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1 [There is no reportable action as a result of the
2 Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.]

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING. WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN THIS
7 MORNING'S MEETING, IF I COULD ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE TAKE A
8 SEAT. THIS MORNING IS A SPECIAL DAY THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY.
9 TODAY IS TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS AND SONS TO WORK DAY. SO I WANT TO
10 BEGIN BY WELCOMING ALL OF THE CHILDREN WHO ARE HERE, YOU'RE
11 GOING TO HAVE AN EXCITING DAY TODAY VISITING VARIOUS PARTS OF
12 THE COUNTY OFFICES AND SEEING WHERE YOUR PARENTS WORK. TODAY
13 WE BEGIN OUR BOARD MEETING WITH OUR INVOCATION WHICH GIVES US
14 HOPEFULLY THE SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS TO MOVE FORWARD, AND THEN
15 LIKE YOU DO IN SCHOOL, WE START WITH OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
16 JUST SO YOU KNOW, WE CALL OUR AGENDA, AND THEN WE HAVE SPECIAL
17 PRESENTATIONS AND THEN WE MOVE ON TO THE REGULAR BUSINESS OF
18 THE COUNTY, WHICH CAN TAKE US ANYWHERE FROM THREE TO SIX
19 HOURS, DEPENDING ON WHAT'S ON THE AGENDA, BUT LET'S BEGIN THIS
20 MORNING'S MEETING. THIS MORNING, OUR INVOCATION IS GOING TO BE
21 LED BY PASTOR LARRY BASNETT FROM THE OSBORNE NEIGHBORHOOD
22 CHURCH. HE CAME ALL THE WAY FROM ARLETA. OUR PLEDGE THIS
23 MORNING WILL BE LED BY VIRGIL BENSON, WHO IS WITH THE
24 CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS. CAN I ASK YOU ALL
25 TO PLEASE STAND. PASTOR?



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2 **PASTOR LARRY BASNETT:** GOOD MORNING. SHALL WE PRAY? OUR FATHER,
3 WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRESENCE HERE TODAY. WE THANK YOU,
4 FATHER, FOR YOUR WORD THAT REMINDS US HOW BLESSED CHILDREN
5 ARE, AND SO I THANK YOU, FATHER, FOR THE HONOR OF THEM HAVING
6 IN OUR MIDST. WE ASK, FATHER, THAT YOU WOULD BLESS THEM,
7 ENCOURAGE THEM, EXCITE THEM WITH ALL OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES
8 OF THOSE THAT ARE THEIR PARENTS' OR GRANDPARENTS', RELATIVES',
9 WHOEVER IT IS THAT HAS INVITED THEM HERE, FATHER. WHAT A
10 WONDERFUL PRIVILEGE IT IS. TO BE THE GREATEST OF ALL IS TO BE
11 THE SERVANT OF ALL, SO WE THANK YOU, GOD, THAT WE CAN INVITE
12 YOU HERE TODAY TO GIVE US WISDOM AND DIRECTION AS PUBLIC
13 SERVANTS WHO HAVE BEEN CALLED TO THE HIGHEST OFFICE WE CAN
14 IMAGINE, TO GIVE-- MAKE DECISIONS AND TO MAKE WISE DECISIONS
15 THAT, FATHER, THEY CAN AGREE WITH EACH OTHER AND BE UNITED
16 TOGETHER IN A COUNTY OF SUCH DIVERSITY, BUT BE CONSIDERATE
17 ABOUT HOW IMPORTANT EVERY INDIVIDUAL AND THEIR RIGHTS ARE, AND
18 SO, FATHER, WE THANK YOU FOR YEAR LEADERSHIP, WE THANK YOU FOR
19 THEIR DEDICATION, WE THANK YOU FOR THEIR COMMITMENT AND WE
20 JUST ASK FOR YOUR BLESSING TO FALL UPON EACH ONE OF THEM AND
21 EACH ONE OF US AS WE MEET HERE TODAY, AND WE THANK YOU FOR
22 YOUR PRESENCE AND FOR YOUR WISDOM. IN YOUR NAME WE PRAY, AMEN.
23 AMEN

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1 **VIRGIL BENSON:** PUT YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART. PLEASE
2 FACE THE FLAG, AND REPEAT AFTER ME. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3 RECITED.]

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5 **VIRGIL BENSON:** THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH? OH, I'M SORRY, IT
8 IS NOT; IT IS SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. OKAY. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
9 THOMAS, WOULD YOU BEGIN?

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR.
12 WE'RE PLEASED TO HAVE WITH US TODAY AND THANK HIM FOR HIS
13 LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND WE ARE HERE TO
14 HONOR MR. BENSON, WHO HAS LIVED IN THE SECOND DISTRICT FOR
15 SOME 20 YEARS. HE REPRESENTS THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
16 VETERAN AFFAIRS AND HE'S RECEIVED ANY NUMBER OF AWARDS AND
17 DECORATIONS THAT INCLUDE GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL AND NATIONAL
18 DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL. MR. BENSON IS A RETIRED PROPERTY AGENT
19 AND HAS BEEN MARRIED FOR SOME 17 YEARS WITH ONE CHILD OF WHOM
20 HE IS PROUD. HE ALSO WAS THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN
21 METEOROLOGIST IN THE U.S. NAVY AND SERVED ON THE INGLEWOOD
22 CITY COUNCIL. HE GRADUATED FROM BELMONT HIGH SCHOOL AND LATER
23 RECEIVED HIS LAW DEGREE FROM LOYOLA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW,
24 AND SO WE THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE TODAY AND ON BEHALF OF THE



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1 ENTIRETY OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WE PRESENT YOU,
2 SIR, WITH THIS CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MADAME CHAIR, THANK YOU. WE WERE LED IN THE
7 PLEDGE-- WE WERE LED IN THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING BY PASTOR
8 LARRY BASNETT, WHO SERVED AS THE SENIOR PASTOR OF THE OSBORNE
9 NEIGHBORHOOD CHURCH IN ARLETA SINCE 2009. HE HAS SERVED SINCE
10 2009. HE WAS BORN AND RAISED IN BOULDER, COLORADO, AND SERVED
11 EIGHT YEARS IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY AS A HOSPITAL CORPSMAN
12 WHERE HE RECEIVED EXTENSIVE MEDICAL TRAINING IN THE HEALTHCARE
13 FIELD. PASTOR WOULD LIKE TO BE OUR HEALTH SERVICES DIRECTOR.
14 WE HAVE AN OPENING. PASTOR BASNETT ALSO RAN A MEDICAL CLINIC
15 AND AN ORPHANAGE IN BAJA, MEXICO, AND PASTORED THE AMERICAN
16 STAFF. PASTOR BASNETT HAS BEEN MARRIED FOR 48 YEARS AND HE HAS
17 FOUR CHILDREN AND ENJOYS HIS EIGHT GRANDCHILDREN. AMEN. FORTY-
18 EIGHT AMENS. PASTOR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR LEADING US IN
19 THAT VERY INSPIRATIONAL INVOCATION THIS MORNING AND THANK YOU
20 FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY.

21

22 **PASTOR LARRY BASNETT:** THANK YOU, SIR. [APPLAUSE.]

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** BEFORE I ASK OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO CALL
25 THE AGENDA, CAN I ASK ALL OF THE CHILDREN WHO-- AS WELL AS THE



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1 PARENTS WHO ARE PARTICIPATING TODAY IN OUR TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS
2 AND SONS TO WORKDAY, IF YOU'D ALL PLEASE STAND, WE'D LIKE TO
3 ACKNOWLEDGE YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I HOPE YOU ENJOY YOUR DAY. WITH
6 THAT, I'M GOING TO ASK THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO PLEASE CALL
7 THE AGENDA.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
10 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 4, AGENDA FOR THE
11 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D AND
12 2-D.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THOSE ITEMS, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE,
15 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,
16 SO ORDERED.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK
19 AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ON ITEM 1-P, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
20 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE'LL HOLD THAT ITEM.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 6, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1-
25 14. ON ITEM NUMBER 1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE



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1 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 4, SUPERVISOR
2 ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER 5,
3 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM
4 NUMBER 8, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
5 HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 11, SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES
6 "NO" ON THIS ITEM AND ALSO THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
7 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 12, SUPERVISOR
8 ANTONOVICH AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM
9 BE HELD. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF
10 SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ON THOSE REMAINING ITEMS, MOVED BY
13 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.
14 IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THOSE ITEMS.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 10, CONSENT CALENDAR,
17 ITEMS 15 THROUGH 60. ON ITEM NUMBER 15, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM
18 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER--
19 JUST 15?

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21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** JUST 15.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 25, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
24 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 26,
25 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS



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1 ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 27, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
2 AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
3 BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO APRIL 27TH, 2010.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 28, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
8 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 29, THE
9 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM CONTINUED TO
10 MAY 18TH, 2010.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THAT CONTINUANCE.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 35, THIS INCLUDES THE
15 REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM
16 NUMBER 36, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
17 HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 44, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
18 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. 44. ON ITEM NUMBER 47,
19 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
20 ITEM. AND ON ITEM NUMBER 54, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
21 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE
22 CONSENT CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ON THOSE ITEMS, MOVED BY
2 SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF
3 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 33, ORDINANCE FOR
6 INTRODUCTION, ITEM NUMBER 61, AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN
7 FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A WATER PIPELINE
8 FRANCHISE TO COVINA IRRIGATING COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA
9 CORPORATION FOR THE TRANSPORTATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF WATER
10 FOR A PERIOD OF 15 YEARS.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,
13 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,
14 SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE 34, DISCUSSION ITEMS, ITEMS NUMBER 62
17 AND 63, AND WE WILL HOLD BOTH ITEMS FOR A DISCUSSION.
18 MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE
19 THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE
20 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ITEM 64-A.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY MYSELF, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
23 KNABE. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 64-B, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
2 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO APRIL 27TH,
3 2010.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE WILL CONTINUE THAT ITEM. ITEM 64-
6 B.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 64-B. 64-C.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED
11 BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND 64-D.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, SECONDED BY
16 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION, WHICH WERE
19 POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ON ITEM C.S.-2, THERE'S A
20 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND
21 THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
22 SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT
23 NUMBER 5.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. BEFORE I CALL ON SUPERVISOR
2 ANTONOVICH, WE HAVE A COUPLE OF PRESENTATIONS THAT WE NEED TO
3 MAKE. DON, DO YOU WANT TO INTRODUCE YOUR GRANDSON?

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** SURE. I HAVE A SPECIAL PRESENTATION, TOO. CYCLING
6 THROUGH EVERYTHING, NOW I GET TO SHARE GRANDCHILDREN WITH ALL
7 OF YOU. AND THIS IS MY GRANDSON, CADEN, AND HERE FOR HIS FIRST
8 TRIP DOWN HERE TO THE OFFICE, SO HE'S GOT HIS CHEERIOS, SO
9 HE'S A HAPPY CAMPER. [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** HIS HANDICAP IS 11.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** (LAUGHTER.) THIS MORNING, WE ARE GOING TO
18 BE RECOGNIZING AMBASSADOR INOCENCIO ARIAS. HE'S THE OUTGOING
19 CONSUL-GENERAL OF SPAIN IN LOS ANGELES. BIENVENIDOS. GRACIAS,
20 SENOR. HIS LOS ANGELES POST WAS CONFIRMED IN JULY OF 2005 AND
21 IN 2009, HE BECAME THE DEAN OF THE LOS ANGELES CONSULAR CORPS.
22 HE HAS SERVED HIS NATION AS A DIPLOMAT FOR OVER 42 YEARS, 12
23 OF THEM IN THE UNITED STATES. HE WAS AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED
24 NATIONS IN NEW YORK FOR SEVEN YEARS, AND CONSUL-GENERAL IN LOS
25 ANGELES FOR NEARLY FIVE YEARS. HIS MANY POSTS INCLUDE SERVING



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1 AS DEPUTY MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE
2 MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, SERVING AS A CHIEF SPOKESMAN FOR
3 THE MINISTRY UNDER THREE DIFFERENT AND ASSIGNMENTS IN BOLIVIA,
4 ALGERIA AND PORTUGAL. ALSO HE HAS TAUGHT INTERNATIONAL
5 RELATIONS AT TWO UNIVERSITIES IN MADRID AND FROM 1993 TO 1995,
6 HE WAS THE GENERAL MANAGER OF THE WORLD FAMOUS SOCCER TEAM,
7 REAL MADRID. AS DEAN OF THE LOS ANGELES CONSULAR CORPS, HE
8 ACTIVELY SUPPORTED CONSULAR CORPS ACTIVITIES AND HIS
9 ENTHUSIASTIC LEADERSHIP CERTAINLY IS GOING TO BE MISSED BY
10 EVERYONE. ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD, WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR BEST
11 WISHES TO YOU, AMBASSADOR. AS HE BEGINS HIS RETIREMENT, I HOPE
12 IT IS ENJOYABLE AND WORTHWHILE AND WE'RE GOING TO MISS YOU,
13 BUT THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR TAKING ON THAT LEADERSHIP ROLE AND
14 SERVING YOUR COUNTRY SO VERY, VERY WELL. CONGRATULATIONS, SIR.
15 [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AMBASSADOR, WOULD YOU SHARE A FEW WORDS?
18 OH, HOW BEAUTIFUL. THANK YOU.

19

20 **HON. INOCENCIO ARIAS:** GOOD MORNING. I AM DEEPLY GRATEFUL TO
21 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR BRINGING ME HERE TODAY TO SAY
22 BYE-BYE TO-- FAREWELL ON THE DAY WHEN NOT ONLY I LEAVE LOS
23 ANGELES, BUT I'M GOING TO RETIRE FROM DIPLOMATIC SERVICE AFTER
24 HAVING WORKED FOR MY COUNTRY AND MY GOVERNMENT FOR 42 YEARS.
25 [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **HON. INOCENCIO ARIAS:** I AM PROUD OF FINISHING MY CAREER HERE

3 FOR TWO REASONS: HISTORICALLY, BECAUSE THIS CITY BELONG FOR A

4 LONG TIME TO MY COUNTRY. IT WAS PART OF THE KINGDOM OF SPAIN.

5 WHEN THE UNITED STATES WAS FOUNDED, THIS CITY HAPPENS TO BE

6 STILL A SPANISH CITY BELONGING TO SPAIN. SO TO COME BACK HERE

7 AND TO RETIRE HERE, IT HAS BEEN MOTIVE, SATISFACTION AND PRIDE

8 FOR ME. AND SECOND, FOR SENTIMENTAL OR EMOTIONAL REASON, I

9 HAVE BEEN IN MANY DIPLOMATIC POSTS, BUT I DON'T THINK I HAVE

10 HAD SUCH A NICE EXPERIENCE AS I DID IN THESE FOUR YEARS AND A

11 HALF IN LOS ANGELES. PEOPLE SAY THAT DIPLOMATS ARE GENTLEMEN,

12 OR NOW LADIES, WHO ARE SENT ABROAD TO LIE FOR THE GOOD OF

13 THEIR COUNTRY. I DON'T KNOW IF I DID SOMETHING GOOD FOR MY

14 COUNTRY, BUT IN LOS ANGELES, I HAVE NEVER HAD TO LIE BECAUSE

15 THIS IS A CITY IS HOSPITABLE, HONEST, FRANK, AND INCREDIBLY

16 GOOD FOR FOREIGNERS. AND I FINISH. WHEN THEY SAY THAT

17 RETIREMENT IS THE BEST OF AGE, YOU ARE IN GOOD HEALTH. I SAY

18 THAT MAYBE, BUT I'VE BEEN IN LOS ANGELES AND HAVING HAD A

19 SPLENDID TIME, I WOULD PREFER TO REMEMBER THE CHRISTIAN SAINT,

20 SAINT AUGUSTINE, WHEN HE SAID, "O LORD, MAKE US CHASTE, BUT

21 NOT YET. MAKE US PURE, BUT NOT YET." AND I SAY THE SAME. I

22 HAVE TO RETIRE BECAUSE IN MY COUNTRY, RETIREMENT IS COMPULSORY

23 AT A CERTAIN AGE, SO I WOULD LIKE TO SAY, LIKE SAINT

24 AUGUSTINE, RETIREMENT IS VERY GOOD, BUT IF I COULD STAY IN LOS

25 ANGELES, O LORD, MAKE IT LAST. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, LOS



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1 ANGELES, AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

2 [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** LET'S ALL TAKE A PHOTO. (OFF MIC.

5 CONVERSATION)

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IT'S MY PLEASURE AS CHAIR OF THE BOARD TO
8 INTRODUCE SOME VERY SPECIAL PEOPLE TO L.A. COUNTY. THEY'RE
9 VERY SPECIAL BECAUSE THEY HAVE BEEN SELECTED AS THE 2010 APRIL
10 LOS ANGELES COUNTY STARS IN THE CATEGORY OF ORGANIZATIONAL
11 EFFECTIVENESS. THEY'RE ALL COMING UP. THEY'VE ALREADY BEEN
12 GIVEN THEIR SCROLLS AND THEY'RE GIVEN A SPECIAL LAPEL PIN
13 WHICH HAS THE SPECIAL STARS ON IT SO THAT EVERYONE WILL
14 RECOGNIZE THAT WE AS A COUNTY BOARD HAVE RECOGNIZED EVERY
15 SINGLE ONE OF THEM FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO THE
16 COUNTY. THESE FOLKS ARE CALLED THE TECHNICAL SERVICES
17 MATERIALS PROCESSING TEAM FROM OUR COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY.
18 WOULD YOU GIVE THEM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OUR COUNTY LIBRARY HAS OVER 7 MILLION
21 ITEMS AVAILABLE TO ALL OF ITS PATRONS LOCATED THROUGHOUT 87
22 LIBRARIES AND 5 BOOK MOBILES EXTENDING FROM LANCASTER TO
23 LAKEWOOD AND AVALON TO CLAREMONT. IN RESPONSE TO THE HUGE
24 DEMAND, THIS TEAM WORKED DILIGENTLY TO MAKE SURE PATRONS ARE
25 SERVED AS QUICKLY AND ECONOMICALLY AS POSSIBLE. THEY ABANDONED



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1 ANTIQUATED IDEAS AND PROCEDURES AND CREATED, REBUILT, IMPROVED
2 AND STREAMLINED PROCEDURES. THESE CHANGES YIELDED UNBELIEVABLE
3 RESULTS. THE AMOUNT OF TIME THAT NOW TAKES TO GET A BOOK INTO
4 THE HANDS OF LIBRARY PATRONS HAS BEEN TRANSFORMED FROM A HIGH
5 OF 67 DAYS TO AN AVERAGE OF 8 DAYS, AND THE TEAM IS STILL
6 IMPROVING PROCESSES AND CONTINUING TO SAVE MONEY. FOR EXAMPLE,
7 THE ELIMINATION OF AN EXCESSIVE PLASTIC OVERLAY ON PAPERBACK
8 BOOKS HAS RESULTED IN OVER A \$400,000 COST SAVINGS TO US,
9 FUNDS THAT CAN BE USED TO BUY AND PURCHASE NEW MATERIALS AS
10 WELL AS TO ENHANCE CUSTOMER SERVICE. CUSTOMER SATISFACTION WAS
11 THE DRIVING FACTOR IN THIS EFFORT, INSTEAD OF TAKING NEARLY
12 FIVE MINUTES TO PROCESS A BOOK, IT NOW TAKES ONLY 20 SECONDS.
13 PRETTY AMAZING, ISN'T IT? [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THIS, OF COURSE, HAS HELPED OUR LIBRARY
16 STAFF TO REMAIN EFFICIENT AND TO AVOID OVERTIME. THERE ARE 67
17 MEMBERS OF THIS DIVERSE TEAM. NOT ALL OF THEM ARE HERE WITH
18 US, BUT WE HAVE 20 OF THEM. THE REMAINING MEMBERS, OF COURSE,
19 ARE BACK AT THEIR OFFICES KEEPING OUR LIBRARY MATERIALS
20 FLOWING, OF COURSE, TO EVERY SINGLE ONE OF OUR LIBRARY USERS,
21 BUT LET ME INTRODUCE SOME OF THE ONES THAT ARE HERE THAT HAVE
22 RECEIVED THEIR SCROLLS AND STARS. I'M GOING TO HAVE THEM RAISE
23 THEIR HAND AS I CALL THEM. WE HAVE ELLEN PARK, WE HAVE
24 MICHELLE PINO, ELIZABETH QUINTANAR, SHERYL KATZEN, SOPHIA
25 WANG. ON THIS SIDE. MELODY HOLTZMAN, THERE WE GO. JUANITA



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1 WITHROW, VERY GOOD. GLORIA LEE, PAT HONOREE, THERE WE GO.
2 YVONNE BARNES, GREAT. RUTH FARIAS. THERE WE GO. ROBIN HARWAT.
3 OKAY. WELCOME, ROBIN. CASSANDRA HIPFILL. THANK YOU. YESENIA
4 ORTEGA, ERIKA ORTEGA. HI THERE. CONNIE RUBIO, SANDY ROBLES AND
5 SAM-- WHERE IS SAM? THE ONLY GUY IN THE GROUP. SAM. OF COURSE
6 AS I SAID, THERE WERE MANY OTHERS, BUT THOSE ARE THE ONES THAT
7 ARE JOINING US. I DON'T THINK DESIREE IS HERE. OKAY, NOR
8 SHERYL. IS THAT CORRECT? OKAY. THIS IS A VERY, VERY SPECIAL
9 RECOGNITION. OUR LIBRARIES ARE THE MOST SIGNIFICANT PART OF
10 OUR COUNTY SERVICES. WE APPLAUD THE PEOPLE THAT ARE A PART OF
11 THEM EVERY SINGLE DAY. THEY'RE VERY DEDICATED TO THE WORK THAT
12 THEY DO AND THAT IS WHY WE ARE SO PROUD OF OUR LIBRARIES AS
13 WELL AS ALL WHO USE OUR LIBRARIES. I'M GOING TO HAVE OUR
14 DEPARTMENT HEAD COME UP, MARGARET, SHARE A FEW WORDS ABOUT THE
15 OUTSTANDING WORK THAT THIS TEAM HAS CARRIED OUT.

16

17 **MARGARET TODD:** THANK YOU. WELL, YOU KNOW, I KNOW THAT THE
18 BOARD HAS A CHANCE TO MEET OUR STAFF OUT IN THE FIELD IN OUR
19 LIBRARIES, BUT YOU RARELY GET TO SEE THE BEHIND THE SCENES
20 PEOPLE THAT MAKE IT HAPPEN, SO THEY DON'T ALWAYS GET THE
21 CREDIT THEY DESERVE. SO I'M SO PLEASED TODAY THAT WE CAN GIVE
22 THEM THE STARS AWARD. I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE, OBVIOUSLY, OUR
23 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, FRED HUNGERFORD, WHO ALWAYS ENCOURAGES
24 INNOVATION AND THE LIBRARY ADMINISTRATOR, SHER KATZEN, WHO HAS
25 REALLY LED THIS EFFORT. IN TIMES WHEN MONEY IS TIGHT, IT'S



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1 JUST GREAT WHEN EMPLOYEES TAKE IT UPON THEMSELVES TO FIND WAYS
2 TO MAKE WORK MORE COST EFFECTIVE, SO THANK YOU, GUYS.
3 CONGRATULATIONS, AND FOR THOSE BACK AT HEADQUARTERS THAT ARE
4 WATCHING ON THE BIG SCREEN, THANK YOU TO THEM, TOO.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WOULD YOU GIVE THEM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE?
7 [APPLAUSE.] (OFF-MIC. CONVERSATION)

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. CONGRATULATIONS. THANK YOU.
10 GOOD JOB.

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12 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** CONGRATULATIONS.

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16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOUR PRESENTATIONS,
17 PLEASE.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, THIS MONTH, WE MARK THE
20 95TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE'S GENOCIDE OF THE
21 ARMENIAN COMMUNITY, AND WITH US THIS MORNING, WE HAVE WITH US
22 HIS EMINENCE, ARCHBISHOP DERDERIAN, THE PRIMATE, WESTERN
23 DIOCESE, AND ARCHBISHOP HOVSEPIAN, AND FROM THE WESTERN
24 PRELACY CHURCH, VERY REVEREND FATHER, ULEMINIAN, REVEREND
25 FATHER AMAJAJIAN, REVEREND FATHER _____ AND FROM THE



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1 ARMENIAN GOVERNMENT, THE VICE CONSUL, VICE CONSUL AVETISYAN,
2 ALONG WITH PETER DARAKJIAN OF THE ARMENIAN COUNCIL OF AMERICA,
3 MR. KATCHETOURIAN OF THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC HUNCHAKIAN PARTY
4 AND FROM THE ARMENIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE, ISJKHAN BOGHOSSIAN,
5 JACK _____, AND _____ AND TAMAR BABAJORIAN AND AIDA
6 DIMEJIAN. I'LL GIVE YOU A LITTLE CROATIAN ACCENT WITH THOSE
7 NAMES. BUT AS I SAID, BACK IN APRIL 15TH, BETWEEN APRIL 24TH,
8 BETWEEN 1915 AND 1923, THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT, OTTOMAN EMPIRE
9 MURDERED IN ACTS OF GENOCIDE THE POLITICO, RELIGIOUS,
10 INTELLECTUAL ARMENIAN LEADERS, ONE OF THE TRAGEDIES OF HUMAN
11 HISTORY. AND DUE TO THIS TRAGEDY, THE ARMENIAN COMMUNITY HAS
12 BEEN COMMITTED TO ENSURING THAT THOSE WHO DIED DID NOT DIE IN
13 VAIN BUT WHEREVER ARMENIANS WERE LIVING, THEY WOULD ALLOW THE
14 PEOPLE TO KNOW THIS KNOWLEDGE OF THIS TERRIBLE ATROCITY THAT
15 DID OCCUR SO THAT WE WOULD ALL, NATIONS AND CULTURES, WOULD
16 KNOW WHAT TOOK PLACE SO WE COULD WORK AGAINST THESE TYPES OF
17 GENOCIDES IN THE FUTURE. BY REMEMBERING AND OPENLY CONDEMNING
18 THESE ATROCITIES AGAINST THE ARMENIANS, LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
19 THE LARGEST COUNTY, LARGER THAN 42 STATES IN THE UNITED
20 STATES, DEMONSTRATES ITS SENSITIVITY TO THE NEED FOR CONSTANT
21 VIGILANCE TO PREVENT SIMILAR EVENTS IN THE FUTURE. TODAY, I
22 HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF BEING AN OBSERVER FOR THE UNITED STATES
23 WHEN ARMENIA HELD THEIR FIRST ELECTIONS IN EREVAN, AND TODAY
24 THEY ARE A THRIVING REPUBLIC, HAVING EMBRACED DEMOCRACY
25 FOLLOWING THE DISSOLUTION OF THE SOVIET UNION. OUR COUNTY IS



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1 HOME TO THE LARGEST POPULATION OF ARMENIANS IN THE UNITED
2 STATES AND THEY HAVE BEEN ENRICHED OUR COUNTY AND OUR STATE
3 AND OUR NATION TO THEIR LEADERSHIP IN THE FIELDS OF BUSINESS,
4 AGRICULTURE FROM THE ACADEMIC, MEDICINE, GOVERNMENT AND THE
5 ARTS. THERE'S BIPARTISAN LEGISLATION BY CONGRESSMAN GEORGE
6 RIDONOVICH AND CONGRESSMAN ADAM SHIFT THAT PASSED THE FOREIGN
7 HOUSE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE THAT WOULD CALL UPON THE GOVERNMENT OF
8 TURKEY TO RECOGNIZE THIS GENOCIDE THAT DID OCCUR AND WE WISH
9 THAT NANCY PELOSI AND PRESIDENT OBAMA WOULD ALLOW THAT
10 LEGISLATION TO MOVE FORWARD TO THE FULL HOUSE TO BE VOTED ON
11 AND TO THE FULL SENATE SO THAT THE CONCERNS ARE BROUGHT TO THE
12 UNITED STATES CONGRESS AND FROM THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO
13 THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT TO RECOGNIZE THIS SO WE CAN HAVE A
14 CLOSURE AND MOVE FORWARD IN THE 21ST CENTURY. SO ON BEHALF OF
15 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WE WANT TO MAKE THESE PROCLAMATIONS
16 AVAILABLE AND AT THIS TIME I WOULD LIKE VICE CONSUL FOR THE
17 ARMENIAN GOVERNMENT SAY A FEW WORDS.

18
19 **SPEAKER:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
20 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, DEAR FRIENDS, ON BEHALF OF THE CONSULATE
21 GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA IN LOS ANGELES, I WOULD
22 LIKE TO CONVEY MY HEARTFELT GRATITUDE TO THIS BOARD AND
23 PARTICULARLY TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR THEIR RELENTLESS
24 EFFORTS IN ACKNOWLEDGING AND INCREASING THE AWARENESS OF
25 ARMENIAN GENOCIDE. FOR 95 YEARS, THE ARMENIAN PEOPLE IN



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1 ARMENIA PROPER AND IN ALL OVER THE WORLD, WHOLE GENERATIONS OF
2 GENOCIDE SURVIVORS HAVE SOUGHT JUSTICE AND CONSOLATION TO
3 THEIR TRAUMAS AND GRIEVANCES RESULTING FROM THE FIRST GENOCIDE
4 OF THE 20TH CENTURY COMMITTED BY THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE. OUR
5 JOURNEY TO THE INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION OF THE GENOCIDE HAS
6 BEEN LONG AND PAINSTAKING, BUT NOT FRUITLESS. HUNDREDS OF
7 GOVERNMENTS, LOCAL AND NATIONAL, HAVE RECOGNIZED AND CONDEMNED
8 THE EXTERMINATION OF 1.5 MILLION ARMENIANS AT THE TURN OF THE
9 20TH CENTURY. WHILE THE INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION OF GENOCIDE
10 REMAINS AN IMPORTANT STRATEGY, THE RECOGNITION BY TURKEY OF
11 HISTORIC RESPONSIBILITY REMAINS OUR NATIONAL PRIORITY. ON THE
12 EVE OF OUR NATIONAL MEMORIAL DAY, I WOULD LIKE TO ONCE AGAIN
13 CONVEY OUR WARMEST FEELINGS AND GRATITUDE TO THE PEOPLE OF
14 CALIFORNIA AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR THEIR NUMEROUS GESTURES
15 OF SOLIDARITY WITH THE ARMENIAN PEOPLE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
16 [APPLAUSE.]

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HIS EMINENCE DERDERIAN.

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20 **H.E. HOVNAN DERDERIAN:** SUPERVISORS, THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE
21 LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO RECOGNIZE THE
22 ARMENIAN GENOCIDE AND HONOR THE MEMORY OF THE VICTIMS OF THE
23 FIRST GENOCIDE OF THE 20TH CENTURY IS A NOBLE AND JUST CAUSE.
24 THIS YEAR, ARMENIANS AROUND THE WORLD COMMEMORATE THE 95TH
25 ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE AND URGE ALL NATIONS TO



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1 RECOGNIZE THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE. THE ACT OF GENOCIDE,
2 PERPETRATED WITH THE PREMEDITATION, IS A VIVID CRIME AGAINST
3 HUMANITY. THE PAST 95 YEARS HAVE BEEN YEARS OF VICTORY FOR THE
4 SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE ARMENIAN NATION WHO HAVE CONTINUED
5 THEIR STRUGGLE IN PRESERVING THEIR FAITH AND CULTURE. HOWEVER,
6 IT IS ALSO IMPORTANT TO PAY HOMAGE TO ALL THOSE NATIONS AND
7 COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE SUPPORTED THE SURVIVORS OF THE GENOCIDE
8 AND HAVE SHOWN THEIR RESPECT TO THE MEMORY OF THE VICTIMS OF
9 THE GENOCIDE PERPETRATED BY THE OTTOMAN TURKS. WE ARE NO
10 LONGER A NATION OF MOURNING OUR LOSSES. ON THE CONTRARY, WE
11 ARE CELEBRATING THE RESURRECTION OF OUR NATION. IN THE WORDS
12 OF HIS HOLINESS, KAREKIN I, THE LATE CATHOLICOS OF ALL
13 ARMENIANS, "ARMENIANS DIE BUT THE ARMENIAN SPIRIT LIVES ON, A
14 NATION THAT REFUSES TO DIE LIVES FOREVER." HOWEVER, THE
15 CURRENT PROGRESS OF OUR YOUNG GENERATION DOES NOT AND CANNOT
16 PERMIT US TO LESSEN WITHIN OUR CONSCIENCE THE OBLIGATION TO
17 CARRY ON THE SURVIVING SPIRIT OF VICTIMS OF THE GENOCIDE, AND
18 ABOVE ALL, THE RECOGNITION OF THE GENOCIDE. WE ARE HERE TODAY
19 WITH DUAL RESPONSIBILITIES AS ARMENIAN CHRISTIANS WHO OUGHT TO
20 GUARD AND CHERISH THEIR GOD-GIVEN GIFTS AND WE ARE ALSO HERE
21 AS CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, FILLED WITH THE
22 SPIRIT OF THE FOUNDING FATHERS OF THIS GREAT NATION, TO BECOME
23 EXEMPLARY LEADERS OF OUR COMMUNITIES. GOD BLESS YOU AND
24 PROTECT YOU ALL. MAY GOD BLESS THE SOULS OF THE VICTIMS OF THE
25 ARMENIAN GENOCIDE. AMEN. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SPEAKER:** IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND THE SON AND THE HOLY
3 SPIRIT, AMEN. HEAVENLY FATHER, WE OFFER OUR THANKS AND PRAISE
4 TO YOU FOR THIS DAY AS WE JOIN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS IN PROCLAIMING APRIL 24TH, 2010, AS THE DAY OF
6 REMEMBRANCE FOR THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE OF 1915 TO 1923. AS WE
7 PAY TRIBUTE TO THE LOVING MEMORY OF OUR ONE AND A HALF MILLION
8 ARMENIAN MARTYRS, WE HUMBLY BOW BEFORE YOU IN SUPPLICATION FOR
9 THE BLESSED REPOSE OF THEIR SOULS AND FOR YOUR LIGHT TO SHINE
10 UPON THEM FOR ETERNITY. WE THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
11 THEIR UNWAVERING SUPPORT OF OUR COMMUNITY AND FOR THIS FITTING
12 TRIBUTE IN MEMORY OF THE INNOCENT MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN WHO
13 PERISHED 95 YEARS AGO. MAY YOUR BOUNTIFUL BLESSINGS BE UPON
14 THEM ALWAYS AND MAY YOU CONTINUE TO GUIDE THEM IN THE
15 FULFILLMENT OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES AS THEY SERVE FOR THE
16 WELFARE OF OUR FELLOW MAN AND THE BETTERMENT OF OUR
17 COMMUNITIES. WE BESEECH YOU TO ILLUMINATE OUR PATH, GRANT US
18 STRENGTH AND INSPIRE US TO MOVE FORWARD AND NOT FALTER IN OUR
19 COMMITMENTS. GRACE US WITH THE COURAGE, WISDOM AND FORESIGHT
20 TO OVERCOME CHALLENGES, ACCOMPLISH OUR GOALS AND CONTINUE OUR
21 TIRELESS FIGHT TO HAVE OUR VOICES HEARD AND FOR TRUTH AND
22 JUSTICE TO PREVAIL. PROTECT US FROM EVIL AND KEEP US IN PEACE,
23 SAFE FROM ENEMIES, VISIBLE AND INVISIBLE AND HAVE MERCY UPON
24 US ALL. MAY THE SOULS OF OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED, THROUGH YOUR
25 MERCY, REST IN PEACE. AMEN. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE WANT TO BRING UP AN OUTSTANDING
3 ARMENIAN AMERICAN WHO IS RETIRING AFTER MANY, MANY YEARS, 36
4 YEARS WITH THE COUNTY, AND THAT'S ROBERT KALUNIAN, WHO IS OUR
5 CHIEF DEPUTY FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC DEFENDER AND WAS OUR
6 ACTING COUNTY COUNSEL FOR A NUMBER OF MONTHS, WHO BROUGHT A
7 LOT OF HUMOR AND GOOD LEGAL LEADERSHIP AND COUNSEL TO OUR FIVE
8 MEMBERS ON THE BOARD AND WE ALL REALLY APPRECIATE IT EACH ONE
9 OF US, YOUR PROFESSIONALISM. NUMBER ONE. RIGHT? LET'S HEAR IT.
10 [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BOB HAS SERVED 36 YEARS. A LIFETIME RESIDENT
13 OF THE FIFTH DISTRICT. HE BEGAN HIS CAREER AS A PUBLIC
14 DEFENDER IN DECEMBER, 1973. HE'S ACTED AS A TRIAL DEPUTY
15 HANDLING SEVERAL THOUSAND MISDEMEANOR AND FELONY CASES
16 INVOLVING OVER 90 HOMICIDES, 19 CAPITAL CASES, AND 100 FELONY
17 TRIALS. HIS PAST MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE HAS INCLUDED DIRECT
18 SUPERVISION OF TRIAL LAWYERS AS WELL AS DIVISION CHIEF
19 RESPONSIBILITIES WITH OVERSIGHT OF THE CENTRAL COURT
20 OPERATIONS BUREAU. IN HIS CAPACITY AS CHIEF DEPUTY RIGHT-HAND
21 MAN TO MICHAEL JUDGE, PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR THE LAST 15 YEARS,
22 HE'S BEEN CHARGED WITH THE OPERATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY OF 180
23 MILLION-DOLLAR ANNUAL BUDGET AND A STAFF OF OVER 1,000 LOCATED
24 IN 38 OF OUR OFFICES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AS
25 I SAID, HE RECENTLY SERVED FOR 10 MONTHS AS ACTING COUNTY



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1 COUNSEL, WHERE HE DID A SUPERB JOB. AS MANAGER, HE HAS
2 CONTINUALLY BEEN INVOLVED IN A BROAD JUSTICE SYSTEM
3 IMPROVEMENTS AND ACTIVELY PARTICIPATED IN A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN
4 MULTIPLE JUSTICE INTERAGENCY COMMITTEES TASKFORCE AND
5 PROJECTS. SO HE'S DONE A SUPERB JOB. HE'S HERE WITH HIS WIFE
6 DENISE, HIS SON KAMERON AND HIS DAUGHTER COLIN, AND WE JUST
7 REALLY APPRECIATE THE WHOLE FAMILY FOR ALLOWING YOUR HUSBAND
8 AND FATHER TO SHARE HIS TIME WITH US IN PROVIDING LEADERSHIP
9 AND GOOD RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.
10 ROBERT? [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, WHILE WE TAKE PICTURES, I JUST
13 WANTED TO SAY A COUPLE WORDS TO BOB, TOO, AND TO THANK HIM FOR
14 ALL HIS YEARS OF SERVICE, BUT PARTICULARLY I WAS THE ONE
15 FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO MAKE THE PHONE CALL TO TELL BOB, YOU KNOW,
16 IF YOU TAKE THIS THING AS AN INTERIM COUNTY COUNSEL, IT'S
17 GOING TO LAST ABOUT 60 DAYS, AND THAT WAS 10 MONTHS LATER, BUT
18 SERIOUSLY, HE STEPPED UP TO THE PLATE WHEN WE NEEDED SOME HELP
19 AND DID A GREAT FORMAL JOB AND APPRECIATE ALL YOU'VE DONE FOR
20 THE CITIZENS OF THIS GREAT COUNTY AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, I
21 APPRECIATE YOUR FRIENDSHIP. GOD SPEED.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** LET ME ALSO JOIN OF COURSE IN THANKING
24 BOB. HE DID SERVE VERY, VERY WELL IN THAT ROLE AND I WAS
25 PROBABLY THE ONE THAT BADGERED HIM MOST ABOUT EVERYTHING THAT



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1 WAS GOING ON THERE, BUT I'VE ALWAYS APPRECIATED HIS LEADERSHIP
2 IN ALL OF THE ROLES THAT HE HAS PLAYED. IT'S A SHAME TO SEE
3 YOU RETIRING, BUT YOU SAID YOU'VE GOT TO DO IT, JUST GOT TO DO
4 IT. I THINK A LOT OF US WOULD HAVE BEEN WELL SERVED FOR YOU TO
5 CONTINUE IN SERVICE TO L.A. COUNTY BUT CERTAINLY WE UNDERSTAND
6 THE REAL TRIBUTE TO YOU, THE OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP THAT
7 YOU'VE PROVIDED. THANK YOU SO MUCH AND ENJOY YOUR RETIREMENT.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUST TO ADD A WORD ON BOB. I ENJOYED WORKING
10 WITH HIM GENERALLY, BUT WE GOT TO WORK VERY CLOSELY ON THE
11 CONTRACT CITIES ISSUE, THE LIABILITY TRUST FUND, AND I THOUGHT
12 HIS WISDOM AND INSIGHT WAS VERY HELPFUL IN HELPING US TO
13 RESOLVE THAT ISSUE, AND THAT'S PUTTING IT MILDLY. IT WAS A
14 VERY DIFFICULT, FOR A FEW WEEKS THERE, VERY DIFFICULT, BUT YOU
15 SHOWED WHAT YOU'RE MADE OF, AND I ENJOYED WORKING WITH YOU,
16 YOU'VE GOT A GOOD SENSE OF HUMOR. YOU HAD A BETTER ONE BEFORE
17 YOU WORKED FOR US. [LAUGHTER.]

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT I'M SURE IT WILL COME BACK LIKE
20 REGENERATIVE TISSUE. CONGRATULATIONS AND REALLY WISH YOU WELL
21 IN YOUR RETIREMENT.

