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1       [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION TUESDAY, MAY 21,  
2       2013 READ-IN BY EXECUTIVE OFFICER SACHI HAMAI ON PAGE 104.]

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6       (GAVEL)

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8       **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE THANK  
9       YOU FOR BEING HERE WITH US THIS MORNING AT OUR REGULARLY  
10      SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MAY 21, 2003.  
11      OUR SERGEANT AT ARMS IS CARLOS GIRARD, AND HE IS ESTABLISHING  
12      ORDER AS WOULD BE THE CASE. OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS SACHI  
13      HAMAI. OUR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS WILLIAM T FUJIOKA. AND  
14      OUR COUNTY COUNSEL IS JOHN KRATTLI. THERE IS A QUORUM  
15      ESTABLISHED. WE HAVE WITH US THIS MORNING THE REVEREND WILLIAM  
16      F. KERZE OF OUR LADY OF MALIBU CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE THIRD  
17      DISTRICT AT THE INVITATION OF SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY. OUR  
18      PLEDGE VETERAN THIS MORNING IS NESTOR AGUILAR, WORK-STUDY  
19      MEMBER, DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS IN THE  
20      COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AT THE INVITATION OF THE CHAIR. IF YOU  
21      WOULD PLEASE RISE FOR THE MORNING'S INVOCATION.

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23      **REV. WILLIAM F. KERZE:** GRACIOUS AND LOVING GOD, YOU ARE INDEED  
24      THE GIVER OF LIFE AND OF ALL GOOD GIFTS. WE COME TOGETHER THIS  
25      DAY TO SEEK YOUR WISDOM AND GUIDANCE, YOUR COURAGE AND



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1 STRENGTH. BE WITH US IN OUR DELIBERATIONS. HELP US THAT YOU  
2 HAVE -- HELP US REALIZE THAT YOU HAVE BLESSED OUR COUNTY WITH  
3 AN ABUNDANCE OF RESOURCES, WITH PHYSICAL AND MATERIAL GOODS,  
4 WITH A FAVORABLE CLIMATE AND A WONDERFUL GEOGRAPHY. YOU HAVE  
5 BLESSED US WITH PEOPLE OF CREATIVITY, WITH SCHOLARS AND  
6 ENTREPRENEURS. YOU HAVE BLESSED US WITH A WONDROUS DIVERSITY  
7 OF INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES FROM ALL PARTS OF OUR WORLD. YOU  
8 HAVE BLESSED US WITH MANY PUBLIC SERVANTS WHO TAKE PRIDE IN  
9 THEIR WORK AND WITH VOLUNTEERS WHO SERVE WITH JOY. MAY WE BE  
10 GOOD STEWARDS OF THESE RESOURCES. GIVE US THE WISDOM AND  
11 COURAGE TO CREATE THE STRUCTURES AND TO ENACT THE LAWS AND  
12 POLICIES THAT WILL ALLOW OUR COUNTY TO GROW AND PROSPER. HELP  
13 US TO BE LEADERS THAT SERVE OUR PEOPLE. GIVE US EARS TO HEAR  
14 THE VOICES OF ALL, PARTICULARLY THOSE OF THE POOR, THE  
15 HOMELESS AND THOSE WHO DO NOT HAVE ACCESS TO POWER. BE WITH US  
16 IN OUR QUEST TO CREATE A PLACE WHERE PARENTS CAN RAISE THEIR  
17 CHILDREN WITHOUT THE FEAR OF VIOLENCE, WHERE EMPLOYMENT IS  
18 READILY AVAILABLE, AND WHERE ALL PEOPLE ARE TREATED WITH  
19 JUSTICE, RESPECT AND HONOR. HELP US WITH YOUR SPIRIT SO THAT  
20 IN THE MIDST OF DIFFICULT DECISIONS, WE WILL HAVE PEACE OF  
21 MIND, TRUST IN YOUR GUIDANCE AND BE ABLE TO LOOK TOWARD THE  
22 LONG-TERM GOALS OF ALL THOSE THAT WE SERVE. AMEN.

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24 **NESTOR E. AGUILAR:** PLEASE REPEAT AFTER ME. [PLEDGE OF  
25 ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]





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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, PLEASE.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE WERE LED IN THAT ELOQUENT  
5 INVOCATION BY THE REVEREND WILLIAM F. KERZE, WHO HAS SERVED AS  
6 THE PASTOR OF OUR LADY OF MALIBU CATHOLIC CHURCH SINCE 1996,  
7 WHICH MEANS HE HAS SUFFERED THROUGH EVERY FIRE IN MALIBU THAT  
8 I HAVE. HE OBTAINED HIS MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE IN  
9 ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AT WENTWORTH COLLEGE AND HIS  
10 BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN PHILOSOPHY AT ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE IN  
11 CAMARILLO. HE HAS SERVED AS THE DIRECTOR OF CONTINUING  
12 FORMATION CLERGY FOR THE LOS ANGELES ARCHDIOCESE, THE DIRECTOR  
13 OF PASTORAL PLANNING PROCESS, THE DIRECTOR OF CAMPUS MINISTRY  
14 AT L.A. CITY COLLEGE AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES  
15 ARCHDIOCESE PRIEST'S ASSEMBLY. HE HAS TAUGHT IN ST. MARY'S  
16 COLLEGE IN LOS ANGELES WITH MANY MORE ACCOMPLISHMENTS  
17 THROUGHOUT HIS MINISTRY. HE'S ALSO A GOOD GUY AND HAS A GREAT  
18 PARISH. AND WE REALLY THANK YOU FOR COMING OUT OF PARADISE  
19 INTO CIVILIZATION. NOW YOU CAN GO BACK OUT TO PARADISE IN  
20 MALIBU. THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR  
23 YAROSLAVSKY AND COLLEAGUES. WE ARE PLEASED TO HAVE NESTOR  
24 AGUILAR HERE THIS MORNING AS OUR PLEDGE VETERAN. NESTOR  
25 PARTICIPATES IN A WORK- STUDY PROGRAM OF THE COUNTY OF LOS



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1 ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS. HE'S ALSO  
2 SERVING IN THE ARMY RESERVES. HE SERVED AS A SERGEANT IN THE  
3 UNITED STATES ARMY FROM 2006 UNTIL 2010, AND WAS A MEMBER OF  
4 THE 82ND AIRBORNE DIVISION STATIONED IN IRAQ. HE RECEIVED  
5 NUMEROUS AWARDS AND COMMENDATIONS, INCLUDING THE PARACHUTIST'S  
6 BADGE, A COMBAT ACTION BADGE AND AN EIGHT ACHIEVEMENT AND  
7 COMMENDATION MEDALS. HE IS CURRENTLY ATTENDING LOS ANGELES  
8 CITY COLLEGE. HE LIVES IN THE SECOND DISTRICT FOR THE PAST 10  
9 YEARS. AND WE WISH TO SAY TO YOU, NESTOR, CONGRATULATIONS. WE  
10 APPRECIATE YOUR BEING HERE THIS MORNING TO LEAD US IN THE  
11 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. AND AT ONCE WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
12 COMMITMENT AND OUR SERVICE TO OUR NATION. [APPLAUSE.] GOOD  
13 MORNING, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER. YOU MAY CALL THE AGENDA.

