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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON
2 TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2009 BEGINS ON PAGE 121.]

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING. I'D ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE
8 RISE. WE WILL BE LED IN THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING BY RABBI
9 ZOE KLEIN FROM THE TEMPLE ISAIAH IN LOS ANGELES, FOLLOWED BY
10 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WHICH WILL BE LED BY ALEX RIVNEY,
11 EDISON POST NO. 431, ALHAMBRA, THE AMERICAN LEGION. RABBI?

12

13 **RABBI ZOE KLEIN:** THANK YOU. YEARS AGO THERE WAS A TIGER THAT
14 ESCAPED FROM THE BRONX ZOO AND THE AUTHORITIES WERE FRANTIC.
15 THE GIANT CAT COULD BE ANYWHERE. THEY WERE PREPARED TO BLANKET
16 THE CITY IN A MASSIVE SEARCH. THEY FOUND THE TIGER, NOT MORE
17 THAN TWO BLOCKS FROM THE ZOO, PACING BACK AND FORTH BEFORE A
18 WIRE FENCE SURROUNDING AN ABANDONED LOT. ALL ITS LIFE, THE
19 TIGER HAD PACED BACK AND FORTH BEHIND THE BARS OF ITS CAGE.
20 AND HERE, EVEN THOUGH IT WAS ON THE OUTSIDE, WHEN CONFRONTED
21 WITH A FENCE, ALL THE ANIMAL KNEW TO DO WAS TO PACE. IT DIDN'T
22 KNOW THAT IT WAS FREE TO RUN. WHEN THE ISRAELITES WERE
23 RELEASED FROM EGYPT, THEY CARRIED WITH THEM INTO THE
24 WILDERNESS A BURDEN OF FEAR, MEMORY OF HARDSHIP SO VIVID IT
25 WAS NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE TO REALIZE THAT THEY WERE NOW FREE, THAT



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1 THEY WERE NOW OUTSIDE OF BONDAGE. MOST TIMES WE DON'T KNOW
2 WHETHER WE ARE INSIDE THE FENCE, OUTSIDE THE FENCE, OR ON THE
3 FENCE. MOST TIMES, WE DON'T KNOW OUR OWN POTENTIAL, WE ARE SO
4 USED TO PACING BACK AND FORTH AND BACK AND FORTH TRYING TO
5 SURVIVE. WE DON'T REALIZE THAT WE HAVE THE CHANCE TO TAKE A
6 GREAT IDEA AND RUN WITH IT. THERE ARE PEOPLE IN OUR COUNTY OF
7 DREAMS WHO NEVER LEAVE THEIR 10-BLOCK RADIUS BECAUSE OF SOME
8 IMAGINED FENCE. THERE ARE PEOPLE IN OUR CITY WHO HOPE EVERY
9 NIGHT THAT THEIR TOOTHACHE WILL GO AWAY BECAUSE HEALTHCARE IS
10 A FENCE 10 STORIES HIGH. THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO DON'T HAVE THE
11 STRENGTH, SUPPORT, REASONS, RESOURCES, MENTORSHIP, MINDSET, OR
12 MEANS TO THROW OFF THE PAIN THAT BINDS THEM. THERE ARE PEOPLE
13 SO FULL OF PROMISE WHO ENTER THE WILDERNESS AND INSTEAD OF
14 FINDING THEMSELVES FREE, FIND THEMSELVES LOST. DEAR GOD, GIVE
15 US THE VISION CLEAR TO SEE THROUGH THE WALLS OF OUR OWN
16 INVENTION, TO SEE NOT CAGES BUT GATEWAYS, TO SEE NOT DEAD ENDS
17 BUT DOORWAYS OF HOPE. POLISH OUR SIGHT TO INTERPRET WHAT WE
18 SEE, NOT AS INSURMOUNTABLE MOUNTAINS BUT OPPORTUNITIES,
19 SUMMITS LOFTY AND HIGH BUT WELL WITHIN REACH. STRENGTHEN US TO
20 HURDLE FENCES AND FORGE FORWARD WITH THE COURAGE TO CREATE AND
21 RECREATE, TO GATHER UP THE LOST, THE VULNERABLE, THE AGED, THE
22 CAGED, TO SEE THEM AND NOURISH THEM AND FREE THEM TO FLOURISH.
23 SHOW US THAT WE ARE FREE TO CHANGE, THAT WE CAN STEP OVER
24 LINES THAT WERE DRAWN LONG AGO TOWARD A NEW DIRECTION AND A
25 NOVEL DESTINY. WHEN WE ARE FRIGHTENED, ENLIGHTEN US. WHEN WE



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1 FALTER, UPHOLD US, WHEN WE WEAKEN, EMBOLDEN US. BLESS THE WORK
2 OF OUR HANDS AND LIGHT THE WAY THAT WE WALK. FOR THIS DAY,
3 ANOTHER KEY TURNS IN A RUSTY OLD LOCK, AND ANOTHER DOOR TOWARD
4 A HEALTHIER AND HAPPIER WORLD SWINGS WIDE OPEN.

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6 **ALEX RIVNEY:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, PLEASE FACE THE FLAG. PLACE
7 YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER THE HEART AND JOIN ME IN RECITING THE
8 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF OUR COUNTRY. [PLEDGE OF
9 ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AND
12 SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
15 COLLEAGUES. I'M PLEASED TO HAVE WITH US TODAY IN PART IN HONOR
16 AND CELEBRATION OF WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH, THE ONE AND ONLY
17 RABBI ZOE KLEIN. CUM LAUDE FROM BRANDEIS, WITH A UNDERGRADUATE
18 DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY, SHE RECEIVED HER RABBINIC ORDINATION
19 FROM HEBREW UNION COLLEGE, JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION IN NEW
20 YORK CITY. THE RABBI HAS WRITTEN NUMEROUS ARTICLES, POEMS AND
21 PRAYERS, WHICH ARE USED IN HOUSES OF PRAYER AND WORSHIP ACROSS
22 THE NATION. HER NOVEL, "THE PROPHET," WILL BE PUBLISHED THIS
23 SUMMER. SHE HAS APPEARED IN "GLAMOUR" MAGAZINE, DECEMBER 2002,
24 IN HER FEATURE ON WOMEN OF THE CLOTH. SHE GIVES NUMEROUS
25 PRESENTATIONS AND IS A PANELIST OR PARTICIPANT OR KEYNOTE



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1 SPEAKER ON A RANGE OF TOPICS ACROSS A VARIETY OF INTERFAITH
2 AND ECUMENICAL GATHERINGS THROUGHOUT THE NATION. SHE HAS
3 SERVED TEMPLE ISAIAH FOR OVER EIGHT YEARS AND HAS BEEN SENIOR
4 RABBI SINCE 2007. YOU'LL WANT TO KNOW THAT SHE LIVES HERE IN
5 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES WITH HER HUSBAND, JONATHAN, AND THEIR
6 THREE CHILDREN. AND SO IT'S MY ESTEEMED HONOR ON BEHALF OF THE
7 LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO PRESENT THIS
8 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO RABBI ZOE KLEIN FOR THAT
9 MEMORABLE AND STIRRING INVOCATION.

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11 **RABBI ZOE KLEIN:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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13 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. IT IS MY HONOR THIS
14 MORNING TO MAKE A PRESENTATION OF A CERTIFICATE APPRECIATION
15 TO ALEX RIVNEY. HE IS WITH AMERICAN LEGION POST 431, AND IS A
16 RESIDENT OF LA PUENTE. HE SERVED AS A SERGEANT FIRST CLASS IN
17 THE FOURTH INFANTRY TANK COMPANY OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY
18 FROM 1948 TO 1954, AND HIS DECORATIONS INCLUDE THE ARMY
19 COMMENDATION MEDAL AND A MEDAL OF GOOD CONDUCT. ALEX IS
20 RETIRED FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON. HE IS MARRIED. HE HAS
21 FOUR CHILDREN. AND WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR GRATITUDE TO ALEX FOR
22 JOINING US THIS MORNING AND LEADING US IN OUR PLEDGE OF
23 ALLEGIANCE. THANK YOU SO MUCH. AND VERY WELL DONE. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ARE YOU READY FOR THE AGENDA? YOU NOTICE
2 I SAT DOWN FIRST? THAT WAS A JOKE. [LAUGHTER.]

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
5 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, PRESENTATION
6 AND SET MATTERS. ON ITEM S-2, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
7 AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
8 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO MARCH 31ST, 2009.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM S-3, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
13 AGENDA, THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT
14 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO APRIL 7TH, 2009.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY
19 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D AND 2-D. ON ITEM 1-D, AS
20 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
21 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO THE COMMISSION.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 2-D, THE ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
2 OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION REQUESTS THAT THIS
3 ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MARCH 24TH, 2009.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 6, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1
8 THROUGH 6. ON ITEM NO. 3, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
9 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT WILL BE HELD.

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13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON REMAINING ITEMS, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
16 MOLINA, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
17 SO ORDERED.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 8, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 7
20 THROUGH 45. ON ITEM NO. 8, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
21 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MARCH 24TH,
22 2009.

23
24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 14, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
2 SOCIAL SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK
3 TO MARCH 24TH, 2009.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 15, AS INDICATED ON THE
8 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES
9 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS OFFICE.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 28, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
14 WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HER
15 DEPARTMENT.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. REFERRING 28 BACK.

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19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I KNOW A NUMBER OF US HAD
22 QUESTIONS ON THAT, BUT THEN HOPEFULLY THE DEPARTMENT HEAD WILL
23 BE IN CONTACT WITH OUR OFFICES. IS THAT CORRECT? ON ITEM 28?
24 ALL RIGHT. WELL ITEM 28. WILL THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS BE
25 IN CONTACT WITH OUR OFFICES IN REGARDS TO THIS ISSUE?



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2 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

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6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT HAS BEEN CONTINUED.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S JUST REFERRING BACK, AS I

9 UNDERSTAND IT.

10

11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT HAS BEEN REFERRED BACK BUT THE DIRECTOR

12 WILL BE TOUCHING BASE WITH EACH OFFICE.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** VERY GOOD. WE HAVE SEVERAL QUESTIONS,

15 INCLUDING FOR COUNTY COUNSEL. I'M WATCHING SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-

16 THOMAS CELEBRATE ST. PATRICK'S DAY HERE, TRYING TO PUT A GREEN

17 FLOWER IN THE EAR OF THE C.E.O. [LAUGHTER.]

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I THINK IT LOOKS GOOD.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WAS ABOUT READY TO SAY THAT. THE

22 EXECUTIVE OFFICER LOOKING AT ME LIKE WHAT AM I DOING?

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, SUFFICE IT TO SAY I'M AN E.N.T.

25 SPECIALIST. [LAUGHTER.]



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. BACK TO THE AGENDA.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SORRY. BACK TO THE AGENDA.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM 28 WILL BE REFERRED BACK. ITEM NO. 37,
7 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
8 OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS
9 OFFICE.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO WILL BE THE ORDER.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR
14 ARE BEFORE YOU.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,
17 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 26, SEPARATE MATTERS.
20 ITEMS 46 THROUGH 48. AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE
21 RECORD ON THESE ITEMS. ON ITEM 46, THIS IS THE TREASURER AND
22 TAX COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
23 THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE CENTINELA VALLEY UNION HIGH
24 SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, ELECTION 2008,



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1 SERIES A, IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$25
2 MILLION.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE
5 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 47, THIS IS THE TREASURER AND
8 TAX COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
9 THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE EL MONTE CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
10 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, ELECTION 2004, SERIES D, IN AN
11 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,500,000.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. THE CHAIR
14 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 48, THIS IS A TREASURER AND TAX
17 COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
18 THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE
19 DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, 2008 ELECTION, 2009 SERIES
20 A, AND GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS 2008, ELECTION 2009 TAXABLE
21 SERIES B, IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$450
22 MILLION.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY
25 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DISCUSSION ITEMS. ITEMS 49 AND 50, ON ITEM
3 NO. 49, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THIS ITEM
4 WILL BE CONSIDERED AS A SET MATTER AT 11:30 A.M. ON ITEM NO.
5 50, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
6 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO MARCH 31ST, 2009.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH
11 WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS
12 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 51-A, SUPERVISOR
13 MOLINA AND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE
14 HELD.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 51-B, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
19 TITLE 12 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
20 CODE RELATING TO THE CALABASAS LANDFILL.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY
23 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THAT'S A
24 FOUR-VOTE ITEM.

25



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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT'S CORRECT. ON ITEM 51-C, SUPERVISOR
2 KNABE AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE
3 HELD. ON ITEM 51-D, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE
4 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. 51-E IS BEFORE YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.
7 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
10 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
11 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 1.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, I BELIEVE YOU HAVE A
14 PRESENTATION?

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES, I DO. WELL, THIS MORNING, IT IS INDEED MY
17 HONOR TO SAY GOODBYE, EVEN THOUGH RELUCTANTLY, TO A WONDERFUL
18 INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS BEEN SERVING IN OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
19 FOR 32 YEARS. AND THIS GENTLEMAN'S NAME IS ALLAN GARCIA. ALLAN
20 HAS SPENT HALF OF HIS CAREER SERVING WITHIN THE FIRST
21 DISTRICT. IN THE EARLY 1990S, LIEUTENANT GARCIA JOINED EAST
22 LOS ANGELES STATION WHERE HE WORKED ALONGSIDE MANY OF MY FIELD
23 DEPUTIES MONITORING AND TRYING TO RESOLVE SOME OF THE ISSUES
24 WITH REGARD TO OUR GANG ACTIVITY. AT THAT TIME, AS WE ALL
25 KNOW, GANG-RELATED MURDERS IN THAT AREA WERE AT AN ALL-TIME



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1 HIGH. AND WITH AL'S HELP, WE HAD A SUBSTANTIAL DECREASE OF
2 THAT KIND OF ACTIVITY. BECAUSE OF OUR GREAT SUCCESS, THE EAST
3 LOS ANGELES MODEL, WHICH WAS OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT GROUP, WAS
4 EMULATED IN OTHER AREAS, SUCH AS THE SOUTHEAST, VALINDA AND IN
5 VARIOUS SAN GABRIEL VALLEY NEIGHBORHOODS. WE WANT TO
6 CONGRATULATE AL FOR HIS ALMOST THREE DECADES OF DEVOTED COUNTY
7 SERVICE. HIS CONTRIBUTIONS ARE NEVER GOING TO BE FORGOTTEN. I
8 KNOW MY STAFF IS REMINDED ON A REGULAR BASIS BECAUSE OF THE
9 PROGRAMS THAT WE CARRIED OUT THAT WERE MODELED AFTER MANY OF
10 HIS IDEAS. WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE HIM ON HIS RETIREMENT AND
11 WISH HIM REALLY WELL. I HOPE HE WILL ENJOY IT. I KNOW HE'S
12 BEEN VERY DEDICATED IN SERVING WITH ALL OF US AND WE'RE VERY
13 PROUD OF HIM. JOINING US TODAY IS HIS CHIEF, WILLIE MILLER,
14 AND CAPTAIN SUSAN COPERAND AT THE SPECIAL VICTIMS BUREAU,
15 WHERE LIEUTENANT GARCIA HAS BEEN MORE RECENTLY SERVING. HE IS
16 ALSO JOINED TODAY BY HIS SON, MICHAEL. SO WE'RE VERY PROUD OF
17 THAT. I'M GOING TO ASK CHIEF WILLIE MILLER TO JOIN US AND SAY
18 A FEW WORDS, IF SHE WOULD.

19

20 **CHIEF WILLIE MILLER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MOLINA. I'VE KNOWN
21 AL GARCIA FOR MOST OF MY CAREER. I'M NOT AS OLD AS HE IS, BUT
22 MOST OF MY CAREER. [LAUGHTER.] ALLAN HAS BEEN A STALWART IN
23 THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HIS DEDICATION TO HIS
24 CAREER, TO THE COMMUNITY, HAS BEEN KNOWN THROUGHOUT THE
25 DEPARTMENT. AND A YEAR AGO WHEN HE CAME TO DETECTIVE DIVISION



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1 TO BE A LIEUTENANT WITH THE SPECIAL VICTIMS UNIT, I WAS
2 ECSTATIC BECAUSE I KNEW THAT EVERYTHING THAT NEEDED TO BE DONE
3 WOULD BE DONE. AL HAS THAT DRIVE, THAT PASSION THAT WE RARELY
4 SEE IN SOME JOBS THESE DAYS. AND TRULY, TRULY HE WILL BE
5 MISSED IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND HIS RETIREMENT, I
6 HOPE, IS ONE OF HEALTH AND PROSPERITY. AND I'M JUST VERY PROUD
7 TO KNOW THE MAN. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** AL? WE WANT TO PRESENT YOU WITH A SPECIAL SCROLL.
10 AND MARTHA FROM MY OFFICE WANTED TO MAKE SURE WE PROVIDED THIS
11 KIND OF RECOGNITION. IT IS VERY DESERVING AND WE HOPE YOU
12 ENJOY YOUR RETIREMENT. CONGRATULATIONS.

13

14 **LIEUTENANT ALLAN GARCIA:** THANK YOU.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** CONGRATULATIONS, AL. PLEASE, SHARE A FEW WORDS.
17 [APPLAUSE.]

18

19 **LIEUTENANT ALLAN GARCIA:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR
20 MOLINA, AS WELL AS THE REST OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
21 ACKNOWLEDGING MY SERVICE TO THE COUNTY. AND ALSO THE SHERIFF'S
22 DEPARTMENT, CHIEF WILLIAMS, CORRECTION, CHIEF MILLER. YOU CAN
23 TELL I'M A LITTLE NERVOUS. AND THEN MY CAPTAIN, SOON TO BE
24 COMMANDER, SUE COPERAND. AND ALSO MY SON, MICHAEL, WHO HAS



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1 BEEN THERE WITH ME THE WHOLE TIME I'VE BEEN ON THE DEPARTMENT.

2 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** VERY VERSATILE, ISN'T HE? [LAUGHTER.]

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IF I COULD HAVE MIKE HENRY AND HIS
7 FAMILY PLEASE JOIN ME DOWN HERE. WELL, IT'S ONE OF THOSE DAYS.
8 WE HAVE A NUMBER OF GOODBYES. AND THIS IS A BIG ONE FOR US. A
9 GENTLEMAN THAT WE'RE ALL GOING TO MISS, AND THAT'S MR. MICHAEL
10 HENRY, WHO HAS HEADED UP OUR DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES FOR
11 MANY, MANY YEARS. [APPLAUSE.] NOW THAT WAS PRETTY CUTE. MIKE
12 HAD HIS LITTLE HAND SIGNALS. ONE SAYS APPLAUSE, TWO MEANS
13 STAND UP. IS THAT WHAT YOU WERE DOING? NO. THAT WORKED REALLY
14 WELL, I WAS WATCHING. OKAY. ANYWAY, AND IN CONCLUSION --
15 [LAUGHTER.] BUT MICHAEL HAS UP HERE HIS WIFE, JUDAN, AND THEIR
16 THREE CHILDREN, MICHAEL, KEVIN, AND MULAN. AND HIS PARENTS,
17 CHARLES AND ROSIE. AND MIKE BEGAN HIS CAREER HERE WITH LOS
18 ANGELES COUNTY ON JULY 7, 1976. [LAUGHTER.] OH, EXCUSE ME,
19 1976. I KNEW HE'D BEEN AROUND A LONG TIME, I JUST -- HE WAS
20 THE ORIGINAL -- NO, ANYWAY. HE STARTED AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE
21 ANALYST AID IN THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE, AND SINCE THAT TIME, HE
22 HAS MOVED UP THE RANKS UP TO SENIOR ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATIVE
23 OFFICER. HE ALSO SERVED AS A MANAGER FOR JUSTICE AND PUBLIC
24 SAFETY BRANCH, WHERE HE ANALYZED, DEVELOPED, AND MONITORED
25 BUDGETS FOR ALL THE COUNTY JUSTICE DEPARTMENTS AND



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1 CONSOLIDATED FIVE PROTECTION DISTRICTS. MIKE THEN TRANSFERRED
2 TO THE C.A.O.'S HUMAN RESOURCES BRANCH IN FEBRUARY OF 1994,
3 WHERE HE BEGAN AND PREPARED THE STAFFING PLAN, THE PROGRAM
4 GOALS, AND FINANCING TO CREATE A SEPARATE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
5 HUMAN RESOURCES. ON NOVEMBER 29, 1994, HE WAS APPOINTED
6 DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL FOR THE COUNTY'S 90,000-PLUS EMPLOYEES
7 AND 37 DEPARTMENTS. SINCE THAT TIME -- I HEARD MOM AND DAD
8 JUST SAYING, "I NEVER THOUGHT HE'D DO ANYTHING." [LAUGHTER.]
9 SINCE THAT TIME, HE BROUGHT INNOVATIVE IDEAS TO THE COUNTY'S
10 RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION, SUCCESSION PLANNING AND
11 CLASSIFICATION EFFORTS, AS WELL AS ESTABLISHING ONE OF MY
12 FAVORITE PROGRAMS, AND THAT'S THE COUNTY'S LEARNING ACADEMY,
13 WHICH IS A COMPREHENSIVE MANAGEMENT AND STAFFING LEARNING --
14 GO AHEAD, YOU WANT TO APPLAUD. [APPLAUSE.] WAS HE IN CHARGE OF
15 THAT PROGRAM? OKAY. SERIOUSLY, IT IS PROBABLY THE PREMIER
16 PROGRAM OF ANY GOVERNMENT AGENCY, AND IT'S OPEN TO ALL COUNTY
17 EMPLOYEES. AND WHEN YOU SPEAK IN TERMS OF SUCCESSION, THE
18 COUNTY'S LEARNING ACADEMY, THERE'S NOTHING BETTER TO GET
19 STARTED. AND I TELL ALL NEW EMPLOYEES THAT AS WELL. AFTER
20 RETIREMENT, HE PLANS TO CONTINUE HIS WORK WITH THE U.S.C.
21 SCHOOL OF POLICY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD, THE
22 ST. VINCENT HOSPITAL FOUNDATION, AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
23 OFFICE OF EDUCATION PERSONNEL COMMISSION. HE ALSO PLANS TO
24 SPEND MORE TIME PURSUING HIS HOBBIES OF FISHING AND GOLFING,
25 AS WELL AS SPENDING MORE TIME WITH HIS FAMILY, WHICH I KNOW HE



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1 DESERVES AS WELL TOO. I ALSO INDICATED TO A NUMBER OF YOUR
2 STAFF UPSTAIRS THAT I PLAY GOLF WITH YOU, AND YOUR GOLF GAME
3 DOES NEED WORK. SO ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD, MIKE, AND ALL OF
4 OUR 10 MILLION RESIDENTS AND OUR THOUSANDS OF COUNTY
5 EMPLOYEES, IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE AND HONOR AND A TOUCH OF
6 SADNESS TO PRESENT YOU THIS SCROLL IN RECOGNITION OF YOUR OVER
7 32 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE
8 EXTEND OUR SINCERE BEST WISHES FOR A SAFE, HAPPY, HEALTHY, AND
9 ENJOYABLE RETIREMENT. GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.

10 [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **MICHAEL J. HENRY:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, THANK YOU. LET ME
13 INTRODUCE MY FAMILY THAT'S HERE TODAY. RIGHT IN FRONT HERE IS
14 MY DAD, CHARLES HENRY, JR., MY MOTHER-IN-LAW, JEAN BENJAMIN,
15 MY WIFE, JUDAN HENRY, YOU GUYS KNOW HER. AND HERE'S MOM, MISS
16 ROSIE HENRY. WE ALSO HAVE ETHELADE HERE, WHO IS THEIR
17 CAREGIVER. YOU KNOW, I SPENT 32 YEARS PLUS WITH THE COUNTY AND
18 14 YEARS AS A DEPARTMENT HEAD, AND EVERY TUESDAY IN THIS
19 BOARDROOM. AND WHILE I AM VERY HAPPY TO RETIRE AND GO ON WITH
20 MY LIFE IN A NEW JOURNEY, I AM A LITTLE SADDENED BY THE FACT
21 THAT I AM GOING TO BE LEAVING AND WILL NOT BE IN THIS
22 BOARDROOM AGAIN ON A TUESDAY. SURE, RIGHT? SURE, RIGHT. YEAH.
23 YOU WATCH. THE FIRST TUESDAY THAT I HAVE OFF, I'M GOING TO
24 PROBABLY GO FISHING. BUT YOU KNOW, I DIDN'T GET HERE BY
25 MYSELF. YOU SEE MY SUPPORT GROUP BEHIND ME, MY FAMILY. THERE



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1 WERE MANY, MANY PEOPLE OVER THOSE YEARS WHO HELPED ME REACH
2 THESE ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN MY LIFE. AND I JUST WANT TO GIVE OUT
3 THANKS TO THE BOARD DEPUTIES. I MEAN, I WORKED WITH ALMOST ALL
4 OF YOU. I'VE ENJOYED THAT. WE'VE DONE A LOT OF GOOD THINGS
5 TOGETHER. AND I REALLY APPRECIATE BEING PART OF THAT TEAM AND
6 WORKING WITH THAT TEAM. ALSO, MY DEPARTMENT HEADS. MY FELLOW
7 COLLEAGUES, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE DONE A LOT. I'VE ACTUALLY BEEN A
8 PART OF REPLACING A LOT OF YOU, ABOUT 25 OF YOU OVER THE
9 YEARS. BUT I APPRECIATE WORKING WITH THEM. AND ALSO, THE BOARD
10 OF SUPERVISORS. ALL FIVE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, SOME OF
11 WHICH I'VE KNOWN PRETTY MUCH MOST OF MY CAREER. IT'S BEEN A
12 REAL PLEASURE WORKING WITH THEM AND DOING A LOT OF GOOD THINGS
13 FOR THIS COUNTY. THEY'RE VERY SPECIAL PEOPLE, AND THEY HAVE
14 MANAGED THIS COUNTY IN A VERY, VERY GOOD FASHION. THAT'S WHY
15 WE'RE IN THE SHAPE THAT WE'RE IN TODAY, AND NOT LIKE SOME
16 OTHER JURISDICTIONS. SO I REALLY APPRECIATE WORKING WITH THOSE
17 FIVE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST, DEPARTMENT
18 OF HUMAN RESOURCES. [APPLAUSE.] AS DON MENTIONED, I WAS PART
19 OF A TEAM THAT HELPED CREATE THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES
20 SOME 14 YEARS AGO. AND WE'VE BEEN ON ONE HECK OF A JOURNEY.
21 AND A LOT OF YOU, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE NEW LEADERSHIP COMING
22 AND YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO CONTINUE THAT JOURNEY. AND I KNOW
23 YOU WILL DO IT IN THE PROFESSIONAL WAY AND IN THE TOP-LEVEL
24 STANDARDS THAT YOU ALWAYS HAVE PRESENTED. SO I REALLY
25 APPRECIATE ALL OF YOU. GIVE YOURSELVES A HAND, PLEASE.



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1 [APPLAUSE.] WELL, THAT ALMOST CONCLUDES MY -- THIS PART OF THE
2 PROGRAM FOR ME. THERE ARE A COUPLE MORE DAYS, A COUPLE MORE
3 EVENTS THAT I'LL BE GOING TO AND CELEBRATING. BUT, AGAIN, I
4 JUST WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU. YOU'RE PART OF MY EXTENDED
5 FAMILY. AND I APPRECIATE YOU. AND I'M GOING TO MISS YOU. SO
6 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MIKE, WE'LL GET A PHOTO. I ASK MY
9 COLLEAGUES TO COME DOWN AND JOIN US FOR A PHOTO. MIKE, I JUST
10 WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT SHOULD YOU MISS BEING HERE ON TUESDAYS,
11 YOU CAN TAKE YOUR LAPTOP AND STREAM US ON IN, BABY.