22

23 **ROBERT KALUNIAN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU ALL, SUPERVISORS. FIRST
24 OF ALL, IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE THAT 36 YEARS HAS GONE BY SO
25 FAST. I REMEMBER BEING A DEPUTY PUBLIC DEFENDER, GRADE ONE,



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1 BACK IN 1973, NOT KNOWING WHAT I WAS DOING, KIND OF LIKE THE
2 FIRST DAY I WAS HERE AS ACTING COUNTY COUNSEL, BUT I STRUGGLED
3 THROUGH IT AND IT'S BEEN A PRIVILEGE AND AN HONOR TO WORK FOR
4 THE FINEST CRIMINAL DEFENSE FIRM IN THE COUNTRY, THE LOS
5 ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE. I THANK MICHAEL JUDGE
6 FOR HIS PATIENCE WITH ME AND I THANK MY FAMILY FOR PUTTING UP
7 WITH ME AND FOR ALL OF YOU FOR PUTTING UP WITH ME FOR 10
8 MONTHS AND YOU WEREN'T THIS NICE WHEN I WAS HERE. [LAUGHTER.]

9

10 **ROBERT KALUNIAN:** NO, JUST JOKING. ACTUALLY, IT WAS ALWAYS A
11 PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIP AND, YOU KNOW, I APPRECIATE IT AND I
12 DO REALIZE NOW THAT YOU DO HAVE A VERY DIFFICULT JOB AND MAKE
13 A LOT OF DIFFICULT DECISIONS. OFTENTIMES THERE'S REALLY NO
14 GOOD DECISION AND YOU JUST HAVE TO MAKE THAT DECISION AND AS A
15 CITIZEN AND AS A COUNTY EMPLOYEE, I THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING.
16 [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MICHAEL JUDGE WANTS TO SAY A COUPLE WORDS.

19

20 **MICHAEL JUDGE:** THANK YOU. MANY OF YOU KNOW BOB AND YOU'LL BE
21 SURPRISED, HOWEVER, TO FIND THIS OUT. HE ACTUALLY IS A VERY
22 SHY GUY WHEN IT COMES TO PUBLIC AFFAIRS, AND HE ADAMANTLY
23 WARNED US IN THE OFFICE TO NOT SHOW UP AT THE EVENT. HE WANTED
24 IT TO BE MORE OF A PRIVATE AFFAIR WITH HIS FAMILY, WHICH WAS
25 FINE, BUT I THOUGHT THAT YOU OUGHT TO HEAR JUST A LITTLE BIT



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1 MORE ABOUT HIM, BECAUSE, UNFORTUNATELY, THE WORDS WILL NOT
2 FULLY DESCRIBE THE MAGNITUDE OF THE VALUE OF HIS CONTRIBUTION
3 TO OUR OFFICE AND TO THE COUNTY, BUT HE WOULD ALWAYS BE THE
4 FIRST ONE TO ARRIVE EARLY IN THE MORNING, THE FIRST ONE TO
5 HEAR THE BAD NEWS, THE FIRST ONE TO GET READY WITH A PLAN, THE
6 ONE WHO WAS AVAILABLE TO SPEAK CANDIDLY TO THE EARLY ARRIVERS,
7 BOTH AT THE BOARD AND THE C.E.O. AND OTHER OFFICES. HIS
8 COUNSEL WAS ALWAYS WISE. HE HELPED GUIDE US IN THE WORST OF
9 TIMES. HE ALSO WAS VERY CAREFUL, VERY CIRCUMSPECT IN ENSURING
10 THAT WE WERE AWARE OF OUR FINANCIAL SITUATION THROUGHOUT THE
11 YEAR AND ALWAYS WILLING TO DO THE UNPLEASANT TASKS. HE
12 PERMITTED SOME OTHERS OF US TO GO TO OTHER ARENAS TO TRY TO
13 MAKE THINGS BETTER FOR THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEMS AND FOR
14 OUR ABILITY TO REPRESENT OUR CLIENTS, WHETHER IT BE IN
15 WASHINGTON OR SACRAMENTO, IF IT WEREN'T FOR HIS STELLAR
16 LEADERSHIP IN THAT REGARD, WE COULD NOT HAVE ACCOMPLISHED THE
17 THINGS THAT WE DID, SO THIS IS A HUGE LOSS TO THE PUBLIC
18 DEFENDER'S OFFICE, AND, YOU KNOW, I DON'T THINK I CAN EXPRESS
19 IT ANY BETTER THAN THAT TO TELL YOU THERE'S GOING TO BE A
20 GAPING HOLE WHEN HE ACTUALLY WALKS OUT THE DOOR. THANK YOU FOR
21 THE WONDERFUL YEARS OF SERVICE, BOB. [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, I THINK WE SHOULD TAKE A
24 PHOTO WITH MR. KALUNIAN AS WELL FOR GOOD TIMES' SAKE, BOB. YOU



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1 KNOW WHAT I MEAN? WE WANT YOU TO REMEMBER THIS IN LIGHT OF
2 CLOSED SESSION ITEMS YOU-- YEAH. (OFF-MIC. CONVERSATION)

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NOW THAT THAT'S DONE, TELL US WHAT YOU
5 REALLY THINK ABOUT US. COME ON OVER HERE. CLOSED SESSION IS
6 OVER AND YOU CAN HAVE THE MIC. AND HELP YOURSELF. LET YOUR
7 SOUL BE FREE.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE HAVE, FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL
10 CONTROL, A LITTLE CHIHUAHUA, 16-WEEK-OLD LITTLE BOY. SO THIS
11 IS TOMMIE, WHO IS LOOKING FOR A HOME. ANYBODY'D LIKE TO ADOPT
12 TOMMIE, CALL (562) 728-4644, OR ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO
13 WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT LITTLE TOMMIE, HE'D LIKE TO BRING A LITTLE
14 LOVE AND SUNSHINE TO YOUR HOME. HE'S GOT A BIG FAN CLUB OUT
15 THERE. THANK YOU. (OFF-MIC. CONVERSATION)

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THIS WEEK IS NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS'
18 RIGHTS WEEK. THIS IS THE THEME: FOR CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS,
19 FAIRNESS, DIGNITY AND RESPECT. OUR COUNTY IS DEEPLY COMMITTED
20 TO PROTECTING THE RIGHTS OF CRIME VICTIMS THROUGHOUT COUNTY-
21 WIDE PROGRAMS WHICH AID VICTIMS AS WELL AS DISTRICT ATTORNEYS,
22 VICTIMS-WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. FOR OVER 32 YEARS, THE
23 PROGRAM HAS IMPROVED ADVOCACY, COMPENSATION AND RESTITUTION TO
24 MANY OF OUR CRIME VICTIMS. JOINING US FROM THE DISTRICT
25 ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO ACCEPT RECOGNITION IS WE HAVE OUR DEPUTY



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1 DISTRICT ATTORNEY, SHARON MATSUMOTO. SHE'S RIGHT BEHIND ME
2 HERE. I WANT TO THANK SHARON. SHE HAS DEMONSTRATED
3 UNBELIEVABLE LEADERSHIP IN THIS PROGRAM. WE REALLY THANK YOU
4 SO MUCH. I KNOW THAT WHEN WE TALK TO MANY PEOPLE THAT WE REFER
5 OVER, WE TELL THEM, THERE REALLY IS A PROGRAM, WE CAN
6 SOMETIMES GET RESTITUTION BACK, AND IF NOTHING ELSE, SOME
7 VINDICATION. I REALLY APPRECIATE THE LEADERSHIP ROLE THAT YOU
8 HAVE TAKEN ON. BEFORE I ASK HER TO SAY A FEW WORDS, I ALSO
9 WANT TO RECOGNIZE MANY OF OUR OTHER ADVOCATES AS WELL WHO ARE
10 PART OF MAKING THIS HAPPEN, VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS AS WELL AS
11 ORGANIZATIONS THAT SUPPORT VICTIMS THAT WORK ON ACHIEVING
12 JUSTICE ON THEIR BEHALF AND CERTAINLY ADVANCE THEIR RIGHTS IN
13 EVERY WAY. WE WANT TO WELCOME DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY
14 KATHLEEN CADY. THANK YOU. AND DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY ANNE
15 INGLES WITH THE D.A.'S HARD CORE GANG DIVISION, TARA SLAVIN
16 AND LEDON BEST WITH THE L.A. GAY AND LESBIAN CENTER, THANK
17 YOU. THE F.B.I. VICTIMS SPECIALIST DEBBIE DEAN. THANK YOU. WE
18 ALSO WANT TO THANK THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND ALL OF
19 THESE INDIVIDUALS. THEY DO AN OUTSTANDING JOB. I HAVE
20 CERTIFICATES FOR EACH OF THEM, BUT I THINK ALL OF US IN L.A.
21 COUNTY ARE VERY PROUD OF THEIR WORK. MANY PEOPLE DON'T BELIEVE
22 THERE IS SUCH A PROGRAM; IT REALLY IS HARD FOR THEM TO
23 UNDERSTAND, BUT I'M SO GLAD THAT WE ARE VERY ACTIVE
24 PARTICIPANTS, THAT WE HAVE GREAT ADVOCATES ON THE FOREFRONT OF
25 ALL OF THIS AND WORK HARD TO REALLY MAKE SURE THAT MANY OF



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1 THESE VICTIMS OF CRIME, FROM TIME TO TIME, RECEIVE THE KIND OF
2 JUSTICE THAT THEY DESERVE AND SO, SHARON, WE THANK YOU FOR THE
3 LEADERSHIP THAT YOU'VE PROVIDED IN THIS PROGRAM ALL THE WAY
4 THROUGH, SO PLEASE SHARE A FEW WORDS.

5

6 **SHARON MATSUMOTO:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND THANK
7 YOU BEHALF DISTRICT ATTORNEY STEVE COOLEY, WHO COULD NOT BE
8 HERE TODAY. AS THE SUPERVISOR SAID, THIS YEAR'S NATIONAL
9 VICTIMS RIGHT THEME WEEK, FAIRNESS, DIGNITY, RESPECT ECHOES
10 THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES THAT INSPIRED THE VICTIMS' RIGHTS
11 MOVEMENT 26 YEARS AGO. IN 1986, THE CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE
12 ENACTED STATUTORY RIGHTS FOR VICTIMS. THESE LAWS ENSURE THAT
13 ALL VICTIMS AND WITNESSES OF CRIME ARE TREATED WITH DIGNITY,
14 RESPECT, COURTESY AND SENSITIVITY AND THAT THEIR RIGHTS ARE
15 HONORED AND PROTECTED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, PROSECUTORS
16 AND JUDGES IN A MANNER NO LESS VIGOROUS THAN THOSE PROTECTIONS
17 AFFORDED CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS. IN 2008, THE CITIZENS OF
18 CALIFORNIA VOTED TO INCREASE THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS OF
19 VICTIMS BY PASSING MARCY'S LAW. THOSE THREE WATCH WORDS WERE
20 REPEATED, ALL CRIME VICTIMS SHALL BE ENTITLED TO BE TREATED
21 WITH FAIRNESS AND RESPECT FOR HIS OR HER PRIVACY AND DIGNITY.
22 THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY REMAINS COMMITTED TO THE
23 PRINCIPLES THAT INSPIRED THE LAW SETTING FORTH RIGHTS FOR
24 CRIME VICTIMS, AND THROUGH ITS VICTIM WITNESS ASSISTANCE
25 PROGRAM, TO PROVIDE NEEDED ASSISTANCE AND ELIGIBLE



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1 COMPENSATION TO VICTIMS OF CRIME. NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS'
2 RIGHTS WEEK IS A PRIME OPPORTUNITY TO THANK OUR PARTNERS WHO
3 HELP US SEEK JUSTICE FOR VICTIMS, PROVIDE SERVICES, AND
4 PROTECT VICTIMS' RIGHTS. AT THIS TIME, I WOULD ASK THAT ALL
5 DISTRICT ATTORNEY VICTIM WITNESS ASSISTANCE PERSONNEL PLEASE
6 STAND AND BE RECOGNIZED FOR THE IMPORTANT WORK YOU DO EACH AND
7 EVERY DAY. [APPLAUSE.]

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9 **SHARON MATSUMOTO:** SUPERVISOR, THIS YEAR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
10 VICTIM WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IS PLEASED TO RECOMMEND THAT
11 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COMMEND JODI LINK, DEPUTY DISTRICT
12 ATTORNEY AND ACCEPTING ON HER BEHALF WILL BE KATHLEEN CADY. AS
13 THE LEADERS OF THE TORRANCE BRANCH PROSECUTORS SPECIALIZING IN
14 SEX CRIMES, CHILD ABUSE AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, MISS LINK
15 DEMONSTRATED AN UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO ACHIEVE JUSTICE FOR
16 THESE VICTIMS. SHE CREATED A ROLLOUT PROGRAM SO PROSECUTORS
17 COULD DEVELOP AN EARLY RAPPORT WITH VICTIMS BY RESPONDING TO
18 CRIME SCENES. SHE PROVIDED VALUABLE TRAINING TO PROSECUTORS,
19 LAW ENFORCEMENT, SERVICE PROVIDERS AND OTHER PROFESSIONALS.
20 SHE TOOK ON COMPLEX CASES WHERE HER BRILLIANT TRIAL LAWYERING
21 WON HARD FOUGHT GUILTY VERDICTS, INCLUDING A 2005 BRUTAL RAPE-
22 MURDER OF A HOUSEKEEPER IN MANHATTAN BEACH SOLVED BY A D.N.A.
23 COLD HIT MATCH, AND A CASE WHERE A SOON-TO-BE JILTED HUSBAND,
24 THREW HIS NEW BRIDE OFF A CLIFF AND CLAIMED IT WAS AN
25 ACCIDENT. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SHARON MATSUMOTO:** WE HAVE DEBORAH DEBBIE DEAN, OUR F.B.I.
3 VICTIMS SPECIALIST. MISS DEAN'S 25-YEAR CAREER AS AN F.B.I.
4 VICTIMS SPECIALIST IS REplete WITH DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO
5 VICTIMS OF SEX TRAFFICKING AND FORCED LABOR, RECENTLY
6 CLASSIFIED AS MODERN DAY HUMAN SLAVERY. MISS DEAN CAMPAIGNS
7 RELENTLESSLY FOR THESE VICTIMS TO BE IDENTIFIED AS VICTIMS,
8 NOT SUSPECTS OR WILLING PARTICIPANTS AND FOR THEM TO HAVE THE
9 PROTECTION AND SERVICES NEEDED TO REHABILITATE THEIR LIVES.
10 MISS DEAN'S PERSISTENCE CAUSED THE INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON
11 CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT TO CONVENE THE CHILD SEXUAL
12 EXPLOITATION COMMITTEE AND TO PRESENT A SYMPOSIUM LAST
13 SEPTEMBER TO HEIGHTEN AWARENESS ABOUT THESE HIDDEN VICTIMS.
14 [APPLAUSE.]

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16 **SHARON MATSUMOTO:** THE L.A. GAY AND LESBIAN CENTER, AND
17 ACCEPTING IS TARA SLAVEN, STAFF ATTORNEY AND LADON BEST,
18 CLIENT ADVOCATE. THIS CENTER IS THE LARGEST PROGRAM OF ITS
19 KIND IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, DEDICATED TO PROVIDING ENHANCED
20 VICTIMS SERVICES FOR THE LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER
21 AND TRANSSEXUAL COMMUNITY, L.G.B.T. THE VIOLENCE LEGAL
22 ADVOCACY PROJECT OFFERS COUNSELING AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
23 BY SENSITIVE PROFESSIONALS WHO ARE KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT
24 L.G.B.T. RELATIONSHIP DYNAMICS AND PARTNER VIOLENCE. THE LEGAL
25 CLINIC OFFERS AN ARRAY OF LEGAL SERVICES, INCLUDING



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1 RESTRAINING ORDER ASSISTANCE. THE ANTI-VIOLENCE PROJECT
2 SUPPORTS L.G.B.T. VICTIMS TARGETED FOR HATE CRIMES,
3 ENCOURAGING VICTIMS TO COOPERATE WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT SO THAT
4 PERPETRATORS OF HATE CAN BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE. THANK YOU.

5 [APPLAUSE.]

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7 **SHARON MATSUMOTO:** AND FINALLY OUR HARD CORE GANG DIVISION
8 DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, AND ACCEPTING IS OUR HEAD DEPUTY,
9 ANNE INGLES. THESE SPECIALIZED PROSECUTORS AND INVESTIGATORS
10 CONSISTENTLY OVERCOME TREMENDOUS CHALLENGES TO BRING TO
11 JUSTICE NOTORIOUS GANG MEMBERS RESPONSIBLE FOR DEVASTATING
12 MURDERS. LAST YEAR, THE DIVISION PROSECUTED 282 DEFENDANTS FOR
13 MURDER, TRIED 251 JURY TRIALS WITH A 93 PERCENT CONVICTION
14 RATE. HARD CORE STAFF PROVIDES TRAINING TO OTHER CRIMINAL
15 JUSTICE PROFESSIONALS AND LEADS THE COMMUNITY LAW ENFORCEMENT
16 AND RECOVERY CLEAR PROGRAM, AN INTERAGENCY COALITION DEDICATED
17 TO REDUCING GANG CRIME, PREVENTING FUTURE VICTIMS, AND
18 SECURING ANTI-GANG INJUNCTIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO, AGAIN, THIS IS CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS
21 WEEK AND SO WE WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THEM. AS YOU CAN SEE FROM
22 THE HIGHLIGHTS THAT SHARON PRESENTED, THESE PEOPLE DO
23 UNBELIEVABLE WORK ON BEHALF OF ALL OF THE VICTIMS OF CRIME. WE
24 COLLECTIVELY THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR OUTSTANDING WORK.
25 CONGRATULATIONS, EVERYONE IN THE AUDIENCE AS WELL. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** TODAY, AGAIN, WE ALSO HAVE SOME OTHER VERY
3 SPECIAL AWARDS. AS WE ALL KNOW, TODAY IS EARTH DAY, SO TODAY
4 WE ARE PRESENTING THE GREEN LEADERSHIP AWARDS. THESE HAVE ALL
5 BEEN COORDINATED BY OUR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE AND THEY ARE--
6 WE HAVE ONE VERY DESERVING INDIVIDUAL AS WELL AS FOUR VARIOUS
7 PROGRAMS THAT ARE BEING HONORED HERE TODAY. THESE AWARDS
8 RECOGNIZE OUTSTANDING LEADERS WITHIN OUR COUNTY WHO STRIVE TO
9 INCORPORATE GREEN PRACTICES WITHIN THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES AND
10 ORGANIZATIONS. THE BOARD LEADERSHIP AWARD IS GIVEN TO AN
11 INDIVIDUAL WHO DEMONSTRATES A PERSONAL COMMITMENT TO THE
12 ENVIRONMENT AND EDUCATES AND INSPIRES OTHERS TO TAKE ACTION.
13 JOE LITTON EMBODIES THESE CHARACTERISTICS. JOE IS AN ARTIST,
14 AN AUTHOR, AN ACTIVIST. HE HAS MADE A PERSONAL COMMITMENT TO
15 REVITALIZE THE LOS ANGELES RIVER. HE'S DEVOTED EFFORTS TO
16 ENHANCE COMMUNITY LIVEABILITY, TRANSPORTATION, AND
17 ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY. IT HAS TOUCHED COUNTLESS LIVES
18 AND HAS EARNED UNBELIEVABLE RESPECT AS WELL AS ADMIRATION. WE
19 WANT TO THANK JOE FOR HIS ADVOCACY AND FOR ALL THE WORK ON THE
20 LEADERSHIP THAT HE HAS PROVIDED. CONGRATULATIONS, SIR, VERY,
21 VERY DESERVING. [APPLAUSE.]

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23 **JOE LITTON:** THANK YOU. MAY I SAY A FEW WORDS?

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25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ABSOLUTELY, IF YOU'D LIKE.



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JOE LITTON: I JUST WANT TO SAY THANKS TO ALL THE SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF REALLY CHANGING THE CULTURE AT THE COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS TO BE IN A HOLISTIC VIEW THAT TAKES INTO ACCOUNT COMMUNITY BENEFITS AND WATERSHEDS, AND ESPECIALLY SUPERVISORS MOLINA, YAROSLAVSKY AND KNABE FOR YOUR WORK ON THE L.A. RIVER AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR HIS WORK ON COMPTON CREEK. YOU'RE ACKNOWLEDGED IN MY BOOK IN THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS. I TRIED TO LIST A LOT OF THE FOLKS THAT HAD DONE A LOT OF GOOD WORK FOR THE RIVER, AND SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP.

11

SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WELL, THANK YOU SO MUCH. ONE DAY WE'RE TRULY GOING TO GREEN THAT RIVER, RIGHT, AND BRING IT BACK TO WHAT IT ONCE WAS. BUT WE'RE VERY PROUD OF THE WORK THAT'S DONE ALONG THE WAY. THANK YOU FOR THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, AND THANK YOU FOR THE BOOK. OUR NEXT AWARDEE IS ROBERT CURRY. HE IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE CALIFORNIA CARTAGE COMPANY. HIS PRIVATE COMPANY OPERATES THE LARGEST PORT BRANCH COMPANY IN THE COUNTY. IN RESPONSE TO AN URGENT CALL TO REDUCE EMISSIONS, THEY SUCCESSFULLY ESTABLISHED THE LARGEST LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS TRUNK PROJECT IN THE NATION. THEIR REVOLUTIONARY LEASE TO OWN PROGRAM HAS RESULTED IN OVER 350 LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS TRUCKS SERVING THE PORTS. WELL, THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP AS WELL, SO IF I CAN



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1 HAVE THE GENTLEMAN, IT'S YOUR COMPANY, SIR. CONGRATULATIONS.

2 THANK YOU SO MUCH. WHY DON'T WE TAKE A PICTURE. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THE PRIVATE SECTOR GOING GREEN. THAT'S

5 TERRIFIC. WANT TO SHARE A FEW WORDS?

6

7 **ROBERT CURRY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE DEEPLY APPRECIATE THE

8 RECOGNITION. WE DON'T DO IT FOR THE AWARD, WE DO IT BECAUSE

9 IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO AND WE WANT TO BE GOOD NEIGHBORS.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. CONGRATULATIONS, SIR.

12 [APPLAUSE.]

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE NOW WANT TO WELCOME REBECCA DRACEY,

15 NANCY STEELE AND EDWARD BELLDON, AS WELL AS GARY HILDEBRAND.

16 THEY'RE WITH THE LOS ANGELES SAN GABRIEL RIVERS WATERSHED

17 COUNCIL AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. THE COUNCIL'S

18 ELMER AVENUE NEIGHBORHOOD RETROFIT PROJECT DEMONSTRATES BEST

19 MANAGEMENT PRACTICES TO MANAGE STORM WATER, INCREASE

20 GROUNDWATER RECHARGE, IMPROVE WATER QUALITY AND REDUCE

21 FLOODING AND POLLUTION AS WELL AS RESTORE HABITAT. THEIR

22 PROJECT PROVIDES A REAL WORLD MODEL FOR SUSTAINABLE DESIGN AND

23 WE WANT TO EXTEND TO THEM OUR CONGRATULATIONS. COME ON UP AND

24 CONGRATULATIONS. FIRST OF ALL, WE'LL TAKE A PICTURE AND THEN

25 YOU LET ME KNOW IF YOU WANT TO SPEAK. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT.



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SPEAKER: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND THE REST OF THE
SUPERVISORS. IT'S TRULY AN HONOR TO RECEIVE THIS AWARD FROM
THE COUNTY, BUT IT'S DEFINITELY A PARTNERSHIP AWARD AND I WANT
TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE OTHER PARTNERS ON THIS PROJECT, IF I COULD
JUST BRIEFLY. THE U.S. BUREAU OF RECLAMATION, BUREAU OF
SANITATION AND THE BUREAU STREET SERVICES, THE METROPOLITAN
WATER DISTRICTS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, THE CITIES OF SANTA
MONICA AND LONG BEACH TREE PEOPLE, THE LOS ANGELES WATER BOARD
AND THE STATE WATER BOARD, THE L.A. COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS, OF
COURSE, POMONA COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA RIVERSIDE,
THE UPPER LOS ANGELES RIVER AREA WATER MASTER. ALL OF THESE
PARTNERS AND MANY MORE PARTICIPATED IN THIS PROJECT AND MADE
IT A SUCCESS, AND I WANTED TO THANK AND ACKNOWLEDGE THEM ALSO.
I'M SORRY. THE LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER ALSO.

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SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR: EVERYBODY HAD A PART IN IT, WHICH MADE IT
SO SUCCESSFUL. CONGRATULATIONS TO THEM. JOINING US NEXT IS
URSULA SCHMIDT AND JUDY MESUDA, WHO IS A GREEN CITY
COORDINATORS OF THE CITY OF PASADENA. PASADENA DEVELOPED A
DETAILED SUSTAINABILITY METRIC SYSTEM TO MEASURE AND-- ITS
PROGRESS IN ACHIEVING GREEN CITY ACTION PLAN GOALS. THE SYSTEM
IDENTIFIED OVER 170 INDICATORS WHICH REVEALED DATA TRENDS AND
EMERGING ISSUES, AND IT PROVIDES CITY OFFICIALS WITH
INFORMATION TO GUIDE POLICIES AND SOLUTIONS. WE WANT TO

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1 CONGRATULATE THEM AND HOPEFULLY IT WILL BE A MODEL THAT THE
2 REST OF OUR CITIES WILL FOLLOW AS WELL AS THE COUNTY. SO
3 CONGRATULATIONS. GOOD JOB. WHAT AN HONOR.

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5 **URSULA SCHMIDT:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR MOLINA
6 VERY MUCH AND ALL THE SUPERVISORS AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR
7 THIS HONOR, THIS AWARD. JUDY AND MYSELF ARE REALLY HERE ON
8 BEHALF OF THE GREEN TEAMS OF STAFF FOR THE CITY OF PASADENA
9 WHO WERE INTEGRALLY INVOLVED IN THIS PROJECT. WE LIVE BY THE
10 CREDO THAT DOESN'T GET MEASURED DOESN'T GET MANAGED, SO THIS
11 WAS OUR ATTEMPT TO REALLY MEASURE THE PROGRESS THE CITY OF
12 PASADENA IS MAKING AND BE VERY TRANSPARENT WITH ITS GREEN CITY
13 ACTION PLAN, AND I ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO VISIT OUR GREEN CITY
14 WEB PAGE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROGRAM. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS. GREAT JOB. OUR LAST
17 AWARDEE IS ASHLEY ZURELLAHAN. SHE LAUNCHED THE DOWNTOWN LOS
18 ANGELES NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE WHICH
19 DEVELOPED A COMMUNITY STRATEGY AS WELL AS A RESOURCE TOOL KIT.
20 ASHLEY LED THE EFFORT TO EXPAND-- TO INCREASE PARTICIPATION IN
21 EXISTING PUBLIC SERVICES, CREATE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES,
22 IDENTIFY CRITICAL ISSUES AND CHAMPION, OF COURSE, BEST
23 PRACTICES. SHE HAS ENGAGED HUNDREDS OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN
24 CONVERSATIONS AND INITIATIVES TO CREATE A MORE LIVABLE,
25 AFFORDABLE, AND EFFICIENT URBAN CENTERS. WE WANT TO



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1 CONGRATULATE ASHLEY FOR OUTSTANDING WORK AND THANK YOU SO MUCH
2 FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AS WELL. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE A FEW WORDS.

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6 **ASHLEY ZURELLAHAN:** WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO THE LOS
7 ANGELES, AND TO YOU, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, FOR YOUR SUPPORT OR
8 OUR INITIATIVES TO PLANT TREES IN SKID ROW, TO BRING
9 RESOURCES, INFORMATION TO PEOPLE, THAT IS AFFORDABLE, THAT'S
10 ACCESSIBLE, AND ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO TAKE INDIVIDUAL ACTION.
11 THE ONLY WAY WE'RE GOING TO MEET LARGER AMBITIONS OF OUR
12 COUNTY TO BE MORE SUSTAINABLE IS IF WE ALL TAKE ACTION. AND
13 THIS BEING EARTH DAY, AND CELEBRATING THE WEEK OF EARTH DAY,
14 THIS IS AN IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO COMMIT IN OUR OWN
15 ACTION DAILY AS TO HOW WE CAN ENHANCE OUR ENVIRONMENT AROUND
16 US, BOTH WHERE WE LIVE, WORK AND PLAY, SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH
17 AND ALL IT TAKES IS ONE PERSON TO DO SOMETHING.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU SO MUCH. WOULD YOU
20 JOIN ME IN ACKNOWLEDGING ALL THESE WONDERFUL PEOPLE. THEY SAID
21 IT ONLY TAKES ONE PERSON EACH DAY. EACH OF US NEED TO BE
22 COMMITTED TO GREEN. IT ISN'T JUST THEIR LEADERSHIP, ALL OF US
23 NEED TO DO OUR PARTS. BUT CONGRATULATIONS FOR PROVIDING THE
24 LEADERSHIP THEY DID. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION.

25 [APPLAUSE.] (OFF-MIC. CONVERSATION)



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOUR
3 PRESENTATIONS.

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR
6 AND COLLEAGUES. I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE HAVE BOTH HELEN
7 BRANDON AND CARDELL STEWART TO COME FORWARD AS SUPERVISOR
8 KNABE AND I ARE PREPARED TO MAKE A PRESENTATION TO THEM ON
9 BEHALF OF THE ENTIRETY OF THE BOARD. ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21,
10 AT APPROXIMATELY 4:00 A.M., MR. STEWART WAS NOTIFIED BY A
11 HOMELESS PERSON ON HIS BUS THAT HER SIX-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER WAS
12 MISSING. AFTER FALLING ASLEEP, THE WOMAN NOTED THAT BOTH HER
13 DAUGHTER AND A HOMELESS MAN THAT SHE RECOGNIZED WITH WHOM SHE
14 WAS NOT FRIENDS, BOTH OF THEM WERE GONE. MR. STEWART
15 IMMEDIATELY REPORTED THE INCIDENT ALONG WITH THE WOMAN'S
16 DEPICTION OF THE MAN TO METRO'S DISPATCH CENTER AND TO THE LOS
17 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S TRANSIT SERVICES BUREAU AND METRO
18 PROMPTLY DISPATCHED THE INFORMATION TO ITS DRIVERS AND
19 APPROXIMATELY TWO HOURS LATER, MS. BRANDON CALLED METRO
20 DISPATCH TO REPORT THAT THE CHILD AND THE MAN WERE ON HER BUS
21 AT VERMONT AVENUE AND 12TH STREET. AS A RESULT OF THE QUICK
22 THINKING OF THESE OPERATORS AND THE CONSCIOUS DECISIONS TO DO
23 THE RIGHT THING, SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES INTERCEPTED MS. BRANDON'S
24 BUS, TOOK THE MAN INTO CUSTODY ON SUSPICION OF KIDNAPPING AND
25 PLACED THE GIRL IN PROTECTIVE CUSTODY. IT'S MY PLEASURE TO



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1 JOIN SUPERVISOR KNABE TODAY AND THE BOARD AS A WHOLE TO THANK
2 THESE METRO OPERATORS FOR EMBRACING THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES TO
3 THE PUBLIC BY RECOGNIZING THEIR DUTY TO KEEP METRO AS SAFE AND
4 RELIABLE AS POSSIBLE FOR ALL COUNTY RESIDENTS TO TRAVEL, AND
5 WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE BOTH CARDELL STEWART, A
6 RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, FOR HIS ROLE IN THIS
7 EFFORT, AND WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE FACT THAT MR. STEWART HAS BEEN
8 WITH METRO SINCE APRIL OF 2007 WHEN HE STARTED AS A PART-TIME
9 OPERATOR. AND IN JUNE 2009, HE WAS PROMOTED TO A FULL-TIME
10 DRIVER AND HE SPENT THE MAJORITY OF HIS METRO CAREER WITH THE
11 ARTHUR WINSTON DIVISION 5, AND IN MARCH OF 2008, HE RECEIVED
12 COMMENDATION FOR HIS EXCELLENT CUSTOMER SERVICE, SO THANK YOU,
13 MR. STEWART, FOR CONTINUING TO PROVIDE STELLAR SERVICE TO THE
14 RIDERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. [APPLAUSE.]

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16 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M HONORED TO BE ABLE TO JOIN SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
17 THOMAS. WE CONGRATULATE CARDELL AS WELL, TOO, BUT I'M ALSO
18 VERY PROUD TO RECOGNIZE METRO OPERATOR HELEN BRANDON FOR HER
19 VERY HEROIC ACTIONS THAT DAY. HELEN DOES LIVE IN THE FOURTH
20 DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AND HAS BEEN A PART-TIME
21 OPERATOR WITH METRO SINCE AUGUST OF 2007. HELEN CURRENTLY
22 OPERATES THE 204 LINE ON SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AND PRIOR TO
23 COMING TO M.T.A., SHE WORKED THE SAM'S CLUB FOR OVER 18 YEARS.
24 IN HER TWO AND A HALF YEARS WITH THE M.T.A., SHE HAS ONLY
25 MISSED TWO DAYS OF WORK AND HAS WORKED HER CURRENT ASSIGNMENT



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1 ON 204 SINCE 2009 DECEMBER. SHE'S VERY, VERY FAMILIAR WITH HER
2 REGULAR PATRONS, AND BECAUSE OF THIS AND HER INCREDIBLE
3 NATURAL INSTINCT, SHE WAS ABLE TO DETECT THAT SOMETHING WAS
4 WRONG AND JUST NOT QUITE RIGHT ON THAT MORNING OF FEBRUARY
5 21ST. NOT ONLY WAS SHE ABLE TO DETECT SOMETHING WAS NOT RIGHT,
6 BUT SHE ALSO TOOK ACTION AND GOT INVOLVED. BECAUSE OF THIS, AS
7 YOU HEARD EARLIER, THE CHILD WAS TURNED OVER SAFELY TO THE
8 SHERIFF UNHARMED, SO ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE BOARD AND THE 10
9 MILLION-PLUS RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WE THANK BOTH
10 CARDELL AND HELEN FOR THEIR BRAVERY AND THE WILLINGNESS TO GET
11 INVOLVED AS OPERATORS AND PART OF A GREAT ORGANIZATION LIKE
12 THE M.T.A., WITH JUST A HEARTFELT THANKS. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'D ASKED MR. STEWART IF HE WANTED TO HAVE
15 A WORD. HE ASKED ME, "WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO SAY?" I SAID,
16 "WHATEVER YOU WISH TO SAY." HE SAID, "I ALREADY SAID ALL I HAD
17 TO SAY," AND I THINK IT SPEAKS FOR ITSELF. MA'AM? HELEN?
18 EVERYBODY'S GOOD. WELL, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR EXCEPTIONAL
19 WORK. YOU DISTINGUISH YOURSELVES BY PROTECTING CHILDREN AND WE
20 BELIEVE IN THAT AND WE THANK YOU YET AGAIN. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES, I'D LIKE TO
23 ASK NOW THAT NIGEL LYTHGOE, CHAIRMAN OF THE BRITISH ACADEMY
24 FILM AND TELEVISION ARTS IN LOS ANGELES AS WELL AS DONALD
25 HABER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND C.O.O. OF THE SAME ENTITY AS



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1 WELL AS KATY AND PAUL HELLER, BOARD MEMBERS AND CO-CHAIRS OF
2 THE EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH COMMUNITY JOIN ME. WHY
3 DON'T YOU GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE IN ADVANCE? THESE
4 ARE THEY. [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YOU'LL WANT TO KNOW THAT THE BRITISH
7 ACADEMY OF FILM AND TELEVISION ARTS OF LOS ANGELES IN
8 COLLABORATION WITH HOLLYWOOD OUTDOOR BEGAN SCREENING MONTHLY
9 MOVIES AT HELEN KELLER PARK FOR CHILDREN AND RESIDENTS OF THE
10 ATHENS COMMUNITY IN 2005. THIS PROGRAM KNOWN AS "MOVIES IN THE
11 PARK" HAS EXPANDED TO ATHENS PARK OVER THE PAST YEAR AND IT IS
12 THE EXCITEMENT OF THE LIFE OF THAT PARK IN MANY, MANY WAYS AND
13 THOSE WHO PARTICIPATE IN IT. AS THERE ARE NO PARTICULAR MOVIE
14 THEATERS IN THAT PORTION OF THE COMMUNITY. THE PROGRAM EXPOSES
15 HUNDREDS OF CHILDREN AND RESIDENTS EACH MONTH TO NEW, EXCITING
16 AND QUALITY FILMS FREE OF CHARGE. THIS PROGRAM HAS BEEN
17 EXTREMELY BENEFICIAL TO THE COMMUNITY BY RETURNING THE PARK TO
18 THE COMMUNITY AND HELPING TO ELIMINATE CRIME IN THE
19 SURROUNDING AREAS. THIS IS A CREATIVE AND INNOVATIVE WAY AND
20 IMAGINATIVE WAY OF DEALING WITH CRIME PREVENTION, AND SO THIS
21 PROGRAM, KNOWN AS B.A.F.T.A. INNER CITY FILM, PROGRAM HAS ALSO
22 BROUGHT THOUGHT-PROVOKING EDUCATIONAL AND FUN ACTIVITIES TO
23 THAT PARK, AND FOR EACH MONTH'S SELECTED FILM, THE FILM MAKERS
24 AND STARS INTRODUCE THEIR FILMS AND INTERACT WITH THE
25 COMMUNITY THROUGH A LIVELY AND INFORMATIVE QUESTION-AND-ANSWER



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1 SESSION. A SAMPLING OF THE MOVIES SHOWN INCLUDES "FLY BOYS,"
2 "MADAGASCAR," "AKELA AND THE BEE," "THE SHACKLES," "THE SAGE
3 HUNTER," "THE WIZARD OF OZ," "THE GREAT DEBATERS," "PRIDE,"
4 "THE SANTA CLAUSE," "GRIDIRON GANG" AND MANY, MANY MORE, AND
5 NOT THE LEAST OF WHICH, ONE OF MY FAVORITES, "THE PURSUIT OF
6 HAPPYNESS." PAST CELEBRITY GUESTS HAVE INCLUDED "GRIDIRON"
7 STAR DUANE "THE ROCK" JOHNSON AND "HAIRSPRAY'S" ELIJAH KELLEY,
8 TONY BILL AND MANY, MANY MORE. AND SO THEY HAVE MADE THEIR
9 COMMITMENT EVIDENT THROUGH A LABOR OF LOVE THROUGH SUBSTANTIAL
10 CONTRIBUTIONS FROM VARIOUS CORPORATE ENTITIES FOR THE FILM
11 PROJECTION AND THE EQUIPMENT AND SO WE WANT TO JUST TAKE THIS
12 OPPORTUNITY TO SAY HELEN KELLER PARK, THE COMMUNITY OF ATHENS,
13 AND BY EXTENSION, THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES, ARE BETTER FOR
14 THEIR WORK, AND SO WE THANK YOU AND ALL OF THE REPRESENTATIVES
15 HERE AND OTHERWISE WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED SO MIGHTILY, AND WE
16 TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRETY OF THE BOARD
17 OF SUPERVISORS TO ACKNOWLEDGE WITH APPRECIATION YOUR
18 PARTNERSHIP AND TO WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS IN THE FUTURE AS
19 YOU MAKE COMMUNITIES BETTER THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS
20 ANGELES. [APPLAUSE.]

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22 **NIGEL LYTHGOE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.
23 I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND
24 RECREATION, RUS GUINEY, AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR JOE MENDOZA FOR
25 WORKING SO WELL WITH US. [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **NIGEL LYTHGOE:** I MUST ALSO POINT OUT OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
3 DON HAVER, WHO DEALS WITH IT DAY TO DAY AND ALL OF THE
4 PROBLEMS WE CAUSE HIM. OUR COMMITTEE COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND
5 EDUCATION SO WELL CHAIRED BY PAUL HELLER, WHO IS HERE, AND THE
6 INDEFATIGABLE KATIE HAVER. WITHOUT THEIR WORK, WE WOULD NOT BE
7 STANDING HERE AND WE WOULD NOT HAVE GAINED THIS RECOGNITION.
8 WE ALSO THANK LOS ANGELES FOR ALLOWING US BRITS TO LIVE HERE
9 AND WORK HERE AND, TODAY IS THE BEGINNING OF BRIT WEEK, AND
10 THANK YOU, LOS ANGELES, FOR CELEBRATING IT SO WELL WITH THE
11 DULL GRAY WEATHER OUTSIDE TO MAKE US ALL FEEL AT HOME, LIKE
12 ENGLAND. [LAUGHTER.]

13

14 **NIGEL LYTHGOE:** WE ARE PAYING OUR TAXES. [LAUGHTER.]

15

16 **NIGEL LYTHGOE:** WE ARE ALSO EXTREMELY SUCCESSFUL AT THE MOMENT
17 HERE IN BOTH TELEVISION AND FILM. OBVIOUSLY WE BRING YOU THE
18 BIGGEST TWO TELEVISION SHOWS THAT YOU HAVE AT THE MOMENT IN
19 AMERICAN IDOL AND DANCING WITH THE STARS, AND ALSO SOME GREAT
20 MOVIES, LIKE AN EDUCATION AND ALL OF THE "HARRY POTTER" FILMS,
21 BUT WE DO BELIEVE IN SHARING THAT SUCCESS WITH THE AREA THAT
22 WE ARE IN, WHICH IS WHY WE LOVE TO GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY
23 AND ALSO TO TAKE THESE PRODUCTS OUT INTO THE COMMUNITY. YOU
24 KNOW FROM MY OWN PERSONAL WORK OF WORKING ON "AMERICAN IDOL,"
25 "SO YOU THINK YOU CAN DANCE" AND AS BEING A BOARD MEMBER OF



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1 L.A.'S BEST, THAT I TRULY BELIEVE IN GIVING YOUNG PEOPLE THE
2 OPPORTUNITY TO EXPERIENCE ART, TO GIVE THEM THE INTELLIGENCE
3 TO UNDERSTAND IT AND TO HOPEFULLY GIVE THEM THE POSSIBILITY TO
4 ACHIEVE THEIR AMBITIONS. I PROMISE YOU THAT WE WILL CONTINUE
5 TO DO THIS WITHIN THE BRITISH ACADEMY. WE INTEND TO DO EVEN
6 MORE. WE INTEND TO EXTEND OUTSIDE OF HELEN KELLER PARK IN
7 ATHENS, WE HOPEFULLY WILL JOIN YOU THIS SUMMER WITH THE PARKS
8 AFTER DARK PROGRAM AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO STANDING HERE AGAIN
9 IN YEARS TO COME AND BEING COMPLIMENTED AGAIN FOR OUR WORK
10 WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN SO MUCH.