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15 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS  
16 OF THE BOARD, WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 4,  
17 PRESENTATION ON SET MATTERS. ON ITEM NO. S-1, AS INDICATED ON  
18 THE POSTED AGENDA, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS  
19 ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JUNE 18, 2013. AND ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S  
20 A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON  
21 PAGE 5, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
22 COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D AND 2-D, THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR  
2   KNABE MOVES. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY SECONDS. PLEASE RECORD A  
3   UNANIMOUS VOTE, HEARING NO OBJECTIONS.

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5   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 6, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING  
6   OF THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEM NO. 1-P,  
7   THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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9   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU MUCH. SUPERVISOR  
10   ANTONOVICH MOVES. SUPERVISOR KNABE SECONDS. HEARING NO  
11   OBJECTIONS, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

12

13   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 7, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
14   ITEMS 1 THROUGH 16, ON ITEM NO. 1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM  
15   MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 2,  
16   THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS  
17   ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 5, THIS INCLUDES THE REVISIONS AS INDICATED  
18   ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A  
19   REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON ITEM NO. 8,  
20   SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED  
21   THREE WEEKS TO JUNE 11, 2013. AND ON ITEM NO. 13, THIS  
22   INCLUDES THE AMENDMENT AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
23   AGENDA. AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WOULD  
24   LIKE TO ADD THE WORDS "HEALTH AND PUBLIC HEALTH" TO THE  
25   AMENDMENT THAT WAS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND





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1 ALSO, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD  
2 THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 16, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF  
3 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER IF  
4 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU MUCH. SUPERVISOR  
7 YAROSLAVSKY MOVES. SUPERVISOR KNABE SECONDS. AND PLEASE RECORD  
8 A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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10 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 14, CONSENT CALENDAR,  
11 ITEMS 17 THROUGH 59. ON ITEM NO. 17, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM  
12 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 18, THIS  
13 INCLUDES THE AMENDMENT AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
14 AGENDA. AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER  
15 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. THAT'S NO. 18. ON ITEM NO.  
16 19, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS  
17 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 20, THIS INCLUDES THE REVISION AS INDICATED  
18 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM NO. 22, THERE'S A REQUEST  
19 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEMS NO.  
20 23, 24 AND 25, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC  
21 TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. ALSO ON ITEMS NO. 27 AND 28, THERE'S A  
22 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. ON  
23 ITEM NO. 32, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH REQUESTS THAT THIS  
24 ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO JUNE 4, 2013. ON ITEM NO. 39,  
25 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS



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1 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 41, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA,  
2 THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
3 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO JUNE 4, 2013. THAT WAS ITEM NO. 41. ON  
4 ITEM NO. 44, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
5 REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 45, THERE'S A  
6 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM  
7 NO. 51, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
8 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO JUNE 4, 2013. AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM,  
9 THERE IS A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. AND  
10 ON ITEM NO. 55, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC  
11 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT  
12 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I THINK I  
15 CAN GET THIS RIGHT NOW. SUPERVISOR ZEV MOVES. SUPERVISOR  
16 ANTONOVICH SECONDS. PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE ON THE  
17 ENTIRE ITEM.

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19 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. ON PAGE 38, DISCUSSION  
20 ITEM. ITEM NO. 60. AND THIS WILL ALSO INCLUDE SUPERVISOR  
21 MOLINA'S AMENDMENT AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. WE  
22 WILL HOLD THIS ITEM FOR A DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 42, NOTICES OF  
23 CLOSED SESSION, ON ITEM NO. CS-3, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A  
24 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND ALSO ON ITEM NO.  
25 CS-5, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF



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1 EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE  
2 WEEK TO MAY 28, 2013. AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE  
3 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH  
4 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 5.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE  
7 PROCEED WITH A SPECIAL PRESENTATION THIS MORNING. WE RECOGNIZE  
8 THE CONSUL GENERAL OF MEXICO, THE HONORABLE DAVID FIGUEROA  
9 ORTEGA. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I'M  
10 PLEASED TO ASK THE HONORABLE DAVID FIGUEROA ORTEGA, THE CONSUL  
11 GENERAL OF MEXICO, TO BE HERE WITH US THIS MORNING. FOR THE  
12 PAST TWO YEARS, CONSUL GENERAL ORTEGA HAS HEADED A CONSULATE  
13 THAT WAS FIRST ESTABLISHED IN LOS ANGELES NEARLY 127 YEARS  
14 AGO. IT IS A GIVEN THAT ANY MEXICAN CONSULATE IN CALIFORNIA  
15 WILL BE VERY, VERY ACTIVE, WITH DUTIES THAT INCLUDE EVERYTHING  
16 FROM CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC DIPLOMACY TO ISSUING CONSULAR  
17 IDENTIFICATION CARDS. AND HIS JURISDICTION COVERS SEVEN  
18 CALIFORNIA COUNTIES FROM ORANGE COUNTY IN THE SOUTH, TO SANTA  
19 BARBARA COUNTY AND FRESNO IN THE NORTH AND HE HEADS ONE OF THE  
20 LARGEST STAFFS IN THE CONSULAR CORPS ANYWHERE TO BE FOUND. HE  
21 IS THE SON OF A MEXICAN LABORER WHO PICKED STRAWBERRIES IN  
22 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA. FROM AN EARLY AGE, HE WAS RAISED IN  
23 MEXICO AND WENT ON TO EARN A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN BUSINESS  
24 ADMINISTRATION AND AN M.B.A. IN HUMAN RESOURCES, BOTH AT  
25 MEXICAN UNIVERSITIES. WHEN WE WELCOMED HIM TWO YEARS AGO, WE



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1 NOTED THAT BEFORE HE TOOK UP HIS POST, HE WAS AN ELECTED  
2 OFFICIAL WHOSE CAMPAIGNS AGAINST DRUG DEALERS WERE SO  
3 SUCCESSFUL THAT THERE WERE TWO ATTEMPTS TO CHALLENGE HIS VERY  
4 EXISTENCE. I'M GLAD TO NOTE THAT HE HAS SPENT A MUCH MORE  
5 PEACEFUL TIME WITH US HERE IN LOS ANGELES. AND ON BEHALF OF  
6 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND OUR MORE THAN 10 MILLION  
7 RESIDENTS, I WISH TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNTIRING LEADERSHIP  
8 AND TO EXTEND TO YOU OUR SENSE OF FRIENDSHIP AND GRATITUDE. WE  
9 EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT WISHES FOR YOUR CONTINUING SUCCESS AS YOU  
10 AND YOUR WIFE AND TWO YOUNG DAUGHTERS DEPART FROM THIS POST  
11 HERE WITH US. BUT WE WANTED YOU TO KNOW THAT WE HAVE  
12 APPRECIATED VERY, VERY MUCH YOUR BEING HERE. LADIES AND  
13 GENTLEMEN, OUR CONSUL GENERAL, THE ONE AND ONLY DAVID FIGUEROA  
14 ORTEGA. [APPLAUSE.]

