHAT YOU  
20 SAID AT THE C.O.C., THAT YOU SAID, "THE PRESUMPTION OF  
21 VULNERABILITY IS NOT THE SAME AS THE PRESUMPTION OF  
22 INNOCENCE." WHOSE VULNERABILITY AND WHOSE INNOCENCE ARE YOU  
23 TALKING ABOUT?

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1   **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** WELL, THE POINT IS THAT-- IN FACT, YOU  
2   YOURSELF ARE THE ONE ALLUDING TO THE FACT THAT THERE IS AN  
3   ALLEGED VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. AND OF COURSE VICTIMS OF  
4   DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ARE A VULNERABLE COMMUNITY. I DON'T THINK  
5   ANYONE DISAGREES WITH THAT.

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7   **SUP. KUEHL:** I'D SAY ALL WOMEN ARE A VULNERABLE COMMUNITY, BUT  
8   NOT ALL WOMEN ARE VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. THERE'S MORE  
9   TO IT THAN THAT. WHEN SOMEONE TERRIFIES YOU, THREATENS YOU,  
10   COMMITTS VIOLENCE AGAINST YOU, THEN-- AND WHOSE PRESUMPTION OF  
11   INNOCENCE? YOU MEAN THE PERSON WHO DID THE VIOLENCE, BUT IT  
12   DIDN'T ADD UP TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN YOUR MIND?

13

14   **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** WELL, ACTUALLY, OUR ENTIRE LEGAL SYSTEM IS  
15   DRIVEN BY THE PRESUMPTION OF INNOCENCE. AND I HOPE THAT  
16   INCLUDES BOTH CRIMINAL LAW AND EMPLOYMENT LAW.

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18   **SUP. KUEHL:** YEAH, BUT REMEMBER THAT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IS NOT  
19   ONLY AN ASPECT OF CRIMINAL LAW. AND THERE I DO KNOW WHAT I'M  
20   TALKING ABOUT, SINCE I WAS THE AUTHOR OF ALL OF THE EARLY  
21   DOMESTIC VIOLENCE LEGISLATION IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.  
22   BECAUSE VICTIMS ARE SO FRIGHTENED. AND CERTAINLY, WHEN THEY'RE  
23   IN LAW ENFORCEMENT THEMSELVES, THEY'RE EVEN MORE FRIGHTENED.  
24   WE FOUND THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT, GENERALLY-- NOT THE SHERIFF'S

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1 DEPARTMENT ONLY-- HAD A LOT OF ABUSERS, AND PEOPLE WERE  
2 TERRIFIED BECAUSE THEY WERE PRETTY WELL CONNECTED.

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4 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** OH, I AGREE, AND THAT HISTORICALLY HAS  
5 ALWAYS BEEN A PROBLEM.

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7 **SUP. KUEHL:** SO THE FACT THAT THEY DON'T BRING OR GO RIGHT TO  
8 THE POLICE, AND SAY, "I'M FILING A CRIMINAL CHARGE," WAS ONE  
9 OF THE THINGS THAT WE FOUND EARLY ON LED US TO CREATE THE  
10 CIVIL CODE ABOUT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, SO THAT YOU COULD GET  
11 RESTRAINING ORDERS, ET CETERA, BECAUSE PEOPLE WERE NOT FEELING  
12 SECURE AND SAFE TO FILE THOSE. SO, CERTAINLY SETTING A  
13 STANDARD AT THE FILING OF A CRIMINAL COMPLAINT IS NOT THE SAME  
14 AS WHAT YOU CALL INNOCENCE.

15

16 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** WELL, THAT RIGHT THERE IS PART OF THE  
17 MISREPRESENTATION OF WHAT I SAID. WE'RE NOT SETTING A STANDARD  
18 THAT YOU HAVE TO FILE A CLAIM, A CRIMINAL CLAIM, OF DOMESTIC  
19 VIOLENCE. NOT AT ALL. THE FACT THAT THIS PERSON IN PARTICULAR  
20 WAS A DEPUTY, AND AS YOU LEARN MORE ABOUT THE INFORMATION,  
21 YOU'LL HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING WHAT I'M MEANING. BUT ALSO,  
22 I'D CAUTION YOU THAT YOU CAN'T TAKE A SINGLE DATA POINT AND  
23 SOMEHOW CREATE A TREND. YOU CAN'T DO THAT. YOU HAVE TO HAVE A  
24 NUMBER INCIDENCES. AND WHEN YOU UNDERSTAND THE TOTALITY OF

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1 THIS, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE  
2 ON THAT. I PROMISE YOU THAT.

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** YEAH, WELL, I LOOK FORWARD TO THAT.

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6 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** OKAY.

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

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10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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12 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, MADAM CHAIR. THIS MAKES ME FEEL REALLY  
13 UNCOMFORTABLE, THE SITUATION THAT WE'RE IN. BUT I DO WANT TO  
14 SAY THAT WE'RE HERE BECAUSE THERE'S NO DOUBT A VERY IMPORTANT  
15 ISSUE AT HAND, AND IT'S THE INTERPRETATION OF DOMESTIC  
16 VIOLENCE, AND WHO ARE CONSIDERED VICTIMS IN MANY WAYS THAT ARE  
17 NOT TRUSTED, NOT GIVEN THE KIND OF RESPECT AND ABILITY TO  
18 SPEAK OUT. OFTENTIMES, THEY ARE DOUBTED. THEY ARE ALSO IN SOME  
19 WAYS HARASSED, PERSECUTED, FIRED, BELITTLED, BERATED, BEATEN.  
20 AND I THINK ABOUT THE TIME I SPENT IN THE LEGISLATURE, NOT  
21 ONLY IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, CARRYING VARIOUS PIECES OF  
22 LEGISLATION, BUT ALSO DEVELOPING ONE OF THE FIRST COURTS IN  
23 WEST COVINA, SOLELY ON THE BASIS FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE  
24 VICTIMS. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT HITS TO THE HEART OF MUCH OF  
25 WHAT WE DO HERE IN THE COUNTY, ON ALL LEVELS, AND ESPECIALLY

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1 WITH RESPECT TO EMPLOYMENT. AND THAT'S WHERE I THINK THIS IS  
2 WHERE WE REALLY HAVE TO REALLY FOCUS ON. WHAT DOES THIS MEAN  
3 FOR THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES? WHETHER YOU WEAR A UNIFORM, WHETHER  
4 YOU WEAR A CLOAK, WHETHER YOU WEAR A MEDICAL JACKET, WHATEVER  
5 IT MIGHT BE, I THINK THAT WE HAVE TO REALLY HEIGHTEN THE  
6 DISCUSSION ABOUT RESPECT, AND RESPECT FOR THE VICTIMS. AND I  
7 DON'T KNOW THIS ENTIRE CASE. I HAVEN'T DELVED INTO IT,  
8 OBVIOUSLY. WE'RE NOT PRIVY TO ALL OF THAT RIGHT NOW. BUT I DO  
9 KNOW, WHEN THE COMMUNITY OUT THERE HEARS THAT SOMEHOW VICTIMS  
10 OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ARE NOT GIVEN THE KIND OF RESPECT, THEN  
11 THAT SENDS A QUIVER, IT JUST SENDS A WHOLE SET OF EMOTIONS IN  
12 PLACE, NOT JUST FOR THE PEOPLE WHO WORK FOR US, BUT OUR  
13 COMMUNITY. AND THERE ARE MANY IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO RIGHT NOW  
14 UNDERREPORT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, BECAUSE OF OTHER FACTORS. AND  
15 IF THE VERY PEOPLE THAT ARE THERE TO PROTECT US, SOMEHOW  
16 THERE'S A PERCEPTION THAT THERE'S A DIFFERENCE IN TERMS OF HOW  
17 THEY PERCEIVE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE-- WHO ARE VICTIMS AND WHO ARE  
18 NOT, WHO DESERVES TO BE REPRESENTED AND WHO IS NOT-- I THINK  
19 THOSE HIT TO THE HEART OF THE TRUST THAT A COMMUNITY RIGHT NOW  
20 IS SEEKING. THEY ARE LOOKING FOR PEOPLE THAT ARE GOING TO  
21 UPHOLD THE LAW AND TREAT THEM FAIRLY. AND ESPECIALLY  
22 IMMIGRANT. I'M TALKING ABOUT IMMIGRANT WOMEN. I'M TALKING  
23 ABOUT WOMEN OF COLOR. AND I'M ALSO TALKING ABOUT ALL THOSE  
24 VICTIMS THAT HAVE NOT COME FORWARD OVER THE LAST SEVERAL  
25 YEARS. WE'VE JUST GONE THROUGH THIS WHOLE SERIES OF "ME TOO"

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1 MARCHES. WE'VE SEEN WHAT'S HAPPENED TO C.E.O.S IN THE PRIVATE  
2 SECTOR. WE'VE SEEN WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE LEGISLATURE ALL  
3 OVER. BUT NOW WE'RE SEEING IT PLAY OUT HERE, BEFORE US. AND  
4 THIS BOARD IN THE PAST, WE HAVE WORKED VERY HARD TO TRY TO  
5 ELEVATE THOSE VOICES, AND WE'VE DONE A LOT AND HELPED TO  
6 EMPOWER OTHER PEOPLE AND OTHER AGENCIES, INCLUDING THE  
7 LEGISLATURE. WHEN THERE'S A SEXUAL HARASSMENT OR ANY KIND OF  
8 EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION, I THINK WE HAVE LED THERE. AND I  
9 KNOW WE HAVE COLLEAGUES IN SACRAMENTO THAT WILL SAY THE SAME  
10 THING. BUT FOR US NOT TO SAY SOMETHING, I THINK, JUST REALLY  
11 STRUCK ME. AND I'M NOT PERSONALIZING THIS, SHERIFF, IN THAT  
12 MATTER. YOU'RE AN ELECTED OFFICIAL, AND SO AM I. BUT THERE IS  
13 A LINE THAT SAYS THAT, I THINK, THAT WE REALLY HAVE TO  
14 UNDERSTAND WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE ENVIRONMENT, IN THE  
15 ENVIRONMENT AROUND US, AND THAT ENVIRONMENT IS VERY SENSITIVE  
16 RIGHT NOW. AND I THINK WHAT WE WANT TO SEEK IS TRUTH, AS YOU  
17 HAVE SAID IN YOUR CAMPAIGNS AND TALKED TO THE PUBLIC, AND EVEN  
18 TO US, INDIVIDUALLY, ABOUT TRANSPARENCY, ABOUT DUE PROCESS,  
19 AND MAKING THAT PROCESS OPEN. AND ONE OF MY CONCERNS IS THAT  
20 WE SPENT A GREAT DEAL OF TIME ON THIS BOARD-- ALMOST TWO  
21 YEARS. IN FACT, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND I CARRIED MOTIONS  
22 TO HELP CREATE REFORM WITH OUR CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, AS  
23 WELL AS OUR CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION THAT EXISTS. AND WE  
24 CARE VERY DEEPLY ABOUT HEARING ALL THESE VOICES. AND I THINK  
25 THAT WE HAVE TO SHOW A GREAT DEAL OF PATIENCE, BUT RESPECT:



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1 RESPECT FOR VICTIMS. EVEN WHEN THEY DON'T COME BEFORE US,  
2 THEY'RE THERE. THEY'RE LISTENING TO US. AND I HOPE THAT WE CAN  
3 MOVE FORWARD. I WANT TO ALSO HEAR MORE ABOUT YOUR TRUTH IN  
4 RECONCILIATION PROCESS, AND WHAT THAT'S GOING TO LOOK LIKE,  
5 BECAUSE IN A COMMUNITY THAT I REPRESENT, THERE'S A LOT OF  
6 DISTRUST RIGHT NOW. AND I'M JUST TALKING ABOUT EAST L.A., AS  
7 AN EXAMPLE, WHERE THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF THINGS THAT HAVE  
8 HAPPENED LONG BEFORE YOU GOT THERE, AND EVEN BEFORE SHERIFF  
9 MCDONNELL. NONETHELESS, THERE'S PERCEPTIONS OUT THERE ABOUT  
10 HOW THE COMMUNITY IS TREATED, AND WANTING TO KNOW ANSWERS, AND  
11 HOW WE REALLY IDENTIFY AND FOCUS ON ELIMINATING THOSE  
12 INDIVIDUALS OR PROCESSES THAT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST OUR  
13 COMMUNITY IN A WAY THAT CAUSES OUR COUNTY, THEN, TO HAVE TO  
14 DEFEND INDIVIDUALS AT A VERY HIGH COST. SO LITIGATION IS ALSO  
15 A PART OF THIS, AND UNDERSTANDING WHAT IMPACT THAT HAS ON US  
16 AND ON THE BUDGET. AND I HOPE THAT WE CAN GAIN INFORMATION  
17 FROM YOU MOVING FORWARD ABOUT THIS TRUTH IN RECONCILIATION  
18 PROCESS, AND HOPEFULLY UNDERSTANDING MORE ABOUT HOW YOU WILL  
19 TREAT YOUR EMPLOYEES, PARTICULARLY WOMEN, AND PEOPLE THAT ARE  
20 IN YOUR CARE. BECAUSE I, TOO, AM CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS  
21 TO WOMEN IN OUR JAILS. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF CASES THAT WE KNOW  
22 THAT WE ARE CURRENTLY UNDERGOING LITIGATION, AND I DEFINITELY  
23 WANT TO SEE THAT CHANGED AT ALL LEVELS.

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1   **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** FOR THE LAST FOUR YEARS, ACTUALLY, WE HAVE  
2   YET TO MEET THE STANDARDS OF P.R.E.A. IN OUR JAIL. AND MY GOAL  
3   IS TO MEET THAT STANDARD, FINALLY. IT'S BEEN LONG, LONG  
4   OVERDUE. I'VE SPENT MY ENTIRE CAREER CHASING BAD GUYS AND  
5   TALKING TO VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE, AND TRYING TO MAKE THE WORLD A  
6   SAFER PLACE, AND I DID IT HANDS-ON WITH MY OWN TWO HANDS, AND  
7   TALKING, ANSWERING CALLS FOR SERVICE, SEEING PROBABLY SOME OF  
8   THOSE HORRENDOUS THINGS THAT YOU FOLKS CAN PROBABLY EVER  
9   IMAGINE WITH MY TWO EYES. SO I HAVE A DEEP APPRECIATION FOR  
10   VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE, VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, AND I'VE  
11   SPENT MANY A DAY AND NIGHT IN PLACES THAT YOU JUST CRY OUT,  
12   "WOW, WHAT ON EARTH HAPPENED HERE?" AND I RECALL DISTINCTLY A  
13   CASE OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE WHERE THE VICTIM, THE GIRLFRIEND,  
14   LIVED WITH THE FAMILY OF THE BOYFRIEND, AND THEY CONCEALED  
15   HER, EVEN THOUGH SHE WAS AT THE HOUSE, BUT I KNEW SHE WAS  
16   THERE, SO I WAS PATIENT. AND THEY FINALLY PRODUCED HER AFTER  
17   ABOUT 10 MINUTES. SHE WAS HEAVILY MADE-UP. AND I SPOKE TO HER,  
18   AND AFTER ABOUT FIVE MINUTES I NOTICED A CRACK APPEARED IN THE  
19   MAKEUP ON HER FOREHEAD, AND THAT SHE STARTED DRIPPING BLOOD.  
20   THEY TRIED TO DO A BONDO JOB WITH MAKEUP TO COVER UP THE FACT  
21   THAT SHE WAS ASSAULTED WITH A CAR CLUB. SO I DO CARE ABOUT THE  
22   VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. AND I WILL DO EVERYTHING IN MY  
23   POWER TO ENSURE THEIR VOICES ARE HEARD, AND THE PEOPLE THAT  
24   ARE RESPONSIBLE ARE BROUGHT TO JUSTICE. THAT HAS BEEN MY  
25   MISSION MY ENTIRE CAREER. NOW, I'LL GIVE YOU A SCENARIO THAT'S

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1   KIND OF PUT THIS IN A PERSPECTIVE, HOW SOMETIMES THE BEST OF  
2   INTENTIONS CAN GO SIDEWAYS. WE'VE HAD ANOTHER CASE IN THE  
3   LAST, I THINK, IN THE LAST TWO YEARS, WHERE IT WAS, AGAIN,  
4   HUSBAND/WIFE ON THE DEPARTMENT, MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT, OR  
5   A COUPLE; MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT, BOTH SWORN. THE FEMALE  
6   WAS A PROBATIONER, THE MALE WAS A NON-PROBATIONER, ALREADY  
7   TENURED. THERE WAS A DOMESTIC DISPUTE BETWEEN THE TWO, AND IT  
8   RESULTED IN... AND IT LOOKED LIKE, FROM WHAT I READ, THAT THE  
9   PRIMARY AGGRESSOR WAS THE MALE. SHE GOT FIRED BECAUSE SHE WAS  
10  A PROBATIONER. SO WE FAILED IN THAT REGARD TO PROTECT HER,  
11  BECAUSE WE HELD HER EMPLOYMENT TO A DIFFERENT STANDARD THAN  
12  HIS, BECAUSE OF THE FACT SHE WAS A PROBATIONER. WHAT DOES THAT  
13  SPEAK OF, OF THE VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE? IT SPOKE VERY  
14  POORLY. SO THERE'S A LOT THAT WE NEED TO RESOLVE. AND ANY TIME  
15  WE ENTER INTO A SITUATION WHERE THERE'S A LARGE ORGANIZATION  
16  THAT HAD A LOT OF MISCARRIAGE OF JUSTICE, YOU CAN'T PAPER IT  
17  OVER, MOVE ON, AND PRETEND THAT THINGS DIDN'T GO WRONG,  
18  BECAUSE YOU'RE LIVING AMONGST THE REMNANTS OF ALL THOSE  
19  MISCARRIAGES OF JUSTICE. AND YOU CAN'T ESCAPE THE PAST BY  
20  IGNORING IT. YOU HAVE TO ADDRESS IT AND BE ABLE TO MOVE  
21  FORWARD. AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE GOING DO. AND WE'RE GOING TO DO  
22  IT IN A WAY THAT'S GOING TO BE AS TRANSPARENT AS WE CAN BE.  
23  OBVIOUSLY, THERE'S LIMITATIONS TO WHAT WE CAN PROVIDE, BUT  
24  WE'LL GIVE YOU ALL THE INFORMATION THAT YOU CAN LEGALLY HAVE.  
25  AND BY ALL MEANS, WE WANT YOU INFORMED, WANT YOU TO

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1 PARTICIPATE WHERE IT'S APPROPRIATE. AND YOU'RE GOING TO  
2 UNDERSTAND THAT WE'RE MOVING THIS PLACE IN THE DIRECTION IT  
3 NEEDS TO GO, AND I HEARD THAT LOUD AND CLEAR ON THE CAMPAIGN  
4 TRAIL. AND I'M NOT HERE TO FIND ANOTHER CONSULTANT TO BE HIRED  
5 TO RESOLVE ANOTHER ISSUE THAT SHOULD BELONG TO ME TO RESOLVE.

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS:** I THINK JUST THE LAST COMMENT IS THAT VICTIMS OF  
8 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COME FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE. AND THEIR  
9 PERPETRATORS DO, TOO, AS WAS STATED. THEY WEAR ROBES. THEY  
10 WEAR UNIFORMS. THEY HIDE BEHIND A BADGE. MY QUESTION REALLY  
11 IS, AT WHAT POINT DO WE SAY NO, REGARDLESS OF YOU'RE WEARING A  
12 BADGE OR A UNIFORM? AND THAT, TO ME, IS ONE OF THE HIGHEST  
13 STANDARDS, BECAUSE WE'RE ENTRUSTING OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT  
14 OFFICERS TO DO THEIR VERY BEST. AND THE BOTTOM LINE FOR ME IS  
15 GOING TO BE HOW THAT'S DETERMINED, AND HOW FAIRNESS HAS BEEN  
16 REACHED, IN TERMS OF REALLY MAKING SURE THAT WE'RE RIDDING OUR  
17 DEPARTMENT OF INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE TAKEN ADVANTAGE, FOR  
18 WHATEVER REASON, OF OUR PROCESSES OR POLICIES, AND THAT WE  
19 PROVIDE THE SECURITY AND SAFETY THAT OUR RESIDENTS, AS WELL AS  
20 OUR EMPLOYEES-- BECAUSE I HAVE TO GO BACK TO IT'S OUR  
21 EMPLOYEES, AS WELL. IF WE CAN'T EVEN PROTECT OUR EMPLOYEES,  
22 THAT SAYS A LOT ABOUT US, AS WELL. SO I'M HOPEFUL THAT THAT'S  
23 SOMETHING THAT YOU'LL HEAR, THAT YOU'VE HEARD TODAY. SO I LOOK  
24 FORWARD TO ALSO WORKING ALONGSIDE WITH YOUR DEPARTMENT AND  
25 SEEING WHAT REFORMS, AND ALSO WITH AN URGENCY TO HELP US

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1 BETTER UNDERSTAND THE TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION PROCESS, HOW  
2 THAT'S GOING TO BE SET UP, AND WHAT ROLE WE PLAY, IF ANY, IN  
3 HELPING TO UNDERSTAND HOW THAT IS GOING TO TAKE PLACE.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** SHERIFF, LISTENING TO ALL THIS,  
6 I'M TRYING TO FIGURE THIS OUT. SO, LET'S ASSUME A DEPUTY WAS  
7 FIRED IN 2016, AND YOU DECIDE TO BRING THAT DEPUTY BACK. HOW  
8 DO YOU RESCIND THE FIRING, AND THEN HOW DOES IT PLAY OUT, IN  
9 TERMS OF BRINGING THE INDIVIDUAL BACK? DOES A PERSON GET A  
10 SUSPENSION OR PUNISHED FOR WHATEVER THE ALLEGATION WAS?

11

12 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** IT BECOMES A REINSTATEMENT.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY. AND SO THE REINSTATEMENT, IF  
15 I WAS FIRED IN 2016, AND IN 2018 YOU REINSTATED ME, AM I  
16 ENTITLED TO BACKPAY?

17

18 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** IT DEPENDS ON THE CIRCUMSTANCES. IT  
19 DEPENDS ON WHETHER OR NOT YOU ABANDONED YOUR AVENUES OF  
20 APPEAL, FOR EXAMPLE. SOMEONE WHO ABANDONED THEIR APPEALS,  
21 WELL, THEY GIVE UP. IF THEY DIDN'T ABANDON, THEY WERE STILL  
22 ACTIVELY PURSUING IT, THEY DO HAVE A LEGAL STANDARD TO PURSUE,  
23 IF THEY WERE WRONGFULLY TERMINATED.

24

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1    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** SO IN THE CASE OF THE INCIDENT  
2    WE'RE TALKING ABOUT, WHERE YOU'RE ALLEGING IT WAS WRONGFUL  
3    TERMINATION, IS THAT INDIVIDUAL GOING TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR  
4    BACKPAY?