12 [LAUGHTER.] [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU AGAIN, MICHAEL, FOR ALL THAT
15 YOU'VE DONE. AND I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THURSDAY NIGHT.
16 WE'LL HAVE A LITTLE FUN THURSDAY NIGHT, ANYWAY. THIS PAST
17 JANUARY 22ND, WE HAD OVER 300 SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE
18 STUDENTS FROM BELLFLOWER MIDDLE SCHOOL AND MAYFAIR MIDDLE
19 SCHOOL FROM THE BELLFLOWER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. WE INVITED
20 THEM TO THE NORWALK A.M.C. THEATERS FOR A SPECIAL PREVIEW OF
21 THE MOVIE, "INKHEART." THEY GOT TO SEE IT ONE DAY BEFORE IT
22 OPENED FOR RELEASE. IN ORDER TO DO THAT, THEY WERE ALSO ASKED
23 TO READ THE BOOK, "INKHEART" AND WERE GIVEN AN ASSIGNMENT TO
24 WRITE A RESPONSE TO THE LITERATURE. THE STUDENTS' ESSAYS WERE
25 EVALUATED BY HOW WELL THEY ADDRESSED THE PROMPT, AS WELL AS



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1 SUPPORTING THEIR RESPONSES WITH FACTS AND DETAILS. A FIRST,
2 SECOND AND THIRD PLACE WINNER WAS SELECTED AT EACH OF THE TWO
3 SCHOOLS AT EACH GRADE LEVEL AND THEY ARE HERE TODAY TO BE
4 HONORED. ALTHOUGH WE GAVE THEM THEIR CERTIFICATES EARLIER THIS
5 MORNING, I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THEM THAT THEY'RE HERE. AND I
6 ALSO WANT YOU ALL TO GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE BECAUSE
7 WE CONGRATULATE THEM. [APPLAUSE.] WHO KNOWS? MAYBE ONE OF
8 THESE STUDENTS OR SEVERAL OF THEM WILL WIND UP IN THE COUNTY'S
9 LEARNING ACADEMY AND COME TO WORK FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS
10 ANGELES. IN ORDER TO MAKE THIS PROJECT A SUCCESS, THE
11 BELLFLOWER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION,
12 SUPERINTENDENT, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT, TEACHERS AND
13 NUMEROUS OTHER STAFF HAD TO DEDICATE THEIR TIME TO THE TASK.
14 TODAY WE HAVE WITH US -- AND SHE WAS UP THERE VERY PATIENTLY
15 HAVING HER PICTURE TAKEN, BOARD PRESIDENT LAURA SANCHEZ-
16 RAMIREZ, SUPERINTENDENT RICK COPINION, ASSISTANT
17 SUPERINTENDENT LISA AZEVEDO, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL OF BELLFLOWER
18 MIDDLE SCHOOL, LANA VAN BEEK, AND ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL AT
19 MAYFAIR MIDDLE SCHOOL, MARK KALAPONI? PRETTY GOOD? IS THAT
20 LIKE ALOHA? YES, ALL RIGHT. SO ANYWAY, I'M GOING TO PRESENT
21 THIS SCROLL FIRST TO BOARD PRESIDENT LAURA SANCHEZ-RAMIREZ.
22 [APPLAUSE.] NEXT, OBVIOUSLY THIS DAY WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN
23 POSSIBLE WITHOUT INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT TRULY CARE
24 ABOUT OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR COUNTY BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY
25 IMPROVING THE READING SKILLS OF OUR YOUTH. VARIETY, THE



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1 CHILDREN'S CHARITY, PROVIDED THE FUNDS FOR THE SHOWING OF THE
2 FILM. AND I HAVE TO SAY, I'VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR A NUMBER OF
3 YEARS, AND VARIETY, THE CHILDREN'S CHARITY, THEY HAVE BEEN
4 THERE EACH AND EVERY STEP OF THE WAY WITH US. AND WE ARE
5 ETERNALLY GRATEFUL. TODAY WE HAVE MARIA SCHMIDT, THE EXECUTIVE
6 DIRECTOR EMERITUS FOR VARIETY, AND ELIZABETH O'NEIL, THE NEW
7 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. SO WE WANT TO, ONCE AGAIN, AND ON SO MANY
8 OCCASIONS, JUST SAY THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU TO
9 VARIETY, THE CHILDREN'S CHARITY, FOR WHAT THEY DO ON BEHALF OF
10 THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF OUR GREAT COUNTY. [APPLAUSE.] AND ANOTHER
11 PARTICIPANT AND SUPPORTER FROM DAY ONE IS A.M.C. NORWALK.
12 TODAY WE HAVE WITH US THEIR GENERAL MANAGER BRIAN BOUCHET.
13 DAVID RIVERA AND LORRIANE FRIAS. AND ONCE AGAIN, FOR EVERY
14 EVENT THAT WE'VE EVER AS IT RELATES TO READING AND OPERATION
15 READ, THE A.M.C. NORWALK THEATER HAS BEEN THERE TO HOST THIS.
16 SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.] THEY ALSO HAVE THE HOTTEST
17 AND FRESHEST POPCORN IN THE SOUTHEAST AREA. [LAUGHTER.] AND A
18 FORMER COUNTY EMPLOYEE, BUT NEVER FORGETTING OUR KIDS AND
19 ALWAYS THERE TO WORK TOGETHER TO BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER, I'D
20 LIKE TO PRESENT A SCROLL TO WINNIE JACKSON. [APPLAUSE.] HOW
21 MANY OF THOSE DO YOU HAVE? ABOUT 140? [LAUGHTER.] TIRELESS IN
22 HER EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF CHILDREN. THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
23 WINNIE. AND REPRESENTING NEW LINE CINEMA, WARNER BROTHERS, MR.
24 RON CHAN. AND RON WAS JUST SO SUPPORTIVE AND HELPFUL IN
25 BRINGING US THESE OPPORTUNITIES. WE ALSO, RON, HAVE A SPECIAL



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1 SCROLL FOR YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION TO OPERATION READ.

2 [APPLAUSE.] IN CLOSING, I'M GOING TO ASK, LAURA, WOULD YOU
3 LIKE TO SAY A COUPLE WORDS ON BEHALF OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT,
4 PLEASE?

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6 **LAURA SANCHEZ-RAMIREZ:** I JUST WANT TO SAY REALLY THANK YOU SO
7 MUCH, SUPERVISOR, AND ALSO WARNER BROTHERS AND A.M.C., THANK
8 YOU SO MUCH BECAUSE THIS IS JUST A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY FOR
9 OUR STUDENTS TO WRITE AND EXPRESS. AND THEY'RE THE FUTURE. AND
10 WE JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL THAT YOU DO FOR
11 OUR CHILDREN, OR FOR THE KIDS, AS WE SAY. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

12 [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. AND I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT
15 THIS IS ONE OF THE MANY OPERATION READS PROGRAMS THAT WE'VE
16 DONE OVER THE YEARS. AND OUR OPERATION READ PROGRAM IS IN OUR
17 CAMPS AND HALLS AND COMMUNITY DAY SCHOOLS AS WELL AS PROGRAMS
18 LIKE THIS, WORKING WITH OUR SCHOOL DISTRICTS. AND IT JUST
19 TAKES A LOT OF FOLKS TO MAKE THESE KINDS OF EVENTS HAPPEN. AND
20 FOR THAT WE'RE GRATEFUL. BUT I THINK LIFELONG, ANYTHING WE CAN
21 DO TO EITHER ENCOURAGE READING OR TO IMPROVE READING SKILLS.
22 BECAUSE YOU CAN'T GET THE MOST BASIC JOB WITHOUT THE ABILITY
23 TO READ. THESE PROGRAMS ARE AN ABSOLUTE NECESSITY. AND IT'S SO
24 NICE THAT WE HAVE PARTNERS LIKE A.M.C. AND NEW LINE CINEMA,
25 AND WARNER BROTHERS AND VARIETY, AND ALL THE OTHER FOLKS. AND



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1 SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND TEACHERS AND SUPERINTENDENTS. AND MOST
2 IMPORTANTLY, THE KIDS. SO WE THANK YOU. HAVE A GREAT DAY. I
3 KNOW YOU'RE ANXIOUS TO GET BACK TO SCHOOL, SO I'LL LET YOU GO.
4 THANKS. BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] SPEAKING OF KIDS,
5 SPEAKING OF CHILDREN, AT THIS TIME, AS CHAIR, IT'S MY HONOR
6 AND PLEASURE TO PRESENT THE 2008 MARCH OF DIMES CAMPAIGN
7 AWARDS TO OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND RESPECTIVE COORDINATORS.
8 WE WANT TO COMMEND ALL OF YOU FOR DOING AN INCREDIBLE JOB THIS
9 YEAR. LISTEN TO THIS. LISTEN TO THIS. YOUR HARD WORK HELPED
10 THIS COUNTY RAISE OVER \$370,000 FOR THE FIGHT AGAINST BIRTH
11 DEFECTS AND INFANT MORTALITY. [APPLAUSE.] ANYWAY, THAT'S JUST
12 AWESOME, YOU KNOW. \$370,000 FOR THE FIGHT AGAINST BIRTH
13 DEFECTS AND INFANT MORTALITY. SO I'M GOING TO ASK ANGEL PRICE
14 TO SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT THE CAMPAIGN BEFORE WE GO ON?

15

16 **ANGEL PRICE:** ON BEHALF OF THE MARCH OF DIMES, I'D LIKE TO
17 THANK THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE COUNTY OF LOS
18 ANGELES FOR BEING OUR PARTNERS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST PREMATURE
19 BIRTH, INFANT MORTALITY AND BIRTH DEFECTS. WE COULDN'T DO WHAT
20 WE DO WITHOUT ALL OF YOU. THERE'S STILL SO MUCH MORE WORK TO
21 BE DONE. THANK YOU TO OUR TOP WALKERS. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO
22 SEEING YOU ALL ON APRIL 25TH. [APPLAUSE.]

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. FUJIOKA, WOULD YOU COME UP HERE AND
25 BE A PART OF THE PRESENTING TEAM? I DON'T SEE YOUR DEPARTMENT



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1 HERE. OH, THAT WAS A JOKE. THAT WAS A JOKE. THAT WAS A JOKE.
2 SEE, FOLKS ARE A LITTLE SENSITIVE TODAY, LITTLE SENSITIVE.
3 FIRST OF ALL, LEADING THE WAY, THE TOP TEAM WAS THE DEPARTMENT
4 OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. THEY RAISED \$136,647. WE HAVE
5 DIRECTOR, PHILIP BROWNING AND THE COORDINATOR, ROSA GONZALEZ.
6 [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT. WOW, THAT'S A LOT OF MONEY. \$136,647.
7 WOW. AND YOU'RE NOT EVEN THE LARGEST DEPARTMENT, PHILIP SAID.
8 THREE TIMES. [LAUGHTER.] WOW. SECOND PLACE, HEALTH SERVICES.
9 THEY RAISED \$78,502. WE HAVE INTERIM DIRECTOR, JOHN SCHUNHOFF
10 AND COORDINATOR, MARY BACK BACA. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT WE HAVE THE
11 REGISTRAR-RECORDER COUNTY CLERK, THEY RAISED \$21,146. WE HAVE
12 REGISTRAR-RECORDER, DEAN LOGAN AND COORDINATOR, CAROL
13 WILLIAMS. YOU'RE BACK AGAIN. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT IS PUBLIC
14 HEALTH. THEY RAISED \$15,880. DR. JONATHAN FIELDING AND
15 COORDINATORS, ROBERT GIBSON AND JEAN DUPREE. [APPLAUSE.] ALL
16 RIGHT. NEXT WE HAVE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. \$15,410. WOW. IF THE
17 CHIEF WOULD HAVE PUT IN ANOTHER \$500, HE WOULD HAVE BEEN IN
18 THIRD PLACE. CHIEF MIKE DYER AND COORDINATORS, CARLA WILLIAMS
19 AND MARTHA CORTES. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
20 RAISED \$13,272. WE HAVE CAPTAIN MARGIE RUIZ. AND IF THE
21 SHERIFF WOULD HAVE PUT ANOTHER \$2,800, YOU WOULD HAVE BEEN IN
22 THIRD PLACE. ALL RIGHT. NEXT IS THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, \$9,723,
23 C.E.O. BILL FUJIOKA, COORDINATOR AND COUNTYWIDE MARCH OF DIMES
24 TEAM LEADER ELAINE ILIZALDI? NEXT WE HAVE PUBLIC WORKS. THEY
25 RAISED \$8,739. WE HAVE DIRECTOR GAIL FARBER AND COORDINATORS,



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1 VANESSA LOPEZ AND WILLIAM MORENO. OH, I MISSED SOMEBODY.
2 THAT'S OKAY. I'LL GET IT BACK. ALL RIGHT. GOING BACK. BACK UP
3 A COUPLE, I MISSED ONE BECAUSE THEY RAISED \$11,160 AND THAT'S
4 THE ASSESSORS' OFFICE. AND WE HAVE ASSISTANT ASSESSOR, BONNIE
5 OLIVER, AND COORDINATOR, SANDRA FLORES. SORRY. [APPLAUSE.]
6 NEXT WE HAVE THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, THEY RAISED \$8,475. WE
7 HAVE OUR AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, WENDY WATANABE, AND COORDINATOR,
8 MELISSA CARDENAS. [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT. NOW WE'RE GOING TO
9 PRESENT THE AWARDS TO THE OUTSTANDING WALKERS. SUPERSTAR
10 WALKERS, THESE ARE FOLKS THAT HAVE RAISED OVER \$20,000 AND UP
11 INDIVIDUALLY. FIRST OF ALL, FROM THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER, WE
12 HAVE CAROL WILLIAMS. [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT. THEN FROM
13 D.P.S.S., WE HAVE QUEEN JONES. [APPLAUSE.] AND OUR SHINING
14 STAR WALKERS, ARE WALKERS THAT RAISED BETWEEN 8,000 AND
15 \$11,000. WE HAVE FERNANDO BRAVO AND BERNICE HILL-SHEPHERD FROM
16 HEALTH SERVICES. [APPLAUSE.] THEN WE ALSO, IN THAT CATEGORY
17 SHINING STAR, CARRIE WILSON, BARRY BANKS, AND CYNTHIA LOPEZ
18 FROM D.P.S.S. [APPLAUSE.] AND THEN WE HAVE FROM THE FIRE
19 DEPARTMENT IN THAT CATEGORY, CARLA WILLIAMS. [APPLAUSE.] THEN
20 OUR STAR WALKERS, CATEGORY 4,500 TO 8,000, JUST TO 7,999,
21 ESTHER MARTINEZ, JOYCE MAYWETHER, CYNTHIA SCHMIDT, AND
22 VERONICA SEGALA FROM D.P.S.S. [APPLAUSE.] AND THEN I'M
23 PRESENTING AN AWARD TO -- OH, ANOTHER STAR WALKER, MR. BILL
24 FUJIOKA. [APPLAUSE.] WE'RE GOING TO THANK ALL OF YOU,
25 CONGRATULATE ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENTS. INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY



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1 HERE THAT WE DID FOR THE MARCH OF DIMES AND THESE BABIES YET
2 TO BE BORN. AND WE THANK YOU ALL. THANK YOU. WAY TO GO, LOS
3 ANGELES COUNTY! [APPLAUSE.] NOW SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I
4 BELIEVE WE HAVE A YOUNG FRIEND THERE YOU'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE?
5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE LITTLE PRECIOUS, WHO IS A 16-WEEK OLD
7 LITTLE FEMALE TERRIER MIX. SO LITTLE PRECIOUS WOULD LIKE TO GO
8 ALONG WITH THE PEOPLE FOR THE STAR WALK NEXT YEAR. SHE'S
9 LOOKING FOR A HOME. SO ANYBODY WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HER, YOU
10 CAN CALL 562-728-4644. AND LITTLE PRECIOUS WILL PROVIDE A LOT
11 OF LOVE FOR YOU. WHAT DO YOU THINK, PRECIOUS? LOOKING AT BILL.
12 BILL NEEDS ANOTHER LITTLE DOG. SEE, HUH?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ALL RIGHT. WE'LL GO BACK TO
15 THE AGENDA. AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY
16 ADJOURNMENTS OR LIKE TO CALL ANY ITEMS UP, PLEASE? WE WILL
17 MOVE TO RECONSIDER THE CONSENT ITEMS. THERE'S A SECOND.
18 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. CHAIR WILL MOVE THE CONSENT
19 ITEMS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
20 SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES. I DO HAVE AN ADJOURNMENT AND I'D LIKE TO
23 CALL UP SOME OF THE ITEMS. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
24 THE MEMORY OF RAMONA GARCIA CORONADO OF BOYLE HEIGHTS. THIS IS
25 A LOVELY WOMAN. SHE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 104. RAMONA WAS



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1 BORN IN JALISCO, MEXICO, IN 1904. SOME OF YOU MIGHT REMEMBER
2 HER. SHE WAS THE LITTLE LADY WHO WAS SINGING IN THE BEGINNING
3 OF THE MOVIE "REAL WOMEN HAVE CURVES." SHE WOULD SIT THERE,
4 AND SHE SANG OUT THERE AND SHE WOULD WAVE AT PEOPLE. SHE WAS
5 KNOWN AS THE DIVA OF BOYLE HEIGHTS AND WAS ALSO AFFILIATED
6 WITH THE ABUELITOS OF BOYLE HEIGHTS, AN ORGANIZATION OF SENIOR
7 CITIZENS WHO HELP IMMIGRANTS ADJUST TO LIFE IN AMERICA. RAMONA
8 WAS RECENTLY FEATURED ON A POPULAR SPANISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM,
9 "SABADO GIGANTE." AS WELL AS A BOOK ABOUT CENTENARIANS THAT IS
10 GOING TO BE RELEASED LATER ON THIS YEAR. WE ARE ALL GOING TO
11 MISS HER. SHE WAS ONE OF OUR LITTLE ICONS IN BOYLE HEIGHTS. WE
12 LOVED HER. SHE WAS A SWEETHEART. 104 YEARS OLD.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS JOIN YOU?

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** IF YOU WOULD. I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN
17 IN HER MEMORY. SO THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND BEFORE WE DO OTHER
18 ADJOURNMENTS, I'D LIKE TO CALL UP A COUPLE OF THE ITEMS THAT I
19 GUESS HAVE BEEN HELD. IF WE COULD START WITH ITEM NO. 49.

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 49 IS 11:30.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** OH, IS THAT A SET ITEM? I ASKED STAFF, AND THEY
24 SAID NO. ALL RIGHT. HOW ABOUT ITEM 54?

25



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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 54 IS PUBLIC COMMENT.

2

3 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT, NEVER MIND. I'M NOT DOING ANYTHING. I
4 DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ELSE.

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YOU HELD 51-A.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU. ON THIS ITEM, THIS IS THE ITEM WITH
9 REGARD TO THE WHOLE ECONOMIC STIMULUS AND WHAT'S GOING ON.
10 NOW, OF COURSE ALL OF US ARE VERY INTERESTED IN IT FUNCTIONING
11 AND WORKING EFFECTIVELY FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTY. I THINK WE HAVE
12 A REAL OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT. AND I
13 APPRECIATE THE WORK AND THE LEADERSHIP OF THE C.E.O. AND THE
14 TEAM THAT IN ESTABLISHING THE VARIOUS WORK GROUPS TO LOOK INTO
15 THESE OPPORTUNITIES. BUT I'M ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT THE
16 COORDINATION. AND I'VE HEARD LITTLE RUMBLINGS ABOUT THE FACT
17 THAT WHETHER IT BE OUR SACRAMENTO LOBBYIST OR WHETHER IT BE
18 OUR FOLKS IN D.C., THAT WE REALLY HAVE TO HAVE SOME
19 COORDINATION IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE THAT THE MONEY THAT IS
20 AVAILABLE TO US IS REALLY GOING TO BE ENHANCED. WE HAVE A REAL
21 OPPORTUNITY WITH THE MONEY THAT IS GOING TO BE AVAILABLE FOR
22 THE ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS. AS WE KNOW, THAT IS SOMETHING
23 THAT COULD BE HELPFUL, A TREMENDOUS SAVINGS TO THE COUNTY AND
24 AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK MUCH MORE EFFICIENTLY IN EVERY WAY. SO
25 I GUESS IT'S TRYING TO GET A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF HOW WE'RE



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1 GOING TO BEGIN THE PROCESS OF DRAWING DOWN SOME OF THESE
2 FUNDS. SO LET ME BEGIN BY ASKING YOU THAT QUESTION. OKAY, FAIR
3 ENOUGH.

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I AM GOING TO HAVE ELLEN SANDT JOIN ME, BUT WE
6 JUST RELEASED A DOCUMENT ON FRIDAY THAT SPEAKS TO NUMEROUS
7 ACTIONS WE'VE TAKEN AS PART OF OUR ATTEMPT TO ENSURE THAT THE
8 COUNTY RECEIVES NOT ONLY ITS FAIR SHARE IN FEDERAL STIMULUS
9 DOLLARS, BUT ALSO, THAT WE DO IT IN A COORDINATED AND A VERY
10 COLLABORATIVE MODEL. WE HAVE SEVERAL COMMITTEES THAT HAVE BEEN
11 ESTABLISHED RELATED TO THIS EFFORT. WE'RE WORKING ON MOTIONS
12 THAT HAVE BEEN PRESENTED BY A NUMBER OF THE BOARD MEMBERS
13 RELATED TO NOT ONLY THE JOB PROGRAM BUT ALSO TO ENSURE THAT WE
14 PURSUE SOME OF THE CAPITAL, THE FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR THE
15 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. I WANT TO HAVE ELLEN JUST GO
16 THROUGH SOME OF IT. BUT KNOW THAT WE HAVE A STRUCTURE IN
17 PLACE. THE COUNTY STAFF HAS BEEN COORDINATING THIS. WE ARE
18 WAITING FOR FURTHER DIRECTION FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO
19 DETERMINE EXACTLY WHAT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS NEEDED, SOME
20 OF THE PROCEDURAL STEPS. BUT WE DO HAVE, I THINK, A FAIRLY
21 GOOD INITIATIVE GOING.

22

23 **ELLEN SANDT:** ALL RIGHT. JUST TO EXPLAIN WHAT WE HAVE GOING AT
24 THIS POINT IS WE'RE PROPOSING A STRUCTURE THAT WOULD HAVE AN
25 EXECUTIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE THAT WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR



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1 MONITORING THESE PROJECTS AND MAKING SURE THEY GET DONE
2 QUICKLY AND THAT THEY MEET THE DEADLINES. THE EXECUTIVE
3 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE WOULD HAVE THE KEY DEPARTMENT HEADS ON IT,
4 THE D.C.E.O.S AND I'M ALSO SUGGESTING THAT YOUR BOARD OFFICES
5 BE INVITED TO SIT ON THAT COMMITTEE. AND THAT WOULD BE THE
6 GROUP THAT WOULD CONSIDER THE POLICY ISSUES AND THAT IF ANY
7 PARTICULAR DEPARTMENT WAS HAVING TROUBLE DEALING WITH
8 SOMETHING THAT THEY COULD COME TO THAT COMMITTEE AND ASK FOR
9 HELP. NOW, WHAT WE DID IN TERMS OF HOW WE WOULD DO THE
10 OVERSIGHT IS WE WENT THROUGH THE ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGE AND
11 WE BROKE IT INTO FIVE BASIC AREAS OF INTEREST. AND SO THERE
12 WOULD BE PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS, SOCIAL SERVICES TYPE PROJECTS.
13 THE ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORDS WITH A SECTION. SO WE WENT
14 THROUGH LIKE THAT. ENERGY CONSERVATION PROJECTS, CAPITAL
15 PROJECTS, THAT KIND OF THING. WHAT WE ARE PROPOSING THEN IS
16 THAT THERE BE A SUBCOMMITTEE THAT OVERSEES EACH OF THESE AREAS
17 AND THAT SUBCOMMITTEE HAS THE FOLKS THAT ARE INVOLVED ON MUCH
18 MORE OF A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS OVERSEEING THESE PROJECTS,
19 SUBMITTING THE GRANT APPLICATIONS, WATCHING OVER THE PROJECTS,
20 MAKING SURE HOW THE MONEY IS GETTING RECEIVED AND USED AND
21 SPENT ON TIME. AND SO WE WOULD SEE THAT THESE SUBCOMMITTEES
22 WOULD THEN EACH REPORT TO THE EXECUTIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.
23 IN TERMS OF REPORTING TO YOUR BOARD, ONE OF THE THINGS WE HAVE
24 PROPOSED IS THAT WE HAVE A STANDING ITEM ON YOUR BOARD AGENDA,
25 AND THAT EACH WEEK WE REPORT ON AT LEAST ONE OF THE FIVE AREAS



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1 SO THAT WE JUST KEEP ROTATING THROUGH THE FIVE AREAS AND
2 GIVING YOU UPDATES EVERY FEW WEEKS SO YOU CAN SEE WHERE WE'RE
3 GOING. SO THAT WOULD BE A MATTER OF REPORTING ON WHAT'S BEEN
4 HAPPENING AND WHAT WE'RE PLANNING. AND THEN IF THERE'S
5 INDIVIDUAL ISSUES THAT COME UP WHERE WE ACTUALLY NEED BOARD
6 ACTION, THAT OF COURSE WOULD COME FORWARD AS NEEDED ON A
7 REGULAR BASIS. LET'S SEE. IN TERMS OF WHAT WE'RE DOING, WE'VE
8 HAD SEVERAL MEETINGS ALREADY OF THE GROUP THAT'S FOCUSING ON
9 ENERGY ISSUES. SO, FOR EXAMPLE, IN THAT ONE WE HAVE
10 SUBCOMMITTEES THAT ARE LOOKING BOTH AT ENERGY PROJECTS THAT
11 ARE RELATED TO COUNTY FACILITIES AND THEN DEVELOPING AN ENERGY
12 PROGRAM TIED TO HELPING RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES, PROPERTY
13 OWNERS IN L.A. COUNTY, PUTTING TOGETHER THAT KIND OF A FUNDING
14 PROGRAM, TRYING TO LINK SOMETHING UP WITH THE STATE, THE A.B.
15 811 MONEY AND THE FEDERAL MONEY TO PUT TOGETHER SOME SORT OF
16 BOND FUNDING PROGRAM FOR THAT. WE HAVE GROUPS THAT ARE MEETING
17 ON THE ELECTRONIC MEDICAL RECORDS. YOU PROBABLY SAW THEIR
18 RECENT NOTIFICATION WHERE PUBLIC WORKS IS DOING OUTREACH TO
19 FOLKS IN THE COMMUNITY ABOUT UPCOMING PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS.
20 SO WE HAVE A NUMBER OF THINGS GOING IN THAT AREA. THE OTHER
21 THING THAT WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON THAT I THINK WE JUST SENT
22 FORWARD LAST WEEK TO, I THINK IT WAS NACO, WAS CLARIFICATION
23 QUESTIONS ON -- YOU KNOW, AS WE HAVE BEEN LOOKING THROUGH ALL
24 THE ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGE LANGUAGE, ARE THERE ANY AREAS
25 THAT NEED CLARIFYING? AND IT COULD BE A SIMPLE QUESTION LIKE:



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1 IF THE COUNTY HAS MONEY TO START A PROJECT, IF WE FUND IT,
2 WOULD THE FEDS BE WILLING THEN TO REIMBURSE US IF IT'S A
3 PROJECT THAT'S GOING TO BE ELIGIBLE?

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND HOW LONG IS IT GOING TO TAKE YOU TO GET AN
6 ANSWER LIKE THAT?

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8 **ELLEN SANDT:** WE'RE HOPING TO ACTUALLY GET ANSWERS PRETTY
9 QUICK.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA:** HOW LONG? 12 HOURS? 24 HOURS? 32 DAYS? HOW LONG?