11 [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **NIGEL LYTHGOE:** AND WE HAVE AN INVITATION FOR YOU STRAIGHT
14 AWAY. MAY THE 1ST, WE HAVE ANOTHER MOVIE COMING OUT, "A SHINE
15 OF RAINBOWS," ALL ABOUT A FOSTER CHILD IN IRELAND, AND WE HOPE
16 EVERYBODY ELSE WILL ATTEND AS WELL IN HELEN KELLER PARK. THANK
17 YOU, SIR. [APPLAUSE.]

18

19 **RUSS GUINEY:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. THESE ARE PROFESSIONALS,
20 THESE ARE ACCOMPLISHED PEOPLE, THEY CHOSE TO STEP OUTSIDE OF
21 THEIR COMFORT ZONE AND COME TO HELEN KELLER PARK IN SOUTH LOS
22 ANGELES. THEY DIDN'T HAVE TO DO THAT, BUT THEY'RE MAKING A
23 WORLD OF DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF THE KIDS AT THAT PARK.
24 LESS THAN 10 MILES FROM HOLLYWOOD, A MILLION MILES AWAY, THESE
25 KIDS BARELY HAVE A THEATER TO GO TO AND WOULD NEVER EXPECT TO



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1 TOUCH OR BE TOUCHED BY HOLLYWOOD AND THE BRITISH ACADEMY HAS
2 MADE THAT DIFFERENCE, BY BRINGING PEOPLE INTO THE COMMUNITY
3 FROM THE FILM WORLD, THEY'VE SPARKED INTEREST, IDEAS, AND
4 SYNERGY. THEY BROUGHT IN OTHER PARTNERS, LIKE THE L.A.
5 SHRINER'S HOSPITAL TO DO HEALTH SCREENINGS IN THE PARK, A
6 KIDS' FOUNDATION TO HELP US PROVIDE TOYS AT THE ANNUAL
7 CHRISTMAS PARTY. SO THESE FOLKS HAVE MADE A TREMENDOUS
8 DIFFERENCE AND WE APPLAUD YOU AND WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
9 YOUR SUPPORT AND FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF YOUNG
10 PEOPLE IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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12 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR?

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOUR PRESENTATIONS.

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16 **SUP. KNABE:** SPEAKING IN TERMS OF MAKING A DIFFERENCE, IT'S MY
17 PLEASURE TO RECOGNIZE SOME ORGANIZATIONS AND SOME YOUNG PEOPLE
18 WHO HAVE HAD AN INCREDIBLE IMPACT ON THE EDUCATION AND
19 LITERACY GROWTH OF OUR JUVENILES AND HALLS, OUR CAMPS AND
20 COMMUNITY. OBVIOUSLY THIS IS IMPORTANT TO EACH OF US HERE IN
21 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AS WE ALL KNOW AND UNDERSTAND, THE
22 ABILITY TO READ, COMPREHENDED WHAT IS READ AND WRITE
23 EFFECTIVELY IS FOUNDATIONAL TO ANY USE, ABILITY TO GAIN AND
24 APPLY KNOWLEDGE. 1999 INTRODUCED A MOTION WHICH GAINED THE
25 SUPPORT AND APPROVAL OF THIS BOARD TO CREATE THE PROBATION



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1 DEPARTMENT OPERATION READ PROGRAM. THE GOALS OF OPERATION READ
2 ARE TO BUILD THE USE OF LITERACY SKILLS, EMPHASIZE READING
3 COMPREHENSION, WRITING, GRAMMAR AND SPELLING. IN THIS PAST
4 YEAR, THIS PROGRAM HAS ACHIEVED ON AVERAGE NINE MONTHS OF
5 LITERACY GROWTH IN READING AND COMPREHENSION FOR THE NEARLY
6 3,000 YOUTH THAT PARTICIPATED IN OVER 95,000 HOURS OF
7 TUTORING. SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE YOUTH PARTICIPATED IN 40
8 HOURS OF TUTORING AND MANY OTHERS ACHIEVED GREATER THAN ONE
9 YEAR OF LITERACY GROWTH. THIS YEAR, OPERATION READ INCREASED
10 THE FOCUS ON BUILDING THE YOUTH'S DEVELOPMENT OF CRITICAL
11 THINKING SKILLS THROUGH JOURNAL WRITING. THEY WERE INSPIRED BY
12 THE BIOGRAPHIES OF THOSE WHO OVERCOME SIMILAR CHALLENGING
13 ODDS. TODAY, EACH OF THE FIVE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS IS
14 REPRESENTED BY A COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES
15 TUTORING SERVICES TO PROBATION, AT-RISK AND FOSTER YOUTH IN
16 OUR COMMUNITIES. THEY'RE EACH BEING RECOGNIZED FOR THEIR
17 COMMITMENT TO ENCOURAGE YOU AND PROVIDE TUTORING SERVICES TO
18 IMPROVE THEIR LITERARY SKILLS. BEFORE I MAKE THE PRESENTATION,
19 THOUGH-- ARE THE KIDS COMING UP? ALL RIGHT. THEY'RE COMING UP?

20

21 **SPEAKER:** YES.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT. I WANT TO GIVE YOU A WARM WELCOME TO
24 THESE CHILDREN. WE GAVE THEM THEIR SCROLLS EARLIER.

25 [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** MY FIRST PRESENTATION, AS THE KIDS-- COME ON UP,
3 KIDS, AND BE A PART OF THIS, IS FROM THE CHINATOWN SERVICE
4 CENTER, VICKY WONG. CONGRATULATIONS. FROM THE SECOND DISTRICT,
5 FOR PEOPLE WHO CARE, CONNIE WATSON. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT, FROM NEW DIRECTIONS FOR
8 YOUTH, STACEY CULLENS. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** AND FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT, LONG BEACH
11 B.L.A.S.T., LESLIE KEANE. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** AND FROM THE FIFTH DISTRICT, THE ASIAN YOUTH
14 CENTER, LYNN LEE. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** COME ON UP ON THE STAGE HERE. WE'LL GET ALL THE
17 KIDS UP HERE. I WANT THEM TO BE RECOGNIZED, TOO. AS I SAID
18 EARLIER, EARLY THIS MORNING, WE RECOGNIZED THEM AND WE ARE
19 JUST REALLY SO PROUD OF ALL THEIR EFFORTS, AND I TOLD THEM
20 THAT WHILE THIS MAY BE A SCROLL AND MAY APPEAR TO BE JUST A
21 PIECE OF PAPER, WE KNOW HOW MUCH TIME, EFFORT AND HARD WORK
22 THAT THEY PUT INTO BEING UP HERE TODAY AND BEING A PART OF
23 THIS, AND SO LET'S ONCE AGAIN GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF
24 APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT WE WANT TO AGAIN THANK ALL OF THE
2 ORGANIZATIONS FOR THEIR GREAT SERVICE THAT CONTINUE TO INSPIRE
3 THE YOUTH AND FUTURE ACADEMIC AND CAREER ENDEAVORS. AS
4 OPERATION READ SITE COORDINATOR, MARIE SANDOVAL, HAS
5 EXEMPLIFIED A STEADFAST COMMITMENT TO IMPROVING OUR CHILDREN'S
6 LITERACY SKILLS AS A MEANS TO HELP THEM GAIN PERSONAL,
7 ACADEMIC AND CAREER SUCCESS. HER PASSION TO HELP THE YOUTH,
8 FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY HAVE LED HER TO KNOCK ON DOORS OF THE
9 YOUTH TO BRING THEM TO TUTORING SESSIONS. HER ENCOURAGEMENT
10 HAS RESTORED MANY BACK TO THE PROGRAM WHEN THEY WOULD THINK
11 THEY WERE GOING TO WALK AWAY TO TRY AGAIN. SHE HAS INVESTED
12 HERSELF TO INSPIRE THE YOUTH TO READ, EXPAND THEIR VOCABULARY,
13 DEVELOP STRONG WRITING SKILLS, AND APPLY CRITICAL THINKING
14 SKILLS TO MAKE PERSONAL LEARNING VERY CHALLENGING, AND WE JUST
15 HAVE A SPECIAL SCROLL HERE FOR MARIE TO SAY OUR HEARTFELT
16 THANKS, GREAT JOB. [APPLAUSE.]

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18 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT. I'M GOING TO ASK-- HOW MANY DAYS HAVE
19 YOU BEEN ON THE JOB?

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21 **DONALD BLEVINS:** SECOND DAY.

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** SECOND DAY. OUR NEW PROBATION CHIEF, CHIEF
24 BLEVINS, SAY A WORD.

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1 **DONALD BLEVINS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. THIS IS MY SECOND DAY
2 AS CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER AND ALREADY WE'RE CELEBRATING
3 SUCCESS. I'M NOT TAKING ANY CREDIT. THE YOUTH THAT YOU SEE
4 HERE TODAY, THIS REPRESENTS A LOT OF HARD WORK ON THEIR PART
5 AND SO WE WANTED TO HONOR THEM AND THEIR COMMITMENT TO
6 LITERACY AND EDUCATION. AS YOUR NEW CHIEF, I JUST WANT TO TELL
7 YOU THAT THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT WILL BE COMMITTED TO BOTH
8 LITERACY AND EDUCATION, NOT ONLY FOR OUR KIDS IN OUR
9 FACILITIES, BUT ALSO FOR OUR KIDS ON PROBATION, SO THANKS.
10 THIS IS A BIG HONOR ON THE SECOND DAY AS CHIEF PROBATION
11 OFFICER, BUT I WANTED TO BE HERE TO CELEBRATE THE SUCCESS OF
12 THESE FINE YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.
13 [APPLAUSE.]

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15 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT. GALWOULD YOU CAN LIKE TO SAY A FEW
16 WORDS?

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18 **GAIL MCFARLAND-SOSA:** SURE,

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20 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT, GAIL MCFARLAND-SOSA, JUST AN INCREDIBLE
21 JOB SHE DOES.

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23 **GAIL MCFARLAND-SOSA:** THANK YOU. OPERATION READ IS A VERY
24 SPECIAL PROGRAM AND WE TUTOR, AND ONE OF THE THINGS WE DO IS
25 REACH OUT TO THE YOUTH. WE TRY TO MAKE LEARNING FUN AND



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1 INTERESTING BUT ALSO CHALLENGING. WE REALIZE THAT OUR YOUTH
2 HAVE WONDERFUL IDEAS AND WE NEED TO HELP THEM TO BE ABLE TO
3 COMMUNICATE THOSE IDEAS EFFECTIVELY, SO ONE OF THE THINGS THAT
4 WE DO IS TRY TO LOOK FOR OTHER WAYS. WE PARTNERED WITH THE
5 L.A. COUNTY LIBRARY AND HAVE LIBRARY IN A BOX SO THAT WE CARRY
6 AROUND SMALL BOXES THAT HAVE ALL THE BOOKS OF LIBRARY AND HAVE
7 THE KIDS WORKING ON SOME THINGS. WE HAVE YOUTH-- ACTUALLY,
8 DISTRICT ONE WAS OUR WINNER FOR DESIGNING A BOOKMARK THAT IS--
9 HER SUBJECT WAS "IT'S READING TIME ANY TIME," WHICH WE
10 DEFINITELY SUPPORTED AND THOUGHT MEANT WAS WHAT WE WERE GOING
11 FOR. WE ALSO HAVE A YOUTH TODAY WHO WROTE AN ESSAY DISCUSSING
12 THE BARRIERS THAT SHE'S OVERCOME AND SO SHE'S GOING TO READ
13 THAT AND PRESENT IT TO THE SUPERVISOR.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** ONE OF THE BARRIERS THAT I'VE OVERCOME IS NOT BEING
16 ABLE TO READ, BUT MY WHOLE LIFE, I HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO READ.
17 WHEN I GOT INTO SCHOOL, I STARTED READING, BUT I COULD NEVER
18 COMPREHEND WHAT I WAS READING. AS I GOT OLDER, I GOT
19 FRUSTRATED AND STOPPED READING. WHEN I STOPPED READING, I GOT
20 BEHIND IN MY READING, SO I HAD TO BE IN SPECIAL CLASSES. I
21 STRUGGLED FOR A LONG TIME WITH MY READING. NOW THAT I'M IN
22 HIGH SCHOOL, I HAVE PAID MORE ATTENTION IN CLASS. MY HIGH
23 SCHOOL YEARS HAVE CHANGED FOR ME. I'M NOW FOCUSED IN MY
24 READING AND I READ A LOT MORE. FINALLY, I UNDERSTAND AND
25 COMPREHEND WHAT I AM READING. NOW THAT I'M A SENIOR, WITHIN



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1 THE LAST YEAR, I HAVE GONE FROM A 4.2 TO A 5.7 TO A 6.9 IN MY
2 READING LEVELS. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SPEAKER:** SO I HAVE-- [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **SPEAKER:** SO I HAVE OVERCOME MY READING COMPREHENSION.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT! [APPLAUSE.]

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10 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT. ONE MORE TIME. A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE
11 FOR OUR OPERATION READ AND HONOREES HERE TODAY.

12 CONGRATULATIONS AND JOB WELL DONE. KEEP IT UP. [APPLAUSE.]

13 (OFF-MIC. CONVERSATION)

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15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I HAD AN ADDITIONAL ONE. MADAME CHAIR,
18 PERMIT ME TO HAVE THE HEAD LIBRARIAN, MARGARET TODD, TO COME
19 FORWARD. NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK. SHE WISHES TO MAKE
20 PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD. MARGARET?

21

22 **MARGARET TODD:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. THIS MONTH, WE HAVE
23 NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK, AND AS YOU KNOW, OVER THE YEARS,
24 THERE'S A READ POSTER CAMPAIGN IN WHICH YOU SEE SOME OF THE
25 TOP CELEBRITIES IN THE WORLD PARTICIPATE, SO IT'S ONLY FITTING



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1 THAT WE ALSO HAVE THE BOARD PARTICIPATE IN THIS, SO TODAY WE'D
2 LIKE TO PRESENT EACH BOARD MEMBER WITH THEIR OWN READ POSTER
3 THAT WILL BE WITHIN THE NEXT MONTH, WILL BE PLACED IN A LARGER
4 SIZE AT EACH OF OUR LIBRARIES. SO START WITH OUR CHAIR,
5 SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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11 **MARGARET TODD:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOUR POSTER. SUPERVISOR
12 ANTONOVICH. (OFF-MIC. CONVERSATION)

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DO YOU WANT US TO TAKE A PICTURE WITH ALL
15 OF OUR POSTERS? MICHAEL, BEFORE YOU PUT IT AWAY-- MICHAEL?
16 BEFORE YOU PUT IT AWAY, WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A PICTURE.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** WE ARE?

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20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MARGARET, WHERE DID YOU GO? WE LOST
21 MARGARET.

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** MARGARET'S COMING.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR SHARING.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** MARGARET, THANKS.

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4 **MARGARET TODD:** YOU'RE WELCOME.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR HIS SPECIALS.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. FIRST, I'D LIKE TO MAKE THE
9 FOLLOWING ADJOURNMENT MEMORIALS. FIRST IS TO A FRIEND OF MANY
10 OF US, DARYL GATES, WHO WAS THE FORMER LOS ANGELES POLICE
11 CHIEF, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 83 ON APRIL 16TH. HE WAS A
12 NATIVE OF GLENDALE, GRADUATE OF UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
13 CALIFORNIA AND SPENT 43 YEARS WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT,
14 BEGINNING BACK IN 1949 AFTER SERVING IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY
15 DURING WORLD WAR II. HE WAS CHIEF OF POLICE FROM 1978 TO 1982-
16 - '92, AND CREDITED FOR THE DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION
17 PROGRAM, WHICH IS CALLED D.A.R.E., WHICH WAS THEIR YOUTH
18 PROGRAM, AND IN THE '60S, HE WAS THE INDIVIDUAL WHO PUT
19 TOGETHER THE SPECIAL WEAPONS AND TACTICS TEAM, THE S.W.A.T.
20 TEAM, CONCEPT THAT WAS FOLLOWED ACROSS THE NATION. HE IS
21 SURVIVED BY HIS TWO DAUGHTERS AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN AND TWO
22 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF WORKING WITH
23 DARYL WHEN I WAS IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE AND AS A SUPERVISOR
24 AND WHAT WAS INTERESTING ABOUT DARYL, HE WAS NOT AN ARMCHAIR
25 SHERIFF OR POLICE CHIEF, BUT HE WAS A MAN IN THE COMMUNITY. HE



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1 WOULD ATTEND ALL COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND GROUPS, BE IT A
2 HANDFUL OR ROOMFUL, AND ALWAYS ACCESSIBLE AND QUITE INVOLVED.
3 I KNOW IN THE SUNLAND-TUJUNGA AREA HE WAS A REGULAR
4 PARTICIPANT WITH THOSE COMMUNITY EVENTS, FROM THAT COUNCILMAN
5 LOUIE KNOLL TO HOWARD FINN AND JUST A WONDERFUL, SWEET PERSON,
6 INNOVATOR, AND IT WAS A PLEASURE TO WORK ON VARIOUS ISSUES
7 WITH HIM WHEN I SERVED IN THE LEGISLATURE AND AS SUPERVISOR. I
8 KNOW SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WANTED TO SAY A WORD.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WELL, I HADN'T ASKED TO, BUT I WILL. I'D
11 LIKE TO JOIN IN THE ADJOURNING MOTION. MY RELATIONSHIP WITH
12 DARYL GATES IS WELL DOCUMENTED ON FILM AND IN THE PRESS, BUT,
13 YOU KNOW, AS I SAID TO SOME OF THE REPORTERS WHO ASKED AFTER
14 HE PASSED AWAY, ON A PERSONAL LEVEL, WE ALWAYS HAD A VERY
15 SOLID RELATIONSHIP. DESPITE OUR DIFFERENCES, HE WAS ALWAYS
16 ACCESSIBLE. I'VE HEARD A NUMBER OF PEOPLE SAY THAT ABOUT HIM.
17 WE DID NOT AGREE ON MANY THINGS, BUT WHEN THE YOUNG GIRL WAS
18 RUN OVER IN WESTWOOD VILLAGE THE NIGHT BEFORE THE OLYMPICS
19 STARTED, WE ALL REMEMBER THAT FRIDAY NIGHT, I TURNED TO DARYL
20 AFTER THE OLYMPICS AND SAID, "WHY DON'T WE USE THE ENMITY THAT
21 PEOPLE THINK WE HAVE AND CHALLENGE EACH OTHER TO A MILE RACE
22 AND RAISE SOME MONEY FOR THE LITTLE GIRL WHO BEING TREATED AT
23 CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL?" AND SHE WAS FROM CENTRAL OR SOUTH
24 AMERICA AND HAD NO INSURANCE, AND HE DID IT AND AS HE DID WHEN
25 I ASKED HIM TO BE THE ROASTEE OF ONE OF THE FIRST L.A. FREE



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1 CLINIC DINNERS IN A VERY LIBERAL CROWD WHERE HE WAS NOT VERY
2 POPULAR BUT HE SUBJECTED HIMSELF IN GOOD SPIRITS TO RAISE
3 MONEY FOR THAT GOOD CAUSE. AND HE DID IT NOT JUST FOR ME, HE
4 DID IT FOR EVERYONE WHO ASKED, HE WAS VERY GENEROUS IN THAT
5 REGARD, AND YOU NEVER HAD TO WONDER WHERE HE STOOD. HE NEVER
6 STABBED YOU IN THE BACK, NEVER STABBED ME IN THE BACK; HE
7 ALWAYS STABBED ME STRAIGHT AHEAD TO MY FACE, AND I APPRECIATED
8 THAT. WE ACTUALLY HAD A GOOD CHAT AT CHIEF BECK'S SWEARING-IN,
9 AND SO I CAN'T FAULT HIM TOO MUCH. HE LOVED MY WIFE VERY MUCH,
10 SO HE HAD GOOD JUDGMENT, AT LEAST ON THAT SCORE, SO I'M VERY
11 SAD THAT HIS PASSING IN THE WAY IT HAPPENED, AND PROBABLY
12 COULD HAVE BEEN PREVENTED AND HE COULD HAVE LIVED A LOT LONGER
13 IF HE HAD DONE WHAT HE NEEDED TO DO, BUT THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALL MEMBERS. JUDITH OLIVER KING, WHO PASSED
16 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 71, WAS A TEACHER AT JOHN MUIR ELEMENTARY
17 SCHOOL IN GLENDALE, AND ACTIVE WITH THE LIONS CLUB, THE
18 NATIONAL CHARITY LEAGUE, AS WELL AS THE GLENDALE BURBANK
19 CENTER REPUBLICAN CLUBS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND JACK
20 AND HER DAUGHTER CYNTHIA AND CHRISTINE AND ONE GRANDSON. DR.
21 RALPH COGAN, BELOVED HUSBAND OF ADA AND FATHER TO ANDREW,
22 JOANNE AND PATRICE AND GRANDFATHER OF SIX WITH ONE GREAT
23 GRANDCHILD. DR. COGAN, WAS A YOUNG MAN AND WAS A GOOD FRIEND
24 OF OUR FAMILY'S. DR. LAURENCE LOGAN, A DOCTOR WHO SERVED IN
25 THE UNITED STATES ARMY AFTER GRADUATING FROM STANFORD



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1 UNIVERSITY WITH HIS MEDICAL DEGREE. HE THEN WAS IN CHARGE OF
2 THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE AT HEIDELBERG, GERMANY, WHERE HE
3 WAS THEN CHIEF OF CLINICAL RESEARCH IN SAN FRANCISCO AND THEN
4 WAS WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SCHOOL OF
5 MEDICINE, HUNTINGTON HOSPITAL AND SERVED AS DIRECTOR OF THE
6 ORTHOPEDIC HOSPITAL IN LOS ANGELES. ELIZABETH JACKSON LARGENT,
7 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 65 FROM THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WHERE
8 SHE WAS INVOLVED. GEORGE THROOP, WHO MANAGED FOR OVER 50 YEARS
9 THE COMPANY HIS FATHER STARTED, GEORGE THROOP BUILDING
10 MATERIALS COMPANY, AND ALSO SERVED 50 YEARS AS A MEMBER OF THE
11 TOURNAMENT OF ROSES ASSOCIATION. AND IN 1988, HE WAS NAMED AN
12 HONORARY DIRECTOR. JOHN SHARP, DEPUTY SHERIFF RETIRED, PASSED
13 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 82. DONALD PLATZ, PASSED AWAY ON APRIL
14 16TH, RESIDENT OF GLENDALE, LEAVES HIS WIFE, CAROL, AND
15 FAMILY. CHARLES DAHL MARLER, LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF WHERE
16 HE SERVED IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
17 AND PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84. WENDY TALARICO WHO WAS THE
18 COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGER AT OUR COUNTY'S
19 FAIRPLEX AND SHE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE INTERNAL
20 COMMUNICATIONS AND SAT ON MANY OF THE COMMUNITY COMMITTEES
21 SERVING AS THE GIRL SCOUT LEADER FOR HER DAUGHTER'S TROOP.
22 DALE LLOYD COBERLY, SPENT 14 YEARS WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
23 PROBATION DEPARTMENT, PROBATION CAMPS WHERE HE RETIRED IN 1984
24 AND HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 86.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM 44.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM 44.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS THE SOLID WASTE CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY
8 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS HAS BEEN COMMENDED FOR
9 THEIR EFFORTS TO EXPAND THE USE OF CONVERSION TECHNOLOGIES
10 WHICH DIVERT TRASH FROM OUR LANDFILLS, AND BY DOING THIS,
11 WE'RE ABLE TO IMPACT OUR SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES BY
12 ELIMINATING THOSE TRASH-HAULING TRUCKS GOING IN AND OUT, DAY
13 IN AND DAY OUT, DISRUPTING OUR COMMUNITIES AND POLLUTING OUR
14 AIR. THE ISSUE IS VERY IMPORTANT BECAUSE WE HAVE MANY
15 LANDFILLS IN THE GLENDALE, GRENADA HILLS, LANCASTER, PALMDALE
16 AND VAL VERDE, AND OUR COUNTY IS EAGER TO PARTNER WITH OUR
17 COLLEAGUES IN INCORPORATED CITIES SUCH AS GLENDALE, LANCASTER
18 THAT HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY, SO
19 WE'RE VERY OPTIMISTIC IN LOOKING TOWARD PHASE FOUR OF THIS
20 PROGRAM WHICH WILL FOCUS ON THE DEVELOPING CONVERSION
21 TECHNOLOGIES WITHIN THE COUNTY, AND I BELIEVE THERE ARE SOME
22 PEOPLE HERE TO SPEAK ON THAT ITEM FROM THE CITIES.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS AS WELL, TOO.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE HAVE AN AMENDMENT, AND WE HAVE ABOUT 12
2 SPEAKERS TO SPEAK.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I DON'T KNOW IF THEY WANT TO SPEAK OR IF JUST
5 STAND UP.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** DO YOU ALL WANT TO SPEAK? YOU'RE ALL IN
8 FAVOR OF THIS ITEM. I GUESS THEY DO. LET'S BEGIN WITH WAYDE
9 HUNTER. IF YOU WOULD LIMIT YOUR COMMENTS TO A FEW MINUTES,
10 WE'D APPRECIATE IT. KAREN BERTRAM, CHIP CLEMENTS, PLEASE JOIN
11 US. JAMES BINDER. PLEASE PROCEED, SIR.

12

13 **WAYDE HUNTER:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS WAYDE HUNTER. I'M
14 PRESIDENT OF THE NORTH VALLEY COALITION OF CONCERNS CITIZENS,
15 INC. I'M HERE TODAY TO ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS ITEM. I'D
16 LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD AND ITS WISDOM. IT CHOSE TO APPOINT
17 SOME CITIZENS TO REPRESENT THE AREA'S MOST AFFECTED BY
18 LANDFILLS, WHICH WE ALL BELIEVE ARE ARCHAIC AND THERE'S AN
19 UNDUE RELIANCE ON THESE LANDFILLS. AND SO WE THINK THAT THIS
20 REPRESENTS THE BEST WAY FOR US TO GET OUT OF THE LAND FILLING
21 BUSINESS; THAT IT WILL RESULT IN CLEANING UP OUR AIR,
22 PROVIDING GREEN JOBS, ET CETERA. SO WE REALLY THINK THIS IS A
23 GREAT THING FOR THE COUNTY AND ALSO FOR THE STATE AS WELL. I
24 THINK IT WILL PUT US ON THE CUTTING EDGE AND ALLOW US TO
25 PARTICIPATE WITH THESE DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS AND GET IN ON



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1 THE RULE-MAKING, THE CONDITIONS ON THINGS THAT WILL APPLIED IN
2 THE FUTURE BY THE STATE. SO AGAIN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
3 ALLOWING OUR ORGANIZATION TO PARTICIPATE ON THE ALTERNATE
4 TECHNOLOGIES ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MISS BERTRAM.

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8 **KAREN BERTRAM:** I'M KAREN BERTRAM WITH ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS.
9 I APPRECIATE THE CHANCE TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THIS CONVERSION
10 TECHNOLOGIES. WE FIND THAT WITH THE LANDFILLS WE HAVE TO
11 REDUCE ZERO WASTE AND WITH THESE CONVERSION TECHNOLOGIES, I
12 BELIEVE THAT WE CAN SEE BENEFICIAL USE OF OUR WASTE FOR FUELS
13 AND ENERGY. IN ADDITION, WE CAN START TO LOOK TOWARD
14 GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION THAT'S CAUSED BY THE TRANSPORTATION
15 OF THE WASTE TO THE HAULS TO THE LANDFILLS. I ACTUALLY
16 REPRESENT A CONVERSION TECHNOLOGIES BUT I EMBRACE ALL
17 CONVERSION TECHNOLOGIES AS A WAY. AS WE NOTICED IN THE "NEW
18 YORK TIMES", THAT THE U.S. IS LAGGING BEHIND EUROPE IN THESE
19 INITIATIVES, BUT I SEE THAT LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS CERTAINLY
20 TAKEN THE FIRST STEPS TO SHOW THE REST OF THE UNITED STATES
21 THAT WE ARE VERY PROACTIVE IN LOOKING AT A BETTER WAY TO
22 HANDLE OUR WASTE, AND I APPRECIATE THE MOMENT TO SAY THIS.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. CLEMENTS.

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1 **CHIP CLEMENTS:** YES. MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, MY
2 NAME IS CHIP CLEMENTS FROM CLEMENTS ENVIRONMENTAL, I'M A LOS
3 ANGELES-BASED CONSULTANT AND I'M PART OF THE A.R.I. CONSULTING
4 TEAM THAT WOULD BE WORKING WITH YOU ON THIS PROJECT. I'VE
5 SPENT 35 YEARS IN WHAT WE AFFECTIONATELY CALL GARBAGE
6 ENGINEERING, AND THE LAST TEN OF THOSE WORKING IN THESE NEW
7 CONVERSION TECHNOLOGIES THAT WILL CONVERT OUR RESIDUAL SOLID
8 WASTE AND THE RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY AND FUELS. AND YOU'RE NOT
9 ALONE IN THIS. I'VE WORKED ON PROJECTS RIGHT NOW FROM
10 SACRAMENTO ALL THE WAY DOWN TO SAN DIEGO, INCLUDING THE RENEW
11 L.A. PROJECT WITH COUNCILMAN SMITH THAT CALLED FOR SEVEN OF
12 THESE TYPES OF FACILITIES WITHIN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. AND
13 ALSO YOU ARE NOT ALONE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES WITH FOUR
14 OTHER CITIES ALREADY STEPPING FORWARD SAYING THEY WANT TO
15 PARTNER WITH THE COUNTY IN DEVELOPING PROJECTS IN THEIR AREAS
16 AND THAT INCLUDES LONG BEACH, CALABASAS, GLENDALE, AND
17 LANCASTER. FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
18 ON DOWN, THE CALL FOR THIS RENEWABLE HOMEGROWN ENERGY IS LOUD
19 AND CLEAR, AS IS OUR NEED TO REDUCE OUR CARBON EMISSIONS
20 RELATED TO GLOBAL WARMING. WITH THIS PROJECT, YOU'RE IN THE
21 VANGUARD IN MEETING THESE CHALLENGES AND IN ESTABLISHING THIS
22 NEW PARADIGM OF RECOVERY OF MATERIALS AND ENERGY AND I URGE
23 YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS PROJECT. THANK YOU.
24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. IF WE COULD HAVE JAMES
2 BINDER JOIN US. THANK YOU. BEFORE YOU BEGIN, MR. BINDER, I
3 HAVE MARK MCDANNEL, PETER ZORBA, AND MIGUEL ZERMENO. PLEASE
4 PROCEED, SIR.

5

6 **JAMES BINDER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR MOLINA. MY NAME IS JIM
7 BINDER FROM ALTERNATIVE RESOURCES. I'M A PRINCIPAL IN THE
8 FIRM. WE'VE BEEN ASSISTING THE COUNTY AS IT EVALUATES THESE
9 TECHNOLOGIES TO INCREASE RECYCLING AND PRODUCE RENEWABLE FUELS
10 AND RENEWABLE ENERGY TO THE BENEFIT OF THE CITIZENS OF THE
11 COUNTY. I'D LIKE TO COMMEND THE COUNTY FOR BEING A LEADER WITH
12 THESE TECHNOLOGIES. AS I LOOK BACK ON THE HISTORY, I THINK THE
13 COUNTY'S BEEN INVOLVED FOR SOME TEN YEARS NOW IN EVALUATING
14 THESE TECHNOLOGIES, AND THE POINT I'D LIKE TO MAKE FROM BEING
15 OUTSIDE OF CALIFORNIA IS THAT YOUR WORK HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED
16 NATIONALLY AND YOU'RE TO BE COMMENDED FOR THAT. IT'S BEEN
17 RECOGNIZED BY COMMUNITIES IN MASSACHUSETTS THAT ARE TRYING TO
18 DO PROJECTS, BY THE CITY OF NEW YORK, BY COMMUNITIES IN
19 FLORIDA AS WELL AS BY MANY OTHER COUNTIES IN CALIFORNIA, SO,
20 AGAIN, I COMMEND YOU FOR THAT EFFORT AND RECOGNIZE, PLEASE,
21 THAT YOUR WORK HERE HAS PROVIDED THE INFORMATION AND HAS
22 PROVIDED AN INCENTIVE THAT HAS SPURRED INTEREST AND SPURRED
23 PROJECTS AROUND THE COUNTRY. SO WE LOOK FORWARD TO BEING PART
24 OF THE PHASE THREE AND PHASE FOUR EFFORT HERE IN THE COUNTY TO
25 BRING BOTH DEMONSTRATION FACILITIES AND PARTICULARLY



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1 COMMERCIAL FACILITIES ONLINE WITHIN THE CITY-- OR, EXCUSE ME,
2 WITHIN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. MARK MCDANNEL.

5

6 **MARK MCDANNEL:** GOOD MORNING, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MOLINA. MY
7 NAME IS MARK MCDANNEL. I'M A SUPERVISING ENGINEER WITH THE LOS
8 ANGELES COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS AND HAVE BEEN PART OF THE
9 COUNTY'S ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE FOR
10 SEVERAL YEARS. I JUST TO TO SAY THAT WE AT THE COUNTY ARE GLAD
11 AND PROUD TO SUPPORT THIS PROGRAM AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING
12 WITH IT AS WE DEVELOP THESE DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. MR. ZORBA.

15

16 **PETER ZORBA:** YES, GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
17 BOARD. I'M PETER ZORBA. I'M THE ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER FOR THE
18 CITY OF LANCASTER. ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF LANCASTER, I WISH
19 TO EXPRESS OUR ENTHUSIASM AND SUPPORT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF
20 CONVERSION TECHNOLOGIES IN THE CITY AND IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
21 ANGELES AND IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY IN PARTICULAR. AS A LEADER
22 OF RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP,
23 LANCASTER ADVOCATES LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION OF CONVERSION
24 TECHNOLOGIES THAT WILL CONVERT MUNICIPAL WASTE INTO RENEWABLE
25 ENERGIES, BIOFUELS AND ENHANCED LANDFILL DIVERSION EFFORTS.



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1 THE CITY APPLAUDS THE COUNTY'S EFFORTS TO EVALUATE AND PROMOTE
2 DEVELOPMENT OF CONVERSION TECHNOLOGIES THAT _____ LANDFILL
3 DISPOSAL, CREATE GREEN COLLAR JOBS AND UTILIZE MATERIAL IN AN
4 ENVIRONMENTALLY RESPONSIBLE AND BENEFICIAL MANNER LOCALLY. WE
5 LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUE THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH COUNTY
6 OF LOS ANGELES TO ENSURE DEVELOPMENT OF CONVERSION
7 TECHNOLOGIES IN LANCASTER. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. BEFORE I CALL ON MR. ZERMENO,
10 IF I COULD HAVE STEVE ZURN JOIN US, TERI COHAN LINK AND BRUCE
11 SHUMANN. MR. ZERMENO.

12

13 **MIGUEL ZERMENO:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
14 MY NAME IS MIGUEL ZERMENO, AND I'M WITH THE CITY OF LOS
15 ANGELES BUREAU OF SANITATION, THE PROJECT MANAGER FOR
16 ALTERNATE TECHNOLOGIES. YOUR APPROVAL TO THIS MEMORANDUM OF
17 UNDERSTANDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF CONVERSION TECHNOLOGIES
18 TO FURTHER THE DEVELOPMENT OF SOLID WASTE ALTERNATIVES TO
19 LANDFILL IS CRITICAL TO OUR STATE OF CALIFORNIA. YOUR PROVEN
20 SUPPORT WILL HELP OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES TO SERIOUSLY
21 CONSIDER CONVERSION TECHNOLOGIES AS ALTERNATIVES TO LANDFILL.
22 I WILL ALSO WOULD LIKE TO APPLAUD THE GREAT WORK DONE BY THE
23 COUNTY STAFF LIKE PAT SOPRANO, CARLOS REED, SAK CHANG, TOBY
24 MITCHELL AND ANGELICA SANTAMARIA, WHICH THEY HAVE DONE IN THE
25 PAST FEW YEARS. AND FINALLY, YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU A SOLUTION TO



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1 OUR LANDFILL PROBLEM THAT WE HAVE HERE NOT ONLY IN THE COUNTY
2 BUT IN OTHER COUNTIES AROUND OUR AREA. ONCE AGAIN, YOUR
3 APPROVAL OF THIS MEMORANDUM WILL BE CRITICAL TO OUR FUTURE OF
4 SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. MR. ZURN.

7

8 **STEVE ZURN:** MADAME PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, MY NAME
9 IS STEVE ZURN, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR THE CITY OF
10 GLENDALE, AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF GLENDALE, I WANT TO
11 COMPLIMENT, THANK THE BOARD AND THE PUBLIC WORKS STAFF OF L.A.
12 COUNTY FOR THEIR YEOMAN'S EFFORT IN PURSUING THIS ALTERNATIVE
13 WASTE DISPOSAL TECHNOLOGIES. AS THE OWNER OF A LANDFILL, WE
14 UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF HAVING WASTE DISPOSAL CAPACITY
15 AND WE KNOW THAT RESOURCE THAT WE CURRENTLY HAVE IS FINITE, SO
16 WE NEED TO BEGIN TO LOOK AT OTHER ALTERNATIVES FOR OUR WASTE
17 DISPOSAL, NOT ONLY FOR THE CITIZENS OF GLENDALE, BUT OUR
18 SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES THAT MAKE UP OUR WASTE SHED. AGAIN, I
19 THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO COME BEFORE YOU. GLENDALE
20 CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THIS. MATTER OF FACT, I GO TONIGHT TO THE
21 COUNCIL TO GIVE THEM AN UPDATE AND I EXPECT WE'LL CONTINUE OUR
22 SUPPORT IN LOOKING AT DEVELOPING A PROGRAM FOR OURSELVES,
23 PARTNERING WITH THE COUNTY IN A PILOT PROGRAM, WHATEVER IT
24 TAKES. I THINK THIS IS CRITICAL FOR US AND THE DISPOSAL NEEDS



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1 OF OUR RESIDENTS AND RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY IN THE FUTURE.

2 THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. COULD WE ALSO HAVE PAUL
5 RELIS AS WELL AS GABRIEL WEEKS JOIN US. MISS LINK.

6

7 **TERI COHAN LINK:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
8 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. WE WANT TO-- MY NAME IS TERRY COHAN
9 LINK. I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF ARROW ECOLOGY FOR
10 YOUR VISIONARY PARADIGM SHIFT, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE NEED FOR
11 CONVERSION TECHNOLOGIES TO HELP US REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS,
12 REDUCE LANDFILL AND, MOST IMPORTANTLY, TO BEGIN TO UNDERSTAND
13 THAT OUR WASTE IS A RESOURCE THAT WE CAN RECOVER AND USE IN
14 MUCH MORE BENEFICIAL WAYS. THANK YOU AND THANK THE PUBLIC
15 WORKS FOR THE HARD, HARD EFFORTS YOU HAVE MADE TO CARRY THIS
16 FORWARD. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** MR. SHUMANN.

19

20 **BRUCE SHUMAN:** MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THANK YOU.
21 MY NAME IS BRUCE SHUMAN. I'M CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF
22 RAINBOW DISPOSAL COMPANY. WE ARE ONE OF THE PILOT PROJECTS
23 UNDER THIS ITEM. AND THIS ITEM AND WHAT'S GOING ON ALLOWS FOR
24 THE PUBLIC POLICY FOR REFUSE TO COME IN LINE WITH THE NEXT
25 GENERATION OF TECHNOLOGIES. THESE CONVERSION TECHNOLOGIES



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1 CURRENTLY DO NOT FIT WITHIN MOST OF THE REGULATORY FRAMEWORK,
2 MAKING IT VERY DIFFICULT TO PERMIT AND TO ALLOW THIS KIND OF
3 NEW TECHNOLOGY TO COME FORWARD, AND BY APPROVING THIS PROJECT,
4 IT WILL ENABLE AND ALLOW OR PROVIDE A PATHWAY, NOT NECESSARILY
5 DIRECTLY, BUT THROUGH ITS EFFORTS, WILL ALLOW THAT PATHWAY TO
6 BE CLEARED SO THAT THIS NEXT GENERATION OF TECHNOLOGY CAN GO
7 FORWARD AND WE CAN SEE THESE GREEN TECHNOLOGIES THAT THE OTHER
8 SPEAKERS AND THE KIND OF POLICIES THESE OTHER SPEAKERS ARE
9 TALKING ABOUT TO MOVE FORWARD, AND SO I THANK YOU FOR YOUR
10 VISION AND URGE YOUR SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

11
12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. RELIS.

13
14 **PAUL RELIS:** MADAME CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBERS, MY NAME'S PAUL
15 RELIS. I'M SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF C.R.& R., ONE OF THE
16 PROJECTS IN THIS GROUPING. WE ARE A 46-YEAR-OLD PRIVATELY HELD
17 COMPANY THAT SERVES ABOUT 40 COMMUNITIES IN SOUTHERN
18 CALIFORNIA AND TWO AND A HALF MILLION PEOPLE. WE'VE BEEN
19 INVESTIGATING THESE TECHNOLOGIES FOR OVER TEN YEARS AND WE
20 HAVE RESOLVED OUR PATH AHEAD AND WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE
21 SUPPORT AND THE LEADERSHIP THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS
22 SHOWING. I WAS A FORMER MEMBER OF THE CALIFORNIA INTEGRATED
23 WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD, SO I OVERSAW THE SOLID WASTE RECYCLING
24 FOR CALIFORNIA FOR ABOUT SEVEN YEARS. THIS IS THE FUTURE THAT
25 WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE, AND YOU'RE GIVING IT JUST THE KIND



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1 OF LEADERSHIP AND IMPETUS THAT IT NEEDS AT THIS TIME. THANK
2 YOU.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MISS WEEKS.