5

6    **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** WELL, HE HAD A LAWSUIT THAT WAS ALREADY  
7    FILED. AND HE WAS ELIGIBLE FOR THE BACKPAY, BUT UNDER  
8    CONDITION THAT HE HAD TO WITHDRAW HIS LAWSUIT.

9

10   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** SO THERE WILL BE NO BACKPAY?

11

12   **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** YES, THERE WILL BE BACKPAY IN THIS CASE.

13

14   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** HE WILL GET RETROACTIVE PAY TO  
15   2016?

16

17   **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** YES.

18

19   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** SO, TRYING TO UNDERSTAND THIS  
20   TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION. IS THAT BEING SET UP IN ORDER TO  
21   ALLOW A PROCESS TO TAKE PLACE FOR DEPUTIES THAT FEEL THAT THEY  
22   WERE WRONGLY ACCUSED OF SOMETHING, BEYOND CIVIL SERVICE?

23

24   **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** NO, THEY HAVE TO ESTABLISH-- IF THEY WERE  
25   WRONGFULLY TERMINATED, AND THE EVIDENCE IS OBVIOUS, WHAT WE'RE

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1 CUTTING OUT IS THE LEGAL COST OF GOING THROUGH THE WRIT OF  
2 MANDATE AND THE LIKELIHOOD THAT WE'RE GOING TO FAIL ON THAT.  
3 ONCE A NEUTRAL THIRD PARTY SEES IT, WE DON'T HAVE A WHOLE LOT  
4 OF ROOM TO DEFEND OURSELVES.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** SO THAT'S WHAT THIS IS GOING TO BE  
7 SET UP FOR? THIS IS GOING TO BE AN INDEPENDENT VIEW, CORRECT?  
8 I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT THE ROLE OF THIS TRUTH AND  
9 RECONCILIATION IS.

10

11 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** IT'S FOCUSING ON TWO AREAS, WHICH IS  
12 WRONGFUL CONVICTIONS, WRONGFUL TERMINATIONS.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** RIGHT.

15

16 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** PART OF THE D.A.S, THEY'VE ALREADY  
17 INITIATED THAT PROCESS, BECAUSE THEY HAVE A WRONGFUL  
18 CONVICTION UNIT UP AND RUNNING. HOWEVER, THERE'S STILL ISSUES  
19 THAT DOESN'T ARISE TO THEM THAT FALL ON OUR HANDS, AND THEY  
20 WILL REFER THEM BACK TO THE D.A.'S OFFICE. THAT'S ON THE  
21 WRONGFUL CONVICTION SIDE. BUT WE HAVE, TO ENSURE PROCEDURAL  
22 JUSTICE FOR EVERYBODY, DUE PROCESS. AND ALL WE'RE DOING IS  
23 LOOKING THROUGH THE DUE PROCESS: DID WE MEET THE STANDARD?

24



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1    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** SO, FOR LACK OF A BETTER TERM,  
2    THIS IS ANOTHER LAYER OF INSURANCE TO ENSURE THAT THEY'RE  
3    GETTING THEIR DUE PROCESS?

4

5    **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** FOR THE CASES THAT HAPPENED IN THE PAST  
6    THAT ARE EGREGIOUS, THOSE, YES. FOR THE CASES MOVING FORWARD,  
7    THE HEARING OFFICERS, THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION IS NOT  
8    GOING TO COME ACROSS CASES WHERE WE HAVEN'T MET THAT  
9    PREPONDERANCE OF EVIDENCE STANDARD. THEY'RE GOING TO BE THE  
10   CASES BLACK-AND-WHITE, AND THEY'LL BE VERY OBVIOUS.

11

12   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** SO, WHY IN THIS CASE WOULD YOU  
13   HAVE NOT WAITED FOR THE TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION GROUP TO BE  
14   FORMED, IN ORDER TO REVIEW THIS?

15

16   **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** WELL, THERE'S A HANDFUL OF CASES THAT WE  
17   WANTED TO MOVE FORWARD.

18

19   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** EXCUSE ME. NO CLAPPING. YEAH.

20

21   **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** WE WANTED TO MOVE FORWARD. THERE'S ABOUT  
22   HALF A DOZEN OF THEM. THIS IS JUST THE FIRST. THERE'S ABOUT  
23   HALF A DOZEN THAT THERE IS NO POINT, BECAUSE WHEN YOU LOOK AT  
24   THE CASES THEMSELVES-- AND YOU'LL BE PRIVY TO EACH AND EVERY  
25   ONE OF THEM-- YOU REALIZE, "YEAH, I THINK WE REALLY, REALLY

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1 SCREWED THE POOCH ON THAT ONE." AND THAT'S-- IT'S A CORRECTIVE  
2 MEASURE, AND NOTHING MORE. ONCE WE HAVE IT UP AND RUNNING,  
3 WE'LL PICK UP THE PACE, OBVIOUSLY, BUT THERE'S AN END TO THIS.  
4 THIS IS NOT AN ONGOING THING, BECAUSE WE'RE NOT GOING TO GO  
5 BACK FOREVER, ONLY GO BACK A SPECIFIC AMOUNT OF TIME WHERE WE  
6 LOST CONFIDENCE IN WHAT WAS BEING PRESENTED TO THE CIVIL  
7 SERVICE COMMISSION.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** SO THIS IS GOING TO BE FOR THOSE  
10 THAT PAST; NOT MOVING FORWARD, BUT PAST?

11

12 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** YEAH. BECAUSE NOW, MOVING FORWARD,  
13 OBVIOUSLY, NOW I HAVE TO TAKE OWNERSHIP OF THE RESULTS OF OUR  
14 INTERNAL INVESTIGATIONS.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY. SO IN THOSE SITUATIONS, ARE  
17 YOU GOING TO SET ASIDE A BUDGET, OR AN ESTIMATE, IN TERMS OF  
18 WHAT RETROACTIVE PAY WOULD BE FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS.

19

20 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** YES, WE WILL.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** AND THAT'S GOING TO BE TRANSPARENT  
23 FOR EVERYONE TO SEE?

24

25 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** YES.

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1

2 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY. BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S  
3 IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND. AGAIN, SUPERVISOR KUEHL MENTIONED IT,  
4 BUT CIVIL SERVICE HAS NOT EXACTLY BEEN KNOWN FOR SIDING WITH  
5 THE PUNISHMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN IN NOT JUST THE SHERIFF'S  
6 DEPARTMENT, BUT ACROSS THE BOARD, AND SO FOR THEM TO UPHOLD 5-  
7 0 CAUSED ME PAUSE, BECAUSE THAT IS VERY UNUSUAL, ESPECIALLY  
8 WHEN IT COMES TO A FIRING. USUALLY, WITH A FIRING, THEY TEND  
9 TO LOOK AT SAYING, "THAT'S TOO HARSH," AND MOVE IT TO A 30-DAY  
10 SUSPENSION OR 15-DAY SUSPENSION.

11

12 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** IN THIS CASE, IT NEVER WAS SUPPOSED TO BE  
13 A DISCHARGE CASE.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** AND I LOOK FORWARD TO READING  
16 THAT. IN THE END, WHAT WAS THE PUNISHMENT THAT WAS PROVIDED IN  
17 THIS CASE?

18

19 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** THAT, WE CAN'T DISCUSS PUBLICLY.

20

21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** SORRY ABOUT THAT. BEFORE YOU GO, I  
22 JUST WANT TO ASK IF WE CAN AMEND THE MOTION, HEARING WHAT  
23 WE'VE HEARD TODAY, TO INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL TO REACH OUT TO  
24 THE DEPUTY TO SIGN THE APPROPRIATE WAIVER AND PRODUCE THE  
25 PERSONNEL FILE. SO I'D LIKE TO AMEND THE MOTION TO ALSO

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1 INCLUDE THAT, BECAUSE I DO FEEL IT'S IMPORTANT. AND ALSO TO  
2 NOTIFY THE VICTIM AND MAKE SURE THAT WE REDACT AND/OR ALLOW  
3 THE VICTIM THE OPPORTUNITY TO OPT OUT AT ALL COSTS, BECAUSE I  
4 DON'T WANT THIS TO BE ABOUT THAT INDIVIDUAL, AS WELL. SO WITH  
5 THAT, SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

6

7 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** YOU USED THE TERM "VICTIM." THAT'S A LEGAL  
8 TERM.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY. THE DEPUTY THAT IS NO LONGER  
11 WITH YOU, THAT TOOK OVER A YEAR TO REPORT, THAT WE'RE CALLING  
12 INTO QUESTION HIS CREDIBILITY.

13

14 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** WE WOULD SAFELY CALL HER A COMPLAINANT IN  
15 THIS CASE, THIS PARTICULAR CASE.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL:** I JUST WANTED TO ASK WHETHER THE TRUTH AND  
20 RECONCILIATION COMMISSION IS AN INTERNAL GROUP INSIDE THE  
21 DEPARTMENT.

22

23 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** YES, IT IS INTERNAL.

24

25 **SUP. KUEHL:** AND HAVE YOU CHOSEN A PERSON TO HEAD IT UP?

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1

2 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** WE HAVE ONE, YES.

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** HAVE YOU MADE IT PUBLIC YET?

5

6 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** NOT YET.

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. SOLIS:** MADAM CHAIR?

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** YES?

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS:** I WANTED TO ASK OUR C.E.O. REGARDING THE ISSUE YOU  
15 RAISED ABOUT THE BACKPAY-- BUDGET, IN TERMS OF THE BUDGET.

16

17 **C.E.O. HAMAI:** IN TERMS OF THE BUDGET, I WOULD ASSUME, BECAUSE  
18 IT'S RELATED TO SALARY, IT WOULD HAVE TO FALL WITHIN HIS  
19 SALARY AND EMPLOYEE BENEFIT LINE ITEM. SO HE HAS A CERTAIN  
20 AMOUNT THAT'S BUDGETED FOR HIS EMPLOYEES. SO IT WOULD HAVE TO  
21 FALL WITHIN THAT AREA.

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS:** OKAY.

24

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1    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** ALL RIGHT. WITH THAT, ANY OTHER  
2    COMMENTS FROM ANY OF YOU ALL? NO? GOOD. ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE  
3    SOME PUBLIC THAT HAS SIGNED UP. WE HAVE 13 MEMBERS OF THE  
4    PUBLIC. THEREFORE, I'M GOING TO LIMIT IT TO 1-1/2 MINUTES FOR  
5    EACH TESTIMONY, AND I'M GOING TO BE VERY STRICT ON THAT,  
6    PLEASE. SO WITH THAT, MADAM EXECUTIVE, WILL YOU PLEASE CALL?

7

8    **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE  
9    COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU:  
10   ADITI FRUITWALA, CYNTHIA ANDERSON BARKER, DANIEL CHAVEZ,  
11   DANIEL YBARRA, ERIC PREVEN, HERMAN HERMAN, KIM MCGILL, MELANIE  
12   OCHOA, RED CHIEF HUNT, REVEREND DR. MELLO DESIRE, ROBERT EBE,  
13   TOM YU, VICTOR TRUJILLO. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL  
14   ASSIST YOU.

15

16   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY. MR. PREVEN?

17

18   **ERIC PREVEN:** SO, IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT, AND  
19   I'D LIKE TO SAY THANKS TO THE SHERIFF FOR COMING DOWN. AND,  
20   YOU KNOW, I THINK EVERYBODY IN THIS ROOM IS OPPOSED TO  
21   DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. IT'S A HORRIBLE THING. AND I UNDERSTAND  
22   THAT THERE'S SOME COMPLEXITY HERE. I JUST WANT TO RAISE THE  
23   SPECTER OF HORRIBLE HYPOCRISY AND POINT OUT THAT ON MARCH 3RD,  
24   2015, THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, INCLUDING SHEILA KUEHL, MARK  
25   RIDLEY-THOMAS, AND HILDA SOLIS, VOTED TO DOUBLE DOWN ON A CASE

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1 CALLED HERBERTO RODRIGUEZ VERSUS THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES,  
2 THAT WAS AN APPALLING DEMONSTRATION OF HIDEOUS EXTREME  
3 TASERING FACTS IN THE JAILS. AND THE CURRENT SHERIFF RAN FOR  
4 OFFICE BECAUSE OF THAT KIND OF BEHAVIOR, AND YET YOU EMPOWERED  
5 HAFETZ AND ALL THESE ATTORNEYS, INCLUDING NICOLE TINKHAM, WHO  
6 WAS ON A RELATED CASE, TO FIGHT FOR THAT. AND I JUST HAVE TO  
7 SAY, I LOOK FORWARD TO SOME TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION. I DO NOT  
8 SUPPORT ANY KIND OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU, MR. PREVEN. NEXT  
11 SPEAKER?

12

13 **CYNTHIA ANDERSON BARKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS CYNTHIA  
14 ANDERSON BARKER. I'M AN ATTORNEY WITH THE NATIONAL LAWYERS  
15 GUILD. WE'D LIKE TO GO ON RECORD SUPPORTING SUPERVISOR KUEHL  
16 AND BARGER'S MOTION. FIRST OF ALL, ALONG WITH THE A.C.L.U.,  
17 WE'RE EXTREMELY CONCERNED THAT THE SHERIFF HAS ELIMINATED THE  
18 CONSTITUTIONAL POLICING ADVISORS, AND DISPENSING WITH THEIR  
19 ROLE IN OVERSIGHT OVER DISCIPLINE. WE'RE ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT,  
20 WHO IS THIS RECONCILIATION COMMISSION? THE SHERIFF STATES THAT  
21 IT'S AN INTERNAL GROUP. WELL, WHAT ARE THEIR DUE-PROCESS  
22 REQUIREMENTS? HOW ARE THEY SEEN BY THE PUBLIC? WHY ISN'T THE  
23 PUBLIC INVOLVED IN THE FORMATION OF THIS COMMISSION? AND  
24 FINALLY, LET ME SAY THE UNION WAS A KEY BACKER OF SHERIFF  
25 VILLANUEVA'S CAMPAIGN, SPENDING \$1.3 MILLION TO GET HIM



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1 ELECTED. AND OBVIOUSLY, THE UNION HAS A BIG INTEREST IN  
2 ROLLING BACK SOME OF THESE DISCIPLINARY MEASURES AND PENALTIES  
3 ON ROGUE DEPUTIES. WE DO NOT NEED THIS TRUTH AND  
4 RECONCILIATION COMMISSION. WE NEED TO SUPPORT THE CURRENT  
5 PROCESS. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

8

9 **HERMAN HERMAN:** SO, MR. ALEX VILLANUEVA, ARE YOU NOT DETACHED?  
10 THIS IS NOT INTERVENTION. THIS IS NOT AN INFLUENCE BY PERSONAL  
11 FEELING AND/OR OPINION. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IS A THREAT. RATHER  
12 THAN BELIEVE BASED ON OMISSION OR NOT OF THOSE WHO ADMIT IT BY  
13 LAW ENFORCEMENT AND AGENCIES FOLLOWED BY OFFICERS, SUCH  
14 BEHAVIOR, WHETHER INSIDE OR OUTSIDE, IN A PROFESSIONAL WORLD  
15 SHALL NOT BE PERSONALLY FORGIVEN. AND THAT'S BECAUSE, ONE, THE  
16 FORCE USED IS NOT AND DOES NOT MEET THE DEFINITION OF A DIRECT  
17 THREAT. YOU'RE GOING OUTSIDE THE SPECTRUM, BRO. PRESUMPTION,  
18 OBJECTION, OVERRULE PER CURIUM. I AND THE PUBLIC UNANIMOUSLY  
19 DISAGREE IN YOUR AGREEMENT, AND WE HOPE THAT THIS BOARD  
20 FOLLOWS THROUGH WITH MORE OVERSIGHT ON THE ISSUE. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU, HERMAN HERMAN. NEXT  
23 SPEAKER?

24

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1   **MELANIE OCHOA:** MELANIE OCHOA, A.C.L.U. IT IS A TRAVESTY THAT  
2   WE ARE EVEN HERE TODAY DISCUSSING THIS, BUT I APPLAUD THE  
3   BOARD'S EFFORTS TO ADDRESS THE OUTRAGEOUS ACTION TAKEN BY  
4   SHERIFF VILLANUEVA. DEPUTIES WHO COMMIT SERIOUS MISCONDUCT  
5   SHOULD NOT BE PEACE OFFICERS, FULL STOP. SEXUAL ASSAULT AND  
6   STALKING MUST UNQUESTIONABLY RENDER SOMEONE UNFIT TO SERVE IN  
7   LAW ENFORCE IN LOS ANGELES. IN 2017, THE BOARD CONSIDERED A  
8   MOTION REGARDING OFFICERS ADMINISTRATIVELY FOUND GUILTY OF  
9   LYING, AND RECOGNIZED THAT PEACE OFFICERS, QUOTE, "MUST BE  
10   HELD TO THE HIGHEST STANDARDS OF THE LAW, AND REQUIRE ABSOLUTE  
11   TRUSTWORTHINESS." YOU RECOGNIZE THAT WHEN OFFICERS WHO HAVE  
12   BEEN ENTRUSTED TO PROTECT LIE, THEY ARE NO LONGER QUALIFIED TO  
13   SERVE. THIS APPLIES WITH EVEN GREATER FORCE FOR OFFICERS WHO  
14   HAVE COMMITTED CONDUCT LIKE SEXUAL ASSAULT, STALKING, OR  
15   HARASSING. MANDOYAN'S VICTIM WAS A FELLOW DEPUTY, AND HE DID  
16   NOT HESITATE TO ASSAULT AND HARASS HER. IMAGINE THE IMPUNITY  
17   THAT HE MUST HAVE WHEN DEALING WITH THE SOUTH L.A. RESIDENTS  
18   WHERE HE CURRENTLY SERVES. INDIVIDUALS' COMPLAINTS ARE EVEN  
19   LESS LIKELY TO BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY UNDER THIS ADMINISTRATION.  
20   AND THINK HOW THEY MUST FEEL, KNOWING THAT OFFICERS THEY  
21   ENCOUNTER MAY BE SEXUAL PREDATORS ENDORSED BY THE DEPARTMENT'S  
22   LEADERSHIP. IF THE SHERIFF IS SO INTERESTED IN ENSURING TRUST  
23   AND FAIRNESS, GIVEN L.A.S.D.'S EXTENSIVE TRACK RECORD OF  
24   MISCONDUCT TOWARDS THOSE IN ITS CUSTODY, THEN PERHAPS HE  
25   SHOULD START THERE, AND ENSURE THAT INDIVIDUALS WHO RECEIVED

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1 MUCH MORE SIGNIFICANT CONSEQUENCES, LIKE EXTENDED SENTENCES OF  
2 INCARCERATION, WERE TREATED FAIRLY IN THAT PROCESS. AND I JUST  
3 WANTED TO FLAG THAT IT DOES NOT APPEAR THAT THIS CASE WENT  
4 THROUGH THE JUSTICE SYSTEM INTEGRITY DIVISION, AND I WONDER  
5 WHY THAT DID NOT HAPPEN, AND IF THERE ARE OTHER CASES  
6 INVOLVING SHERIFF DEPUTIES THAT DID NOT GO THROUGH THAT  
7 PROCESS SET BY THE D.A.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

10

11 **ADITI FRUITWALA:** ADITI FRUITWALA, A.C.L.U. OF SOUTHERN  
12 CALIFORNIA. I WANT TO THANK YOU TODAY FOR EVERYTHING THAT  
13 YOU'VE SAID. I SPEAK IN DEEP SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION. TODAY THE  
14 SHERIFF HID BEHIND A VEIL OF SECRECY, SAYING THAT THERE ARE  
15 THINGS THAT HE KNOWS THAT WE DON'T UNDERSTAND YET. SO I'M  
16 GOING TO STICK TO WHAT WE ABSOLUTELY KNOW FOR SURE. WE KNOW  
17 THAT THE COUNTY COUNSEL ADVISED THE SHERIFF TO NOT GO FORWARD.  
18 WE KNOW THAT THE SHERIFF WENT FORWARD ANYWAY, AND REHIRED THIS  
19 PERSON WITHOUT WAITING FOR A TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION  
20 COMMISSION. WE KNOW THAT WHEN QUESTIONED ABOUT IT, HE  
21 QUESTIONED THE SURVIVOR'S CREDIBILITY, AND THE FACT THAT SHE  
22 DELAYED COMING FORWARD. VILLANUEVA'S RESPONSE BETRAYS THAT HE  
23 DOES NOT UNDERSTAND SEXUAL ASSAULT AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. HE  
24 DOESN'T UNDERSTAND THAT SURVIVORS OFTEN TAKE MONTHS BEFORE  
25 THEY REPORT AN INCIDENT, AND THIS IS A PROBLEM BECAUSE HE IS

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1 OVERSEEING A DEPARTMENT THAT REGULARLY RESPONDS TO GENDER-  
2 BASED VIOLENCE, AND A MISTREATMENT OF THIS ISSUE IS COMPLETELY  
3 UNACCEPTABLE. HE DOES NOT UNDERSTAND THAT OFFICERS WHO ASSAULT  
4 PEOPLE SHOULD NOT BE ON THE FORCE. THESE PEOPLE ARE TASKED  
5 WITH RESPONDING TO GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE AND PROTECTING  
6 SURVIVORS. VILLANUEVA'S COMMENTS THAT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IS NOT  
7 RELATED TO MANDOYAN'S EMPLOYMENT IS CONFUSED AND MISGUIDED.  
8 THIS IS THE JOB. PROTECTING PEOPLE IS HIS JOB, AND HE'S  
9 ALREADY SHOWN THAT HE IS UNABLE TO DO IT. IT'S DEEPLY  
10 TROUBLING THAT ONE OF THE FIRST MOVES THIS NEW SHERIFF MAKES  
11 IS TO REINSTATE A DEPUTY ACCUSED OF SUCH BRUTAL BEHAVIOR, AND  
12 THEN JUSTIFY IT TODAY WITH A CONCERN ABOUT RECRUITMENT OF HIS  
13 GUYS, AND A LACK OF CONCERN ABOUT THE IMPACT ON THE WOMEN IN  
14 THE DEPARTMENT. IF HE CAN'T EVEN EXPEL PERPETRATORS OF GENDER-  
15 BASED VIOLENCE FROM HIS OWN DEPARTMENT, WE KNOW HE WON'T  
16 PROPERLY HANDLE REPORTS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT FROM THE PUBLIC OR  
17 IN THE JAILS. HIS DISMISSIVE COMMENTS DEMONSTRATE THAT HE  
18 DOESN'T UNDERSTAND GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE, OR WORSE, THAT HE  
19 DOESN'T CARE. THIS REINSTATEMENT MUST BE RECTIFIED  
20 IMMEDIATELY. THANK YOU.

21  
22 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU.