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13 **ELLEN SANDT:** WELL, WE'RE HOPING WITHIN A COUPLE WEEKS AT LEAST
14 TO GET THOSE KINDS OF ANSWERS.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T MEAN TO BE -- YOU'VE DESCRIBED A VERY
17 BUREAUCRATIC PROCESS. VERY BUREAUCRATIC. COMMITTEES MEET, THEY
18 REPORT HERE, THEY MEET THEN. WE HAVE PEOPLE, WE DO THAT.
19 THAT'S GREAT. BUT I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT. NO
20 IDEA. I HAVE 7,000 PEOPLE WHO HAVE LOST THEIR JOBS IN MY
21 DISTRICT. THERE ARE SUPPOSEDLY GREEN JOBS COMING DOWN. HOW IS
22 THAT GOING TO CONNECT?

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE HAVE A SEPARATE INITIATIVE THAT MIGUEL
2 SANTANA, BASED ON A MOTION FROM THE CHAIR, IS PUTTING TOGETHER
3 THAT JOB PROGRAM. AND WE'RE WAITING FOR INFORMATION --

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5 **SUP. MOLINA:** OH, SO THAT'S A SEPARATE SILO.

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7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT'S NOT SILOS. WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS YOU
8 NEED A COORDINATED BASIS. YOU NEED A COORDINATED PROCESS TO
9 INSURE THAT WE HAVE EVERYONE WHO'S GOING TO BE IMPACTED BY
10 THIS EFFORT IS INVOLVED. AND WE DO HAVE -- WE'RE WAITING FOR
11 INFORMATION FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, BECAUSE WHAT HAPPENED
12 IS THAT THEY ANNOUNCED THIS MONEY. THEY'VE ANNOUNCED THESE
13 POTS OF FUNDS. THEY HAVE YET TO GIVE US SPECIFIC INFORMATION
14 ON HOW TO ACCESS THOSE POTS OF FUNDS.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND, THAT. BUT THERE'S A WHOLE LOT OF
17 PEOPLE THAT WE PAY FOR IN WASHINGTON, D.C. THAT SHOULD BE
18 GOING AROUND SHAKING THE TREES TO FIGURE OUT WHAT THE ANSWERS
19 ARE TO SOME OF THESE QUESTIONS.

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21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WHICH THEY'RE DOING RIGHT NOW. THEY ARE DOING
22 THAT.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THEY'RE MEETING TOMORROW IN THE WHITE
2 HOUSE. THAT THEY'RE STILL LAYING OUT GROUND RULES WITH THE
3 VICE PRESIDENT THAT OUR PEOPLE THAT WILL BE AT.

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THERE'S BEEN A PERCEPTION THAT I FIND -- WELL,
6 JUST THE PERCEPTION OUT THERE THAT WE'RE JUST SITTING ON OUR
7 HANDS AND NOT DOING ANYTHING. THAT IS ABSOLUTELY UNTRUE AND
8 ABSOLUTELY UNFAIR. WE HAVE, THE FACT THAT THIS JOB MOTION, AND
9 WHAT MIGUEL IS DOING TO PUT THAT TOGETHER AND TO COORDINATE IT
10 ONCE WE GET SPECIFIC GUIDELINES FROM THE FEDS ON HOW WE CAN
11 ACCESS THE MONEY, HAS BEEN PUT IN PLACE. WE HAVE THESE OTHER
12 STRUCTURES. IF WE DON'T DO IT ON A COORDINATED BASIS WITH ALL
13 OF OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO ENSURE -- IF IT'S JUST PUBLIC
14 WORKS, IT'S NEVER ONLY JUST PUBLIC WORKS. THERE'S AN ISSUE
15 THAT RELATED TO THE CAPITAL PROJECTS THAT MUST INCLUDE THE
16 BOARD OFFICES. IT MUST INCLUDE OTHER DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE
17 ASSOCIATED WITH THAT. BUT FOR WHATEVER REASON, PEOPLE THINK --
18 THERE ARE SOME FOLKS WHO BELIEVE NOTHING IS BEING DONE. THAT
19 IS FAR FROM THE TRUTH.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I JUST INTERJECT ON THIS? I JUST WANTED
22 TO PIGGYBACK.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** GO AHEAD.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I GUESS THE FIRST QUESTION I HAVE: WHO IS IN
2 CHARGE? BILL? WHO IS "THE" POINT PERSON IN THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE
3 ON THE ENTIRE STIMULUS PACKAGE? THERE'S GOT TO BE ONE PERSON.

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5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE POINT PERSON IS ELLEN SANDT.

6
7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. WELL, THAT'S GOOD NEWS. THAT'S
8 SOMETHING WE DIDN'T KNOW FIVE MINUTES AGO. SO WHATEVER ISSUES
9 THAT RELATE TO WHETHER IT'S THIS, I DON'T WANT TO CALL IT A
10 SILO, THIS PROGRAM OR THAT PROGRAM OR THE PREDETERMINED
11 FORMULAS AND THE NOT PREDETERMINED -- YOU'RE THE PERSON,
12 YOU'RE THE COMMON BLOOD BETWEEN ALL THE PEOPLE, ALL THE OTHER
13 TYPE BLOODS THAT ARE OUT THERE, OKAY? ALL RIGHT. I DON'T WANT
14 TO GO ANY FURTHER. THAT WAS THE QUESTION I WANTED ANSWERED. I
15 JUST WANT TO MAKE A 10-SECOND COMMENT. I THINK WHAT YOU
16 DESCRIBED, AND I THINK WHAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA WAS REACTING TO
17 AND I HAD THE SAME REACTION, WAS ALL THE COMMITTEES AND
18 SUBCOMMITTEES. ONCE THE DECISION IS MADE IN WASHINGTON OR
19 WHEREVER IT'S GOING TO BE MADE, WE'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE -- I
20 THINK OUR FEELING IS THAT WE'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE THE TIME TO
21 WORK THROUGH COMMITTEES AND SUBCOMMITTEES AND ALL THAT. I
22 THINK THAT'S YOUR JOB AS THE CZARINA OF -- STIMULUS CZARINA.
23 SEE, THEY NEVER CALLED YOU THAT AT THE CITY, DID THEY?

24
25 **ELLEN SANDT:** NO, THEY DIDN'T. THAT'S A NEW ONE.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TO JUST PUSH THINGS, COMMUNICATE WITH THE
3 PEOPLE WHO NEED TO BE COMMUNICATED WITH, INCLUDING OUR
4 OFFICES. AND ON THE MAIN GROUP, I THINK IT'S A GOOD IDEA TO
5 HAVE ALL THE OFFICES REPRESENTED. BUT THE FIRST AND FOREMOST
6 THING IS THAT TIME NOT GO A WASTING. YOU HAVE THE FLEXIBILITY
7 TO RE-EVALUATE YOUR STRUCTURE HERE. YOU MAY WANT TO "DE-
8 COMMITTEE-IZE" IT AND MAKE IT MORE ENTREPRENEURIAL AND FOCUSED
9 ON THE END RESULT. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

10

11 **ELLEN SANDT:** ONE OTHER THING.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD.

14

15 **ELLEN SANDT:** JUST TO GIVE YOU A SENSE OF WHAT THE
16 SUBCOMMITTEES IS WORKING ON. FOR EXAMPLE, THE ONE IS PUTTING
17 TOGETHER THE GRANT FUNDING PROGRAM WHERE PRIVATE CITIZENS
18 COULD COME TO THE COUNTY AND ASK TO BORROW MONEY TO DO THE
19 ENERGY CONSERVATION ASSESSMENT, OR RETROFITS IN THEIR HOMES.
20 SO THE SUBCOMMITTEE, WELL, COMMITTEE IS MAYBE NOT THE RIGHT
21 WORD TO USE, THAT'S THE GROUP THAT'S PUTTING THE PROGRAM
22 TOGETHER SO IT WILL BE READY TO GO AS SOON AS THE FEDS FREE UP
23 THE MONEY. SO THAT'S THE KIND OF THING WE'VE GOT THE THE
24 COMMITTEES DOING, IS SORT OF DESIGNING THE PROGRAMS AND SAYING
25 "OKAY, HERE'S THE PROJECTS, HERE'S THE DIFFERENT THINGS."



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** COMMITTEES TO ME IMPLY AN AGENDA, A MEETING
3 A WEEK FROM TUESDAY, AND THAT SORT OF THING. SO IF IT'S NOT
4 THAT SORT OF THING --

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6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** CALL IT A COORDINATING EFFORT.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE.

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE ATTEMPT TO GET THE INFORMATION, I'M SORRY,
11 THE FUNDS WOULD BE ON A FOCUSED BASIS. BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S
12 ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL CONCERNS. ONCE WE RECEIVE THE MONEY --
13 AND LET ME SPEAK TO SOME OF THE CAPITAL PROJECTS. WE'RE GOING
14 TO NEED A FUNCTION TO ENSURE THAT THOSE PROJECTS ARE COMPLETED
15 IN A TIMELY MANNER, BUT ALSO SO WE CAN ACCOUNT FOR ALL THAT
16 MONEY. SO WHEN THE AUDITORS COME BACK, WE CAN TELL THEM IN
17 VERY SPECIFIC TERMS WHAT WE'VE DONE, WHEN WE'VE DONE IT AND
18 HOW MUCH WE'VE SPENT. YOU NEED THAT STRUCTURE IN PLACE.
19 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I THINK WHAT I'M
22 HEARING IS A RESPONSE TO WHAT ESSENTIALLY REDUCES ITSELF TO A
23 LACK OF INFORMATION THAT FINDS ITS WAY BACK TO THE MEMBERS OF
24 THE BOARD SO THAT EACH MEMBER CAN RESPOND AS FULLY, FREELY OR
25 AS INTELLIGENTLY AS POSSIBLE WHEN BEING ASKED, WITH SOME



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1 REGULARITY, ABOUT THE STIMULUS PACKAGE AND WHERE THE COUNTY
2 STANDS. BY WAY OF A SUGGESTION, MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO
3 OFFER THE FOLLOWING. PERHAPS THE DESIGNATED PERSON IN THE
4 C.E.O.'S OFFICE, MISS SANDT, COULD HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY, WITH
5 YOUR CONSENT, OBVIOUSLY, MR. FUJIOKA, A SERIES OF
6 CONVERSATIONS WITH THE DESIGNATED PERSON IN EACH OFFICE IN AN
7 ATTEMPT TO MAXIMIZE THE RESPECTIVE OFFICES' INFORMATION AS TO
8 WHERE WE ARE IN THE PROCESS ON A REGULAR BASIS. I'M PREPARED
9 TO INDICATE WHO THE LEAD PERSON IN MY OFFICE IS. AND MS.
10 SANDT, YOU SHOULD KNOW WHO THAT IS AND WORK WITH THAT
11 INDIVIDUAL. AND PERHAPS IF WE WERE TO DO THAT, IT OCCURS TO
12 ME, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, THIS IS THE THIRD, AT LEAST
13 THE THIRD MOTION OF WHICH I'M AWARE. THE FIRST WAS A RIDLEY-
14 THOMAS MOTION, THE SECOND WAS A YAROSLAVSKY MOTION. NOW A
15 MOLINA MOTION ON THE SAME ISSUE, TRYING TO MAKE SURE THAT WE
16 ARE GETTING WHAT WE NEED SO THAT WE CAN COMMUNICATE THAT MOST
17 EFFECTIVELY TO OUR RESPECTIVE PUBLICS AND AUDIENCES, AS WELL
18 AS CONSTITUENCIES. SO I THINK IT IS CLEAR THAT THE C.E.O.'S
19 OFFICE IS WORKING. BUT THE PROLIFERATION, FOR THE LACK OF A
20 BETTER TERM, OF MOTIONS ON THE SAME SUBJECT IS IN PART AN
21 INDICATION OF THE PAUCITY OF INFORMATION THAT'S FLOWING BACK
22 SO THAT WE DID CAN MORE EFFECTIVELY COMMUNICATE WHAT IS GOING
23 ON. AND IF THERE ARE NO RESULTS TO DATE, THAT'S FINE. PERHAPS.
24 BUT, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THE FLOW OF INFORMATION COULD/SHOULD
25 BE MAXIMIZED TO THE BENEFIT OF EVERYONE. SO, MR. CHAIRMAN,



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1 THROUGH YOU TO THE C.E.O., PERHAPS THAT'S THE WAY IN WHICH WE
2 SHOULD ESTABLISH. IF THERE'S A WORKING GROUP ON THE SUBJECT OF
3 THE STIMULUS PACKAGE, THAT'S FINE. NOT NECESSARILY CALLING FOR
4 THAT AGAIN. BUT I KNOW THAT EACH OFFICE PROBABLY SHOULD BE
5 BRIEFED. AND I THINK IF THAT WERE TO HAPPEN, THE FREQUENCIES
6 OF CONVERSATIONS OF THIS SORT WILL BE EFFECTIVELY OBIATED.
7 THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANYTHING ELSE, SUPERVISOR MOLINA? LET ME
10 JUST ADD. I THINK PART OF THE FRUSTRATION IS PEOPLE READ IN
11 THE PAPERS THAT ALL THIS MONEY IS COMING AND THEN THEY EXPECT
12 THAT IT'S OUT THERE ALREADY. A PERFECT EXAMPLE OF THE MOTION
13 THAT I BROUGHT IN, 10,000 JOBS AND \$100 MILLION WHEN YOU FIND
14 THIS POT OF MONEY, THE POINT BEING: AS OF TODAY, MAYBE NOT
15 EVEN TOMORROW, WE DON'T KNOW IF THAT MONEY'S GOING TO FLOW
16 DIRECT SO THAT WE HAVE ACCESS TO TIE INTO OUR COMMUNITY-BASED
17 ORGANIZATION, COUNTY WORKERS, CITY, OTHER CITIES WITHIN THE
18 COUNTY OR IF THE STATE'S GOING TO RIP IT OFF IF IT WILL FLOW
19 THROUGH THE STATE AND THEY'LL TAKE A HUGE HUNK OF IT AND WE'LL
20 HAVE LEFTOVERS. THAT HAS YET TO BE DETERMINED. BECAUSE I'VE
21 HAD A LOT OF INQUIRIES BECAUSE OF THE MOTION AND THINGS LIKE
22 THAT. BUT THE POINT BEING WE DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH WE'RE GOING
23 TO GET. WE DON'T KNOW THE TOTAL GROUND RULES YET. BUT MOST
24 IMPORTANTLY WE DON'T KNOW THAT PIECE THAT THE STATE MAY LOP
25 OFF THE TOP TO BALANCE THEIR OWN BUDGET AND GIVE US THE



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1 LEFTOVERS. SO I MEAN THAT'S WHY -- BUT I MEAN THE LESS
2 COMMITTEES, WE JUST NEED TO STAY ON TOP OF IT.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I AGREE WITH THAT.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BECAUSE ONCE IT'S RELEASED, WE NEED TO
7 BE READY TO ROLL.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I FULLY CONCUR. AND MR. CHAIRMAN, IF I
10 MAY, I THINK A FREQUENTLY COMMUNICATED BULLETIN OR WHATEVER
11 THE C.E.O. DEEMS APPROPRIATE TO MAXIMIZE THE INFORMATION THAT
12 WE HAVE IS AN APPROPRIATE WAY TO DEAL WITH IT. THE EXCELLENT
13 POINT THAT YOU MAKE, MR. CHAIRMAN, IS ABOUT THE MOTION YOU
14 BROUGHT IN AROUND THE 10,000 JOBS AND SO FORTH AND TRYING TO
15 GET CLARITY ON THAT. IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT WE WOULD BE BEST
16 SERVED BY JUST MORE PUSH. NOW, I KNOW THAT THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE
17 IS WORKING THIS ISSUE. BUT THE PART THAT NEEDS TO BE ATTENDED
18 TO, AT LEAST TO SOME EXTENT, IS HOW INTELLIGENT, HOW EQUIPPED
19 THE FIVE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ARE WITH RESPECT TO HOW THEY CAN
20 BEST ANSWER QUESTIONS WHEN BEING CONFRONTED WITH THEM.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA MADE THE MOTION. I THINK
23 WE'VE DISCUSSED IT WITH HER STAFF. I'D LIKE TO JUST MAKE SURE
24 THAT THE C.D.C. AND PUBLIC WORKS ARE ALSO INCLUDED IN THIS.

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1 **ELLEN SANDT:** YES, ABSOLUTELY.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ON THIS PIECE.

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5 **ELLEN SANDT:** YES, PUBLIC WORKS ACTUALLY WOULD BE HEADING UP
6 ONE OF THE GROUPS AND C.D.C. WOULD BE A KEY PLAYER IN ANOTHER
7 GROUP.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND I KNOW THAT WE'RE ALL ELOQUENT UP
10 HERE, SO DON'T LET US CONFUSE YOU WITH MULTIPLE MOTIONS ON THE
11 SAME SUBJECT, BUT THAT THE INTENTION WOULD BE THAT THEY ALL
12 MELD INTO ONE SO THAT YOU'RE NOT DUPLICATING EFFORT. OKAY?

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA.
17 THE CHAIR -- EXCUSE ME. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. SOME
18 DISCUSSION. WE HAVE ARNOLD SACHS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS,
19 PLEASE.

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21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** SORRY, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. I'M SORRY,
22 MR. PRESIDENT, I WAS GOING TO SPEAK ON --

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MR. CHAIRMAN'S OKAY.

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** MR. CHAIRMAN. MR. PRESIDENT. YEAH. BUT WHAT I
2 WANTED TO TALK ABOUT WAS THAT LAST WEEK, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
3 PUT BEFORE THE SUPERVISORS A MOTION TO CHECK TO SEE IF THERE
4 WERE ANY RESTRICTIONS ON STIMULUS FUNDING COMING TO THE
5 COUNTY, ANY CHANGES THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE. AND I JUST
6 WANTED TO POINT OUT IN THE PAPERS RECENTLY THAT THE M.T.A. IS
7 PUTTING RESTRICTIONS ON ITS STIMULUS FUNDING, THAT IT'S
8 ALLOCATING A HALF BILLION DOLLARS, \$500 MILLION TO EACH
9 COMMUNITY. AND THEN IT'S SAYING, THERE WAS AN ARTICLE IN THE
10 L.A. TIMES AND THE "DAILY BREEZE" REGARDING SOME PROGRAMS THAT
11 SOME COMMUNITIES WANTED TO GET INVOLVED IN, IN PARTICULAR
12 TORRANCE AND I BELIEVE IT WAS BRADBURY, WHERE BRADBURY WAS
13 GOING TO TRADE ITS STIMULUS FUNDING, THE \$500 MILLION, TO
14 TORRANCE FOR A CASH AMOUNT. AND THE M.T.A. SAID THAT THAT
15 COULDN'T OCCUR. SO MY POINT IS THAT --

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME ELEVATE THAT. THE M.T.A. DID NOT
18 SAY IT COULDN'T OCCUR. THEY HAD A HIGHER CALLING. THE WHITE
19 HOUSE CALLED AND SAID IT CANNOT OCCUR.

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21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OKAY. THEN THE ARTICLE ITSELF WAS WRONG. BECAUSE
22 I WAS GOING TO ASK IF THE COUNTY WOULD BE LOOKING INTO ANY
23 RESTRICTIONS THAT THE M.T.A. IS PASSING ON THE FUNDING THAT
24 IT'S GOING TO RECEIVE FOR ITS --

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT HAD TO BE TRANSPORTATION-RELATED, NOT
2 GENERAL FUND MONIES. THEY COULD DO A ONE-FOR-ONE EXCHANGE WITH
3 PROPOSITION R DOLLARS.

4

5 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I JUST WANTED TO KNOW -- READING THE ARTICLE, I
6 --

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PROP R DOLLARS WOULD WORK. PROP A OR
9 PROP C DOLLARS WOULD NOT.

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11 **ARNOLD SACHS:** READING BOTH ARTICLES, THE IMPRESSION WAS GIVEN
12 THAT THE M.T.A. WAS SAYING THAT IT COULDN'T OCCUR BECAUSE THEY
13 WOULDN'T ALLOW IT, NOT THAT IT WAS --

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** M.T.A. ORIGINALLY ALLOWED IT. THEY GOT A
16 CALL FROM THE WHITE HOUSE SAYING NO, THAT'S NOT THE INTENT.

17

18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WAS RESTRICTING IT. THANK
19 YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S A CLASSIC EXAMPLE OF WHAT WE'RE
22 TALKING ABOUT, THE WAY IT'S A MOVING TARGET.

23

24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THAT'S WHY I WAS ASKING. THE MOTION WAS MADE
25 LAST WEEK. AND I WAS WONDERING IF M.T.A. WAS PUTTING IN ITS



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1 OWN RESTRICTIONS OR NOT. AND YOU'RE TELLING ME NO, THEY'RE
2 NOT, THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS TELLING THEM WHERE THE
3 MONEY CAN BE SPENT. AND FOR THAT, I THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ALSO, THAT S-1, I CANCEL MY COMMENT ON THAT, SO
8 IF YOU'D LIKE TO CONSIDER THAT.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. ON THIS
11 PARTICULAR ITEM, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. THE CHAIR WILL
12 SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO
13 YOU HAVE ANY OTHER ITEMS YOU'D LIKE TO CALL UP? JUST ASKING.
14 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? WHOO.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS, I'D ASK THAT WE
17 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS. MICHAEL CONCHA,
18 ACTING ASSISTANT LOS ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER WHO
19 RECENTLY PASSED AT THE AGE OF 63. YOU WOULD WANT TO KNOW THAT
20 HE LED THE MENTAL HEALTH RESTORATIVE AND COLLABORATIVE
21 JUSTICE, SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATOR AND INVESTIGATIVE UNITS IN
22 ADDITION TO THE DEPARTMENT'S PARALEGALS AND PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL
23 WORKERS. HE SPENT 18 YEARS AS A TRIAL ATTORNEY BEFORE BEING
24 PROMOTED TO MANAGEMENT. HE WAS A DEDICATED VOLUNTEER WITH THE
25 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS FOUNDATION'S MOCK TRIAL PROGRAM, SERVING



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1 AS A JUDGE DURING MOCK TRIAL CASES AND TRAINING MIDDLE SCHOOL
2 AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS
3 PARENTS, RUBY AND FAYE CONCHA, AND A DAUGHTER, LISA, ALONG
4 WITH A HOST OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO WILL REMEMBER HIM MOST
5 FONDLY. AND FINALLY, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, ALTOVISE
6 DAVIS, KNOWN TO MANY OF US AS THE WIDOW OF SAMMY DAVIS, JR.,
7 WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY OF COMPLICATIONS FROM A STROKE AT THE
8 AGE OF 65. SHE WAS TRAINED AS A BROADWAY ACTOR AND DANCER WHO
9 APPEARED IN A NUMBER OF BROADWAY MUSICALS, INCLUDING THE LEAD
10 IN "GOLDEN BOY". IN THE CHORUS LINE OF "HIGH SPIRITS." SHE
11 LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER SON, MANNY DAVIS, ALONG WITH
12 MANY ADORING FANS AS WELL AS FAMILY AND A HOST OF FRIENDS WHO
13 HAVE COME TO LOVE HER, KNOW HER, AND APPRECIATE HER LEGACY.
14 THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER ITEMS
17 YOU'D LIKE TO CALL UP?

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MUCH BETTER, THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR
22 YAROSLAVSKY? ADJOURNMENTS?

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DO. MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE
25 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SAM BRAMEY, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF



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1 90. SAM WAS ONE OF FIVE CHILDREN BORN TO AN IMMIGRANT FAMILY
2 FROM TUNISIA AND TURKEY. LOST HIS PARENTS EARLY IN HIS LIFE
3 AND AFTER WORKING NUMEROUS JOBS AT THE AGE OF SIX, FROM THE
4 AGE OF SIX ONWARD, HE EVENTUALLY JOINED THE UNITED STATES NAVY
5 SHORTLY AFTER THE ATTACK ON PEARL HARBOR. AFTER VARIOUS
6 ASSIGNMENTS ON SHIPS IN THE UNITED STATES AND ICELAND HE WAS
7 SENT TO EUROPE ON THE U.S.S. PINTO, WHERE HE TRAINED FOR A
8 MISSION THAT PROVED TO BE THE TURNING POINT IN WORLD WAR II IN
9 ONE OF THE GREAT HISTORICAL EVENTS OF THE 20TH CENTURY, THE
10 NORMANDY INVASION, IN WHICH HIS CREW OF 80 RENDERED ASSISTANCE
11 TO SAVE SHIPS AND LIVES, INCLUDING THOSE OF 3,400 SOLDIERS
12 ABOARD THE U.S.S. SUSAN B. ANTHONY. AFTER THE WAR, HE RETURNED
13 TO CHICAGO AND THE GREAT LAKES NAVAL BASE WHERE HE MET HIS
14 FUTURE WIFE, IDA, AND EMBARKED ON HIS CAREER AS A BUSINESSMAN
15 AND ENTREPRENEUR. BUT HIS FAMILY ALWAYS CAME FIRST. AND HE WAS
16 CHERISHED AS A DEVOTED FATHER, HUSBAND AND GRANDFATHER. HE IS
17 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 63 YEARS, BELLE BRAMEY; TWO DAUGHTERS,
18 SAMARA AND LINDA; AND THREE SONS, LOU, ROGER, RUSSELL; AND A
19 NUMBER OF GRANDCHILDREN. AND MR. CHAIRMAN, ALSO ASK THAT WE
20 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ACTOR RON SILVER, WHO PASSED AWAY ON
21 SUNDAY. HE WAS, FIRST OF ALL, A GREAT ACTOR. A NUMBER OF
22 DIVERSE ROLES THAT BROUGHT HIM TO PROMINENCE ON SCREEN AND
23 TELEVISION. HE WAS ALSO OUTSPOKEN POLITICALLY, AND EVEN THOUGH
24 I DID NOT ALWAYS SHARE HIS VIEW, HE WAS ARTICULATE AND
25 PASSIONATE AND IN HIS OWN, FROM HIS OWN POINT OF VIEW, QUITE



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1 COURAGEOUS IN SOME OF THE THINGS, STUCK HIS NECK OUT IN SOME
2 OF THE THINGS HE SAID. I GOT TO KNOW HIM. I MET HIM ON A
3 NUMBER OF OCCASIONS. BASICALLY HE HAD A BIG HEART. AND HE WILL
4 BE MISSED. SO I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN HIS MEMORY.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS ON THE RON SILVER
7 ADJOURNMENT AND ALL MEMBERS ON THE SAMMY DAVIS, JR.'S WIFE'S
8 ADJOURNMENT AS WELL, TOO. ANY OTHER ADJOURNMENTS? ANYTHING YOU
9 WANT TO CALL UP?

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HAVE YOU DONE ALL YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS
12 STUFF?

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE ITEM 3.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'LL CALL UP ITEM 3.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ITEM 3, WE HAVE MR. SACHS? MR. SACHS, WHILE
19 YOU'RE HERE, AS LONG AS YOU'RE SPEAKING ON NO. 3, IF YOU
20 COMMENT, YOU ALSO HELD 51-D.

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22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** COULD YOU EXCUSE ME ONE SECOND, MR. CHAIR? I
23 NEED TO GET MY PAPERWORK.

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NOT ALL THE WAY IN THE BACK, HUH?



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ALL THE WAY IN THE BACK. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,
3 DO YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS?