5

6 **GABRIELLE WEEKS:** HI THERE. MY NAME IS GABRIELLE WEEKS, AND
7 I'VE LIVED IN L.A. COUNTY FOR ABOUT TEN YEARS. I LIVE IN LONG
8 BEACH RIGHT NOW, ONE OF YOUR CONSTITUENTS. I MOVED HERE FROM
9 ANOTHER AREA WHERE WE HAD BUILT OUR LANDFILL WITH THE BEST
10 TECHNOLOGY AVAILABLE AT THE TIME AND IT BECAME A SUPER FUND
11 SITE, SO WE NEED TO IMPROVE ON LANDFILLS. PEOPLE HAVE BEEN
12 TALKING ABOUT A LOT OF THINGS LIKE GREEN JOBS. THOSE ARE
13 GREAT, BUT WE ALSO NEED TO BE MINDFUL THAT WE NEED TO BE
14 THINKING OF OUR FUTURE, NOT JUST JOBS FOR TODAY, BUT OUR
15 FUTURE, ARE WE GOING TO HAVE MORE SUPER FUND SITES FROM
16 LINKING LANDFILLS IN THE FUTURE OR ARE WE GOING TO HAVE A
17 SOURCE OF POWER WHERE WE'RE NOT JUST DUMPING STUFF ON THE
18 GROUND AND WE'RE REALLY RETRIEVING AND RECYCLING AT A
19 MOLECULAR LEVEL. AND I'VE GONE AND LOOKED AT WHAT ALL OF THESE
20 CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY SITES ARE. I WENT TO ISRAEL AND ALL
21 THESE PLACES AND I TALKED TO A LOT OF THE COMMUNITY GROUPS
22 THERE, BECAUSE I WANTED TO KNOW MORE THAN JUST THE SCIENCE. I
23 WANTED TO KNOW HOW THE NEIGHBORS FELT ABOUT IT, AND EVERYWHERE
24 I WENT, I COULDN'T FIND ANYBODY WHO WAS CONCERNED OR SAID IT
25 WAS-- IT HAD POLLUTION OR SOOT OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT, SO THE



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1 PEOPLE EVERYWHERE I'D GONE AND LOOKED AT THESE THREE WERE
2 REALLY COMFORTABLE WITH THEM, SO I'M HOPEFUL THAT WE'RE GOING
3 TO HAVE SOME OF THOSE MAYBE WHERE THE SURF IS IN LONG BEACH,
4 I'D LOVE TO HAVE MY OWN CITY BE THE HOST OF ONE OF THESE
5 CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY SITES NOW THAT, YOU KNOW, BECAUSE L.A.
6 COUNTY IS SO, SO BIG. WE MAKE SO MUCH TRASH, WE NEED TO REALLY
7 USE THAT TRASH AS A RESOURCE INSTEAD OF JUST FINDING FARAWAY
8 PLACES TO DRIVE IT TO AND THINGS LIKE THAT, SO THANK YOU FOR
9 THIS STUDY AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR PROACTIVE LOOK AT WHAT WE'RE
10 GOING TO DO, NOT JUST IN ONE OR TWO YEARS, BUT IN 20 AND 30
11 YEARS, SO THAT WE CAN REALLY LEAVE THE NEXT GENERATION A GOOD
12 CLEAN SOURCE OF AIR AND WATER AND GREEN JOBS. THANK YOU. OH,
13 I'M WITH THE COALITION FOR A SAFE ENVIRONMENT, LONG BEACH.
14 WE'RE AN ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMUNITY GROUP.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. DON, DID
17 YOU WANT TO SPEAK? I KNOW ZEV HAS A MOTION.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH. I JUST HAD SOME QUESTIONS FOR THE STAFF.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME JUST MAKE THE AMENDMENT THEN. I'M
22 JUST GOING TO READ THE RESOLVE AND MAKE IT QUICKER. "I MOVE
23 THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
24 WORKS TO, A, IN COORDINATION WITH APPROPRIATE STAKEHOLDERS
25 INCLUDING THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS AND OTHER



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1 APPROPRIATE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS ASSESS THE FEASIBILITY OF
2 DEVELOPING CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY FACILITY AT ONE OR MORE
3 COUNTY LANDFILLS AND B, REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD WITHIN SIX
4 MONTHS WITH ITS FINDINGS REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A
5 CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY FACILITY AT A COUNTY LANDFILL AND
6 IDENTIFYING OTHER POTENTIAL SUITABLE SITES WITHIN LOS ANGELES
7 COUNTY."

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT SORT OF ANSWERS MY-- THE QUESTION I HAD,
10 OBVIOUSLY, IS WHY HAS IT BEEN SO DIFFICULT TO FIND
11 DEMONSTRATION SITES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY?

12

13 **PAT PROBANO:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
14 I'M PAT PROBANO, ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR ENVIRONMENTAL
15 PROGRAMS DIVISION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. WITH ME
16 IS SCOBIE SKYE, THE PROJECT MANAGER FOR THE CONVERSION
17 TECHNOLOGY PROJECT. SUPERVISOR, WE INVITED ALL THE M.E.R.F.
18 OPERATORS AND OWNERS IN L.A. COUNTY TO JOIN THE PROCESS. THIS
19 WAS PHASE ONE OF THE PROCESS. INITIALLY WE HAD THREE SITES
20 THAT WERE POTENTIAL DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS, BUT FOR ONE REASON
21 OR THE OTHER, THEY JUST DID NOT MEET THE CRITERIA. NOW, OUR
22 FULL INTENTION IS TO HAVE A SITE HERE-- A SITE OR MANY SITES
23 IN L.A. COUNTY. THESE DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS ARE PILOT
24 PROJECTS FOR US TO JUST COLLECT DATA AND LEARN ABOUT ALL THE
25 PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS SO THAT ONCE WE COME TO L.A. COUNTY,



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1 WE'LL HAVE SOLID INFORMATION, VALIDATED INFORMATION, TO
2 PRESENT THE PROJECT TO YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** BECAUSE I GUESS MY CONCERN WOULD BE BY SUPPORTING
5 SOME OF THESE OUT OF COUNTY PROJECTS, IT'S NOT GOING TO IMPACT
6 OUR ABILITY TO BE A FRONT RUNNER IN ALL OF THIS. IS THAT
7 CORRECT?

8

9 **PAT PROBANO:** THAT'S CORRECT.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ANY OTHER QUESTION OR COMMENT?
14 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, I SIMPLY WANTED TO TAKE THE
17 OPPORTUNITY TO ACKNOWLEDGE PUBLIC WORKS FOR THE WORK THAT'S
18 BEING DONE ON THIS PARTICULAR MATTER. IT IS, SIMPLY STATED,
19 IMPORTANT. BEYOND THAT, IT IS INNOVATIVE AND I THINK IT HAS
20 IMPLICATIONS NOT ONLY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF OUR ENVIRONMENTAL
21 AGENDA, BUT INDEED IT HAS IMPLICATIONS FOR OUR MANAGEMENT OF
22 OUR RESOURCES, FISCAL BEING UPPERMOST IN THIS EQUATION, BUT
23 BEYOND THAT, I THINK IT MAKES US BETTER STEWARDS AND SO MY HAT
24 IS OFF TO THE LEAD PEOPLE ON THIS AND WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR
25 WORK.



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1

2 **PAT PROBANO:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. THIS IS EARTH WEEK, AND WE
3 COULDN'T THINK OF A BETTER PROJECT TO BRING TO YOUR BOARD FOR
4 YOUR CONSIDERATION.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE THANK THE DEPARTMENT AND WE NEED TO
7 CONTINUE TO STRUGGLE TO FIND THESE LOCATIONS AND HOPEFULLY WE
8 WILL WITH THIS AMENDMENT. GOOD JOB.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GOOD JOB.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. I THINK THAT, WITH
13 THAT--

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** CAN WE MOVE IT?

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO. IT NEEDS TO BE MOVED BY YAROSLAVSKY,
18 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** AS AMENDED.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AS AMENDED, OF COURSE.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 47.

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OKAY. 47. DO YOU WANT TO START WITH THE
2 SPEAKER? THIS HAS BEEN HELD BY MR. SACHS, IF YOU WANT TO JOIN
3 US. AND IF YOU'D ALSO SPEAK ON 1-P, 8, 11, 28, 36, 47, 54, AND
4 C.S.-2.

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS.
7 ANTI-FRAUD EFFORTS BROUGHT BY THE COUNTY'S DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
8 WHICH IS A WONDERFUL IDEA, MAYBE THEY CAN SPARE A LITTLE TIME
9 TO LOOK INTO SOME OF THE FRAUD THAT GOES ON AT METRO, THAT
10 WOULD BE A WONDERFUL STEP. I MEAN, YOU MIGHT HAVE READ IN THE
11 NEWS WHERE OBAMA WANTS TO GET TO MARS. THAT'S THE-- LAND A MAN
12 ON MARS. HE'S PROVIDING \$6 BILLION. THERE'S A NUMBER TO SHOOT
13 FOR FOR METRO. WE'LL GO BACK TO THERE.1-P. IT SAYS 84,000 IN
14 COUNTY EXCESS FUNDS AVAILABLE TO THE FIRST DISTRICT. DOES EACH
15 DISTRICT HAVE AVAILABLE FUNDS LIKE THIS, EXCESS FUNDS? WHAT
16 WOULD BE THE TOTAL AMOUNT? AND WOULD THAT BE DIFFERENT FROM
17 THE DISCRETIONARY FUNDS THAT WERE TALKED ABOUT IN THE
18 NEWSPAPER REGARDING, YOU KNOW, LIKE EMAIL ACCOUNTS OR WEB
19 SITES OR WHATEVER YOU USE YOUR DISCRETIONARY FUNDS, AND SO IS
20 THIS EXCESS FUNDS, EXCESS FUNDS IN ADDITION TO DISCRETIONARY
21 FUNDS, AND THERE'S A PROCEDURAL GUIDE THAT YOU FOLLOW? THERE'S
22 A LAUGH. ITEM NUMBER 8, COMMISSIONERS' LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE.
23 THAT'S ANOTHER OXYMORON HERE. WELL, MAYBE NOT, BECAUSE IT
24 DOESN'T SAY ELECTED LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE. METRO
25 TRANSPORTATION, ITEM NUMBER 11, MEASURE OUR TAXPAYERS'



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1 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. WILL THIS JUDGE BE INVITED TO GO TO ANY
2 BLUE LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY MEETINGS NOW THAT THEY'VE
3 GOTTEN THE MONEY FROM METRO TO BUILD THE GOLD LINE? IT
4 CERTAINLY WOULD BE A WONDERFUL IDEA TO HAVE THEM GO TO A BLUE
5 LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY MEETING. I KNOW THE GOLD LINE
6 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY MEETS BECAUSE THEY PUT OUT FLYERS AND
7 THEY PUT OUT INFORMATION, BUT I HAVE YET TO HEAR OF A BLUE
8 LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY MEETING. AND THE FOOTHILL
9 EXTENSION'S FIRST NEW MEASURE, ACCORDING TO THIS FLIER, THEY
10 GOT \$810 MILLION BETWEEN METRO AND THE METRO GOLD LINE
11 FOOTHILL EXTENSION CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY, YET METRO'S OWN
12 INFORMATION GUIDE SAYS PLANNING AGREEMENT BETWEEN METRO,
13 M.T.A. TO FINALIZE AGREEMENTS WITH THE PASADENA METRO BLUE
14 LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. I KNOW THAT THEY'RE THE SAME. AS
15 A MATTER OF FACT, THERE WAS A SMALL LITTLE ARTICLE IN THE L.A.
16 TIMES BUSINESS SECTION, YOU MIGHT HAVE READ. IT WAS IN
17 FRIDAY'S EDITION. AN ORANGE COUNTY JUDGE HELD THAT TEMPORARY
18 RESTRAINING ORDER BY A FEDERAL JUDGE IN LOS ANGELES TO FREEZE
19 THE ASSETS OF RICHARD NICHOLS OF DANA POINT AND THREE SANTA
20 ANA COMPANIES, INNOVATIVE ADVISORY SERVICES INCORPORATED,
21 INNOVATIVE SERVICES AND INLAND-- ISLAND TRADER. IMAGINE THAT,
22 INNOVATIVE ADVISORY SERVICES INCORPORATED AND INNOVATIVE
23 ADVISORY SERVICES ARE TWO SEPARATE COMPANIES WITH THE EXACT
24 SAME NAME. YET--

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WHILE YOUR COMMENTS ARE VERY, VERY
2 THOUGHTFUL, DO YOU WANT TO SUMMARIZE? THANK YOU.

3

4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THE BLUE LINE AND THE GOLD LINE ARE EXACTLY ONE
5 PROJECT. YEAH, I KNOW. I JUST RAN OUT OF TIME.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YEAH. THANK YOU, SIR.

8

9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU, MA'AM.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH MOVES 1-
12 P, 8, 11, 28, 36, 47, 54, AND C.S.-2. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION,
13 SO ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MADAME CHAIR, ON ITEM NUMBER 15, ARNOLD
16 SACHS WAS HOLDING THAT, BUT HE'S RELEASED HIS HOLD, SO IF WE
17 COULD GET APPROVAL ON THAT ITEM.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 15, SO MOVED. ALL RIGHT. ON THAT, NO
20 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM. ALL RIGHT.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NUMBER 63.

23



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM 63. THIS IS THE BUDGET. DO YOU WANT
2 TO DO THE BUDGET NOW? OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE A COUPLE OTHER
3 ITEMS.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY, ITEM 12.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM 12.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON ITEM 12, RELATIVE IS SEEKING CRIME
10 PERPETUATED AGAINST A HOMELESS INDIVIDUAL AS A HATE CRIME
11 RATHER THAN AN INDIVIDUAL'S CRIME AGAINST ANOTHER. MY PROBLEM
12 WITH THIS IS THAT WE HAVE LAWS TO PREVENT THESE TYPES OF
13 VIOLENT ACTS. THE REAL PROBLEM THAT WE HAVE IS A CRIME IS THE
14 STATE LEGISLATURE'S FAILURE TO ADOPT LEGISLATION THAT WOULD
15 ALLOW THE HOMELESS TO HAVE MEDICAL TREATMENT TO PROTECT THEM
16 FROM DANGER TO THEMSELVES OR ENDANGERING OTHER PEOPLE, AND
17 THAT TYPE OF LEGISLATION REQUIRING MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR THOSE
18 THAT ARE MENTALLY ILL AND MOST OF THE PEOPLE WHO ARE HOMELESS
19 HAVE MENTAL ILLNESS OR A SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROBLEM AND THAT'S
20 THE LONG-TERM SOLUTION IN SOLVING THAT PROBLEM IS NOT BY
21 WAREHOUSING THEM WITHOUT HEALING, AND START SERVING THE
22 HOMELESS COMPASSIONATELY BY FUNDAMENTALLY REFORMING OUR
23 STATE'S MENTAL HEALTH LAWS. THE L.A. HOMELESS SERVICES
24 AUTHORITY CENSUS FIGURES REVEAL THAT THERE WAS A CLEAR
25 MAJORITY OF THE COUNTY'S 50,000 HOMELESS WHO ARE CHRONICALLY



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1 HOMELESS BECAUSE THEY ARE MENTALLY ILL AND SUFFERING FROM
2 SUBSTANCE ABUSE DISORDERS. WITHOUT MANDATORY MEDICAL
3 STABILIZATION, MANY OF THE CHRONICALLY HOMELESS CANNOT
4 SUCCESSFULLY TRANSITION FROM THE STREETS DIRECTLY INTO
5 PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE INDEPENDENT LIVING ARRANGEMENTS, AND THIS
6 LEGISLATION, WHILE WELL INTENTIONED, IS REALLY MEANINGLESS
7 BECAUSE WHAT IS NEEDED IS MANDATORY MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR
8 THESE INDIVIDUALS, SO I'M NOT GOING TO SUPPORT THIS
9 LEGISLATION, BUT WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT OUR EFFORTS TO
10 REQUIRE MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR THOSE WHO ARE HOMELESS.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FIFTEEN SECONDS TO SAY THAT THIS IS A BILL
13 THAT'S SPAWNED OUT OF A NUMBER OF INCIDENTS THAT WE'VE HAD IN
14 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND BEYOND, WHERE CLEARLY THERE'S BEEN A
15 HATE CRIME ELEMENT TO THE ATTACKS THAT IN SOME CASES HAVE
16 RESULTED IN MURDER TO HOMELESS PERSONS WHO FIND THEMSELVES,
17 FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER, ON THE STREETS OF OUR STATE AND IN
18 OUR COUNTY, SO THIS BILL HAS THE SUPPORT OF A LOT OF
19 ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE IN THE HUMAN SERVICE FIELD AND THE
20 COUNTY SHOULD SUPPORT THIS EFFORT. I MOVE IT.

21
22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MR. SACHS? HE'S COMING UP. MR.
23 SACHS? YOU SIGNED UP ON THIS ITEM.



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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES. THANK YOU AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS. I APPRECIATE
2 THE FACT THAT YOU'RE LOOKING OUT FOR THE HOMELESS, BUT WITH
3 THE CUTBACKS IN COURT OPERATIONS, THE DIMINISHED HOURS AT THE
4 COURTHOUSES, THE REDUCTION IN STAFFS AND THE FURLOUGHS OF
5 EMPLOYEES, IN THE REALITY OF THINGS, JUST WHERE AND WHEN AND
6 WHO WILL GUIDE THESE PEOPLE THROUGH THE COURT SYSTEM? BECAUSE
7 PEOPLE ARE BEING NOTIFIED, PEOPLE ARE LEARNING OR HEARING THAT
8 SMALL CLAIMS COURT CASES COULD BE A YEAR OLD, TWO YEARS OLD,
9 AND CASES THAT ARE IN THE SYSTEM NOW, BECAUSE OF THE BUDGETARY
10 CRISIS, THEIR HEARING TIMES HAVE BEEN EXTENDED, SO YOU HAVE A
11 PLAN TO HAVE THESE PEOPLE MOVE THROUGH THE SYSTEM IN A
12 RELATIVELY SAFE AND SANE MANNER AS WELL AS YOUR APPRECIATING
13 THEIR SITUATION. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. IT'S BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED.
16 IS THERE ANY OBJECTION?

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ABSTAIN.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU'RE ABSTAINING. OKAY. WITH MIKE,
21 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH ABSTAINING, WITH THAT, SO ORDERED. ALL
22 RIGHT.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ITEM NUMBER 4.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ITEM 4.

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE QUESTIONS I'D LIKE TO ASK OUR C.E.O. IS
4 RELATIVE TO THIS LEASE AGREEMENT, COULD YOU IDENTIFY WHERE THE
5 LOCATION OF THIS PROPERTY IS?

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7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** FOR NUMBER FOUR WILL BE THE GENERAL HOSPITAL,
8 NOT THE NEW FACILITY, BUT THE FACILITY, THE OLD GENERAL
9 HOSPITAL.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE OLD GENERAL HOSPITAL OR A NEW FACILITY.

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

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, THE OLD HOSPITAL OR NEAR THE OLD
16 HOSPITAL.

17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE OLD HOSPITAL, FROM WHAT I UNDERSTAND, YES.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND WILL MOMENTUM L.A. BE IN CHARGE OF THE
21 MAINTENANCE OF THE PROPERTY?

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I THINK THE MOTION SPEAKS TO MOMENTUM L.A.
24 ASSUMING FINANCIAL AND LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY TO BUILD OUT,
25 MAINTAIN AND OPERATE THE LEASE SPACE. I THINK THE MOTION



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1 PROVIDES THE GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR THE-- FOR THIS AGREEMENT
2 WITH MOMENTUM L.A., BUT I THINK THE FINAL ELEMENTS WILL BE
3 SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATIONS.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HAVE YOU OUTLINED THE SHARING OF ANY PROFITS
6 FOR REINVESTMENT IN THE INCUBATOR OR THE EXPANSION OF THE
7 BIOTECH PARK?

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I THINK THAT, AGAIN, YOU KNOW, THAT, IN MY
10 OPINION, IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT ELEMENTS OF THIS
11 AGREEMENT AND THAT WOULD BE SOMETHING THAT, AGAIN, WILL BE
12 ADDRESSED THROUGH THE NEGOTIATIONS PROCESS.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE PERCENTAGE OF THESE PROFITS THAT
15 WOULD BE SHARED BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND MOMENTUM L.A.?

16

17 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I DON'T HAVE THE ANSWER AT THIS POINT IN TIME.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE DON'T HAVE THAT. DO WE HAVE A REPORT BACK
20 ON THE NEGOTIATION PROCESS THAT WOULD DETAIL THE PROFIT
21 SHARING AS WELL AS OUTLINING THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO MAINTAIN
22 AND OPERATE THE GRATIS LEASE SPACE?

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES, WE WILL DO THAT.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU'RE PROVIDING, GIVING THEM FREE SPACE.

2

3 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THAT'S THE INTENT OF THE MOTION.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE INTENT WAS NOT FREE SPACE WITHOUT ANY
6 SHARING OF PROFIT.

7

8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WHICH IS TRUE. I THINK IT JUST SPEAKS TO THE
9 SPACE ITSELF, BUT THERE WILL BE OTHER PROVISIONS IN THE
10 AGREEMENT THAT WILL ALSO SPEAK TO THE MAINTAINING THIS SPACE,
11 PAYING FOR THE COST TO OPERATE WITHIN THAT SPACE AND THEN THE
12 PROFIT-SHARING.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THIS IS ONLY GOING TO BE A REPORT BACK,
15 NOT THAT WE ARE SUPPORTING THIS.

16

17 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I'D HAVE TO--

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I APOLOGIZE. I WASN'T PAYING ATTENTION.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE QUESTION WAS, THIS IS FOR A REPORT BACK
22 TO THIS PROPOSAL; IT'S NOT A VOTE TO SUPPORT IT WITHOUT THAT
23 REPORT COMING BACK, FOR US TO KNOW THESE DETAILS RELATIVE TO
24 WHAT TYPE OF PROFIT-SHARING WOULD THE COUNTY BE RECEIVING AND



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1 WHAT TYPE OF PERCENTAGE OF MAINTENANCE OF THAT PROPERTY WOULD
2 BE CONDUCTED BY MOMENTUM L.A.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S CORRECT. WHAT THIS IS, IS THE
5 BEGINNING OF THE NEGOTIATIONS PROCESS. IT IS WITH A-- AGAIN,
6 THEY ARE-- ALSO THEY HAVE A NONPROFIT ARM. THIS WOULD BE THE
7 NONPROFIT ARM. WE WILL NEGOTIATE THAT. ALL ASPECTS OF THAT, IS
8 GOING TO BE NEGOTIATED. WE LOOKED AT DIFFERENT GROUPS AND THIS
9 ONE BY FAR HAS A TREMENDOUS SUCCESS RECORD, AND THE WAY WE
10 WANT TO DO IT IS BRINGING THEM IN. THERE'S A LOT OF ROOM AT
11 COUNTY GENERAL, AND THEY'VE LOOKED AT THE SPACE, AND IT WILL
12 BE A GREAT GROUP TO BEGIN THE INCUBATOR THERE OF SOME OF THE
13 BIOTECH, BIOMED THINGS THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT. BUT THIS IS TO
14 ASK THE C.E.O. TO BEGIN THE PROCESS OF NEGOTIATING WITH THEM,
15 YES, ALL ASPECTS OF WHAT IS DETERMINED WILL BE BROUGHT BACK TO
16 THIS BOARD FOR APPROVAL.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEN WE WILL THEN DETERMINE WHETHER TO PURSUE
19 OR...

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21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WELL, I HOPE WE WOULD PURSUE IT. IT ALL
22 DEPENDS ON THE DETAILS. EXACTLY.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT'S GOING TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD FOR
25 FINAL APPROVAL.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING, THAT IT
3 ABSOLUTELY, IT WOULD BE A LEASE.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD MOVE THAT IT BE SUBJECT TO THE BOARD
6 ACE APPROVAL.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I THINK IT'S ON THERE. THIS IS JUST
9 BEGINNING THE PROCESS OF MAKING THE DETERMINATION AND
10 BEGINNING THE NEGOTIATIONS IN A FORMAL SENSE.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF I COULD JUST-- WHAT I WAS TALKING TO
13 SUPERVISOR MOLINA ABOUT, MIKE WAS TALKING, WAS I GOOGLED THIS
14 GROUP YESTERDAY AND I THOUGHT-- I FOUND NO EVIDENCE THAT THEY
15 HAVE A NONPROFIT ARM. MAYBE THEY'RE CREATING ONE. IS THAT WHAT
16 YOU SAID, THEY'RE GOING TO CREATE ONE FOR THIS PROJECT?

17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT APPEARS THEY HAVE-- THERE'S TWO SEPARATE
19 ENTITIES, FROM WHAT I WAS TOLD BY STAFF, THERE'S TWO SEPARATE
20 ENTITIES. ONE IS A FOR-PROFIT. IT APPEARS THEY HAVE A SECOND
21 ENTITY THAT'S A NONPROFIT.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHERE DOES THAT NONPROFIT OPERATE NOW?

24

25 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I DON'T HAVE THAT.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I THINK IT OPERATES OUT OF THEIR CULVER
3 CITY LOCATION AS WELL.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALL OF THAT SHOULD BE IN A REPORT THAT COMES
6 BACK.

7

8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I BELIEVE THE INTENT IS TO DEVELOP A
9 RELATIONSHIP WITH A NONPROFIT SIDE , AND SO OUR REPORT BACK
10 WOULD MAKE IT REAL CLEAR THAT IT WOULD BE WITH THAT PORTION OF
11 THIS COMPANY.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IF YOU DO THAT, DEVELOP A RELATIONSHIP WITH
14 A SO-CALLED NONPROFIT, THEY MAKE A LOT OF MONEY FOR THE
15 NONPROFIT BY LAW, IT'S NOT PROFIT, SO WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT-- OR
16 WHEN SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S MOTION TALKS ABOUT SHARING IN THE
17 PROFITS, HOW DO YOU SHARE IN THE PROFITS OF A NOT-FOR-PROFIT?
18 WE ALL KNOW HOW THESE NONPROFITS WORK. FOR-PROFITS HAVE SET UP
19 THE SHELLS THAT ARE NONPROFIT, BUT THEY'RE ENTREPRENEURIAL
20 NONPROFITS, THEY MAKE MONEY, THEY PLOW IT BACK INTO RESEARCH.
21 IT'S PERFECTLY LEGITIMATE, BUT THERE'S A BIG ELEPHANT IN THE
22 ROOM BEHIND THEM, WHICH IS THE FOR-PROFIT, AND SO HOW DO WE
23 SHARE IN THE PROFITS OF A NOT-FOR-PROFIT?

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I THINK THAT'S ONE OF THE ELEMENTS THAT WE'RE
2 GOING TO HAVE TO INVESTIGATE AND REPORT BACK ON.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE WANT TO SHARE IN THE PROFIT AND THAT IS
5 THE KEY, IS TO DEFINE EXACTLY HOW WE'RE GOING TO GET AT THAT.
6 THAT'S WHAT THESE NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE ABOUT. THOSE PROFITS,
7 HOPEFULLY, OUR PART-- IT WILL PAY FOR SOME OF THEIR COSTS AND
8 WHAT THEY'RE DOING, BUT FOR OUR PART, IS TO REINVEST IT
9 EVENTUALLY TO MAKE THE WHOLE FACILITY AND THE WHOLE AREA
10 BIOTECH, BIOMED, IF WE'RE SUCCESSFUL. IT WILL BE UNDER THE
11 SELECTION OF WHO THEY PICK, WHO THEY BRING IN AND SO ON.
12 THERE'S NO DOUBT, AND THE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES THAT ARE GOING
13 TO BE THERE. IT IS MY CONTENTION THAT AS WE DEVELOP THIS, AND
14 THIS IS WHY WE'RE LOOKING AT A SMALL GROUP THAT WOULD START
15 OUT WITH THIS, WE COULD HAVE DONE THE WHOLE THING, COULD HAVE
16 BEEN TURNED OVER FOR A FOR-PROFIT TO DEVELOP IT. IT ALL
17 CREATES JOBS AND SO ON. IN THIS INSTANCE, WE'RE TRYING TO
18 SAVE, WE CAN BRING IN THE GROUP THAT WILL OPERATE WITHIN L.A.
19 COUNTY GENERAL, IT WILL BE NONPROFIT. THEY WILL BE NONPROFIT,
20 WE WILL BE NONPROFIT WITH THE IDEA THE INVESTMENT COMING BACK
21 IN, BUT THOSE DETAILS STILL HAVE TO BE WORKED OUT IN THE
22 NEGOTIATIONS, AND THAT ALL OF IT ON THE MEMO IT SAYS-- OR ON
23 THE MOTION IT SAYS, CLEARLY ALL OF IT WILL BE BROUGHT BACK TO
24 THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, OKAY. I JUST DON'T NOW HOW WE SHARE--
2 THERE IS NO PROFIT IN A NONPROFIT.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WELL, THERE ARE MANY, AGAIN. DEPENDS ON
5 HOW YOU STRUCTURE IT. PROFIT IS, AGAIN, HOW YOU'RE GOING TO
6 DEFINE THAT. RIGHT? SO THAT IS WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO HERE.
7 AGAIN, ALL OF THESE, IF THEY'RE SUCCESSFUL IN FINDING A
8 MECHANISM OR MEDICINE OR WHATEVER, THERE'S HUGE PROFITS THAT
9 ARE INVOLVED IN THAT, AND SO HOW THEY SPIN OFF AND HOW THAT
10 COMES BACK IN AND WHAT SHARE WE TAKE, ALL OF THAT HAS TO BE
11 DEVELOPED AS TO WHAT'S GOING TO BE -- NO DIFFERENT THAN IF IT
12 WERE A FOR-PROFIT, EXCEPT WHAT WE WANT TO DO IN THIS NONPROFIT
13 IS REINVEST IT BACK INTO THE DEVELOPMENT OF A MUCH LARGER
14 BIOTECH, BIOMED FACILITY.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO WE'LL DEFINE WHATEVER-- IT WILL BE OUR
17 JOB, THE COUNTY'S JOB TO DEFINE WHAT PROFIT IS, EVEN THOUGH
18 THE I.R.S. POINT OF VIEW THERE IS NO PROFIT. FROM OUR POINT OF
19 VIEW, THERE'S GOING TO HAVE TO BE A DEFINITION OF REVENUES IN
20 EXCESS OF THEIR EXPENSE, WHATEVER, HOWEVER IT'S GOING TO BE
21 DONE, IT'S GOING TO BE TRICKY, SO, OKAY, WE'LL SEE WHERE IT
22 GOES.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NOT IMPOSSIBLE, BUT IT CAN BE DONE, AND
25 THAT IS WHAT THE NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE ABOUT.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THE OTHER-- JUST ONE AGAIN, MADAM CHAIR.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SURE.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BILL, YOU NEED TO BE SURE-- YOU MIGHT WANT
7 TO GET SOMEBODY WHO HAS GOT SOME LEGAL--

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I JUST TURNED TO OUR COUNTY COUNSEL TO SAY
10 THAT WE'LL BE PARTNER, AND THEY'RE SEPARATE. THERE ARE SOME
11 LEGAL INSTANCES--

12

13 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** THERE'S SOME VERY SIGNIFICANT ISSUES,
14 INCLUDING PROTECTING THE COUNTY FOR ANY POTENTIAL LOSS, SO
15 WE'LL BE HAPPY TO WORK WITH THE C.E.O. TO BRING BACK A
16 PROPOSAL THAT WILL MAKE IT ALL OF THESE ISSUES CLEAR TO THE
17 BOARD AND BE ABLE TO DISCUSS IT FULLY.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU MAY WANT TO CONSIDER SHARING-- HOW WE
20 DEFINE PROFITS AND HOW THEY ACCOUNT FOR THEM MAY BE TWO
21 DIFFERENT THINGS, JUST LIKE MOST MOVIES THAT HAVE MADE A
22 FORTUNE HAVE NEVER MADE A PROFIT, IF YOU LISTEN TO THEIR
23 PRODUCERS. AND MAYBE THERE'S A--

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE MOST SUCCESSFUL FILMS HAVE MADE PROFITS
2 AND HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, BUT ON THE BOOKS, THEY SHOW NO PROFIT.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT, THEY SHOW NO PROFIT.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THEY'RE ALL LIVING IN MALIBU, BUT THEY MADE
9 NO PROFIT.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WELL, AGAIN, WE HOPE TO JOIN THEM, EXCEPT
12 OUR PROFIT IS GOING TO GO BACK INTO A NONPROFIT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** UNDERSTOOD. WE NEED TO BE SURE THAT WE
15 CAPTURE WHATEVER THEIR EXCESS IS OVER WHAT THEY SPEND AND THAT
16 THEY DON'T DRIVE UP ON THEIR-- THEY JUST NEED TO BE PREPARED
17 TO BE-- AN EFFORT TO BAMBOOZLE US ON THIS, AND THAT'S WHY YOU
18 NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE LEGALLY COVERED.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WELL AGAIN, ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT--
21 WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON THIS FOR NOW TEN YEARS AND TRYING TO
22 FIND SOMEBODY WHO CAN DO THIS AND IS WILLING TO START IN A
23 SMALL AREA LIKE THIS. THERE'S NO DOUBT IT COULD BE VERY
24 PROFITABLE AND THEN AT THE END OF THE DAY, DEPENDING ON WHO
25 YOU SELECT AND WHO GOES IN AS FAR AS YOUR RESEARCH AS TO



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1 WHETHER THERE'S ANY PROFIT AT ALL, AND SO LET'S NOT FORGET
2 WHEN WE OPERATE OUR HOSPITALS, WE CHARGE SOME OF OUR PATIENTS
3 FULL PRICE, EVEN THOUGH WE'RE A NONPROFIT, AND THAT GOES IN TO
4 SUBSIDIZE SOME OF THE OTHER WORK THAT WE DO IN OUR HOSPITAL.
5 THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO DO IT. I'M SURE THAT OUR TAX PEOPLE
6 WILL BE ABLE TO TELL US CLEARLY AND DEFINE IT FOR US, BUT THE
7 IDEA IS TO WHATEVER WE CAN GET OUT OF IT AND HOPEFULLY WE DO
8 LAUNCH SOME BIOMED, BIOTECH FACILITY THAT MIGHT MAKE A WHOLE
9 LOT OF MONEY FOR US BECAUSE THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE'D LIKE
10 TO CAPTURE AS FAR AS JOBS. WE'RE LINKING WITH THE UNIVERSITIES
11 AND WE WANT TO REALLY CREATE A MECHANISM THAT WILL ALSO BRING
12 JOBS INTO THE AREA, BRING IN TRAINING, NOT JUST THE
13 RESEARCHERS ALONE BUT ALSO MANY OF THE LAB TECHNICIANS AND
14 OTHER FOLKS THAT ARE INVOLVED AND START CREATING THAT AS A
15 CAREER PATH AS WELL, AS WELL AS ALL THE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES. I
16 THINK THAT THIS IS A WAY TO ENHANCE AN AREA. WE HAVE THAT
17 HUGE, HUGE HOSPITAL, THAT CAN NEVER BE TORN DOWN, FOR THE MOST
18 PART, AND HOPEFULLY AS TO HOW TO REUTILIZE IT IN A WAY THAT
19 REALLY IS BENEFICIAL AND CREATES OPPORTUNITIES. SO THE BIOMED,
20 BIOTECH IS BY FAR THE BEST. SO THIS INCUBATOR IS A PILOT, SO
21 WE HAVE TO BEGIN THE PROCESS. WE'VE BEEN WORKING HARD IN
22 MEETING WITH THEM AND DISCUSSING WITH THEM WHAT WE WERE
23 LOOKING AT AND NOW THEY ARE READY TO-- THEY WENT OVER AND
24 LOOKED AT THE SITE AND WERE IMPRESSED WITH IT ALL, THEY DON'T
25 THINK IT NEEDS AS MUCH WORK AS ORIGINALLY WE THOUGHT IT WOULD,



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1 AND NOW WE BEGIN THE NEGOTIATIONS TO SEE HOW QUICKLY WE CAN
2 GET STARTED, AND OF COURSE, BEFORE ALL OF THAT IS DONE, IT
3 WOULD COME BACK TO THE BOARD.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW MANY PEOPLE-- I MEAN, JUST HOW MANY OF
6 THESE COMPANIES OR NONPROFITS ARE THERE OUT THERE? YOU SAID
7 YOU'VE LOOKED ATE BUNCH OF THEM. HOW MANY ARE THERE?

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I DIDN'T SAY WE'VE BEEN LOOKING AT A BUNCH
10 OF THEM. WE'VE BEEN LOOKING AROUND FOR ONE.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND THIS ONE CAUGHT YOUR ATTENTION. ANYWAY,
13 I'M NOT GOING TO OBJECT.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THERE ARE VERY FEW. ALL RIGHT. SO WITH
16 THAT, IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. ITEM NUMBER 5. LET ME ASK MR. FUJIOKA,
19 RELATIVE TO THIS ISSUE, HOW LONG WILL THE GRATIS LEASE
20 AGREEMENT BE IN PLACE WITH THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE
21 DISTRICT AND WHAT HAPPENS ONCE THAT LEASE EXPIRES?

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE HAVEN'T ESTABLISHED A TIMELINE YET FOR
24 THIS. I THINK, AGAIN, THIS IS AN ITEM THAT SPEAKS TO THE
25 OVERALL CONCEPT, IT WILL BE SUBJECT TO NEGOTIATIONS. THIS A



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1 LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT THAN ITEM NUMBER 4. IT SPEAKS TO
2 ESTABLISHING A HEALTH CAREER ACADEMY ON THE SITE. IT'S THE
3 SITE OF THE MEDICAL CENTER AND I WOULD IMAGINE THAT SOMETHING
4 OF THAT NATURE WOULD HAVE A VERY, VERY LONG TERM.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT'S THE LOCATION OF THIS ONE-ACRE
7 PROPERTY?

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I WAS TOLD THIS MORNING THAT IT'S CLOSE TO THE
10 CORNER OF ZONAL AND MISSION, BUT I DON'T KNOW THE EXACT
11 LOCATION.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO IS THIS OWNED BY THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
14 RIGHT NOW?

15

16 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO, IT IS L.A. COUNTY PROPERTY. IT'S ON THE
17 L.A.C. + U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER SITE. IT'S ON THE CAMPUS THERE.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT WOULD
20 BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FINANCIAL AND LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY TO
21 CONSTRUCT THE FACILITY AND PROGRAM?

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES, SIR, THAT'S MY UNDERSTANDING. THE INTENT
24 TO SEE USE PROP J MONEY THAT'S BEEN PUT ASIDE FOR THE EXPRESS
25 PURPOSE OF BUILDING AN ACADEMY OF THIS TYPE.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN WILL THE GRADUATES BE REQUIRED TO
3 TRAIN AT THE COUNTY FACILITIES?

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I'M HOPING THAT, AND I BELIEVE THAT'S THE
6 INTENT, IS TO GO NEXUS WITH THE PROGRAMS, THE ACADEMIC
7 PROGRAMS WITH OUR OPERATIONS SO THAT, IN FACT, IT BECOMES A
8 PRIME RECRUITMENT TOOL FOR US.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT WE WILL REQUIRE THAT FOR THOSE WHO TAKE
11 PART IN THIS PROGRAM THAT WE'RE OFFERING?

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S QUITE A REQUIREMENT AT
14 THIS POINT IN TIME.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE OUGHT TO LOOK AT THAT DOING WITH THE
17 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM THAT WE INITIATED. GIVEN THE CURRENT
18 ECONOMIC CONDITIONS, DOES THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT HAVE
19 THE FINAL CAPACITY TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE SUCH A FACILITY
20 WHILE PROVIDING THE COUNTY WITH TANGIBLE BENEFITS?

21

22 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AGAIN, THROUGH THE CURRENT PROPOSITION, IT WAS
23 A BOND PROGRAM, PROP J, THEY HAVE THE MONEY TO CONSTRUCT THIS
24 FACILITY. I THINK AS WE GET INTO NEGOTIATIONS, WE'LL DETERMINE
25 WHETHER OR NOT THEY HAVE THE ABILITY TO CELEBRATE ON AN



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1 ONGOING BASIS. THAT'S PART OF THE DUE DILIGENCE WE'LL HAVE TO
2 GO THROUGH.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THEN IN THE REPORT BACK, YOU'LL HAVE THAT
5 INFORMATION.

6

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

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AGAIN, TO BEGIN NEGOTIATING WITH THE
12 COMMUNITY COLLEGE, WE WANT TO HAVE, AGAIN, A CLEAR HEALTH
13 CAREERS ACADEMY ON CAMPUS OF L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. THEY HAVE
14 COMMITTED, THEY'RE LOOKING TO US TO POTENTIALLY GIVE THEM A
15 50-YEAR LEASE AND THEY WILL BUILD-- MAKE AN INVESTMENT OF \$15
16 MILLION TO BUILD THE SATELLITE CAMPUS THERE THAT'S GOING TO BE
17 DEDICATED TO ALL OF THE HEALTH CAREERS. IT'S ALSO GOING TO BE
18 PART OF AN ONGOING PROCESS AS FAR AS FEEDING FOLKS AND
19 CREATING JOBS IN THE BIOMED, BIOTECH AS WELL AS FOR OUR--
20 GETTING NURSES, ABSOLUTELY, THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE
21 GUARANTEED SLOTS FROM THEIR CLASS AS THEY GRADUATE THAT WE'RE
22 GOING TO BE WORKING IN COORDINATION WITH L.A. COUNTY U.S.C.,
23 THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A SHARED KIND OF SPACE AS WELL AS WE
24 MOVE THROUGH IT, AND SO ALL OF IT IS A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT
25 WITH THE COMMUNITY COLLEGES, IS WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR. THEY



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1 HAVE THE MONEY, WE HAVE THE LAND. WE NEED A HEALTH ACADEMY. WE
2 KNOW THE SHORTAGE AND IT'S GOING TO BE ESCALATING AS WE SEE
3 HEALTH REFORM TAKING PLACE, AND SO CONSEQUENTLY PREPARING THE
4 WORKFORCE FOR IT I THINK IS GOING TO BE ESSENTIAL. AGAIN, IT'S
5 THE BEGINNINGS OF NEGOTIATIONS TO AUTHORIZE THE C.E.O. TO
6 BEGIN PROCESS AND OF COURSE ALL OF IT WOULD COME BACK TO THE
7 BOARD FOR APPROVAL.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHO OPERATES THE COUNTY NURSING SCHOOL RIGHT
10 NOW? HOW IS THAT FUNDED?