23  
24 **VICTOR TRUJILLO:** HI. MY NAME IS VICTOR TRUJILLO. THIS IS A  
25 GOOD CASE. I THINK IT'S GOOD TO LOOK AT. I WAS ARRESTED FOR

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1 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. AND MY WIFE SAID SHE NEVER REALLY GOT HIT  
2 AT ALL. IT WAS ALL INVENTED BY A COP. I GOT THE  
3 DOCUMENTATIONS. I FILED, BASICALLY, ANOTHER LAWSUIT, BECAUSE  
4 MY PROPERTY WAS STOLEN. BARGER'S OFFICE KNEW ABOUT IT. AND I  
5 HAVE A DOCUMENT THAT GOES ABOUT 30 YEARS BACK, AND IT'S  
6 CONNECTED TO FIVE OFFICER IDENTICAL, IDENTIFYING OFFICERS THAT  
7 WERE MURDERED. AND I FOUND THE DOCUMENTATION. I WENT TO THE  
8 ARCHIVES, AND I STUDIED ALL THE GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES THAT WERE  
9 TOUCHING AND TAINTING MY DOCUMENTS, BECAUSE I WAS ARRESTED  
10 MASSIVE TIMES. I WAS ARRESTED IN 2002 FOR THE BIGGEST DRUG  
11 BUST IN AMERICAN HISTORY, AND IT WAS ALL FALSIFIED BY THE  
12 SHERIFFS, BUT THE SHERIFFS DIDN'T KNOW WHO IT WAS. I FOUND THE  
13 SHERIFF WHO DID IT. I FOUND L.A.P.D. OFFICERS THAT  
14 COLLABORATED WITH THIS. I FOUND IT THROUGH GLENDALE. AND I  
15 WENT. THEY SAID, "ALL THOSE DOCUMENTS ARE SHREDDED." WELL,  
16 THAT'S NICE. THERE'S FINGERPRINTS IN WASHINGTON WITH MY HANDS  
17 ON IT. I WAS BLEEDING TO DEATH. I WAS BEATEN IN THE CELL SO  
18 MANY TIMES, AND THE FINGERPRINTS ARE SITTING IN WASHINGTON.  
19 I'M GOING TO MAKE SURE ALL THESE COPS ARE CONNECTED TO MY-- AT  
20 MY PROPERTIES. I HAVE THREE PROPERTIES WERE STOLEN THROUGH THE  
21 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SO I DO HAVE THE DOCUMENTS. AND THE  
22 DOCUMENTS WERE NEVER PUT IN THE DOCUMENTS FOR THE SHERIFF'S  
23 DEPARTMENT. THEY WERE SECRETLY PASSED THROUGH JUDGES. SO I  
24 FOUND THE DOCUMENTS. HE SAYS YOU CAN'T FIND IT. I FOUND IT.

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1    THANK YOU. HAVE A GOOD DAY. HERE ARE THE DOCUMENTS FOR YOUR  
2    LAWSUIT.

3

4    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** NEXT, PLEASE. HI.

5

6    **RED CHIEF HUNT:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THE RED CHIEF HUNT.  
7    HERE'S WHAT I REALLY HAVE TO SAY. YOU GUYS REALLY BE CAREFUL,  
8    BECAUSE I'M HEARING TWO DIFFERENT STORIES. BUT I THINK THAT  
9    YOU GUYS SHOULD VOTE ON AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION BY AN  
10   OUTSIDE FIRM, NOT LET THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATE HIS  
11   SELF AND THINGS LIKE THAT, BECAUSE IF YOU'RE MOVING  
12   GUIDELINES, THEN IT'S UNCONSTITUTIONAL, AND YOU LOSE THE RIGHT  
13   TO DUE PROCESS. AND IF YOU LOSE THE RIGHT TO DUE PROCESS, YOU  
14   GUYS COULD HAVE A BIG FEDERAL LAWSUIT ON YOUR HAND, AT ANY  
15   GIVEN TIME. SO YOU GUYS BE CAREFUL, THAT IF I WERE YOU GUYS,  
16   I'D CALL FOR AN INDEPENDENT OUTSIDE COMMISSION TO COME IN AND  
17   INVESTIGATE, AND THINGS LIKE THAT, AND TAKE THAT OPINION,  
18   BECAUSE IF YOU GUYS LET HIM COME BACK TO WORK AND HE LOSES HIS  
19   PENSION, OR HE GETS REINSTATED AND HE GETS HIS REINSTATEMENT  
20   CHECK, HE CAN ASK FOR THREE OR FOUR TIMES THE AMOUNT. AND ON  
21   THE FLIPSIDE, IF HE GOES TO COURT AND IF HE TAKES IT TO  
22   FEDERAL COURT, AND THE GUIDELINES ARE UNCONSTITUTIONAL, YOU  
23   GUYS COULD END UP PAYING PROBABLY \$25 MILLION. SO BE CAREFUL.  
24   CALL FOR AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION. THANK YOU. THE RED  
25   CHIEF HUNT.

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1

2 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

3

4 **REV. DR. MELLO DESIRE:** HI. MY NAME IS REVEREND DR. MELLO  
5 DESIRE, FROM THE KINGDOM WARRIORS FOUNDATION, AND WE'RE BASED  
6 OUT OF WEST ATHENS, PARTICULARLY WHERE ANTHONY WEBER WAS SHOT  
7 13 TIMES BY SHERIFFS, THREE OF THEM WHO WE HAD TO FIGHT TOOTH  
8 AND NAIL TO GET THEIR NAMES. AND FEBRUARY SECOND, THIS  
9 SATURDAY, WE HAVE A MEMORIAL FOR A.J. WEBER, WHO STILL DOES  
10 NOT HAVE JUSTICE TO THIS DAY. SO THIS REINSTATEMENT OF THIS  
11 OFFICER COMMITTED DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IS NOTHING NEW. WE  
12 ACTUALLY SUPPORTED YOU, VILLANUEVA, BEFORE YOU CAME IN, IN  
13 YOUR OFFICE. WE SUPPORTED YOU BIG-TIME, BECAUSE WE WANTED  
14 SOMETHING DIFFERENT THAN THE GARBAGE THAT IS GIVEN TO US IN  
15 SOUTH L.A. AND IN EAST L.A., RESPECTIVELY. ALONG WITH ANTHONY  
16 WEBER, WE HAVE ANTHONY DANIEL VARGAS, 21 YEARS OLD, WHO WAS  
17 KILLED BY EAST L.A. SHERIFFS. TO THIS DAY, STILL, THESE  
18 OFFICERS ARE RELOCATED, PROTECTED, AND THEIR PAYCHECKS ARE  
19 STILL SITTING THERE, WHILE THE FAMILIES THIS YEAR AND LAST  
20 YEAR ARE GOING TO GO THROUGH HOLIDAYS WITHOUT ANTHONY J.  
21 WEBER, 16 YEARS OLD, WHO WAS SHOT 13 TIMES, NINE BULLETS IN  
22 THE BACK, AND ANTHONY DANIEL VARGAS, WHO WAS KILLED 14 TIMES.  
23 SO THIS PATTERN OF PROTECTING THESE SHERIFFS WHO CAN'T EVEN  
24 RESPECT SOUTH L.A. AND EAST L.A., RESPECTIVELY, NEEDS TO BE  
25 CHANGED. I'M VERY DISAPPOINTED BY THIS, BECAUSE IF YOU CAN



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1 PROTECT THESE OFFICERS FOR WHATEVER THE CASE IS, AND THESE  
2 CONSTITUENTS ARE STILL CRYING, AND THESE MEMBERS AND THESE  
3 CHILDREN ARE STILL DYING, AND THE FINANCES ARE STILL GOING TO  
4 THESE PEOPLE, I'M DISGUSTED. BUT I KNOW NOTHING IS GOING TO  
5 CHANGE UNTIL WE THE PEOPLE MAKE THE CHANGE, NOT YOU.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. WE'VE GOT ONE MORE.  
8 HOLD ON ONE SECOND WHILE SHE CALLS UP ONE MORE SPEAKER,  
9 PLEASE.

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WOULD DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL PLEASE COME  
12 FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU?

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

15

16 **KIM MCGILL:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. KIM MCGILL, FROM THE  
17 YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION  
18 AND FOR THE HISTORIC EFFORT TO CHALLENGE LAW ENFORCEMENT WHEN  
19 THEY REINSTATE A DEPUTY WHO HAS ALREADY GONE THROUGH A VERY  
20 BURDENSOME PROCESS RARELY USED TO HOLD LAW ENFORCEMENT  
21 ACCOUNTABLE. WE'RE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED THAT TRUTH AND  
22 RECONCILIATION COMMISSION IS BEING CREATED BY THE SHERIFF'S  
23 DEPARTMENT IN A PROCESS THAT IS INTERNAL AND SECRET. THAT IS  
24 NOT WHAT A TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION COMMISSION IS, AS WAS  
25 ORIGINALLY CREATED BY SOUTH AFRICANS AFTER APARTHEID-- A VERY

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1 PUBLIC PROCESS WHERE PEOPLE THAT WERE IMPACTED BY POLICE  
2 VIOLENCE AND STATE VIOLENCE COULD BRING THEIR CONCERNS, AND A  
3 PROCESS THAT'S BEEN USED THROUGHOUT THE AFRICAN CONTINENT AND  
4 THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. THIS IS THE OPPOSITE OF A TRUTH AND  
5 RECONCILIATION COMMISSION. IT'S PARTICULARLY CONCERNING TO US  
6 THAT THIS IS BEING ESTABLISHED WHILE DISBANDING THE UNIT  
7 TASKED WITH MONITORING THE DEPARTMENT'S COMMITMENT TO UPHOLD  
8 STANDARDS OF CONSTITUTIONAL POLICING, THAT IT'S BEING CREATED  
9 WHILE THERE'S A POSSIBLE INCREASE IN DEATHS IN THE JAIL. AND  
10 WE OURSELVES BROUGHT THE CASE OF A YOUNG MAN TO ALL OF YOU,  
11 AND ALSO TO THE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION, WHO WAS KILLED WITH VERY  
12 QUESTIONABLE CIRCUMSTANCES, AND WHERE IT SEEMS LIKE THERE MAY  
13 HAVE BEEN AT LEAST NEGLIGENCE AND POSSIBLE COMPLICITY WITH  
14 DEPUTIES. WE'VE HEARD ALSO FROM THE O.G.'S OFFICE THAT THERE'S  
15 AN INCREASE IN DEATHS, OR THE FACT THAT SHERIFF VILLANUEVA WAS  
16 ELECTED LARGELY WITH SUPPORT FROM A.L.A.D.S. AND DEPUTIES WHO  
17 DISAGREED WITH SHERIFF MCDONNELL'S ATTEMPT TO SHARE THE NAMES  
18 OF APPROXIMATELY 300 DEPUTIES WHO HAD SUSTAINED ALLEGATIONS OF  
19 DISHONESTY ON THE JOB, WITH DISTRICT ATTORNEY JACKIE LACEY, IN  
20 THE HOPES THAT SHE WOULD NOT USE THEM IN CASES. THE YOUTH  
21 JUSTICE COALITION IS HONORED TO BE A COSPONSOR OF SENATE BILL  
22 1421, ALONG WITH MANY GROUPS HERE, ENABLING THE PUBLIC-- I'LL  
23 WRAP IT UP. I'M SORRY. ENABLING THE PUBLIC TO ACCESS LAW  
24 ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' RECORDS OF USE OF FORCE, OR IN CASES  
25 WHERE THERE'S SUSTAINED ALLEGATIONS OF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT OR

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1 DISHONESTY ON THE JOB. PLEASE MONITOR THE COMMUNITY'S  
2 SUBMISSIONS OF THESE P.R.A.S UNDER THE NEW LAW, AND SERVE AS A  
3 PUBLIC HEARING SPACE TO REVIEW THE RESULTS OF THOSE P.R.A.S.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. DR. CLAVREUL?

6

7 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES. GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF  
8 SUPERVISORS. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. THIS IS A VERY COMPLEX  
9 ISSUE AND A VERY CONCERNING ISSUE, AND I DON'T THINK YOU CAN  
10 DO IT WELL IN A MINUTE AND A HALF. BUT DEFINITELY, I THINK  
11 IT SHOULD BE AN OUTSIDE COMMISSION LOOKING AT WHAT'S GOING ON  
12 NOW. TO HAVE AN INSIDE RECONCILIATION COMMISSION DOESN'T MAKE  
13 ANY SENSE AT ALL, AND SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED. I WAS VERY  
14 CONCERNED OF THE WAY THAT ELECTION WAS RUN, AND WE HAVE  
15 ALREADY SHOWN THAT THINGS ARE NOT GOING TO BE SO WELL. THE  
16 THING I HAVE THE MOST CONCERN ABOUT IS ON ITEM 38-A. YOU ASK  
17 HOW, GOING FORWARD, THE BOARD CAN INTERACT WITH THE SHERIFF. I  
18 THINK THAT SHOULD BE REALLY WELL OUTLINED. YOU KNOW, FROM THE  
19 BEGINNING, I HAVE ALWAYS COMPLAINED THAT IT WAS AN UNUSUAL  
20 POSITION: THE SHERIFF WAS ELECTED, BUT HIS BUDGET DEPENDED ON  
21 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WHICH DOES NOT MAKE A CLEAR LINE OF  
22 ANSWER TO EACH OTHER. I DON'T LIKE WHAT'S GOING ON RIGHT NOW,  
23 SO I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE AN OUTSIDE GROUP LOOK AT WHAT'S GOING  
24 ON. THANK YOU.

25

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1    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU, DR. CLAVREUL. NEXT  
2    SPEAKER, PLEASE?

3

4    **DANIEL YBARRA:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DANIEL YBARRA. JUST TO  
5    COMMENT, THE MORAL OF ONE'S CHARACTER IS MEASURED BY HOW ONE  
6    LIVES THEIR LIFE DAY TO DAY. I CAN SPEAK TO HOW CARL MANDOYAN  
7    HAS MAINTAINED INTEGRITY AND HONOR SINCE BEING DISCHARGED FROM  
8    THE DEPARTMENT-- UNFAIRLY, I MIGHT ADD-- UNDER THE PREVIOUS  
9    SHERIFF MCDONNELL. I'M NOT AWARE OF ANY EVIDENCE THAT EXISTS  
10   TO CHALLENGE THE REINSTATEMENT OF CARL. I AM AWARE HOW MR.  
11   MANDOYAN HAS MAINTAINED ALL TRADITIONS CONSISTENT WITH THE  
12   BEST LAW ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
13   SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.

14

15   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

16

17   **DANIEL CHAVEZ:** DANIEL CHAVEZ. UNDER MR. MCDONNELL, MOST, IF  
18   NOT ALL, THE INVESTIGATIONS THAT WERE CONDUCTED WERE EITHER  
19   MANIPULATED OR FALSIFIED TO SUIT THE NEEDS OF THE MANAGERS OF  
20   THE DEPARTMENT. IN CARL'S PARTICULAR CASE, HE'S ALREADY BEEN  
21   CONVICTED OF ALLEGATIONS NOT YET PROVEN. TO KEEP HIM FROM  
22   BEING REINSTATED AND GIVEN A FAIR CHANCE TO HAVE A FAIR  
23   INVESTIGATION IS A VIOLATION OF HIS RIGHTS. EVERYBODY,  
24   REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT THEY'RE IN LAW ENFORCEMENT OR  
25   NOT, HAS THE RIGHT TO DUE PROCESS. AND IN THIS PARTICULAR

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1 CASE, AS IN MANY THAT HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE SHERIFF'S  
2 DEPARTMENT UNDER MCDONNELL, WERE NOT FAIR. THEY WERE  
3 FABRICATED AND ILLEGAL. CARL DESERVES A FAIR, EQUAL TREATMENT,  
4 LIKE ANYBODY ELSE. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE ONE MORE. CAN  
7 YOU PLEASE CALL THE LAST SPEAKER?

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WOULD LUPITA CARBALLO PLEASE COME FORWARD,  
10 AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU?

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY. YOU CAN GO AHEAD NOW.

13

14 **ROBERT EBE:** MY NAME IS ROBERT EBE, AND FOLLOWING THIS CASE FOR  
15 CARL MANDOYAN, I UNDERSTAND THAT HE WENT THROUGH THE SYSTEM.  
16 HE WAS NOT ARRESTED. HE WAS NOT PERSECUTED. AS A MATTER OF  
17 FACT, THE D.A. REJECTED THE CASE. WHAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND IS  
18 WHY PEOPLE THAT SUPPORTED THE PREVIOUS SHERIFF IS NOW MAKING A  
19 BIG DEAL ABOUT THIS CASE, BECAUSE THE PREVIOUS SHERIFF LOST  
20 THE ELECTION. THEY SHOULD LET THE NEW SHERIFF DO HIS JOB.  
21 SOMEONE HAS THE RIGHT, AS FAR AS THE LAW IS CONCERNED, SOMEONE  
22 HAS THE RIGHT TO STATE THEIR CASE INSTEAD OF LISTENING TO A  
23 THIRD PARTY. I THINK EVERYONE NEEDS TO SIT DOWN, LOOK AT THE  
24 CASE FOR THEMSELVES, BEFORE JUMPING INTO CONCLUSIONS. BECAUSE

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1 THIS IS A HUMAN BEING, AND IT'S NOT RIGHT THAT HE'S BEEN  
2 PROSECUTED, WHEN THE LAW SAYS THERE'S NO ACTION.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **ROBERT EBE:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. LAST SPEAKER?

9

10 **LUPITA CARBALLO:** HELLO. MY NAME IS LUPITA, WITH THE YOUTH  
11 JUSTICE COALITION. OFFICERS AND DEPUTIES THAT ASSAULT PEOPLE  
12 SHOULDN'T BE AT THE FORCE. WHY IS IT THAT OFFICERS, MOST OF  
13 THE TIME, THEY ARE NOT HELD RESPONSIBLE? THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO  
14 SERVE AND PROTECT THE PEOPLE SINCE THE L.A.'S BUDGET ALWAYS  
15 SEEMS TO GO UP. THEY SHOULD HAVE MORE TRAINING ON EMOTIONS,  
16 SELF-CARE, AND PREVENTION OF USE OF FORCE. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY MORE  
19 SPEAKERS? OKAY. YOU KNOW, IN CLOSING, WE'VE HEARD A LOT OF  
20 TESTIMONY TODAY. ISSUES OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ARE NOT ONES THAT  
21 SHOULD BE TAKEN LIGHTLY, AND WE MUST DO EVERYTHING, AS A  
22 BOARD, WE CAN TO OFFER THE VICTIMS A SAFE SPACE TO BE HEARD,  
23 IF AND WHEN THEY EXPERIENCE THESE TRAUMAS. IT'S IMPORTANT THAT  
24 WE LET FULL AND ACCURATE FACTS BE THE DRIVING FORCE IN THIS,  
25 WITH ALL PERSONNEL CASES. AND THAT'S WHY I THINK AMENDING OUR

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1 MOTION TODAY IS IMPORTANT, TO GET ALL THE FACTS. THIS IS GOING  
2 TO BE ONE OF, I THINK, MANY DISCUSSIONS WE'RE GOING TO HAVE,  
3 AS IT RELATES TO THE FACT THAT SHERIFF VILLANUEVA SAID TODAY  
4 THAT HE'S GOING TO BE LOOKING AT OTHER CASES WHERE THERE'S  
5 BEEN TERMINATION, AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO GET  
6 COUNTY COUNSEL TO GIVE US SOLID ADVICE AS WE MOVE FORWARD,  
7 ESPECIALLY TO YOUR POINT, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, THE CONTRACT  
8 CITIES. BECAUSE I DO KNOW THAT THE LIABILITY FUND HAS BEEN A  
9 LARGE CONCERN AND ISSUE TO OUR CONTRACT CITIES, AND THAT  
10 CONTINUES TO GO UP. AND THE QUESTION OF BRINGING BACK  
11 INDIVIDUALS THAT MAY OR MAY NOT BE ASSIGNED TO CITIES THAT ARE  
12 CONTRACTED WITH US, THEY'RE GOING TO WANT TO KNOW WHAT THE  
13 ISSUES ARE, AS IT RELATES TO THAT DEPUTY. AND SO I THINK THAT  
14 WE NEED TO REALLY DISCUSS THIS AND WORK IN CONCERT WITH  
15 SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, NOT US AGAINST HIM; WORK TOGETHER.  
16 BECAUSE, ULTIMATELY, IT COMES OUT OF THE GENERAL FUND, AS IT  
17 RELATES TO LAWSUITS THAT WE SETTLE AND THE COSTS ASSOCIATED  
18 WITH ANY DECISIONS THAT ARE MADE. SO WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR  
19 KUEHL?

20  
21 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I THINK THERE'S ALSO THE  
22 QUESTION OF-- THAT WE FACED OVER THE PAST 25 YEARS IN DEALING  
23 NOT JUST WITH DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, BUT WITH THE WHOLE ISSUE OF  
24 VIOLENCE ITSELF. WHEN WE LOOK AT THE BEHAVIOR OF DEPUTIES AND  
25 CALL IT "EXCESSIVE FORCE," AND HAVE HEARINGS ABOUT WHETHER



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1 "EXCESSIVE FORCE" WAS USED, IT'S A QUESTION ABOUT WHAT PEOPLE  
2 BELIEVE IS NECESSARY, IN TERMS OF VIOLENCE. IN THE OLD DAYS,  
3 BEFORE WE HAD ANY KIND OF LAW ABOUT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, THOSE  
4 WHO COMMITTED DOMESTIC VIOLENCE THOUGHT IT WAS NECESSARY. IT  
5 WAS NECESSARY TO CONTROL SOMEONE. PEOPLE WHO BEAT UP THEIR  
6 KIDS ALWAYS SAY "IT WAS NECESSARY TO CONTROL THEM." DEPUTIES  
7 WHO USE EXCESSIVE FORCE IN OUR JAILS HAVE INDICATED-- AND  
8 CONTINUE TO INDICATE-- THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO DO SO. SO WE'RE  
9 AT THE CRUX OF A DEEP PHILOSOPHICAL QUESTION, AND THIS BOARD  
10 HAS SAID WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT VIOLENCE IS NECESSARY TO  
11 CONTROL. WE HAVE ASKED FOR TRAININGS FOR DE-ESCALATION. WE  
12 HAVE ASKED FOR DIMINISHED USE OF THESE KINDS OF USE OF FORCE.  
13 IT DOESN'T MEAN ZERO. IT SIMPLY MEANS THAT YOU DON'T NEED TO  
14 BEAT SOMEBODY TO A PULP TO GET THEM TO COMPLY. THAT'S REALLY  
15 WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. AND THESE CASES ARE RELATED, WHETHER  
16 THEY'RE CASES OF EXCESSIVE FORCE OR CASES OF THREATENING A  
17 VICTIM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. AND I THINK THAT'S WHAT WE ARE  
18 TRYING TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT WE GET TO LOOK AT, BECAUSE WE  
19 HAVE, AND HAVE THE RIGHT TO HAVE, A DIFFERENT IDEA ABOUT HOW  
20 THIS COUNTY IS RUN. AND I THINK THAT'S ALL WE HAVE BROUGHT UP  
21 TODAY. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. WITH THAT, EXECUTIVE  
24 OFFICER, WOULD YOU READ WHAT MOTION WE'RE VOTING ON, PLEASE,  
25 WITH THE AMENDMENT?