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A
6 ROLE MODEL, A GOOD FRIEND WHO JUST PASSED AWAY, THE REVEREND
7 MONSIGNOR AUGUSTO MORETTI, KNOWN BY HIS FRIENDS AS GUS, FATHER
8 GUS. HE WAS A PRIEST, A SCHOLAR, AND A THEOLOGIAN. PASSED AWAY
9 ON MARCH 14TH. HIS EDUCATION WAS AT ST. JOHN'S THEOLOGICAL
10 SEMINARY. HE HAD A MASTER'S DEGREE IN THEOLOGY. IN ROME HE
11 OBTAINED HIS MASTER'S IN CANON LAW FROM THE GREGORIAN
12 UNIVERSITY AND WAS AWARDED A DOCTORAL DEGREE IN CANON LAW FROM
13 THE UNIVERSITY OF ST. JOHN LATERAN. HE TAUGHT AT ST. MALACHI'S
14 HOLY CROSS, HOLY ROSARY IN SUN VALLEY AND MARY STAR OF THE SEA
15 IN SAN PEDRO. HE WAS VERY CLOSE TO HIS FAMILY. MANY OF HIS
16 FAMILY MEMBERS RESIDE NOW IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. HE WAS
17 ADVISOR TO CARDINAL MANNING ON THE CHARISMATIC RENEWAL. AND HE
18 WAS A MEMBER OF THE CANON LAW SOCIETY OF AMERICA, A JUDGE OF
19 THE METROPOLITAN TRIBUNAL AND SPECIAL CONSULTANT. HE WAS
20 RECENTLY INDUCTED IN THE ITALIAN-CATHOLIC LAWYERS
21 ASSOCIATION'S LAWYER'S HALL OF FAME. HE HAD BEEN NOMINATED
22 CHAPLAIN TO THE HOLY FATHER WITH THE TITLE OF MONSIGNOR IN
23 1974. AND HE WAS A PERSONAL FRIEND OF POPE JOHN PAUL II,
24 HAVING CELEBRATED MASS WITH HIM MANY TIMES IN HIS PRIVATE
25 CHAPEL AT THE VATICAN. HE WAS ALSO THE CHAPLAIN OF THE LOS



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1 ANGELES DISTRICT OF THE ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION, THE
2 FEDERATED ITALIO- AMERICAN OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, AND UNICO
3 NATIONAL. HE WAS AN OUTSTANDING MAN, A GREAT THINKER, A GREAT
4 SCHOLAR. LOVED THE ARTS, ARCHITECTURE, PHOTOGRAPHY, LANGUAGE,
5 LINGUISTS. HE WAS FLUENT IN EIGHT LANGUAGES. AND HE HAS THREE
6 OF HIS SIBLINGS AND THEIR SPOUSES THAT HE VISITED DAILY WHEN
7 HE WAS AT HIS CHURCH. THEY LIVE IN SAN GABRIEL. THAT'S NATE
8 AND IDA MORETTI, JOE AND OLGA LODICO AND PAULA AND SONNY
9 ZAPIA. HE LEAVES 30 NIECES AND NEPHEWS. THERE'S GOING TO BE A
10 VIGIL AT THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH AT
11 2640 EAST ORANGE GROVE IN PASADENA THIS THURSDAY NIGHT. THE
12 VIGIL WILL BEGIN AT 7:30. AND IN THE MORNING WILL BE THE MASS,
13 CHRISTIAN BURIAL. CARDINAL WILL BE CELEBRATING THAT. BUT HE
14 WAS A REAL GOOD MAN. GAVE THE INVOCATION AT MY SWEARING IN THE
15 TERM BEFORE LAST. HE WAS QUITE WELL LOVED BY THE MEMBERS OF
16 THE MEMBERS OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
17 CHURCH THAT HE WAS PRIEST OF AND EMERITUS. I WOULD ALSO LIKE
18 TO JOIN IN RON SILVER'S PASSING BECAUSE IT WAS STATED THAT HE
19 WAS A STAR OF STAGE, SCREEN AND TELEVISION. BEST KNOWN FOR HIS
20 ROLE AS BRUNO GIANELLI ON THE "WEST WING." HE WON THE TONY
21 AWARD FOR BEST ACTOR IN SPEED-THE-PLOW. AND IN 2004 WAS A
22 SPEAKER AT THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION IN SUPPORT OF
23 PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH AND OUR NATION'S WAR ON TERROR. AND HE
24 COFOUNDED THE CREATIVE COALITION TO FURTHER ARTS EDUCATION.
25 HIS DEGREES WERE FROM THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AND HE



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1 HAD A MASTER'S DEGREE IN CHINESE HISTORY FROM ST. JOHN'S
2 UNIVERSITY. LENORA ANNENBERG, WHO WAS THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL
3 FOR PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN'S ADMINISTRATION. HELD THE RANK OF
4 AMBASSADOR, PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION TO DIPLOMATIC DETAILS, SUCH
5 AS MANAGING THE VARIOUS VISITS OF HEADS OF STATE AND ARRANGING
6 OUR PRESIDENTIAL VISITS OVERSEAS. SHE WAS THE ANNENBERG SCHOOL
7 OF COMMUNICATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA THAT
8 WAS FOUNDED BY HER HUSBAND AND HERSELF. LENORA BECAME THE
9 PRESIDENT OF THE ANNENBERG FOUNDATION AFTER WALTER PASSED AWAY
10 IN 2002. ALLEN LIVINGSTON PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 91. HE WAS
11 A FORMER PRESIDENT OF CAPITOL RECORDS. HE CREATED BOZO THE
12 CLOWN AS PART OF CAPITOL RECORDS, THE LONG SERIES FOR
13 CHILDREN. ALSO WAS NOTEWORTHY IN BRINGING THE BEATLES TO THE
14 UNITED STATES. HE SIGNED THEM ALONG WITH THE BEACH BOYS AND
15 THE STEVE MILLER BAND TO THE LABEL. HE WAS A LIEUTENANT DURING
16 WORLD WAR II, AND ALSO SERVED AS GROUP PRESIDENT FOR 20TH
17 CENTURY FOX FILMS CORPORATION'S TELEVISION PRODUCTIONS,
18 RECORDS, MUSIC AND FILM PROCESSING OPERATIONS. ALSO, I'D LIKE
19 TO MOVE IN MEMORY OF RICK LINDSTROM. HIS FAMILY IN THE
20 WOODLAND HILLS, SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND ESTABLISHED THE
21 WOODLAND HILLS EQUIPMENT RENTALS, AND THEN HE LATER OPENED THE
22 PALM CASTER EQUIPMENT RENTALS IN PALMDALE AND THE ANTELOPE
23 VALLEY AND HE WAS QUITE ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY THERE ALONG
24 WITH COACHING YOUTH SPORTS. GEORGE HEDGES, LAWYER. BUT HE WAS
25 A RENAISSANCE MAN BECAUSE JUST A COUPLE YEARS AGO, HE HELPED



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1 DISCOVER THE LOST ARABIAN CITY OF UBAR. HE WAS A RESIDENT OF
2 SOUTH PASADENA. THOMAS DIAZ, WHO WAS A RETIRED DEPUTY SHERIFF,
3 PASSED AWAY AFTER HE SERVED 25 YEARS WITH OUR DEPARTMENT. HE
4 WAS ASSIGNED AT THE FUGITIVE DETAIL. ROBERT "BOBBY" AUSTIN
5 CALDWELL, WORLD WAR II VETERAN AND ALSO OWNER OF CAR
6 DEALERSHIPS AT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. ROLAND JIM LORD, ACTIVE IN
7 THE VETERANS FOR FOREIGN WARS, POST 3,000, CHARTER MEMBER OF
8 THE COURTS HILL POST AND RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY.
9 ROBERT DALE SANDERS, KOREAN VETERAN OF THE KOREAN WAR. AND WAS
10 A MECHANIC FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON FOR THE PAST 31
11 YEARS. RODNEY "FLOYD" ROD SHAKEMILLER, UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
12 VETERAN. AND ARTHUR THEODORE SHNOOK OF THE LA CRESCENTA. HE
13 LEAVES HIS WIFE, BARBARA; AND SON, CHRISTIAN; AND DAUGHTER,
14 PAM. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. WE WILL GO BACK TO -- IT'S
17 BEEN SO LONG I CAN'T EVEN REMEMBER. ITEM 3 AND 51-B AND C, OR
18 C AND D.

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20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. MR. MAYOR. ITEM 3, ONE OF MY
21 FAVORITE ITEMS, SURPRISE, SURPRISE. YOU'RE CHANGING THE MAKEUP
22 OF THE EXPO METRO LINE.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE NOT CHANGING ANYTHING. WE'RE JUST
25 APPOINTING AN ALTERNATE.



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** BUT YOU'RE APPOINTING A NEW MEMBER TO THE EXPO
3 METRO LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AN ALTERNATE. IT SAYS ALTERNATE.

6

7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ALTERNATE. EXCUSE ME. BUT YOU'RE ACTING ON THE
8 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY MAKEUP. SO BACK TO THE EXPO METRO LINE
9 ITSELF, THE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. THE CITY OF L.A. ALLOCATED
10 FUNDING. I'M STILL WAITING, TRYING, HOPING TO GET AN ANSWER ON
11 WHEN THE MID-CITY PART OF THE MID-CITY EXPO LIGHT RAIL CAME
12 INTO EXISTENCE FROM IT'S INCEPTION IN THE M.T.A. BOARDROOM,
13 WHEN THE MEETINGS WERE HELD DISCUSSING WHETHER IT WOULD BE THE
14 AQUA LINE OR THE ROSE LINE AND SETTLED ON THE EXPO LINE. NO
15 MENTION, NOT FROM THE STATE, NOT FROM THE M.T.A., WAS EVER
16 BROUGHT IN ABOUT THE MID-CITY PART OF THE NAMING OF THE LINE.
17 IT'S NEVER BEEN FULLY ADDRESSED. AND I'D JUST LIKE TO POINT
18 OUT IN A KIND OF RELATED ITEM, THERE WAS A STORY IN
19 YESTERDAY'S L.A. TIMES REGARDING THE BERNARD MADOFF SITUATION
20 AND HOW YOU WOULD RECOGNIZE THE SCAM. AND THE PERSON WHO WROTE
21 IT WAS SOMEBODY WHO DOES WALL STREET WORK. AND HE WAS SAYING
22 THAT MADOFF HAD EVERYTHING, ALL HIS DUCKS IN A ROW. SO IT
23 WOULD HAVE BEEN ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE, EXCEPT FOR THIS GIGANTIC
24 FAILURE THAT EXPOSED HIM. IT'S THE SAME KIND OF SCAM. ALL
25 THEY'RE LOOKING FOR IS SOMEBODY TO HONESTLY ANSWER WHO, WHAT,



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1 WHEN CAME UP WITH MID-CITY? BECAUSE IF YOU SAY THEY'RE THE
2 SAME NAME, YOU'RE JUST KIDDING US. AND THEN WHILE YOU'RE
3 APPOINTING ALTERNATES TO THE EXPO LINE, I'D LIKE TO ALSO GO
4 BACK TO MY OTHER ALL-TIME FAVORITE AND THAT WOULD BE THE GOLD
5 LINE. THE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY THERE: THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN
6 THE GOLD LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY AND THE FOOTHILL, GOLD
7 LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. THE ABSOLUTE MAKEUP OF BOTH THOSE
8 AUTHORITIES ARE ENTIRELY DIFFERENT THAN WHAT THE STATE
9 LEGISLATION AUTHORIZED WHEN THEY PASSED THE LEGISLATION
10 CREATING THE AUTHORITY. AND TO TELL THE PUBLIC THAT THEY'RE
11 THE SAME DOESN'T FLY WITH WHAT THE STATE LEGISLATION
12 AUTHORIZES. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU THINK IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO SPEAK
17 AT THE M.T.A. MEETING ON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' AGENDA
18 MEETINGS?

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** HE ONLY GETS A MINUTE THERE. AND HE GETS
21 THREE HERE.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AT THE M.T.A., SPEAK ON M.T.A., AT THE BOARD,
24 SPEAK ON BOARD ISSUES?

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, I WOULD. AND YOU KNOW WHY I SPEAK ON M.T.A.
2 ISSUES? BECAUSE THERE'S FIVE MEMBERS HERE THAT SIT ON THE
3 M.T.A. BOARD. AND IT'S THE MOST POINTED GROUP.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. THE CHAIR
6 WILL SECOND IT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM 51-D.
7 MOVED BY THE CHAIR, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
8 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. I ALSO HELD ITEM 51-C.

9

10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 51-D. 51-B I DID. 51-D I DID NOT.

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU DIDN'T HOLD 51-B. SO I'M GIVING YOU
13 CREDIT FOR 51-D.

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** NO, I DID. 51-A, 51-D AND 51-C. 51-C, YOU'RE
16 WRITING A LETTER TO THE GOVERNOR. I'D LIKE TO REALLY GO FAR
17 OUT ON A LIMB HERE AND ASK YOU TO WRITE A LETTER IN SUPPORT OF
18 PLANNED PARENTHOOD. UNLIKE ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
19 WHO CUT OFF FUNDING FOR THE PLANNED PARENTHOOD BASED ON THEIR
20 PERSONAL BELIEFS, IT WOULD BE NICE BECAUSE OF THEIR SERVICES
21 THAT PLANNED PARENTHOOD PROVIDES TO GET A LETTER OF SUPPORT
22 FROM MAYBE THREE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS?

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S NOT 51-C, BUT GO AHEAD. I THOUGHT
25 YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT 51-D. WHAT ITEM ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 51-C. I AM TRYING TO GO IN ORDER.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU MIGHT WANT TO WAIT UNTIL PUBLIC
5 COMMENT. IT MIGHT BE BETTER, THEN. OKAY?

6

7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WELL YOU'RE WRITING A LETTER. I'M ASKING YOU TO
8 WRITE ANOTHER LETTER.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ABOUT THAT SPECIFIC SUBJECT. 10,000 JOBS
11 AND PLANNED PARENTHOOD ARE NOT, ASK US TO WRITE A LETTER UNDER
12 ANOTHER ENTRY. I JUST HELD 51-C. WE HAD A VERY LENGTHY
13 DISCUSSION EARLIER ABOUT MY CONCERNS AS IT RELATES TO 51-C.
14 AND AGAIN IT'S A POT OF MONEY. WE HAVE TO BE PREPARED ON ALL
15 FRONTS. WHILE IT MAY APPEAR AS A SILO, WE NEED TO HAVE A
16 COORDINATED EFFORT. WE TALKED ABOUT IT. JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE
17 BECAUSE THERE'S BEEN NUMEROUS CALLS TO MY OFFICE, EMAILS, WHEN
18 I'M OUT IN THE PUBLIC AND I'M SURE MY COLLEAGUES HAVE HAD THE
19 SAME THING, THAT WHILE WE ARE BEING VERY AGGRESSIVE ON THIS TO
20 SEE WHAT THE RULES AND REGULATIONS MAY BE, IT HAS NOT BEEN
21 DETERMINED. THERE WILL BE A MEETING TOMORROW. WE HAVE REGGIE
22 TODD AT THE MEETING AT THE MEETING AT THE WHITE HOUSE. IN
23 ADDITION, WE JUST DON'T KNOW WHETHER THE MONEY FUNNELS THROUGH
24 THE STATE OR COMES DIRECTLY TO US. THE MORE THAT COMES TO US,
25 THE MORE JOBS WILL BE PERFORMED. THE MORE THAT GOES THROUGH



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1 THE STATE, IT WILL BE TAKEN TO BALANCE THEIR BUDGET. SO
2 UNFORTUNATE BUT THAT'S HOW IT IS. AND THAT'S PART OF THE
3 PROBLEM WITH THE ENTIRE STIMULUS PACKAGE. BUT WITH THAT, I'LL
4 MOVE 51-C. AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT
5 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. 51-D, WE ALREADY APPROVED 51-D, ALL
6 RIGHT. OKAY. S-1. BUT I THOUGHT THAT WAS AT 11:30.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 11 O'CLOCK FOR S-1 AND 11:30 FOR --

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE DELAYED THE START SO WE COULD HEAR
11 ARNOLD SACHS, IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE TELLING ME? SEE, ARNOLD,
12 YOU'RE SPECIAL. ALL RIGHT. THIS IS ITEM S-1.

13

14 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I DECIDED NOT TO SPEAK ON S-1. THAT'S WHY I CAME
15 UP AND SPOKE ON 51-A.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU ALREADY SPOKE.

18

19 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I DID. BUT YOU WOULDN'T LET ME SPEAK ON 51-D.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I DID BECAUSE I THOUGHT YOU DID IT
22 BECAUSE YOU SAID AND I SAID B. ANYWAY. THANK YOU. WE'LL SEE
23 YOU IN A FEW MINUTES. ITEM S-1.

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** S-1, THIS IS JUST A BRIEF UPDATE ON WHERE WE
2 STAND WITH RESPECT TO DEFERRED FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF
3 CALIFORNIA. AT THIS POINT IN TIME, WE HAVE IDENTIFIED THREE
4 SEPARATE PAYMENTS FOR A TOTAL OF \$33.3 MILLION THAT HAVE YET
5 TO BE PAID BY THE STATE. TWO ARE FEBRUARY PAYMENTS. A SECOND
6 IS A MARCH 13TH PAYMENT. WE'VE HAD -- OUR STAFF HAS REACHED
7 OUT TO THE STATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, WHO HAS TOLD US THAT
8 THEY SHOULD BE CAUGHT OR BROUGHT UP-TO-DATE OR CAUGHT UP-TO-
9 DATE WITH OUR PAYMENTS BY THE END OF THIS MONTH, BY THE END OF
10 MARCH. THE ONE DISCONCERTING FACTOR IS WHAT WAS REPORTED LAST
11 FRIDAY, THE FACT THAT THE STATE CONTINUES TO HAVE AN
12 INCREASINGLY WORSE BUDGET. WE HAD MENTIONED IN OUR PREVIOUS
13 UPDATES THAT THIS \$8 BILLION THAT WAS REPORTED BY THE STATE
14 WAS CHARACTERIZED AS SOMETHING THAT WAS RECENTLY IDENTIFIED
15 WAS IN FACT SOMETHING THAT WE FELT WAS IN PLACE WHEN THE
16 BUDGET WAS IDENTIFIED, FIRST APPROVED. THE STATE BUDGET HAS
17 IDENTIFIED -- WELL THE STATE ITSELF HAS IDENTIFIED AN
18 ADDITIONAL \$8 BILLION PROBLEM THAT MAY INCREASE AS THIS YEAR
19 PROGRESSES. AS A CONSEQUENCE, EVEN THOUGH THE STATE CONTROLLER
20 HAS TOLD US THAT THEY SHOULD BE CAUGHT UP WITH OUR PAYMENTS BY
21 THE END OF MARCH, WE HAVE SERIOUS CONCERNS REGARDING THEIR
22 CAPACITY TO MEET THE MAY AND JUNE PAYMENTS. AS YOU KNOW, WE
23 ARE CONTINUING TO WORK ON THE BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS
24 ANGELES. THIS BUDGET WILL HAVE SOME VERY, VERY DIFFICULT
25 CHALLENGES. AND WITH THAT, DIFFICULT DECISIONS. THE ONE THING



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1 THAT WE KNOW IS GOING TO HAPPEN IS THAT THIS BUDGET PROCESS
2 WOULD NOT BE OVER WITH OUR PROPOSED BUDGET. WE'LL BE LOOKING
3 AT CHANGES NOT ONLY IN THE REVISE AS A CONSEQUENCE OF WHAT
4 COMES DOWN FROM THE STATE, BUT ALSO IN THE FINAL OR THE YEAR-
5 END BUDGET. THIS IS A VERY, VERY DIFFICULT, VERY DYNAMIC
6 PROCESS. AND EVEN THOUGH WE'RE TAKING VERY RESPONSIBLE ACTIONS
7 TO MANAGE OUR FINANCES, WE'RE STILL SUBJECT TO WHAT'S
8 HAPPENING THAT'S BEYOND OUR CONTROL. BUT WE CONTINUE TO
9 MONITOR THIS FOR YOU. ANY QUESTIONS?

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS? THANK YOU.
12 WE'LL JUST RECEIVE AND FILE. SO ORDERED. ARE THERE ANY OTHER
13 ITEMS REMAINING? SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH? WE'RE ALL DONE WITH
14 ADJOURNMENTS.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WOULD JUST BE PUBLIC COMMENT.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE A MOTION.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** PARDON ME?

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE A MOTION.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OH, OKAY.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ASSEMBLY BILL 12 IS CALIFORNIA'S FOSTERING
2 CONNECTIONS TO SUCCESSFUL ACT. OCTOBER 7TH, 2008, PRESIDENT
3 GEORGE W. BUSH HAD SIGNED INTO LAW H.R. 6893, WHICH ADDRESSES
4 THE THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN IN FOSTER AND KINSHIP CARE BY
5 PROMOTING PERMANENT FACILITIES THROUGH RELATIVE GUARDIANSHIP
6 AND ADOPTIONS AND GIVES THE STATE THE OPTION OF USING TITLE 4E
7 FUNDS. FOSTER CARE, LEGAL GUARDIANSHIP AND ADOPTION ASSISTANCE
8 TO YOUTHS UP TO 21 YEARS OF AGE. WHILE SOME PROVISIONS IN THE
9 LEGISLATION ARE OPTIONAL, OTHERS ARE MANDATORY. ON OCTOBER
10 21ST, THE BOARD DIRECTED THE C.E.O. ON MY MOTION AND THE
11 DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES TO EXPLORE THE
12 FEASIBILITY OF SEEKING STATE AUTHORITY TO IMPLEMENT THOSE
13 PROVISIONS. AND ON DECEMBER 1ST, ASSEMBLYMAN JIM BEALL AND
14 ASSEMBLY SPEAKER KAREN BASS HAD INTRODUCED ASSEMBLY BILL 12,
15 THE CALIFORNIA FOSTERING CONNECTIONS SUCCESS ACT, WHICH
16 ENSURES THAT CALIFORNIA OPTS IN BOTH THE KINSHIP GUARDIANSHIP
17 AND AIDS EXTENSION PROVISIONS OF THE LEGISLATION. THE STATE
18 HAS BEGUN THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING PLANS TO INTRODUCE
19 ENABLING LEGISLATION EARLY IN THIS SESSION AND TO ASSESS THOSE
20 ELEMENTS IN H.R. 6893 TO IMPLEMENT, BY REGULATORY CHANGES.
21 ASSEMBLY BILL 12 APPEARS TO BE DRAWING WIDESPREAD SUPPORT,
22 LAUDING THE AGE EXTENSION OF FOSTER CARE BENEFITS, WHICH WOULD
23 BEGIN BY OCTOBER 2010. IMPROVING THE OUTCOMES THROUGH AGE
24 EXTENSION WILL NOT ONLY BENEFIT OUR YOUTH BUT ALSO BE A WISE
25 INVESTMENT IN CALIFORNIA, WHERE STATE RESEARCH SHOWS THAT 1 IN



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1 4 FORMER FOSTER YOUTH FACE INCARCERATION WITHIN TWO YEARS OF
2 LEAVING THE SYSTEM. 1 IN 5 BECOME HOMELESS WITHIN A YEAR AND A
3 HALF WHEN THEY DON'T HAVE SUCH FAMILY SUPPORT IN PLACE. SO I'D
4 MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE C.E.O. AND DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN
5 AND FAMILY SERVICES SUPPORTING THIS LEGISLATION IN CONCEPT
6 WITH A REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS ON ITS IMPACT. SO THAT WOULD BE
7 FOR NEXT WEEK'S AGENDA. AND THE SECOND ONE, RECENTLY PASSED
8 STATE LEGISLATION, ASSEMBLY BILL 2985, NASE, ADDRESSES THE
9 TROUBLING CIRCUMSTANCES OF ADULTS OR OTHER YOUTH STEALING THE
10 IDENTITY OF OUR FOSTER YOUTH. THIS BILL REQUIRES THE COUNTY
11 WELFARE DEPARTMENT ON BEHALF OF A YOUTH AND A FOSTER CARE
12 PLACEMENT WHO REACHES HIS OR HER 16TH BIRTHDAY TO REQUEST A
13 CONSUMER DISCLOSURE REVEALING WHETHER THAT YOUTH HAS BEEN A
14 VICTIM OF IDENTITY THEFT. IF THE CONSUMER DISCLOSURE REVEALS
15 ANY NEGATIVE ITEMS OR EVIDENCE THAT THAT IDENTITY THEFT HAS
16 OCCURRED, THE NEW LAW WOULD REQUIRE THE COUNTY WELFARE
17 DEPARTMENT REFERRING THAT YOUNG PERSON TO AN APPROVED
18 ORGANIZATION TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO VICTIMS OF IDENTITY THEFT.
19 TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN THIS LEGISLATION, THIS LAW, AND AID OUR
20 YOUTH IN IDENTIFYING HOW TO ENSURE THAT ALL TYPES OF IDENTITY
21 THEFTS ARE REVEALED, INCLUDING THEFTS INVOLVING SOCIAL
22 SECURITY NUMBERS, UTILITY PHONE BILLS, LOANS AND GOVERNMENT
23 DOCUMENTS, I WOULD THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE
24 C.E.O., DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AND CHIEF
25 PROBATION OFFICER TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS



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1 AND QUARTERLY THEREAFTER ON THE SCOPE OF FOSTER YOUTH IDENTITY
2 THEFT IN OUR COUNTY, THE EFFECTIVENESS OF MEASURES TAKEN TO
3 ADDRESS THIS PROBLEM, WHETHER ASSEMBLY BILL 2985 AND
4 SUBSEQUENT STATE IMPLEMENTATION INSTRUCTIONS SUFFICIENTLY
5 ADDRESSES THE PROBLEM AND ALLOW THE DISCLOSURE OF ALL TYPES OF
6 IDENTITY THEFT AFFECTING OUR FOSTER YOUTH IN THE COUNTY'S PLAN
7 AND RESOURCES NEEDS TO IMPLEMENT THOSE SERVICES REQUIRED BY
8 THIS LAW. I HAVE AN INTERN WHO IS A FOSTER YOUTH WHO WAS
9 VICTIMIZED BY THIS IDENTITY THEFT. IT'S A VERY SERIOUS
10 PROBLEM. AND TRYING TO GET THIS CORRECTED IS GOING TO BE VERY
11 IMPORTANT THAT WE ACHIEVE THAT AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, MR. ANTONOVICH, THE CHAIR WILL
14 SECOND THAT. I THINK BOTH ITEMS ARE REPORT BACK, SO I DON'T
15 THINK WE NEED TO WAIT UNTIL NEXT WEEK. WE CAN MOVE ON BOTH
16 THESE ITEMS TODAY. I'LL SECOND IT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
17 ORDERED.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. OKAY, WE ALSO HAVE A
20 SET ITEM, 11:30.

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SET ITEM.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL DO PUBLIC COMMENTS UNTIL 11:30,
25 WHICH IS JUST MAYBE ONE OR TWO SPEAKERS. AND THEN WE'LL START



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1 PROMPTLY AT 11:30 ON THE SET ITEM, OKAY? SO I'M GOING TO
2 INTERRUPT PUBLIC COMMENTS. OKAY:

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'VE GOT ONE SPEAKER FROM LANCASTER.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WELL THAT'S GREAT. WE HAVE NICOLE
7 PARSON ON THE LINE WITH US FROM LANCASTER.