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16 **DAVID FIGUEROA ORTEGA:** HONORABLE SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-  
17 THOMAS, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, SUPERVISOR ZEV  
18 YAROSLAVSKY, SUPERVISOR DON KNABE, SUPERVISOR MICHAEL  
19 ANTONOVICH, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, GOOD MORNING. I WOULD LIKE  
20 TO THANK THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR  
21 SUPPORT DURING MY TENURE. THANK YOU ALSO FOR THIS BEAUTIFUL  
22 PLAQUE. IT HAS BEEN A PRIVILEGE TO KNOW YOU AND COLLABORATE  
23 WITH YOU IN DIFFERENT PROJECTS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR DISPOSITION  
24 AND OPENNESS TO MEET WITH ME TO TALK ABOUT MEXICO AND THE  
25 MEXICAN COMMUNITY LIVING IN THE COUNTY. I FOUND OUR MEETINGS



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1 VERY PRODUCTIVE AND INFORMATIVE. I AM ALSO GRATEFUL THAT I WAS  
2 ABLE TO BUILD FRIENDSHIPS WITH YOU OVER THOSE TWO YEARS THAT I  
3 SERVED MY COUNTRY IN LOS ANGELES. DURING MY TENURE, OUR  
4 CONSULATE DEVELOPED NEW RELATIONSHIPS AND STRENGTHENED ITS  
5 INVOLVEMENT WITH THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES, ELECTED OFFICIALS AND  
6 LEADERS OF COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND BUSINESSES. NEEDLESS TO  
7 SAY, I ALWAYS FOUND GREAT APPRECIATION FOR MEXICO AND  
8 MEXICANS. I BELIEVE THE WELCOMING, DIVERSE AND FRIENDLY  
9 ENVIRONMENT IN LOS ANGELES PLAY A BIG ROLE IN OUR ABILITY TO  
10 REACH OUT TO THE COMMUNITY AND FOR WORKING TOWARDS THE  
11 EMPOWERMENT. THAT ENVIRONMENT IS PROMOTED BY INDIVIDUALS LIKE  
12 YOU WHO ARE LEADERS OF THIS WONDERFUL COMMUNITY. AS SOME OF  
13 YOU MAY KNOW, I AM GOING BACK TO MEXICO TO WORK ON A NEW  
14 CHALLENGE IN MY CAREER. PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT ME  
15 IF YOU VISIT SONORA, WHERE YOU WILL HAVE A FRIEND. THANK YOU  
16 SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MEMBERS OF  
19 THE BOARD, WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PROCLAIM MAY AS "OLDER  
20 AMERICANS RECOGNITION MONTH" IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND  
21 WE WANT TO GIVE A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF  
22 COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES FOR THEIR WORKING FOR OLDER  
23 AMERICANS IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE HAVE WITH US TODAY  
24 MR. OTTO SOLORZANO. AND HE REPRESENTS THAT DEPARTMENT. AND IT  
25 WAS IN APRIL OF 1963, THAT THEN PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD





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1 KENNEDY PROCLAIMED MAY AS "SENIOR CITIZENS MONTH." WHEN THIS  
2 MONTH WAS ESTABLISHED, ONLY 17 MILLION LIVING AMERICANS HAD  
3 REACHED THE AGE OF 65. TODAY, THERE ARE SOME 40 PLUS MILLION  
4 SENIORS NATIONWIDE, 17 IN 1963, OVER 40 TODAY. NOW IN THE LOS  
5 ANGELES COUNTY AREA, SENIORS COMPRISE 11 PERCENT OF THE  
6 COUNTY'S POPULATION. SENIORS MAKE COUNTLESS CONTRIBUTIONS AS  
7 ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS IN OUR COMMUNITIES BY VOLUNTEERING IN  
8 PARKS, SCHOOLS AND FAITH-BASED AND SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS. OUR  
9 SENIORS HAVE DEVOTED THEIR ENTIRE LIVES TO BUILDING THE FUTURE  
10 THAT OUR CHILDREN AND OUR GRANDCHILDREN DESERVE. SENIORS  
11 DESERVE OUR APPRECIATION, OUR ADMIRATION AND MOST OF ALL OUR  
12 RESPECT. THE NATIONAL THEME FOR THIS YEAR'S PROGRAM IS  
13 "UNLEASH THE POWER OF AGE." "UNLEASH THE POWER OF AGE",  
14 RECOGNIZING HOW OUR OLDER RESIDENTS REINVEST THEMSELVES IN  
15 THEIR COMMUNITIES BY SHARING THEIR WISDOM, THEIR TALENTS AND  
16 THEIR TIME WITH OTHERS. ACCORDINGLY, PLEASE JOIN ME IN  
17 PROCLAIMING THIS MONTH MAY AS OLDER AMERICANS MONTH IN THE  
18 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE, PLEASE, FOR  
19 THE DEPARTMENT. [APPLAUSE.]

20

21 **OTTO SOLORZANO:** ON BEHALF OF COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES, I  
22 WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD, BOARD OF  
23 SUPERVISORS, FOR RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF MAY AND PROCLAIMING  
24 IT AS OLDER AMERICANS MONTH. INDEED, THIS IS A MONTH TO



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1 RECOGNIZE THE FABULOUS, PHENOMENAL WORK THAT OUR SENIORS ARE  
2 DOING FOR OUR COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THE FINAL PRESENTATION I WISH TO  
5 MAKE THIS MORNING IS THE "2013 INNOVATIONS AWARDS." THERE WILL  
6 BE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO YOU WILL SEE JOIN ME, AMONG THEM  
7 WOULD BE DR. MITCH KATZ, THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF  
8 HEALTH SERVICES; MICHAEL GREEN, REPRESENTING S.E.I.U. 721; MR.  
9 RICHARD THOMASON, DIRECTOR OF HEALTHCARE AND COVERAGE FOR BLUE  
10 SHIELD OF CALIFORNIA FOUNDATION. GIVE THEM A ROUND OF  
11 APPLAUSE, WON'T YOU? [APPLAUSE.] IN AN EFFORT TO EMPOWER  
12 FRONTLINE STAFF AND MANAGEMENT TO WORK TOGETHER TO IDENTIFY  
13 OPPORTUNITIES TO BETTER SERVE OUR PATIENTS, THE DEPARTMENT OF  
14 HEALTH SERVICES AND S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721 LAUNCHED THE  
15 INNOVATIONS PROJECT CONTEST. THE INNOVATIONS PROJECT CONTEST  
16 ASKED STAFF TO SUBMIT INNOVATIVE IDEAS FOR IMPROVEMENT IN ONE  
17 OF FOUR AREAS: THE FIRST, CUSTOMER SERVICE AND PATIENT  
18 SATISFACTION; THE SECOND ONE IS CLINICAL QUALITY; THIRD,  
19 OPERATION EFFICIENCY AND COST CONTROL; AND, FINALLY, HUMAN  
20 RESOURCES. THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AND S.E.I.U.  
21 SELECTED 16 PROJECT TEAMS AS INNOVATIONS AWARDS WINNERS, WHICH  
22 INCLUDED GRANT FUNDS PROVIDED BY THE BLUE SHIELD OF CALIFORNIA  
23 FOUNDATION TO SUPPORT PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION. THE TOP FOUR  
24 PROJECTS WERE IDENTIFIED AS LUMINARY AWARD WINNERS, AND THEY  
25 ARE HERE WITH US TODAY. MAY I THEN CALL FORWARD HARBOR