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1

2 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE AMENDMENT BEFORE YOU IS-- LET'S SEE IF  
3 I CAN HAVE COUNTY COUNSEL COME BACK WITH A REPORT-BACK IN TWO  
4 WEEKS?

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** CORRECT. CORRECT. FOR REACHING OUT  
7 TO THE DEPUTY TO ASK FOR WAIVING?

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** TO UPDATE THE PERSONNEL FILE?

10

11 **ATTORNEY:** SUPERVISOR, I MEAN, WE WILL WORK ON THAT  
12 IMMEDIATELY. I THINK WE WANT TO GET THE WAIVER DOC, AND WE CAN  
13 START WORKING TODAY ON THE WAIVER DOCUMENT.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** PERFECT. AND THAT WOULD INCLUDE,  
16 JUST OUT OF CURIOSITY, ANYTHING THAT GOES TO THE D.A.'S  
17 OFFICE? WOULD THAT INCLUDE EVERYTHING?

18

19 **ATTORNEY:** YES. WE WILL MAKE SURE THAT THE WAIVER LANGUAGE IS  
20 BROAD ENOUGH TO INCLUDE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, D.A., ET  
21 CETERA.

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** VERY GOOD. SO, DO I HAVE A MOTION?  
24 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AS  
25 AMENDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION? SO ORDERED. SO NOW WE ARE GOING TO

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1 GO TO HEAR FROM MEMBERS... AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE  
2 APPROPRIATE TO HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE  
3 REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS NOT HELD  
4 BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE  
5 CALL THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK  
6 ON THESE ITEMS.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE  
9 COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU?  
10 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL HAS REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON  
11 THE FOLLOWING ITEMS: 1, 4, 5, 8, 11, 15, 16. ERIC PREVEN HAS  
12 REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON 2, 10, 16, 18, 19, 27, 28,  
13 29, 32, 35, 36, 37, 38-A, 38-E, 42, CS-1, AND CS-2. RICHARD  
14 HERNANDEZ HAS REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS 15 AND  
15 16. LYNNE PLAMBECK HAS REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEM  
16 38-A. WAYDE HUNTER HAS REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON 38-A.  
17 RED CHIEF HUNT HAS REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS 1,  
18 2, 4, 5, 8, 10, 11, 15, 16, 18, 19, 27, 28, 29, 32, 35, 36,  
19 37, 38-A, 38-E, AND 42. HERMAN HERMAN HAS REQUESTED TO ADDRESS  
20 THE BOARD ON ITEMS 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10, 11, 15, 16, 18, 19, 27,  
21 28, 29, 32, 35, 36, 37, 38-A, 38-E, 42, CS-1, AND CS-2. AND  
22 VICTOR TRUJILLO HAS REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON 38-A,  
23 AND REVEREND DR. MELLO DESIRE HAS REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE  
24 BOARD ON ITEMS 11, 18, 38-E.

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1    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. MR. PREVEN?

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3    **ERIC PREVEN:** OKAY, IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT,  
4    AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE. I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM  
5    37, WHICH IS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS APPROVING THAT THE  
6    CITY OF LOS ANGELES, THE BIGGEST CITY IN THE 88 CITIES IN THE  
7    COUNTY, WILL BE AN APPROVING ELECTION, A SPECIAL ELECTION. AND  
8    THE REASON WHY I BROUGHT THIS HANDY-DANDY CHART, WHICH IS A  
9    SCIENTIFIC TOOL, AS YOU CAN SEE, IS I WANTED TO DEMONSTRATE  
10   THE REASON WHY THEY WANTED TO HAVE A SPECIAL ELECTION. AS SOME  
11   OF YOU REMEMBER, MITCHELL ENGLANDER, WHO WAS THE CD-12  
12   COUNCILMEMBER, STEPPED OFF TO WORK FOR A LOBBYIST. IT WAS A  
13   ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME OPPORTUNITY, BUT HAS NOT BEEN ANNOUNCED IN  
14   THE PRESS VERY SLIGHTLY, AND HE HAS NOT BEEN ADDED TO THEIR  
15   WEBSITE. SO IT HAS RAISED QUESTIONS AS THE ETHICS  
16   COMMISSIONER, SERENA OBERSTEIN, WHO APPOINTED BY ENGLANDER TO  
17   THE ETHICS COMMISSION, JAMMED THROUGH, DESPITE PUBLIC  
18   OBJECTION, AN OPPORTUNITY TO PIG-OUT IN A MATCHING FUND  
19   PROGRAM. NOW, WHAT THAT MEANS IS PUBLIC FUNDING IS PROVIDED IN  
20   ELECTIONS AT THE CITY OF L.A. TO AUGMENT THE VOICES OF  
21   CANDIDATES WHO ARE OFTEN LOST IN THE MONIED INTERESTS AND...  
22   LIKE THE BIG UNION, FOR EXAMPLE, OR THE BIG P.A.C. OF  
23   DEVELOPERS, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. YOU KNOW THEY CAN MUSTER A LOT  
24   OF MONEY. GIL CEDILLO RAISED ALMOST \$2 MILLION AND TOOK  
25   \$200,000 OF PUBLIC MATCHING FUND AT THE TOP OF THE CHART, BUT

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1 HE ALSO TOOK 400,000 OR 500,000 FROM A UNION, AND THE REASON  
2 WHY HE DID SO WAS BECAUSE HE FELT THAT THE CHALLENGER, WHO'S  
3 WAY DOWN HERE, HAD A BILLIONAIRE OFF TO THE SIDE, WHO MIGHT  
4 SHOW UP WITH A CHECK. SO HE NEVER SHOWED UP, BUT GIL CEDILLO  
5 CASHED A PUBLIC CHECK FOR 200,000. ALL THE PEOPLE AT THE  
6 BOTTOM OF THE CHART, SORT OF LIKE THE PEOPLE WHO WOULD SIGN UP  
7 FOR SUBSIDIZED LUNCH BECAUSE THEY REALLY CAN'T RAISE MONEY  
8 AGAINST INCUMBENTS, GET NOTHING. SO THEY'RE HAVING A SPECIAL  
9 ELECTION BECAUSE THE OFFICE OUT IN CD-12 IS VERY HOMOGENEOUS.  
10 I THINK YOU KNOW, BARGER. YOU RAN AGAINST ENGLANDER. HE IS  
11 CONNECTED TO THE ENGLANDER KNABE & ALLEN. WASTE MANAGEMENT IS  
12 ONE OF THEIR CLIENTS WHO DID A BIG HOWDY-DO WITH THE TASERS  
13 THAT WE HAD TO UNFURL. THE TIMES IS NOT COVERING THAT, BUT  
14 THERE WAS A 50,000 GIFT FROM WASTE MANAGEMENT TO THE COUNTY OF  
15 LOS ANGELES IN TASERS, AND THEY FORGOT TO MENTION IT TO THE  
16 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. SO IT'S TRUE THAT THE SHERIFF'S  
17 DEPARTMENT HAS A CHECKERED PAST OF BEING FORTHRIGHT AND OPEN,  
18 BUT I DO BELIEVE THAT MR. VILLANUEVA RAN AND GOT ELECTED,  
19 DESPITE ALL OF THE DIFFICULTIES, BECAUSE HE WAS CONCERNED  
20 ABOUT THAT. I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE DETAILS OF THAT OTHER CASE,  
21 BUT I DO KNOW THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SHOULD TAKE PAUSE,  
22 BECAUSE THE PLAN INCLUDES A KIND OF A CONSPIRACY, I HAVE TO  
23 SAY, BECAUSE THE ETHICS COMMISSIONER CHANGING THE RULES TO  
24 BENEFIT THOSE CANDIDATES-- GREG SMITH, WHO I THINK PEOPLE KNOW  
25 AS THE RECYCLING MAN, IS A DECENT GUY, BUT HE LOBBIED FOR

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1 WASTE MANAGEMENT DURING THE PROHIBITION. SO THAT JUST SMELLS  
2 TO HIGH HEAVEN. AND, YOU KNOW, I JUST WOULD URGE THE BOARD OF  
3 SUPERVISORS TO THINK TWICE, BECAUSE THEY'RE ALL VERY CLOSE TO  
4 YOU. AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL'S TAKING A BIG THANK-YOU OUT IN  
5 SUNSHINE CANYON. THEY'RE PUTTING TOGETHER A LITTLE PROGRAM TO  
6 GET MORE OF THE WASTE FROM THE FIRE. SO WE WORK WITH  
7 SANITATION. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS B.O.S, BUT IT ALSO--

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9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU, MR. PREVEN.

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11 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU FOR TAKING ACTION, BECAUSE YOU SHOULD  
12 NOT APPROVE ITEM 37. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER:** HERMAN HERMAN?

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16 **HERMAN HERMAN:** SO HERE WE GO, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. MEASURE  
17 H.H.H., MEASURE H, AND MEASURE 2, BUT TO NO AVAILABILITY OF  
18 AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY PROGRAM GRANT,  
19 SUCH AS AT 811 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD, SEVENTH FLOOR, L.A. 90017,  
20 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS L.A.H.S.A., IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE  
21 SALVATION ARMY OF BELL SHELTER AT 5600 RICKENBACKER ROAD,  
22 90207. WHY AM I READING THIS INTO THE RECORD? I'M READING IT  
23 INTO THE RECORD BECAUSE, AS YOU ALREADY KNOW, THAT SUCH  
24 DEVELOPERS AND HOUSING FOR DEVELOPMENT THROUGH ERIC GARCETTI,  
25 THE MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES, ALONG WITH JOSE HUIZAR AND THE

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1 CATHOLIC CHURCH, HAVE DISRUPTED OUR LIVES BY THEIR MONEY  
2 LAUNDERING. AND FOR THAT REASON, FEDERAL AND STATE DOLLARS  
3 HAVE BEEN ABUSED, SUCKED DOWN THE PIPELINE, AS I PUT IT, BY  
4 ERIC GARCETTI, REGARDING CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND  
5 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. SO, WHAT ARE WE TO DO ABOUT THIS,  
6 PUBLIC? ARE WE TO DEMAND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO BAIL OUT  
7 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES FOR ITS HUMANITARIAN ABUSE TO HOMELESS  
8 PEOPLE, AND ESPECIALLY OUR VETS? ARE WE GOING TO CONTINUE TO  
9 ALLOW THIS CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND THE ATTORNEY HERE TO SIT THERE  
10 AND B.S. US ABOUT WHAT THEY CALL L.A. MUNICIPAL CODES, IN  
11 CONJUNCTION TO THEIR ORDINANCE TO AMEND? BECAUSE APPARENTLY  
12 IT'S NOT WORKING. IT'S OBVIOUS THAT THE BOARD, COUNTY, AND  
13 THAT OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES UNDER HERMAN JASON WESSON AND  
14 HIS ABUSIVE SON-- THAT'S RIGHT, ABUSIVE SON, WHO'S RUNNING FOR  
15 A COUNCIL SEAT, AND HERMAN JASON WESSON JR.'S RUNNING FOR A  
16 SEAT HERE-- ARE GOING TO CONTINUE THIS PROGRAM OF STRIPPING  
17 AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES FROM ALL THOSE  
18 PROMISE GRANT PROGRAMS AND BONDS. SO, WHERE NOW I'M PUTTING  
19 INTO THE RECORD THAT THE F.B.I. NEEDS TO COME IN HERE AND  
20 INVESTIGATE WHY COUNSEL IS NEGOTIATING TERMS WITH L.A., AND  
21 NOT PROVIDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR OUR VETS AND OUR  
22 CITIZENS. CITIZENS HAVE AS MUCH RIGHT TO HOUSING AS JOSE  
23 HUIZAR AND HIS FAT WIFE AND THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, WHO HAVE  
24 STOLEN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS THROUGH THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

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1    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU, HERMAN HERMAN. DR.

2    GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL?

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4    **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.

5    ON ITEM 4, I REALLY LIKE THE IDEA TO IMPLEMENT A MENTORING

6    PROGRAM, AND I HOPE THAT YOU SELECT NOT THE USUAL PEOPLE, BUT

7    GET SOMEBODY OUTSIDE OF THE BUS TO MENTOR EMPLOYEES, BECAUSE I

8    THINK WE'RE HAVING A HUGE NEED, ESPECIALLY IN A HOSPITAL, FROM

9    PHYSICIANS TO NURSES. I THINK THAT NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT IN

10    THAT. AND THEN I WAS REALLY DISAPPOINTED THAT ON ITEM 8, THERE

11    WAS A REVIEW OF ALL THE PRIORITY WHICH HAS BEEN SET BY THIS

12    BOARD, THAT WE DID NOT HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW WITH

13    SOME OF YOU MEMBERS ON WHAT YOU FELT HAD BEEN ACCOMPLISHED,

14    AND WHAT HAS NOT BEEN ACCOMPLISHED. YOU KNOW, I HAVE HAD THE

15    QUESTION ABOUT I.A.B. FOR QUITE SOME TIME. I HAVE ALWAYS HAD A

16    QUESTION OF WHY WE STILL HAVE THREE DIFFERENT HUMAN RESOURCES;

17    STILL HAVE NOT CHANGED. THAT'S OF CONCERN TO ME. AND LAST

18    WEEK, WE APPROVED FOR MR. FRED LEAF TO BE IN CHARGE OF THAT

19    GROUP, AND I WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO KNOW WHAT KIND OF BUDGET

20    HAS BEEN ALLOCATED TO HIM, AND HOW MUCH OF A STAFF HAS BEEN

21    ALLOCATED. AND I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT. BUT I HAVE NOTICED

22    LATELY THAT MANY TIMES, WHEN THERE IS REPORTS, IT IS NOT BEING

23    REVIEWED. AND THAT'S OF GREAT CONCERN, BECAUSE MOST OF THE

24    TIME, PEOPLE WHO DON'T COME TO THOSE MEETINGS ON A REGULAR

25    BASIS HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT'S GOING ON AND

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1 WHAT'S BEING REPORTED, AND IF WE HAVE MADE PROGRESS OR NOT.  
2 AND ALSO ON ITEM 14, I THINK IT'S GREAT TO INVEST IN EARLY  
3 EDUCATION AND HAVE SOME MONEY TO GO WITH IT. THAT ALWAYS MAKES  
4 A DIFFERENCE. BUT MAYBE I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT WHEN THERE IS A  
5 REPORT, IT'S NOT RECEIVE AND FILE AND REVIEW. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU, DR. CLAVREUL. LYNNE  
8 PLAMBECK?

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10 **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** LYNN PLAMBECK, SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR  
11 PLANNING AND THE ENVIRONMENT, AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK ABOUT  
12 SUPERVISOR KUEHL'S 38-A MOTION TO INCREASE TONNAGE. AND I  
13 SIGNED UP AS OPPOSITION. WE DON'T REALLY OPPOSE IT BECAUSE,  
14 OBVIOUSLY, THE TRASH HAS TO GO SOMEWHERE. BUT I CAME LAST WEEK  
15 TO COMPLAIN THAT THE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL HAVE NOT BEEN  
16 FOLLOWED, AND SO WE DON'T HAVE ANY GOOD AIR MONITORING. AND  
17 IT'S VERY CONCERNING TO THIS LOW-INCOME COMMUNITY OF VAL VERDE  
18 THAT STILL THEY DON'T HAVE THE ADDITIONAL AIR MONITORS THEY  
19 WERE PROMISED, BUT WE'RE BRINGING ALL THIS FIRE, LIKE SMOKE  
20 DAMAGE STUFF, AND WHO KNOWS WHAT'S ON IT? AND SO I CAME TO ASK  
21 THAT, PLEASE, IF YOU'RE GOING TO DO THIS, THAT YOU INSTITUTE  
22 THE AIR MONITORING. AND, YOU KNOW, WHEN I HAVE TO DO BRUSH  
23 CLEARANCE, IF I DON'T DO IT, THE COUNTY SENDS ME A BILL ON MY  
24 PROPERTY TAX. THEY JUST GO AND DO IT. SO I'M WONDERING WHY THE  
25 COUNTY JUST CAN'T GO AND PUT THESE MONITORS IN, AT LEAST IN

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1 THE COMMUNITY, FOR THIS ENORMOUS ADDITION OF TRASH, AND  
2 ALSO... AND THEN JUST BILL CHIQUITA, IF THEY'RE NOT GOING TO  
3 DO IT. THAT WOULD SEEM LIKE A LOGICAL THING TO ME TO BE ABLE  
4 TO DO. THE OTHER THING IS THAT I DISCUSSED WITH CHRIS PERRY,  
5 AND I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S POSSIBLE, I UNDERSTAND THAT THEY HAVE  
6 SNIFFERS FOR RADIATION AND HAZARDOUS MATERIAL ON THE TRUCKS.  
7 BUT THERE'S CONCERNS THAT THE SNIFFERS MAYBE DON'T DO THE DIRT  
8 LOADS. AND I'M WONDERING IF THERE COULDN'T BE SPOT INSPECTIONS  
9 TO ENSURE THAT THE MONITORING IS ACTUALLY WORKING AND, YOU  
10 KNOW, SOME KIND OF HUMAN INTERACTION TO SEE THAT WHAT IS  
11 SUPPOSED TO BE DONE TO PROTECT THE COMMUNITY IS REALLY BEING  
12 DONE. AND IT'S PARTICULARLY CONCERNING BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, THE  
13 FIRE STARTED AT THE SANTA SUSANA FIELD LABS, AND BURNED  
14 THROUGH THAT AREA. I WAS AT REGIONAL WATER WHEN THEY DID A  
15 PRESENTATION ON THIS, AND THERE IS CONCERN THAT THERE COULD BE  
16 RADIOACTIVITY OR HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MIXED IN THE LOADS.

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18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU, AND I COULD NOT AGREE  
19 WITH YOU MORE. THE FACT THERE'S ONLY TWO MONITORS, AND THERE'S  
20 SUPPOSED TO BE 12, AND IT'S BEEN OVER A YEAR, IS NOT  
21 ACCEPTABLE. AND MR. PESTRELLA IS GOING TO BE PROVIDING AN  
22 UPDATE IN THE NEXT WEEK ON THE STATUS OF THE CONSULTANT AND  
23 WHEN THOSE MONITORS ARE GOING TO BE UP. THAT WAS ONE OF THE  
24 TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH, AND I THINK IT'S INEXCUSABLE

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1 THAT WE HAVE NOT DONE IT. AND THAT WAS ONE OF THE COMMUNITY'S  
2 BIGGEST CONCERNS. SO I EXPECT A FULL REPORT ON THAT.

3

4 **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** BUT PARTICULARLY BEFORE THESE LOADS COME IN,  
5 IF SOMETHING CAN GO IN THE COMMUNITY.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** YEAH. NO, I UNDERSTAND, AND I  
8 COULD NOT AGREE MORE. NEXT SPEAKER?

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10 **WAYDE HUNTER:** THANK YOU. WAYDE HUNTER, PRESIDENT NORTH VALLEY  
11 COALITION CONCERNED CITIZENS INC. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM 38-A.  
12 THE WOOLSEY CANYON FIRE WAS A DISASTER, BUT IT'S NOT AN EXCUSE  
13 FOR CREATING ANOTHER DISASTER BY DISPOSING OF POTENTIALLY  
14 CONTAMINATED AND TOXIC MATERIALS IN OTHER LANDFILLS, AND  
15 CREATING DISASTER FOR THOSE COMMUNITIES, TOO. WE BELIEVE THAT  
16 YOU SHOULD DENY THIS MOTION AS WRITTEN. WHILE WE CANNOT  
17 COMMENT SPECIFICALLY ON WHAT THE COUNTY DOES WITH CALABASAS'  
18 OWN LANDFILL, IT DOES HAVE EXCESS CAPACITY AROUND 700 TONS PER  
19 DAY, WITH A PERMITTED CAPACITY OF 3500 TONS AVAILABLE.  
20 SUNSHINE CANYON ALSO HAS EXCESS CAPACITY. WHILE PERMITTED FOR  
21 12,100 TONS PER DAY, IT AVERAGES ONLY 8,000 TONS PER DAY. WHY  
22 HAS THE COUNTY DECIDED TO INCREASE THE TONNAGE TO 15,000 TONS  
23 PER DAY, GIVEN THIS EXCESS CAPACITY OF CALABASAS AND OF  
24 SUNSHINE, AND UPON WHAT DATA DID THEY BASE THIS NEED? GRANADA  
25 HILLS IN SYLMAR HAS UNDERGONE 10 YEARS OF HELL, WITH 11,209

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1 ODOR REPORTS, 250 N.O.V.S FOR ODORS, AND 9 OTHER N.O.V.S FOR  
2 DUST AND GAS, AND A.Q.M.D. ODOR ABATEMENT HEARINGS, WITH ONE  
3 A.Q.M.D. ABATEMENT ORDER FOR ODOR STILL IN EFFECT. F.Y.I.,  
4 REPUBLIC SERVICES BLAMED THE COUNTY FOR THOSE ODOR PROBLEMS.  
5 ARE WE TO EXPECT MORE OF THE SAME FROM WOOLSEY CANYON DEBRIS?  
6 SUNSHINE CANYON IS OPERATED JOINTLY ON BOTH A COUNTY C.U.P.  
7 AND A CITY ORDINANCE. WHAT IS THE CITY'S POSITION ON THIS  
8 MOTION? HAVE THEY BEEN CONSULTED? HAS CITY COUNCIL APPROVED  
9 ANY CHANGES, AND HAS THE PUBLIC BEEN NOTIFIED? FOR US, THE  
10 HILLSIDE MATERIAL IS PROBLEMATIC. WET MUD, DIRT, ASH, AND  
11 ORGANIC MATERIAL FROM TREES AND GRASS WILL ALSO GENERATE MORE  
12 METHANE AND MORE ODORS FOR OUR COMMUNITY. EVEN THIS MATERIAL  
13 WHEN DRY WILL GET AIRBORNE WHEN DUMPED INTO THE PREVAILING  
14 WINDS. WHAT GUARANTEES ARE THERE THAT THIS MATERIAL WILL BE  
15 BURIED IMMEDIATELY, AND NOT SET ASIDE AND STOCKPILED AS CELL  
16 CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL OR AS COVER MATERIAL FOR LANDFILL? WHAT  
17 PLAN DOES THE COUNTY HAVE TO INSPECT "ALL LOADS" FROM THE FIRE  
18 AREA THAT ARE DELIVERED TO SUNSHINE, TO ENSURE THAT IT IS IN  
19 THERE AND FREE OF HAZARDOUS AND TOXIC MATERIAL?

20

21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. NEXT  
22 SPEAKER? I KNOW. YOU DID IT.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** GREAT JOB.

25

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1   **WAYDE HUNTER:** I DID A THREE-MINUTE SPEECH.

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3   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THERE YOU GO. AND IF THERE'S  
4   ANYTHING THAT YOU WANT TO ADD IN WRITING, FEEL FREE TO SUBMIT  
5   IT.