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12 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I BELIEVE THAT'S COUNTY FUNDED, COUNTY
13 OPERATED. I COULD BE WRONG.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** COUNTY OPERATED. IT'S LIKE A CHARTERED
16 SCHOOL, THEN?

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18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL, OF SORTS, BUT IT'S A COUNTY-OPERATED
19 TRAINING PROGRAM.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE POSSIBILITY OF THE COUNTY
22 PARDONING THEM WITH THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE IF YOU'RE GOING TO
23 BE BUILDING A NEWER FACILITY?

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AGAIN, YOUR IDEA OF BUILDING THAT PARTNERSHIP
2 BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OUR HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO
3 PROVIDE A MEANS TO RECRUIT AND RETAIN INDIVIDUALS IN CRITICAL
4 HEALTHCARE PROGRAMS I THINK IS AN EXCELLENT IDEA. THAT SHOULD
5 BE SOMETHING BUILT INTO THIS AGREEMENT.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT WE HAVE ONE ALREADY IN OPERATION. PERHAPS
8 BRINGING THEM TOGETHER WILL ENHANCE BOTH PROGRAMS.

9

10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** GOOD POINT.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU MEAN THE ONE AT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C.?
13 ABSOLUTELY. THAT WAS THE IDEA. ONE OF THE BIGGEST PROBLEMS
14 THAT THE NURSING PROGRAMS HAVE IS NURSING EDUCATORS, AND SO WE
15 JUST DON'T HAVE ENOUGH OF THEM, THE SCHOOLS DON'T HAVE ENOUGH
16 OF THEM. IF WE CAN COMBINE THAT IN SOME WAY WHERE YOU HAVE
17 SOME OF OUR NURSING SUPERVISORS OR TOP LEVEL NURSES ARE ALSO
18 PROVIDING TRAINING AND ACADEMIC STUDIES FOR THE NURSES THERE,
19 IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL, SO BEING ON SITE, BUT IT IS THE IDEA
20 OF HOW YOU CAN COMBINE THOSE PROGRAMS, AND THEN AGAIN WITH THE
21 IDEA THAT WE WOULD GET-- WE'D HAVE GUARANTEED SLOTS AS WELL
22 BECAUSE WE CREATED SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS AND OTHER INCENTIVES
23 FOR MANY OF THOSE NURSES SO THAT, IN FACT, THEY'LL CONTINUE
24 THEIR TRAINING AT OUR FACILITY. ALL RIGHT, SO IF THERE'S NO
25 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED ON THAT ITEM AS WELL.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE DID NUMBER 15? OKAY. THEN ITEM 63.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** 63.

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6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YOU WANT TO GET RIGHT INTO THE BUDGET? THERE
7 APPEAR TO BE A FEW ITEMS LEFT ON THE AGENDA.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IF WE COULD TAKE UP ITEM NUMBER 1 AND 25,
10 I THINK DR. CLAVREUL HAS SIGNED UP-- AND 26-- HAS SIGNED UP TO
11 SPEAK. DR. CLAVREUL, WE'RE WAITING FOR YOU. DR. CLAVREUL, IT'S
12 ITEM NUMBER 1, ITEM 25 AND ITEM NUMBER 26. IF YOU'D ADDRESS
13 THOSE ITEMS, WE'D APPRECIATE IT.

14

15 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
16 THIS IS GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM NUMBER 1, YOU KNOW EVERY
17 TIME YOU BRING THE H.I.V./A.I.D.S. COMMISSION NOMINATION, I
18 HAVE THE SAME RESPONSE, AND I WILL CONTINUE TO DO THAT UNTIL
19 THIS BODY IS REPRESENTED WITH NOT AFFECTED OR INFECT PEOPLE TO
20 BE ON THE COMMISSION. IT'S AGAIN, A ROLE COMMISSION, WE SHOULD
21 NOT BE RUNNING THE WAY IT IS NOW. SINCE YOU ARE CONTINUING
22 LOOKING AT EXPENSES, MAYBE YOU SHOULD LOOK WHY THE OFFICE OF
23 A.I.D.S. HAS A VERY EXPENSIVE OFFICE ON WILSHIRE BOULEVARD,
24 AND MOST OF THE DESKS ARE EMPTY WHEN I GO TO VISIT, AND
25 THERE'S NOT EVEN ANYBODY TO CHECK WHO IS COMING IN. I WOULD



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1 HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT, EXPENSES DONE BY THE COMMISSION. ON
2 ITEM 25, YOU KNOW, I'M VERY CONCERNED THAT WE ARE APPROVING
3 RIGHT AND LEFT ISSUES ABOUT HEALTHCARE. WE STILL DO NOT HAVE A
4 FULL-TIME IN POST DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES. THAT VERY MUCH
5 CHAGRINS ME. AND WE ARE MAKING DECISIONS THAT ARE GOING TO
6 AFFECT THIS COUNTY FOR MANY, MANY YEARS WITH NO LEADER AT THE
7 HELM. WE DON'T HAVE A D.H.S. FULL-TIME DIRECTOR. WE HAVE A
8 PERSON WHO IS AN ECONOMIC PH.D. WHO KNOWS NOTHING ABOUT
9 HEALTH, AND I KNOW HIM PERSONALLY, SO I CAN SAY THAT FREELY.
10 WE DON'T HAVE ANY MEDICAL DIRECTOR. DO WE HAVE A NEW MEDICAL
11 DIRECTOR, OR WE HAVE NOBODY AGAIN AT THE HELM OF THAT? THAT'S
12 A HUGE ISSUE. PERSONALLY, I DON'T OBJECT TO THE CONTRACT. I
13 THINK WE REALLY NEED THE HOSPITALISTS IN THAT POSITION, BUT
14 WHEN ARE WE GOING TO RUN THE DEPARTMENT WITH EFFICIENCY AND
15 QUALIFIED LEADERS? YOU KNOW, I BRING THAT EVERY WEEK, I'M
16 ALMOST LOSING MY VOICE TALKING ABOUT THAT, BUT THIS IS FOR THE
17 RECORD. ON NUMBER 26, I'M SEEING A CONTRACT FOR A ONE-DAY
18 CONFERENCE AT THE COST OF \$11,000. MOST OF THE EXPENSES ARE
19 DUE TO TRAVEL EXPENSE AND LODGING. WHY DON'T WE SELECT
20 SOMEBODY LOCAL? YOU KNOW, WE ARE A HUGE COUNTY, 12 MILLION
21 PEOPLE. I'M SURE AMONG THE 12 MILLION, PERSONALLY I KNOW TOP
22 EXPERTS IN MENTAL HEALTH WHO WOULD BE CERTAINLY APPROPRIATE
23 FOR THAT TYPE OF WORKSHOP. SECOND, WE ARE GETTING FREE COSTS,
24 YOU KNOW, FROM THE UTILIZING THE FACILITY OF THE CALIFORNIA
25 ENDOWMENT, BUT WE ARE FORCED TO USE THEIR OWN CATERING TO



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1 PROVIDE FOOD FOR THE CONFERENCE, AT WHICH COST? AND IT LOOKS
2 LIKE IT'S VERY PADDED, BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW ABOUT YOU, BUT I
3 KNOW I COULD PROVIDE THAT SERVICE FOR MUCH LESS THAN THAT. I
4 THINK IT'S KIND OF UNFAIR TO DO BUSINESS WITH A COMPANY WHO
5 OBLIGES YOU TO USE THEIR OWN SERVICES. I THINK SOMETHING IS
6 NOT KOSHER IN THAT DEAL. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE ITEM NUMBER 1, 25, AND
9 26. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY MYSELF. IF
10 THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. IT'S NOT ON. I DON'T HAVE IT
11 TOWARD ME. ALL RIGHT. BEFORE WE GO TO THE BUDGET, LET'S TAKE
12 UP SOME OF THESE ITEMS THAT ARE STILL TO FINISH UP. LET'S DO
13 ITEM NUMBER 62 AND I'M GOING TO ASK THE MEMBERS TO DO THEIR
14 ADJOURNMENTS BEFORE WE GO TO THE BUDGET. ALL RIGHT. ITEM 62.
15 YOU HAVE A PRESENTATION ON THIS.

16

17 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'RE ASKING MISS ZUCKER TO COME FORWARD.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. PLEASE PROCEED.

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21 **LAURA ZUCKER:** SUPERVISORS, WE SENT YOU A MEMO SUMMARIZING THE
22 SPONSORSHIPS THAT WE'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR SINCE WE HAVE KNOWN
23 MORE ABOUT WHAT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WAS GOING TO LOOK LIKE AND
24 THAT THERE WOULD BE AN EVEN LARGER GAP IN FUNDING THAN WE WERE
25 ORIGINALLY PLANNING. WE SHIFTED OUR STRATEGY TO SEE IF WE CAN



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1 MOVE THE PROGRAM TO A COMMERCIAL CHANNEL AND SEE IF A
2 COMMERCIAL CHANNEL WILL PAY A LICENSE FEE THAT COULD COVER
3 MOST OR ALL OF THE COSTS. SO FAR, A.B.C. WAS VERY INTERESTED
4 BUT UNFORTUNATELY PASSED AND WE'RE IN DIALOGUE NOW WITH MOST
5 OF THE OTHER CHANNELS.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S THE EXTENT OF THE REPORT?

8

9 **LAURA ZUCKER:** UNLESS THERE ARE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS THAT YOU
10 WOULD LIKE ANSWERED.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS?

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE ONE ON THE AGGRESSIVENESS OF PURSUING
15 PRIVATE FUNDING IS FRUSTRATING IN THE SENSE THAT BANK OF
16 AMERICA, YOU MADE A CALL ON FEBRUARY 25TH AND THEN YOU DID A
17 FOLLOW-UP CALL, YOU KNOW, OVER A MONTH AND A HALF LATER IN
18 APRIL AND THEN YOU DID A FOLLOW UP MAIL THREE WEEKS AFTER
19 THAT. I MEAN, IT'S SUCH A LONG DELAY IN BETWEEN FOLLOW UPS.
20 SAME WAY WITH HONDA AMERICAN MOTOR COMPANIES. YOU DID A CALL
21 ON THE 25TH OF FEBRUARY AND THEN YOU PLACED ANOTHER CALL APRIL
22 2ND. SO, AGAIN, DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH, THERE WAS NO
23 ACTION, NO ACTIVITY.

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1 **LAURA ZUCKER:** VERY OFTEN, AS IS HAPPENING WITH RIGHT NOW
2 KAISER PERMANENTE, IS WE MAKE A CALL, WE HAVE A DISCUSSION,
3 THEY ASK US FOR FOLLOW UP MATERIALS, THEY TELL US THEY'RE
4 GOING TO HAVE DISCUSSIONS WITH OTHER PEOPLE IN THE FIRM,
5 USUALLY THEY'RE MARKETING FOLKS, AND IT'S A FINE LINE BETWEEN
6 FOLLOWING UP IN AN APPROPRIATE WAY AND KIND OF--

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BANK OF AMERICA AND HONDA, A MONTH AND A HALF
9 IS KIND OF A LONG DELAY TO FOLLOW UP ON.

10

11 **LAURA ZUCKER:** WELL, NOT IF THEY TELL YOU THAT THEIR MARKETING
12 COMMITTEE IS MEETING, YOU KNOW, IN THREE WEEKS AND YOU'RE
13 WAITING FOR THEM TO GET BACK AND YOU'RE GIVING THEM A DECENT
14 AMOUNT OF TIME AND THEN YOU DON'T HEAR AND THEN YOU DO FOLLOW
15 UP.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU KNOW, THE NUMBER OF WEEKS UNTIL THE
18 HOLIDAY EVENT OCCURS IS SHORTENED EACH DAY. RIGHT?

19

20 **LAURA ZUCKER:** YES.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THIS IS NOT SOMETHING WHERE WE CAN PLAN A
23 YEAR AHEAD, TWO YEARS AHEAD, IT'S FOR THIS CURRENT YEAR AND
24 THERE HAS TO BE AN AGGRESSIVE FULL COURT PRESS ON THIS ISSUE.

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1 **LAURA ZUCKER:** WELL, THAT'S WHY, SUPERVISOR, GIVEN THE FACT
2 THAT WE WEREN'T GETTING POSITIVE RESPONSES FROM THESE
3 POTENTIAL SPONSORS, WE SHIFTED THE STRATEGY TO LOOKING FOR A
4 DEAL WITH A COMMERCIAL STATION AND WE ARE MAKING A FULL COURT
5 PRESS ON THAT AS WE SPEAK. BECAUSE I THINK AT THE END OF THE
6 DAY, THAT'S GOING TO BE OUR ONLY VIABLE SOLUTION TO REPLACE
7 ALL OF THE FUNDING.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I JUST THINK WE NEED TO DO A BETTER JOB IN
10 HITTING THE PRIVATE SECTOR, SEARCHING FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS AND
11 MAKING THIS ONE OF THE PRIORITIES.

12

13 **LAURA ZUCKER:** IT'S BEEN A HIGH PRIORITY. HEATHER RIGBY, WHO IS
14 WITH ME, AND ADAM DAVIS, WHO ISN'T HERE TODAY, HAVE SPENT
15 HUNDREDS OF HOURS WORKING ON THIS SINCE LAST FALL.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ANYTHING ELSE? ANY OTHER QUESTION OR
18 COMMENT? IF NOT, I GUESS THAT'S JUST A REPORT, SO WE'LL
19 RECEIVE AND FILE. THANK YOU SO MUCH. ALL RIGHT. I HAVE TWO
20 ADJOURNMENTS. I'D LIKE TO ASK REGRETTABLY THAT WE ADJOURN IN
21 THE MEMORY OF WENDY TALARICO, THE BELOVED WIFE OF FRANK
22 TALARICO AND TREASURED MEMBER OF THE POMONA FAIRPLEX STAFF.
23 SOME OF US HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET HER. SHE CAME HERE
24 REGULARLY. SHE SERVED AS FAIRPLEX'S SPOKESWOMAN. SHE WAS AN
25 INTEGRAL PART OF THE STAFF. SHE WAS A CONSUMMATE PROFESSIONAL



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1 WHO WAS PASSIONATE ABOUT HER WORK. SHE WAS AN UNBELIEVABLE
2 PROBLEM- SOLVER AND HER CARING DEMEANOR AND CERTAINLY LOVELY
3 SPIRIT IS GOING TO BE DEEPLY MISSED BY ALL OF US. WE WANT TO
4 EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO HER FAMILY, FRIENDS,
5 COLLEAGUES, AS WELL AS TO HER CHILDREN. I'D ALSO ASK THAT WE
6 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF OFELIA MENDEZ-VINAZZA, THE BELOVED--
7 FROM BELOVED SON OF GABRIEL GARCIA MENDEZ. OTHELIA EMIGRATED
8 FROM PERU TO THE UNITED STATES IN 1961. SHE WAS A FASHION
9 DESIGNER, RESTAURATEUR AS WELL AS A VERY TIRELESS CIVIC
10 ACTIVIST. ABOVE ALL ELSE, SHE WAS A LOVING AND DEVOTED MOTHER,
11 GRANDMOTHER AND GREAT GRANDMOTHER. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR
12 DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO HER FAMILY. ALL RIGHT. SO ORDERED ON
13 THOSE ADJOURNMENTS. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOUR
14 ADJOURNMENTS, PLEASE.

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. I WOULD
17 CALL FOR ALL MEMBERS TO JOIN ME IN ACKNOWLEDGING THE PASSING
18 OF THE GODMOTHER OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT, DOROTHY IRENE
19 HEIGHT, BORN ON NOVEMBER THE 24TH, 1912, IN RICHMOND,
20 VIRGINIA, AND PASSED EARLY THIS MORNING AT THE AGE OF 98. SHE
21 RELOCATED HER FAMILY TO PENNSYLVANIA AT THE AGE OF FOUR-- WITH
22 HER FAMILY AT THE AGE OF FOUR AND SHE EARNED AN ACADEMIC
23 SCHOLARSHIP TO NEW YORK UNIVERSITY AND GRADUATED WITH A
24 BACHELOR OF ARTS AND A MASTER'S OF ARTS IN PSYCHOLOGY IN ONLY
25 FOUR YEARS. THROUGHOUT HER LIFE, SHE EARNED HONORARY DEGREES



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1 FROM 36 SCHOOLS, INCLUDING BARNARD COLLEGE IN NEW YORK CITY.
2 SHE BEGAN HER CAREER AS A CASE WORKER IN THE NEW YORK CITY
3 WELFARE DEPARTMENT BUT QUICKLY BECAME ENGULFED IN THE FIGHT
4 FOR CIVIL RIGHTS. SHE WAS A PASSIONATE ADVOCATE FOR EQUALITY
5 AND BECAME KNOWN TO MANY OF US AS THE GODMOTHER OF THE CIVIL
6 RIGHTS MOVEMENT. SHE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL
7 COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN FOR SOME 36 YEARS, WAS A RECOGNIZED
8 LEADER IN THE STRUGGLE FOR RIGHTS FOR WOMEN AND AFRICAN-
9 AMERICANS AS WELL AS OTHERS AND WORKED FOR THE DESEGREGATION
10 OF THE ARMED FORCES. SHE'S ONE OF THE FEW AMERICANS WHO HOLDS
11 THE DISTINCTION OF RECEIVING BOTH THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL OF
12 FREEDOM AND THE CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL. SHE WILL BE
13 REMEMBERED FOR HER DEDICATION TO THE PURSUIT OF EQUAL RIGHTS
14 IN THE FACE OF CONSIDERABLE ADVERSITY AND FOR HER MANY
15 CONTRIBUTIONS TO SOCIAL JUSTICE HERE IN THE UNITED STATES AND
16 ABROAD. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY LEGIONS. DOROTHY IRENE HEIGHT.

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18 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AGAIN, ALL OF US.

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BILLY JOE HORTON, SR. MR. HORTON WAS BORN
21 ON APRIL THE 2ND, 1943, TENNESSEE, AND PASSED ON APRIL 9 AT
22 THE AGE OF 67, GRADUATED FROM BOULEVARD INDUSTRIAL HIGH SCHOOL
23 IN '61 AND AFTER HIS GRADUATION, HE ENLISTED IN THE U.S. ARMY
24 AND RECEIVED AN HONORABLE DISCHARGE. HE THEN RETURNED TO
25 SCHOOL AND ATTENDED THE NATIONAL SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY. MR.



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1 HORTON RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES AROUND THE TIME OF THE EARLY
2 '70S AND HE IMMEDIATELY BEGAN DOOR-TO-DOOR GOSPEL MINISTRY AS
3 HIS FIRST JOB. 1973, HE BEGAN HIS CAREER AS COUNTY EMPLOYEE
4 WITH THE INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND HE WORKED AS A
5 CUSTODIAN SUPERVISOR FOR THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION AND THE
6 HALL OF RECORDS UNTIL HIS PASSING. HE ENJOYED INTERACTING WITH
7 PEOPLE, NURTURING CHILDREN AND LIVING LIFE. HE WILL BE
8 REMEMBERED FOR ENCOURAGING OTHERS AND HIS COMMITMENT TO HIS
9 FAITH. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE SHIRLEY ANN
10 HORTON, HIS CHILDREN, TANISHA PRINCE, TATIANA HORTON AND BILLY
11 HORTON, JR., HIS BROTHER, JOHN SPIGHT, TWO NIECES, ONE NEPHEW,
12 TWO GODDAUGHTERS, A BROTHER-IN-LAW AND MANY RELATIVES AND
13 FRIENDS. FINALLY, MADAME CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES, LULSBIA ALVA
14 WILLIS, BORN ON JANUARY THE 12TH, 1942, IN NEW ORLEANS,
15 LOUISIANA, AND PASSED ON APRIL THE 14TH OF THIS YEAR. SHE
16 RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES IN 1962. SHE ATTENDED THE CALIFORNIA
17 STATE UNIVERSITY AT LOS ANGELES WHERE SHE COMPLETED A BACHELOR
18 OF ARTS DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY AND SUBSEQUENTLY COMPLETED A
19 MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE IN SOCIOLOGY. SHE LATER RETURNED TO
20 SCHOOL AND RECEIVED A MASTER'S OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN SOCIAL
21 WORK. MS. WILLIS WORKED FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER
22 FOR 33 YEARS, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, AFTER A TENURE WITH
23 D.W.P. SHE BEGAN HER CAREER IN COUNSELING AT THE DIDI HIRSCH
24 COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER WHERE SHE SERVED AS A COUNSELOR
25 AND ADVOCATE FOR THREE YEARS. SHORTLY BEFORE HER PASSING, SHE



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1 BEGAN TO WORK FOR C.A.S.A., A PROGRAM FOR BATTERED WOMEN THAT
2 PROVIDED SHELTER. SHE PROVIDED SUPPORT TO CHILDREN AS AN
3 ADVOCATE THROUGH THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM. SHE GREATLY ENJOYED
4 WORKING WITH YOUTH, HER VINTAGE DOLLS COLLECTION AND WAS AN
5 AVID CABLE TELEVISION SHOPPER. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER
6 HOSPITALITY AND KINDNESS TOWARD OTHERS. SHE WILL BE ALSO
7 REMEMBERED BY MANY, NOT THE LEAST OF WHOM WOULD BE HER
8 HUSBAND, EDWARD, HER SON, JEWEL, HER SISTERS, TISH, ANDREA,
9 DEBBY, ONE AUNT, SEVERAL CHILDREN, NIECES, NEPHEWS, AUNTS,
10 COUSINS, AND A HOST OF RELATIVES AND FRIENDS. THAT CONCLUDES
11 MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS, MADAME CHAIR. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS. ALL
14 MEMBERS ON THE DOROTHY HEIGHT MEMORIAL. ALL RIGHT, SUPERVISOR-
15 -

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE A COUPLE, MADAME CHAIR. DEDE ALLEN,
18 ONE OF THE MOTION PICTURE INDUSTRY'S FOREMOST FILM EDITORS
19 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 86. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND
20 OF 63 YEARS, STEPHEN FLEISCHMAN, A SON, TOM, A DAUGHTER, RAMEY
21 WARD, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN AND TWO GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO ASK
22 THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF HARRIET BENJAMIN, A BREAST
23 CANCER SURVIVOR WHOSE SUCCESSFUL BATTLE LED HER TO CO-FOUND
24 THE SANTA MONICA-BASED WELLNESS COMMUNITY, WHICH IS A SUPPORT
25 NETWORK OF CANCER PATIENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES. SHE DIED OF



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1 LUNG CANCER AT THE AGE OF 85 IN HER MARINA DEL REY HOME. SHE
2 IS SURVIVED BY HER-- HER HUSBAND PREDECEASED HER. SHE IS
3 SURVIVED BY HER TWO DAUGHTERS, ANN AND LAUREN AND HER
4 GRANDSON, AND TWO GRANDCHILDREN. AND LAST, I ASK WE ADJOURN IN
5 THE MEMORY OF RON GOODMAN, LONG-TIME LEADER IN THE LOS ANGELES
6 JEWISH COMMUNITY AND PAST PRESIDENT OF TEMPLE ISRAEL OF
7 HOLLYWOOD, PASSED AWAY AFTER SUFFERING A BRAIN ANEURYSM. HE IS
8 SURVIVED BY SHELLI, HIS WIFE, SHELLI, THEIR TWO SONS, MARK AND
9 KENNETH AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN, SPENCER, CANDICE, SAMUEL AND
10 JACLYN. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS.
13 SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOUR ADJOURNMENTS.

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15 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, FIRST OF ALL, THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE
16 MEMORY OF [QUINCY] JOHN CROCHET. JUST A GREAT GUY. HE PASSED
17 AWAY APRIL 10TH AT THE AGE OF 88. HE WAS BORN IN TEXAS, SERVED
18 IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AIR FORCE AS A PILOT, DURING WORLD
19 WAR II WAS AWARDED PURPLE HEART. HE WORKED FOR CHEVRON,
20 RETIRED IN 1984. HE VOLUNTEERED HIS TIME FOR YEARS AS A
21 TRANSLATOR FOR THE LONG BEACH FIRE AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS AS
22 WELL AS A 1984 LOS ANGELES OLYMPICS. HE WAS INVOLVED WITH MANY
23 ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL, ROTARY
24 INTERNATIONAL, LONG BEACH CHAMBER AQUARIUM PACIFIC, ST. MARY'S
25 MEDICAL CENTER, TO NAME JUST A FEW. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS



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1 DAUGHTER ROBERTA. JUST A GREAT AMERICAN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN
2 IN THE MEMORY OF, CHUCK GREENBERG, A RETIRED LONG BEACH
3 ATTORNEY, WHO PASSED AWAY APRIL 11TH AT THE AGE OF 76. HE WAS
4 A FORMER PLANNING COMMISSIONER AND LONG BEACH STATE COLLEGE
5 BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION INSTRUCTOR. HE HELPED WITH THE LEGAL
6 WORK THAT BROUGHT THE QUEEN MARY TO LONG BEACH IN 1967. HE WAS
7 VERY ACTIVE AS A COASTAL AND LAND USE ATTORNEY, HELPED WITH
8 THE FIRST COASTAL PLAN IN THE LATE '70S. HE ENJOYED SPENDING
9 TIME WITH HIS FAMILY AND WILL BE MISSED BY MANY. HE IS
10 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 44 YEARS, CAROL, DAUGHTERS JULIE, SON
11 DAVID, THREE GRANDCHILDREN, LUCAS, SAMUEL, AND HANNAH. ALSO
12 THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF CYNTHIA HERNANDEZ, EDGAR
13 HERNANDEZ, XOCHITL HERNANDEZ AND LUIS VILLEGAS. ON SUNDAY,
14 APRIL 11TH, WE ALL SAW THE RESULTS OF A TRAGIC AUTOMOBILE
15 ACCIDENT, OCCURRED ON THE 5 FREEWAY IN NEWHALL, RESULTED IN
16 THE LOSS OF FOUR CHILDREN FROM THE HERNANDEZ AND VILLEGAS
17 FAMILIES. ALL OF THE CHILDREN ATTENDED LAUREL ELEMENTARY
18 SCHOOL IN WHITTIER. EDGAR WAS IN THE SECOND GRADE, CYNTHIA WAS
19 IN THE THIRD GRADE AND XOCHITL ATTENDED THE PRESCHOOL OPTION
20 PROGRAM AND WAS SCHEDULED TO START KINDERGARTEN IN THE FALL.
21 THEY ARE SURVIVED BY THEIR MOTHER, JESSICA, WHO IS STILL IN
22 CRITICAL CONDITION AS A RESULT OF THE ACCIDENT. THESE FOUR
23 BEAUTIFUL CHILDREN WILL BE GREATLY MISSED BY THE MANY FRIENDS
24 AND CLASSMATES AND FAMILIES THAT KNEW THEM. IF YOU'RE
25 INTERESTED IN MAKING A DONATION TO ASSIST THE FAMILY WITH



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1 BURIAL COSTS, WELLS FARGO BANK HAS A SPECIAL ACCOUNT SET UP AT
2 316-479-3865. A TRAGEDY. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
3 RAY FALK, WORLD WAR II VETERAN AND REAL ESTATE BROKER, WAS
4 LEAVING BEHIND A LEGACY THAT REALLY INCLUDED A VIBRANT POLAR
5 BEAR CLUB DOWN AT SAN PEDRO AND NOW-RESTORED CABRILLO BEACH
6 BATHHOUSE. HE JOINED THE NAVY WHILE HE WAS AT SAN PEDRO HIGH
7 SCHOOL, WENT ON TO SERVE DURING WORLD WAR II IN THE PACIFIC
8 CHINA AND ALEUTIAN ISLANDS IN GUAM. IN 1984, HE ORGANIZED AND
9 PARTICIPATED IN THE SIX-MAN RELAY TEAM, SWAM ACROSS THE
10 CATALINA CHANNEL. VERY ACTIVE IN THE SAN PEDRO ELKS AS WELL AS
11 30-YEAR CLUB OF SAN PEDRO AND HELPED OUT AT SAN PEDRO'S ANNUAL
12 HOLIDAY PARADE. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE ANN, DAUGHTERS
13 SANDY AND BIRDIE, SON JOHN, SISTER CHARLOTTE, BROTHER ROBERT,
14 SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN AND SEVEN GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT
15 WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF LAVON PRUITT, PASSED AWAY
16 PEACEFULLY AT THE AGE OF 92. SHE WAS BORN IN IOWA AND HAD HER
17 OWN RADIO SHOW BACK IN SIOUX CITY ENTITLED "LYRICS BY LAVON."
18 SHE PERFORMED WITH THE LAWRENCE WELK BAND IN THE LATE '30S.
19 SHE MOVED TO CALIFORNIA, WHERE SHE MARRIED AND MOVED TO
20 LAKEWOOD. SHE WORKED FOR 24 YEARS WITH THE LAKEWOOD SHERIFF'S
21 DEPARTMENT AND THEN THE A.B.C. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. SHE IS
22 SURVIVED BY HER SON MICHAEL, GRANDDAUGHTER KIMBERLY AND TWO
23 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. FINALLY, THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
24 JAMES JOSEPH SMITH, LONG-TIME LAKEWOOD RESIDENT, WHO PASSED
25 AWAY SUDDENLY ON APRIL 10TH. HE WAS A VIETNAM VET, SERVED IN



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1 THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, LIVED IN LAKEWOOD FOR THE PAST
2 40 YEARS AND SERVED AS THE NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH BLOCK CAPTAIN.
3 HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE CAROL, FOUR CHILDREN, DEBRA, ED,
4 MARY, JOSHUA, SISTER, MARY, 12 GRANDCHILDREN AND FOUR GREAT
5 GRANDSON. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS, MADAME CHAIR.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THOSE ADJOURNMENTS. ALL
8 RIGHT. AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU'VE CONCLUDED YOUR
9 ADJOURNMENTS. CORRECT?

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES, I DID

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13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** LET'S MOVE ON--

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ON THE BUDGET WE HAVE PRESENTED TO US BY THE
16 C.E.O. TODAY, ONCE AGAIN, WE'RE BEING IMPACTED BY STATE'S
17 FAILURE TO ADOPT A RESPONSIBLE BUDGET TO REDUCE SPENDING MORE
18 THAN REVENUES THAT ARE AVAILABLE AND MAKING THE NECESSARY
19 STRUCTURAL REFORMS. THIS PROPOSAL AT THE STATE LEVEL OR
20 INACTION HAS IMPACTED EVERY SCHOOL, CITY IN THIS STATE. THIS
21 IS A VERY WEAK YEAR AND IT REQUIRES AN AGGRESSIVE PARTNERSHIP
22 LEADERSHIP WITH OUR LABOR ORGANIZATIONS AND COUNTY MANAGEMENT
23 WORKING TOGETHER TO FIND THOSE AREAS WHERE WE CAN BRING ABOUT
24 ECONOMIES AND REDUCTIONS WHILE MOVING FORWARD WITH OUR PUBLIC
25 SAFETY AND VITAL SERVICES AND ALSO LOOKING AT THOSE PROGRAMS



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1 WHERE WE PROVIDE ADDITIONAL REVENUES THEN REQUIRED BY THE
2 STATE FOR THE OPERATION OF THOSE PROGRAMS. ONE CONCERN I'VE
3 HAD, ONE OF THOSE BUDGET ITEMS IS THE COUNTY HEALTH WHERE THEY
4 SPEND \$400 MILLION MORE FOR SERVICES BEYOND THAT REQUIRED BY
5 THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. I'D LIKE TO ASK MR. FUJIOKA, THE
6 PUBLIC DEFENDER IS PROPOSING TO CUT 11 PUBLIC DEFENDER LAWYER
7 POSITIONS TO MEET THE REQUIRED CURTAILMENT. OVER THE YEARS,
8 THEY HAVE TAKEN OVER THE POSITION OF SUPERVISOR DELINQUENCY
9 COURT RATHER THAN RESTRICTING THEIR ROLE TO PROVIDING LEGAL
10 DEFENSE. THE QUESTION IS, IS THE DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC DEFENDER,
11 LOOKING AT WAYS OF GETTING BACK INVOLVED TO REDUCE THOSE AREAS
12 WHERE THEY EXPANDED TO ENSURE THAT WE SUPPORT THE CORE
13 POSITION, WHICH IS PROVIDING LEGAL DEFENSE FOR THE INDIGENT.

14

15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** PRINCIPALLY, THAT'S A QUESTION TO BE ANSWERED
16 BY OUR PUBLIC DEFENDER, BUT IN MY CONVERSATIONS WITH THAT
17 OFFICE, THE ANSWER WOULD BE YES.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THEY'RE LOOKING AT DOING THAT.

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

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN THE--

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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** PRESENTATION FIRST. I THINK IT WOULD BE
2 BETTER IF WE HAD A PRESENTATION ON THE BUDGET FIRST.

3
4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S FINE.

5
6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO GET SKIPPED. OKAY.
7 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'VE PASSED OUT INFORMATION THAT YOU
8 HAVE IN FRONT OF YOU AND THIS YEAR, I'M NOT GOING TO DO A
9 POWER POINT PRESENTATION BECAUSE A LOT OF THIS INFORMATION IS
10 KNOWN, BUT FOR THOSE WATCHING TODAY OR LISTENING, THE
11 INFORMATION THAT WE JUST DISTRIBUTED TO THE BOARD, BOTH OUR
12 TRANSMITTAL MEMO, THE POWER POINT PRESENTATION, SOME OTHER
13 SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION IS AVAILABLE ON A C.E.O. WEBSITE, SO
14 IF SOMEONE WOULD LIKE TO GET A COPY OF THAT, YOU'RE WELCOME TO
15 ACCESS THAT INFORMATION THROUGH OUR WEBSITE, OR YOU CAN
16 CONTACT OUR OFFICE, WE'LL MAKE SURE YOU GET THE INFORMATION AS
17 QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. FIRST, THIS, TO SAY THE LEAST, IS A VERY,
18 VERY DIFFICULT BUDGET. THIS IS NOT THE FIRST YEAR OF HAVING
19 CHALLENGES WITH OUR-- WITH BOTH LOCAL, STATE AND NATIONAL
20 ECONOMY, BUT THIS IS ACTUALLY THE THIRD YEAR. I NEED TO THANK
21 AND RECOGNIZE SID KIKAWA AND ALL THE C.E.O. BUDGET STAFF.
22 EQUALLY IMPORTANT, I NEED TO THANK THE BOARD'S BUDGET AND
23 POLICY STAFF AND WORKING CLOSELY WITH US TO PUT TOGETHER THIS
24 VERY CHALLENGING BUDGET, AND LASTLY, BUT ALSO IMPORTANT, I
25 NEED TO RECOGNIZE THE DEPARTMENTS BECAUSE THIS IS NOT THE



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1 FIRST YEAR WE'VE ASKED THEM TO TAKE SOME CUTS; THIS IS THE
2 THIRD YEAR. I THINK EVERYONE KNOWS IT IS THE THIRD YEAR. ON A
3 CUMULATIVE BASIS, AND WITH THAT, SOMEWHAT OF AN AVERAGE BASIS,
4 MOST DEPARTMENTS HAVE TAKEN CUTS IN THE MID 20 PERCENTILE,
5 WITH SOME OF THE DEPARTMENTS BEING ASKED TO TAKE CUTS AS HIGH
6 AS ABOUT 30, 31 PERCENT. AND I CAN EASILY CALL OUT MOST OF THE
7 DEPARTMENTS IN TERMS OF WHAT THEY'VE DONE TO HELP US GET
8 THROUGH THIS VERY DIFFICULT TIME, AND THE FACT THAT THEY'VE
9 STEPPED UP AND THEY'VE IDENTIFIED WAYS TO FIND EFFICIENCIES,
10 TO FIND ECONOMIES WITHIN THEIR OWN DEPARTMENTS, AND IN DOING
11 SO, ALSO TO MINIMIZE THE IMPACT ON OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES.
12 ONE DEPARTMENT I NEED TO RECOGNIZE IS OUR SHERIFF. SHERIFF
13 BACA STARTED HIS EFFORT TO REDUCE HIS COSTS IN MARCH. IT'S MY
14 UNDERSTANDING THAT AS OF THIS DATE, HE'S REDUCED HIS
15 EXPENDITURES BY ABOUT \$30 MILLION, AND THAT'S-- THAT NEEDS TO
16 BE CALLED OUT. WE WERE IN RELATIVELY GOOD SHAPE, AND THAT'S IN
17 A VERY RELATIVE CONTEXT. WE DO HAVE A DEFICIT OF ABOUT \$510
18 MILLION, BUT, AGAIN, COMPARED TO ANY OTHER MUNICIPALITY IN THE
19 STATE OF CALIFORNIA, OR EVEN LOCALLY, WE ARE IN A MUCH
20 STRONGER POSITION FINANCIALLY THAN OTHERS. THIS IS PRINCIPALLY
21 BECAUSE OF THE FISCAL MANAGEMENT AND WITH THAT, THE FISCAL
22 DILIGENCE EXERCISED BY THIS BOARD. I DON'T SAY THAT LIGHTLY.
23 IT'S SOMETHING THAT HAS TO BE RECOGNIZED, THAT THIS COUNTY HAS
24 EXCESS-- HAS FINANCIAL POLICIES THAT IT'S ADHERED TO OVER
25 THESE MANY YEARS THAT WILL ALLOW US TO GET THROUGH THESE VERY



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1 DIFFICULT TIMES, AT THE SAME TIME, MINIMIZING THE IMPACT TO
2 OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES AND TO OUR STAFF. THIS IS NOT TO SAY
3 THIS WON'T BE AN IMPACT, BUT IF NOT FOR THOSE PRACTICES AND
4 POLICIES, THE IMPACT WOULD BE SIGNIFICANTLY GREATER. I THINK
5 YOU KNOW THAT WE STARTED AN EXERCISE SEVERAL MONTHS AGO WHERE
6 WE ASKED EVERY DEPARTMENT TO TAKE A 9 PERCENT CURTAILMENT.
7 ONCE WE RECEIVED THAT INFORMATION, WE STARTED WORKING WITH THE
8 DEPARTMENTS ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS TO AGAIN LOOK AT THE IMPACT
9 ON PROGRAMS AND SERVICES AND THE IMPACT ON STAFF, THAT THE
10 FIRST INFORMATION THAT CAME FORWARD HAD A VERY SIGNIFICANT
11 IMPACT, ESPECIALLY ON EMPLOYEES. THE FIRST NUMBER THAT WE WERE
12 DEALING WITH IN TERMS OF POTENTIAL LAYOFFS WAS IN EXCESS OF
13 2,000. AFTER WORKING WITH THEM, WE REDUCED THE DEPARTMENT'S
14 CUTS TO \$175 MILLION. I MENTIONED THAT WE HAVE A DEFICIT AND
15 NET COUNTY COST DEFICIT OF 510. THAT'S DRIVEN BY REVENUE
16 REDUCTION IN THE AREA OF PRINCIPALLY YOU HAVE THE SALES TAX
17 AND PROPERTY TAX AND V.L.F. IT TOTALS ABOUT \$221 MILLION.
18 WE'VE HAD AN INCREASE IN OUR ASSISTANCE CASELOAD OF 145,
19 ALMOST \$146 MILLION. AND TO JUST PAUSE SOMEWHAT, TO ILLUSTRATE
20 THAT POINT, WE'VE HAD A 60 PERCENT INCREASE IN GENERAL RELIEF
21 PARTICIPANTS. THIS YEAR ALONE, OUR NET COUNTY COSTS INCREASED
22 FOR GENERAL RELIEF ALONE WENT UP \$77 MILLION. THAT'S MONEY
23 THAT WE WOULD USE TO SUPPORT OTHER PROGRAMS AND SERVICES IN
24 THE COUNTY BUT EVERYONE KNOWS THAT THAT \$221 PER MONTH OR
25 \$2,600 PER YEAR FOR EACH RECIPIENT COMES OUT OF OUR GENERAL