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1 U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER. GIVE THEM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE,  
2 PLEASE, THE HARBOR U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER? [APPLAUSE.] DR.  
3 LOREN MILLER IS HERE TO REPRESENT THE DEPARTMENT OF INFECTION  
4 PREVENTION AND CONTROL. THAT TEAM DID EXCEEDINGLY WELL WITH A  
5 FULL RANGE OF PEOPLE, WITH NURSES AND DOCTORS WORKING TOGETHER  
6 TO DISTINGUISH THEMSELVES, THEREFORE THEY ARE HERE BECAUSE  
7 THEY IMPLEMENTED A PROJECT CALLED PROVIDING FEEDBACK OF HAND  
8 HYGIENE ADEQUACY TO FRONTLINE PROVIDERS. INFECTION CONTROL  
9 EXPERTS AGREE THAT THE MOST IMPORTANT WEAPON AGAINST  
10 HEALTHCARE-ASSOCIATED INFECTIONS IS HAND HYGIENE. SO BE  
11 CAREFUL WHO YOU SHAKE HANDS WITH OUT THERE. THE GOAL OF THE  
12 PROJECT WAS TO ACCESS ADEQUACY OF HAND HYGIENE AMONG CLINICAL  
13 STAFF AT HARBOR U.C.L.A., REPORT THE RESULTS TO THE FRONTLINE  
14 PROVIDERS AND PROVIDE POCKET HAND SANITIZERS AND BUTTONS TO  
15 RAISE AWARENESS AND IMPROVE HAND HYGIENE. THE TEAMWORK WAS  
16 EXTRAORDINARY. TOOK RANDOM SAMPLES OF GERM CULTURES FROM STAFF  
17 AND FOUND A 49 PERCENT DECREASE IN GERM COLONY COUNTS ON THE  
18 HANDS OF STAFF IN THE FIRST WEEK. SO, PLEASE, AGAIN, JOIN ME  
19 IN CONGRATULATING HARBOR U.C.L.A., THE DEPARTMENT OF INFECTION  
20 PREVENTION AND CONTROL, FOR THEIR SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF  
21 THEIR PROJECT AS INNOVATORS. A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE.  
22 [APPLAUSE.] [LAUGHTER.] ALL RIGHT. THE SECOND GROUP IS MID  
23 VALLEY COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER. DR. LACEY WYATT, DOCTOR OF  
24 FAMILY MEDICINE; AND MARY JOAN SANTINA, SUPERVISING NURSE FOR  
25 THE CLINICS. DR. WYATT IS HERE WITH A GROUP OF NURSES AND



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1 OTHER TEAM MEMBERS. THEIR GOAL WAS TO INCREASE MEDICATION  
2 ADHERENCE THROUGH THE USE OF PILL ORGANIZERS AND SMALL TOTE  
3 BAGS. THEY HAD A BUDGET OF \$2,526. THE TEAM TARGETED PATIENTS  
4 THAT TAKE MORE THAN THREE MEDICATIONS DAILY. THE PROVIDERS  
5 WOULD SIT DOWN WITH PATIENTS AND TEACH THEM ABOUT MEDICATIONS  
6 THEY WERE TAKING. AFTERWARDS, THE PROVIDERS WOULD GIVE THE  
7 PATIENTS PILL BOXES AND TOTES SO THAT THEY COULD KEEP THEIR  
8 PILLS ORGANIZED. THE PATIENTS WERE VERY, VERY HAPPY TO RECEIVE  
9 THE PILL BOXES BECAUSE IT HELPS THEM TO UNDERSTAND WHAT  
10 MEDICATIONS THEY ARE TAKING AND WHY THEY ARE TAKING EACH  
11 MEDICATION AND HOW TO TAKE THEM. SO PLEASE JOIN ME IN  
12 CONGRATULATING THE TEAM FROM MID VALLEY HEALTH CENTER FOR  
13 HELPING TO ORGANIZE THOSE PILLS IN THE RIGHT BOXES. GIVE THEM  
14 A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] WISH I HAD MY PILL  
15 ORGANIZER WITH ME HERE TODAY TO SEE IF IT WAS ALL THAT IT  
16 SHOULD BE. HOW ABOUT THOSE FROM COASTAL HEALTH CENTERS?  
17 COMPRISED OF LONG BEACH COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER,  
18 BELLFLOWER HEALTH CENTER AND WILMINGTON HEALTH CENTER? A BIG  
19 ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR THEM. [APPLAUSE.] DONNA, WE'RE GLAD THAT  
20 YOU'RE HERE WITH US AND LILLIAN, WE APPRECIATE YOUR BEING  
21 HERE. IS VANESSA AND DOROTHY HERE, AS WELL? OUT IN THE  
22 AUDIENCE. GIVE THEM A SHOUT OUT IN THE AUDIENCE. HI THERE.  
23 [APPLAUSE.] THE TEAM'S GOAL WAS TO CREATE A CHILD AND FAMILY-  
24 FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT BY INSTALLING WALL DECALS IN THE  
25 PEDIATRIC CLINICS WITH A BUDGET OF \$3065. PRIOR TO PROJECT