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7   **WAYDE HUNTER:** I DID SUBMIT IN WRITING SOME MORE COMMENTS.

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9   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

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11   **RICHARD HERNANDEZ:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MY NAME IS RICHARD  
12   HERNANDEZ. I WAS HERE LAST WEEK, AND I WANTED TO FURTHER THIS,  
13   MY DESIRE. FIRST OFF, AS A FORMAL MILITARY PERSON AND HOUSING  
14   DIRECTOR, ONE OF THE QUESTIONS I HAD WAS THAT, BECAUSE SO MANY  
15   PEOPLE ARE WITHIN A HOUSING CRUNCH, THAT THERE IS A CAPABILITY  
16   IF WE LOOK AT HOW THE STRUCTURES OF OUR HOUSING IS DONE THAT  
17   WE CAN ACTUALLY CHANGE SOME ITEMS SO THAT PEOPLE CAN LEGALLY  
18   RENT OUT THEIR GARAGES, BECAUSE THEY'RE 400 TO 800 SQUARE FEET  
19   OF LIVING SPACE. AND A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE THAT DESIRE. I'M  
20   HELPING SOMEBODY RIGHT NOW THAT SHE DOESN'T HAVE ENOUGH MONEY,  
21   BUT BECAUSE SHE DOESN'T WANT TO GO CONTRARY TO HOW THINGS ARE,  
22   THAT SHE'S NOT WILLING TO GO AHEAD AND RENT THAT OUT. BUT IF  
23   WE GAVE THAT CAPABILITY, A LOT OF PEOPLE WOULD BE ABLE TO KEEP  
24   THEIR HOMES, AND POSSIBLY GET A LOT OF THESE PEOPLE INTO SOME  
25   HOUSING. THAT'S JUST AN IDEA THAT WE MAY LOOK AT. ALSO,

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1   THERE'S AN INTERESTING ANALOGY THAT I'D LIKE TO PRESENT IS  
2   THAT THE L.A. TIMES REPORTED SEVERAL WEEKS AGO THAT A FEDERAL  
3   LAWSUIT IS MOVING FORWARD BECAUSE THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT  
4   RELEASED A JUDICIAL OPINION THAT LENDERS' INTEREST RATES OF UP  
5   TO 135 PERCENT ARE TOO HIGH AND UNCONSCIONABLE; THEREFORE,  
6   ILLEGAL UNDER CALIFORNIA LAW. I'D LIKE TO BRING THIS ANALOGY  
7   TO YOUR ATTENTION, BECAUSE UNKNOWINGLY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
8   IS BEING SUBJECTED TO RATES OF UP TO 65 PERCENT, WITH THE SAME  
9   RESULT, NOT KNOWING WHERE THIS IS BURIED. AND THIS IS  
10   SOMETHING THAT I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOU WHEN I HAVE A  
11   LITTLE BIT MORE TIME. I AM REQUESTING THAT HILDA SOLIS, FROM  
12   THE FIRST DISTRICT, WOULD LEND HER EXPERIENCE AND HER  
13   JUDGMENT, AS FAR AS GUIDING ME IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION, AS FAR  
14   AS HOW I CAN MAKE THIS A MUCH BETTER AND SOMETHING THAT  
15   EVERYONE CAN UNDERSTAND, BECAUSE I WAS ASKED TO SUBMIT  
16   INFORMATION TO DISCUSS HOW THIS PROCESS IS DONE. BUT, REALLY,  
17   IT'S TAKEN ME NINE YEARS TO GET TO THIS POINT, AND MOST PEOPLE  
18   JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND IT. IT'S CONTRARY TO LOGICAL THINKING,  
19   BUT IT REALLY DOES FUNCTION. AND THIS ALL CAME ABOUT BECAUSE  
20   WE HAD A-- I WAS ABLE TO FIND AN ARTICLE THAT STATES  
21   "PROFITING FROM THE BANK'S BIGGEST SECRET," WHICH DETAILS HOW  
22   WE ASSUME THAT WE'RE PAYING THE LOW INTEREST RATES THAT WE  
23   ARE, BUT BECAUSE IT'S AN AMORTIZED PROGRAM, IT'S FRONT-END  
24   LOADED WITH INTEREST. HOW DOES THAT WORK? WELL, THANK YOU.

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1    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

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3    **REV. DR. MELLO DESIRE:** GREETINGS. SO, MY CONCERN IS THE WEST  
4    ATHENS SAFE LANDING PROJECT, A COMPREHENSIVE CLINICAL FOCUS  
5    INTERIM HOUSING MODEL SUBMITTED BY YOURS TRULY, RIDLEY-THOMAS,  
6    WHICH HE'S NOT HERE TODAY. HE'S ON VACATION, DON'T KNOW. BUT  
7    WHAT'S PISSING ME OFF IS THAT HE'S PARTNERING UP WITH EXODUS  
8    FOUNDATION FOR THIS \$15 MILLION SAFE HOUSING LANDING PROJECT.  
9    EXODUS FOUNDATION DOESN'T EVEN HAVE A WEBSITE. THEY'RE LOCATED  
10   AT 4192 SOUTH BROADWAY IN HAWTHORNE, AND IT'S A RESIDENTIAL  
11   HOUSE. SO YOU NEED TO TELL ME, WHOSE MONEY ARE YOU FUNNELING  
12   \$15 MILLION TO, TO THIS EXODUS FOUNDATION? WHO'S RUNNING  
13   EXODUS FOUNDATION, AND WHY IS IT OKAY IN WEST ATHENS, WHERE I  
14   LIVE? IS SAY THIS BECAUSE YOU PUT THIS ON THE AGENDA, AND  
15   YOU'RE GOING TO ALLOCATE THIS FOUNDATION WITH NO NAME, NO  
16   WEBSITE, NOT EVEN A LOCATION, AND THEY GOT ALREADY D.M.H.  
17   DOLLARS. THEY GOT PUBLIC HEALTH DOLLARS. SO I NEED TO KNOW  
18   WHOSE CHILDHOOD BUDDY IS THIS OF MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S PAST  
19   THAT HE'S FUNNELING THIS MONEY TO. ALL RIGHT? BECAUSE WE HAVE  
20   A COUPLE OF LOTS THAT HAVE BEEN EMPTY: 95TH AND NORMANDIE,  
21   WHICH HE'S CHARGING US, THE PEOPLE OF WEST ATHENS, \$2.8  
22   MILLION TO PURCHASE A [EXPLETIVE] LOT IN OUR OWN LOCATION SO  
23   WE CAN BUILD A CENTER. THE KIDS HAVE NOTHING. THE KIDS AT  
24   WASHINGTON PREP HIGH SCHOOL HAVE NOTHING. THE PEOPLE AT  
25   SOUTHWEST COLLEGE HAVE NOTHING. AND THE COMMON DENOMINATOR IS

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1 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. SO I JUST NEED SOME CLARIFICATION ON NO.  
2 5, PLEASE, AGENDA. NO. 6, THE ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS FROM  
3 L.A. CLIPPERS FOUNDATION. AGAIN, FROM MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. WE  
4 DON'T NEED NO MORE [EXPLETIVE] BASKETBALLS. WE DON'T NEED MORE  
5 FOOTBALLS. WE DON'T NEED NO MORE SPORTS ANYTHING. WE NEED SOME  
6 TECHNOLOGY, EMPOWERMENT, EDUCATIONAL CLASSES. WE NEED SOME  
7 EMPTY LOTS. WE NEED THESE BUILDINGS TO STOP GOING INTO THE  
8 POCKETS OF YOUR FRIENDS AND GIVE IT TO THE PEOPLE SO OUR KIDS  
9 CAN STOP DYING. OKAY? YOUR KIDS ARE NO BETTER THAN OUR KIDS.  
10 IT'S NOT FAIR THAT YOU FEED, EDUCATE YOUR KIDS WITH OUR TAX  
11 DOLLARS, AND THE SAME TAX DOLLARS WE GET COFFINS AND JAIL  
12 CELLS. SO I'M TELLING YOU, THIS IS THE THREE MOST INTELLIGENT  
13 SUPERVISORS HERE RIGHT NOW. OKAY, I DON'T KNOW WHERE HAHN WENT  
14 TODAY, BUT RIDLEY-THOMAS IS THE DISTRICT I LIVE IN, AND WEST  
15 ATHENS HAVE NOTHING. WE HAVE NOTHING. SO I NEED TO KNOW, WHEN  
16 IS THAT GOING TO CHANGE? SHERIFF, WE ALREADY TOLD YOU HOW  
17 WE'VE BEEN TREATED IN SOUTH L.A. THAT'S NO DIFFERENT. BUT I  
18 WANT SOME PROPERTY FOR THESE KIDS. THEY DESERVE A MICROPHONE,  
19 SOMEWHERE TO LEARN, AND THEY DON'T NEED TO BE HAVING ADULTS  
20 STARING AT THEM, WONDERING WHY. THEY DON'T NEED NO MORE  
21 PRAYERS FROM THESE [EXPLETIVE] CHRISTIAN CHURCHES. KEEP THEM.  
22 WE NEED SOME ACTION, SOME FINANCIAL, SOME TANGIBLE CHANGES FOR  
23 OUR KIDS, SO THEY CAN TOUCH AND FEEL AND CREATE CHANGE. STOP  
24 USING BLACK PEOPLE, WHICH IS 85,000 OF US IN SOUTH L.A.

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1 85,000. WE DON'T NEED NO MORE SUBJECTS AS US. WE NEED SOME  
2 REAL CHANGE, AND EMPOWERMENT AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. NOPE,  
5 PLEASE. WITHHOLD YOUR CLAPPING, HERMAN. THAT CONCLUDES THE  
6 SPEAKERS THAT SIGNED UP ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA. MADAM  
7 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEMS BEFORE US,  
8 WHICH WE WILL BE VOTING.

9

10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE ITEMS BEFORE YOU ARE ITEMS 1, 2, 4, 5,  
11 8, 10, 11, 15, 16, 18, 19, 27, 28, 29, 32, 35, 36, 37, 38-A,  
12 38-E, AND 42.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
15 KUEHL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT  
16 WILL BE THE ORDER. OKAY. NOW WE'RE GOING TO MOVE ON TO  
17 SPECIALS, NO. 39. AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO  
18 HEAR FROM SUPERVISORS ON ITEMS THAT ARE NOT POSTED ON THE  
19 AGENDA, TO BE PRESENTED OR REFERRED TO STAFF OR PLACED ON A  
20 FUTURE AGENDA ITEM. I UNDERSTAND, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOU HAVE A  
21 MOTION?

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I HAVE A READ-IN  
24 MOTION, AND BASICALLY IT CENTERS AROUND THE ECONOMIC WORKFORCE  
25 DEVELOPMENT RESTRUCTURING. I KNOW THIS BOARD IS VERY UNIQUELY

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1 FOCUSED ON HOW WE CAN IMPROVE OUR PROCESSES, AND OBVIOUSLY WE  
2 WANT TO DO THIS IN CONCERT WITH OUR C.E.O., AND BASED ON DATA.  
3 AND SO, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR ALLOWING ME TO READ THIS  
4 IN. I ALSO WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, WHO IS NOT  
5 HERE BUT WHO HAS BEEN WORKING WITH OUR OFFICE, AND I WANT TO  
6 THANK MY STAFF FOR WORKING, ALSO, WITH THE LOS ANGELES  
7 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. YOU KNOW, THEY'VE BEEN  
8 WORKING WITH US NOW FOR THE PAST FEW YEARS ON HELPING TO POINT  
9 OUT WHERE WE CAN REALLY, I THINK, CHANGE THE WHOLE DISCUSSION  
10 ABOUT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND WORKFORCE TRAINING. SOME OF  
11 THIS STARTED, AS YOU KNOW, BACK IN 2015. WE STARTED ON A PATH  
12 TO CREATE AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY, AND IT WAS LED IN  
13 PART BY OUR COUNTY, BUT ALSO BY THE LOS ANGELES ECONOMIC  
14 DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S STRATEGIC PLAN. AND THAT WAS OUR  
15 STARTING POINT. FROM THERE, IT EMERGED THAT THE COUNTY  
16 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM WOULD START TO HELP US FORMULATE  
17 OUR PLAN. FURTHER, WE'VE BEEN IN THE PROCESS OF ALIGNING OUR  
18 ENTIRE WORKFORCE PROGRAM. AND BELIEVE IT OR NOT, THERE ARE  
19 ABOUT 20 OF THEM, WHICH ARE SPREAD ACROSS W.D.A.C.S., L.A.  
20 COUNTY OFFICE OF ED, D.P.S.S., AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS. AND IN  
21 DECEMBER, THE C.E.O. BROUGHT ON BOARD A CONSULTANT, PER THE  
22 DIRECTIVE OF THIS BOARD, TO HELP US WITH SUCH A REALIGNMENT.  
23 THE AIM WAS TO HAVE AN EVALUATION AND A FOUNDATIONAL SET OF  
24 RECOMMENDATIONS TO START A DISCUSSION ABOUT BASIC STRUCTURES  
25 FOR EXECUTING THE BOARD'S VISION ON WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT. AND

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1 THE CONSULTANT INITIATED THE PROCESS IN MEETINGS WITH THE  
2 DEPARTMENTS, AND WE KNOW NOW THAT WE ARE IN THE MIDST OF THE  
3 L.A.E D.C.'S PLANNING TIMEFRAME. AND IT'S APPROPRIATE FOR US,  
4 THEN, TO TAKE ACTION ON SOME OF THESE INFORMATION ITEMS THAT  
5 ARE BEING BROUGHT BEFORE US, THROUGH THIS EFFORT. AND I THINK  
6 IT'S TIME THAT WE BEGIN THAT NOW, ESPECIALLY AS WE BEGIN THE  
7 DISCUSSION ABOUT REFORMULATING AND POSSIBLY RECONFIGURING WHAT  
8 W.D.A.C.S. LOOKS LIKE, AND THAT MIGHT MEAN A SEPARATION OF  
9 DEPARTMENTS, BUT THAT WILL INVOLVE ALL OF US. AND I HAVE ASKED  
10 MY STAFF TO WORK WITH ALL OF EVERYONE ON THE BOARD, INCLUDING  
11 OUR C.E.O. AND OUR STAKEHOLDERS, TO SEE THAT WE REALLY COME UP  
12 WITH A VIABLE PLAN. BUT SINCE WE DO HAVE SOMEONE ALREADY ON  
13 BOARD LOOKING AT THIS, THAT HAS BEEN HIRED BY THE C.E.O., A  
14 REPRESENTATIVE FROM U.C. BERKELEY, I THOUGHT THAT WE COULD  
15 INTEGRATE THAT INTO THIS MOTION, SO TO EXPAND WHAT WE'RE  
16 ALREADY FOCUSED ON. SO IT'S REALLY TRYING TO EXPAND OUR SCOPE,  
17 BUT DO IT IN A METHODOICAL PROCESS. SO I'D LIKE TO READ IN THE  
18 FOLLOWING, MADAM CHAIR, THAT WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD  
19 OF SUPERVISORS DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE  
20 OFFICE TO EXPAND AND MODIFY, AS NECESSARY, THE SCOPE OF WORK  
21 OF THE EXISTING CONSULTANT, THE U.C. BERKELEY'S I.R.L.E.,  
22 AND/OR HIRE AN ADDITIONAL CONSULTANT WITH 90 DAYS TO WORK IN  
23 TANDEM WITH THE U.C. BERKELEY'S CONSULTANT TO, ONE, STUDY AND  
24 EVALUATE THE CURRENT STRUCTURE OF W.D.A.C.S. AND OTHER  
25 DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICES THAT ADMINISTER WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC

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1 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AND PROGRAMS; NUMBER 2, PROVIDE A  
2 COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE MOST  
3 EFFECTIVE STRUCTURE, INCLUDING THE FEASIBILITY OF CREATING NEW  
4 DEPARTMENTS, AS MANY OF YOU HERE ON THE BOARD HAVE TALKED  
5 ABOUT, AND DEDICATE OUR EFFORTS AT WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC  
6 DEVELOPMENT; AND "A," IF WE SEPARATE THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS,  
7 AS RECOMMENDED, HOW WE GO ABOUT DOING THAT NEEDS TO BE  
8 PRESENTED TO US WITH INFORMATION, AND TO GIVE US THOSE  
9 OPPORTUNITIES, AND ALSO LAY OUT WHAT THE PURVIEW WOULD LOOK  
10 LIKE AND WHAT THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES AND FISCAL IMPACTS WILL  
11 BE, AND INCLUDE IN THAT ANALYSIS THE REVIEW OF OTHER  
12 JURISDICTIONS TO INFORM OUR RECOMMENDATIONS; FOUR, CONDUCT A  
13 COMPREHENSIVE FISCAL IMPACT ANALYSIS OF ALL THESE  
14 RECOMMENDATIONS, AND FINALLY REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD IN  
15 WRITING IN SIX MONTHS FROM THE TIME OF ADOPTING AN EXPANDED  
16 SCOPE OF WORK OR HIRING AN ADDITIONAL CONSULTANT. I WILL BRING  
17 THIS MOTION BACK NEXT WEEK, MADAM CHAIR, AND I KNOW THAT WE  
18 WILL HAVE A ROBUST CONVERSATION ABOUT THIS. SO I LOOK FORWARD  
19 TO WORK WITH MY COLLEAGUES ON THIS MATTER.

20

21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. AND I ALSO HAVE A READ-  
22 IN FOR NEXT WEEK'S AGENDA, AND IT HAS TO DO WITH THE FACT THAT  
23 THIS BOARD HAS BEEN TAKING BOLD STEPS, AS IT RELATES TO  
24 ADDRESSING MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES IN L.A. COUNTY, IN PARTICULAR  
25 AS IT RELATES TO HOSPITALIZATION AND STEP-DOWN BEDS. SO I HAVE

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1 A MOTION FOR NEXT WEEK THAT IS, WITHIN THE U.S. HEALTHCARE  
2 SYSTEM, THERE ARE SIGNIFICANT GAPS IN COVERAGE FOR THE  
3 TREATMENT OF MENTAL ILLNESS. OVER THE LAST FEW DECADES, THERE  
4 HAVE BEEN NUMEROUS LEGISLATIVE EFFORTS TO ADDRESS THESE  
5 DISPARITIES THROUGH THE PARITY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH  
6 BENEFITS. THESE EFFORTS HAVE LARGELY FOCUSED ON PRIVATE SECTOR  
7 HEALTH PLANS WHICH ARE REGULATED BY FEDERAL AND STATE  
8 GOVERNMENT. MANY OF THESE EFFORTS HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN  
9 BRINGING MEANINGFUL REFORM TO FRUITION; HOWEVER, THERE IS  
10 STILL A SIGNIFICANT GAP IN COVERAGE FOR LOW-INCOME PEOPLE THAT  
11 ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT. THIS GAP IN  
12 COVERAGE IS KNOWN AS THE INSTITUTIONS OF MENTAL DISEASE I.M.D.  
13 EXCLUSION, AND HAS EXISTED IN THE MEDICAID PROGRAM SINCE THE  
14 INCEPTION. IN NOVEMBER OF 2018, THE CENTER OF MEDICAID AND  
15 MEDICARE SERVICES ANNOUNCED THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WOULD  
16 BEGIN TO CONSIDER STATE APPLICATIONS FOR AN I.M.D. EXCLUSION  
17 WAIVER. THIS WILL PROVIDE MEDICAID COVERAGE FOR I.M.D.  
18 TREATMENT FOR THOSE THAT SUFFER FROM A SEVERE MENTAL ILLNESS.  
19 MEDICAID IS THE LARGEST PAYER OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, AND  
20 EXPANSION OF THIS COVERAGE WOULD BE CRITICAL TO THOSE WHO ARE  
21 IN NEED. THIS BOARD RECENTLY VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO CREATE A  
22 COUNTY PLAN FOR THE EXPANSION OF BOTH DIRECTLY OPERATED AND  
23 CONTRACTED MENTAL HEALTH BEDS, IN ORDER TO ADDRESS COUNTYWIDE  
24 AND STATEWIDE SHORTAGES. AS A COUNTY, WE MUST EXPLORE ALL  
25 FUNDING OPTIONS TO SUPPORT THE GOAL OF PROVIDING MENTAL HEALTH



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1 TREATMENT AND SERVICE TO THOSE IN NEED. SO FOR NEXT WEEK'S  
2 AGENDA, I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE C.E.O.  
3 TO SEND A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER TO GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM, AND  
4 THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES, AND LOS  
5 ANGELES COUNTY STATE LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION, URGING THE STATE  
6 TO APPLY FOR THE 1115 MEDICAID WAIVER TO ALLOW THE EXPANSION  
7 OF MEDICAID COVERAGE TO THOSE WHO ARE IN NEED OF INPATIENT  
8 MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT. SO WITH THAT, THOSE TWO ITEMS WILL BE  
9 ON THE AGENDA FOR NEXT WEEK. NOW, WITH THAT, WE'RE GOING TO GO  
10 TO PUBLIC COMMENT. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE  
11 PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS OF INTEREST THAT ARE  
12 WITHIN THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THIS BOARD. I  
13 UNDERSTAND THAT WE HAVE A CONSIDERABLE NUMBER, SO WE ARE GOING  
14 TO LIMIT IT TO ONE MINUTE EACH FOR THE INDIVIDUALS COMING UP.  
15 AND WITH THAT, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU PLEASE READ  
16 THE NAMES OF THOSE WISHING TO TESTIFY?

17

18 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WOULD THE FOLLOWING  
19 INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU:  
20 ANGELINA GALITEVA, ANTONIO SANCHEZ, BIANCA ROMERO, BREANNA  
21 COLINDRES, CRYSTAL SMITH, ERIC PREVEN, ERIKA HAWKINS,  
22 FRANCISCO ARAGO, GLORIA GONZALEZ, HECTOR ROJAS, HERMAN HERMAN,  
23 JAIME RODRIGUEZ, JAIRO QUEZADA, JENNIFER KROPKE, JOHN HARRIEL,  
24 JOSE MARTINEZ, JUAN MARTINEZ, JUDITH WELCH, KEVIN CLINE, KIM  
25 MCGILL, KIMYA WILSON, LARRY LAVEN, LARRY LAVE, MARY JACOBS,

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1 PAUL RICHARD, RAUSHAN GARNETT, RED CHIEF HUNT, REVEREND DR.  
2 MELLO DESIRE, RICHARD HERNANDEZ, SHAWN KOJOORI, TOM YU, VICTOR  
3 TRUJILLO, WILLIAM ACOSTA, AND LUPITA CARBALLO, AND ESIQUIO  
4 REYES. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

5

6 **SUP. SOLIS:** VERY GOOD. WE'LL START WITH THE FIRST SPEAKER, AND  
7 EACH OF YOU WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE. AND PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME  
8 FOR THE RECORD. THANK YOU.