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9 **NICOLE PARSON:** HELLO. CITIZEN FROM ANTELOPE VALLEY. I WOULD
10 LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD FOR THIS VIDEO CONFERENCE EXTENSION.
11 AND ALSO I'D LIKE TO ADDRESS AN AGENDA ITEM FROM LAST WEEK'S
12 AGENDA REGARDING THE SEWER FEES. ON MY BILL AT MY RESIDENCE AT
13 MY HOME, THERE IS A \$50 SERVICE AND CONSERVATION FEE A MONTH,
14 AND THAT'S JUST RIDICULOUS. THAT'S THE HIGHEST FEE FOR ANY
15 UTILITY THAT I PAY. AND, REALLY, THERE IS NO RETROFITTING FOR
16 THE SEWER MAINTENANCE FOR OLDER PROPERTIES, SO I DON'T KNOW
17 WHY I'M GETTING -- WE'RE GETTING ASSESSED THAT FEE, ANYWAY.
18 ANYBODY WANT TO ANSWER? IT'S OKAY. AND ALSO, IF I WAS ASKING
19 IF I COULD HAVE A LETTER OF RECOGNITION ON LITTLE BRIDGES'S
20 BEHALF FOR MY NONPROFIT RESEARCH IN COMMUNICATIONS AND
21 TRANSFERS OF IMPORTANT ANALYSIS INFORMATION FOR THIS COUNTY
22 FOR THE LAST -- AND ALSO FOR I HAD SUBMITTED AND THE
23 TASKFORCE, THE RECYCLING TASKFORCE I BELIEVE SENT OUT A LETTER
24 FOR ALL MAYORS AND ASKED THAT I BE CONTACTED THROUGH MR.
25 FUJIOKA'S OFFICE TO MAYBE COORDINATE THE JOB CREATION. AND



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1 ALSO I WAS ALSO IDENTIFIED, JUST TO LET YOU KNOW ON ITEM 51-A,
2 THAT I WAS IDENTIFIED WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND WITH
3 SOME OF MY TECHNOLOGY TRANSFERS FOR A DEVELOPMENT THAT WOULD
4 MAXIMIZE AND REDUCE GREENHOUSE GASSES. AND JUST ASK, BECAUSE I
5 DO HAVE THE SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES OF MY A.D.A. THAT I BE
6 CONTACTED TO TRANSFER THESE TECHNOLOGIES. AND THAT'S ABOUT IT.
7 AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO MISS HELEN AGAIN AND ALSO
8 TO CHRISTINA TRAN. AND I HAVE A MEETING WITH THE INTEGRATED
9 REGIONAL WATER PLAN TOMORROW. AND IF WE COULD ALL JUST GET
10 ALONG. AND I WOULD JUST LIKE THE DESIGN CREDIT IF I CONTINUE
11 TO WORK WITH THE WATER REGIONAL PLAN.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR TAKING
14 THE TIME TO TESTIFY. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I'M SURE HIS
15 OFFICE WILL BE IN CONTACT WITH YOU AS IT RELATES TO, ONE, THE
16 SEWER FEES, AND IT RELATES TO THE POSSIBILITY OF A LETTER. SO
17 WE THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS TO OUR ATTENTION. THANK YOU
18 VERY MUCH.

19

20 **NICOLE PARSON:** YOU, TOO. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. NOW WE HAVE PERFECT TIMING. I
23 JUST LOVE IT WHEN A PLAN COMES TOGETHER. WE HAVE THE SET ITEM,
24 ITEM S-2 FOR 11:30.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO. ITEM 49.

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3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 49. ITEM 49. THAT'S THE SET ITEM?

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

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7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** TODAY I WANT TO SPEAK TO THE EFFORT, AND I
8 KNOW IT'S CHARACTERIZED AS REOPEN KING HOSPITAL. MR. CHAIRMAN?

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10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** OH, EXCUSE ME, SIR.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES, SUPERVISOR.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IF YOU'LL PERMIT ME AN OPPORTUNITY TO JUST
15 SAY A COUPLE WORDS.

16

17 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** BEFORE THE STAFF?

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES. AND MY COMMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS, MR.
20 CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I TAKE NOTE OF THE FACT
21 THAT SINCE MY BEING HERE, THERE HAS BEEN A VERY STRONG AND
22 OBVIOUS DESIRE TO MAKE SOMETHING VERY POSITIVE HAPPEN WITH THE
23 MARTIN LUTHER KING MEDICAL CENTER. MR. CHAIRMAN, MY FIRST DAY,
24 HAVING BEEN SWORN IN, YOU STOOD BEFORE THE ENTIRETY OF THE
25 AUDIENCE FILLED IN THIS ROOM AND SAID THIS IS AMONG ONE OF THE



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1 HIGHEST PRIORITIES. PRIOR TO THAT TIME, SEVERAL MEMBERS OF
2 THIS BOARD HAVE EVIDENCED A SIMILAR SENTIMENT. MR. YAROSLAVSKY
3 HAS INITIATED TIME AND TIME AGAIN WITH RESPECT TO WHAT HE
4 THOUGHT WOULD BE A SUPPORTABLE, DEFENSIBLE SOLUTION. THAT'S
5 ALL A MATTER OF PUBLIC RECORD. IN MY PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS,
6 MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, WITH EACH OF YOU, HAVE DONE
7 NOTHING BUT TO CORROBORATE THAT SENTIMENT. AND SO WHERE WE ARE
8 TODAY, THAT WHICH WE WILL HEAR FROM THE C.E.O. WHO HAS
9 PERSONALLY WORKED VERY, VERY HARD ON THIS ISSUE AND TASKED THE
10 COUNTY TEAM TO DO LIKEWISE IS TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED COLLECTIVELY,
11 BOARD AND STAFF, FOR WHERE WE HAVE ARRIVED. IT IS CLEAR THAT
12 WE HAVE WORK TO DO, BUT THERE IS A COMMUNITY BROADLY DEFINED
13 OF CONSUMERS, OF PROVIDERS, OF STAKEHOLDERS WHO SEE THIS AS A
14 SIGNIFICANT ENOUGH ENGAGEMENT FOR THEM TO BE IN THE AUDIENCE
15 TODAY, AS WELL AS TO CONTINUE TO LEND THEIR LEVELS OF
16 CONTRIBUTION, EXPERTISE AND THE LIKE TO WHAT ULTIMATELY WE
17 HOPE WILL BE NOTHING LESS THAN A STELLAR OUTCOME. SO FROM THE
18 OUTSET, I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE AROUND THIS HORSESHOE FOR
19 LENDING GOOD WILL AND MORE TO THE EFFORT. WE ARE ON THE VERGE
20 OF LOOKING FORWARD IN A SIGNIFICANT WAY, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
21 COLLEAGUES, TOWARD A NEW MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL. NOT
22 SIMPLY TO BE DEFINED AS A REOPENING OF AN OLD HOSPITAL, BUT AS
23 YOU HEAR THE REPORT FROM THE C.E.O., I THINK IT WILL EVIDENCE
24 SOMETHING THAT IS WORTHY OF OUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND SUPPORT.
25 I'LL SAY MORE, BUT I THOUGHT IT WAS IMPORTANT TO SAY THAT FROM



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1 THE BEGINNING BECAUSE THERE'S A LOT FOR WHICH TO BE GRATEFUL
2 AND I EXTEND THAT ON BEHALF OF THE CONSTITUENTS OF THE SECOND
3 DISTRICT AND, BY EXTENSION, THE CONSTITUENTS OF THE ENTIRETY
4 OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WHO WILL BENEFIT FROM WHAT
5 ULTIMATELY WILL HAPPEN HERE. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
6 COLLEAGUES.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. BILL? I CAN'T SEE YOU THERE.
9 THERE YOU GO.

10

11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'VE ASKED JONATHAN
12 FRIEDMAN TO JOIN ME. HE'LL BE COMING OUT SHORTLY AS I GO
13 THROUGH THIS PRESENTATION AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME. IT'S
14 IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE THAT THIS WAS CLEARLY A TEAM EFFORT
15 FROM VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. BUT
16 EQUALLY IMPORTANT, IT WAS AN EFFORT THAT WAS INITIATED AND THE
17 PROGRESS THAT WE HAVE MADE AT THIS POINT IN TIME IS BECAUSE OF
18 THE COOPERATION WE HAVE FROM NOT ONLY THE UNIVERSITY OF
19 CALIFORNIA, BUT EQUALLY IMPORTANT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
20 UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF KIM BELSHE, BUT I'LL GET INTO THOSE
21 INDIVIDUALS AS I MOVE FORWARD. AS SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
22 MENTIONED, WE'VE MADE SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS TOWARDS NOT JUST --
23 NOT THE REOPENING OF KING HOSPITAL BUT MOVING FORWARD TO OPEN
24 A NEW KING HOSPITAL. WHAT WE ANNOUNCED LAST WEEK WAS A
25 PROPOSAL THAT WE'VE DEVELOPED WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF



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1 CALIFORNIA AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO CREATE AN
2 INDEPENDENT, PRIVATE NONPROFIT FACILITY THAT WILL BE 120 BEDS
3 WITH AN AVERAGE DAILY CENSUS OF 108 THAT WILL BE LOCATED IN A
4 CLINIC TOWER CURRENTLY ON THE CAMPUS AT KING MEDICAL CENTER.
5 WHAT HAS HAPPENED IS THAT WHEN SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
6 MENTIONED THAT THIS EFFORT HAS BEEN IN PLACE FOR SOME TIME,
7 THIS IS, ALTHOUGH THIS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO THE SECOND
8 DISTRICT, IT NEEDS TO BE RECOGNIZED THAT THIS IS A COUNTY
9 INITIATIVE. OUR ACTIONS WERE THE DIRECT RESULT OF THE BOARD
10 DIRECTING MY OFFICE AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY FAMILY TO
11 WORK AGGRESSIVELY TOWARDS RE-ESTABLISHING INPATIENT CARE AT
12 THE KING MEDICAL CENTER. WE TOOK THIS TASK. WE'VE WORKED
13 DIRECTLY WITH DR. JACK STOPLE WHO IS A SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT
14 FOR HEALTH AFFAIRS WITH U.C. AND ALSO KIM BELSHE, THE
15 SECRETARY OF HEALTH FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. BUT ON THE
16 LATTER NOTE, IT'S IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE THE EFFORTS OF
17 GOVERNOR SCHWARZENEGGER. BACK IN MAY, WE MET IN HIS OFFICE.
18 AND HE AT THAT TIME CLEARLY STATED HIS SUPPORT AND DIRECTED
19 STATE STAFF AND U.C. STAFF TO WORK IN CONCERT WITH OUR OFFICE
20 AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES STAFF TO MOVE THIS INITIATIVE
21 FORWARD. WE ALSO KNOW THAT BACK IN MAY, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
22 THOMAS HAD MENTIONED WHAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY DID WHEN HE
23 PUT OUT HIS CALL TO ACTION. BUT I CAN TELL YOU ABOUT MY
24 CONVERSATIONS WITH SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA
25 AND PARTICULARLY OUR CHAIR WHO STATED THE FIRST DAY HE ASSUMED



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1 THIS POSITION THAT THIS IS A COUNTY INITIATIVE AND A COUNTY
2 PRIORITY. BUT TO MOVE FURTHER, SO WE WANT TO CREATE THIS
3 PRIVATE, NONPROFIT ENTITY WITH A SEPARATE, INDEPENDENT
4 GOVERNING BODY THAT WILL BE CONSTITUTED BY BOTH THE COUNTY AND
5 THE U.C. WE ENVISION A BOARD THAT WILL HAVE APPOINTMENTS MADE
6 INDEPENDENTLY BY THE COUNTY BUT ALSO JOINTLY BY THE COUNTY IN
7 THE U.C. I MENTIONED THAT IT WILL BE 120 BEDS. 92 MEDICAL-
8 SURGICAL BEDS. THERE WILL ALSO BE AN O.B. SERVICE OF ABOUT 10
9 BEDS. THERE WILL BE A MEDICAL AND SURGICAL I.C.U. AND THEN SIX
10 CORONARY I.C.U. BEDS. MOST IMPORTANTLY THERE WILL BE AN
11 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT THERE. AND BOTH SERVICES, BOTH THE
12 INPATIENT AND EMERGENCY SERVICES WILL WORK IN CLOSE
13 COLLABORATION WITH OUR MULTISERVICE AMBULATORY CARE CENTER
14 THAT'S CURRENTLY LOCATED AT THE SITE AND ALSO OUR HUMPHREY
15 COMPREHENSIVE HEALTHCARE CENTER. IN FACT, THIS FACILITY WILL
16 BE PART OF THE HEALTHCARE NETWORK FOR NOT ONLY SOUTH LOS
17 ANGELES BUT A CRITICAL AND VITAL ELEMENT FOR THE ENTIRE
18 HEALTHCARE SYSTEM IN L.A. COUNTY. WITH RESPECT TO FACILITY
19 IMPROVEMENTS, I'VE BEEN ASKED CONSTANTLY AND FROM VARIOUS
20 INDIVIDUALS, PARTICULARLY THOSE OF THE COMMUNITY, WHY WE JUST
21 DON'T JUST GO BACK INTO THE OLD FACILITY. WHAT MUST BE
22 RECOGNIZED IS THAT THE OLD FACILITY IS NOT SEISMICALLY
23 COMPLIANT. TO MAKE IT SO WOULD REPRESENT A SUBSTANTIAL
24 INVESTMENT OF MONEY BUT ONLY CARRY US THROUGH 2030. THE
25 SYSTEMS IN THE OLD FACILITY, SUCH AS THE FIRE LIFE SAFETY



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1 SYSTEMS, THE PLUMBING, THE ELECTRICAL, THE H.V.A.C., THE
2 SYSTEMS IN THE FACILITY ARE, I'LL JUST SAY OLD AND TIRED. THIS
3 IS A BUILDING THAT IS ALMOST 40 YEARS OLD. AND TO ALSO MOVE
4 INTO A FACILITY, WELL THE MOVEMENT IN A FACILITY, WE'D ALSO
5 HAVE TO REPLACE THOSE SYSTEMS. AS WE KNOW, WHEN YOU START
6 WORKING ON AN OLD BUILDING, ONCE YOU START OPENING UP THE
7 WALLS, THE COSTS, ALTHOUGH WE HAVE AN ESTIMATE OF
8 APPROXIMATELY \$415 MILLION TO RETROFIT AND FIX THE OLD
9 FACILITY, AGAIN THAT'S ONLY WOULD HELP US ON A TEMPORARY
10 BASIS, I'M REAL CONFIDENT THOSE COSTS WOULD GO UP
11 SIGNIFICANTLY. AS A CONSEQUENCE, WE HAVE A CLINIC TOWER ON THE
12 SITE THAT IS FULLY SEISMICALLY COMPLIANT. AT THIS POINT IN
13 TIME, THREE OF THE FIVE FLOORS HAVE NOT BEEN BUILT OUT. OUR
14 INTENT, WITH YOUR APPROVAL, AS WE MOVE FORWARD, IS TO INITIATE
15 THAT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT TO BUILD OUT THE UPPER FLOORS TO
16 ALLOW US TO PUT PATIENT ROOMS IN THOSE FLOORS AND THE I.C.U.S
17 AND O.B. SERVICE. IN ADDITION TO THAT, AND I HAVE -- I THINK
18 WE CAN MAYBE PASS OUT SOME OF THESE PLANS, WE HAVE THEM
19 AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC. IN ADDITION TO THAT, IT'S OUR
20 INTENT TO BUILD A NEW EMERGENCY STRUCTURE FOR THE EMERGENCY
21 DEPARTMENT AND ANCILLARY SERVICES AND ALSO TO BUILD A BRAND
22 NEW M.A.C.C., OR THE BRAND NEW MULTIAMBULATORY CARE CENTER. AS
23 WE ALL KNOW, OUR M.A.C.C. IS CURRENTLY BEING OPERATED IN THE
24 OLD FACILITY. BUT ONCE WE MOVE FORWARD AND WE'RE ABLE TO
25 CONSTRUCT OR BUILD OUT THE EXISTING CLINIC TOWER, WE CAN THEN



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1 MOVE FROM THE OLD FACILITY, START THE CONSTRUCTION ON THE
2 EMERGENCY AND ANCILLARY BUILDING AND ALSO START THE
3 CONSTRUCTION ON THE NEW M.A.C.C. WHAT THAT WILL ALLOW US TO DO
4 IS PROVIDE THE BEST AND THE NEWEST AND LATEST SERVICES AT THIS
5 FACILITY AND ALSO IN TERMS OF EQUIPMENT. ONE THING -- I NEED
6 TO GO BACK TO THE RELATIONSHIP WE'VE HAD AND WHAT U.C. WILL
7 BRING TO THIS PROCESS. WE'VE BEEN MEETING AND LITERALLY
8 TALKING TO THE U.C. ON A WEEKLY BASIS. AGAIN, I MENTION THAT
9 DR. JACK STOPLE, I NEED TO SEND OUR THANKS TO HIM AND HIS
10 STAFF WITH AN EMPHASIS ON SANTIAGO MUNEZ, WHO HAS WORKED WITH
11 OUR FOLKS TO PUT TOGETHER A FINANCIAL PLAN. BUT THE U.C. FOLKS
12 HAVE STEPPED UP, AND THEY'VE, IN MANY DIFFERENT VENUES, IN
13 DIFFERENT FORMS, THEY'VE COMMITTED THAT THEY WILL BE DIRECTLY
14 INVOLVED IN ENSURING THE QUALITY OF CARE AT THE FACILITY. THIS
15 WILL BE DONE THROUGH THE PROVISION OF PHYSICIAN SERVICES AND
16 ALSO WOULD BE DONE THROUGH, AS WE MOVE FORWARD IN THIS
17 PROCESS, THE RECREATION, OR RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF TEACHING
18 SERVICES AT THE HOSPITAL. BUT FIRST AND FOREMOST, THEY WILL BE
19 AGAIN DIRECTLY INVOLVED WITH ENSURING THAT THIS FACILITY
20 OFFERS THE HIGHEST IN QUALITY PATIENT CARE. THE FINANCING
21 MODEL IS SOMETHING THAT WAS ESTABLISHED THROUGH MANY, MANY,
22 MANY HOURS WORKING NOT ONLY WITH AGAIN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
23 -- I'M SORRY, THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BUT ALSO THE
24 STATE. AND IT'S ALSO AT THIS POINT I NEED TO RECOGNIZE WHAT
25 ELLEN WECKER HAS DONE TO ENSURE WE HAVE A MODEL OF THAT THAT



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1 IS NOT ONLY VIABLE SO WE CAN ENSURE THIS FACILITY WILL MOVE
2 FORWARD, BUT ALSO CONSISTENT WITH OUR CURRENT FINANCIAL
3 OBLIGATION FOR THIS FACILITY. ELLEN WECKER, AND SANTIAGO
4 MUNOZ, I KNOW WE'VE SPENT A LOT OF HOURS ON THIS EFFORT. NO
5 ONE HAS PUT IN MORE TIME THAN ELLEN, WHO WORKS IN OUR CURRENT
6 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE A MODEL
7 THAT WILL NOT ONLY SERVE THE COMMUNITY BUT WILL ALSO BE
8 FINANCIALLY VIABLE, THE LAST FEW THINGS WE HAVE, I MENTIONED
9 THE SERVICE CONFIGURATION, I'VE SPOKEN TO WHAT WE ARE TRYING
10 TO DO WITH THE FACILITY. THIS PROPOSAL STILL NEEDS TO GO
11 THROUGH THE U.C. BOARD OF REGENTS. IT HAS TO ALSO BE APPROVED
12 BY THIS, OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. WE CONTINUE TO WORK ABOUT
13 WITH THE STATE ON MAKING SOME OF THE NECESSARY LEGISLATIVE
14 CHANGES TO SUPPORT THIS INITIATIVE, PARTICULARLY IN THE AREA
15 OF THE FINANCIAL STRUCTURE. AND THIS IS SOMETHING, THOUGH,
16 THAT I'M CONFIDENT THAT AT THIS JUNCTURE, WE CAN MOVE THIS
17 FORWARD AND TO THE POINT WHERE BASED ON OUR CURRENT PLAN IN
18 THE LATTER PART OF 2012, THE CLINIC TOWER WILL BE FINISHED. WE
19 CAN START SEEING PATIENTS IN THAT FACILITY. AND THEN
20 SUBSEQUENTLY, WE'LL START WORK ON THE EMERGENCY AND ANCILLARY
21 BUILDING AND ALSO THE NEW M.A.C.C., SO THAT THE LATTER PART, I
22 GUESS ABOUT THE BEGINNING PART OF 2014, THE FACILITY WILL BE
23 DONE. AND LAST, BEAR WITH ME. ON THE COUNTY TEAM WORKING ON
24 THIS WAS JOHN SCHUNHOFF, OUR INTERIM DIRECTOR OF HEALTH
25 SERVICES, DR. SPLAWN, ALLAN WECKER. I ASKED JONATHAN FRIEDMAN



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1 TO COME. IT'S HARD TO SINGLE OUT PEOPLE WHO HAVE WORKED ON
2 THIS, BECAUSE THERE'S BEEN A VERY LARGE TEAM. IT HAS BEEN
3 STAFFED FROM THROUGHOUT AT LEAST THREE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS.
4 BUT JONATHAN HAS BEEN EXCEPTIONAL IN THIS EFFORT, IN HELPING
5 PUT THE PLAN TOGETHER AND FOR THE STRUCTURE FOR THE PRIVATE
6 NONPROFIT ENTITY. WE'VE ALSO HAD BERT MARGOLIN, SHEILA SHIMA,
7 LORETTA MALDONADO, AND THEN JAN TOCADA WHO IS OUR BRICKS AND
8 MORTAR GUY WHO CAME UP WITH THE CONSTRUCTION PLAN. AT THIS
9 POINT, I'M READY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DO WE HAVE TIME FOR QUESTIONS NOW? IF
12 YOU WANT TO WAIT, WE ALSO HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE SIGNED UP TO
13 SPEAK. IF WE TAKE THE PUBLIC TESTIMONY FIRST OR DO YOU WANT TO
14 DO QUESTIONS? IT'S UP TO YOU. OKAY. DO YOU WANT TO DO IT NOW?
15 OKAY, SURE.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BEFORE MIKE GETS INTO QUESTIONS. I DON'T
18 THINK IT'S A BAD IDEA TO EVEN BE A LITTLE REDUNDANT ON THE
19 THANK YOUS, BUT I WANT TO COMMEND OUR OWN TEAM WHO BILL JUST
20 ENUMERATED, INCLUDING BILL, WHO HE DIDN'T ENUMERATE. BUT IT'S
21 BEEN A LONG HAUL. I CAN'T SAY ENOUGH ABOUT GOVERNOR
22 SCHWARZENEGGER'S INVOLVEMENT IN THIS. AND I DON'T THINK WE
23 WOULD BE HERE TODAY IF IT HADN'T HAVE BEEN FOR GOVERNOR
24 SCHWARZENEGGER'S PERSONAL INTEREST AND THEN COMMITMENT TO
25 MAKING THIS HAPPEN. THE MEETING WE HAD WITH HIM ON JUNE 10TH,



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1 HE GOT IT INSTANTLY. HE UNLEASHED HIS ADMINISTRATION TO HELP
2 US GET THIS DONE. AND THIS HAS BEEN A TROIKA OF U.C., STATE
3 AND COUNTY PEOPLE TEEING THIS UP TO WHERE WE ARE AT THE
4 PRESENT TIME. THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF WORK DONE IN THESE LAST
5 EIGHT, NINE OR TEN MONTHS, WHATEVER IT'S BEEN. AND NONE OF
6 THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE STATE'S COMMITMENT.
7 AND WE'RE GOING TO NEED THE STATE'S HELP DOWN THE LINE, AS
8 WELL. I ALSO WANT TO ECHO MR. FUJIOKA'S COMMENTS ABOUT THE
9 UNIVERSITY. NO NEED FOR ME TO GET -- TO TALK ABOUT MY ROLE AT
10 THE UNIVERSITY OVER THE YEARS AND OVER THESE MONTHS. BUT I
11 WILL JUST SAY THAT MARK YUDOF AND VICE PRESIDENT STOBO HAD A
12 CAN-DO ATTITUDE ABOUT THIS AND WANTED TO GET THIS DONE. AND
13 THAT MADE A HUGE DIFFERENCE. THIS A LONG WAY FROM BEING DONE,
14 AND I THINK EVERYBODY RECOGNIZES THAT. BUT I THINK THERE IS AN
15 OPPORTUNITY HERE TO DO SOMETHING THAT IS BIGGER THAN WHAT WE
16 CLOSED. AND I THINK THAT'S THE VISION THAT SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
17 THOMAS HAS. AND I CERTAINLY SUBSCRIBE TO THAT VISION. I KNOW
18 YOU'RE TAKING STEPS ALREADY TO LOOK AT POSSIBILITIES TO DO
19 MORE THAN WAS EVER DONE ON THAT CAMPUS BEFORE. IT DOES LEND
20 ITSELF TO OPPORTUNITIES THAT ARE SECOND TO NONE. AND I'M
21 OPTIMISTIC THAT WITH THIS KIND OF VISION AND REALITIES BEING
22 KEPT IN MIND BY OUR STAFF KEEPING US ON THE STRAIGHT AND
23 NARROW THAT WE CAN DO THINGS HERE AT THE M.L.K. CAMPUS THAT
24 HAVE NEVER BEEN CONTEMPLATED BEFORE, THAT NOT ONLY PROVIDE THE
25 QUALITY OF CARE THAT WE ALL WANT TO SEE HAPPEN AND THAT THE



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1 SUPERVISOR OF THE DISTRICT HAS ARTICULATED QUITE ELOQUENTLY
2 OVER A LONG PERIOD OF TIME, WANTS TO SEE PROVIDED AT THAT
3 SITE. BUT I THINK A COMPREHENSIVE KIND OF HEALTHCARE SYSTEM,
4 HEALTHCARE NETWORK FOR THIS PART OF OUR COUNTY THAT HAS NOT
5 BEEN IN EVIDENCE BEFORE. SO THERE ARE TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITIES
6 HERE. THIS IS THE LINCHPIN. IF THIS DOESN'T HAPPEN, IT'S A
7 SETBACK. IF IT DOES HAPPEN, IT'S A SHOT IN THE ARM. AND I
8 THINK EVERYONE INVOLVED HERE HAS MADE TREMENDOUS STRIDES. I
9 THINK A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE SURPRISED WE GOT TO THIS POINT. AND
10 THERE MAY EVEN BE ONE OR TWO PEOPLE WHO ARE DISAPPOINTED WE
11 GOT TO THIS POINT BECAUSE THEY WOULD RATHER HAVE SEEN US NOT
12 GET THERE THAN GET HERE. BUT WE'RE HERE. AND I KNOW IN MY
13 CONVERSATIONS WITH SEVERAL OF THE REGENTS, MY EXPECTATION IS
14 THAT IT'S GOING TO BE WELL-RECEIVED THERE. ALL OF THE THINGS
15 THAT THEY HAVE BEEN CONCERNED ABOUT WE HAVE ADDRESSED. I THINK
16 LARGELY. THAT IT WOULD NOT BE A COUNTY FACILITY IN THE
17 TRADITIONAL SENSE, THAT WE WERE WILLING TO WALK AWAY FROM OUR
18 -- WHAT WAS PERCEIVED AS MICROMANAGING. THAT YOU COULD START
19 WITH A CLEAN SLATE AND RECONSTITUTE ITSELF WITH A CLEAN SLATE.
20 THAT THE FUNDING WOULD BE THERE. THAT THE UNIVERSITY WOULD NOT
21 BE ON THE HOOK FOR THAT. ALL OF THOSE THINGS HAVE BEEN PUT IN
22 PLACE. AND NOW IT'S THE I DOTTING AND T CROSSING PERIOD THAT
23 WE'RE IN. AND THAT OUGHT TO BE THE MOST FUN. BUT I THINK WE'RE
24 ALL VERY, VERY EXCITED ABOUT THE POSSIBILITIES, NOT ONLY FOR



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1 THE HOSPITAL REOPENING, BUT FOR WHAT WILL GO WELL BEYOND THE
2 HOSPITAL ITSELF FOR THE REGION. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I WOULD JUST ADD TO MY
5 CONVERSATION WITH SEVERAL OF THE REGENTS, AS WELL, TOO. I
6 THINK THIS IS FOR THE VERY, VERY FIRST TIME EVERYBODY'S ON THE
7 SAME PAGE AND DOES HAVE A CAN-DO ATTITUDE. THE FOLKS AT THE
8 U.C. SYSTEM AND EVERYONE ELSE HAS BEEN SUPER COOPERATIVE. THE
9 STATE AND OUR TEAM HAS JUST HAD AN INCREDULOUS EFFORT AND TO
10 BE COMMENDED AS WELL, TOO. THERE HAS NEVER BEEN A QUESTION
11 THAT THIS BOARD HAS BEEN COMMITTED AND STRONGLY SUPPORTIVE OF
12 THE REOPENING OF M.L.K. HOSPITAL AND THE NEEDS OF THE
13 COMMUNITY. AND AGAIN, THERE IS A LONG WAY TO GO. BUT I'M VERY
14 OPTIMISTIC ABOUT THE TRACK THAT WE'RE ON. AND I THINK THE
15 SPIRIT OF COOPERATION, EVERYONE NEEDS. AND I THINK SOMEWHAT
16 THE REASON THAT ZEV MENTIONED, SOME PEOPLE ARE SURPRISED WE'RE
17 AT THIS POINT BECAUSE WE HAD EARLIER CONVERSATIONS WHERE IT
18 DIDN'T GO QUITE SO WELL. BUT I THINK ONCE WE GOT THROUGH ALL
19 THE OUTSIDE TALK AND THE QUOTES IN THE NEWSPAPER AND
20 EVERYTHING ELSE AND REALIZED THAT WE'RE ALL ON THE SAME PAGE
21 IN THIS THING AND COMMITTED TO THE REOPENING OF THIS HOSPITAL,
22 THINGS STARTED TO MOVE FORWARD. MIKE, DO YOU WANT TO DO YOUR
23 QUESTIONS NOW?