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1 IMPLEMENTATION, EACH FACILITY'S WALLS WERE MOSTLY BARE. THE  
2 COASTAL CENTER'S TEAM WORKED TOGETHER TO DEVELOP DECALS WITH  
3 PICTURES OF ANIMALS, TREES, FLOWERS, GAMES AND THE LIKE TO  
4 PLACE ON THOSE WALLS. THE PATIENTS COMMENTED HOW MUCH THEY  
5 LOVE AND APPRECIATE THE IMPROVEMENTS MADE ON THE DECOR AND THE  
6 COLORS ON THE WALLS. THIS PROJECT ALSO IMPROVES STAFF MORALE  
7 BY ADDING MUCH NEEDED IMPROVEMENT IN THE WORK AREA. AND SO WE  
8 SHOULD THANK THEM FOR THEIR AESTHETIC TOUCH AND IMPROVEMENT OF  
9 THE QUALITY OF LIFE. GIVE A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE TO COASTAL  
10 SENIOR CENTERS GROUP FOR THEIR WORK. [APPLAUSE.] AND THEN FROM  
11 RANCHO LOS AMIGOS REHABILITATION CENTER. GIVE THEM A ROUND OF  
12 APPLAUSE. THEY ARE HERE, MICHELLE AND LISA? [APPLAUSE.]  
13 MICHELLE AND LISA ARE HERE BECAUSE THEY'RE ON BEHALF OF THAT  
14 TEAM AT RANCHO LOS AMIGOS REHABILITATION CENTER. DENISE RODELL  
15 AND VERNE, I SUSPECT THEY MAY BE IN THE AUDIENCE. WE THANK  
16 THEM FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION. THE GOAL OF THIS PROJECT WAS TO  
17 CREATE A NEW PROGRAM CALLED O.T. WORK ENTERPRISES TO ENHANCE  
18 THE CURRENT SERVICES OFFERED IN THE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY,  
19 VOCATIONAL SERVICES AND CREATE REAL WORK OPPORTUNITIES. THE  
20 BUDGET WAS \$5,000. NOW, RANCHO O.T. WORK ENTERPRISES PROVIDED  
21 A PLACE FOR CLIENTS TO PRACTICE BUILDING APPROPRIATE WORK  
22 HABITS AND SKILLS SO THEY CAN ENGAGE IN MEANINGFUL WORK  
23 ACTIVITY IN A STRUCTURED AND ADAPTED ENVIRONMENT. SAMPLE  
24 ACTIVITIES INCLUDED PHOTO EDITING, CONSTRUCTION, SANDING,  
25 JEWELRY MAKING AND CERAMICS. THE PROGRAM HELPED CLIENTS GAIN,





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1 ONE, SELF-ESTEEM; TWO, CONFIDENCE; AND, THREE, A SENSE OF  
2 PURPOSE, WHICH IN TURN EMPOWERS THEM TO TAKE THE NEXT STEP  
3 TOWARD COMMUNITY REINTEGRATION. SO LET'S GIVE A BIG ROUND OF  
4 APPLAUSE TO THE RANCHO WORKS ENTERPRISE FOR THE WORK THAT  
5 THEY'VE DONE IN RESTORING A SENSE OF DIGNITY TO THEIR  
6 PATIENTS. A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR ALL OF THEM. [APPLAUSE.]  
7 WELL I'M GOING TO CALL ON MICHAEL GREEN AND RICHARD THOMASON  
8 TO PROVIDE A FEW REMARKS. THESE ARE TEAM MEMBERS AND PARTNERS,  
9 AND, DR. KATZ, IF YOU WISH TO WEIGH IN, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO DO  
10 SO. MICHAEL?

11

12 **MICHAEL GREEN:** THANK YOU. FIRST OF ALL, ON BEHALF OF 721,  
13 LOCAL 721, WE'D LIKE TO THANK THE CHAIR, MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS,  
14 AND ALL OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR MAKING THIS DAY A  
15 SPECIAL DAY TO RECOGNIZE ALL OF OUR WORKERS AND MANAGEMENT  
16 WORKING TOGETHER IN D.H.S. INNOVATION PROGRAM. YOU KNOW,  
17 INNOVATION BRINGS ABOUT CHANGE, BUT QUALITY CREATES DEMAND.  
18 AND WORKING TOGETHER AS A COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIP WITH  
19 D.H.S. AND OUR S.E.I.U. MEMBERS, ALONG WITH MANAGEMENT IN  
20 CREATING PATHWAYS TO SOLUTIONS, BUT MOST OF ALL IMPLEMENTING  
21 THOSE SOLUTIONS. AND WITH THAT, WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO WORK  
22 TOGETHER TO MAKE QUALITY CARE SERVICES THERE FOR ALL OF OUR  
23 L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS WHO COMES IN FOR THAT SERVICE. AS YOU  
24 KNOW, L.A. COUNTY IN L.A. MUST LEAD THE WAY FORWARD TO PREPARE



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1 FOR A.C.A., AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE ACT. THANK YOU SO MUCH, DR.

2 KATZ. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **RICHARD THOMASON:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR, THANK YOU, BOARD OF  
5 SUPERVISORS, FOR RECOGNIZING THE INNOVATION AWARD LUMINARIES  
6 TODAY. AT BLUE SHIELD OF CALIFORNIA FOUNDATION, WE FOCUS ON  
7 EXPANDING ACCESS TO CARE FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS IN  
8 CALIFORNIA AND STRENGTHENING SAFETY NET SYSTEMS OF CARE. AND  
9 WE'VE BEEN VERY PLEASED TO PARTNER WITH THE L.A. DEPARTMENT OF  
10 HEALTH SERVICES AND THE BOARD ON A NUMBER OF PROJECTS AIMED AT  
11 HELPING THE COUNTY GET READY FOR THE A.C.A. WE WERE VERY  
12 PLEASED TO PROVIDE \$50,000 TO SUPPORT THESE INNOVATION  
13 PROJECTS. AND WE'RE JUST AMAZED AND OVERWHELMED AT THE 260  
14 APPLICATIONS THAT CAME IN. SO I WANT TO THANK THE COMMITTEE OF  
15 LABOR AND MANAGEMENT WHO CAME TOGETHER TO REVIEW ALL THOSE  
16 APPLICATIONS AND TO MAKE THE DIFFICULT DECISIONS TO FUND THE  
17 PROJECTS THAT DID MOVE FORWARD. SO THANK YOU ALL FOR THAT. I  
18 WANT TO THANK THE FRONTLINE WORKERS WHO PARTICIPATED. WE VERY  
19 MUCH BELIEVE THAT FRONTLINE WORKERS AND LABOR AND MANAGEMENT  
20 WORKING TOGETHER ARE REALLY GOING TO BE KEY FOR IMPROVING  
21 PATIENT ENGAGEMENT AND THE PATIENT EXPERIENCE FOR ALL  
22 CALIFORNIANS. SO WE SALUTE YOU FOR IMPLEMENTING THIS PROJECT.  
23 [APPLAUSE.]