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1 FUND, OUR NET COUNTY COST DOLLARS. WE'VE HAD \$130 MILLION IN
2 UNAVOIDABLE COSTS. EMBEDDED IN THAT FIGURE IS AN INCREASE TO
3 OUR OBLIGATION-- TO OUR PAYMENT TO OUR PENSION PROGRAM.
4 THERE'S BEEN SOME NET PROGRAM COSTS, CHANGES OF \$12 MILLION,
5 AND THAT TOTAL IS ABOUT \$510 MILLION. WHAT WE'RE RECOMMENDING
6 TODAY IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET ARE DEPARTMENTAL CUTS TOTALING
7 175 MILLION, SOME ONE-TIME SOLUTIONS OF 167 MILLION, REVENUE
8 INCREASES OF 13 MILLION, LABOR MANAGEMENT SAVINGS, THAT I'LL
9 GET TO A LITTLE BIT LATER IN THIS PRESENTATION, OF \$115
10 MILLION, AND THEN WE HOPE FOR THE CONTINUATION THROUGH THE
11 STIMULUS PROGRAM OF F.M.A.P. FOR \$40 MILLION. THE ONE-TIME
12 SOLUTIONS, WE ARE RECOMMENDING TAKING MONEY FROM THE RAINY DAY
13 FUND AND I THINK WHAT'S IMPORTANT IS SOME PEOPLE, FROM THE
14 OUTSIDE, HAVE QUESTIONED WHY AT THIS JUNCTURE WE ARE ACCESSING
15 THE RAINY DAY FUND. WELL, THE PURPOSE OF THAT FUND AND THE
16 PURPOSE OF USING ALL OF THIS ONE-TIME MONEY IS TO HELP US
17 BRIDGE OVER THIS VERY DIFFICULT ECONOMIC TIME. IF YOU TALKED
18 TO ANY ECONOMIST, AND WE'VE TALKED TO MANY, IT'S STATED THAT
19 NEXT YEAR, FISCAL YEAR 2011, WILL BE THE MOST DIFFICULT YEAR.
20 WE'LL SEE SOME DEGREE OF STABILIZATION IN FISCAL YEAR '11/'12
21 WITH GROWTH STARTING IN FISCAL YEAR '12/'13. IF YOU BELIEVE IN
22 THAT, AND WE ABSOLUTELY BELIEVE IN THAT, IT WOULD BE INCORRECT
23 TO DECIMATE OUR PROGRAM, TO LAY OFF THOUSANDS OF EMPLOYEES
24 WHEN WE'LL PROBABLY NEED THOSE SAME INDIVIDUALS COME ONCE THE
25 ECONOMY STARTS TO RECOVER. AS A CONSEQUENCE, WE'RE ASKING FOR



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1 THE APPROVAL TO USE THIS ONE-TIME MONEY. OTHER ONE-TIME
2 DOLLARS WILL COME FROM OUR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM. IT'S
3 OUR INTENT, AND THIS IS DRIVEN BY THE FACT THAT THE RATES IN
4 THE CURRENT MARKET ARE AS GOOD AS THEY'VE EVER BEEN, INSTEAD
5 OF USING CASH, TO USE-- TO ISSUE DEBT FOR SOME OF THE SMALLER
6 CAPITAL PROGRAMS. WE ALSO HAVE MONEY SET ASIDE TO REBUILD THIS
7 BUILDING, AND GIVEN THAT WE WON'T BE DOING THAT IN THE NEAR
8 FUTURE, I THINK IT'S PRUDENT TO PULL THAT MONEY OUT TO AGAIN
9 HELP US BRIDGE. ON A LABOR MANAGEMENT SAVINGS OF 115, WE ARE
10 WORKING WITH OUR LABOR PARTNERS, AND I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THE
11 WORD "PARTNERS" BECAUSE I THINK EVERYONE KNOWS, WE WERE ONE OF
12 THE FIRST MUNICIPALITIES IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO
13 APPROACH OUR VARIOUS UNIONS AND ASK FOR ZERO C.O.L.A.S IN
14 THEIR CONTRACTS, AND THEY STEPPED UP, EVERY SINGLE ONE STEPPED
15 UP, AND GAVE US A TWO-YEAR CONTRACT WITH ZERO C.O.L.A.S. TO
16 HELP MINIMIZE THE IMPACT TO OUR PROGRAMS AND SERVICES AND OUR
17 EMPLOYEES, BUT ALSO HELP US GET OVER THIS DIFFICULT TIME
18 PERIOD, WE'RE AGAIN AT THE TABLE WITH LABOR AND WE'RE ASKING
19 THEM TO WORK WITH US ON IDENTIFYING \$115 MILLION IN SAVINGS.
20 WE'VE HAD SEVERAL MEETINGS WITH THEM, THEY'VE BEEN VERY
21 PRODUCTIVE MEETINGS, AND THEY'LL CONTINUE UNTIL WE ACHIEVE
22 THAT PARTICULAR GOAL. JUST TO HIGHLIGHT A COUPLE OF DECLINES
23 IN REVENUE, SALES TAX ALONE HAS GONE DOWN \$210 MILLION OVER
24 THE LAST THREE YEARS AND PROPERTY TAX HAS GONE DOWN ABOUT \$132
25 MILLION. ON A POSITIVE NOTE, WE'RE STARTING TO SEE SOME UPWARD



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1 TREND IN SALES TAX, WE SAW SOME VERY STRONG SALES TAX RETURNS
2 FOR THE MONTHS OF NOVEMBER, JANUARY-- NO, DECEMBER AND
3 JANUARY. WE DO NOT HAVE FEBRUARY INFORMATION YET. THAT SHOULD
4 COME IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS, BUT WE'RE WATCHING THAT
5 VERY, VERY CLOSELY, AND WE'RE ALSO WATCHING, AGAIN, WHAT'S
6 HAPPENING WITH UNEMPLOYMENT. YOU'LL KNOW THAT THERE'S A
7 FEDERAL JOBS BILL THAT'S COMING FORWARD SOON. THERE'S HOPE
8 THAT THAT JOBS BILL WILL HAVE AN IMPACT ON UNEMPLOYMENT. IF,
9 BACK IN 2007, OUR UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN L.A. COUNTY WAS AT 4.8
10 PERCENT, NOW IT'S AT 12.4 PERCENT, A DRAMATIC INCREASE. AND IF
11 WE SEE A CORRESPONDING DECREASE-- A DECREASE, WE'LL SEE A
12 CORRESPONDING REDUCTION IN OUR GENERAL FUND-- GENERAL RELIEF
13 PROGRAM. HOPEFULLY TAKE IT FROM THE HIGH THIS YEAR BACK TO THE
14 2004 LEVEL. THAT'S ESSENTIALLY IT. WHAT WE TRY TO DO NOW AND
15 WHAT I WOULD EMPHASIZE IS THAT WE KNOW THAT REVENUE IS
16 STARTING TO IMPROVE. BEFORE WE CAN ADJUST OUR PROJECTIONS, WE
17 NEED TO SEE A LONGER PERIOD OF IMPROVEMENT. THREE MONTHS IS
18 NOT A SUFFICIENT PERIOD. AND HISTORICALLY, REVENUES SUCH AS
19 SALES TAX HAS ALWAYS GONE UP FROM THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER,
20 DECEMBER AND JANUARY, BUT I OFFER YOU THE FACT THAT IT IS
21 GOING UP, SO WE ARE STARTING TO SEE SOME IMPROVEMENTS. WE JUST
22 RECEIVED OUR PROPERTY TAX RECEIPTS YESTERDAY FROM THE-- OR
23 INFORMATION FROM THE-- OUR TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR, AND AT
24 THIS JUNCTURE, IT APPEARS THAT WE'RE RIGHT ON TARGET, WHICH IS
25 GOOD AND BAD. WE'RE HOPING FOR A LITTLE BIT MORE, BUT THE GOOD



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1 PART IS IT WASN'T ANYTHING LESS. WE ARE SEEING SOME
2 IMPROVEMENTS IN THE HOUSING MARKET, WE'RE SEEING-- WE SAW A
3 VERY STRONG MONTH OF MARCH FOR AUTOMOTIVE SALES, BUT AGAIN,
4 THAT'S A SINGLE MONTH. WE NEED TO WATCH AND SEE IF THERE'S A
5 TREND, IF THAT CONTINUES FOR APRIL AND MAY. AND SO THIS YEAR,
6 THE FINAL BUDGET WILL BE VERY SIGNIFICANT, BUT EVEN MORE
7 SIGNIFICANT WILL BE SUPPLEMENTAL, WHEN WE CLOSE THE BOOKS IN
8 AUGUST, WHEN WE HAVE ALL THE RECEIPTS FOR THIS FISCAL YEAR, WE
9 HAVE MORE INFORMATION FOR OUR KEY REVENUE CATEGORIES, OUR
10 REVENUE SOURCES, AND THEN WE CAN START LOOKING AT ADJUSTMENTS
11 AND THEN COME FORWARD AND MAKE CHANGES AND THEN WHEN WE DO
12 MAKE CHANGES, I STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT WE FOCUS ON THE
13 PROGRAMS THAT HAVE BEEN-- HAVE SEEN SERVICE REDUCTIONS AND
14 EQUALLY IMPORTANT, THE REMAINING EMPLOYEES THAT ARE DESIGNATED
15 FOR CURTAILMENT. WE HAVE CUT 1,374 POSITIONS. OF THAT 1,374,
16 THERE IS 131 THAT REPRESENTS FILLED POSITIONS. WE HAVE SEVERAL
17 DEPARTMENTS HAVE STEPPED UP AND SAID THEY CAN MANAGE THE CUTS
18 WITHIN THEIR EXISTING BUDGET, SO RIGHT NOW, WE'RE DOWN TO
19 ABOUT 108 WHO ARE IMPACTED, AND AS WE GO ALONG AND AS WE GET
20 MORE INFORMATION ON OUR FINANCES AND WITH THAT OUR REVENUE, I
21 WOULD STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT WE LOOK AT MITIGATING THAT
22 IMPACT. AND WITH THAT, I ASK IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR I
23 UNDERSTAND YOU HAVE A FEW MOTIONS YOU'D LIKE TO PRESENT.

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25 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR?



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TO FOLLOW UP ON, LIKE, QUESTIONS, SCHOOLS, AS
3 YOU KNOW THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY, AND WE JUST DID THE
4 VOLUNTEER PROGRAM AT-- WITH OUR VOLUNTEERS AT THE NATURE
5 CENTERS THIS PAST SATURDAY, THE QUESTION IS, WILL THE HOURS
6 THAT ARE BEING TALKED ABOUT WITH OUR CULTURAL CENTERS AND
7 NATURE PARKS FOR FIELD TRIPS AND EDUCATIONAL EXCURSIONS, WOULD
8 THOSE HOURS BE REDUCED, THOSE CENTERS, AS A RESULT OF THE CUTS
9 TO THE PARKS DEPARTMENT?

10

11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I DON'T RECALL ANY REDUCTION IN THE HOURS AT
12 THE PARKS. I'D HAVE TO-- HMM? BUT THE QUESTION IS WHETHER OR
13 NOT THE REDUCTION WAS SPECIFIC TO THE NATURE CENTERS. AND SO
14 WE'D HAVE TO ASK THE DEPARTMENT AT THIS POINT.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND ALSO TO THE CULTURAL CENTERS.

17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES. WE'D HAVE TO FIND THAT QUESTION OUT FOR
19 YOU. WE'LL REPORT BACK DURING DELIBERATIONS.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE MUSEUM OF ART BASE FUNDING WILL BE
22 INCREASED BY \$2 MILLION. COULD YOU SPECIFICALLY TELL US WHAT
23 THAT INCREASE IS FOR?

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL, SEVERAL YEARS AGO, SEVERAL BUDGETS AGO,
2 A REQUEST WAS MADE AND APPROVAL GIVEN TO INCREASE THE
3 OPERATING BUDGETS FOR THE ARTS COMMISSION BY \$2 MILLION FOR
4 THREE CONSECUTIVE FISCAL YEARS, AND THAT WAS DESIGNED TO
5 ADDRESS THEIR HIGHER OPERATING COSTS AS A CONSEQUENCE OF THE
6 CAPITAL PROGRAM, THE BUILDING PROGRAM. AND SO IT'S PRINCIPALLY
7 DESIGNED TO SUPPORT THE INCREASED OPERATING COSTS.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT WAS FOR THE ELI BROAD BUILDING.

10

11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT'S ELI BROAD, BUT AS THE CAPITAL PROGRAM
12 CONTINUES, IT'S ANTICIPATED, AND WE FOUND IT TO BE TRUE THAT
13 THEY'VE HAD INCREASED OPERATING COSTS.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO YOU THINK HE WOULD BE WILLING TO PROVIDE
16 SOME ADDITIONAL FUNDS INSTEAD OF HAVING IT COME FROM THE
17 COUNTY GENERAL FUND?

18

19 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I THINK THAT WOULD BE A WONDERFUL REQUEST.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HE HAS A LITTLE BETTER FINANCIAL ABILITY THAN
22 WE DO AT THIS TIME. WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON THE CONSOLIDATION OF
23 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY REHAB CENTER WITH THE ACTON FACILITY?

24



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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL, WE HAVE-- WE'VE WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE
2 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH ON THAT RECOMMENDATION, AND BOTH
3 FACILITIES HAVE SOME FAIRLY SERIOUS INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS.
4 PRINCIPALLY IN THE AREA OF, HOW SHOULD I PUT IT, IT'S THEIR--
5 IT'S A SEWER-- IT'S A WATER TREATMENT FACILITY, WHICH IS FANCY
6 FOR SEWER, BUT WATER TREATMENT FACILITY. SO RATHER THAN
7 SPENDING THE MONEY TO UPGRADE BOTH FACILITIES, IT'S FELT THAT
8 IT WOULD BE MORE COST-EFFICIENT AND THE DEPARTMENT ALSO STATES
9 IT WOULD AN MORE EFFICIENT TO CONSOLIDATE TWO FACILITIES INTO
10 ONE, AND BY DOING SO, THEY CAN HAVE SOME PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS,
11 BUT WE'D ALSO SPEND MONEY ONLY ON ONE FACILITY TO UPGRADE THE
12 INFRASTRUCTURE. BOTH FACILITIES, I RAN BOTH OF THEM BACK IN
13 THE LATE '90S--

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU'RE RECOMMENDING THAT THEY WOULD CLOSE ONE
16 FACILITY AND ONLY UPGRADE THE OTHER.

17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YOU WOULD CLOSE WARM SPRINGS AND MAKE THE
19 NECESSARY REPAIRS TO THE INFRASTRUCTURE AT ACTON AND THEN
20 CONSOLIDATE THE PROGRAMS.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HAVE YOU AGGRESSIVELY PURSUED WITH THE
23 ALCOHOL INDUSTRY, BEVERAGE INDUSTRY, FUNDING TO MAINTAIN THE
24 OTHER FACILITY, AND I KNOW THEY DO PROVIDE RESOURCES FOR
25 ALCOHOL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS, PERHAPS COULD ENGAGE THEM TO



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1 HELP WITH THE REHABILITATION EFFORTS OF THEIR ALCOHOLICS WHO
2 ARE CLIENTS OF THE CENTER.

3

4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE CAN ASK THAT QUESTION, NOT ONLY AS IT
5 RELATES TO WARM SPRINGS, BUT I THINK JUST IN GENERAL.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT. IF YOU COULD DO THAT. THE PUBLIC WORKS
8 DEPARTMENT IS PROPOSING TO REDUCE THE GRAFFITI ABATEMENT
9 PROGRAM, BUT CURRENTLY OUR EFFORTS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS
10 TO REMOVE GRAFFITI WITHIN 48 HOURS ONCE IT'S REPORTED TO OUR
11 HOTLINE. HOW DOES THIS REDUCTION IMPACT GRAFFITI REMOVAL?

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I SAW THAT RECOMMENDATION. WE HAD A DISCUSSION
14 IN THE BACK ROOM ON THAT. I WOULD LIKE TO REPORT BACK DURING
15 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS BECAUSE I UNDERSTAND THE PRIORITY THIS
16 BOARD HAS PLACED ON THE NUISANCE ABATEMENT TEAM, SO WE WILL
17 REPORT BACK ON THAT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE PROPOSED CUTS TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
20 WOULD CLOSE APPROXIMATELY A THOUSAND JAIL BEDS, ELIMINATING
21 514 POSITIONS, INCLUDING 300 VACANT SHERIFF POSITIONS. WHAT IS
22 THE IMPACT ON PUBLIC SAFETY?

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THE SHERIFF HAS-- WE'VE WORKED VERY CLOSELY
25 WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ON THEIR BUDGET, THE PROPOSED



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1 BUDGET, THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET. WHAT HE'S DONE IS HE'S LOOKED
2 AT A NUMBER OF PROGRAMS THAT WILL, IN FACT, MINIMIZE THE
3 IMPACT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, BUT ALSO ACHIEVE SOME SAVINGS. HE HAS
4 REDUCED THE TIME, I BELIEVE, AT SOME VERY LOW END OFFENDERS
5 HAVE SERVED IN JAIL, BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY, HE'S LOOKED AT
6 VACANT BUDGETED POSITIONS, HE'S LOOKED AT PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO
7 REDUCE HIS EXPENDITURE OF OVERTIME. HE'S ALREADY SAVED ABOUT
8 \$30 MILLION.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE EFFORT TO ENSURE THAT OUR
11 RESPONSE TIMES DON'T FALL BELOW THE FISCAL YEAR '09 LEVELS?

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL, IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT HIS PROPOSED-
14 - THE PROPOSED BUDGET CURTAILMENT IN SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WILL
15 NOT IMPACT PATROL ACTIVITIES.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RELATIVE TO THE LIBRARY'S SOLUTION TO BUDGET
18 CUTS BY REDUCING HOURS OF SERVICE, MANY LIBRARIES ELIMINATE
19 THE LITERACY PROGRAM. HAS THE LIBRARY CONTACTED VARIOUS
20 VOLUNTEER GROUPS ABOUT PROVIDING LITERACY SERVICES RATHER THAN
21 ELIMINATING THEM ALTOGETHER AND IS THERE AN EFFORT TO IDENTIFY
22 FUNDS TO RESTORE LIBRARIES TO CURRENT DAYS OF SERVICE IN THE
23 JUNE BUDGET?

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WITH RESPECT TO CONTACTING OTHER AGENCIES,
2 WE'D LIKE TO REPORT BACK ON THAT AFTER WE DISCUSS THIS ISSUE
3 WITH OUR CHIEF LIBRARIAN. WITH RESPECT TO RESTORING THE
4 SERVICE REDUCTIONS, THAT WILL BE-- THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE
5 ADDRESSED DURING THE-- IN THE FINAL BUDGET DELIBERATIONS IN
6 JUNE. IT WOULD BE PREDICATED ON WHETHER OR NOT WE'VE HAD SOME
7 REVENUE INCREASES, AND WITH THAT, IT WOULD BE THE BOARD'S
8 POLICY DECISION TO-- AS IT LOOKS AT OTHER COMPETING
9 PRIORITIES.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOUR BOARD LETTER STATES THAT THE STATE IS
12 LOOKING AT AN ADDITIONAL \$1.45 BILLION IN REDUCTIONS IMPACTING
13 OUR COUNTY. IS THAT AMOUNT ON TOP OF THE 510 MILLION THAT
14 YOU'VE ALREADY CUT FROM THE COUNTY BUDGET, OR IS THAT 510
15 MILLION PART OF THE \$1.45 BILLION?

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17 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT REPRESENTS A NEW CUT, BUT IT ALSO
18 REPRESENTS WHAT THE GOVERNOR ISSUED IN HIS PROPOSED BUDGET,
19 AND GIVEN THE DRACONIAN NATURE OF SOME OF THE CUTS, IN MY
20 OPINION, IT'S HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT THE MAJORITY OF THOSE CUTS
21 WILL MOVE FORWARD. AND I JUST READ TODAY WHERE THE CHIEF
22 FINANCIAL OFFICER STATED THAT STATE REVENUES HAVE IMPROVED,
23 AND IT APPEARS THAT SOME OF THE CUTS HAVE BEEN PROPOSED WILL
24 NOT MATERIALIZE.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE COUNTY CAPITAL PROJECTS HAVE BEEN BOGGED
2 DOWN BY EXPENSIVE BUREAUCRATIC DELAYS AT A TIME WHEN THESE
3 PROJECTS COULD STIMULATE THE ECONOMY WITH NEW CONSTRUCTION
4 JOBS AND HELP THE COUNTY'S ONGOING COSTS IN THE CASE OF MAJOR
5 REFURBISHMENTS THAT REQUIRE FACILITIES TO BE CLOSED DURING
6 CONSTRUCTION. SO WHAT EFFORTS ARE UNDERWAY TO GET STARTED ON
7 OUR CAPITAL PROJECTS THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN FUNDED AND WAITING
8 TO BE--

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10 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** BRENT SCOPE, OUR ACTING CHIEF DEPUTY, HAS
11 TALKED TO EACH OFFICE, BUT PARTICULARLY YOUR CHIEF DEPUTIES,
12 AND HAS RECOMMENDED THAT WE ESTABLISH ON A MONTHLY BASIS AN
13 ONGOING COMMITMENT-- NOT MONTHLY BASIS-- A COMMITTEE THAT
14 WOULD MEET ON AN ONGOING MONTHLY BASIS FOR THE EXPRESS PURPOSE
15 OF TRACKING AND THEN SHEPHERDING THESE CAPITAL PROJECTS
16 THROUGH THE PROCESS. SO WE WILL START THAT EFFORT PROBABLY THE
17 FIRST THING WOULD BE THE BEGINNING OF MAY.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WITH REGIONAL PLANNING, THE BOARD IS-- IF THE
20 BOARD REJECTS THE PROPOSED FEE INCREASES NEXT WEEK, WHICH IS
21 ON THE AGENDA, WILL THAT FORCE LAYOFFS AND HOW DOES THAT
22 IMPACT THE PROCESSING TIME FOR LAND USE APPLICATIONS?

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL, THE QUESTION OF WHETHER OR NOT IT WILL
25 FORCE LAYOFFS IS, AGAIN, IS DEPENDENT ON WHAT HAPPENS DURING



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1 THE FINAL DELIBERATIONS, BECAUSE THERE ARE COMPETING
2 PRIORITIES, IF THERE IS-- IF THE FEES ARE NOT INCREASED, IT
3 COULD IMPACT AS MANY AS 11 BUDGETED POSITIONS AND BECAUSE
4 THOSE POSITIONS ARE FILLED, IT WILL HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE
5 SERVICES PROVIDED BY THOSE INDIVIDUALS, BUT I NEED TO
6 EMPHASIZE THAT THESE FEES HAVE NOT BEEN CHANGED SINCE 2005,
7 AND THE INCREASES WE'RE ASKING FOR ARE RELATIVELY MODEST, IN
8 MY OPINION, AND CONSISTENT WITH WHAT IS CURRENTLY CHARGED BY
9 OTHER JURISDICTIONS IN L.A. COUNTY.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO IS THERE AN ALTERNATIVE TO LAYING OFF
12 EMPLOYEES WHO ARE INCREASING FEES?

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14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'D HAVE TO LOOK AT WHETHER OR NOT IF OUR
15 SALES TAX REVENUE WENT UP, WE CAN LOOK AT THAT AS A POTENTIAL
16 SOURCE, BUT I, AGAIN, NEED TO EMPHASIZE THAT I'VE TALKED TO A
17 NUMBER OF YOUR OFFICES, THERE ARE COMPETING PRIORITIES. THE
18 OTHER ALTERNATIVE, OF COURSE, IS TO CUT MORE IN ANOTHER
19 DEPARTMENT, WHICH I WOULD NOT RECOMMEND BECAUSE EVERY SINGLE
20 DEPARTMENT IS AT A POINT RIGHT NOW WHERE THERE'S NOT A WHOLE
21 LOT LEFT TO CUT, BUT IF WE CAN GIVE YOU MORE INFORMATION ON
22 THE FEES, I THINK IT WILL BE RECOGNIZED THAT WE'RE
23 RECOMMENDING SOME MODEST INCREASES.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT THE DEPARTMENT-- WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF
2 THE \$542,000 REDUCTION YOU HAVE FOR PROPERTY REHABILITATION,
3 NUISANCE ABATEMENT AND THE IMPACT THAT THIS WILL HAVE ON THE
4 ABATEMENT TEAMS, BECAUSE I KNOW IN MY AREA, WE HAVE TWO WHICH
5 COVER A REGION LARGER THAN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND
6 ALREADY STRETCHED PRETTY THIN.

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8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AND THAT'S ONE I MENTIONED EARLIER, THAT I
9 WOULD LIKE TO REPORT BACK ON DURING BUDGET HEARINGS, WE WILL
10 ADDRESS THAT ISSUE.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD LIKE TO PUT THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS ON
13 THE TABLE, MADAME CHAIRMAN. FIRST ONE IS CO-AUTHORED BY
14 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MYSELF, FISCAL YEAR 2010/'11
15 INCLUDES SUSPENSION OF THE COUNTY'S MANAGEMENT INTERNSHIP
16 PROGRAM. OVER THE YEARS, THIS PROGRAM HAS BEEN A VITAL ASSET
17 IN ATTRACTING SOME OF THE BEST AND BRIGHTEST COLLEGE GRADUATES
18 TO COUNTY SERVICE. IN THE RECENT PAST, SEVERAL INTERNS HAVE
19 BECOME VALUABLE ASSETS SERVING IN KEY MANAGEMENT ROLES. THE
20 COUNTY IS CURRENTLY FACING INCREASES OF COMPLEXITY THAT OUGHT
21 TO BE RESOLVED BY MANAGEMENT WHILE AT THE SAME TIME A GREAT
22 DEAL OF ITS MIDDLE AND UPPER MANAGERS CONTINUE TO RETIRE AND
23 LEAVE THE WORKFORCE. AS PART OF OVERALL SUCCESSION PROGRAM,
24 IT'S IMPORTANT TO ENSURE THAT TALENTED INDIVIDUALS ARE
25 CONTINUALLY RECRUITED AND EFFECTIVELY TRAINED TO FILL KEY



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1 POSITIONS AND WE WOULD MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE C.A.O.
2 TO CONTINUE THE RECRUITMENT PROCESS FOR MANAGEMENT INTERNS FOR
3 THE PURPOSE OF CONTINUING THE PROGRAM AND REPORT BACK TO THE
4 BOARD IN THE FINAL CHANGES OF POTENTIAL ONGOING FUNDING
5 SOURCES FOR THAT PROGRAM. SECOND MOTION IS BY CO-AUTHORED BY
6 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. OUR MOTION IS THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY
7 MANAGEMENT WAS ESTABLISHED BY CHAPTER 268 OF THE COUNTY CODE
8 RESPONSIBLE FOR ORGANIZING, DIRECTING PREPAREDNESS EFFORTS OF
9 THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION OF THE COUNTY. O.E.M.
10 PLANS AND PREPARES FOR EMERGENCIES PROVIDING PUBLIC EDUCATION,
11 COORDINATES RESPONSE AND RECOVERY AND COLLECTS AND
12 DISSEMINATES EMERGENCY INFORMATION TO A HOST OF STAKEHOLDERS
13 COUNTY-WIDE. THE OPERATIONAL AREA EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM
14 COUNTY CODE OUTLINES THAT EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND RECOVERY IS
15 SHARED RESPONSIBILITY BY ALL DEPARTMENTS AND THEIR EXISTING
16 CAPACITY TO EFFECTIVELY AND TIMELY FULFILL ITS OVERALL
17 RESPONSIBILITY IS INADEQUATE AND REQUIRES REVIEW ANALYSIS WAYS
18 TO IMPROVE THAT OPERATION. ASSIGNING A LIAISON PERSON FROM
19 CERTAIN COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, SUCH AS THE SHERIFF, FIRE, HEALTH,
20 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND OTHERS AS APPROPRIATE,
21 WOULD NOT ONLY BE A FORCE MULTIPLIER FOR O.E.M. BUT ALSO ALLOW
22 FOR THE PARTICIPATING DEPARTMENTS TO UNDERTAKE SPECIFIC
23 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ROLES. WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE C.E.O.
24 STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF ASSIGNING LIAISON FROM THE
25 APPROPRIATE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS SUCH AS THE SHERIFF, FIRE,



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1 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND OTHERS
2 AS APPROPRIATE TO O.E.M. FOR PURPOSES OF INCREASING THEIR
3 CAPACITY AND EFFECTIVENESS AND TIMELY FULFILL ITS ROLE AS WELL
4 AS TO ENHANCE COLLABORATION AND COORDINATION ACROSS THE COUNTY
5 DEPARTMENTS. AND A THIRD MOTION FOR THE TABLE, AS PART OF THE
6 PROPOSED BUDGET PROCESS, THE C.E.O. IS RECOMMENDING
7 CENTRALIZATION OF ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE SERVICES INTO THE
8 I.S.D., WHICH WOULD INCLUDE USE OF CONTRACTED SERVICES. THE
9 BASIS FOR THE CENTRALIZATION IS TO REDUCE THE WORKLOAD FOR
10 EXISTING I.S.D. STAFF THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY NEEDED TO WORK IN
11 THE COUNTY COURTHOUSES WHICH HAVE NOW BEEN TRANSFERRED TO THE
12 STATE. DESPITE THE EFFORTS BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE STATE TO
13 PHASE OUT I.S.D.'S MAINTENANCE SERVICES AND AVOID SUDDEN
14 LAYOFFS, THERE APPEARS TO BE EXCESS STAFF FOR THE EXISTING
15 WORKLOAD LEVEL. IT'S IMPORTANT THAT SUCH POLICY DECISIONS
16 INCLUDE A FISCAL ANALYSIS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE SHIFTING OF
17 SERVICES TO BE FORMED BY COUNTY EMPLOYEES IS COST EFFECTIVE AS
18 OPPOSED TO POTENTIALLY INCREASING THE LONG-TERM BURDEN ON THE
19 COUNTY GENERAL FUND. SO I WOULD MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE
20 C.E.O. TO PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH A LIST OF ALL CONTRACTED
21 SERVICES THAT ARE PROPOSED TO BE REDUCED OR ELIMINATED, TO BE
22 REPLACED WITH COUNTY STAFF INCLUDING THE SHERIFF'S ELEVATOR
23 MAINTENANCE CONTRACT ALONG WITH FISCAL ANALYSIS PER CONTRACTOR
24 TYPE OF SERVICE IN 30 DAYS. NEXT MOTION IS CO-AUTHORED BY
25 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MYSELF, THE HUMAN RESOURCES UNIT



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1 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES HAS GROWN SUBSTANTIALLY
2 OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS. D.H.S. HAS CURRENTLY 350 BUDGET
3 POSITIONS IN THEIR BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010/'11. SINCE
4 FISCAL YEAR 2006 AND 2007, D.H.S. HAS ADDED 69 NEW POSITIONS
5 TO THE HUMAN RESOURCES UNIT. D.H.S. IS ONLY ONE OF MANY
6 DEPARTMENTS THAT HAVE INCREASED INTERNAL H.R. UNITS OVER THE
7 LAST SEVERAL YEARS. IN LIGHT OF RECENT HUMAN RESOURCES STUDY
8 ON THE RECRUITMENT SELECTION, CLASSIFICATION, COMPENSATION,
9 FUNCTIONS AND THE COUNTY, IT'S TIME TO REVISIT HOW HUMAN
10 RESOURCES SERVICES ARE DELIVERED. COUNTY-WIDE INCLUDING A
11 REVIEW OF WHICH SERVICES SHOULD BE CENTRALIZED AND WHICH
12 SHOULD REMAIN DECENTRALIZED. MOREOVER, THERE MAY BE ECONOMIES
13 OF SCALE AND OTHER EFFICIENCIES GAINED BY PROVIDING CERTAIN
14 HUMAN RESOURCES BY THE CENTRAL AGENCY. WE THEREFOR MOVE THAT
15 THE BOARD DIRECT THE C.E.O. AND THE DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL TO
16 EXAMINE H.R. ARCHITECTURE, D.H.R. STRUCTURE AND DETERMINE
17 WHICH H.R. FUNCTIONS SHOULD BE CENTRALIZED AND WHICH IF ANY
18 SHOULD REMAIN DECENTRALIZED TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT HUMAN
19 RESOURCE POSITIONS IN THE COUNTY SHOULD BE CONSOLIDATED IN THE
20 DEPARTMENT HUMAN RESOURCES, THREE, DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF
21 HUMAN RESOURCES POSITIONS NECESSARY TO SUPPORT CENTRALIZATION
22 OF HUMAN RESOURCES COUNTY-WIDE AND, FOUR, REPORT BACK TO THE
23 BOARD WITHIN 60 DAYS. AND THE LAST MOTION IS, THE TREASURER
24 AND TAX COLLECTOR CURRENTLY STAFFS COUNTY OFFICES IN LANCASTER
25 FOR A LIMITED TIME EACH DECEMBER AND APRIL TO ALLOW



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1 CONSTITUENTS TO MAKE THEIR FIRST AND SECOND INSTALLMENT
2 PAYMENTS RESPECTIVELY IN PERSON. THIS MONTH, THROUGH APRIL
3 1ST, APRIL 12TH, APPROXIMATELY 2200 INDIVIDUALS MADE PROPERTY
4 TAX PAYMENTS AT THIS OFFICE. TO ME, THIS PROPOSED BUDGET
5 CURTAILMENT TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR HAS PROPOSED
6 ELIMINATING THIS VALUABLE SERVICE WHICH IS USED BY MANY
7 SENIORS AND DISABLED RESIDENTS WHICH WOULD CAUSE AN UNDUE
8 HARDSHIP AS CONSTITUENTS WOULD NEED TO TRAVEL TO THE TAX
9 COLLECTOR'S DOWNTOWN HEADQUARTERS TO MAKE THE IN-PERSON
10 PAYMENT. WHILE TREASURE AND TAX HAS IMPLEMENTED VARIOUS ONLINE
11 PAYMENT APPLICATIONS IN RECENT YEARS, A REPORT SEES PAYMENT
12 OPTIONS ARE HEAVILY UTILIZED, NOT ALL CONSTITUENTS HAVE ACCESS
13 TO PERSONAL COMPUTERS OR THE INTERNET, SO I WOULD MOVE THAT
14 THE BOARD DIRECT TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR TO EVALUATE FOR
15 MAINTAINING THIS SERVICE, INCLUDING WORKING WITH THE
16 ASSESSOR'S OFFICE TO DETERMINE IF ASSESSOR'S STAFF COULD
17 ACCEPT PAYMENTS IN THE LANCASTER OFFICE ON BEHALF OF THE TAX
18 COLLECTOR, ALLOWING CONSTITUENTS TO DEPOSIT THEIR PROPERTY TAX
19 PAYMENTS AT THE COUNTY'S BANK, WHICH IS THE BANK OF AMERICA,
20 PROVIDING CONSTITUENTS WITH INTERNET ACCESS TO THE COUNTY'S
21 LANCASTER OFFICE SO THAT CONSTITUENTS COULD ACCESS THE TAX
22 COLLECTOR'S WEB SITE USING ONLINE PAYMENT OPTIONS AND, FOUR,
23 WORKING WITH THE C.E.O., CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO DETERMINE
24 WHETHER NECESSARY FUNDING IS AVAILABLE TO MAINTAIN THAT



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1 SERVICE AT THE CURRENT LEVELS. SO THOSE ARE MY MOTIONS FOR THE
2 TABLE, MADAME CHAIR.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. DO WE WANT TO MOVE THESE ITEMS
5 AT THIS POINT OR SHOULD WE HOLD OFF UNTIL THE OTHER ITEMS ARE
6 INTRODUCED.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS ALL FOR A REPORT BACK. SUP. MOLINA,
9 CHAIR: THIS LAST ONE WAS ONLY A REPORT BACK TOO?

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.

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13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. DO YOU WANT TO MOVE THEM?

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'LL MOVE THEM.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. EACH OF THESE ITEMS THAT
18 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AUTHORED AND CO-AUTHORED ON HERE, ALL OF
19 THEM ARE A REPORT BACK, SO I DON'T SEE ANY PROBLEM WITH MOVING
20 FORWARD WITH THESE ITEMS. ANY OBJECTION? IF NOT, SO ORDERED ON
21 THOSE ITEMS. SUPERVISOR KNABE.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** THIS-- I HAV -- LET ME SEE. HERE WE GO. THIS IS A
24 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND MYSELF AS IT RELATES TO
25 THE CRITICAL LIFEGUARD SERVICES. OBVIOUSLY THAT WE CAN DO ALL



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1 WE CAN TO ENSURE THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND HIGH QUALITY OF PUBLIC
2 SERVICE AT OUR BEACHES, WHICH ARE, AS TIMES GET DIFFICULT,
3 PEOPLE GO TO OUR BEACHES, BIG TIME. SO WE WOULD MOVE THAT THE
4 BOARD INSTRUCT THE C.E.O. TO REPORT BACK AS PART OF THE JUNE
5 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS ON HOW TO RESTORE THE CUTS TO THE
6 LIFEGUARD BUDGET WITH ONGOING FUNDING SERVICES. SO THAT'S A
7 REPORT BACK, TO LOOK AT IT.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S A REPORT ONLY AS WELL. IS THERE ANY
10 OBJECTION ON THAT? ALL RIGHT. DO YOU HAVE ANOTHER?

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12 **SUP. KNABE:** NO.