9

10 **ANGELINA GALITEVA:** GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ANGELINA  
11 GALITEVA. I AM THE FOUNDER AND CHAIR OF WORLD COUNCIL  
12 RENEWABLE ENERGY, AND ALSO THE RENEWABLES 100 POLICY  
13 INSTITUTE. I'M HERE TO SPEAK ABOUT THE CALIFORNIA CLEAN POWER  
14 ALLIANCE AND THE NEW C.C.A. CONGRATULATIONS, SUPERVISOR SHEILA  
15 KUEHL. THIS IS PROBABLY THE MOST TREMENDOUS AND MOST EXCITING  
16 OPPORTUNITY THAT HAS ARISEN IN THE CLEAN ENERGY SPACE, AS OF  
17 LATE. WHAT I'M HERE TO SPEAK ABOUT IS THE NEW R.F.O. THAT WE  
18 HAVE ON THE STREETS. AND OF COURSE WE KNOW THAT THERE'S A LOT  
19 OF INTEREST IN DEVELOPING RENEWABLE ENERGY. AND AS THE STATE  
20 TRANSITIONS TO 100 PERCENT RENEWABLE ENERGY, IN NOT ONLY THE  
21 ELECTRICITY SECTOR, BUT ALSO THE TRANSPORTATION SECTOR, WE  
22 NEED TO BE LOOKING AT OUR GRID AS AN INTEGRATED SOLUTION. IT  
23 IS NO LONGER THE CENTRALIZED POWER STATIONS, BUT ALSO THE  
24 DISTRIBUTED, DECENTRALIZED, DECARBONIZED, AND VERY DIVERSIFIED  
25 RESOURCES. THOSE RESOURCES CAN BE LOCAL. THEY CAN SUPPLY

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1 RENEWABLE ENERGY, LOCALLY, ON A DISTRIBUTED BASIS. THEY CAN  
2 ALSO IMPROVE OUR RESILIENCY, BECAUSE IF WE HAVE THE RESOURCES,  
3 SUCH AS RENEWABLE ENERGY AND STORAGE LOCALLY, WE'RE ABLE TO  
4 PROVIDE JOBS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AS WELL. SO THANK YOU.  
5 I'M HERE TO SPEAK ABOUT HOW WE CAN HAVE MORE RELIABLE ENERGY,  
6 LOCALLY.

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

9

10 **BREANNA COLINDRES:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BREANNA  
11 COLINDRES. I'M HERE WITH THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION, AND I  
12 WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE JAIL THAT THEY'RE MAKING. INSTEAD OF  
13 MAKING MORE JAILS, I FEEL LIKE THAT THEY SHOULD MAKE MORE  
14 YOUTHS. I'M SORRY. I FEEL LIKE THEY SHOULD MAKE MORE JUSTICE  
15 COALITION FOR KIDS AND ADULTS, INSTEAD OF SENDING THEM OFF  
16 SOMEWHERE FAR AWAY... AWAY FROM THEIR FAMILIES AND, LIKE, YOU  
17 KNOW, THEY CAN GET MORE HELP THAN THAT, INSTEAD OF PUTTING  
18 THEM AWAY. THAT'S ALL. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

21

22 **BIANCA ROMERO:** HELLO. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS BIANCA  
23 ROMERO. I, LIKE OTHERS HERE, AM AN APPRENTICE AT I.B.E.W. I'M  
24 A U.S. ARMY VET. I'M SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF THE CLEAN POWER  
25 ALLIANCE. BUT I'M ASKING OUR ELECTED LEADERS TO WORK WITH OUR

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1 SUPERVISOR KUEHL TO CREATE LOCAL RENEWABLE ENERGY  
2 OPPORTUNITIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, IF THE C.P.A. WERE TO BUY  
3 ENERGY LOCALLY, WITH VETERANS LIKE ME TO WORK ON CLEAN ENERGY  
4 JOBS. I'M ASKING FOR OUR COUNTY ELECTEDS TO WORK TOGETHER TO  
5 BUY ENERGY HERE, AND PUT OUR VETERANS TO WORK. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

8

9 **JAIRO QUEZADA:** HELLO. MY NAME IS JAIRO QUEZADA. I LIVE IN  
10 SUPERVISOR HAHN'S DISTRICT. I AM HERE TO ASK HOW MY SUPERVISOR  
11 AND OTHERS CAN WORK TO CREATE RENEWABLE ENERGY CAREERS FOR THE  
12 CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE. I AM CONCERNED. WE ARE NOT WORKING TO  
13 BUY ENERGY LOCALLY AND CREATE RENEWABLE ENERGY CAREERS. I WANT  
14 TO ASK HOW OUR SUPERVISORS CAN HELP CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE BUY  
15 ENERGY LOCALLY, AND CREATE LOCAL CLEAN ENERGY CAREERS. THANK  
16 YOU.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

19

20 **HECTOR ROJAS:** MY NAME IS HECTOR ROJAS. I LIVE IN SUPERVISOR  
21 RIDLEY-THOMAS'S DISTRICT. I JOINED THE I.B.E.W. BECAUSE A  
22 FAMILY MEMBER OF MINE IS A FOREMAN AT THE DESOTO REFINERY. I,  
23 HOWEVER, WANT TO HAVE A CLEAN ENERGY CAREER. I LIVE IN  
24 COMPTON, AND THE OVERALL AIR QUALITY'S BAD. ALTHOUGH I SUPPORT  
25 THE CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE, I ASK MY AND ALL THE SUPERVISORS TO

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1 WORK CREATIVELY TO CREATE CLEAN ENERGY CAREERS IN OUR COUNTY.

2 I WANT TO HELP THE C.P.A. AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL BUY CLEAN

3 ENERGY LOCALLY, NOT CHEAP ENERGY BOUGHT ELSEWHERE THAT LEAVES

4 WORKERS LIKE MYSELF TO SEEK REFINERY WORK. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

7

8 **CRYSTAL SMITH:** HELLO. MY NAME IS CRYSTAL SMITH. I'M FROM YOUR

9 DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR BARGER. I WAS PREVIOUSLY INCARCERATED AT

10 CHOWCHILLA STATE PRISON FOR SIX YEARS. I JOINED THE I.B.E.W.

11 AFTER I WAS RELEASED, BECAUSE I WANTED A RENEWABLE ENERGY

12 CAREER. I AM HERE TODAY TO ASK YOU HOW WE CAN WORK TOGETHER TO

13 CREATE COST-EFFECTIVE AND WORKER-FRIENDLY RENEWABLE ENERGY

14 DEVELOPMENT. I SUPPORT THE CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE, BUT AM

15 CONCERNED ABOUT ITS ABILITY TO CREATE RENEWABLE ENERGY CAREERS

16 HERE, LOCALLY. I AM ASKING ALL OF US TO LOOK FOR CREATIVE

17 SOLUTIONS FOR A RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT IN THE LOS

18 ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **JUAN MARTINEZ:** MY NAME IS JUAN MARTINEZ. I LIVE IN SUPERVISOR

23 HAHN'S DISTRICT. SUPERVISOR HAHN, I AM ASKING THAT WE WORK

24 TOGETHER TO CREATE THE CONDITIONS THAT YIELD LOCAL RENEWABLE

25 ENERGY CAREERS. I SUPPORT CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE AND THEIR GOAL

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1 TO PROVIDE CLEAN ENERGY, LOCALLY. I LIVE IN WILMINGTON, AND I  
2 WORK AT THE MARATHON REFINERY. I WANT TO WORK ON RENEWABLE AND  
3 CLEAN ENERGY PROJECTS FOR CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE. PLEASE, LET  
4 ALL OF US START THINKING CREATIVELY TO CREATE RENEWABLE ENERGY  
5 CAREERS FOR PEOPLE LIKE ME, WHO WANT TO STAY OUT OF WORKING IN  
6 THE REFINERIES. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

9

10 **WILLIAM ACOSTA:** MY NAME IS WILLIAM ACOSTA. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I  
11 LIVE IN YOUR DISTRICT. I'M A VETERAN OF THE MARINE CORPS.  
12 OORAH! I'M HERE TO ASK MY SUPERVISORS TO WORK WITH SUPERVISOR  
13 KUEHL TO HELP CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE BUY ENERGY LOCALLY FROM  
14 UNIONIZED PROJECTS. CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE REPRESENTS  
15 UNINCORPORATED PARTS OF OUR COUNTY, AS WELL AS MEMBER CITIES.  
16 HOW C.P.A. BUYS ENERGY IMPACTS ALL OF US. IT CAN CREATE CLEAN  
17 ENERGY CAREERS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, WHERE WE HAVE LOTS OF  
18 UNDEVELOPED AND BROWNFIELD LANDS. I ASKED MY SUPERVISOR TO  
19 WORK WITH SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE TO CREATE  
20 CLEAN ENERGY JOBS LOCALLY, THAT WILL BENEFIT US ALL. THANK  
21 YOU.

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

24

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1   **KEVIN CLINE:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, I'M KEVIN CLINE, AND I AM FROM  
2   YOUR DISTRICT. I'M ALSO A NAVY VETERAN. I'M HERE ALSO TO SPEAK  
3   UP FOR ASKING THAT ALL THE SUPERVISORS WORK TOGETHER TO CREATE  
4   THE CONDITIONS THAT ARE GOING TO CREATE THE CLEAN ENERGY  
5   CARRIERS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY FOR THE CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE. BUT  
6   CHEAPER, RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS ARE NOT NECESSARILY BETTER.  
7   IF WE SEND THE MONEY OUTSIDE OF L.A. COUNTY, ONLY THE  
8   CONTRACTORS ARE GOING TO BENEFIT, SO WE NEED TO USE OUR LOCAL  
9   UNION WORKERS HERE. AND THEN ALL THE RESIDENTS IN THE ENTIRE  
10   COUNTY CAN BENEFIT, AND THE ECONOMY WILL GROW. SO, PLEASE,  
11   LET'S WORK TOGETHER, ALL THE DISTRICTS, TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR  
12   KUEHL AND THE CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE, AND CREATE GOOD JOBS HERE  
13   IN L.A. COUNTY.

14

15   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

16

17   **PAUL RICHARD:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS PAUL RICHARD. I'M A  
18   THIRD-YEAR APPRENTICE INSIDE WIREMEN FOR I.B.E.W. LOCAL 11.  
19   I'M A FORMER ENGLISH INSTRUCTOR AT GOLDEN WEST COLLEGE, AND  
20   THE DECISION TO JOIN A SKILLED TRADE WAS ONE OF THE BEST  
21   DECISIONS, BECAUSE IT ALLOWS ME TO BETTER SUPPORT MYSELF AND  
22   MY FAMILY. I LIVE IN LONG BEACH, AND I WANT TO WORK ON  
23   RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS LOCALLY. MY CITY IS CONSIDERING  
24   WHETHER TO GO THE C.C.A., ROUTE AND I'M KEENLY INTERESTED TO  
25   SEE C.P.A. CREATE RENEWABLE PROJECTS, LOCALLY, BY A SKILLED



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1 UNIONIZED WORKFORCE. I ASK MY SUPERVISOR TO WORK WITH  
2 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND C.P.A. TO CREATE RENEWABLE ENERGY CAREERS  
3 LOCALLY. LET ME REPEAT: I WANT TO DO RENEWABLE ENERGY WORK,  
4 NOT REFINERY WORK. PLEASE HELP ME. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. OKAY. NEXT SPEAKER.

7

8 **JOHN HARRIEL:** MY NAME IS JOHN E. HARRIEL, JR. I'M A FORMERLY  
9 INCARCERATED INDIVIDUAL, BUT NOW A 22-YEAR MEMBER OF THE  
10 I.B.E.W. LOCAL 11 UNION ELECTRICIAN. I'M HERE TODAY ALSO AS A  
11 MEMBER OF SECOND CALL AND BIG GIANT CARES, AND WE WANT TO KNOW  
12 ABOUT THE CHANGE IN OUR LIVES, BECAUSE I'M CONCERNED ABOUT  
13 WHERE THE CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE IS BUYING THEIR ENERGY FROM.  
14 I'M TRYING TO EDUCATE MYSELF ABOUT HOW C.P.A. CAN BUY ENERGY  
15 AND MAKE SURE THAT THE WORKFORCE IS UNION, SO MUCH SO THAT I  
16 HAD A ONE-TO-ONE WITH TED BARDACKE, AND I WANT TO HELP AND  
17 WORK WITH HIM TO HELP DO THIS. BUT WE NEED EVERY SUPERVISOR TO  
18 BE ON BOARD WITH THIS AND THINK CREATIVELY TO HAVE AN AREA TO  
19 WHERE WE CAN BUILD MORE PROJECTS IN L.A. COUNTY. NOW, I KNOW  
20 THAT YOU CAN GET THE ENERGY CHEAPER IN OTHER COUNTIES, BUT  
21 L.A. COUNTY BELIEVES IN CLEAN ENERGY, AND WE WANT TO HELP WITH  
22 THAT AND MAKE SURE WE BRING IT HERE TO L.A. COUNTY, AND CREATE  
23 MORE UNION PROJECTS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS.

24

25 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. YOUR TURN.

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1

2 **KIMYA WILSON:** HOW ARE YOU DOING? GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS  
3 KIMYA WILSON, AND I WAS PREVIOUSLY INCARCERATED IN THE FEDERAL  
4 JAIL. I WANT TO WORK FOR I.B.E.W., DOING RENEWABLE ENERGY  
5 WORK. I'M ASKING THAT WE CREATE THOSE CONDITIONS THAT ALLOW  
6 MORE RENEWABLE ENERGY CAREERS IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I  
7 LIVE IN THE SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S DISTRICT, AND I'M  
8 ASKING FOR OUR SUPERVISORS' HELP IN THIS REGARD. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** YOU GOT IT. THANK YOU. YOUR TURN.

11

12 **RAUSHAN GARNETT:** MY NAME'S RAUSHAN GARNETT, AND I LIVE IN YOUR  
13 DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. MY FAMILY HAS BEEN IN THE SKILLED  
14 ELECTRICAL TRADE SINCE MY GRANDFATHER OWNED HIS OWN BUSINESS  
15 IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. SUPERVISOR KUEHL, I SUPPORT WHAT WE  
16 ARE ALL TRYING TO DO WITH CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE, BUT I'M  
17 CONCERNED ABOUT C.P.A. BUYING ENERGY OUTSIDE OF THE SERVICE  
18 TERRITORY. I AM ASKING WE ALL WORK TOGETHER TO COME UP WITH  
19 SOLUTIONS TO CREATE CONDITIONS THAT FOSTER LOCAL DEVELOPMENT  
20 AND LOCAL RENEWABLE ENERGY CAREERS. I WANT TO WORK ON  
21 RENEWABLE ENERGY PRODUCTS FOR C.P.A., AND HELP THE COUNTY AND  
22 C.P.A. CREATE CLEAN AIR, CREATE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND  
23 ECONOMIC JUSTICE. THANK YOU.

24

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1    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. NEXT

2    SPEAKER?

3

4    **LUPITA CARBALLO:** HELLO. MY NAME IS LUPITA, WITH THE YOUTH

5    JUSTICE COALITION, AND I WANT TO TALK ABOUT REDIRECTING THE

6    \$3.5 BILLION OF THE JAIL EXPANSION INTO TWO COMMUNITIES'

7    JUSTICE CENTER, ONE THAT WILL BE SERVING YOUTH 10 TO 24 IN THE

8    AREAS OF SOUTH CENTRAL, COMPTON, WATTS, AND THE OTHER ONE

9    SERVING GIRLS AND REPLACING EASTLAKE. WHAT WOULD THESE

10    PROGRAMS HAVE? THESE PROGRAMS CAN INCLUDE TUTOR LABS,

11    MENTORING, MIRROR-MAKING, SILKSCREEN, TEAM SPORTS, RECORDING

12    STUDIOS, AND OTHER MORE. AND WE'RE TALKING ABOUT CLOSING ALL

13    THESE PRISONS, SO HOW CAN WE REFURNISH THESE YOUTH PRISONS

14    THAT ARE PREPARING THESE YOUNG PEOPLE INTO THE BIGGER HOUSE? I

15    WANT TO GIVE THIS PROPOSAL INTO TRANSFORMATIVE JUSTICE, WHICH

16    CAN BE OPEN FROM 6 TO 8, AND NOW SATURDAYS FROM 10 TO 12, AND

17    YOU CAN GO IN THERE ON A DAILY BASIS, HAVE TRANSFORMATIVE

18    JUSTICE, HAVE CLASSES FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE, HAVE PHYSICAL

19    EXERCISE AND TEAMBUILDING, CORE CLASSES, AND THEY CAN COME OUT

20    WITH CERTIFICATES AND BE ELECTRICIANS, LIKE THESE GUYS OUT

21    HERE. THANK YOU.

22

23    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

24

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1     **JUDITH WELCH:** HI. MY NAME IS JUDY WELCH, AND I AM HERE ON  
2     BEHALF OF MY SON AND MY ONE-YEAR-OLD GRANDSON. MY SON WAS  
3     GIVEN CUSTODY THROUGH D.C.F.S. THROUGH THE FAMILY COURT ON  
4     JULY 2018, BECAUSE THE CHILD'S MOTHER IS ABUSIVE TO HIM AND TO  
5     HIS OLDER SISTER. THERE WERE SEVERAL COURT ORDERS THAT WERE  
6     COMPLETELY IGNORED BY HER AND D.C.F.S., AND WE DID MAKE THE  
7     SOCIAL WORKER AWARE. ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS, SHE TOOK THE CHILD  
8     OUT TO BIG BEAR FOR FIVE DAYS WITHOUT NOTIFYING D.C.F.S., AND  
9     I ACTUALLY HAD TO CALL THEM, BECAUSE I ACTUALLY THOUGHT SHE  
10    TOOK THE CHILD TO MEXICO, AND WE WOULD NEVER SEE HIM AGAIN.  
11    THE COURT ORDERS ARE NOT BEING UPHELD BY HER, NOR BEING  
12    ENFORCED BY D.C.F.S., AND I JUST WANT SOMEONE TO EXPLAIN TO ME  
13    WHY THIS ABUSIVE MOTHER IS RUNNING D.C.F.S. AND THE COURT, AND  
14    WHY D.C.F.S. ISN'T DOING THEIR JOB TO PROTECT MY ONE-YEAR-OLD  
15    GRANDSON. BUT I CAN GUARANTEE YOU, IF THE SHOE WAS ON THE  
16    OTHER FOOT, IF MY SON, WHO HAS NEVER DONE ANYTHING WRONG, WENT  
17    AGAINST THE COURT ORDER OR HAD SAID ANYTHING NEGATIVE TO  
18    D.C.F.S., THEY WOULD BE AGAINST HIM.

19

20   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. THERE IS SOMEONE FROM  
21   D.C.F.S. HERE THAT, IF YOU COME OVER HERE, WILL TALK TO YOU.  
22   OKAY, THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN. WOULD YOU READ THE THREE MORE  
23   NAMES?

24

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1 **SPEAKER:** YES, MADAM CHAIR. WOULD THERESA SIGMUND, ZANTON  
2 SIGMUND, AND FLOOD SIGMUND PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL  
3 ASSIST YOU?

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY, NEXT SPEAKER. MR. PREVEN?

6

7 **ERIC PREVEN:** GREETINGS. I APPRECIATE THE EFFORT TOWARD CLEAN  
8 ENERGY ON DIRTY SANITATION DAY DOWN AT THE BOARD OF  
9 SUPERVISORS. BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SPEND MY TIME IN PUBLIC  
10 COMMENT FIRST MENTIONING THAT IF YOU WANT TO HEAR FROM THOSE  
11 PEOPLE, LET THEM SPEAK IN THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING FOR THE  
12 FIRST TWO MINUTES, BECAUSE IT'S VERY HARD. AND IT'S ONLY NOON,  
13 AND YET WE'VE CUT EVERYBODY TO HALF THE TIME. BUT I WILL TRY  
14 TO BE FOCUSED AND SAY THAT I AM REACHING OUT TO ONE OF YOUR  
15 GREAT 88 CITIES. IT'S CALLED THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. AND  
16 THERE'S A MAYOR NAMED ERIC GARCETTI, AND WE'VE BEEN ASKING HIM  
17 AND HIS ENTIRE DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT, AND THE  
18 CLERK, AND ALL THE CHARACTERS WHO HELP WITH THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD  
19 COUNCILS, THAT JANICE HAHN LOVES, AS SHE TOLD US AT THE METRO,  
20 AND MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS INVENTED, AS HE TOLD US REGULARLY. SO  
21 WHAT WE'VE ASKED THEM TO DO IS TO ALLOW THE BOARD IN STUDIO  
22 CITY THAT HAS ALREADY VOTED INTERNALLY TO CHANGE THE SYSTEM TO  
23 MAKE IT WAY MORE ACCESSIBLE, LIKE SUPERVISOR SOLIS HAS DONE IN  
24 HER CAREER, TRYING TO MAKE IT SO THERE'S NO SUPPRESSION OR  
25 DIFFICULTIES, AND LIKE IN THE L.A. TIMES IN 2016, WE WERE IN--

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1 YOU KNOW, IT WAS A DISASTER. WE JUST WANT TO DO IT BETTER, AND  
2 WE NEED HIS HELP TO GIVE US AN OPPORTUNITY THROUGH PILOT. SO  
3 THANK YOU FOR ASKING JANICE TO CALL HIM. I DON'T KNOW IF SHE  
4 WAS EXCUSED TODAY, BUT I HOPE SHE'S FEELING BETTER.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. NEXT  
7 SPEAKER?

8

9 **GLORIA GONZALEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS GLORIA GONZALEZ.  
10 I'M WITH THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION, AND I WANTED TO SAY  
11 THANK YOU FOR INDICATING THAT THE MIRA LOMA WOMEN'S JAIL WILL  
12 NOT BE MOVING FORWARD. WITH THAT BEING SAID, I DID WANT TO SAY  
13 THAT THE WOMAN POPULATION IN THE JAILS IS GROWING FAST. BUT 30  
14 PERCENT OF THESE WOMEN, WHICH IS ABOUT 805 WOMEN, WHO ARE  
15 CURRENTLY INCARCERATED HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH MENTAL  
16 ILLNESS. THE AVERAGE STAY IS 38 DAYS. SO THINK ABOUT THAT. 30  
17 PERCENT OF WOMEN, RIGHT, THAT ARE IN LOCKUP RIGHT NOW HAVE  
18 BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH A MENTAL ILLNESS. AND WHEN WE LOOK AT  
19 THAT, WE'RE ALSO LOOKING AT THE AVERAGE STAY FOR THESE WOMEN  
20 IS 38 DAYS. SO WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT THE 38 DAYS, WHAT SORT OF  
21 PROGRAMMING ARE THEY RECEIVING THAT IS REALLY HELPING THEM  
22 MOVE FORWARD IN THEIR LIVES, AND HELPING THEM REHABILITATE  
23 THEMSELVES? IF THAT'S WHAT THE COUNTY'S INTENT HAS BEEN WHEN  
24 THEY ARE INCARCERATED, RIGHT, TO REHABILITATE THEMSELVES, WHAT  
25 IS THE PROGRAM THAT THEY'RE RECEIVING, AND ESPECIALLY SINCE

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1 WE'RE SEEING THAT A LOT OF THESE WOMEN HAVE MENTAL ILLNESSES?  
2 SO REAL QUICK, I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT THE YOUTH JUSTICE  
3 COALITION HAS BEEN WORKING ON A WOMEN AND YOUTH CENTER. YEAH.  
4 AND KIM WILL TALK ABOUT THAT MORE, BUT REALLY LOOKING INTO  
5 WHAT KIM IS ABOUT TO SAY.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. KIM?