24



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1   **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
2   FOR GIVING US THE OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE THE FANTASTIC  
3   PEOPLE WHO WORK AT D.H.S., THE FRONTLINE PEOPLE WHO WANT TO  
4   MAKE OUR EXPERIENCE FOR OUR PATIENTS SO MUCH BETTER. THEY'RE  
5   REALLY THE INSPIRATION TO ALL OF US ON HOW WE CAN MAKE A  
6   DIFFERENCE EVERY DAY IN OUR WORK LIFE. I WANT TO THANK  
7   S.E.I.U. FOR BEING SUCH A FANTASTIC PARTNER TO WORK WITH. AND  
8   WE LOOK FORWARD TO DOING, MICHAEL GREEN, MORE PROJECTS  
9   TOGETHER AND MORE OF THESE INITIATIVES AND ALSO THANK RICHARD  
10   THOMAS FOR PROVIDING US THE FUNDING TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN. THANK  
11   YOU, EVERYONE. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ANOTHER BIG ROUND FOR THOSE  
14   INNOVATORS. THEY DO NICELY. THEY WASH THEIR HANDS AND THEY  
15   ORGANIZE THE PILL BOXES. THEY DO THINGS. WE NOW I RECOGNIZE  
16   SUPERVISOR MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH FROM THE FIFTH DISTRICT.

17

18   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, TODAY WE'RE GOING TO  
19   RECOGNIZE THE WINNERS OF "GET-LIT." THIS IS A PROGRAM WHICH  
20   USES POETRY TO BOOST LITERACY, FOSTER CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING,  
21   AND ENCOURAGES OUR CREATIVE SELF-EXPRESSION BY IMMERSING TEENS  
22   IN THE WORLD OF GREAT LITERATURE. "GET-LIT" EQUIPS STUDENTS  
23   FOR FUTURE SUCCESS IN COLLEGE AND THE WORKPLACE BY BUILDING  
24   CONCISE WRITING SKILLS, DYNAMIC PUBLIC SPEAKING ABILITIES AND  
25   A FOUNDATION OF SELF-CONFIDENCE. THIS YEAR'S WINNERS ARE FROM



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1 LASHA, THE SCHOOL I HELPED FOUND, THE LOS ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL  
2 OF THE ARTS, LOCATED AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY LOS  
3 ANGELES, WHICH SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS  
4 ATTENDED THE DEDICATION OF THE BUILDING THIS PAST SATURDAY  
5 AFTERNOON. ALONG WITH ALHAMBRA, TRIUMPH AND ANIMO INGLEWOOD  
6 FROM SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S DISTRICT AND SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-  
7 THOMAS'S DISTRICT AND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S DISTRICT. SO  
8 THESE ARE THE WONDERFUL ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF HARD WORK. AND WE  
9 JUST WANT TO WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS AS YOU MOVE ON IN YOUR  
10 ACADEMIC CAREER. BUT YOU'RE A REAL POSITIVE ROLE MODEL OF OUR  
11 COUNTY. WE APPRECIATE YOUR TEACHERS WHO HELPED, AND YOU, AS  
12 WELL, AND YOUR FAMILIES. GOD BLESS YOU. WE'LL HAVE A FEW WORDS  
13 NOW FROM THE SPONSOR.

14  
15 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THANK YOU SO MUCH  
16 FOR HONORING OUR STUDENTS IN THIS WAY. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS  
17 THOMAS, MOLINA, KNABE AND YAROSLAVSKY. WE'RE HONORED TO BE  
18 HERE ON BEHALF OF "GET-LIT," THE CLASSIC SLAMS. OVER 3,000  
19 STUDENTS WENT THROUGH THIS PROGRAM IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
20 INTRODUCING OUR TEENS TO CLASSIC AND SPOKEN WORD POETRY SO  
21 THAT THEY BECOME BETTER READERS AND WRITERS. THE GOAL OF THIS  
22 ORGANIZATION IS TO INCREASE TEEN LITERACY IN LOS ANGELES. AND  
23 THESE YOUNG PEOPLE STANDING BEHIND ME ARE THE FINALISTS  
24 REPRESENTING AT THE ORPHEUM, A WEEKEND POETRY EVENT FOR OVER  
25 3,000 PEOPLE. THESE TEEN POETS WERE THE FINALISTS AND THE



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1 WINNERS FROM TRIUMPH HIGH SCHOOL, ALHAMBRA HIGH SCHOOL, ANIMO  
2 INGLEWOOD AND LASHA. SO IT'S AN HONOR TO BE HERE TODAY. THANK  
3 YOU FOR RECOGNIZING THEIR HARD WORK, AND THEIR GREATNESS.  
4 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF PRESENTING  
7 PROCLAMATIONS TO ALAN VASQUEZ. ALAN, COME ON UP HERE A SECOND.  
8 AND DEANNA DORIS? CELINE MORAN? ANGIE GURULE? CARILE FLORES?  
9 AND KELLY THOMAS? IS KELLY -- THERE SHE IS, OKAY.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE AN OUTSTANDING  
12 EMPLOYEE FROM OUR CORONER'S OFFICE. TODAY WE CONGRATULATE  
13 DENISE BERTONE, CORONER INVESTIGATOR, FOR RECEIVING THE  
14 PRESTIGIOUS MARY ELLEN MCCORMICK AWARD. DENISE BEGAN WORKING  
15 WITH OUR CORONER IN FEBRUARY OF 2002. EARLY ON IN HER CAREER  
16 AS A MEDICAL/LEGAL DEATH INVESTIGATOR, SHE TOOK INTEREST IN  
17 SUDDEN DEATH SYNDROME CASES INVOLVING SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE  
18 AND NEGLECT. HER SINGULAR EFFORTS IN THESE COMPLEX  
19 INVESTIGATIONS HAVE LED TO IMPROVEMENT FOR THE INVESTIGATION  
20 SKILLS OF MANY OF OUR CORONER INVESTIGATORS, LAW ENFORCEMENT  
21 INVESTIGATORS, CHILD SOCIAL WORKERS AND MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS  
22 DEALING WITH THESE TRAGIC CASES AND AID TO DO A THOROUGH JOB.  
23 SHE MADE IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO IMPROVE THE TRAINING OF  
24 CORONER INVESTIGATORS THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND  
25 HAS ASSISTED WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF BACK-TO-SLEEP AND ANTI-





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1 CO-SLEEPING INFORMATIONAL VIDEOS AND CURRICULUM. SO WE WANT TO  
2 THANK YOU, DENISE, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY FOR A GOOD JOB. YOU  
3 DO A GREAT JOB IN THE CORONER'S OFFICE. WE'VE REALLY ENJOYED  
4 WORKING WITH YOUR PAST CORONER AND GOD BLESS HIM IN HIS  
5 RETIREMENT AND WITH ALL OF YOUR ENTIRE STAFF AND PROFESSIONAL  
6 SERVICE YOU DO OUR L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, A WISE MAN ONCE  
9 SAID HIRE THE VERY BEST PEOPLE THAT YOU CAN GET AND THEN GET  
10 OUT OF THEIR WAY. INVESTIGATOR BERTONE HAS DONE REMARKABLE  
11 THINGS WITH THE OPPORTUNITY THAT THE COUNTY'S PRESENTED TO  
12 HER. AND ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORONER AND THE  
13 FAMILIES WE SERVE, WE'D LIKE TO THANK HER FOR HER HARD EFFORTS  
14 AND THE EFFORTS IN THE SAFE SLEEP CAMPAIGN THAT IS CURRENTLY  
15 OUT THERE FOR ALL OF US TO PAY ATTENTION TO ABOUT HOW WE PUT  
16 OUR BABIES DOWN FOR BED AT NIGHT. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE JASON HEIGL  
19 FOUNDATION FOR THEIR CONTINUING SUPPORT OF THE COUNTY'S LOS  
20 ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL. THE FOUNDATION  
21 WAS FOUNDED IN 2008 BY ACTRESS KATHERINE HEIGL AND THE MOTHER  
22 NANCY IN MEMORY OF THEIR BELOVED SON AND BROTHER, JASON.  
23 THROUGHOUT HIS LIFE, JASON HAD LOVED ANIMALS AND LIVED HIS  
24 LIFE EXTENDING COMPASSION AND KINDNESS TOWARD ANIMALS. THE  
25 FOUNDATION'S LEGACY, WITH THEIR PRIMARY GOAL INTENDED TO