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** OH, THAT'S THE ONLY ONE YOU HAD? ALL
15 RIGHT. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'LL TRY TO MAKE THIS QUICK. I HAVE TWO
18 MOTIONS. FIRST ONE IS AUTHORED-- BOTH OF THEM ARE CO-AUTHORED
19 BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. TODAY, THE C.E.O. IN HIS F.Y. 2011
20 PROPOSED BUDGET IS RECOMMENDING A 9 PERCENT, \$7.4 MILLION
21 CURTAILMENT IN THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH.
22 THIS PROPOSAL FURTHER EXACERBATES AN EXISTING DEFICIT IN
23 PUBLIC HEALTH, WHICH IS NOW PROJECTED TO REACH \$21.2 MILLION
24 NEXT FISCAL YEAR. TO MINIMIZE THE IMPACT OF THESE CUTS IN THE
25 FIRST YEAR, THE PROPOSED BUDGET INCLUDES A \$3.7 MILLION IN



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1 AVAILABLE ONE-TIME FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT. IN EFFECT, THE
2 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH WILL EXPERIENCE A FOUR AND A HALF
3 PERCENT REDUCTION IN FISCAL YEAR 2011 AND AN ADDITIONAL FOUR
4 AND A HALF PERCENT IN FISCAL YEAR 2012. EVEN WITH THIS
5 CUSHION, THE CURTAILMENTS MAY RESULT IN POTENTIAL OF 75-- IN A
6 POTENTIAL 75 LAYOFFS, SIGNIFICANTLY MORE THAN ANY OTHER
7 DEPARTMENT AND A LARGE PROPORTION OF THE 131 ESTIMATED TOTAL
8 LAYOFFS COUNTY-WIDE. FURTHERMORE, TO BALANCE THIS BUDGET,
9 PUBLIC HEALTH WILL HAVE TO IMPLEMENT A COMBINATION OF
10 CURTAILMENTS INCLUDING REGIONALIZATION PLAN THAT WOULD AFFECT
11 MANY OF THE COUNTY'S COMMUNITY PUBLIC HEALTH CENTERS,
12 CONSOLIDATING SERVICES AT SOME CENTERS AND ELIMINATING
13 COMMUNICABLE DISEASE IMMUNIZATION, TUBERCULOSIS AND SEXUALLY
14 TRANSMITTED DISEASES SERVICES AT OTHER CENTERS SUCH AS
15 HOLLYWOOD, WILSHIRE AND TORRANCE. THE PROPOSED BUDGET ALSO
16 RECOMMENDS SETTING ASIDE \$3 MILLION PROVISIONAL FUNDING USES,
17 P.F.U. ACCOUNT FOR PUBLIC HEALTH. AS WE APPROACH THE CLOSE OF
18 THE FISCAL YEAR, THE BOARD MAY TRANSFER THESE FUNDS TO THE
19 DEPARTMENT ON A ONE-TIME BASIS. IN ADDITION TO THESE RESERVES,
20 ANOTHER 1.7 MILLION WOULD FURTHER REDUCE THE NUMBER OF
21 POSITIONS BEING ELIMINATED AS WELL AS DEFER THE
22 REGIONALIZATION PLAN ONE YEAR. PROVIDING THE DEPARTMENT WITH
23 THIS ADDITIONAL TIME WILL ALLOW THEM TOLL DEVELOP A PLAN TO
24 DELIVER SERVICES IN A MORE EFFICIENT MANNER WHILE MAINTAINING
25 AN APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF SERVICES IN RESPONSE TO DISEASE



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1 TRANSIT AND INCREASING ACCESS TO THOSE SERVICES IF WARRANTED.
2 WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE
3 C.E.O. AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO CLOSELY MONITOR
4 PUBLIC HEALTH'S CURRENT YEAR BUDGET AND ALLOW PUBLIC HEALTH TO
5 CARRY OVER UP TO 1.7 MILLION IN ANY FUND BALANCE GENERATED IN
6 THE FINAL CHANGES IN FISCAL YEAR 2010/'11 BUDGET. THAT'S ONE.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ON THAT ITEM, IT HAS BEEN
9 SECONDED AS WELL. I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANY OBJECTION ON THAT
10 ITEM EITHER. SO ORDERED.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET ME JUST READ THE OTHER ONE AND I'LL BE
13 DONE. THIS DEALS WITH THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, MADAME CHAIR.
14 I APOLOGIZE FOR THE LENGTH OF THIS. IT IS SLIGHTLY LENGTHY AND
15 TECHNICAL, BUT I WANTED TO GET IT OUT THERE. IN RESPONSE TO
16 THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT REACHED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
17 JUSTICE IN 2004, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ALLOCATED OVER \$79
18 MILLION IN NEW FUNDS BETWEEN 2005/'06 FISCAL YEAR AND
19 2007/'08, ALONG WITH 901 NEW POSITIONS TO THE PROBATION
20 DEPARTMENT. THE FUNDS WERE PROVIDED FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES
21 RELATED TO THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, CAMP REDESIGN AND
22 MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE, OR SO WE WERE TOLD. DESPITE THIS
23 INFUSION OF ONGOING FUNDS, THE DEPARTMENT IS FACING A
24 PROJECTED DEFICIT OF 38.6 MILLION DOLLARS IN THE CURRENT YEAR.
25 WHILE MUCH OF THE BUDGET GAP CAN BE ATTRIBUTED TO REVENUE



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1 DECLINES RESULTING FROM THE LAGGING ECONOMY, WE UNDERSTAND
2 THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS EXPERIENCING SIGNIFICANT ITEM CONTROL
3 PROCUREMENT AND FISCAL MANAGEMENT ISSUES. IT IS CRITICALLY
4 IMPORTANT THAT THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND ITS PARTNER
5 AGENCIES, THE DEPARTMENTS OF MENTAL HEALTH, HEALTH AND THE
6 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, MOVE FORWARD WITH OUR COMMITMENTS UNDER
7 THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, EVEN AS
8 PROBATION STRIVES TO GET ITS HOUSE IN ORDER AND TRANSITION TO
9 NEW LEADERSHIP. AS A RESULT, AS PART OF THE FISCAL YEAR
10 2010/'11 PROPOSED BUDGET, THE C.E.O. IS RECOMMENDING THAT
11 \$19.2 MILLION BE SET ASIDE IN A PROVISIONAL FUNDING USES
12 P.F.U. ACCOUNT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE-RELATED PURPOSES.
13 OF THIS AMOUNT, 6.3 MILLION WOULD COME FROM THE DEPARTMENT'S
14 EXISTING RESERVES, \$29.5 MILLION IN RESERVES AND THE REMAINING
15 12.9 MILLION WOULD COME FROM NEW REVENUES, SPECIFICALLY THE
16 CRIMINAL JUSTICE FACILITY'S TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION FUND.
17 MONEYS FROM THE C.J.F.T.C. FUND MAY BE USED FOR ANY LAW
18 ENFORCEMENT PURPOSES, NOT JUST PROBATION. FURTHERMORE, IT IS
19 OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THE C.E.O. INTENDS TO USE \$38.6 MILLION
20 IN ONE-TIME C.J.F.T.C. FUNDS TO ADDRESS THE PROBATION
21 DEPARTMENT'S CURRENT-YEAR DEFICIT. PRIOR TO THE ALLOCATION OF
22 ANY NEW REVENUES TO THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, THE C.E.O.
23 SHOULD SPEND DOWN AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THE DEPARTMENT'S EXISTING
24 RESERVES AND HOLD THE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE \$79.5
25 MILLION IT RECEIVED IN RECENT YEARS. WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT



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1 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INSTRUCT THE C.E.O. AND THE PROBATION
2 DEPARTMENT TO, ONE, REPORT BACK DURING FINAL CHANGES TO THE
3 FISCAL YEAR 2010/'11 BUDGET IN JUNE ON HOW THE \$79.5 MILLION
4 HAS BEEN SPENT TO DATE; TWO, TRANSFER THE \$12.9 MILLION IN THE
5 C.J.F.T.C. REVENUES INTO A NEW P.F.U. ACCOUNT THAT MAY BE
6 AVAILABLE FOR ANY LAW ENFORCEMENT PURPOSES; THREE, TRANSFER A
7 TOTAL OF 14.9 MILLION INTO THE P.F.U. FOR PROBATION D.O.J. USE
8 ISSUES FROM THE FOLLOWING P.F.U.S AND DESIGNATIONS, AND IT'S
9 IN THE MOTION AND I'LL READ IT. 8.023 MILLION FROM THE
10 PROBATION ONE-TIME EXPENSES, 2.25 MILLION FROM PROBATION CAMP
11 RALPH, 1.616 FROM THE PROBATION POTENTIAL B.S.R. ISSUES AND \$3
12 MILLION FOR THE DESIGNATION FOR PROBATION; AND FINALLY, NUMBER
13 4, CLOSELY MONITOR AND TRACK THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET
14 AND REPORT BACK DURING SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGES DURING NEEDS, IF
15 ANY, FOR DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PURPOSES PRIOR TO THE TRANSFER
16 OF ANY FUNDS FROM THE P.F.U. FOR PROBATION/D.O.J. ISSUES TO
17 ANY DEPARTMENT. ESSENTIALLY, MADAME CHAIR, IT IS AN ATTEMPT TO
18 HOLD PROBATION ACCOUNTABLE BEFORE WE START DIPPING INTO OTHER
19 FUNDS, USE THE FUNDS THEY'VE GOT RATHER THAN USE THE OTHER
20 FUNDS AND THEN HAVE THEM FALL BACK ON THESE FUNDS GOING
21 FORWARD, AND IT'S A ZERO-SUM GAME BUT I THINK IT'S THE
22 RATIONAL WAY TO DO IT.
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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** FAIR ENOUGH. ALL RIGHT, ON THAT ITEM, IT'S
2 ALSO REPORT BACK ON IT FOR THE MOST PART, ALTHOUGH IT IS
3 ASKING TO WITHHOLD THE FUNDS UNTIL WE GET THE ACCOUNTING.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** FOR THE MOST PART, BUT NOT ON ITEMS 2, 3 AND
6 4. THAT'S AN ACTION ITEM. BUDGET NEUTRAL.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ANY OBJECTION ON THAT ITEM? IF NOT, SO
9 ORDERED ON THAT AS WELL. ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.
10 (OFF-MIC. CONVERSATION)

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. TWO MOTIONS TO
13 TAKE UNDER CONSIDERATION, ONE PERTAINING TO PUBLIC SAFETY AND
14 THE OTHER PERTAINING TO PUBLIC HEALTH, IN THAT ORDER. THE
15 SHERIFF'S ELECTRONIC MONITORING PROGRAM WAS DESIGNED TO ALLOW
16 LOW LEVEL OFFENDERS AWAITING SENTENCING TO BE MONITORED
17 ELECTRONICALLY. KNOWN AS THE E.M.P., WAS INTENDED TO HELP
18 REDUCE THE JAIL POPULATION AND RESULT IN ONGOING SAVINGS FOR
19 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. FISCAL YEAR '09/'10, THE BOARD OF
20 SUPERVISORS SET ASIDE APPROXIMATELY \$2.6 MILLION IN ONGOING
21 FUNDS TO ALLOW THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO EXPAND THE E.M.P.
22 EFFORT AND ACHIEVE THE ANTICIPATED EFFICIENCIES. SHERIFF HAS
23 SINCE REPORTED TO THE BOARD THAT IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE
24 NUMBER OF INMATES ON THE E.M.P., LEGISLATIVE CHANGES WOULD
25 THEN BE REQUIRED. IN PARTICULAR, THE STATE WOULD HAVE TO ENACT



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1 AMENDMENTS TO ALLOW UNSENTENCED LOW-LEVEL OFFENDERS TO
2 PARTICIPATE IN THE ELECTRONIC MONITORING PROGRAM IN ADDITION
3 TO SENTENCE OF OTHER SORTS. WHILE THE SHERIFF CONTINUES TO
4 WORK WITH THE COUNTY'S LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATES TO ENACT THIS
5 CHANGE, THE FUNDS THAT WERE SET ASIDE FOR E.M.P. ARE NOT BEING
6 UTILIZED. AT THIS TIME, THE SHERIFF HAS OTHER CRITICAL UNMET
7 NEEDS WITH MORE IMMEDIATE AND SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS TO THE
8 DEPARTMENT AND TO THE RESIDENTS OF OUR RESPECTIVE DISTRICTS,
9 PARTICULARLY THOSE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. SERVICES COULD AND
10 SHOULD BE PROVIDED TO THOSE AREAS BY PATROLLED DEPUTIES. THE
11 SERVICES PROVIDED IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS ARE ESPECIALLY
12 CRITICAL DURING THESE DIFFICULT ECONOMIC TIMES IN WHICH
13 RESIDENTS MAY ALREADY BE EXPERIENCING A GREAT DEAL OF
14 UNCERTAINTY AND INSECURITY. FOR THIS REASON, IT IS IMPERATIVE
15 AND EQUALLY PRAGMATIC THAT THOSE FUNDS THAT WERE CURRENTLY
16 BEING UNDERUTILIZED HELP MITIGATE CURTAILMENTS FOR THE MOST
17 CRITICALLY NEEDED SERVICES. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD
18 INSTRUCT THE C.E.O. TO WORK WITH THE SHERIFF AND TO DO THE
19 FOLLOWING: REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD DURING THE FINAL
20 CONSIDERATION OF THE BUDGET ON HOW THE 2.6 MILLION WOULD BE
21 ALLOCATED FOR PATROLS AMONG THOSE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES
22 AND, FINALLY, CONSIDER THE TRANSFER OF 2.6 IN ONE-TIME FUNDING
23 FROM THE SHERIFF'S COUNTY-WIDE ELECTRONIC MONITORING PROGRAM
24 AND TO THE P.F.U., TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN 2010/2011. I
25 WOULD SO MOVE, MADAME CHAIR.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** JUST SO THAT I UNDERSTAND CLEARLY, THAT IS
3 BASICALLY ALL GOING TO BE IS A REPORT BACK, NO ACTION WOULD BE
4 TAKEN UNTIL THE JUNE DELIBERATIONS. IS THAT CORRECT?

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT WOULD BE CORRECT, MADAME CHAIR.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION ON THAT ONE, SO
9 ORDERED.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. THAT TAKES CARE
12 OF PUBLIC SAFETY ITEM. PUBLIC HEALTH, THE C.E.O. IN THE
13 PROPOSED BUDGET, ADDRESSES A \$21.2 MILLION SHORTFALL IN THE
14 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. THIS BUDGET GAP IS PRIMARILY DUE
15 TO STATE BUDGET CUTS AND THE DEPARTMENT'S SHARE OF THE
16 COUNTY'S OVERALL STRUCTURAL DEFICIT AND ITS OWN EXISTING
17 STRUCTURAL DEFICIT. THE PROPOSED SOLUTIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT'S
18 BUDGET GAP INCLUDE A COMBINATION OF REVENUE MAXIMIZATION,
19 CONSOLIDATION, PROGRAMMATIC SERVICE CURTAILMENTS AND FINALLY,
20 A HEALTH CENTER REGIONALIZATION PLAN. AND WHILE THE REVENUE
21 MAXIMIZATION AND THE COST SHIFTS ARE NOTABLE, COMMENDABLE, YOU
22 MIGHT EVEN ARGUE, THE IMPACT OF THE PROGRAMMATIC AND SERVICE
23 CURTAILMENTS AND THE HEALTH REGIONALIZATION PLAN THAT ARE
24 ASSUMED WITHIN THE BUDGET REMAIN UNCLEAR. THE POTENTIAL IMPACT
25 OF THESE PROPOSED CHANGES IN PROGRAMMING AND SERVICE DELIVERY



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1 ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH SYSTEM OF THE COUNTY AND ITS RESIDENTS
2 SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BEFORE THE BOARD APPROVES THEM. I
3 THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INSTRUCT THE
4 C.E.O. AND THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO REPORT BACK TO THE
5 BOARD DURING THE FINAL CONSIDERATION OF OUR BUDGET
6 DELIBERATIONS ON A DESCRIPTION OF HOW THE PROGRAMMATIC SERVICE
7 CURTAILMENTS AND THE HEALTH REGIONALIZATION PLAN WOULD IMPACT
8 THE RESIDENTS, INCLUDING MAPPING THE VOLUME AND ACCESSIBILITY
9 OF CURRENTLY AVAILABLE DEPARTMENTS, A DESCRIPTION OF THE
10 POTENTIAL IMPACT BY ANY D.P.H. SERVICE REDUCTIONS COULD HAVE
11 ON OTHER COUNTY-FUNDED SERVICES AND PRIVATE PROVIDER
12 COMMUNITY, AND THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE IMPACT OF THESE
13 CURTAILMENT AND CLINIC CONSOLIDATIONS, UNDERSCORE CLINIC
14 CONSOLIDATIONS, COULD BE MITIGATED BY OTHER METHODS, AND THEN
15 THE LAST TWO POINTS, THE RATIONALE SUPPORTING THE RECOMMENDED
16 CHANGES AND THE SPECIFIC OUTCOMES AND GOALS THAT GUIDE THE
17 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S DECISION-MAKING IN THIS
18 CONNECTION, I WOULD SO MOVE.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, AND AGAIN, THIS IS A REPORT
21 BACK.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** CORRECT.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, SO
2 ORDERED. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT CONCLUDES THE MOTIONS THAT
3 ARE BEFORE US. WE HAVE TWO PEOPLE WHO WISH TO ADDRESS US ON
4 THIS BUDGET ITEM. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, IF SHE WOULD JOIN
5 US, AS WELL AS JOHN WALSH. SURE. IF WE COULD HAVE MR.
6 SCHUNHOFF FOR THE BUDGET, OR MAYBE SHEILA WOULD HAVE THE
7 ANSWER ON THE DEPARTMENT HEALTH, QUESTIONS ON THE BUDGET.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK BILL. THE PROPOSED BUDGET DOES NOT
10 INCLUDE FUNDING FOR THE NEW E.R. AND PATIENT T.B. UNITS AT
11 OLIVE VIEW, AND YOU HAVE INDICATED THAT YOU'RE GOING TO
12 ADDRESS THAT ISSUE IN THE FINAL CHANGES WHICH I UNDERSTAND THE
13 DEPARTMENT IS NOW CONSIDERING DELAYING ANY FUNDING FOR THE
14 T.B. UNIT UNTIL 2011/'12, BUT THIS DELAY IN FUNDING AS WELL AS
15 THE LENGTH OF THE COUNTY BUDGETING AND HIRING PROCESS WOULD
16 RESULT IN A SIGNIFICANT DELAY IN ITS OPENING FOR PATIENT CARE
17 AFTER IT WAS COMPLETED AND READY FOR OCCUPANCY IN EARLY 2011,
18 SO DOES THE DEPARTMENT INTEND TO LEAVE THE BUILDING UNOCCUPIED
19 AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME AFTER ITS COMPLETION?

20

21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE THAT THIS SERVICE
22 HAS TO THE COMMUNITY. WE WILL REPORT BACK DURING, IF NOT THE
23 BUDGET HEARINGS, BUT AT THE VERY LATEST, WHEN WE GET TO JUNE
24 7TH.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HAVE YOU CONSIDERED THE REVENUE IMPLICATIONS
2 FOR ALL OF THE D.H.S. HOSPITALS OF DELAYING OPENING THE T.B.
3 UNIT AS A RESULT OF NOT BEING ABLE TO FREE UP ACUTE CARE BEDS
4 IN THOSE OTHER HOSPITALS?

5

6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE WILL FACTOR THAT INTO A REPORT BACK. THAT'S
7 A VERY GOOD SUGGESTION.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IN ADDITION TO OLIVE VIEW, THERE ARE A NUMBER
10 OF OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS. HAVE YOU AND THE DEPARTMENT BEGUN
11 THE EVALUATION OF STAFFING AND OTHER OPERATIONAL COSTS OF
12 THESE PROJECTS IN ANTICIPATION OF THEIR COMPLETION DURING THE
13 NEXT FEW YEARS SO THAT ITEMS CAN BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN THE
14 CURRENT BUDGET FORECAST AND PLANNING?

15

16 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WELL, THAT'S ONE OF OUR CHALLENGES, BECAUSE
17 SOME OF THE CAPITAL PROJECTS CURRENTLY ON OUR TABLE WILL
18 RESULT IN HIGHER OPERATIONAL COSTS, AND SO AS WE MOVE FORWARD,
19 AND I MENTIONED THIS MONTHLY MEETING WE PUT TOGETHER WILL
20 FACTOR IN THOSE CONSIDERATIONS AND THEN COLLECTIVELY AS A
21 GROUP DECIDE WHEN AND HOW WE MOVE THESE PROJECTS FORWARD.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND AT LAST TUESDAY'S BOARD, WE APPROVED
24 STEPS TO READY THE DEPARTMENT TO TRANSITION TO A MANAGED CARE
25 APPROACH TO MENTAL CARE DELIVERY TO COMPLY WITH BOTH



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1 HEALTHCARE REFORM AND THE NEW WAIVER REQUIREMENTS. I'D
2 EXPRESSED CONCERNS REGARDING THE COST OF THE TRANSITION FOR
3 SEVERAL MONTHS, SO WILL THE DEPARTMENT BE ASSESSING THE
4 IMMEDIATE UP-FRONT AND LONG-TERM COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS
5 EFFORT AND WILL ANY OF THOSE COSTS BE REFLECTED IN THE FINAL
6 CHANGES? THAT INFORMATION IN ABOUT SIX MONTHS.

7

8 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT WILL NOT BE REFLECTED IN FINAL CHANGES
9 BECAUSE WHEN THE PROCESS OF GOING THROUGH THE STEPS OF
10 EVALUATING THE FEASIBILITY OF RECOMMENDATIONS AT THE H.M.A.
11 REPORT AND LOOKING AT EXACTLY WHAT STEPS THAT ARE NECESSARY TO
12 TRANSITION FROM A CURRENT DELIVERY SYSTEM TO ONE THAT HAS A
13 GREATER EMPHASIZES ON AMBULATORY CARE AND MANAGED CARE, BUT WE
14 WILL BE BRINGING THAT BACK TO THE BOARD.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ANOTHER REPORT ON THAT?

17

18 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ABSOLUTELY.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. DR. CLAVREUL.

23

24 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. DR. GENEVIEVE
25 CLAVREUL. ON THE ISSUE OF THE BUDGET AND ESPECIALLY WHEN WE'RE



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1 TALKING ABOUT REVENUE, YOU KNOW, A FEW YEARS AGO WHEN YOU
2 CLOSED THE T.B. DEPARTMENT AT OLIVE VIEW, WE WERE NOT ONLY
3 PROVIDING SERVICE TO THE COUNTY INDIVIDUALS WITH T.B., BUT WE
4 ARE MAKING MONEY OUT OF THAT PROGRAM BECAUSE WE ARE PROVIDING
5 SERVICES FOR PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER CALIFORNIA AND EVEN OUTSIDE
6 OF CALIFORNIA. IT HAS BEEN NUMEROUS ACTION LIKE THAT DID NOT
7 MAKE ANY SENSE AT THE MOMENT AND SO THEY DO NOT MAKE SENSE.
8 NOW. WHEN PROJECTIONS WERE MADE ABOUT THE REAL ESTATE MARKET
9 AND ALL THE TAXES YOU WOULD BE RECEIVING, I FELT IT WAS AN
10 UNUSUAL DECISION TO BUDGET BASED ON THOSE INCOMES WHO ARE SO,
11 YOU KNOW, DEPENDENT ON AND SWITCHING WITH THE MARKET. ALSO, WE
12 CREATED A DEPARTMENT OF THE C.E.O., WHO COST US MILLIONS. NOT
13 ONLY WE HAVE TO PAY THE HIGH SALARY OF MR. FUJIOKA, BUT ALSO
14 OF THE MANY PEOPLE WHO WORK UNDER HIM AND OTHER PEOPLE WHO
15 WORK UNDER THOSE PEOPLE. I MEAN, THAT ALONE CREATED A HUGE
16 HOLE IN OUR BUDGET, INCLUDING THE OFFICE OF INNOVATION, AND,
17 YOU KNOW, I HAVE BEEN COMING TO THIS COUNTY BOARD OF
18 SUPERVISORS SINCE 1999, AND IT WAS SO SAD. WE'RE NOT DOING ANY
19 BETTER. WE ARE DOING WORSE. WE HAVE MORE PEOPLE WORKING AND
20 LESS SERVICE DONE. WHEN I FIRST STARTED COMING HERE, MAYBE WE
21 HAD A COUPLE OF ITEMS WHERE, YOU KNOW, POSTPONED TO THE NEXT
22 WEEK OR TWO WEEKS LATER. SINCE MR. FUJIOKA IS IN CHARGE,
23 SOMETIMES WE HAVE UP TO 14 ITEMS BEING REMOVED TO ANOTHER WEEK
24 OR TWO WEEKS LATER. A COMPETENT LEADER WILL KNOW NOT TO
25 PRESENT THE ITEM IF IT'S NOT READY TO BE DEALT WITH. TO HAVE



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1 14 ITEMS TO BE POSTPONED IS ASININE. YOU HAVE PLENTY OF PEOPLE
2 WHO WORK FOR YOU WHO SHOULD KNOW OR GIVE YOU ENOUGH
3 INFORMATION SO YOU CAN MAKE YOUR DECISION ON FACTS, AND YOU
4 ARE NOT DOING IT. IT'S WORSE NOW THAN IT HAS EVER BEEN, AND
5 I'M SURE YOUR DEPARTMENT ALONE IS A BIG SPENDER. THANK YOU FOR
6 YOUR ATTENTION.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, DR. CLAVREUL. MR. WALSH.

9

10 **JOHN WALSH:** THANK YOU. JOHN WALSH, BLOGGING AT
11 HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. THAT'S H-I-G-H-L-A-N-D-S, PROJECTED AT
12 ONE-HALF MILLION VISITORS FROM SEPTEMBER 3RD UNTIL MAY 3RD OF
13 THIS YEAR. YOU'VE DONE A SPLENDID JOB. WHY DON'T I SEE MORE
14 POSITIVE COMMENTS IN THE MEDIA ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED UP HERE?
15 IT'S BEEN VERY COLLEGIAL. WELL, MAYBE PART OF IT HAS TO DO
16 WITH MR. FUJIOKA. WE HAVE OVER HERE A MAN WHO HAS NOT BEEN
17 ARRESTED FOR DRUNK DRIVING. HE'S IN CHARGE, HE'S NOT BEEN IN
18 REHAB, HE'S NOT A PSYCHO, HE'S NOT SOMEONE YOU HIRED JUST
19 BECAUSE HE LISTENS TO YOU AND GIVES YOU WHAT YOU WANT, UNLIKE
20 OVER ACROSS THE WAY. NOW, IF YOU HAVE CABLE, CHANNEL 35 AND 36
21 ON TUESDAYS STREAMING EXACTLY THE SAME TIME, CITY COUNCIL AND
22 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I WAS OVER THERE TODAY, AS WE CALL
23 IT, THE HOUSE OF DRACULA, THE SPIDER'S LAIR. IT'S REALLY SICK
24 OVER THERE. IT'S SICK OVER THERE. OVER HERE, YOU'VE DONE A
25 FANTASTIC JOB, AND I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING YOU'VE



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1 DONE. YOU'RE A MODEL FOR THE OTHER CITIES. OVER HERE, WE DON'T
2 SEE NAZIS GIVEN THE RIGHT TO GET UP ON YOUR COUNTY STEPS AND
3 CALL FOR THE DEATH OF PEOPLE THAT LOOK LIKE-- THE MURDER OF
4 PEOPLE THAT LOOK LIKE MS. MOLINA, WHICH WE HAD ON SATURDAY.
5 YOU DON'T HAVE TO SPEND A MILLION DOLLARS, \$1.1 MILLION LAST
6 SATURDAY ON POLICE OVERTIME TO DEFEND NAZIS WHO DO NOT HAVE A
7 RIGHT TO CALL FOR THE DEATH OF HISPANICS AND JEWS, THE WAY IT
8 IS OVER-- YOU'RE DOING A WONDERFUL JOB, AND, AS USUAL, NO ONE
9 GIVES YOU THE CREDIT. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. STAY TUNED,
10 UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT, WE WILL MAKE NEWS, WE'RE GOING TO BREAK
11 A MAJOR NEWS STORY WHICH HAS NATIONAL IMPORTANCE THAT CONCERNS
12 THE COUNTY. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. THAT CONCLUDES YOUR
15 PUBLIC COMMENT. SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS SOME ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS
16 ON HEALTH.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** RELATED TO THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEES, WHICH WAS A
19 POTENTIAL SOURCE OF REVENUE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
20 SERVICES, HAS THE DEPARTMENT RECEIVED ANY OF THOSE DOLLARS
21 YET?

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO IT HASN'T BEEN APPROVED YET. WE'RE STILL
24 WAITING TO HEAR FROM--

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S NOT BEEN APPROVED YET?

2

3 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NOT THAT I'VE HEARD.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IT'S IN WASHINGTON RIGHT NOW.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. I THOUGHT IT HAD MOVED--

8

9 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISORS, THE LEGISLATURE APPROVED AND
10 GOVERNOR SIGNED A.B.-1383 WHICH IS THE STATE AUTHORIZING
11 LEGISLATION, BUT IT HASN'T BEEN APPROVED BY C.M.S. YET.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. I WAS THINKING OF THE STATE PIECE, BUT I
14 THOUGHT--

15

16 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WHEN WE GO BACK EAST IN A COUPLE OF WEEKS, IT
17 WILL BE ONE OF THE MAIN ITEMS ON OUR AGENDA TO PUSH FOR THAT,
18 INCLUDING THE--

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** ABSOLUTELY. THE FACT THAT THE STATE TOOK SOME
21 POSITIVE ACTION, I THOUGHT THAT IT HAD BEEN TAKEN CARE OF BACK
22 AT C.M.S., BUT OBVIOUSLY NOT.

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'RE HOPING SO. IT HAS A HIGH PROBABILITY OF
25 SUCCESS BUT IT JUST HASN'T CROSSED THE FINISH LINE YET.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** IN YOUR BUDGET, YOU, UNDER THE TITLE 40 WAIVER,
3 YOU REFLECT A REDUCTION IN APPROPRIATION TO REVENUES. WHAT'S
4 THAT ATTRIBUTED TO?

5

6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WHAT PERCENT OF REDUCTION?

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN WHY? WHY WOULD IT BE-- I THOUGHT WE WERE
9 DOING A LITTLE BIT BETTER, BUT YOUR BUDGET REFLECTS A
10 REDUCTION IN THE APPROPRIATION REVENUES FROM THE TITLE 40
11 WAIVER. IS THAT BASED ON NOT GETTING IT OR IS THAT BASED ON
12 GETTING IT?

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I BELIEVE IT'S BASED ON NOT GETTING IT. I'D
15 ASK IF WE COULD REPORT BACK ON THAT ONE.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ON THE HOSPITAL PROVIDER FEE?

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** NO, NO, NO.

20

21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NOT THE PROVIDER FEE.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** SEPARATE.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. ANYTHING ELSE? ALL RIGHT. THAT
2 CONCLUDES THE BUDGET--

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4 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** BUDGET PRESENTATION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
7 I WANT TO THANK YOUR STAFF FOR THE PRESENTATION. WE HAVE A
8 LONG WAYS TO GO, OF COURSE, SO THIS MOTION WITH ITS AMENDMENTS
9 WILL PUT THE-- IS IT ACCEPT THE BUDGET PROPOSAL, SUGGESTION
10 WHAT IT IS, BUT I WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYBODY
11 UNDERSTANDS WE'RE GOING TO HAVE-- WE WILL BEGIN OUR BUDGET
12 DELIBERATIONS, WE DO NEED TO DO THAT, AND SO WE HAVE SCHEDULED
13 THAT, AND I KNOW SOME OF YOU HAVE DECIDED TO TAKE SOME TIME
14 OFF, BUT WE HAVE TO HAVE IT DONE BEFORE JUNE 30TH, SO THAT
15 WILL BE PUT IN PLACE. ALL RIGHT. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION? IF
16 NOT, SO ORDERED.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHEN ARE THE PUBLIC HEARINGS? YOU WANT TO
19 ANNOUNCE THAT?

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE PUBLIC HEARINGS-- (OVERLAPPING
22 CONVERSATION) THE BUDGET HEARINGS START MAY 12TH. THEY WILL
23 RUN THROUGH CONSECUTIVELY FOR 10 DAYS THROUGH THE 25TH. THE
24 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS START ON JUNE 7TH. THERE'S NO MEETING ON
25 THE 8TH, THE BOARD IS DARK, SO IT WILL RESUME--



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BECAUSE OF ELECTION DAY.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BECAUSE OF ELECTION DAY. IT WILL RESUME ON
5 THE 9TH SHOULD WE NEED TO CONTINUE AND GO THROUGH THE 18TH.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** AGAIN, BECAUSE VARIOUS MEMBERS ARE
8 MISSING, WE ARE STARTING AND HOPEFULLY GOING TO PRODUCE A
9 BUDGET.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, BUT, I MEAN, MISSING-- WE'RE WORKING
12 AROUND EVERYBODY'S SCHEDULE, SO, I MEAN, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE
13 EVERYBODY HERE WHEN WE DELIBERATE.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YOU WILL HAVE EVERYBODY HERE ONLY ON MONDAY
18 THE 7TH.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THAT'S WHY...

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO-- HOPEFULLY WE'LL BE
23 ABLE TO DO IT ON THE 7TH.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE SHOULD. OTHERWISE, EVERYBODY IS MISSING
2 THE OTHER DAYS.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NOT EVERYBODY. I'M HERE.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I AM HERE ALL THOSE TIMES.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I AM NOT GOING ANYWHERE. WHAT'S WRONG WITH
9 ME?

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WE HAVE DIFFERENT PEOPLE MISSING,
12 DIFFERENT MEMBERS MISSING FOR THE OTHER DAYS. AY-YAY-YAY.
13 NEVER MIND. ALL RIGHT. LET'S GO WITH-- WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE A QUESTION.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** CERTAINLY. OKAY. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. OKAY. QUESTION. WHEN WE GO INTO
20 EXECUTIVE SESSION, THERE'S AN ITEM-- THERE'S BEEN MEDIA
21 REPORTS ABOUT THE BROAD MUSEUM AND GRAND AVENUE PROJECT FOR
22 WEEKS, BUT OUR STAFF DID NOT RECEIVE UNTIL 1:30 P.M. YESTERDAY
23 THE INFORMATION RELATIVE TO THE BOARD MEMO ON THIS ISSUE. SO
24 WHY DID WE RECEIVE IT SO LATE AND WHY IS IT PLACED IN CLOSED
25 SESSION WHEN THE COUNTY IS NOT A PARTY TO THE PROPOSED LEASE



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1 FOR THE BROAD MUSEUM. THAT IS BETWEEN THE CITY'S C.R.A. AND
2 THE MUSEUM, SO WHAT DIRECTION ARE WE GIVING TO OUR REAL ESTATE
3 NEGOTIATIONS?

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** BECAUSE THERE'S A POTENTIAL CHANGE IN SCOPE,
6 IT HAS TO COME BACK TO THIS BOARD. WE'RE IN CLOSED SESSION
7 BECAUSE IT SPEAKS TO REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATIONS, FROM WHAT I
8 UNDERSTAND, AND THE LATENESS IS SOMETHING WE HAVE TO APOLOGIZE
9 FOR. THERE'S-- WE HAVE A POTENTIAL TO MOVE FORWARD A
10 SIGNIFICANT PROJECT, AND THE WINDOW FOR DISCUSSING THAT IS A
11 CHALLENGE.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT BECAUSE THE COUNTY IS NOT A PART OR PARTY
14 TO THE BROAD MUSEUM, WHY CAN'T THIS BE DISCUSSED IN OPEN
15 SESSION?

16

17 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** IT IS STILL AN EXCEPTION WITHIN THE
18 BROWN ACT TO ALLOW THIS TYPE OF REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATION TO BE
19 HEARD IN CLOSED SESSION BECAUSE IT IS INDEED REAL ESTATE
20 NEGOTIATION AND POTENTIAL LITIGATION.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** EVEN THOUGH WE'RE NOT A PARTY TO THIS.

23

24 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** YES.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THAT COULD NOT BE DONE IN OPEN SESSION.
2 IF WE WERE A PARTY TO IT, I CAN SEE IT HAS TO BE IN CLOSED
3 SESSION, BUT NOW BEING A PARTY OF IT, WHY WOULD THAT NOT BE AN
4 OPEN SESSION?

5

6 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** WE ARE GOING TO HAVE IT IN CLOSED
7 SESSION. CERTAINLY THIS BOARD ALWAYS HAS THE POWER TO
8 DETERMINE AT A LATER TIME THAT THEY WISH TO BE IN OPEN
9 SESSION, BUT AT THE MOMENT, THIS IS THE APPROPRIATE WAY TO
10 PROCEED.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO ARE THERE TWO SEPARATE ISSUES? ONE, THE
13 BROAD MUSEUM AND THE OTHER, THE EXTENSION?

14

15 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** IT IS THE CHANGE IN THE LAST TIME THAT
16 THIS WAS BEFORE THE BOARD, SO, YES, I THINK BOTH ITEMS WILL BE
17 THERE.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAM CHAIR, I JUST-- I HAD AN ADJOURNMENT THAT
22 CAME TO MY ATTENTION JUST NOW, ONE OF MY COLLEAGUES, I USED TO
23 SERVE ON THE CERRITOS CITY COUNCIL, HER MOTHER PASSED AWAY,
24 AND I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF PATRICIA JOHNSON, WHO
25 PASSED AWAY THIS PAST FRIDAY AT THE AGE OF 83. SHE IS SURVIVED



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1 BY HER HUSBAND, SAM, THREE DAUGHTERS, DIANA NEEDHAM, WHICH I
2 SERVED WITH ON CERRITOS CITY COUNCIL, DONNA AND DEBBI, FIVE
3 GRANDCHILDREN, THREE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED ON THAT ADJOURNMENT.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. IF THERE ARE NO OTHER ITEMS,
10 WE'RE GOING TO MOVE FORWARD TO PUBLIC COMMENT, AND WE HAVE
11 QUITE A FEW PEOPLE. I'M GOING TO ASK THEM TO COME UP AND JOIN
12 US. FIRST WE HAVE MARCO MCFARLANE, FOLLOWED BY MARIA
13 MALDONADO, IF SHE WOULD COME UP. BRETT JOHNSON. AND ROSEMARIE
14 ASHAMALLA. OH MY GOODNESS. TAKING MY PICTURE. MR. MCFARLANE,
15 IF YOU WOULD BEGIN.

16

17 **MARCO MCFARLANE:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARCO MCFARLANE.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU MAY HAVE A SEAT, SIR. THANK YOU. THAT
20 WAY, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO REACH THE MICROPHONE. ALL RIGHT.

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22 **MARCO MCFARLANE:** YES. I'M HERE THIS AFTERNOON REQUESTING A
23 LETTER FROM THIS BOARD STATING THIS BOARD'S OFFICIAL POSITION
24 ON ITS POWERS AND AUTHORITY OVER THE L.A. COUNTY PUBLIC
25 GUARDIAN'S OFFICE. AUTHORITIES CONCERNING OVERSIGHT SUCH AS



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1 ABILITY TO QUESTION TASKS BEING PERFORMED BY THAT DEPARTMENT,
2 IF THERE'S ANY INTERVENTION, IS THERE A POSSIBILITY OF THIS
3 BOARD HAVING INTERVENTION ON BEHALF OF CITIZENS THAT COMPLAIN,
4 HAVE COMPLAINTS AGAINST THAT DEPARTMENT, AND GUIDELINES OR
5 MONITORING OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THAT DEPARTMENT PURSUING THAT
6 DEPARTMENT'S ESTABLISHED PURPOSE? NOW, THAT'S A LETTER I'M
7 ASKING FOR. WHEN CAN I GET ONE?

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I DON'T KNOW THAT I CAN GIVE YOU A LETTER.
10 WE'RE GOING TO GET YOU SOMEONE FROM THE C.E.O.S OFFICE WHO IS
11 GOING TO GIVE YOU AN OUTLINE AS TO HOW TO FILE YOUR COMPLAINT
12 WITH WHATEVER ISSUE YOU HAVE WITH THAT DEPARTMENT, OF WHICH
13 YOU CAN DO, AND IT WILL BE FOLLOWED UP ON.

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15 **MARCO MCFARLANE:** MS. MOLINA, THIS IS IN RESPONSE TO-- YOU KNOW
16 I'VE BEEN COMING HERE FOR ALMOST FIVE YEARS FOR THE SAME
17 PROBLEM.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I KNOW, BUT I'M NOT GOING TO GIVE YOU A
20 LETTER.

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22 **MARCO MCFARLANE:** : LET ME FINISH. THIS IS IN RESPONSE TO A
23 LETTER I GOT FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AFTER FILING
24 COMPLAINTS WITH THE STATE AND FEDERAL AUTHORITIES IN REGARDS
25 TO OUR PROBLEM. THEY REFERRED ME TO YOUR OFFICE. YOUR OFFICE



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1 REFERRED ME TO MR. THOMAS'S OFFICE, AND THEIR LETTER WAS DATED
2 JANUARY 27TH. I WENT TO MR. THOMAS-- TO YOUR OFFICE ON MARCH
3 3RD BECAUSE NO ONE GOT IN TOUCH WITH ME AND I'M HERE TODAY
4 BECAUSE NO ONE IS THINKING ABOUT ME, SO THIS IS AN ONGOING
5 PROBLEM. I'D LIKE TO HAVE THIS BOARD'S OFFICIAL POSITION ON
6 THEIR AUTHORITY AND POWERS OVER THAT PARTICULAR COUNTY
7 DEPARTMENT. IS THAT POSSIBLE?

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I DON'T THINK SO.

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11 **MARCO MCFARLANE:** YOU CAN'T GIVE ME A LETTER SAYING THIS
12 BOARD'S POSITION?

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I CAN TELL YOU EXACTLY WHERE YOU CAN FIND
15 ALL THAT INFORMATION.

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17 **MARCO MCFARLANE:** THAT'S NOT WHAT I ASKED YOU, MA'AM.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO, I'M NOT GOING TO GIVE YOU A LETTER.

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21 **MARCO MCFARLANE:** YOU'RE NOT GOING TO GIVE ME A LETTER.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO.

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1 **MARCO MCFARLANE:** THAT'S FINE. NOW HOW CAN I HANDLE THE
2 PROBLEM? WHO ELSE ARE YOU GOING TO REFER ME TO?

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4 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** I'M GOING TO REFER YOU TO THE C.E.O.'S
5 OFFICE., WHO'S GOING TO HELP YOU?

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7 **MARCO MCFARLANE:** TO WHO?

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9 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S OFFICE, SIR.

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11 **MARCO MCFARLANE:** OKAY. I WAS THERE TWO YEARS AGO. THAT'S WHY I
12 HAD TO COME BACK HERE.

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY-- AGAIN, I CAN'T--
15 ALL I CAN DO IS GIVE YOU GUIDANCE AS TO WHO MIGHT BE ABLE-- I
16 CAN'T ANSWER ALL OF YOUR QUESTIONS OR SOLVE YOUR PROBLEMS, MR.
17 MCFARLANE.

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19 **MARCO MCFARLANE:** THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MISS MALDONADO.

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23 **MARIA MALDONADO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARIA MOLDONADO. I
24 WORK AT SUNRISE COMMUNITY OUTREACH CENTER AND I'M HERE TO
25 INFORM YOU THAT OUR OFFICE WAS BURGLARIZED ON MARCH THE 26TH,



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1 ABOUT THREE WEEKS AGO. WE DO TATTOO REMOVAL THERE, AND I JUST
2 WANTED TO SAY HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR US TO RECOVER BACK OUR
3 LASER TATTOO REMOVAL MACHINE. BACK IN 1998 TO 2004, I WAS
4 WORKING FOR AN AEROSPACE COMPANY AND I HAD MY TATTOOS COVERED
5 UP FOR ABOUT FOUR YEARS. UNTIL I REMOVED ALL MY TATTOOS, I GOT
6 PROMOTED, SO I FEEL THAT IT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR EVERYONE TO
7 HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO REMOVE THEIR TATTOOS, AND WE'RE
8 LOCATED ON ALVARADO AND BEVERLY. OUR LOCATION IS 2105 BEVERLY
9 BOULEVARD, SUITE 219, AND OUR NUMBERS IS AREA CODE 213-483-
10 2655 AND ALSO YOU CAN FIND OUT INFORMATION ABOUT US ON
11 WWW.SUNRISEOUTREACH.ORG.

12
13 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU.

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15 **MARIA MALDONADO:** THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. MR. JOHNSON.

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19 **BRETT JOHNSON:** YES. MY NAME IS BRETT JOHNSON. I'M HERE IN
20 REGARDS TO-- JUST TO REPRESENT THIS SUNRISE-- I WAS A CLIENT
21 OF SUNRISE COMMUNITY OUTREACH. GETTING MY TATTOOS REMOVED. I
22 WAS IN THE PROCESS OF GETTING MY TATTOOS REMOVED AND THEN THIS
23 UNFORTUNATE EVENT HAPPENED WHERE THEIR MACHINE GOT RIPPED OFF,
24 AND I JUST WANTED TO EXPRESS, IT'S A VERY-- IT'S A VALUABLE
25 COMPANY AS FAR AS THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE COUNTY OF



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1 LOS ANGELES, AS FAR AS PEOPLE TRYING TO CLEAN UP THEIR ACTS OR
2 THEIR PAST OR, YOU KNOW, WHATEVER REASON MAY BE THAT THEY NEED
3 TO GET TATTOOS REMOVED. FOR ME, IT WAS TRYING TO SEEK
4 EMPLOYMENT. I HAVE GANG-RELATED TATTOOS FROM MY PAST AND MY
5 HISTORY, SO, I MEAN, IT'S KIND OF HARD TO GET A JOB WITH
6 TATTOOS. THAT'S JUST COMMON SENSE. SO I JUST WANT TO EXPRESS
7 THAT, YOU KNOW, I HOPE SOMEBODY COULD STEP FORWARD AND HELP
8 HER OUT AND, YOU KNOW, WITH FUNDING OR SOMEHOW SHE CAN GET HER
9 MACHINE BACK. IT'S ALSO, YOU KNOW, IT WAS REALLY-- IT'S LOW
10 COST COMPARED TO, YOU KNOW, I COULDN'T FIND ANYWHERE ELSE IN
11 THE COUNTY THAT WAS AFFORDABLE TATTOO REMOVAL. MOST PLACES ARE
12 TWO, \$3,000 A SESSION AND SHE WAS MORE LIKE 60, 70 BUCKS, SO
13 IT'S REALLY AFFORDABLE. I JUST WANT TO EXPRESS THAT MUCH.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE APPRECIATE IT. NEXT WE HAVE
16 PHYLLIS DAUGHERTY AND ABDUL KHABIR, IF HE'D JOIN US. MISS--
17 I'M SORRY-- MISS ASHAMALLA.

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19 **ROSEMARIE ASHAMALLA:** ASHMALLA.

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** ASHAMALLA, EXCUSE ME.