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK SOME QUESTIONS NOW BECAUSE IT
2 MIGHT ALSO RELATE TO SOME OF THE POINTS THAT MAY BE MADE BY
3 PEOPLE IN THE AUDIENCE. RELATIVE TO WHAT WE HAVE BEFORE US
4 TODAY, DO YOU HAVE, BILL, A TIMELINE RELATIVE TO THE
5 CONSTRUCTION WORK FOR BOTH THE HOSPITAL AND THE M.A.C.C.?
6

7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE HAVE A TIMELINE THAT WE'RE REFINING AT THIS
8 POINT IN TIME. WHAT IS CRITICAL IS AS WE MOVE FORWARD, WE NEED
9 APPROVAL FROM NOT ONLY OUR BOARD BUT THE UNIVERSITY OF
10 CALIFORNIA BOARD OF REGENTS. WE HAVE A TENTATIVE COMPLETION
11 DATE TO BUILD OUT THE NEW TOWER IN THE LAST QUARTER OF 2012.
12 WITH RESPECT TO THE M.A.C.C. AND THE EMERGENCY BUILDING, WELL
13 FIRST THE EMERGENCY BUILDING WOULD BE COMPLETED APPROXIMATELY
14 THE SECOND, PROBABLY THE THIRD QUARTER OF 2013.
15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S THE EMERGENCY ROOM?
17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT WOULD BE THE EMERGENCY ROOM. IT'S AN
19 EMERGENCY/ANCILLARY SERVICES BUILDING. SO WOULD COMBINE BOTH
20 THE ANCILLARY SERVICES LIKE LABS, PHARMACY AND RADIOLOGY IN A
21 SINGLE BUILDING.
22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S 2013.
24

25 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THAT'S ABOUT 2013.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE HOSPITAL IS 2012?

3

4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE HOSPITAL IS LATTER PART OF 2012. AND THEN
5 THE NEW M.A.C.C. WOULD BE COMPLETED TOWARDS THE END -- I'M
6 SORRY. THE SECOND QUARTER OF 2014. WHAT'S IMPORTANT FOR FOLKS
7 TO UNDERSTAND, THOUGH, IS AS WE'RE WORKING ON THE NEW CLINIC
8 TOWER, THAT'S THE FIRST PHASE OF THIS PROCESS, WE'LL BE
9 CONTINUING TO OPERATE THE COUNTY'S M.A.C.C. AND URGENT CARE
10 CENTER AND EVEN THE OUTPATIENT SURGICAL SERVICES IN THE
11 EXISTING FACILITY. SO WE WILL NOT STOP SERVICES AT THE KING
12 LOCATION. THAT WILL CONTINUE. ONCE THE NEW TOWER GOES UP, AND
13 THEN WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF BUILDING A NEW EMERGENCY
14 ANCILLARY BUILDING AND M.A.C.C., WE WILL CONTINUE TO OPERATE
15 OUT OF THE OLD FACILITY. SO THAT AGAIN THE COMMUNITY WILL NOT
16 SEE A BREAK IN SERVICE, A TERMINATION OF SERVICE AT THAT
17 FACILITY. THE OUTPATIENT, THE COUNTY'S OUTPATIENT AND THEN AS
18 WE MOVE FORWARD, THE NEW HOSPITAL'S INPATIENT SERVICES WILL BE
19 COORDINATED IN A MANNER WHERE WE WON'T STOP IMPORTANT SERVICES
20 THERE.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE TIMELINE FOR THE PHASE-IN OF THE
23 108 BEDS THAT YOU ANTICIPATE TO --

24



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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE 108 IS THE AVERAGE DAILY CENSUS. WE'RE
2 LOOKING AT 120 BEDS. AS THE FACILITY OPENS, I CAN GIVE YOU A
3 BETTER TIMELINE. ONCE WE START WORKING WITH THE NEW OPERATOR
4 AND THE QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN ASKED ABOUT WHO WOULD OPERATE THIS
5 FACILITY. AGAIN, THIS WOULD BE AN INDEPENDENT FACILITY WITH AN
6 INDEPENDENT GOVERNING BOARD. AND THE BOARD ITSELF WILL SELECT
7 THE OPERATOR. IT'S TOO EARLY TO IDENTIFY THAT ENTITY AT THIS
8 POINT IN TIME.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE TRANSITION FROM THE EXISTING FACILITY
11 TO THE NEWLY CONSTRUCTED M.A.C.C. WOULD BE WHAT, 2010 TO 2014?
12 IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING AT? 2011 TO 2014?

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO. GOING INTO THE NEW M.A.C.C. WILL BE
15 TOWARDS THE BEGINNING PART OF 2014. MOVING AND OPENING UP THE
16 NEW HOSPITAL WILL OCCUR IN THE LAST QUARTER OF 2012.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 2012. AND THE TIMELINE FOR THE INDEPENDENT
19 ENTITY AND THE APPOINTMENT OF THOSE MEMBERS?

20

21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL FIRST WE NEED TO GET THROUGH THE APPROVAL
22 PROCESS WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA'S BOARD OF REGENTS.
23 WE'RE HOPING THAT THIS APPEARS -- THERE WILL BE A DISCUSSION
24 ONLY TOMORROW AT A REGENTS' MEETING. WE'RE HOPING THAT THIS
25 ITEM, AS WE CONTINUE WITH THE STEPS OF DEVELOPING THIS



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1 PROPOSAL, WILL BE PUT BEFORE THE REGENTS IN A COUPLE OF
2 MONTHS. SUBSEQUENT TO THAT, THERE'S A LOT OF WORK THAT HAS TO
3 BE DONE, INCLUDING DEVELOPING THE PRIVATE NONPROFIT ENTITY,
4 ESTABLISHING THE NONPROFIT, ALL THE BYLAWS FOR THAT NONPROFIT.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE TIMELINE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE
7 BOARD MEMBERS AND THE MANAGEMENT OF THE HOSPITAL, YOU'RE
8 LOOKING AT TOWARD THE END OF 2009?

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** OH NO. I WOULD VENTURE IT WOULD HAPPEN TOWARDS
11 THE END OF 2010. BECAUSE WE'LL BE IN THE CONSTRUCTION PHASE UP
12 UNTIL, AS I MENTIONED, THE THIRD QUARTER OF 2012. SO ONCE WE -

13 -

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THE BOARD IS APPOINTED AFTER THE
16 CONSTRUCTION PHASE.

17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO. IT WILL HAPPEN BEFORE THAT. SO THE BOARD'S
19 IN PLACE AND THE BOARD CAN THEN GO THROUGH THE PROCESS OF
20 IDENTIFYING A SELECTING AN OPERATOR. OUR PLAN --

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THAT BOARD WOULD BE BEFORE 2010?

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES. NO. I DON'T WANT TO SAY IT'S 2010. OUR
25 PLAN IS AS WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THE NEXT STEPS, WE WILL GIVE



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1 YOU THAT TIMELINE THAT YOU'RE REQUESTING. WELL TELL YOU
2 EXACTLY WHAT THE NEXT STEPS ARE. THERE'S SOME STATE LICENSING
3 ISSUES. THERE IS A COURSE OUT WITH A CONSTRUCTION PHASE.
4 THERE'S O.S.H.P.D. ISSUES. THERE ARE NUMEROUS STEPS THAT HAVE
5 TO BE DONE TO MAKE THIS A REALITY.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU HAVE A TIMELINE RELATIVE TO THE
8 RESIDENCY PROGRAM SO IT WOULD BE OPERATING AT THAT FACILITY?

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NOT AT THIS TIME. BUT THAT WON'T HAPPEN UNTIL
11 -- TO OPEN UP A NEW HOSPITAL AND TO GET THINGS GOING, IT'S A
12 VERY SIGNIFICANT ENDEAVOR. SOME FOLKS HAVE ASKED ME A NUMBER
13 OF QUESTIONS ALONG THAT LINE AND I'M TELLING EVERYONE: BEFORE
14 WE CAN DO THAT, WE HAVE TO OPEN FIRST. AND WE'RE GOING TO
15 FOCUS ON OPENING THE NEW HOSPITAL. AND THEN AS WE MOVE
16 FORWARD, THEN WE CAN START TALKING ABOUT THE RESIDENCY
17 PROGRAMS. THE GOOD THING IS WE WERE ABLE TO PRESERVE THOSE
18 SLOTS.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE FORMAL PRESENTATION BEFORE THE U.C.
21 REGENTS AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY
22 WHEN?

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'RE HOPING THAT IT GOES BEFORE THE REGENTS
25 SOMETIME IN MAY. WE'RE HOPING. THAT FIRM DATE HAS NOT YET BEEN



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1 ESTABLISHED. THEY'RE STILL IN THE DISCUSSION PHASE. BUT WE
2 WILL, ONCE WE HAVE THAT DATE, SHORTLY AFTER, I'M GOING TO BE
3 VERY OPTIMISTIC THAT APPROVAL IS GIVEN BY THE BOARD OF
4 REGENTS. THAT'S ONLY MY HOPE. MY PERSONAL HOPE. NOTHING HAS
5 BEEN -- I DON'T HAVE ANY SIGNALS FROM THEM YET. THEN WE'LL
6 BRING IT TO THIS FULL BOARD.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT IS THE CONSTRUCTION COSTS FOR THE
9 HOSPITAL AND THE M.A.C.C.? AND HOW ARE THOSE TWO PROJECTS
10 GOING TO BE FINANCED?

11

12 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AT THIS POINT IN TIME, WE HAVE AN ESTIMATE
13 COST OF ABOUT \$390 TO \$391 MILLION FOR THE ENTIRE CONSTRUCTION
14 PROJECT AT THE KING SITE. IT'S EVERYTHING. IT'S IN THE JUST
15 THE RETROFIT. I'M SORRY. IT'S NOT ONLY THE BUILD OUT OF THE
16 TOWER, WHICH IS A MUCH LOWER NUMBER. BUT IF YOU ADD IN THE
17 CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW EMERGENCY AND ANCILLARY BUILDING AND
18 THE NEW M.A.C.C., IT GETS TO 391.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WITHOUT DOING -- IT WOULD BE 391? I HEARD A
21 VOICE.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MY VOICE. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO
24 INDICATE, CONSISTENT WITH THE MOTION THAT I BROUGHT IN ON
25 DECEMBER 2ND THAT WHAT HAS EFFECTIVELY BEEN ACHIEVED THROUGH



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1 THIS, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, WOULD BE APPROPRIATE COST
2 SAVINGS AND DELIVERY OF A PRODUCT AHEAD OF SCHEDULE WITH
3 RESPECT TO STAYING IN THE EXISTING STRUCTURE, TRYING TO WORK
4 THROUGH ALL OF THAT. THIS IS SMARTER. WE SAVE MONEY, GET A
5 BETTER PROJECT THAT HAS A LONGER LIFE IN TERMS OF SEISMIC
6 COMPLIANCE. AND SO I THINK WHAT'S BEING PROPOSED IS REALLY
7 RATHER SMART AND CONSISTENT WITH WHAT THE BOARD WOULD EXPECT
8 OF STAFF IN TERMS OF MANAGING OUR RELATIVELY SCARCE RESOURCES.

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ON THAT NOTE, IF WE WERE TO GO INTO THE OLD
11 BUILDING AND RETROFIT THAT FACILITY, AND WE CAN ONLY STAY
12 THERE THROUGH 2030, IT WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY \$416 MILLION.
13 BUT AS I MENTIONED, YOU START MESSING WITH OLD BUILDINGS,
14 THOSE COSTS CAN ESCALATE.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW ARE YOU FINANCING THE OLD BUILDING IF YOU
17 DO THAT? THE NEW BUILDING, BOTH OF THE NEW BUILDINGS, HOW
18 WOULD THEY BE FINANCED?

19

20 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AT THIS POINT IN TIME, AND WE HAD A DISCUSSION
21 EARLIER REGARDING THE FEDERAL STIMULUS. WE HAVE IDENTIFIED
22 THIS PROJECT AS ONE OF OUR HIGHEST PRIORITIES. I FEEL THAT
23 THIS PROJECT MEETS ALL THE CRITERIA, AND IN FACT, COULD BE A
24 SHOWCASE FOR THE COUNTY AND THEN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR
25 FEDERAL STIMULUS DOLLARS. ABSENT THAT, WE WOULD LOOK TO THE



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1 COUNTY'S OWN FINANCING TO BUILD THIS FACILITY, AS WE WOULD
2 WITH ANY OTHER COUNTY FACILITY.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE COSTS THAT YOU'RE GIVING US, 391, THE
5 460, 70, WHATEVER, THAT MILLION DOLLARS, DOES THAT INCLUDE THE
6 DEMOLITION OF THE OLD BUILDING AND THE EQUIPMENT FOR THE NEW
7 BUILDINGS?

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT'S ONLY THE CONSTRUCTION COSTS FOR THE NEW
10 FACILITIES.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WHAT IS THE COSTS FOR THE MEDICAL
13 EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES?

14

15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE DON'T HAVE THAT COST RIGHT NOW.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HOW WOULD THOSE BE FINANCED?

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT WOULD ALSO BE FINANCED THROUGH THE COUNTY.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT WE HAVEN'T IDENTIFIED THE FINANCING YET.

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE HAVE NOT DONE THAT YET.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT ARE THE ESTIMATED TOTAL OPERATIONAL
2 COSTS OF THE ANTICIPATED CENSUS OF 108 BEDS?

3

4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I THINK I HAVE THAT HERE. THE OPERATING COST
5 IS APPROXIMATELY \$168, \$170 MILLION. WHAT WE HAVE IN PLACE NOW
6 IS, IN OUR FORECAST WITH D.H.S. ARE THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH
7 RUNNING 120-BED FACILITY. AND SO THE INFORMATION THAT WE'VE
8 SHARED IN THE PAST WITH RESPECT TO THE DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET AND
9 FUTURE FINANCES ARE CONSISTENT WITH THIS DOLLAR AMOUNT.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT IS THE ESTIMATED STARTUP COSTS FOR
12 THE NEW NONPROFIT ENTITY?

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL, WE DO HAVE SOME STARTUP COSTS IN OUR
15 PROPOSAL THAT WE'RE STILL FINALIZING. THE QUESTION IS TO WHAT
16 EXTENT THE FACILITY WILL NEED IT OVER A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD.
17 WHETHER THEY'LL NEED IT IN THE FIRST YEAR OR THEY'LL NEED IT
18 THROUGH THE COURSE OF THAT FIVE-YEAR PERIOD. SO THAT
19 INFORMATION IS BEING REFINED.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT ARE THE ESTIMATED STARTUP COSTS FOR THE
22 HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT AND STAFFING DURING THE PRE-HOSPITAL
23 OPENING ACTIVITIES AND LICENSING CERTIFICATION STAFF TRAINING
24 PROGRAMS?

25



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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AGAIN, SIMILAR WITH THE GENERAL OPERATING
2 STARTUP COSTS. WE ARE REFINING THOSE COSTS. BUT WHAT'S REAL
3 IMPORTANT --

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THEY STILL HAVE TO BE REFINED?

6
7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES. BUT WHAT'S REAL IMPORTANT IS THAT WHEN WE
8 LOOK AT THE MODEL WE PUT TOGETHER -- AND THIS HAS BEEN
9 COMPLETED IN CONCERT WITH THE U.C. AND THE STATE, WE FEEL THIS
10 IS ABSOLUTELY FEASIBLE ON A FINANCIAL BASIS.

11
12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT ARE THE PRIMARY SOURCES OF REVENUE THAT
13 WOULD BE CONSIDERED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUR COST ESTIMATES?

14
15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I'M SORRY. I DIDN'T HEAR THE QUESTION.

16
17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT WOULD BE THE PRIMARY SOURCES OF REVENUE
18 THAT YOU WERE CONSIDERING IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUR COST
19 ESTIMATES?

20
21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL, OF THE 168, THE COUNTY WOULD BE
22 RESPONSIBLE FOR ABOUT 50 MILLION OF THAT AS AN ONGOING SUBSIDY
23 TO MEET OUR OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE HEALTHCARE FOR THE MEDICALLY
24 INDIGENT. WE ALSO FACTORED INTO THE FORMULA SOME MEDI-CAL
25 REIMBURSEMENT, A VERY SMALL PERCENTAGE OF PRIVATE



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1 REIMBURSEMENT, PRIVATE INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT. THOSE ARE THE
2 TWO PRINCIPALS, RIGHT? YEAH.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WHAT IS THE PERCENTAGE OF THE COUNTY'S
5 CONTRIBUTION?

6

7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IF WE'RE PROJECTING 168, THEN WE'RE TALKING
8 ABOUT PROBABLY A LITTLE BIT LESS, PROBABLY ABOUT 30 PERCENT.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ABOUT 30 PERCENT?

11

12 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES. AND YOU HAVE THOSE FUNDS IN PLACE?

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES. THAT'S PART OF OUR CURRENT FORECAST FOR
15 THE FACILITY. I'M SORRY, FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
16 SERVICES.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DURING THE TRANSITION PERIOD BETWEEN THE
19 INITIAL OPENING AND THE FULL OPERATION OF THE HOSPITAL, WOULD
20 STATE AND FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENTS BE FULLY REALIZED PER THE
21 FINANCIAL MODEL USED IN THE PLAN DEVELOPMENT?

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE REIMBURSEMENTS WOULD ONLY COME AS A
24 CONSEQUENCE OF OPERATING THE BUILDING.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HAVE YOU ESTIMATED THE INCREMENTAL COST
2 REVENUES AND COUNTY CONTRIBUTIONS DURING THE RAMP-UP PERIOD?

3

4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE HAVE THE BEGINNING OF AN ESTIMATE RIGHT
5 NOW. WHEN WE BRING THIS PROPOSAL TO YOUR BOARD FOR FULL
6 APPROVAL, WE'LL HAVE THAT FULLY COMPLETED.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WILL THE COUNTY BE FULLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL
9 COSTS NOT REIMBURSED BY THE FEDERAL, STATE OR OTHER THIRD-
10 PARTY REVENUES?

11

12 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WHEN IT COMES TO OUR OBLIGATION FOR THE
13 MEDICALLY INDIGENT, YES, WE WOULD. BUT THAT'S CONSISTENT WITH
14 OUR OBLIGATION AT ANY COUNTY FACILITY.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ONE OF THE STATED BENEFITS THAT YOU MENTIONED
17 IS THE ESTABLISHING OF AN INDEPENDENT ENTITY, THE REVENUE
18 POTENTIAL IS GREATER UNDER A PRIVATE FINANCIAL MODEL TO AVOID
19 THE PROBLEMS THAT WERE IDENTIFIED BY THE GRAND JURY REPORT
20 ABOUT THE PERFORMANCE OF THE ALAMEDA COUNTY HEALTH AUTHORITY.
21 EVEN THOUGH THIS WILL NOT BE A PUBLIC ENTITY, WOULD THE
22 COUNTY'S CONTRACT WITH A NONPROFIT HAVE PROVISIONS THAT
23 ESTABLISH REVENUE, COSTS, COUNTY SUBSIDY BASELINES, AS WELL AS
24 A PROCESS TO PROTECT THE COUNTY IN EVALUATING AND DETERMINING
25 WHETHER ANY FUTURE REQUESTS FOR INCREASED COUNTY RESOURCES



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1 WOULD BE APPROPRIATE? AND YOU PROBABLY READ THAT REPORT OF THE
2 GRAND JURY.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR, THERE WOULD BE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
5 COUNTY AND THE NONPROFIT THAT WOULD GOVERN THE INDIGENT CARE
6 AS WELL AS OTHER FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS, THE USE OF THE
7 BUILDING, ET CETERA. AND THAT WOULD BE A PROTECTION THAT WE
8 WOULD SEEK TO PUT INTO THE AGREEMENT.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** UNDER THE NONPROFIT MODEL, WHAT CONTINUING
11 LEGAL OBLIGATIONS OR LIABILITIES WOULD THE COUNTY HAVE FOR THE
12 OPERATION OF THE HOSPITAL AND FOR THEIR PATIENTS?

13

14 **SPEAKER:** AS WE'VE CONTEMPLATED WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF
15 CALIFORNIA ON THIS, THIS IS AN ENTITY UNTO ITSELF AND IT OWNS
16 ITS ASSETS AND ITS LIABILITIES. SO THE COUNTY WOULD NOT HAVE A
17 FINANCIAL OBLIGATION INTO THE BOTTOM LINE OF THAT FACILITY
18 OTHER THAN FOR INDIGENT CARE AND FOR THE SHARE OF COSTS ON THE
19 MEDI-CAL PAYMENT THAT IS BEING CONTEMPLATED HERE.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT WOULD BE THE RESULT IF THE ENTITY ASKED
22 FOR A LARGER APPROPRIATION THAN THE APPROPRIATIONS PER PATIENT
23 THAT WAS BEING PROVIDED FOR THE OTHER COUNTY MEDICAL
24 FACILITIES AND THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE SUPERVISORS WOULD



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1 REJECT THOSE REQUESTS AND KEEP FUNDING IN RATIO TO THE FUNDING
2 THAT OTHER HOSPITALS WITHIN THE COUNTY WOULD BE RECEIVING?

3

4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE FACILITY ITSELF, IF THEY WERE TO ASK FOR
5 AN INCREASE IN THE SUBSIDY TO SUPPORT, THE CARE OF THE
6 MEDICALLY INDIGENT, WOULD HAVE TO CLEARLY DEMONSTRATE THAT
7 THEIR WORKLOAD HAS INCREASED TO JUSTIFY THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT.
8 AS FAR AS A HIGHER RATE GOES, I WOULDN'T SEE US IN A POSITION
9 OF PROVIDING A RATE HIGHER AT THIS FACILITY THAN WE WOULD ANY
10 OTHER FACILITY.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT IN THE PAST, M.L.K. DID RECEIVE HIGHER
13 RESOURCES THAN OUR OTHER COUNTY HOSPITALS FOR MANY OF THE
14 SERVICES BEING PROVIDED. AND AS A RESULT OF INCOMPETENT
15 PERFORMANCE BY MANY OF THE EMPLOYEES THERE, AS IDENTIFIED IN
16 THE VARIOUS AUDITS THAT WERE DONE BY THE COUNTY AND OUTSIDE
17 AGENCIES, THERE WAS NO CONTROL OVER THOSE COSTS. NOW WHAT
18 HAPPENS IF AN ENTITY COMES ABOUT AND SAYS WE NEED ADDITIONAL
19 RESOURCES AND THE GOVERNING BOARD SAYS THAT'S WHAT WE WANT.
20 AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SAID THAT YOU HAVE TO RECEIVE THE
21 FUNDS THAT THE OTHERS -- BE IT THE U.S.C., GENERAL, OLIVE
22 VIEW, HARBOR, CENTRAL?

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE KEY FACTOR IN THIS INITIATIVE IS THAT THIS
25 IS GOING TO BE A NEW FACILITY. THIS IS GOING TO BE A NEW



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1 PRIVATE NONPROFIT WITH A SEPARATE GOVERNING BOARD. IT'S GOING
2 TO HAVE A DIRECT INVOLVEMENT OF AN INSTITUTION THAT HAS A
3 HISTORY OF PROVIDING QUALITY CARE AND OVERSEEING THE PROVISION
4 OF THAT CARE. AND THAT'S UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA. WHAT HAS
5 HAPPENED IN THE PAST IS JUST THAT. WHAT WE'RE PUTTING -- THIS
6 ENTIRE INTENT IS TO CREATE SOMETHING NEW AND TO MOVE FORWARD.
7 AND I'M CONFIDENT THAT WHAT HAS HAPPENED IN THE PAST WILL STAY
8 IN THE PAST.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. IF THERE ARE NO OTHER
13 QUESTIONS, WE WILL PROVIDE. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF FOLKS THAT
14 HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. MOST SEEM TO BE
15 SUPPORTIVE. LET ME BEGIN WITH JIM MANGIA, ANNIE PARK, ARNOLD
16 SACHS, JOHN TURNER WILL BE THE FIRST FOUR. GO AHEAD, SIR.

17

18 **JIM MANGIA:** THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU ARE?

21

22 **JIM MANGIA:** I'M SORRY, JIM MANGIA, ST. JOHN'S WELL CHILD AND
23 FAMILY CENTER AND SOUTH SIDE COALITION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH
24 CENTERS. I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR
25 WORK ON THIS AND FOR THE SPEED AND COMPREHENSIVENESS OF THIS



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1 PROPOSAL. IT'S TRULY IMPRESSIVE. AND THANK THE C.E.O.'S
2 OFFICE. I ALSO WANT TO PARTICULARLY THANK SUPERVISOR MARK
3 RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR HIS PLEDGE AND KEEPING OF HIS PROMISE TO
4 OPEN THIS HOSPITAL IN HIS TERM. AND I WAS HERE AT THAT
5 INAUGURATION WHERE YOU MADE THAT PROMISE, SIR. AND THANK YOU
6 VERY MUCH FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN THIS. WE'RE REALLY GRATEFUL.
7 I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT WE STAND READY TO BE PART OF THIS
8 EFFORT, THE COMMUNITY CLINICS THROUGHOUT THE SYSTEM. WHAT
9 WE'RE REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT AND I THINK WHAT'S ADDRESSED HERE
10 IS THE WHOLE QUESTION OF QUALITY OF CARE. AND HOW IS IT THAT
11 THE COMMUNITY CLINICS AND ALL THE PROVIDERS IN SOUTH L.A. CAN
12 BECOME PART OF A SYSTEM OF CARE WHICH IS REALLY A MODEL FOR
13 THE NATION? I THINK WITH THE FUNDS COMING FROM THE FEDERAL
14 GOVERNMENT AND ALL EYES ON SOUTH LOS ANGELES, I THINK WE HAVE
15 A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY. AND I THINK CLEARLY THE PLAN ADDRESSES
16 THOSE ISSUES OF QUALITY OF CARE. SO I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT AS
17 COMMUNITY CLINICS, WE STAND READY TO BE PART OF THIS PROCESS,
18 TO HELP DEVELOP THE REFERRAL SYSTEMS AND THE PRIMARY AND
19 SPECIALTY CARE ACCESS AND COORDINATION. AND THANK YOU VERY
20 MUCH FOR YOUR EFFORTS ON THIS. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

23

24 **ANNIE PARK:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
25 ANNIE PARK, I AM HERE REPRESENTING COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCILS.