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1 ELIMINATE THE NEEDLESS SUFFERING INFLICTED ON ANIMALS BY HUMAN  
2 CRUELTY, INDIFFERENCE AND IGNORANCE. THE HEIGL FOUNDATION  
3 SUPPORTS THE DEPARTMENT'S PROVIDING FREE SPAY AND NEUTERING  
4 FOR CATS AND DOGS IN THE CITIES OF EL MONTE AND BALDWIN PARK,  
5 SPONSORING FREE DOG TRAINING FOR RESIDENTS RESIDING IN THE  
6 DEPARTMENT SERVICE AREAS, AND PROVIDING RESOURCES TO ENABLE  
7 CONTINUOUS CROSS-COUNTY STATE LIVE ANIMAL TRANSPORTS, WHICH  
8 HAS HELPED THE DEPARTMENT RE-HOME MANY SMALL DOGS TO LOCATIONS  
9 WHERE THE DEMAND FOR THE ANIMALS ARE GREAT BUT ACCESSIBILITY  
10 IS LIMITED. THE FOUNDATION HAS BEEN AN INVALUABLE RESOURCE TO  
11 THE DEPARTMENT AND CAN BE COUNTED ON TIME AND TIME AGAIN FOR  
12 RESCUING AND REHABILITATING ANIMALS THAT REQUIRE EXTENSIVE  
13 MEDICAL CARE AND SPECIAL NEEDS. SO WE WANT TO THANK THEM FOR  
14 WORKING WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CONTROL AND FOR  
15 ENHANCING THE QUALITY OF CARE OF THOSE ANIMALS. JENNIFER  
16 BRENT, WHO IS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, IS HERE TO ACCEPT THE  
17 PROCLAMATION AND SAY A COUPLE OF WORDS.

18  
19 **JENNIFER BRENT:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THANK YOU SO  
20 MUCH MARCIA MAYEDA AND OUR PARTNERS WITH THE COUNTY. I'D LIKE  
21 TO ESPECIALLY THANK LANCE HUNGER, WHO HAS JOINED US TODAY. HE  
22 IS AN INVALUABLE PARTNER TO US. AND TO PATTY LEARNERD WHO  
23 WORKS AT THE OFFICE AND HELPS US IN EVERY WAY, SHAPE AND FORM.  
24 SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MARCIA AND THE REST OF YOUR TEAM. AND



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1 I WANT TO REMIND EVERYBODY THAT EVERY DAY IS A GREAT DAY TO  
2 GET YOUR DOG SPAYED OR NEUTERED, YOUR CAT FIXED. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **MARCIA MAYEDA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I'D JUST LIKE TO THANK  
5 THE HEIGL FOUNDATION AND JENNIFER FOR ALL THE INCREDIBLE WORK  
6 THEY'RE DOING ON BEHALF OF THE ANIMALS. THEY REALLY HELPED US  
7 MEET OUR GOAL OF FINDING HOMES FOR AS MANY ADOPTABLE ANIMALS  
8 POSSIBLE AND EXPERIENCE THE LOWEST EUTHANASIA RATE FOR DOGS  
9 WE'VE HAD IN OUR HISTORY. SO WE'RE VERY GRATEFUL FOR THAT.  
10 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE A LITTLE YORKSHIRE TERRIER MIX,  
13 MONICA. SHE IS THREE YEARS OLD LOOKING FOR A HOME. ANYBODY WHO  
14 WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HER, YOU CAN CALL THE AREA CODE 562-728-  
15 4610. AND SHE COMES WITH A LITTLE RED RASPBERRY BOWL. AS I  
16 ALWAYS LIKE TO SAY, WE HAVE A LOT OF LITTLE COUSINS AND  
17 NEPHEWS AND NIECES IN THE POND WAITING TO BE ADOPTED, AS WELL.  
18 THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY FOR HIS  
21 PRESENTATIONS.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO INVITE JENNA UNDERWOOD-NUNEZ AND  
24 HER FAMILY UP HERE ALONG WITH SHERIFF BACA. MEMBERS OF THE  
25 BOARD, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, DEPUTY JENNA UNDERWOOD-NUNEZ



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1 GRADUATED FROM SOUTHWESTERN OREGON COLLEGE WITH AN A.A. IN  
2 FIRE SCIENCE. SHE STARTED IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, LOS  
3 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN SEPTEMBER 2007, SHE  
4 GRADUATED THE ACADEMY IN 2008 AND WAS ASSIGNED TO CENTURY  
5 REGIONAL DETENTION FACILITY IN LYNWOOD, WHICH IS HER PRESENT  
6 ASSIGNMENT. ON APRIL 27, 2013, THAT'S JUST A FEW WEEKS AGO,  
7 DEPUTY UNDERWOOD-NUNEZ WAS HAVING DINNER WITH HER FAMILY IN  
8 THE SILVERWOOD LAKE CAMPGROUND IN SAN BERNADINO COUNTY WHEN  
9 SHE HEARD SCREAMING COMING FROM THE LAKE. A GLANCE TOWARD THE  
10 WATER REVEALED FRANTIC SPLASHING ABOUT 200 YARDS AWAY FROM THE  
11 SHORE. PLACING HERSELF AND HER UNBORN CHILD AT GREAT RISK AND  
12 NOT HESITATING A MOMENT, DEPUTY UNDERWOOD SPRANG INTO ACTION,  
13 JUMPED INTO THE WATER, FULLY DRESSED AND SWAM 200 YARDS TO  
14 FIND A 17-YEAR-OLD TEEN ALREADY SUBMERGED 15 FEET BELOW THE  
15 SURFACE. HE WAS LAYING ON THE LAKEBED. SHE DOVE TO THE BOTTOM,  
16 STRUGGLED TO PULL HIM UP AND KEEP HIM ABOVE WATER. LUCKILY A  
17 SMALL INFLATABLE BOAT WAS IN THE VICINITY, AND WITH ONE ARM  
18 HOLDING ONTO THE BOAT AND THE OTHER ONTO THE BOY, SHE BROUGHT  
19 HIM TO SHORE. SHE PERFORMED FOUR CYCLES OF C.P.R. BEFORE THE  
20 TEEN REGAINED CONSCIOUSNESS. THE BOY WAS AIR LIFTED TO THE  
21 HOSPITAL. WE ARE HAPPY TO SAY THE RESCUED YOUNG MAN JUST WENT  
22 TO HIS HIGH SCHOOL PROM AND WILL BE GRADUATING FROM HIGH  
23 SCHOOL NEXT MONTH. JENNA UNDERWOOD-NUNEZ. [APPLAUSE.] JENNA  
24 UNDERWOOD-NUNEZ IS ACCOMPANIED TODAY BY HER MOTHER, LORI  
25 UNDERWOOD; HER HUSBAND, FIDEL NUNEZ, JR.; THEIR TWO CHILDREN,