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23 **ROSEMARIE ASHAMALLA:** HELLO. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK
24 HERE. I'M ALSO REPRESENTING SUNRISE COMMUNITY OUTREACH. I'M
25 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. WE ARE A NONPROFIT 501(C)3. WE PROVIDE



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1 A SERVICE WHICH IS EXTREMELY RARE, AND IN THROUGHOUT LOS
2 ANGELES COUNTY, I HAVE CLIENTS THAT HAVE COME TO ME FROM
3 THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I AM CURRENTLY IN THE FIRST
4 DISTRICT AND LOCATED ON BEVERLY AND ALVARADO, BUT UNTIL
5 RECENTLY, WE HAD A SECOND PROGRAM THAT I WAS MANAGING THROUGH
6 QUEENS CARE FAMILY CLINICS IN UNINCORPORATED EAST LOS ANGELES
7 WHICH WAS ALSO IN FIRST DISTRICT, AND THIS IS-- WAS CUT
8 ACCORDING-- BECAUSE OF THE RECESSION. CURRENTLY THAT I'M AWARE
9 OF, THERE ARE ONLY FIVE OF THESE PROGRAMS THAT ARE NO COST,
10 LOW COST TATTOO REMOVAL THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE COUNTY. I GET
11 PEOPLE FROM LANCASTER, I GET PEOPLE FROM LONG BEACH, I GET
12 PEOPLE FROM ALL THE PARTS EAST, I GET PEOPLE FROM EVERY CORNER
13 OF LOS ANGELES AND BEYOND WHO COME BECAUSE THEY CANNOT GET
14 THIS SERVICE AT A REASONABLE PRICE. WE ARE ABLE TO PROVIDE IT
15 AT A REASONABLE PRICE BECAUSE THROUGH DONATIONS, INDIVIDUAL
16 DONATIONS AND SOME LIMITED FUNDING THAT WE GOT. THREE WEEKS
17 AGO, OUR MACHINE-- OUR OFFICE WAS BROKEN INTO, OUR MACHINE WAS
18 STOLEN, AND THAT'S A HUGE LOSS. THE MACHINE COSTS BETWEEN 50
19 AND \$80,000, DEPENDING IF YOU GET A USED OR A NEW MODEL. I'M
20 UNABLE TO RAISE THAT AMOUNT OF MONEY QUICKLY. I'VE COME HERE
21 TO THE SUPERVISORS TO ASK FOR ASSISTANCE, HELP, ADVICE,
22 SOMEONE TO POINT ME IN THE DIRECTION OF HOW I CAN RESTORE THIS
23 VALUABLE SERVICE, WHICH IS SO IMPORTANT TO THE CITY OF LOS
24 ANGELES. IF YOU WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT US ALSO, OUR WEB SITE
25 IS WWW.SUNRISE-OUTREACH.ORG, AND JUST AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT WE



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1 DO, I HAVE A CLIENT FROM THE MONTEBELLO AREA, I BELIEVE HER
2 NAME IS KIM, SHE'S GOING TO RECEIVE HER NURSING DEGREE IN
3 THREE MONTHS. WE'RE CURRENTLY TAKING 15 TATTOOS OFF OF HER.
4 SHE WAS IN A STREET GANG WHEN SHE WAS A TEENAGER. SHE'S THREE
5 MONTHS FROM HER BACHELOR'S IN NURSING AT THIS POINT. SHE
6 CANNOT GET A JOB WITH ALL OF THESE TATTOOS. SHE'S HAD EIGHT
7 SESSIONS. SHE NEEDS ABOUT THREE OR FOUR MORE. SHE WAS QUOTED
8 \$9,000 FOR HER TREATMENTS IN BEVERLY HILLS. WE ARE TREATING
9 HER FOR APPROXIMATELY \$60 A SESSION. SHE WILL HAVE PAID MAYBE
10 7 TO \$800 WHEN EVERYTHING IS COMPLETELY REMOVED OVER THE
11 COURSE OF A YEAR. I'M JUST HERE TO ASK FOR YOUR HELP, YOUR
12 ADVICE, AND WHERE SHOULD I GO FROM HERE? WHAT IS THE NEXT STEP
13 FOR ME? THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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15 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT, IF WE COULD HAVE JIM
16 DIMOV JOIN US AS WELL AS RUTH CRAFT. MISS DAUGHERTY, YOU'RE
17 NEXT.

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19 **PHYLLIS DAUGHERTY:** I'M PHYLLIS DAUGHERTY. YOU'RE USED TO
20 SEEING ME HERE FOR ANIMAL ISSUES MOVEMENT OR FOR THE L.A.
21 COUNTY ANIMAL CARE FOUNDATION BOARD OF WHICH I WAS A MEMBER. I
22 WAS RECENTLY ELECTED TO THE ECHO PARK, GREATER EYLSIAN
23 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BUT I'M NOT HERE IN ANY OF THOSE
24 CAPACITIES TODAY, BECAUSE AS SUPERVISOR MOLINA KNOWS WE
25 STARTED, IN HER FIRST CAMPAIGN, AND WE'RE HAPPY THAT WE'VE



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1 BEEN ABLE TO BE BEHIND YOU AND FOR ALL OF THIS TIME, AND
2 SUNRISE COMMUNITY OUTREACH IS IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, IT'S
3 RIGHT AT THE CENTER OF ECHO PARK, AND IT'S BEEN PROVIDING THIS
4 SERVICE FOR ABOUT A DECADE. MISS ASHAMALLA NOT ONLY REMOVES
5 TATTOOS, SHE THEN COUNSELS THE PEOPLE WHO ARE APPLYING FOR
6 JOBS, HELPS THEM WITH THEIR INTERVIEW TECHNIQUES, HELPS THEM
7 DEVELOP RESUMES AND MAKES SURE THAT THEY HAVE A WAY TO GET
8 BACK INTO SOCIETY AND BE USEFUL MEMBERS OF SOCIETY. THIS IS
9 THE BROKEN WINDOWS APPROACH, RATHER THAN WAITING UNTIL THEY
10 GET IN TROUBLE AGAIN BECAUSE THEY CAN'T GET A JOB, WE'RE
11 TRYING TO REPAIR IT IN OUR OWN COMMUNITY. THIS IS A DETERRENT,
12 AND THE TIME THAT-- AT THIS TIME, WHEN PEOPLE ARE BEING
13 RELEASED FROM PRISON, WHEN THE JAILS ARE TALKING ABOUT BEING
14 CLOSED, MORE THAN EVER, WE NEED AN ALTERNATIVE, A WAY FOR
15 PEOPLE TO HEAL THEMSELVES AND NOT GO BACK INTO A LIFE OF
16 CRIME, SO WE'RE JUST ASKING THAT IF THERE ARE ANY OPTIONS OF
17 WHICH SHE COULD TAKE ADVANTAGE. SHE'S WILLING TO FILE FOR
18 ANYTHING AND DO THE WORK HERSELF, BUT IF ANYONE HAS ANY
19 SUGGESTIONS OF ANY KIND, ANY PROGRAMS THAT WE MAY NOT KNOW
20 ABOUT, WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL PLEASE CONTACT HER OR HAVE
21 SOMEONE CONTACT HER AND HELP HER WITH THIS. WE NEED THIS IN
22 OUR COMMUNITY AND WE NEED IT IN THE ENTIRE COUNTY.
23



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1 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU SO MUCH. IS MR.
2 DIMOV-- PLEASE JOIN US. RUTH CRAFT. IS SHE NOT HERE? PLEASE
3 JOIN US. AND THEN ULYSSES TORY. ALL RIGHT, MR. KHABIR.

4
5 **ABDUL KHABIR:** OKAY. HONORABLE COUNTY, SUPERVISORS, THANK YOU
6 FOR GIVING ME TIME TO MAKE PUBLIC COMMENT ON BEHALF OF THE
7 CITIZENS WITHIN THE CITY AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND
8 PARTICULARLY THE HOMELESS. I AM HERE TODAY TO SPEAK TO YOU
9 ABOUT THE \$29.4 MILLION THAT THE CITY HAS RECEIVED FROM
10 H.P.R.P. PROGRAM AND THE \$12 MILLION THAT THE COUNTY HAS
11 RECEIVED, AND I WAS SPECIFICALLY WOULD LIKE TO ASK FOR MR.
12 THOMAS, COUNTY SUPERVISOR THOMAS-- COUNTY SUPERVISOR THOMAS
13 AND MR. YAROSLAVSKY, CAN I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION FOR A MOMENT,
14 GENTLEMEN? THANK YOU VERY KINDLY. HAVING SAID THAT, I'M
15 SPECIFICALLY HERE TO TALK ABOUT DISCRIMINATION WITH
16 L.A.S.H.A., LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SHELTER SERVICES AUTHORITY.
17 YOU HAVE A LETTER FROM ME IN FRONT OF YOU. THE FIRST
18 CORRECTION I'D LIKE TO MAKE, IT IS RATHER LENGTHY, SO BEAR
19 WITH ME, IS THAT ANTONOVICH'S DEPUTY, I'D LIKE TO THANK COUNTY
20 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, HE'S ONE OF THE ONLY SUPERVISORS THAT
21 HAS AN OPEN-DOOR POLICY, HIS DEPUTY HELEN BERNMAN. I MADE A
22 BOO-BOO. SHE DOES NOT HAVE A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH
23 L.A.S.H.A.'S C.F.O.. THIS WOMAN, HELEN BERNMAN, HAS WORKED
24 FRIDAY EVENING, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY TO TRY AND BROKER A DEAL
25 ON THIS. SPECIFICALLY AGAIN, I FILED A FORMAL WHISTLEBLOWER



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1 COMPLAINT WITH HER IN THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF
2 THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AGAINST LOS ANGELES HOMELESS
3 SHELTER SERVICES AUTHORITY, HOMELESS SERVICES AUTHORITY AND
4 _____ INVOLVING DISCRIMINATION, FRAUD AGAINST THE HOMELESS
5 IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. VERY SHORTLY OR QUICKLY, I APPLIED
6 FOR THE H.P.R.P. FUNDS. I WAS DENIED. I WENT TO THE MAYOR'S
7 OFFICE, I TALKED WITH AUSTIN BRUNNER AND AUSTIN GOT ME
8 THROUGH. I COMPLETED THE PAPERWORK. I MET WITH LOS ANGELES
9 HOMELESS SERVICES AUTHORITY, AN EMPLOYEE BY THE NAME OF
10 CLANATHA HUNT. CLANATHA HUNT TOLD ME IF I WOULD STOP BRINGING
11 THE HOMELESS TO THE PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE SHELTER, SHE WOULD
12 SEE TO IT THAT I GOT THE H.P.R.P. FUNDS. IN ADDITION TO THAT,
13 SHE ALSO ASKED ME TOO, THE OTHER PART OF THE DEAL, IS DO NOT
14 GO TO THE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS OR EVEN THE COUNTY SUPERVISORS.
15 THE LAST PARAGRAPH, SECOND TO LAST PARAGRAPH, IS WHAT THIS
16 PETITION IS ABOUT. THERE'S ABOUT 7, 8 OR 9 SIGNATURES HERE.
17 THE PETITION IS 3-FOLD IN NATURE AND IT IS AIMED AT ASKING THE
18 COUNTY BOARD TO DEMAND L.A.S.H.A. TO STOP THE H.P.R.P.
19 DISCRIMINATION IN LOS ANGELES AGAINST THE HOMELESS. BY THE
20 WAY, L.A.S.H.A. HAS RETALIATED AGAINST ME BY THREATENING TO
21 MOVE ME FROM A HOTEL TO SKID ROW. I REFUSE TO GO. IN ADDITION
22 TO THAT, I ASK THAT YOU ASK LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES
23 AUTHORITY TO CEASE AND DESIST FROM RETALIATING AGAINST ME AND
24 TO ALLOW ME TO ASSIST THE HOMELESS IN COMPLETING THE PROCESS
25 FOR OBTAINING THE H.P.R.P. FUNDS ALONG WITH MYSELF.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD, SIR.

3

4 **ABDUL KHABIR:** ALSO, FINALLY, I ASK THE BOARD TO DEMAND THAT
5 L.A.S.H.A. PROVIDE COMMUNITY OUTREACH.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

8

9 **ABDUL KHABIR:** I APOLOGIZE THAT MY TIME IS UP.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** YES, IT IS.

12

13 **ABDUL KHABIR:** BUT THE COMMUNITY OUTREACH FROM THE DOCUMENTS
14 YOU HAVE FROM THE COUNTY, NO ONE WITHIN THE COUNTY IS FAMILIAR
15 OR THE CITY WITH THE H.P.R.P. 12 MILLION OR 29 MILLION.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, SIR. THANK YOU.

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19 **ABDUL KHABIR:** SO I HAVE SENT FAXES TO THE H.U.D. SECRETARY--

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21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU, SIR. NEXT WE HAVE
22 MISS CRAFT. MISS CRAFT?

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24 **RUTH CRAFT:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, AND DISTINGUISHED
25 GENTLEMEN OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M HERE TODAY WITH MR.



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1 ULYSSES TORY AGAIN. I REALIZE WE ARE AN EMBARRASSMENT TO NOT
2 ONLY THIS BOARD BUT PROBABLY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, NOT
3 BECAUSE OF ANYTHING WE HAVE DONE. ALL WE'VE DONE IS NAVIGATED
4 THE SYSTEM, TO NO AVAIL, BUT I'M HERE TODAY TO APPEAL ON THE
5 BEHALF OF ALL THE VICTIMS OF THE COUNTY OF L.A. WHO HAVE A
6 RIGHT TO PROTEST, IF THEY FEEL LIKE IT. THOSE ARE
7 CONSTITUTIONAL GUARANTEES, BOTH STATE AND FEDERAL. MR. TORY
8 AND MYSELF HAVE COME BEFORE THIS BOARD NUMEROUS TIMES. WE HAVE
9 SURVIVED 27 YEARS OF BEING POLITICAL PRISONERS, OF BEING
10 HARASSED, BEING RAN OUT OF OUR BUSINESS, HE WAS RAN OUT OF HIS
11 BUSINESS FEBRUARY 18TH OF 1983, I WAS RAN OUT OF MY BUSINESS
12 ON APRIL 1ST, 1983, AND IT HAS JUST BEEN AN ONGOING SITUATION
13 THAT'S INTOLERABLE. AFTER ALL, 20 MILLION-- 20 MILLION
14 AFRICANS, OUR ANCESTORS, DIED COMING ACROSS THESE OCEANS TO
15 THESE SHORES AND WHEN YOU COME TO THIS COUNTRY, ESPECIALLY
16 WHEN YOU'VE BEEN KIDNAPPED AND MADE TO TAKE ON A COMPLETELY
17 DIFFERENT CULTURE AND LEARN THE LANGUAGE, LEARN THE CULTURE,
18 WHEN YOUR CULTURE HAS BEEN TAKEN AWAY FROM YOU, I SUBMIT,
19 MADAME CHAIR AND GENTLEMEN OF THIS BOARD, THAT THE COUNTRY, AS
20 WE KNOW IT, CANNOT SURVIVE IF YOU TAKE ONE HUMAN BEING'S
21 RIGHTS AWAY, YOU'VE TAKEN EVERY HUMAN BEING'S RIGHTS AWAY, AND
22 I'M HERE APPEALING AGAIN TO YOU THE BOARD, THIS BOARD OF THE
23 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO HEAR US IN A MEETING AND BRING SOME
24 KIND OF RESOLUTION TO THE INJUSTICES THAT HAS BEEN PERPETRATED
25 ON ME AND MR. TOR. THAT'S WHY WE ENDED UP IN THE UNITED STATES



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1 SUPREME COURT. WON OUR CASE, 1031488, 031488. ON MARCH 22ND,
2 2005. I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM OUR REPRESENTATIVE, MR.
3 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, TO WHOM YOU MADE PROMISES AND HAVE NOT
4 DELIVERED. THANK YOU, SIR. I LOOK FORWARD TO IT. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. TORY.

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8 **ULYSSES TORY:** I WOULD LIKE MISS CRAFT TO SPEAK FOR ME, PLEASE.

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10 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO, I DON'T THINK THAT HAPPENS. SHE
11 ALREADY SPOKE. IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY, PLEASE SHARE WITH
12 US.

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14 **ULYSSES TORY:** I DO HAVE A LOT OF THINGS TO SAY TO YOU, MA'AM,
15 BUT YOU WOULDN'T LIKE WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO SAY.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** IT'S UP TO YOU, SIR.

18

19 **ULYSSES TORY:** I KNOW IT'S UP TO ME.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** WELL, THIS ISN'T A DEBATE. ALL RIGHT. MR.
22 DIMOV, BEFORE YOU SPEAK, I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE CRAIG WOODS,
23 PATRICK O'ROURKE, ARNOLD SACHS. MR. DIMOV.

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1 **JIM DIMOV:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA. I WAS CUT OFF
2 LAST TIME, LAST TUESDAY, AND I WAS NOT GIVEN THE TWO MINUTES
3 OR THREE MINUTES, WHATEVER I HAD TO HAVE, SO I NEED THIS TIME
4 A LITTLE BIT EXTENDED FROM THE LAST TIME.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NO, SIR. PLEASE SPEAK. YOU HAVE THREE
7 MINUTES.

8

9 **JIM DIMOV:** OKAY. LAST TIME I PRESENTED TO YOU THE CANCELED
10 CHECKS I PAID-- SUPER PAID MY TAXES AND I STILL LOST MY
11 PROPERTY, MAINLY BECAUSE I HAVE NOT PAID MY TAXES, AND THAT'S
12 NOT FAIR. THE COUNTY OWES ME OVER \$145,000 IN TAXES. AND I
13 NEED THIS MONEY TODAY. I WAS SENT TO THE TAX COLLECTOR'S
14 OFFICE AND THEY TOLD ME THAT I'M NOT GOING TO GET ANY MONEY
15 BACK, AND THAT'S NOT FAIR. I'M GOING TO BRING THE SUBJECT TO
16 THE FEDERAL COURT AND I'M SURE I'M GOING TO WIN AND GET ALL MY
17 TAXES BACK. BECAUSE OF THAT, RIGHT NOW, MY WIFE IS ON STAMPS,
18 BELIEVE IT OR NOT, FOOD STAMPS. I'M IN A PITIFUL CONDITION AND
19 I NEED THIS PROBLEM RESOLVED TODAY. REGARDING THE AGENDA 44, I
20 HAVE THE SOLUTION FOR THE PROBLEMS WE HAVE REGARDING
21 UNEMPLOYMENT, REGARDING ENERGY, REGARDING SOLVING ALL THE
22 PROBLEMS WE GOT IN THE ECONOMY, LOS ANGELES, STATE OF
23 CALIFORNIA AND THE UNITED STATES. I DO HAVE A PROJECT, WHICH
24 IF YOU APPROVE IT, IT WILL DEFINITELY SOLVE ALL OF THE
25 PROBLEMS, WHERE EVERYONE WILL BE EMPLOYED, INCLUDING THE



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1 HOMELESS. THE SUBJECT'S GOING TO BE SOLVED WE ALL ARE GOING TO
2 BECOME RICH, VERY RICH, AND SUPER RICH WITHOUT PAYING ANY
3 TAXES, AND THAT'S JUST ABOUT ALL I WANT TO SAY, AND I WOULD
4 LIKE YOU TO PAY ATTENTION. SO FAR I HAVE NOT SEEN ANY RESULTS.
5 ALL KINDS OF AGENDAS. NO RESULTS. THE CITY BECOMES WORSE AND
6 WORSE AND WHATEVER WE SPEAK HERE, NOBODY PAYS ATTENTION,
7 EVERYTHING GOES IN THE ARCHIVE. WELL, I THINK I FINISH, BUT
8 THE MAIN THING I WOULD LIKE, TO GET MY MONEY BACK, EVEN TODAY,
9 THE \$145,000, I HAVE PROOF, I GIVE IT TO YOU, GLORIA MOLINA,
10 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, TO MIKE ANTONOVICH AND ALL THE REST AND YOU
11 NEVER RESPONDED TO THAT. THAT'S NOT FAIR. I NEED THIS PROBLEM
12 SOLVED TODAY. AND IF YOU DO THAT, THE COURT WILL KNOW THAT
13 FINALLY YOU RESPONDED. THIS SUBJECT HAS BEEN ACTUALLY MORE
14 THAN TEN YEARS WITH YOU, GLORIA MOLINA, WITH MIKE ANTONOVICH
15 AND ALL THE REST, AND THEN NOBODY HAS RESPONDED TO MY
16 DESPERATE NEED TO GET MY TAXES BACK AND MY PROPERTY AS WELL.
17 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. ALL RIGHT. IS CRAIG WOODS
20 NOT HERE? OKAY. PLEASE JOIN US. MR. O'ROURKE, YOU'RE NEXT.

21

22 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** WELL, I DIDN'T COME HERE FOR TWO MONTHS
23 AFTER LEARNING SOMETHING THAT MADE ME SO ANGRY AND SO SAD THAT
24 I WAS HORRIFIED, DISGUSTED BY THE ACTIONS OF THIS COUNTY. THIS
25 COUNTY HAS BEEN SUPPORTING AND HIDING AND ADVOCATING THE



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1 DEATHS OF CHILDREN WITHIN D.C.F.S. NOT ONLY THAT, BUT THERE
2 ARE PERVERTS, THERE ARE CHILD MOLESTERS. THIS COUNTY KNEW TWO
3 YEARS AGO THAT A PENDING LAWSUIT WAS GOING TO BE MADE AGAINST
4 IT REGARDING A CHILD MOLESTER THAT WAS WORKING FOR D.C.F.S.
5 THAT MOLESTED A CHILD. I JUST BARELY FOUND THIS OUT IN THE
6 NEWS, BECAUSE THIS COUNTY SUPPORTS AN AURA OF NONDISCLOSURE,
7 AN AURA OF COVER-UPS. D.C.F.S. IS THE WORST RUN, IT'S THE MOST
8 MACHIAVELLIAN, MOST CHILD-MOLESTER-PROTECTIVE AGENCY. IF A
9 POLICE OFFICER KILLED SOMEONE OR MOLESTED A CHILD, THEY WOULD
10 GO TO JAIL, BUT IF A D.C.F.S. WORKER DOES, THEY GET HIDDEN,
11 THEY GET A SLAP ON THE WRIST AND EVERYTHING IS COVERED UP.
12 THIS IS A DISGUSTING, REVOLTING AND HORRIBLE DESPICABLE
13 SITUATION. MY DAUGHTER WAS MOLESTED SOON AFTER THAT WAS
14 DISCOVERED AND INSTEAD OF PROTECTING MY DAUGHTER, THEY HAD
15 MEETING AFTER MEETING WHERE I COULDN'T EVEN REACH MY OWN
16 SOCIAL WORKER TO GO AHEAD AND MEET WITH HER, GO AHEAD AND GET
17 EXTENDED TIME. FINALLY, SHE STATED I WAS GOING TO GET EXTENDED
18 HOURS, BUT THEN ONE VISIT WITH MY DAUGHTER, WITH SEMEN AND A
19 HAIR FROM SOMEONE'S-- A BLACK HAIR FROM SOMEONE'S CROTCH WAS
20 FOUND ON HER, THAT ALL WENT AWAY. MY VISITS WERE INTERRUPTED
21 AND INSTEAD OF HAVING HER EXAMINED IN A TIMELY MANNER, THEY
22 WAITED UNTIL THE NEXT MORNING. WE DISCOVERED IT JUST PRIOR TO
23 1:00 P.M.. SHE TOOK 30 MINUTES TO GET INTO THAT ROOM BECAUSE
24 SHE WAS IN MEETINGS. THE DISGUSTING NATURE OF IT IS THAT THEY
25 WAITED UNTIL 9:00 A.M. THE NEXT DAY TO EVER EXAMINE AND THEY



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1 SAID NOTHING WAS FOUND, NO PROBLEM, THAT THERE WAS NO HINT OF
2 ANYTHING. THEY PURPOSELY COVERED THIS UP AND AS I'VE BEEN
3 HEARING ALL TODAY, ANOTHER AGENCY, AS IN MANY COUNTY AGENCIES,
4 HAS RETALIATED BY PURPOSELY INTERFERING WITH DUE PROCESS. BY
5 INTERFERING WITH THE CASE, BY DESTRUCTION OF EVIDENCE, BY
6 FALSIFYING EVIDENCE AND GIVING FALSE TESTIMONY AND COERCION OF
7 WITNESSES AND LOSING MY WITNESSES.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. O'ROURKE.

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11 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** I DIDN'T HAVE A FAIR TRIAL AND YOU'RE AT
12 FAULT.

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14 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** NEXT WE HAVE WALTER BECKTEL, FOLLOWED BY
15 JOHN WALSH.

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17 **CRAIG WOODS:** ,YEAH, FOR THE SUPERVISOR. LISA SMITH.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. JOE WOODS.

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21 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** FOR THE SUPERVISORS. LISA SMITH. LISA SMITH.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. SIR, YOU'VE GOT TO ALLOW
24 OTHER PEOPLE TO TESTIFY. MR. WOODS.

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1 **CRAIG WOODS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I'M HERE TODAY
2 BECAUSE I WAS TOLD A MATTER BEFORE YOU WOULD BE ON THE AGENDA,
3 SO I'M MAKING THIS PUBLIC COMMENT TO LET YOU KNOW THAT
4 YESTERDAY, MONDAY, APRIL 19TH, WE LEARNED AT UNITED CARE
5 FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DECIDED
6 UNILATERALLY TO WITHHOLD FOSTER CARE PAYMENTS TO UNITED CARE
7 FOSTER CARE AGENCY FOR SERVICES THAT WE RENDERED TO OVER 200
8 CHILDREN DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH 2010. WE CONSIDER THIS A
9 CLEAR BREACH OF OUR CONTRACT AND A VIOLATION OF STATE AND
10 FEDERAL LAW. WE DON'T KNOW WHY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CHOSE
11 TO TAKE THIS UNPRECEDENTED ACTION. THE REASONS WE WERE TOLD
12 ARE CONTRADICTORY AND VERY CONFUSING. BY TAKING THIS ACTION,
13 THE COUNTY CREATED A SERIOUS FINANCIAL CRISIS FOR UNITED CARE
14 AND THE OVER 100 FOSTER CARE PARENT FAMILIES AND CHILDREN THAT
15 OUR AGENCY SERVES. I'M HERE TODAY TO INFORM YOU, SUPERVISORS,
16 THAT THIS SHORTSIGHTED ACTION HAS PUT KIDS AT RISK AND COMPELS
17 UNITED CARE TO INSIST THAT ALL CHILDREN PLACED IN OUR FOSTER
18 CARE AGENCY BE REMOVED IMMEDIATELY SINCE WE ARE UNABLE TO BE
19 PAID TO MEET THEIR NEEDS. THIS ACTION IS UNCONSCIONABLE TO US.
20 WE DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY, AFTER 21 YEARS OF FAITHFUL AND
21 PRODUCTIVE PARTNERSHIP, WE FIND OURSELVES IN THIS SITUATION.
22 WE UNDERSTAND AND WE HAVE ACCEPTED THE FACT THAT YOU HAVE
23 CHOSEN TO TERMINATE OUR FOSTER CARE CONTRACT. WE EXPLAINED TO
24 YOUR COUNTY COUNSEL REPRESENTATIVES THAT WE HAD EVERY
25 INTENTION OF FAITHFULLY, RESPECTFULLY AND WITH INTEGRITY



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1 RESOLVING ALL FINANCIAL ISSUES REMAINING WITH THE COUNTY
2 DURING THIS PERIOD OF DETERMINATION OF OUR CONTRACT, WHICH
3 HAPPENS TO BE JUNE 28TH, 2010, BUT IT APPEARS THAT THAT WAS
4 NOT TO YOUR WISHES AND YOUR LIKING, SO THEREFORE YOU'VE PUT US
5 IN A POSITION WHERE WE ARE NOT ABLE TO GUARANTEE THE SAFETY OF
6 THE CHILDREN, 93 TODAY THAT ARE PLACED WITH US BECAUSE YOU'RE
7 NOT PAYING US AND THEREFORE WE FEEL THAT WE ARE GOING TO BE
8 UNABLE TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THE FOSTER CARE SUPERVISION AND
9 SERVICES THAT OUR CONTRACT REQUIRES, SO I WANTED TO JUST LET
10 YOU KNOW THAT REGRETTABLY, I REPRESENT OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS
11 IN EXPRESSING TO YOU THE FACT THAT WE CAN NO LONGER GUARANTEE
12 THE SAFETY OF THE KIDS AND THAT WE'RE ASKING ON THE RECORD
13 TODAY THAT YOU TAKE ACTION TO SEE TO IT THAT THE KIDS ARE
14 REMOVED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE SO THAT THEIR SAFETY CAN BE
15 PROTECTED.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. WOODS. THANK YOU, SIR ALL
18 RIGHT. NEXT, WE HAVE MR. SACHS, MR. WALSH, DO YOU WANT TO COME
19 UP AND JOIN US?

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21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. I
22 BELIEVE LAST WEEK WHEN YOU HAD THE DISCUSSION REGARDING THE
23 L.A. COUNTY MANAGED CARE, AND I CAME UP HERE TO SPEAK ABOUT
24 SOMETHING, YOU MADE A REMARK, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, THAT I WASN'T
25 PAYING ATTENTION, AND I'M SORRY, BUT I REALLY HAVE TO DISAGREE



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1 WITH YOU THERE. MAYBE I WAS, MAYBE I WASN'T, BUT THE FACT IS,
2 I HAD A REPORT IN FRONT OF ME, SO WHAT I LOOK IN THE REPORT
3 AND IT SAYS THE OFFICE OF MANAGED CARE IS PREDOMINANTLY THE
4 COMMUNITY HEALTH PLAN, C.H.P. IS PROFESSIONALLY MANAGED. THAT
5 ISSUE IS IRRELEVANT, SO WHY WOULD IT BE IN THE REPORT? THEN IT
6 GOES ON TO SAY OFFICE OF MANAGED CARE IS CURRENTLY CONFIGURED,
7 CANNOT PROVIDE THE COUNTY WHAT IT NEEDS TO MOVE INTO A NEW ERA
8 OF MANAGED CARE PREDOMINANCE. THEN IT SAYS REALIGN THE CURRENT
9 O.M.C INTO RECONFIGURED D.H.S. OFFICE OF AMBULATORY CARE, AND
10 SO MY POINT IS THAT YOU START OFF WITH O.M.C., YOU DISCUSS
11 C.H.P., AND THEN YOU'RE BACK TO O.M.C. THAT WAS MY POINT. I
12 WAS PAYING ATTENTION. BUT THE VISIONARY AND THE LEADERSHIP
13 THAT I ALSO WAS PAYING ATTENTION TODAY THAT YOU GOT REMARKS OF
14 THE COUNTY BOARD. MAYBE IT'S THE SAME VISIONARY AND LEADERSHIP
15 THAT YOU'VE GIVEN AT THE M.T.A., AND AS FAR AS GETTING
16 COMPLIMENTS, I'M ALWAYS COMPLIMENTING THE BOARD. I'M
17 COMPLIMENTING YOU WHEN YOU SEND LETTERS TO THE STATE
18 LEGISLATURE REGARDING BILLS IN FRONT OF THE LEGISLATURE AND I
19 ASK, "WELL, DID YOU SEND A LETTER WHEN THE BLUE LINE BECAME
20 THE GOLD LINE?" AND YOUR ABILITY TO FOLLOW STATE POLICIES, AND
21 I SAY, "DID YOU FOLLOW THE SAME KIND OF POLICY WITH THE BLUE
22 LINE THAT WAS ENACTED BY THE STATE LEGISLATURE?" I'M ALWAYS--
23 I THINK I GIVE YOU PLENTY OF COMPLIMENTS ALONG THAT LINE. I'M
24 JUST TRYING TO FIND A MIDDLE OF THE ROAD AREA, BECAUSE IF ONE
25 IS SO FAR OUT OF THE REALM OF REALITY AND THE OTHER IS WRITTEN



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1 IN STONE, YOU'D WANT TO FIND SOME WAY OF HAVING-- OF LEVELING
2 THAT PLAYING FIELD, BUT WHEN IT COMES TO THE M.T.A., SMOKE IS
3 THE ANSWER, BECAUSE THE VISIONARY, THE 25-YEAR VISIONARY
4 PERIOD AND THE LEADERSHIP THERE, IT'S CARTOONISH. IT'S
5 CARTOONISH. AND SO ON THURSDAY'S MEETING THAT'S COMING UP,
6 WE'LL HAVE MORE FUN. AND FINALLY, JUST REAL QUICK, AGAIN, I
7 SAY THIS ARTICLE FROM FRIDAY, MARCH 26TH, STATES WITH THE
8 THURSDAY VOTE, THAT WOULD BE THE M.T.A., 690 MILLION IN
9 REVENUES FOR MEASURE "R" WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE GOLD LINE
10 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. PLEASE TELL ME WHEN THE BLUE LINE
11 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY, WHICH IS WHAT GOT THE MONEY, MEETS.
12 WHERE IT MEETS, WHEN IT MEETS. WE HAVE THE EXPO LINE MEETING
13 ONCE A MONTH HERE. DOES THE BLUE LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY
14 HAVE A LOCATION THAT IT MEETS IN AND WHERE DOES THAT OCCUR.
15 THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. SACHS. MR. BECKTEL.

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19 **WALTER BECKTEL:** YEAH. HI. I NEEDED TO COME BACK IN BECAUSE I
20 THINK THERE WAS A MISUNDERSTANDING FROM LAST WEEK. I WAS
21 SAYING SOMETHING ABOUT SOME PROBLEMS GOING ON OVER AT THE LAW
22 LIBRARY, AND AFTER THE MEETING WAS OVER, I CAME BACK UP TO
23 TALK TO SOMEBODY. I WANTED TO ASK YOU IF I SHOULD GO AHEAD AND
24 SEND ANOTHER COMPLAINT TO MR. ORTEGA OVER AT THE LAW LIBRARY
25 PRIOR TO YOUR INVESTIGATION, AND THEN SOMEBODY APPROACHED ME,



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1 A MR. CHIN WAS TOLD TO TALK TO ME, AND I JUST WANT TO SAY,
2 FIRST OF ALL, I'M NOT FILING A LAWSUIT AGAINST THE COUNTY. I
3 JUST CAME IN TO INFORM YOU OF SOME PROBLEMS THAT ARE GOING ON.
4 BUT FROM WHAT MR. CHIN TOLD ME IN HIS EMAILS, THE SECURITY,
5 APPARENTLY THE COMPLAINTS THAT I MADE ARE SOMEHOW TURNING
6 AROUND TO BE COMPLAINTS THAT THEY HAVE MADE. I HAVE ALL THE
7 RECORDS OF THE EMAILS I HAVE SENT TO THEM. I DON'T KNOW IF
8 THEY SENT THE EMAILS TO YOU OR NOT OR GAVE THEM TO MR. CHIN,
9 BUT IF THEY DID, THEN YOU'LL SEE THAT IT'S ME, I AM THE PERSON
10 WHO COMPLAINED ABOUT PEOPLE BATHING IN THE BATHROOMS, I'M THE
11 PERSON WHO COMPLAINED ABOUT THE DOG DEFECATING ON THE RUG, I
12 AM THE PERSON WHO COMPLAINED ABOUT PEOPLE EATING AT THE
13 LIBRARY TERMINALS AND DRINKING AND LOUD CELL PHONES, AND, OVER
14 TIME, I'VE FOUND THAT MANY OF THE SECURITY GUARDS THEMSELVES
15 HAVE BEEN DOING SOME OF THESE THINGS AND SLEEPING, LITERALLY
16 SLEEPING AT THEIR DESK AND I'M THE ONE THAT'S BEING RETALIATED
17 AGAINST, IS THE SCENARIO HERE. AND IT'S NOT A SITUATION OF
18 THEIR STEPPING UP ENFORCEMENT, AS MR. CHIN'S EMAIL INDICATES
19 TO ME; THEY STEPPED UP THEIR ENFORCEMENT AS SOON AS HE
20 CONTACTED THEM BECAUSE THESE THINGS ARE ONGOING EVERY DAY.
21 THERE IS ZERO ENFORCEMENT OF ANY OF THE RULES UNLESS THEY SEE
22 ME APPARENTLY GOING TO SLEEP. NOW, I HAD THE RULES FROM BOTH
23 THE LAW LIBRARY OF DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES AND GLENDALE'S LIBRARY
24 AND YOU'RE BOTH IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. IT'S NOT VERY
25 CLEAR UNDER THE LAW LIBRARY WHAT SLEEPING IS, BUT IN GLENDALE,



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1 IT SAYS SLEEPING IN EXCESS OF 30 MINUTES. THIS RULE DOES NOT
2 APPLY TO CHILDREN UNDER FOUR YEARS OF AGE, AND I, UNDER THEIR
3 RULES, I'M NOT SLEEPING AT ALL, I DO ADMIT SOMETIMES I CLOSE
4 MY EYES AND I MAY DOZE OFF FOR TWO OR THREE MINUTES, BUT I'M
5 NOT SLEEPING, PER SE, I'M NOT TAKING UP A PILLOW OR ANYTHING,
6 AND I THINK THAT THE POINT WAS THAT THEY'RE DISCRIMINATING
7 AGAINST ME.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU, MR. BECKTEL. NEXT WE
10 HAVE MR. WALSH.

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12 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH, BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLAND DOT ORG,
13 H-I-G-H-L-A-N-D-S. I MAY HAVE MISSPOKEN, IT'S ONE-HALF MILLION
14 VISITORS FROM SEPTEMBER 3RD PROJECTED TO MAY. WE'RE ASKING FOR
15 A LOS ANGELES COUNTY INQUIRY IMMEDIATELY INTO OBAMAGATE,
16 FUNDRAISER-GATE. WHAT HAPPENED YESTERDAY ON COUNTY PROPERTY. I
17 HAVE A LONG HISTORY OF THE MUSEUM, AND I FIRST VISITED THE
18 MUSEUM, THOSE MUSEUMS DOWN THERE IN 1966. I THINK THAT MR.
19 THOMAS-- RIDLEY-THOMAS WASN'T BORN YET, I DON'T THINK MS.
20 MOLINA WAS BORN YET. I THINK THE OTHER THREE WERE BORN AT THAT
21 TIME. WHAT HAPPENED THERE WAS INCREDIBLE. THE PRESIDENT OF THE
22 UNITED STATES WAS HECKLED SO BADLY, AND YOU CAN SEE THIS ON
23 TELEVISION, HE HAD TO LEAVE THE PODIUM AND GO OVER AND ASK
24 BARBARA BOXER WHAT THE HELL IS HAPPENING HERE, AND BARBARA
25 BOXER SAID TO HIM, "I LET SOME PEOPLE IN FOR FREE AND NOW



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1 THEY'RE STOPPING THE MEETING," AND THEY WERE DON'T ASK DON'T
2 TELL ACTIVISTS UP I WANT TO KNOW, FIRST OF ALL, HOW MUCH THIS
3 WHOLE OBAMAGATE, HOW MUCH DOES IT COST THE COUNTY? HOW MUCH
4 DID YOU CHARGE THEM AND HOW MUCH DID IT COST? I THINK THERE
5 ARE TWO PEOPLE INTERESTED, TWO REPUBLICANS. I DON'T THINK THE
6 THREE DEMOCRATS ARE INTERESTED IN WHAT HAPPENED. THIS HAS
7 BECOME SO BAD THAT, TODAY, AT CITY COUNCIL, YOU CAN SEE IT ON
8 TELEVISION, ERIC GARCETTI SAID THAT HE AND THE MAYOR WENT TO
9 THE TARMAC AND RAN AFTER THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO
10 APOLOGIZE TO HIM FOR WHAT HAPPENED, HOW HE WAS DISRESPECTED IN
11 THIS CITY. IT'S NOT YOU THAT DO IT. IT'S A RUNAWAY COUNCIL AND
12 A MAYOR OF THE CITY WHO SHOULD BE-- WE SHOULD KNOW EXACTLY
13 WHAT HE'S ON, WHAT HIS DESCRIPTION MEDICINES ARE BECAUSE
14 THEY'RE NOT WORKING. WE ALSO HEAR A RUMOR, WE WANT IT TRUE OR
15 FALSE, THAT AFTER THE MAYOR, AFTER THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED
16 STATES WAS DISRESPECTED AND YOU TAKE A LOOK AT HIS ARC, YOU
17 CAN SEE THE ARC OF HATRED. THERE WERE ABOUT 100 PEOPLE
18 CHANTING AT HIM. IT STOPPED THE MEETING. HE SAID TO ONE OF HIS
19 AIDES, HE USED THE GAY SLUR, IT WASN'T THE F-WORD, BUT HE USED
20 THE GAY SLUR ABOUT THE PEOPLE. AND I WANT TO KNOW, THOSE
21 PEOPLE DO NOT REPRESENT GAY AMERICA, NO MORE THAN THE
22 PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES REPRESENTS HISPANIC AMERICA.
23 I'M TELLING YOU, WE'RE THE LAUGHINGSTOCK ALL OVER THE UNITED
24 STATES FOR WHAT HAPPENED. I ASKED FOR AN INVESTIGATION OVER
25 THERE. THEY'RE NOT INTERESTED IN AN INVESTIGATION. THEY'RE



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1 INTERESTED IN A COVER-UP. IT HAPPENED ON COUNTY PROPERTY. I
2 DON'T WANT TO SEE THIS KIND OF CRAP HAPPENING ON COUNTY
3 PROPERTY AGAIN WITH A MAYOR, WHERE THE SECRET SERVICE RUSH
4 THESE PEOPLE, WHERE THEY WERE AFRAID THAT THERE MIGHT HAVE
5 BEEN SOME KNIVES OR SOMETHING. IT WAS OUT OF CONTROL AND IT
6 WAS ON COUNTY PROPERTY. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS DOT ORG IF YOU WANT
7 TO KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH OBAMAGATE.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. THAT CONCLUDES ALL OF THE ITEMS
10 BEFORE OUR BOARD. IF I CAN HAVE OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE
11 READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION. THANK YOU.

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13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
14 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
15 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER C.S.-1,
16 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE
17 TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE, AND ITEM NUMBER C.S.-2, CONFERENCE
18 WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS GRAND AVENUE COMMITTEE
19 INCORPORATED MEMBERS WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN PARCELS OF THE
20 BUNKER HILL URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT AREA AND THE PARK PARCEL AS
21 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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