8

9 **KIM MCGILL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. KIM MCGILL, FROM THE  
10 YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. WE WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR YOUR  
11 CRITICISM OF MIRA LOMA. AFTER EIGHT YEARS, WE FEEL REALLY  
12 INCREDIBLY HONORED TO BE ABLE TO WORK ON A DIFFERENT PLAN, FOR  
13 WOMEN ESPECIALLY, BUT ALSO FOR OTHER PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY, SO  
14 THAT WE'RE NOT MORE THAN A FEW MILES FROM OUR HOMES, AND SO  
15 THAT WE CAN EASILY CONNECT TO OUR COMMUNITIES. WE'RE  
16 PROPOSING, IN PREPARATION FOR THE 12TH, WHEN THE FINAL VOTE  
17 WILL HAPPEN, WE'RE PROPOSING THAT PART OF WHAT HAPPENS AS THE  
18 NEW PLAN MOVING FORWARD IS THAT INSTEAD OF BUILDING ADDITIONAL  
19 JAIL CELLS, WE BUILD COMMUNITY JUSTICE CENTERS. WE'RE STARTING  
20 TO PROPOSE TWO. WE'RE NOT CLAIMING THAT THESE SHOULD BE  
21 CENTERS RUN BY THE YOUTH JUSTICE COALITION. WE WANT THEM TO BE  
22 RUN BY COMMUNITY COLLEGES, BY COMMUNITY AGENCIES, BY COUNTY  
23 AGENCIES, IN AN EFFORT TO HAVE PEOPLE CHECK IN IN THE MORNING  
24 AND COME HOME AT NIGHT. REPLACE THE DAY REPORTING CENTERS THAT  
25 PROBATION RUNS TO MAKE THEM MORE THOROUGH AND MORE BENEFICIAL.



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1 IT WOULD INCLUDE SCHOOL, MENTAL HEALTH, TRANSFORMATIVE  
2 JUSTICE, AS WELL AS THE TRADES. WE COULD HAVE A FEW, VERY FEW  
3 BEDS THERE, FOR PEOPLE THAT ARE EITHER FACING SERIOUS TIME OR  
4 WHO ARE SENTENCED TO JAIL, BUT WE DON'T HAVE TO BUILD 1500  
5 JAIL BEDS FOR WOMEN, OR THOUSANDS OF JAIL BEDS FOR MEN IN THE  
6 COUNTY.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. THANKS. NEXT SPEAKER?  
9 YEAH, AND ANYTHING YOU WANT TO SUBMIT IN WRITING, IF WE CUT  
10 YOU OFF, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO SUBMIT IT, AND IT WILL BE IN THE  
11 RECORD. NEXT SPEAKER?

12

13 **LARRY LAVEN:** HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS LARRY  
14 LAVEN, AND I'M FROM ENCINO. PREVIOUSLY, IN REFERENCE TO L.A.  
15 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, THE WORDS "MENTAL HEALTH" CAME UP  
16 OVER AND OVER AGAIN. THEY MENTIONED COUNSELING, WHICH IS GOOD.  
17 BUT DO THESE MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELORS, MORE OFTEN THAN NOT,  
18 FIND MEDICINE TO BE THE ANSWER? MEDICINE PRESCRIBED BY THE  
19 PSYCHIATRISTS? I URGE YOU TO ASK YOURSELVES, WHAT IS MENTAL  
20 HEALTH, AND THEN QUESTION THE MENTAL HEALTH DOCTORS TO FIND  
21 OUT IF YOUR IMPRESSION IS CORRECT. I URGE YOU TO FIND OUT WHAT  
22 IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A PSYCHOLOGIST AND A PSYCHIATRIST.  
23 DOES MENTAL HEALTH INCLUDE THE PSYCHOLOGIST? WHAT DO MENTAL  
24 HEALTH WORKERS DO, OTHER THAN PRESCRIBING MEDICINE? HOW DO  
25 THEY SOLVE PROBLEMS? HOW DO THEY DETERMINE THAT A PERSON NEEDS

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1 MEDICINE? NEXT TIME MENTAL HEALTH IS BEFORE YOU, PLEASE ASK  
2 THE ABOVE QUESTIONS. THE TRUTH IS, MENTAL HEALTH HAS NEVER  
3 BEEN BEFORE YOU; IT'S ALWAYS THE PSYCHIATRISTS. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

6

7 **RICHARD HERNANDEZ:** MY NAME IS RICHARD HERNANDEZ, AND I JUST  
8 WANTED TO CLARIFY: THE REASON I ASKED FOR SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S  
9 ASSISTANCE WAS BECAUSE OF MY ADMIRATION FOR ALL THE THINGS  
10 THAT SHE'S DONE AND ACCOMPLISHED IN HER LIFE. BUT ONE OF THE  
11 COMMON THREADS THAT I'M NOTICING IS THAT WE ALWAYS ASK AND  
12 SEEK BUDGETARY MONIES, OR HOW TO TAKE CARE OF THINGS. AND IT'S  
13 JUST AMAZING TO ME THAT WE'RE WILLING TO KEEP SPENDING 65  
14 PERCENT, 55 PERCENT INTEREST WITH THINGS, WHERE, IF WE HAD A  
15 CREDIT CARD, WE WOULD NEVER DO THAT. AND IT'S JUST A SIMPLE...  
16 WELL, IT'S NOT A SIMPLE PROCESS, BUT IT IS A PROCESS WHERE WE  
17 COULD ELIMINATE MOST OF THOSE MONIES. AND THE MONEY WE  
18 ELIMINATE ACTUALLY STAYS WITH THE COUNTY. SO THAT'S WHERE I  
19 WANT TO GET GOING. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

20

21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER. HERMAN  
22 HERMAN.

23

24 **HERMAN HERMAN:** WELL, IT'S A SHAME THAT MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS IS  
25 UNAVAILABLE TO TALK ABOUT THE WEST ATHENS SAFE LANDING PROJECT

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1 IN REGARDS TO THE EXODUS FOUNDATION LOCATED AT 1328 WEST  
2 IMPERIAL HIGHWAY IN LOS ANGELES, BECAUSE \$15 MILLION IS  
3 EXCESSIVE MONIES GOING TO THE OUTREACH AND TREATMENT FOR  
4 PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS. HOW DO YOU PUT IN A RESIDENTIAL  
5 NEIGHBORHOOD A FACILITY LIKE THIS WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF DR.  
6 MELLO DESIRE? AND HER PUBLIC COMMENT AND TESTIMONY ON ITEM 5  
7 WAS TRUE AND CORRECT. WHERE IS THE JACKASS RIDLEY-THOMAS TO  
8 ADDRESS THE ISSUE? I'M ASKING YOU, THE PUBLIC, WHERE IS HE? HE  
9 BUILT HIS GARAGE FOR HIS OWN PURPOSE, WITH THE WORK OF COUNTY  
10 EMPLOYEES ABUSING OUR TAXPAYING DOLLARS. IN ADDITION TO THAT,  
11 NOW HE'S HIDING BEHIND THE SKIRTS OF HIS SON SEBASTIAN FOR  
12 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEX ABUSE CHARGES. ISN'T THAT A SHAME?

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

15

16 **ESQUIO REYES:** HI. MY NAME'S ESIQUIO REYES. WHEN DEALING WITH  
17 HOMELESSNESS, ONE NEEDS TO ASK QUESTIONS AND HAVE THEM  
18 ANSWERED WITHIN THE SHORTEST TIMEFRAME FROM THOSE JUST  
19 EXPERIENCING ANY ISSUE OF HOMELESSNESS. THIS, IN TURN, COULD  
20 ACTUALLY BRING MORE FRUITFUL STEPS WHEN TAKING THE INITIATIVE  
21 TO HELP COMBAT IT. OVER 10 YEARS, I'VE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
22 MEET WITH MANY NEW HOMELESS THAT ARE HERE IN L.A. MANY ISSUES  
23 OF SCHOOLING WITH L.A.'S COMMUNITY COLLEGES IS ONE OF THEM. A  
24 FORCED PSYCHOLOGICAL REGRESSION IS WHAT MANY OF THEM HAVE BEEN  
25 FACING, BECAUSE OF A LOT OF THE HIGH-SCHOOL CLASSES IN WHICH

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1 THEY DID GO THROUGH AND TAKE ARE NOW ACTUALLY HAVING TO BE  
2 PAID FOR WHEN YOU GO TO COLLEGE, OR AT LEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
3 LEVEL. SO THERE IS ONE REASONING AS TO WHY MANY OF THE  
4 HOMELESS ARE NOW FINDING THEMSELVES HOMELESS. SO I'LL BE  
5 BRINGING OUT OTHER ISSUES AS TIME GOES FORWARD. THANKS.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

8

9 **VICTOR TRUJILLO:** HI. HI. MY NAME IS VICTOR TRUJILLO. I'M VERY  
10 INTERESTED. I DIDN'T GET TO SPEAK ON THE OTHER ITEM, REGARDING  
11 THE NATURAL GAS IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. I ACTUALLY WENT  
12 AHEAD AND BOUGHT MYSELF-- WELL, DIDN'T BUY IT. ACTUALLY, GOT  
13 ME AN APP THAT IDENTIFIES-- IT'S AN E.H.T. APP THAT ACTUALLY  
14 SAYS EVERY DAY YOU HAVE RASHES, YOU CAN'T BREATHE AT NIGHT,  
15 YOU WAKE UP-- SO THERE IS PROBLEMS HAPPENING IN SAN FERNANDO  
16 VALLEY, THE GAS PROBLEM THAT WE'RE BASICALLY, I GUESS, BARGER  
17 BROUGHT IT UP, AND IT'S TRUE. WE NEED TO LOOK INTO IT, BECAUSE  
18 THERE IS A PROBLEM, A NATURAL DISASTER, HAPPENING IN THE SAN  
19 FERNANDO VALLEY. NO ONE'S EVEN BLINKING AN EYEBALL OVER IT.  
20 AND WE'RE TALKING ABOUT MILLIONS OF WHITE AMERICANS, RUSSIANS,  
21 WHATEVER YOU WANT TO CALL THEM, AFRICANS, LATINS, ARMENIANS,  
22 WHATNOT. EVERYBODY'S IN DANGER, AND WE'RE NOT LOOKING AT THAT  
23 ISSUE. SO, PLEASE, IF WE'RE GOING TO USE OUR LEGAL STATUS,  
24 LET'S LOOK AT AN ISSUE THAT NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT, EVEN BY THE  
25 PRESIDENT. THANK YOU.

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1

2 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

3

4 **MARY JACOBS:** MY NAME IS MARY JACOBS, AND MY HOUSE, MY PROPERTY  
5 IS BEING TAKEN OVER BY A RECEIVERSHIP, A CALIFORNIA  
6 RECEIVERSHIP GROUP. AND I JUST THOUGHT IT WOULD BE INTERESTING  
7 FOR YOU TO REALIZE THAT IT'S COSTING \$30,000 PER MONTH JUST TO  
8 HAVE ARMED GUARDS. SO FAR, THE BILLS ARE ABOUT \$180,000 FOR A  
9 PROPERTY THAT I WAS OFFERED \$300,000 FOR. AND THIS DOESN'T  
10 EVEN COUNT THE MONEY TO SPEND TO ACTUALLY FIX THE CODE  
11 VIOLATIONS. TO FIX THE CODE VIOLATIONS IS ANOTHER 200,000. SO,  
12 BASICALLY THE COUNTY AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA HAS FIGURED A  
13 WAY TO DEplete ME OF ALL THE EQUITY, SO THAT I'M LEFT  
14 HOMELESS, AND THE PROPERTY IS GOING TO BE BELONGING TO THEM.  
15 AND I THINK IT'S UNFAIR. I WISH THERE WAS SOME WAY WE COULD  
16 REDO IT. AND THE MAN THAT I HAVE HELPING ME ISN'T GETTING ANY  
17 COOPERATION FROM L.A. COUNTY BUILDING AND SAFETY. I WISH THEY  
18 COULD GET SOME HELP.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
21 TESTIMONY. NEXT SPEAKER.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** I'M HERE BECAUSE TWO WEEKS AGO, THE C.P.S. CAME TO  
24 OUR HOME WITH THE POLICE AND A COURT ORDER SPECIFICALLY  
25 DESIGNED TO STRIP US OF OUR RIGHTS, MAINLY SO WE WOULDN'T

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1 DOCUMENT THE INVESTIGATION BY RECORDING IT, WHICH IS OUR LEGAL  
2 RIGHT. LAST TIME WE CAME, WE HAD AN AGREEMENT THAT WE COULD BE  
3 ON NEUTRAL GROUNDS. INSTEAD, BEHIND OUR BACKS, THEY GET A  
4 COURT ORDER UNDER THE PRETENSE THAT MY MOTHER'S HIDING US, AND  
5 THAT THEY CANNOT FIND US. BUT WHAT TRULY HAPPENS IS WE ARE  
6 HERE ONCE A WEEK, ASKING FOR TRANSPARENCY, AND FOR THEM TO  
7 RESPECT OUR LEGAL RIGHTS. SO, BASICALLY, JUST THE C.P.S. LIED.  
8 LIKE, DO YOU KNOW WHAT THIS IS DOING TO ME? I'M JUST GROWING  
9 UP LEARNING THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS JUST LIES AND LIES TO  
10 JUDGES AND PEOPLE. AND IS THAT THE IMAGE THAT YOU WANT ME TO  
11 HAVE? BECAUSE THAT'S JUST NOT GOOD. AND ALSO, IT'S NOT GOOD  
12 FOR MY MENTAL HEALTH. WE GET VERY STRESSED, AND THEN YOU JUST  
13 LEAVE.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. DO YOU WANT TO GO?

16

17 **SPEAKER:** WE GOT FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR-- I DON'T KNOW WHAT  
18 YOU GUYS GOT-- WE GOT A NEW COURT ORDER. AND THAT COURT ORDER  
19 IS A CHILD INVESTIGATION SEARCH WARRANT, AND IT'S BEING CUSTOM  
20 MADE TO FIT YOUR NEEDS TO STRIP US OF OUR RIGHTS. I'D BE SO  
21 SCARED IF SOMETHING WAS REALLY WRONG WITH THESE CHILDREN.  
22 THERE'S ANOTHER CHILD THAT JUST DIED IN YOUR CARE FOR THAT  
23 VERY REASON, BECAUSE IT'S A POPULARITY CONTEST. IT'S NOT ABOUT  
24 CHILDREN. IT'S ABOUT IF YOU LIKE THE MOTHERS, YOU CAN GET AWAY  
25 WITH MURDER, AND DOES... UNTIL THE CHILD IS DEAD, AND YOU GO,

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1 "OOPS." AND THAT'S NOT "OOPS." IF YOU DON'T LIKE THE MOTHER,  
2 YOU PUT ALL THESE FUNDS INTO PROSECUTING ME, INTO SHOWING ME  
3 WHAT YOU CAN DO TO ME. LET ME SHOW YOU WHAT IT DOES TO MY KID.  
4 THIS IS MY CHILD WRITING "I LOVE YOU" TO ME BEFORE YOU GUYS  
5 VIOLATED US. THIS IS THE KIND OF PICTURE HE'S PAINTING NOW.  
6 IT'S WAR. I DON'T TELL HIM WHAT TO PAINT, BUT THIS IS THE  
7 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN BEING VIOLATED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND NOT  
8 BEING VIOLATED BY THE GOVERNMENT. AND DON'T THINK THIS IS  
9 GOING AWAY, BECAUSE NOBODY'S FOLLOWING UP WITH US, AND WE'RE  
10 STILL HERE.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. DO YOU WANT TO SPEAK?

13

14 **SPEAKER:** THE C.P.S. CAME AGAIN. THIS TIME THEY SAID THAT THEY  
15 HAVE A COURT ORDER, THAT WE CAN'T VIDEOTAPE THEIR  
16 INVESTIGATION, WHICH IS STUPID, BECAUSE THEY TOOK THE POLICE  
17 WITH THEM, AND THE POLICE HAVE CAMERAS. AND WHEN THEY CAME, I  
18 WAS SCARED. AND WE'RE TERRIFIED WHEN SOMEONE KNOCKS ON THE  
19 DOOR, BECAUSE WE THINK IT'S THEM AND THEY'RE GOING TO STEAL  
20 US. AND I WAS REALLY SCARED WHEN THEY CAME. AND THE FIRST TIME  
21 THEY CAME, I WAS REALLY, REALLY SCARED. AND I WAS ALSO PRAYING  
22 TO GOD THAT I WOULDN'T BE STOLEN FROM THESE MONSTERS AND THESE  
23 PEOPLE THAT DESTROY CHILDREN. IF CHILDREN LIVE IN A CAR, YOU  
24 DON'T CARE ABOUT THOSE CHILDREN. AND IF A PERSON THAT'S POOR,  
25 HOW YOU HELP THEM IS STEALING THEIR CHILDREN, AND NOT HELPING



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1 THEM WHEN IT'S JUST FINANCIAL STUFF. BECAUSE THEY'RE JUST IN A  
2 FINANCIAL CRISIS, YOU STEAL THEIR CHILDREN, SAYING WE'RE  
3 HELPING YOU? HOW IS THAT HELPING, DESTROYING THEIR LIVES?

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] HERMAN! WE  
6 HAVE ONE MORE SPEAKER.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** WOULD KENNETH BATISTE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL  
9 ASSIST YOU?

10

11 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** AND ALSO, WHILE THAT SPEAKER IS  
12 COMING UP, WHY DON'T WE GO TO LANCASTER AND LET LANCASTER  
13 SPEAK?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** LET LANCASTER SPEAK.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** HI THERE. IT'S YOUR TURN.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** OH, HI. YES, MA'AM. OH, I HAVE HEARD EVERYTHING, AND  
20 ALL OF IT FITS ME. UNFORTUNATELY, I DO HAVE AN EGO, BUT THIS  
21 HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH IT. I'VE BEEN HOMELESS. MY CHILDREN  
22 WERE TAKEN ABOUT 30 YEARS AGO, AND IT STILL CAUSES ME A LOT OF  
23 MENTAL ANGUISH. I AM NOT IN THE POSITION TO TELL ANYONE WHAT  
24 TO DO WHEN THEY WORK FOR THE DEPARTMENT. I'VE SEEN A LOT OF  
25 CHILDREN, AS WELL, ABUSED, HIT, OVER AND OVER IN THE GENITAL

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1 AREA. I MEAN, I TALKED ABOUT IT. I TOLD HER, YOU KNOW, "WE'RE  
2 GOING TO GO HEAD TO HEAD. I'M SCARED OF YOU. YOU'RE BLACK, I'M  
3 HALF BLACK, BLAH BLAH BLAH." I FEEL THAT YOU ARE USING THAT AS  
4 A CRITERIA, A CRUX TO SAVE YOURSELF FROM THINGS THAT YOU'VE  
5 DONE. OKAY. BESIDES THAT, THESE ARE THE PEOPLE WHO RUN OUR  
6 CITY, WHO OWN HOMES, WHO PAY TAXES. I KNOW SHE CAN'T DO  
7 EVERYTHING AND HE CAN'T DO EVERYTHING, WHOEVER THEY ARE. BUT  
8 LIKE HE SAID, THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS OUR YOUTH. AND THE  
9 UPBRINGING THAT WE GIVE OUR CHILDREN IS THE MOST IMPORTANT  
10 THING, BECAUSE THE BEAUTY OF THEM IS WHAT'S GOING TO MAKE THIS  
11 WORLD GO AROUND. NATION KNOWING THINGS, POLITICS, BLAH BLAH  
12 BLAH. I DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT POLITICS, BUT I KNOW  
13 SOMETHING ABOUT BEING A HUMAN BEING. AND I'VE BEEN HOMELESS  
14 FOR 15 YEARS. NOW, PRIOR TO THIS, I'VE TALKED--

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16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
17 TESTIMONY. NEXT SPEAKER?

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19 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, GIVING HONOR TO GOD. I CAME TO SPEAK TO  
20 YOU ABOUT THE SUBJECT THAT YOU HAD BEFORE, ABOUT PEPPER SPRAY  
21 IN JUVENILE HALLS, AND THE TASERS IN THE COUNTY JAILS. OUR  
22 PEACE OFFICERS IN THOSE EXTREME CIRCUMSTANCES ARE DOING A HELL  
23 OF A JOB. I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU A VIEW OF A SITUATION THAT I  
24 WAS IN. WE HAD 33 MINORS FIGHTING, A RIOT, IN ABOUT A 20-BY-30  
25 SPACE. THERE WAS TWO STAFF ON THAT SIDE. THE OTHER SENIOR RAN

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1 OVER TO HELP. ONE STAFF, A FEMALE, WENT OVER THERE. SHE JUST  
2 PEPPER-SPRAYED BECAUSE SHE DID NOT WANT TO GO IN THE MIDDLE OF  
3 33 PEOPLE FIGHTING. BY THAT TIME, I HAD TO GO IN. THE FIRST  
4 THING I RAN INTO WAS THE PEPPER SPRAY. WE GOT THREE GROUPS  
5 FIGHTING, THROWING THINGS, STABBING. THE PEPPER SPRAY IS WHAT  
6 WENT AHEAD AND DID IT. YOU CANNOT BEAT PEOPLE INTO SUBMISSION.  
7 TASERS. THIS IS WHAT WE NEED. WE NEED TO USE OUR HEADS BETTER,  
8 MORE THAN OUR HANDS.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
11 ARE THERE ANY MORE PUBLIC SPEAKERS.

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13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** NO OTHER SPEAKERS.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY. WITH THAT, WE WILL NOW GO TO  
16 ADJOURNMENTS. BUT BEFORE WE DO THAT, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, YOU  
17 WOULD LIKE TO SAY SOMETHING?