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1 I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK THE LEADERSHIP OF THIS BOARD,
2 PARTICULARLY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR ALL THE WORK
3 AND COMMITMENT AND DEDICATION THAT YOU HAVE PUT TOWARDS THIS
4 PLAN. A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS, THAT WHILE YOU MAY
5 NOT HAVE THE ANSWER NOW, I THINK WOULD BEHOOVE THE BOARD TO
6 ADDRESS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. IN THE INTERIM, YOU SAY THAT THE
7 PLAN IS TO OPEN THE HOSPITAL BY LATE 2012. I BELIEVE DURING
8 THAT INTERIM PERIOD, YOU NEED TO GIVE SOME REASSURANCE TO THE
9 COMMUNITY THAT THERE WILL BE AN UNINTERRUPTED FLOW OF PATIENT
10 CARE AND MEDICAL SERVICES. ONE SUGGESTION WE HAVE WOULD BE TO
11 LOOK INTO EXTENDING S.B. 474 FUNDING, THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES
12 MEDICAL SERVICES PRESERVATION FUND, UNTIL THE HOSPITAL IS
13 FULLY OPERATIONAL AND OPEN, WHETHER THAT BE IN 2012 OR EARLIER
14 AS WE ALL HOPE. I WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT THIS LETTER WRITTEN BY
15 MY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, LARK GALLAWAY-GILLIAM, AND IT OUTLINES
16 SOME MORE SUGGESTIONS THAT WE HAVE. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY. I WOULD ASK THAT DR.
19 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL JOIN US AND SWEET ALICE HARRIS. ARNOLD?

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21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. THANK
22 YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. YOU ADDRESSED SOME OF THE
23 QUESTIONS I DID HAVE AS ONE OF THEM BEING THE COST ANALYSIS OF
24 THE HOSPITALIZATION BECAUSE WHEN M.L.K. WAS OPERATING AS A
25 HOSPITAL, AND YOU HAD THE HEARINGS HERE EARLIER REGARDING SOME



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1 OF THE THINGS THAT WERE BEING DONE, THE COSTS FOR SERVICE --
2 ACTUALLY FOR THE EMERGENCY CARE WAS LIKE \$900 PER BED VERSUS
3 DIFFERENT FIGURES, LESSER FIGURES FOR U.S.C. AND THE HOSPITAL
4 IN THE HIGH DESERT THAT WERE MUCH LESS. BUT I DO HAVE A
5 CONCERN REGARDING THE NONPROFIT THAT MAY BE CONSIDERED. WILL
6 THERE BE A FOR PROFIT THAT WILL BE PUT IN CHARGE OF RUNNING
7 THE NONPROFIT? BECAUSE ALL TOO OFTEN, LIKE A KITE, THERE'S A
8 TAIL THAT COMES ALONG WITH IT AND IT'S THE FOR PROFIT THAT
9 ENDS UP GETTING THE MONEY THAT'S ALLOCATED TO THE NONPROFIT.
10 THE NONPROFIT TURNS AROUND AND HAS TO PAY THE OPERATING FEES
11 FOR THE FOR PROFIT TO MANAGE IT. WILL THERE BE ANY SAY IN
12 THAT? THERE WILL BE SOME CHECKS AND BALANCES TO MAKE SURE THAT
13 SITUATIONS THAT ALLOWED M.L.K. TO DETERIORATE TO THE POINT,
14 WILL THEY BE FURTHER ENHANCED? BECAUSE, REMEMBER, IF THIS
15 FUNDING HADN'T BEEN CUT OFF FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, MORE
16 LIKELY THAN NOT, M.L.K. MIGHT STILL BE OPEN AND THE PROBLEMS
17 THAT WERE UNCOVERED WOULD STILL BE EXISTING. I'D LIKE TO KNOW
18 THAT THAT THAT WILL BE ADDRESSED AS A PRODUCT OF THIS NEW
19 GROWTH FOR M.L.K. AND I'D LIKE TO CONGRATULATE SUPERVISOR
20 RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR HIS ACTIONS IN MOVING THIS FORWARD. THANK
21 YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. TANNER, I WOULD ASK
24 WILLIAM HOBSON TO JOIN US UP HERE, PLEASE?

25



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1 **JOHN TANNER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD MEMBERS AND C.E.O. FUJIOKA,
2 MY NAME IS JOHN TANNER, I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SERVICE
3 EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION LOCAL 721. WE'RE HERE THIS
4 MORNING TO STAND BY THE BOARD AND THE C.E.O. IN YOUR
5 ANNOUNCEMENT THAT SERIOUS STEPS HAVE BEEN TAKEN TO ESTABLISH
6 KING HOSPITAL AS A FULL SERVICE FACILITY TO SERVE THE MEDICAL
7 NEEDS OF RESIDENTS IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. WE ARE THRILLED THAT
8 THESE STEPS ARE BEING MADE TO OPEN THE HOSPITAL TO SERVE THE
9 COMMUNITY, AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO SERVE AS A KEY PARTNER IN
10 THESE EFFORTS. OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS, WE'VE TAKEN OUR
11 RESPONSIBILITY TO PARTNER WITH THE COUNTY SERIOUSLY. WE'VE
12 HELPED TO PRESERVE THE ABILITY OF THE NEW HOSPITAL TO BECOME A
13 FULL SERVICE TEACHING HOSPITAL. WE'VE HELPED TO HOLD THE
14 HOSPITAL'S LICENSE IN ABEYANCE SO IT COULD BE OPENED IN A
15 TIMELY MANNER. WE'VE HELPED TO RESTORE \$33 MILLION IN FUNDING
16 IN ORDER TO CONTINUE GROWING THE SERVICES AT THE M.A.C.C.
17 WE'VE HELPED TO ENSURE 100 PERCENT OF THE EMPLOYEES AT THE
18 M.A.C.C. TO MEET AND EXCEED COMPETENCY STANDARDS. WE'VE HELPED
19 TO PUBLICIZE THE SERVICES AVAILABLE, INCLUDING THE NEW
20 AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTER TO THE COMMUNITY. WE'VE HELPED TO
21 ADVOCATE FOR INCREASED STAFF AS THE M.A.C.C. MEETS AND EXCEEDS
22 ITS PATIENT VOLUME GOALS. WE OF COURSE BELIEVE THAT PATIENTS
23 ARE BEST SERVED BY A WORKFORCE THAT HAS AN ORGANIZED VOICE AND
24 CAN ADVOCATE FOR QUALITY PATIENT CARE AND FAIR LABOR
25 STANDARDS. SO WE'RE JUST HERE TO ASSURE THE BOARD AND THE



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1 C.E.O. THAT WE'LL BE THERE EVERY STEP OF THE WAY. WE VIEW THAT
2 WE SHARE THE SAME MISSION TO OPEN THIS HOSPITAL. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YOU HAVE STRONG SUPPORT
5 BEHIND YOU. SWEET ALICE? AND THEN GENEVIEVE?

6

7 **SWEET ALICE:** I AM HUMBLLED TO BE HERE, ESPECIALLY TO BE HERE ON
8 MY OWN COMMUNITY. WE HAVE SUFFERED SO LONG WITHOUT MEDICARE.
9 IT MAKE US FEEL LIKE WE'RE JUST DOGS. WE DON'T EVEN HAVE A
10 PARK FOR OUR CHILDREN TO GO TO, ONLY ONE ON THE OUTSKIRTS. AND
11 I KNEW WHEN I SAT BY THE GOVERNOR, HIM AND HIS WIFE CAME, THEY
12 COULDN'T BELIEVE IT, EITHER. WE DIDN'T HAVE A HOSPITAL. AND WE
13 WERE SITTING IN THE MIDDLE OF FIVE HOUSING PROJECTS, POVERTY
14 FEEDING ON POVERTY. BUT I KNEW IF WE GOT MR. MARK RIDLEY-
15 THOMAS IN THERE, I KNEW WE WOULD HAVE OUR HOSPITAL. AND I AM
16 THANKING YOU ALL [APPLAUSE.] FOR WORKING WITH HIM. MOLINA,
17 I'VE BEEN KNOWING YOU A LONG TIME, EVEN BEFORE YOU GOT HERE. I
18 KNOW Y'ALL KNOW WHAT WE NEED. AND LET US HAVE A COMMUNITY
19 COMMITTED TO HELP WATCH OVER THE HOSPITAL. WE LIVE THERE. FIVE
20 MINUTES FROM THE HOSPITAL. WE CAN SEE THINGS THAT YOU ALL
21 MIGHT NOT SEE. BUT AT LEAST LET US WORK WITH YOU TO HELP KEEP
22 OUR HOSPITAL THAT IT WOULD NEVER, EVER HAPPEN AGAIN. I KNOW I
23 WON'T BE AROUND LONG. BUT I'M GOING TO BE HERE LONG ENOUGH,
24 MARK, TO HELP YOU GET WHAT WE NEED BECAUSE WE NEED HEALTHCARE
25 TO SEE OUR BABIES WITH ASTHMA. TWO OF THEM HAVE DIED ALREADY



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1 BECAUSE THEIR PARENTS CAN'T GET THEM TO A HOSPITAL. WE DON'T
2 WANT THAT TO HAPPEN. PLEASE DON'T LET THAT HAPPEN TO US AGAIN.
3 WE ARE HUMANS. AND WE DO CARE. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. RICHARD VELUZ, IF YOU'D JOIN
6 US UP HERE, PLEASE? GENEVIEVE?

7

8 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU KNOW I HAVE BEEN HERE
10 EVERY WEEK SINCE A LONG, LONG TIME, 1999 FOR THAT MATTER. I'M
11 PROBABLY THE ONLY ONE WHO WAS HERE WHEN YOU SOUGHT THE
12 APPROPRIATE DATE TO TALK ABOUT KING-DREW TO FIGHT KING-DREW.
13 BUT I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS RIGHT NOW. AND I WONDER WHO DECIDED
14 TO OPEN A HOSPITAL BEFORE OPENING THE EMERGENCY ROOM? I MEAN
15 HEALTHCARE, IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO ME. WHY WOULD YOU OPEN
16 THE HOSPITAL BEFORE YOU HAVE AN EMERGENCY ROOM AND SUPPORT
17 SERVICES? I DON'T KNOW. IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE. I WOULD
18 HIGHLY SUGGEST YOU GO BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD, AND IF
19 SOMETHING NEEDS TO BE OPENED FIRST AND FOREMOST TO HANDLE
20 PATIENTS IN THAT AREA, IT IS AN EMERGENCY ROOM AND THE SUPPORT
21 SERVICES. YOU OPEN A HOSPITAL WITH NO EMERGENCY ROOM, NO
22 SUPPORT SERVICES, HOW YOU GOING TO PROVIDE THE CARE? IT
23 DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO ME. ALSO, SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS
24 HAD ASKED FOR A VERY PRECISE QUESTION. HE ASKED FOR A VERY
25 DEFINITE COST ANSWER, WHICH I DIDN'T HEAR TODAY. I HEARD A LOT



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1 OF PONTIFICATION. I APPRECIATE THERE IS EXCITEMENT. MORE THAN
2 ANYBODY, I WANT IT TO BE OPEN. BUT I DON'T WANT TO MAKE THE
3 MISTAKE WE HAVE DONE IN THE PAST. RIGHT NOW, A FEW MINUTES AGO
4 IN FRONT OF ME, THE S.E.I.U. SHAMELESSLY SAID HOW MUCH IT WILL
5 HELP. THEY WERE PART OF THE DESTRUCTION OF KING-DREW.
6 PERSONALLY, I DON'T WANT THEM AT THE TABLE. AND WHEN I SEE ON
7 THOSE PAPERS, IT IS ANTICIPATED THE WORKFORCE WOULD OPERATE
8 UNDER COLLECTIVE BARGAINING. YOU'RE CUTTING YOUR NOSE TO SPITE
9 YOUR FACE ON THIS ONE BECAUSE YOU'RE GOING TO INCREASE YOUR
10 COSTS TREMENDOUSLY. YOU ARE GOING TO PREVENT PEOPLE WHO WANT
11 TO PARTICIPATE. AND FROM WHAT I'M READING, IS A LOT OF DEALS
12 HAVE ALREADY BEEN MADE. THAT CONCERNS ME. AND I THINK WE DON'T
13 KNOW HOW MANY BOARD MEMBERS THERE WILL BE. THAT'S CANNOT BE
14 SAID BECAUSE THAT MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE. AND I THINK WE NEED
15 MORE SPECIFIC NUMBER. WE DON'T HAVE THEM YET. AND LIKE I SAID,
16 I WOULD NOT BUILD THE HOSPITAL BEFORE I BUILD THE E.R. I DON'T
17 KNOW WHO CAME UP WITH THAT BRILLIANT IDEA, BUT I WOULD HIGHLY
18 ASK THEM TO MAKE SOME RESEARCH. AND IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE
19 WHATSOEVER. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **WILLIAM HOBSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS WILLIAM HOBSON, I'M
24 THE C.E.O. OF THE WATTS HEALTHCARE CORPORATION. I WOULD LIKE
25 TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR CONTINUED PERSEVERANCE AND



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1 LEADERSHIP ON THIS ISSUE, PARTICULARLY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
2 THOMAS. WE ESSENTIALLY, FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS AT THE WATTS
3 HEALTHCARE CORPORATION, OUR 15 DOCTORS ENJOYED A REFERRAL
4 RELATIONSHIP WITH M.L.K. WHERE OUR PATIENTS, VERY LOW INCOME
5 PATIENTS, COULD BE HOSPITALIZED AT THE HOSPITAL. CURRENTLY,
6 OUR UNINSURED PATIENTS HAVE TO BE HOSPITALIZED OUTSIDE OF THE
7 COMMUNITY. THAT'S A GREAT IMPOSITION TO A LOT OF THE LOW
8 INCOME AND MANY PEDESTRIAN FAMILIES THAT WE SERVE. WE VERY
9 MUCH NEED TO HAVE THE ABILITY TO HOSPITALIZE OUR UNINSURED
10 PATIENTS NEAR TO OUR PROGRAM. WE WOULD VALUE THE KIND OF
11 WORKING RELATIONSHIP THAT OUR PHYSICIANS HAD WITH THE
12 SPECIALISTS THAT OPERATED AT THE M.L.K. INPATIENT UNIT. NOW,
13 WITH HAVING TO REFER TO THE M.A.C.C. FOR SPECIALTY CARE AND
14 THEN ESSENTIALLY HAVE THE HOSPITALIZATION TAKE PLACE AT
15 ANOTHER FACILITY, IT JUST INCREASES THE COMPLICATED NATURE OF
16 PATIENT CARE. IT'S COMPLICATED ENOUGH IF YOU'RE TRYING TO
17 COORDINATE ALL OF THE SPECIALTY AND PRIMARY CARE AND
18 HOSPITALIZATION IN THE SAME FACILITY. SO WE WOULD JUST
19 ENCOURAGE YOU TO CONTINUE TO PERSEVERE ON THIS ISSUE. WE FEEL
20 LIKE THAT THE OTHER MAJOR FACTOR HERE IS ESSENTIALLY TRYING TO
21 DEVELOP THIS PROGRAM WITH THE IDEA THAT IT HAS TO INCLUDE A
22 RESIDENCY TRAINING COMPONENT. ONE OF THE MAJOR LOSSES TO OUR
23 COMMUNITY WAS THE RESIDENCY PROGRAM THAT WAS ASSOCIATED WITH
24 THE CHARLES DREW SCHOOL OF MEDICINE. WE ARE FACING A NATIONAL
25 PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN SHORTAGE. SO WE'D WANT TO MAKE SURE



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1 THAT IN THE PLANNING THAT GOES FORWARD ON THIS ENDEAVOR, WE
2 TAKE A LOOK AT THE POSSIBILITY OF THE INCLUSION OF A RESIDENCY
3 TRAINING COMPONENT TO BRING BACK THE TRAINING OF PHYSICIANS IN
4 OUR COMMUNITY. WE FEEL THAT THAT'S AN IMPORTANT PART. BUT ONCE
5 AGAIN, THIS IS A DIFFICULT TASK. I HAVE A FULL APPRECIATION
6 FOR IT. AND I WOULD JUST LIKE TO COMPLIMENT YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR
7 PERSEVERANCE ON THIS ISSUE. A QUICK LAST FOOTNOTE. ONE OF THE
8 WAYS THAT WE DEVELOPED A PLAN IN ANOTHER CITY THAT I WORKED IN
9 FOR ITS SEISMIC RETROFIT WAS TO BUILD A NEW TOWER ADJACENT TO
10 AN OLD TOWER AND TO ANCHOR THE OLD TOWER TO THE NEW TOWER,
11 UPGRADE THE ELECTRICAL AND PLUMBING IN THE OLD TOWER A LITTLE
12 BIT AT A TIME. AND THAT ACCOMPLISHED THIS SEISMIC RETROFIT AND
13 ESSENTIALLY PRESERVED THE OLD SPACE. AND I DON'T KNOW WHETHER
14 THAT'S REALLY BEEN CONSIDERED IN THIS PLAN, BUT I SUGGEST THAT
15 YOU MIGHT TAKE A LOOK AT IT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND I WISH
16 YOU WELL IN THIS ENDEAVOR.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **RICHARD VELUZ:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS RICHARD VELUZ, I'M THE
21 C.E.O. OF SOUTH CENTRAL FAMILY HEALTH CENTER. AND I WANT TO
22 THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THIS TREMENDOUS
23 OPPORTUNITY. I ALSO WANT TO THANK MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR
24 SHOWING THE LEADERSHIP IN MOVING FORWARD ON MAKING SURE THAT
25 WE CAN HAVE THIS HOSPITAL IN OUR COMMUNITY. ESPECIALLY OUR



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1 PATIENTS. OUR CENTER, AS WELL AS SIX OTHER COMMUNITY HEALTH
2 CENTERS, ABOUT FOUR YEARS AGO GOT TOGETHER TO TRY TO WORK WITH
3 MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL AS WELL AS WITH OTHERS IN THE
4 COMMUNITY TO INSURE THAT WE WOULD HAVE BETTER COVERAGE FOR OUR
5 PATIENTS. THIS IS A DELIGHT TO ALL OF US BECAUSE NOW AFTER
6 FOUR YEARS, WE'RE SEEING SOME CHANGES TAKING PLACE. I WANT TO
7 ECHO WHAT MR. HOBSON SAID ABOUT THE RESIDENCY TRAINING
8 PROGRAM. OUR HEALTH CENTER, AS WELL AS OTHER HEALTH CENTERS IN
9 THE AREA, HAVE A TREMENDOUSLY DIFFICULT TIME IN RECRUITING
10 QUALIFIED, TRAINED PHYSICIANS WHO ARE BILINGUAL, BICULTURAL,
11 WHO UNDERSTAND THE COMMUNITY AND CAN WORK WITH THE PATIENTS
12 THAT WE SERVE ON AN EVERYDAY BASIS. ENSURING THAT WE HAVE THIS
13 TRAINING GOING ON IN THIS COMMUNITY WILL HELP US SECURE MORE
14 DOCTORS AS WELL AS QUALITY MEDICINE. SO ONCE AGAIN, I JUST
15 WANT TO THANK THE BOARD AS WELL AS MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR THIS
16 TREMENDOUS EFFORT. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. JUST KNOW THAT THAT RESIDENCY
19 ISSUE IS A KEY ELEMENT OF THIS WHOLE PLAN. ALL RIGHT. DO WE
20 NEED AN ACTION ITEM ON THIS? OKAY. WE WILL RECEIVE AND FILE.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, ONCE AGAIN, LET ME THANK
23 YOU, MR. ANTONOVICH, MS. MOLINA, MR. YAROSLAVSKY. IT SEEMS TO
24 ME THAT APPROPRIATE ACKNOWLEDGMENT IS ALSO DUE TO, AGAIN, THE
25 C.E.O. AND HIS STAFF. IT IS THE CASE THAT THIS HAS BEEN A



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1 COLLABORATIVE PURSUIT ON BEHALF OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
2 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, AS WELL AS THE COUNTY OF LOS
3 ANGELES. MAY I HASTEN TO ADD THAT SEVERAL OTHERS ARE
4 INTERESTED IN HELPING. AND I WILL, WITH YOUR PERMISSION,
5 ACKNOWLEDGE THEM. THE HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN
6 CALIFORNIA HAS BEEN PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION, MR. CHAIRMAN. THE
7 COMMUNITY CLINICS, THE NETWORK OF THEM PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION.
8 L.A. CARE HAS BEEN WATCHING THIS CLOSELY. THE PHILANTHROPIC
9 ORGANIZATIONS, SPECIFICALLY UNIHEALTH FOUNDATION AND CERTAINLY
10 THE CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT. THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MEDICAL
11 ASSOCIATION HAS BEEN ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN PAYING ATTENTION AND
12 LENDING THEIR SUPPORT. YOU'VE HEARD FROM ORGANIZED LABOR. I
13 TAKE THAT TO BE A HUGE CONTRIBUTION TO THE EFFORT THAT NEEDS
14 TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED IN EACH AND EVERY STEP OF THE WAY. THE
15 EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS, AS YOU HAVE HEARD THEM HERE. SO THERE'S
16 A RANGE OF STAKEHOLDERS. AND EVEN IN OTHER PRIVATE SECTOR
17 CONTEXTS, ST. FRANCIS, KAISER, ET CETERA, ALL HAVE STEPPED UP
18 TO SAY: LOOK, HOW CAN WE HELP? WHAT CAN WE DO TO MAKE THIS A
19 BETTER PROPOSITION? MR. FUJIOKA HAS BEEN PAYING CLOSE
20 ATTENTION TO THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PIECE OF THIS EQUATION
21 AS IT RELATES TO THE STIMULUS PACKAGE. THE TELEMEDICINE
22 COMPONENT IS VERY IMPORTANT. AND SO WE'RE WELL ON OUR WAY
23 POTENTIALLY, MR. CHAIRMAN AND COLLEAGUES, TO DO SOMETHING
24 THAT'S WELL BEYOND WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN CONCEIVED, AND THAT IS
25 WHAT WE OUGHT TO BE DOING. DRIVING TOWARD THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF



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1 DELIVERY OF PATIENT CARE IN THE MOST COST-EFFECTIVE WAYS
2 POSSIBLE. AND I ONCE AGAIN WANT TO THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF THE
3 RESIDENTS OF THE WATTS WILLOWBROOK COMMUNITY. BUT INDEED
4 BEYOND THAT, THE ENTIRETY OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THANK
5 YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THIS ISSUE IS WAY BEYOND THE NATURE OF A
8 COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. IT'S A CRITICAL PART OF OUR ENTIRE SAFETY
9 NET. OKAY. WITH THAT, WE RECEIVED AND FILED. AND NOW WE GO TO
10 -- I BELIEVE THAT COMPLETES THE AGENDA. WE GO TO PUBLIC
11 COMMENTS. AND I WOULD ASK ETHEL JOHNSON TO JOIN US. ARNOLD
12 SACHS, WARREN BRANCH, AND CHANTEL ROLISON.

13

14 **CHANTEL ROLISON:** HI. THANK YOU. I'M BACK. AND I'LL KEEP ON
15 COMING BACK UNTIL MY KIDS COME BACK HOME. I HAVE --

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU ARE?

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19 **CHANTEL ROLISON:** I'M CHANTEL ROLISON. AND I'M NOT GOING TO
20 STUTTER. DON'T MEAN TO BE RUDE. HAPPY TO BE HERE AGAIN. MY SON
21 HAD ADMITTED TO BEING ABUSED. HE WAS IN A FOSTER HOME FOR TWO
22 YEARS WITH THESE FOSTER PARENTS. AND HE'S ONLY EIGHT. AND MY
23 OTHER SON IS FIVE. I BROUGHT THIS TO D.P.S.S.'S ATTENTION. NO
24 ONE HAS GOTTEN BACK WITH ME. I'VE REPEATEDLY SHOWED PROOF TIME
25 AFTER TIME ABOUT HOW MY KIDS SHOULD BE RETURNED BACK HOME. NO



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1 ONE -- IT'S LIKE AS IF IT'S A JOKE. BECAUSE THEY'RE SEEING
2 SOME CELEBRITY WHO IS PSYCHO IS SCARING ME. I HAVE NO IDEA HOW
3 TRUE THIS REALLY IS. I DON'T BELIEVE IT PERSONALLY. BECAUSE
4 BELIEVE IT OR NOT, MY SON'S FATHER, LONNIE HOGAN, FATHER PAUL
5 HOGAN, HE HELPED SET IT UP. ONE DAY I WAS WALKING BEHIND HIM.
6 SOMETHING JUST TOLD ME TO WALK BEHIND HIM ON THE WAY TO THE
7 STORE. AND I HAD SEEN THIS GUY IN THIS WHITE CAR PULL UP TO
8 TELL HIM TO SET HER UP. SO THIS, IN FACT, BEEN GOING ON SINCE
9 2001 AND PROBABLY BEFORE THEN BECAUSE I DID, IN FACT, TELL A
10 FAMILY MEMBER THAT I WAS MOLESTED BY MY MOTHER'S BROTHER. SO
11 THIS STARTED BACK IN THE '90S, BELIEVE IT OR NOT. THESE PEOPLE
12 HAVE BEEN HARASSING MY LIFE FOR YEARS. AND FAMILY ALIENATED
13 ME. THEY ALIENATED AGAINST ME SO I COULD NOT GET MY KIDS BACK.
14 AND I JUST WANT TO KNOW WHAT ARE THEY GOING TO DO? DRAG THIS
15 CASE OUT? KEEP USING THE TAXPAYERS' MONEY AND KEEPING MY KIDS
16 IN THE SYSTEM? WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN? I GET NO PROPER
17 REPRESENTATION WHEREVER I GO. I'VE BEEN TO NUMEROUS
18 ASSOCIATIONS. I SPOKE TO NUMEROUS ATTORNEYS. WHAT CAN I DO?
19 WHAT ARE MY RIGHTS? BECAUSE I FEEL LIKE MY MOTHERHOOD HAS BEEN
20 STOLEN, MY CIVIL RIGHTS, MY WOMANHOOD. WHAT'S GOING ON? WHY
21 WON'T THEY SEND MY KIDS HOME WHEN I'M ACTUALLY STABLE AND
22 FINANCIALLY TO TAKE CARE OF THEM? I GET NO ANSWERS FROM
23 ANYONE. WHY? I DON'T CARE ABOUT THIS PSYCHO CELEBRITY, WHOEVER
24 HE IS. HE'S RUINED MY LIFE. HE SLANDERED MY NAME THROUGHOUT
25 L.A. I'M NOT A KILLER. THEY LIED ON ME BECAUSE I BELIEVE THE



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1 BABY DADDIES ONCE AGAIN DOES NOT WANT TO PAY THEIR CHILD
2 SUPPORT. AND THAT'S FINE, TOO. JUST GIVE ME MY KIDS. I DON'T
3 EVEN WANT ANY CHILD SUPPORT AT THIS POINT. I JUST WANT MY KIDS
4 HOME. I DON'T CARE WHAT I AM. IT DOESN'T MATTER.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE SOMEONE FROM THE DEPARTMENT THAT
7 CAN VISIT WITH YOU OVER HERE AND EXPLAIN TO YOU YOUR RIGHTS
8 AND WHAT MAY BE AVAILABLE TO YOU OUTSIDE OF WHAT ALREADY
9 YOU'VE CHECKED INTO.

10

11 **CHANTEL ROLISON:** AND MY SON IS HALF ASIAN. HE'S ASIAN AND
12 BLACK. AND THEY HAVE HIM ON THREE MEDS PER DAY, OKAY? I WANT
13 YOU TO KNOW HE WROTE THIS LETTER. HE WROTE THIS LETTER. HE'S
14 ONLY EIGHT YEARS OLD. AND HE'S NOT LYING ABOUT BEING ABUSED.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN. ETHEL
17 JOHNSON?