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL:** YES, I JUST WANTED TO LET MY COLLEAGUES KNOW ABOUT  
20 THE CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE. WHEN THE REQUEST FOR OFFERS WENT  
21 OUT, WE GOT BACK 234 OFFERS TO PROVIDE CLEAN ENERGY. ONLY NINE  
22 OF THEM WERE FROM L.A. COUNTY. BUT WE HAVE COLLABORATED WITH  
23 I.B.E.W. TO SET LEVELS OF REQUIREMENTS FOR ANYBODY SENDING US  
24 ANSWERS TO THESE REQUESTS, SO THAT MANY OF THEM HAVE LABOR  
25 PEACE AGREEMENTS. MANY OF THEM HAVE THE KINDS OF ARRANGEMENTS

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1 THAT WE WOULD WANT. WE'RE DEVOTED TO THAT. AND WE'RE ALSO  
2 WORKING TO SEE IF WE CAN'T HELP BUILD MORE IN L.A. COUNTY. BUT  
3 WE START DELIVERING NEXT MONTH. SO WE ACTUALLY HAD TO ENTER  
4 INTO THE FIRST ROUND, AND GOT SOME GOOD CLEAN ENERGY  
5 PROPOSALS. THE OTHER THING IS THAT THE BEST BATTERY STORAGE  
6 PROPOSALS WERE IN L.A. COUNTY, AND WE DID CONTRACT WITH TWO OF  
7 THOSE. SO I JUST WANTED MY COLLEAGUES TO KNOW THAT WHAT WE  
8 HAVE SAID ON THE BOARD ABOUT OUR PREFERENCES, AND WHAT WE WANT  
9 TO HAPPEN WITH C.P.A., WILL HAPPEN. WE JUST HAD TO BUY THE  
10 FIRST ROUND, BASED ON THINGS THAT WERE OFFERED. AND I THINK  
11 L.A. COUNTY ACTUALLY HAS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO STEP UP AND  
12 DEVELOP SOME ENERGY SOURCES. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS:** MADAM CHAIR, ON THAT ITEM THERE, SUPERVISOR KUEHL,  
15 I APPRECIATE THE CLARIFICATION. I KNOW THAT WE'VE HAD  
16 CHALLENGES WITH THIS PROGRAM, ESPECIALLY IN MY DISTRICT, WHERE  
17 WE HAVE A LOT OF CITIES. I REPRESENT 27. AND NOT OF ALL OF  
18 THEM-- I DON'T THINK ANY OF THEM ARE PARTICIPATING, WHICH IS  
19 IRONIC. I WOULD THINK THEY WOULD. BUT I WOULD ASK I.B.E.W. AND  
20 OTHERS TO HELP MEET WITH THOSE ELECTED OFFICIALS ON THE CITY  
21 COUNCILS, SOME OF WHOM THEY KNOW VERY WELL, TO HELP INFORM  
22 THEM, BECAUSE I THINK IT HAS TO COME FROM THE BOTTOM UP, AS  
23 WELL. OBVIOUSLY, AS SOMEONE WHO WAS A GREEN JOBS AUTHOR IN THE  
24 CONGRESS, AND AS LABOR SECRETARY, WE SPENT A LOT OF TIME AND  
25 EFFORT ON THIS, AND IT CONTINUES TO BE A CHALLENGE. BUT I

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1 REALLY DO THINK IF WE WORK WITH I.B.E.W. AND OTHERS, WE CAN  
2 BEGIN TO TRY TO DEMYSTIFY HOW THESE PROGRAMS CAN WORK AND BE  
3 OF BENEFIT FOR OUR RESIDENTS. BUT I REALLY WOULD ENCOURAGE  
4 THAT. SO I'M GOING TO ASK MY STAFF TO MEET WITH THEM, AND  
5 HOPEFULLY HELP TO BUILD OUT SOME MORE EXAMPLES OF WHAT THE  
6 BENEFITS ARE ON THE PROGRAM. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU. WITH THAT,  
9 WE'RE GOING TO DO ADJOURNMENTS. WE'LL BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL  
10 DISTRICT 3, GO TO SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1, AND THEN I WILL DO  
11 MINE, AS WELL AS THE SECOND AND THE FOURTH'S. SUPERVISOR  
12 KUEHL?

13

14 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I'VE BEEN ASKED TO DO A  
15 SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT TODAY, BECAUSE ON JANUARY 27, 1945, THE  
16 SOVIET ARMY LIBERATED THE NAZI DEATH CAMP AUSCHWITZ-BIRKENAU.  
17 THE SOLDIERS FREED MORE THAN 7,000 PEOPLE WHO HAD BEEN HELD AT  
18 THE CAMP IN POLAND, BY NAZI GERMANY. AND ON SUNDAY, WE  
19 REMEMBERED THE MEN AND THE WOMEN AND THE CHILDREN WHO PERISHED  
20 IN THE HOLOCAUST. SO I WOULD LIKE TO OPEN MY ADJOURNING  
21 MOTIONS TODAY BY RECOGNIZING THIS IMPORTANT ANNIVERSARY.

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** I THINK ALL MEMBERS ON THAT.

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1    **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY,  
2    WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MAKEUP ARTIST DANIEL STRIEPEKE. HE WAS  
3    A FREQUENT COLLABORATOR OF TOM HANKS, NOMINATED FOR ACADEMY  
4    AWARDS FOR BEST MAKEUP FOR "FORREST GUMP" AND "SAVING PRIVATE  
5    RYAN." HE WORKED FOR ALL THE MAJOR STUDIOS, LEANT HIS HAND TO  
6    "PLANET OF THE APES," "THE MAGNIFICENT SEVEN," "WEST SIDE  
7    STORY," AND "HELLO, DOLLY!". AMONG MANY OTHERS. HE'S SURVIVED  
8    BY HIS WIFE SHERRY, HIS SONS DEAN AND CHRIS, AND HIS BROTHERS  
9    GILBERT AND ED. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE  
10    ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ALAN CANTER, THE OWNER OF CANTER'S DELI,  
11    WHO DIED ON JANUARY 25TH. HIS FATHER AND UNCLES OPENED THE  
12    DELI IN 1931. THEY MOVED TO THE PRESENT LOCATION ON FAIRFAX IN  
13    1953, AND BECAME ONE OF THE VERY FIRST 24-HOUR RESTAURANTS IN  
14    THE CITY. CANTER'S HAS LONG BEEN A FIXTURE OF THE L.A. JEWISH  
15    COMMUNITY AND THE ENTIRE FAIRFAX NEIGHBORHOOD, SERVING  
16    TRADITIONAL JEWISH DELI SPECIALTIES. HE WAS KNOWN FOR HIS  
17    KINDNESS, HIS DEDICATION TO MAINTAINING THE INSTITUTION, AND  
18    THE LEGACY WITH WHICH HE WAS ENTRUSTED. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS  
19    SON, HIS DAUGHTER, AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN. AND I ASK THAT WHEN  
20    WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LYN KIENHOLZ,  
21    CALIFORNIA ARTS ADVOCATE, WHO DIED ON JANUARY 25TH. SHE WORKED  
22    TO RAISE THE INTERNATIONAL PROFILE OF CALIFORNIA ARTISTS,  
23    FOUNDED THE CALIFORNIA INTERNATIONAL ARTS FOUNDATION. SHE CO-  
24    WROTE "L.A. RISING: SOCAL ARTISTS BEFORE 1980," WHICH FEATURES  
25    HUNDREDS OF ARTISTS ACTIVE IN L.A. BETWEEN 1940 AND 1980. SHE

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1 WAS INFLUENTIAL IN ESTABLISHING THE LOS ANGELES ARTS SHOWCASE  
2 PACIFIC STANDARD TIME, AND WAS MARRIED TO SCULPTOR AND  
3 ASSEMBLAGE ARTIST ED KIENHOLZ. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER  
4 STEPCHILDREN NOAH AND JENNY, AS WELL AS HER SIBLINGS MELINDA,  
5 MITCHELL, AND LIZBETH. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY,  
6 THOUGH SHE WASN'T ONE OF MY CONSTITUENTS, THAT WE ADJOURN IN  
7 MEMORY OF KAYE BALLARD, WHO WAS A SINGER, A MUSICIAN, AND AN  
8 ACTRESS WHO DIED ON JANUARY 21ST. SHE WAS ACTUALLY FIRST  
9 SPOTTED BY SPIKE JONES SINGING IN A DETROIT NIGHTCLUB, AND  
10 TOURED WITH HIS BAND. ON BROADWAY, SHE PERFORMED AS HELEN OF  
11 TROY IN "THE GOLDEN APPLE." SHE WAS A FREQUENT GUEST ON T.V.  
12 VARIETY AND TALK SHOWS, INCLUDING "THE ED SULLIVAN SHOW" AND  
13 "THE TONIGHT SHOW." SHE STARRED IN "THE MOTHERS-IN-LAW," AND  
14 WAS A REGULAR ON "THE DORIS DAY SHOW." A DOCUMENTARY ABOUT HER  
15 LIFE RECENTLY PREMIERED AT THE PALM SPRINGS INTERNATIONAL FILM  
16 FESTIVAL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I  
19 UNDERSTAND YOU HAVE NO ADJOURNMENTS? YES. OKAY. SO NOW I WILL  
20 DO MY ADJOURNMENTS. I WILL START WITH, I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN  
21 IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL SHEPARD, A FIREFIGHTER AND PARAMEDIC WITH  
22 THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF  
23 63. PRIOR TO JOINING THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, CAPTAIN  
24 SHEPARD SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY. HE JOINED L.A.  
25 COUNTY FIRE IN 2006, AND WAS LAST ASSIGNED TO FIRE STATION 132



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1 IN SANTA CLARITA. HE WAS A MEMBER OF CA-TF2, URBAN SEARCH AND  
2 RESCUE CALIFORNIA TASK FORCE 2, ONE OF TWO F.E.M.A. TASK  
3 FORCES THAT WORKS TO PROVIDE INTERNATIONAL RESPONSE TO NATURAL  
4 AND MANMADE DISASTERS. CAPTAIN SHEPARD IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE  
5 CATHY, THEIR SIX CHILDREN, AND THEIR SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN. I  
6 ALSO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MANO "PAUL" KAMELESON,  
7 A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF ARCADIA, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF  
8 55. HE WAS A VICTIM OF A SUICIDE BOMB ATTACK IN KABUL,  
9 AFGHANISTAN. HE WAS SERVING AS A CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER OF  
10 THE FIRST MICROFINANCE BANK. HE GRADUATED FROM ARCADIA HIGH  
11 SCHOOL AND AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, WHERE HE PLAYED FOOTBALL.  
12 HE OBTAINED HIS M.B.A. IN INTERNATIONAL FINANCE FROM THE  
13 CLAREMONT GRADUATE UNIVERSITY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE  
14 NICOLE AND THEIR THREE CHILDREN. ALSO, PAUL KOSLO, WHO PASSED  
15 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 74 AT HIS HOME IN LAKE HUGHES. HE WAS AN  
16 ACTOR, PRODUCER, AND DIRECTOR, WHO HAD MORE THAN 100 FILM AND  
17 TELEVISION CREDITS. PAUL WAS THE OWNER OF A LAKE HUGHES  
18 LANDMARK, THE 90-YEAR-OLD ROCK INN. IN 1971, HE STARRED IN THE  
19 SCI-FI FILM "THE OMEGA MAN" WITH CHARLTON HESTON, APPEARED  
20 WITH CLINT EASTWOOD IN THE 1972 WESTERN "JOE KIDD," AND WITH  
21 CHARLES BRONSON IN "MR. MAJESTYK." PAUL ALSO APPEARED IN  
22 "ROOSTER COGBURN" WITH JOHN WAYNE, AND IN "HEAVEN'S GATE" AND  
23 IN "VANISHING POINT," AS WELL AS VARIOUS TELEVISION SERIES,  
24 INCLUDING "THE INCREDIBLE HULK," "MISSION IMPOSSIBLE," "HAWAII  
25 FIVE-0," "THE A-TEAM" AND "MACGYVER." PAUL FOUNDED THE M.E.T.

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1 THEATRE IN HOLLYWOOD. HIS FINAL PRODUCING CREDIT WAS A 2015  
2 JOHN F. KENNEDY DOCUMENTARY, "A COUP IN CAMELOT." PAUL IS  
3 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE ALLAIRE, HIS DAUGHTER CHLOE, SISTER AND  
4 BROTHER, NEPHEWS, NIECES, AND COUSINS. ALSO, CARMEN LOSEY, AN  
5 80-YEAR RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. SHE WAS A VERY ACTIVE  
6 VOLUNTEER IN THE COMMUNITY WITH LOCAL SCHOOLS. SHE WAS LEADER  
7 OF A GIRL SCOUT TROOP, THE PRESIDENT OF THE P.T.A. AT SIERRA  
8 SCHOOL, AND SHE VOLUNTEERED WITH THE HIGH DESERT HOSPITAL  
9 LADIES AUXILIARY, WHERE SHE RAN THE GIFT SHOP FOR OVER 7  
10 YEARS. HER EFFORTS WERE RECOGNIZED WHEN SHE WAS CHOSEN AS THE  
11 L.A. COUNTY VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR IN 1996. SHE'S SURVIVED BY  
12 HER HUSBAND GLENN, DAUGHTERS GALE AND GLENNA, AND SON GLENN,  
13 ALONG WITH NUMEROUS GRANDCHILDREN, GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, AND  
14 GREAT-GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO, LYN SHAW, WHO PASSED AWAY AT  
15 THE AGE OF 60, FOLLOWING A BATTLE WITH PANCREATIC CANCER. SHE  
16 WAS A DEVOUT PUBLIC SERVANT WHO WORKED ON GEORGE MCGOVERN'S  
17 CAMPAIGN IN 1972, AND FROM THERE BECAME AN ACTIVE ROLE IN  
18 POLITICS. SHE WORKED AS A DISTRICT CHIEF OF STAFF FOR CITY  
19 COUNCILMEMBER BOB BLUMENFIELD, BEGINNING WITH HIS TIME IN THE  
20 STATE ASSEMBLY. SHE WAS AN ADVOCATE FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH  
21 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AS A FORMER EMPLOYEE OF THE  
22 NONPROFIT TIERRA DEL SOL, AND A LEADER BEHIND A.B. 1415 AND  
23 S.B. 468, WHICH PREVENTED ELIMINATION OF ADULT HEALTHCARE  
24 PROGRAMS, AND FORMED A STATEWIDE SELF-DETERMINATION PROGRAM

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1 FOR PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES. SHE'S SURVIVED BY  
2 HER HUSBAND AND THEIR TWO PUGS.

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4 **SUP. KUEHL:** MADAM CHAIR? I'D LIKE TO SAY SOMETHING, TOO, AFTER  
5 YOU. [SUP. SOLIS SPEAKS INDISTINCTLY.]

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7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** OKAY. AND, SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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9 **SUP. KUEHL:** YES, AND I WANTED TO ALSO ADD WHAT A PLEASURE IT  
10 ALWAYS WAS TO WORK WITH LYN. SHE WAS ACTIVE IN SO MANY WAYS IN  
11 THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY, CHAIR OF THE WOMEN'S CAUCUS, CHAIR OF  
12 THE DISABILITIES CAUCUS, A REAL LEADER, YOU KNOW, AND A  
13 SPARKPLUG. AND IT'S JUST INTERESTING, BECAUSE POLITICS WERE  
14 NOT REALLY MY PASSION WHEN I FIRST STARTED RUNNING FOR OFFICE.  
15 I KIND OF WANTED TO DO GOOD, BUT YOU NEED TO BE ENGAGED WITH A  
16 LOT OF PEOPLE WHEN YOU RUN. AND IT WAS SO INTERESTING TO LEARN  
17 FROM LYN AND JIM KIND OF ABOUT ORGANIZING AND IN THE PARTY,  
18 AND YET HOW THAT WAS A WAY THAT YOU REALLY WORKED WITH OTHER  
19 PEOPLE TO DO GOOD. SO I KNOW WE ALL WANT TO BE ADDED, BUT I  
20 JUST WANTED TO SAY AN EXTRA WORD ABOUT HER. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** YEAH. THANK YOU. AND LAST, AS PART  
23 OF MY ADJOURNMENTS, I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
24 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE  
25 IDENTIFIED AS INDIGENT VETERANS BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY

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1 CORONER, AND WERE SUBSEQUENTLY BURIED WITH DIGNITY AND HONOR  
2 AT RIVERSIDE NATIONAL CEMETERY THIS PAST MONTH: BRADFORD BALL,  
3 ARMY; KENNETH BAUDET, ARMY; VINCENT BARREDA ESPINOZA, ARMY;  
4 JIMMY GREEN, NAVY; CLIFFORD GROVE, MARINES; BENJAMIN JOHNSON,  
5 ARMY; PAUL MISHKA, ARMY; MARK WHITE, AIR FORCE. MAY THEIR  
6 CONTRIBUTIONS AND SACRIFICES IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY NEVER  
7 BE FORGOTTEN. AND NOW I HAVE AN ADJOURNMENT FOR SUPERVISOR  
8 HAHN. SUPERVISOR HAHN ASKS THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF  
9 RAFAELA GAMBOA, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 71. SHE WAS BORN  
10 IN THE RURAL VILLAGE OF EL RINCON, DURANGO, MEXICO. AFTER  
11 MOVING TO THE U.S. WITH HER HUSBAND JESUS, THEY SETTLED IN  
12 WILMINGTON AND OPENED THE MAYA RESTAURANT. RAFAELA TOUCHED THE  
13 LIVES OF ALL THAT CROSSED HER PATH, AND SHE ALWAYS HAD AN  
14 ENCOURAGING WORD FOR THOSE IN NEED. SHE DEDICATED HER LIFE TO  
15 CARING FOR HER FAMILY AND TENDING TO A BEAUTIFUL GARDEN.  
16 RAFAELA WILL BE REMEMBERED BY HER HUSBAND JESUS, THEIR  
17 CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN, AND MANY MORE FAMILY AND FRIENDS.  
18 ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF EMILIO A. SOSA, LOVING  
19 HUSBAND AND FATHER OF FOUR, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 22ND AT  
20 THE AGE OF 75. HE WAS A PROFESSIONAL BODY BUILDER AND WAS A  
21 PROFESSIONAL WRESTLER REPRESENTING HIS COUNTRY OF GUATEMALA.  
22 HE WRESTLED IN CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND BECAME A  
23 CHAMPION IN THE EARLY 60S. HE HAD A PASSION FOR WRESTLING, BUT  
24 AN EVEN BIGGER PASSION FOR FAMILY AND SECURING A FUTURE FOR  
25 HIS CHILDREN. IN THE LATE 60S, HE AND HIS WIFE MARIA SETTLED

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1 IN CALIFORNIA. THEY BOTH WORKED VERY HARD TO PROVIDE FOR THEIR  
2 FAMILY. EMILIO IS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS WIFE MARIA, AND  
3 SURVIVED BY HIS FOUR SONS, MARVIN, RENE, WILLIAM, AND EMILIO  
4 JR. AND ON BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR  
5 HAHN, I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF ELLA ANDREWS.  
6 MRS. ANDREWS WAS BORN ON JUNE 29TH, 1941, IN MISSISSIPPI, AND  
7 PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 18, 2019, IN LOS ANGELES, AT THE AGE OF  
8 77. SHE WAS RAISED IN WATTS, AND ATTENDED FREMONT HIGH SCHOOL.  
9 A PASSIONATE ACTIVIST, SHE SERVED IN THE WATTS COMMUNITY AS A  
10 P.T.A. PRESIDENT, TITLE ONE AND PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND  
11 ON THE L.A.U.S.D. BLACK EDUCATION COMMISSION. MRS. ANDREWS  
12 WORKED TIRELESSLY IN THE COMMUNITY THROUGH HER COMMUNITY  
13 CONCERN ORGANIZATION AND TEEN READING MENTOR PROGRAM, WHICH  
14 FOCUSED ON HELPING TEENAGE MOTHERS AND FAMILIES IN NEED BY  
15 PROVIDING BASIC NECESSITIES, AS WELL AS JOB AND SKILL-BUILDING  
16 PROGRAMS. SHE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE GREATER NEW UNITY  
17 BAPTIST CHURCH FOR 46 YEARS, WHERE SHE CONTRIBUTED IN VARIOUS  
18 CAPACITIES, INCLUDING FOR OVER 25 YEARS AS ITS YOUTH DIRECTOR.  
19 OF ALL HER ROLES, SHE ENJOYED BEING THE CHAIRPERSON OF VOTER  
20 REGISTRATION FOR THE CHURCH, AND REACHED OUT TO THE LOCAL  
21 COMMUNITY. MRS. ANDREWS WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER LOVE OF GOD  
22 AND SHARING HER TALENTS WITH THE GREATER COMMUNITY THROUGH HER  
23 ADVOCACY WORK. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER TWO DAUGHTERS, ARLENE  
24 ANDREWS AND AVIS POWELL, TWO GRANDCHILDREN, LEEAH POWELL AND  
25 KEYON WILKERSON ANDREWS, EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS, WHO WILL

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1 ALL MISS HER DEARLY. WITH THAT, THAT IS ALL THE ADJOURNMENTS.

2 WILL THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION?

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4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SO, ON THE ADJOURNMENTS, IT WOULD BE

5 ALL...

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7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR PRO TEM:** SO WE HAVE TO MOVE ON THE

8 ADJOURNMENTS? SUPERVISOR KUEHL MOVES. SUPERVISOR SOLIS

9 SECONDS. IF NO OBJECTIONS, OKAY. NOW, WILL YOU PLEASE READ US

10 INTO CLOSED SESSION?

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12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,

13 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL

14 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-1, CONFERENCE

15 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION; ITEM CS-2,

16 DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATION. ITEM CS-3 WAS

17 CONTINUED IN OPEN SESSION TO FEBRUARY 5TH, 2019, AND ITEM CS-4

18 WAS CONTINUED IN OPEN SESSION TO FEBRUARY 5TH, 2019.

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**CLOSED SESSION ITEMS  
FOR JANUARY 29, 2019**

**CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING  
LITIGATION**

(Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Mary Amador, et al. v. Leroy Baca, et al., United States District Court Case No. 10-cv-01649-SVW (JEM)

Federal class action alleging Federal and State-law civil rights violations related to strip searches of female inmates at the Century Regional Detention Facility between March 2008 and January 2015. (19-0610)

**The Board authorized settlement of the matter entitled Mary Amador, et al. v. Leroy Baca, et al. The details of the settlement will be made available once finalized by all parties. The vote of the Board was unanimous, with Supervisors Mark Ridley-Thomas and Janice Hahn being absent.**

**CS-2. DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS  
(Government Code Section 54957)**

Department Head performance evaluations. (11-1977)

**No reportable action was taken.**

**CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS  
(Government Code Section 54957.6)**

Agency designated representatives: Sachi A. Hamai, Chief



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1 Executive Officer, and designated staff

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3 Unrepresented employees (all). (13-4431)

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5 **In Open Session, this item was continued one week to**  
6 **February 5, 2019.**

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10 **CS-4. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**  
11 **(Government Code Section 54957.6)**

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13 Agency designated representatives: Monique King-Viehlend,  
14 Executive Director of the Community Development  
15 Commission, and designated staff

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17 Employee Organization for represented employees: LIUNA  
18 Local 777 (17-1643)

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20 **In Open Session, this item was continued one week to**  
21 **February 5, 2019.**

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1 I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number  
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 January 29, 2019,  
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 1st  
16 day of February 2019, for the County records to be used only  
17 for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts  
18 as on file of the office of the reporter.

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20 JENNIFER A. HINES  
21 CSR No. 6029/RPR/CRR