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19 **ETHEL JOHNSON:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON. TO THE BOARD, I APPRECIATE
20 YOUR HOUSING AUTHORITY OF COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. RIGHT NOW,
21 I'M IN NEED OF HOUSING. AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND THE PROBLEM OF
22 SECTION 8. SECTION 8 IS FOR PEOPLE THAT'S DISABLED, PEOPLE
23 THAT NEED HOUSING. AND I'VE BEEN BACK AND FORTH TO SECTION 8
24 AND ASKED THEM WHY WE HAVE SECTION 8 CITY, WE HAVE SECTION 8
25 COUNTY. OKAY. I'M ALSO ON THE BOARD FOR THE COUNTY, THE CITY



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1 OF LOS ANGELES REDEVELOPMENT, WHICH I'VE BEEN ON THERE FOR
2 NINE YEARS. BUT I'M AN ALTERNATE HERE. AND I SAY GEE, WHIZ,
3 I'VE BEEN WITH THE COUNTY SO LONG I FORGOT. BUT I'M NOT TRYING
4 TO BE FUNNY, BUT RIGHT NOW I NEED HELP FROM THE COUNTY. YOU
5 WILL ALWAYS BE MY FRIEND. I WILL ALWAYS LOVE YOU. BUT I HAVE
6 DAMAGES. I HAVE DAMAGES IN THE AREA OF DISTRICT 2. SOMEBODY'S
7 GOT MY VETERAN'S AFFAIRS PAPERS FROM THE PATRIOTIC HALL WHICH
8 IS MY VERY GOOD FRIEND MICHAEL DEONOVIS. AND I'M BACK AND
9 FORTH TO LANCASTER, PALMDALE AND ALL THESE OTHER PLACES.
10 NOBODY CAN CATCH UP WITH ME. BUT IF WE ALL WORK TOGETHER,
11 MOSTLY I'M IN WATTS AREA. WATTS TOWERS. WHAT WE CALL WATTS
12 TOWERS. MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL, I'M HONORED, MR. THOMAS,
13 THAT YOU TOOK OVER THE DISTRICT. AND IF WE WILL ALL WORK
14 TOGETHER WITHOUT ARGUING AND FUSSING GOING ON, AND GETTING
15 INTO TROUBLE, BECAUSE WE DO HAVE GANGS. AND I WORK GANG
16 DETAIL, TOO. IT'S JUST THE BLESSINGS OF GOD THAT I'M STILL
17 HERE FOR ALL THESE YEARS. 35 YEARS IN THE AREA. I WORKED
18 YVONNE'S AREA AND SHE TOLD ME THAT THE DAMAGES AND EVERYTHING,
19 YOU HAVE THE PAPERS HERE, I'D HAVE TO SEE COUNSEL FIRST. AND I
20 WANT TO RETIRE OUT RIGHT NOW AND DO MY OWN SELF-SERVICE LAW.
21 AND I ALSO HAVE A LITTLE BUSINESS AS FAR AS CHILDREN IS
22 CONCERNED. I'M ALWAYS THERE IN WATTS TOWERS. AND HELPING THE
23 CHILDREN. WE'VE GOT LIKE \$137,000 JUST FOR THE INSTRUMENTS.
24 AND THAT'S FROM THE STARS. DIFFERENT STARS IN HOLLYWOOD, THEY
25 GAVE THE CHILDREN IN THE GHETTO \$137,000 FOR THEM TO HAVE



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1 MUSIC. HE WAS THERE DURING THE TIME THAT EVERYTHING WAS
2 APPROPRIATE GIVEN TO HIM, MR. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. AND SO I'M
3 ASKING TODAY, I'M GOING TO HAND YOU MY PAPERS AND EVERYTHING
4 ELSE.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME'S EXPIRED. MR.
7 RIDLEY-THOMAS WILL HAVE SOMEONE FROM HIS STAFF CHECK WITH YOU.
8 OKAY? OKAY, MR. SACHS?

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10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS. GOOD AFTERNOON. IN
11 THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS, WELL THIS WEEK AND NEXT WEEK --

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EXCUSE ME. I WOULD ASK NIKKI WIGHAM TO
14 JOIN US HERE, PLEASE.

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16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THIS WEEK M.T.A. BOARD WILL BE HAVING THEIR
17 COMMITTEE HEARINGS ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, IF YOU WOULD
18 LIKE TO ATTEND. WEDNESDAY IS IN THE AFTERNOON, THURSDAY IT'S
19 IN THE MORNING. THE FOLLOWING THURSDAY IS THEIR M.T.A. BOARD
20 MEETING STARTING AT 9:30, HOPEFULLY. BUT I'M CONCERNED BECAUSE
21 ONE OF THE PET PROJECTS THAT ARE COMING UP IS THIS FAST LANE
22 PROJECT THAT THE M.T.A. IS TOUTING. AND THE INFORMATION THAT
23 COMES OUT WITH IT, ACCORDING TO SOME OF THE ITEMS THAT ARE
24 PLANNED FOR THE FASTWAYS ON THE I-10 EL MONTE BUSWAY, METRO
25 HOPES TO HAVE SERVICE EVERY THREE MINUTES. THEY'RE GOING TO



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1 COLLABORATE WITH THEIR TRANSIT PARTNER, FOOTHILL TRANSIT, TO
2 PURCHASE 28 NEW BUSES. SO HOW MANY BUSES WILL METRO BE
3 PURCHASING AND HOW MANY BUSES WILL FOOTHILL TRANSIT BE
4 PURCHASING? AND THEN FOR THE BUSES LANE ON THE I-10 HARBOR
5 TRANSIT CORRIDOR, THEY ALSO HOPE TO HAVE TRANSIT SERVICE EVERY
6 THREE MINUTES DURING RUSH HOUR. ITS TRANSIT PARTNERS THERE ARE
7 TORRANCE TRANSIT AND GARDENA TRANSIT. SO THE SAME QUESTION
8 WOULD APPLY. THAT BEING SAID, THE RUSH HOUR, DEFINING RUSH
9 HOUR AS ONE HOUR, THAT WOULD MEAN IT WOULD BE 20 BUSES. WHEN
10 THE BUSES HEAD INTO DOWNTOWN, HOPEFULLY FULLY LOADED, THEY'LL
11 HAVE TO RETURN TO THEIR STARTING POINT. IF THERE'S 10 BUSES
12 THAT HAVE BELONGED TO M.T.A. FOR LIKE THE EL MONTE BUSWAY, AND
13 14 BUSES THAT BELONG TO FOOTHILL, I DOUBT VERY MUCH ALL THOSE
14 BUSES WILL BE CARRYING PASSENGERS GOING EASTBOUND. AND THE
15 SAME CAN BE SAID FOR THE HARBOR TRANSITWAY. ONLY THOSE BUSES,
16 WHEN THEY START, WILL BE HEADING NORTHBOUND, RETURNING TO PICK
17 UP PASSENGERS THAT WILL BE HEADING SOUTHBOUND. BUT I DOUBT ALL
18 THOSE BUSES WILL BE CARRYING PASSENGERS. SO IN ESSENCE, THE
19 M.T.A. IS LOOKING RIGHT NOW AT ELIMINATING SERVICES BECAUSE
20 THEY HAVE A LOW RIDERSHIP. YET THEY'RE PROPOSING A PROGRAM
21 THAT WILL PUT EMPTY BUSES ON THE FREEWAY. IT DOESN'T MAKE
22 SENSE. THEY'RE HAVING THE FUNDING TO BUY THE BUSES. AND BEING
23 SPECIFIC LIKE GOVERNMENT TENDS TO BE, I DON'T KNOW THAT THE
24 FUNDING ADDRESSES PROVIDING THE DRIVERS FOR THOSE BUSES.
25 UNLESS THOSE DRIVERS ARE COMING FROM THE TRANSIT LINES THAT



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1 THEY WERE GOING TO ELIMINATE, THAT WOULD MAKE SENSE. THIS
2 QUESTION NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT. NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT VERY
3 HARD. THERE'S A LOT OF MONEY AT STAKE. THAT'S WHY THIS
4 PROGRAM'S BEING INITIATED.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. BRANCH AND THEN MISS
7 WIGHAM AND THEN I'LL CALL UP MR. BECKTEL?

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9 **WARREN BRANCH:** MY NAME IS WARREN BRANCH. I'VE BEEN COMING
10 HERE.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I KNOW YOU HAVE. BUT YOU KNOW YOU STILL
13 GOT AN ISSUES WITH THE POMONA POLICE DEPARTMENT.

14

15 **WARREN BRANCH:** I'VE BEEN COMING HERE INFORM THE LAST THREE
16 WEEKS. AND THEN THE PROBATION OFFICER TOLD ME LAST WEEK, MY
17 PROBATION OFFICER TOLD ME LAST WEEK FOR ONE OF THE BOARD
18 MEMBERS TO CALL THAT OFFICE SO HE CAN VERIFY ABOUT WHAT'S
19 HAPPENING IN THAT CITY.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THEY HAVE THEIR OWN POLICE DEPARTMENT,
22 SIR. YOU KNOW YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO DEAL WITH THEM.

23

24 **WARREN BRANCH:** I HEARD THAT STEVE HAD TALKED TO THE PROBATION
25 OFFICER NAMED RAY THOMAS. RAY THOMAS LIED TO THE OFFICER RIGHT



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1 THERE FOR MY PROBATION OFFICER WANT ME TO COME BACK OUT HERE,
2 WHICH I DID.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** HAVE YOUR PROBATION OFFICER WRITE US A
5 LETTER.

6

7 **WARREN BRANCH:** SUPERVISOR BOARD MEMBERS TO CALL THAT PROBATION
8 DEPARTMENT.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I DON'T THINK SO AND VERIFY THE
11 SITUATION. I DON'T THINK THAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN. IF YOU WANT
12 SOMETHING FROM YOUR PROBATION OFFICER, YOU HAVE THAT PROBATION
13 OFFICER WRITE ME AS CHAIR OF THE BOARD.

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15 **WARRANT BRANCH:** WRITE A LETTER?

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WRITE A LETTER TO ME AS CHAIR OF THE
18 BOARD. OKAY?

19

20 **WARREN BRANCH:** ALL RIGHT. WELL I'D LIKE TO SAY I'M A WITNESS
21 TO THE SITUATION.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, YOU'RE A WITNESS.

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1 **WARREN BRANCH:** AND THEY ASKED ME TO JOIN IN TO IT. AND I ASKED
2 MARK THOMAS AND I ASKED MISS MOLINA'S OFFICE TO GO OUT TO THAT
3 CHURCH SO THEY CAN VERIFY IT. AND I EXPLAINED TO MISS RENEE
4 THEN ALL OF A SUDDEN SHE WANT TO CHANGE HER MIND BY GOING OUT
5 TO THE CHURCH BECAUSE THE MINISTER WANT THE POLICE TO COME TO
6 HIS CHURCH SO HE CAN GET THEM CHURCH PEOPLES ARRESTED FOR
7 HAVING SEX WITH THAT DOG.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MORE DETAIL THAN WE NEED. THANK YOU.

10

11 **WARREN BRANCH:** WELL I'M NOT FINISHED. I'D LIKE TO KNOW CAN
12 MARK THOMAS --

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I TOLD YOU WHAT YOU NEED TO DO. IF YOU
15 WANT ANY ANSWERS FOR YOUR PROBATION OFFICER, YOU HAVE THAT
16 PROBATION OFFICER WRITE ME A LETTER AS CHAIR OF THE BOARD.
17 OKAY? I MEAN YOUR ISSUE IS NOT WITH US. YOUR ISSUE IS WITH THE
18 CITY OF POMONA. AND THEY HAVE THEIR OWN POLICE DEPARTMENT.
19 THEY HAVE THEIR OWN CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR. AND YOU KEEP
20 COMING TO THE WRONG PLACE. BUT WE'RE PATIENT AND WE'LL LISTEN.

21

22 **WARREN BRANCH:** WELL POMONA IS PART OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
23 RIGHT?

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ABSOLUTELY. BUT THEY HAVE THEIR OWN
2 MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL AND THEY HAVE THEIR OWN POLICE
3 DEPARTMENT.

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5 **WARREN BRANCH:** THREE POMONA POLICE OFFICERS GOT ARRESTED FOR
6 CHILD MOLESTATION IN THE PAST.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

9

10 **WARREN BRANCH:** AND THEY ASKED ME TO GET INTO IT.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE NOT GOING TO FILE ANY CHARGES FOR
13 YOU. YOU KNOW YOU NEED TO GO TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

14

15 **WARREN BRANCH:** I DON'T NEED YOU TO FILE CHARGES FOR ME, SIR. I
16 CAN DO THAT MYSELF.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, WELL THEN DO IT.

19

20 **WARREN BRANCH:** I JUST WANT FOR YOU ALL TO VER -- I SEE YOUR
21 PICTURES ALL THROUGH THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. AND I KNOW THAT
22 Y'ALL CAN CALL THAT PROBATION DEPARTMENT.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU HAVE THAT PROBATION OFFICER WRITE ME
25 A LETTER.



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2 **WARREN BRANCH:** AND TELL THOSE PEOPLES TO GO OUT TO THAT CHURCH
3 WITH ME. THEN IT WILL BE AN ARREST, I GUARANTEE YOU THAT.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

6

7 **WARREN BRANCH:** OKAY. I'M GOING TO HAVE HIM TO WRITE A LETTER.
8 AND I'M GOING TO BE HERE NEXT WEEK. AS A MATTER OF FACT, I'LL
9 COME BACK THIS WEEK.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THERE YOU GO. ALL RIGHT. THANKS.

12

13 **WARREN BRANCH:** BECAUSE THAT CHILD MOLESTING IS HAPPENING. ALL
14 RIGHT?

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I UNDERSTAND. MISS WIGHAM? FOLLOWED BY
17 MR. BECKTEL AND I WILL ASK MR. TROY TO JOIN US, PLEASE. MISS,
18 MISS WIGHAM.

19

20 **NIKKI JOHNSON WIGHAM:** HI SIR. I'M HERE. I'M TRYING TO OBTAIN
21 MY THINGS BACK. I HAVE THE AMERICAN FLAG. I'M BORN IN AMERICA,
22 SIR, AND I WENT TO AMERICAN SCHOOLS. AND MY MOTHER, SHE ONLY
23 KEPT ME IN SCHOOL AND IN CHURCH, SIR. AND I'VE BEEN TREATED
24 LESS THAN A HUMAN BEING, LIKE I'M NOT EVEN IN AMERICAN. AND IN
25 THE BIBLE, ALL I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY BIBLE. CHURCH IS ALL I



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1 KNOW. I'M FAMOUS AS FAR AS CHURCH. I'M TRYING TO OBTAIN MY
2 THINGS BACK. I RAN FROM THE 33RD DISTRICT FOR THE PRESIDENCY
3 AND THEY'VE LOCKED ME UP UNTIL THE PRESIDENT CAN TAKE
4 CANDIDACY WAS OVER SEVEN TIMES ILLEGALLY. THE TV SHOW CRIMINAL
5 MINDS, WHICH IS A TELEVISION THAT'S SUPPOSED TO BE ACTING BUT
6 THEY'RE COPS. THEY STOLE MY STUFF INSIDE WAS MY CANDIDACY
7 CAMPAIGN, A LAPTOP THAT HAD MY TV SHOW ON IT AND MY PERSONAL,
8 MY CHILDREN'S BIRTH CERTIFICATES AND MY BIRTH CERTIFICATES.
9 AND I'M LEGALLY ADOPTED, SIR. AND I HAVE FLORIDA DRIVER'S
10 LICENSE. BUT I'M A RESIDENT HERE IN CALIFORNIA. AND I'M JUST
11 TRYING TO GET MY LIFE BACK, SIR. AND THEY OWE ME A LOT OF
12 MONEY. THE DIAL BROKE. GOD, THEY STOLE OVER, I'M A
13 BILLIONAIRE. I WAS ON THE RED CARPET. THE LAST TIME I'VE BEEN
14 SEEN WAS PIRATES OF THE CARIBBEAN. I'M ON TV. I HAVE LONG
15 BLACK HAIR. AND I DON'T KNOW HOW THEY HAVE MODERN TECHNOLOGY
16 UNDER MY SCALP. I AM A PROPHET WHO HAS TO SEE THE FUTURE. THEY
17 LIED ON ME. FAYE WALL LIED AND SAID I WAS DOING VODOO IN MY
18 HOUSE WHEN I WASN'T. IT WAS THE LORD WHO SAID HE DIDN'T LIKE
19 PRESIDENT BUSH AND SOMETHING ABOUT BIN LADEN. AND ALSO, THE
20 TRUTH, THEY ARE IN AFGHANISTAN. BUT GOD ASKED ME, HE SAID,
21 "NIKKI IS A QUEBEC." I'M STILL YOUNG. THERE IS A PROPHET OVER
22 ME NAMED RODNEY HOWARD BROWN. HE'S IN FLORIDA. HE CAN CONTEST
23 TO EVERYTHING. IT'S NOT MY BUSINESS IF AMERICA DOESN'T BELIEVE
24 IN THE HOLY BIBLE. I STILL DO. AND GOD DID SAY THE 10
25 COMMANDMENTS, THOU SHALL HAVE NO OTHER GOD BEFORE ME. BEFORE I



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1 MOVED HERE, THERE WAS HOLLYWOOD, THE MUDSLIDES AND THE FIRES.
2 I'M THE PREACHER WHO GOES TO THE TV, WHO PRAYS FOR THE
3 FIREMEN, WHO PRAYS FOR RAIN. THEY HAD ME RUNNING NAKED OUT OF
4 MY BRAIN AT THE AIRPORT. I'M ON TAPE TELLING THEM ABOUT THAT.
5 I'M NOT A CRAZY PREACHER. IF ANYBODY SHOULD HEAR FROM GOD,
6 IT'S NIKKI. AND THERE'S A MAN LIVING, I DON'T KNOW HOW THEY'RE
7 DOING THIS, BUT IT'S MODERN TECHNOLOGY, SIR. AND I'M JUST
8 TRYING TO GET MY LIFE BACK. BEVERLY HILLS. I DID TRY TO SIGN
9 MY CHILDREN UP FOR BEVERLY HILLS. I'M FROM BEVERLY HILLS. THE
10 RENAISSANCE HOTEL. I STAYED IN THERE. I'M TRYING TO GET THAT
11 HOTEL, GOD SAID IF THEY DON'T GIVE TO ME HE WILL KNOCK IT DOWN
12 LIKE 9/11 AND WE SHOULDN'T BE MOURNING ABOUT 9/11, WE SHOULD
13 GIVING GOD PRAISE. HE WANTS TO BUILD IT BACK UP. GIULIANI
14 WOULD HAVE WON PRESIDENCY, THAT'S MY FORECAST. I WAS WITH
15 GIULIANI. I JUST CALLED THE ELECTIONS. THEY TOLD ME I NEED A
16 LAWYER. I JUST LEFT A MESSAGE ON TOM MESERO'S ANSWERING
17 MACHINE. I KNOW HIM PERSONALLY. ALVIN AILEY IN TAMPA, FLORIDA.
18 MY MOTHER WAS HIS HOUSEKEEPER. I JUST WANT MY LIFE BACK. AND
19 MY MONEY. MY COSMETOLOGY LICENSE, THAT'S MY REPUBLICAN MONEY.
20 AND THEY MADE ME EVEN MISS TO SIGN UP MY WORK FOR FLORIDA. I
21 LOVE YOU AND I LOVE AMERICA. THANKS.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SOMEONE TAKE YOUR CONTACT
24 INFORMATION OVER HERE. THANK YOU. MR. BECKTEL?

25



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1 **WALTER BECKTEL:** YEAH, MY NAME IS WALTER CHARLES BECKTEL, B-E-
2 C-K-T-E-L. I WANTED TO SAY SOMETHING ABOUT THESE DISABLED
3 IDENTIFICATION CARD APPLICATIONS. I NOTICE THAT THEY'RE TRYING
4 TO CANNIBALIZE THE OLD ONES AND GET US TO USE THESE OLD ONES.
5 THEY'RE NOT THE SAME AS THE NEW ONES. I ASKED M.T.A. TO PLEASE
6 GIVE ME THE NEW FORM, WHICH IS DIFFERENT THAN THE OLD FORM,
7 THE SIZE OF THE PHOTO AND THE FORMAT IS DIFFERENT. THERE'S A
8 COUPLE OF DIFFERENT QUESTIONS. AND THEY SAID "WELL YOU CAN GET
9 THAT ON THE INTERNET." AND THEY SAY, "WE DON'T HAVE THAT
10 PRINTED UP." I THINK IN RETROSPECT AND OTHER PAST PROBLEMS
11 WE'VE HAD WITH SUCH THINGS, I THINK IT WOULD BE -- I DON'T
12 KNOW WHO I TALKED TO THE HEAD HONCHO OVER THERE. I THINK THAT
13 THEY SHOULD PRINT THESE AND NOT JUST HAVE US HAVE SOME 8-1/2
14 BOND PIECE OF PAPER THAT WE CAN PRINT OUT FROM THE INTERNET.
15 WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO COME INTO THE M.T.A. OFFICES AND PICK UP
16 A PRINTED FORM LIKE THIS. THIS FORM IS NO LONGER GOOD. AND
17 THEY CAN RECYCLE THIS PAPER. IF IT'S NO GOOD ANYMORE, THAT'S
18 THE FIRST THING THEY SHOULD DO. I DON'T SEE ANY REASON TO DO
19 THAT -- NOT TO DO THAT. BECAUSE IN THE FILE, IF YOU'VE EVER
20 DONE ANY FILE WORK, THIS BOND PAPER WEARS OUT REALLY QUICKLY.
21 AND I CAN SEE IT'S GOING TO HAPPEN RIGHT AWAY. THERE'S GOING
22 TO BE A SUPERVISOR TWO YEARS FROM NOW, HE'S GOING TO SAY "OH
23 THESE ARE THE OLD FORMS. WE NEED THESE PEOPLE TO FILL OUT THE
24 NEW FORMS WITH THE NEW FORMS." AND THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO GO
25 THROUGH THIS PROCESS A SECOND TIME. SO I WOULD PLEASE



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1 ENCOURAGE YOU TO PRINT THESE UP RIGHT AWAY BEFORE THE MAY
2 DEADLINE SO THAT PEOPLE, DISABLED PEOPLE, THAT'S WHAT I'M ON,
3 DISABILITY. AND OTHER PEOPLE WHO NEED THEM PLEASE HAVE THE NEW
4 FORMS PRINTED OUT. AND PLEASE DON'T CANNIBALIZE THE OLD FORMS
5 AND USE THEM FOR THE NEW BECAUSE IT'S GOING TO GET CONFUSING
6 FOR THE FILE CLERK AND EVERYBODY ELSE. OKAY?

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR. TROY?

9

10 **ANTHONY TROY:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON. DISTRICT SUPERVISORS. I WAS
11 HERE A FEW WEEKS AGO. MY NAME IS TONY TROY. AND I WAS HERE
12 JUST A FEW WEEKS AGO. IT'S ABOUT THE MATTER OF MY CHILDREN.
13 I'M A FATHER WHO HAD SOLE LEGAL PHYSICAL CUSTODY OF HIS
14 CHILDREN. AND THE MOTHER OF MY CHILDREN, MY WIFE, WE SPOKE
15 BEFORE, HAS 19 SPECIAL LIST OF CHARGES WITH CHILD PROTECTION
16 SERVICES. THE LAST TIME I SPOKE TO YOU A FEW WEEKS AGO, IT
17 HAPPENED TO BE JUST THAT DAY BEFORE SHE WAS ARRESTED. SHE WAS
18 ARRESTED UNDER ONE OF HER ALIAS NAMES THAT SHE USES.
19 EVERYTHING I SPEAK TO YOU, I HAVE THE DOCUMENTS ON, BY THE
20 WAY, IN THE EVIDENCE. I HAVE THE EVIDENCE AND DOCUMENTS HERE
21 OF ONE OF HER ALIAS NAMES WHERE SHE HAS ANOTHER PREVIOUS COURT
22 DATE. SO THE MATTER OF THE CHILDREN AND EVERYTHING, MY
23 CHILDREN ARE AT JOHN HOPKINS UNIVERSITY, CHILDREN UNDER MY
24 GUIDANCE, BRIGHTEST IN THE COUNTRY. PARTICIPATE IN COMMUNITY
25 SERVICE AND THINGS LIKE THAT. YOU DIRECTED ME, YOU WERE VERY



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1 KIND TO ME AND EVERYTHING. AND YOU DIRECTED ME TO SOMEONE HERE
2 IN THE OFFICE. WHAT HAPPENED THERE WAS LATER ON THAT NIGHT,
3 THE FOLLOWING DAY, ABOUT MIDNIGHT, I RECEIVED A CALL FROM
4 CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES AND THEY DIDN'T HAVE ANY OF THE
5 DOCUMENTS THAT I HAD, KNEW NOTHING I WAS SPEAKING OF. SO I
6 COULDN'T PURSUE OR GO ANY FURTHER BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T HAVE
7 ANYTHING. AND THAT WAS WITH A CERTAIN PERSON I'M NOT GOING
8 INFORM SAY A NAME. AND JUST FOR SOME GOOD HELP AND ASSISTANCE
9 IN BRINGING THIS FOREFRONT TO EVERYBODY.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. WE'LL HAVE SOMEBODY.
12 GENTLEMAN RIGHT HERE WILL TALK TO YOU. PRIOR TO GOING INTO
13 CLOSED SESSION, I BELIEVE THERE'S A MOTION THAT I NEED TO --

14

15 **TONY TROY:** THANK YOU AGAIN.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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19 **TONY TROY:** GOD BLESS.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOD BLESS.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** COUNTY COUNSEL HAS REQUESTED THE ADDITION
24 OF ADDITIONAL CLOSED SESSION ITEM TO DISCUSS ANTICIPATED



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1 LITIGATION UNDER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9, SUBDIVISION
2 B, ONE CASE.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
7 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
8 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-1, 2 AND 3,
9 CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION,
10 ITEM NO. CS-4, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
11 INITIATION OF LITIGATION, ONE CASE. ITEM NO. CS-5, PUBLIC
12 EMPLOYMENT FOR THE POSITION OF COUNTY COUNSEL. AND ITEM NO.
13 CS-6, CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE APPOINTMENT TO THE
14 POSITION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COMMUNITY
15 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND
16 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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1 REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON MARCH 17, 2009

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5 No reportable action was taken on items CS-1, CS-3, CS-5, or
6 CS-7.

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8 CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

9 (Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Angel

10 Jaimes v. County of Los Angeles, et al., Los Angeles Superior

11 Court Case No. BC 331903

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13 This litigation arises out of allegations of employment

14 discrimination brought by an employee of the Sheriff s

15 Department. (08-1291)

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17 ACTION TAKEN: The Board approved payment by the County of a

18 settlement of damages on behalf of two individually named

19 Sheriff personnel pursuant to Government Code Section 825.

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21 The vote of the Board was unanimous with Supervisor Ridley-

22 Thomas being absent.

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1 CS-4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
2 (Subdivision (c) of Government Code Section 54956.9)
3 Initiation of litigation (one case) (09-0537)

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5 ACTION TAKEN: The Board authorized the County Counsel to
6 initiate litigation. Once the litigation is formally
7 commenced, the action, the defendants and other particulars,
8 shall be disclosed to any person upon inquiry.

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10 The vote of the Board was unanimous with Supervisor Ridley-
11 Thomas being absent.

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13 CS-6. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Government Code Section 54967)
14 Consider candidates for appointment to the position of
15 Executive Director of the Community Development Commission.
16 (09-0558)

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18 ACTION TAKEN: The Board adjourned this item to Monday, March
19 23, 2009.

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21 The vote of the Board was unanimous with Supervisor Ridley-
22 Thomas being absent.

23