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1 NATHAN, AGE 3, AND VANNA AGE 2; SOON TO BE THREE CHILDREN. SHE  
2 IS 6-1/2 MONTHS PREGNANT. THIS IS WHAT I'VE BEEN TOLD. IT'S  
3 REALLY NONE OF ANYBODY'S BUSINESS, BUT SINCE IT'S IN MY  
4 TALKING POINTS, I GUESS I'M SUPPOSED TO SAY THAT. HER  
5 GRANDPARENTS I THINK ARE HERE. AND GLAD TO HAVE YOU HERE. SO  
6 WE WANTED TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY, YOU KNOW, YOU READ A LOT  
7 OF STUFF ABOUT OUR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES WHICH ARE NOT  
8 COMPLIMENTARY, BUT THE FACT IS THAT MORE OFTEN THAN NOT, FAR  
9 MORE OFTEN THAN NOT, OUR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES DO THE KINDS OF  
10 THINGS THAT JENNA DID AND ARE WILLING TO PUT THEMSELVES AND  
11 THEIR LIVES AT RISK IN ORDER TO SAVE SOMEONE ELSE. THIS IS A  
12 CLASSIC STORY. WE'VE HEARD IT BEFORE FROM OTHER EMPLOYEES, BUT  
13 WE NEVER, EVER, TAKE IT FOR GRANTED BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT PUBLIC  
14 SERVICE IS ALL ABOUT. AND WE WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THESE KINDS  
15 OF ACTS OF HEROISM. SO THIS PROCLAMATION, JENNA, IS SIGNED BY  
16 ALL FIVE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. AND IT COMMENDS YOU FOR YOUR  
17 EXTRAORDINARY HEROISM AND EXTENDS YOU SINCEREST BEST WISHES  
18 FOR CONTINUED SUCCESS AND FULFILLMENT IN YOUR CHOSEN  
19 PROFESSION IN LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY. AND WE ALSO,  
20 BY THE WAY, WISH YOU WELL ON YOUR NEXT CHILD. SO WITH THAT,  
21 LET ME PRESENT YOU WITH THIS PROCLAMATION AND ASK YOU TO SAY A  
22 FEW WORDS. BEFORE YOU DO, I WANT TO ASK THE SHERIFF TO SAY A  
23 FEW WORDS.

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1   **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, THANK YOU. IT'S A REAL GREAT DAY IN  
2   THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. ALL OF US THAT WORK FOR THE COUNTY  
3   RECOGNIZE OUR RESPONSIBILITY. BUT WHEN WE'RE OFF DUTY, WE  
4   GENERALLY OPERATE IN THE PRIVACY OF OUR LIVES. HOWEVER, THIS  
5   YOUNG LADY, JENNA, WAS AN AMAZING LADY. HER HUSBAND IS A BELL  
6   POLICE OFFICER, SHE'S GOT BEAUTIFUL CHILDREN AND A WONDERFUL  
7   MOTHER AND FATHER AND HER GRANDPARENTS. BUT THE KEY HERE IS:  
8   LIFE MATTERS. AND JENNA, YOU HAVE SHOWN EXTRAORDINARY COURAGE.  
9   I'M GLAD YOU'RE IN GREAT SHAPE, BY THE WAY. SHE'S A TRIATHLON  
10  RUNNER AND KNOWS HOW TO TAKE CARE OF BUSINESS THERE. THE BOARD  
11  OF SUPERVISORS, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MR. KNABE, ZEV, YOUR  
12  THOUGHTFUL AWARD TO THIS DEPUTY IS SOMETHING SHE'LL REMEMBER  
13  FOR THE REST OF HER LIFE. IN MAY, BY THE WAY, THE OLDER AGE  
14  FOLKS ARE GOING TO CELEBRATE, I WAS BORN IN MAY, SHE AND I  
15  WERE BORN THE SAME DAY, MAY 27. IT'S A MEMORABLE DAY FOR BOTH  
16  OF US.

17

18  **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S WHERE THE COMPARISON ENDS.

19

20  **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YEAH, THERE'S NO COMPARISON AFTER THAT.

21  [APPLAUSE.]

22

23  **JENNA UNDERWOOD-NUNEZ:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. WELL, HAPPY EARLY  
24  BIRTHDAY. I WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU TO ALL MY FAMILY AND  
25  FRIENDS THAT CAME, MY PARTNERS. THANK YOU TO EVERYBODY FOR



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1 THIS AWARD. IT MEANS SO MUCH. I'M ALSO THANKFUL TO THE  
2 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR GIVING ME SUCH GREAT TRAINING AND  
3 EXPERIENCE THAT ENABLED ME TO HAVE THE CONFIDENCE TO BE ABLE  
4 TO DO WHAT I DID. AND I'M JUST SO HAPPY THAT HE'S OKAY AND  
5 THAT HE GETS TO GO ON WITH THE REST OF HIS LIFE. BEING A  
6 MOTHER, I KNOW HOW PRECIOUS IT IS. I'M JUST SO HAPPY THAT HE'S  
7 OKAY. AND THANK YOU, GUYS, SO MUCH FOR THIS AWARD. THANK YOU.  
8 [APPLAUSE.]

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IF I COULD INVITE LULA  
11 WASHINGTON. WE'RE GOING TO WAIT UNTIL THE RED SEA PARTS THERE.  
12 WE ARE INDEED HONORED TODAY TO HAVE A DISTINGUISHED GROUP OF  
13 PEOPLE WITH US REPRESENTING THE LULA WASHINGTON DANCE THEATER,  
14 LED BY LULA WASHINGTON HERSELF. THE LULA WASHINGTON DANCE  
15 THEATER IS A LOCAL TROUPE THAT PERFORMS AT THE JOHN ANSON FORD  
16 THEATER IN HOLLYWOOD IN THE CAHUENGA PASS AND WILL PERFORM ON  
17 AUGUST 10, THIS AUGUST 10, 2013, AS ONE OF TWO EVENTS IN THE  
18 INAUGURAL ZEV YAROSLAVSKY SIGNATURE SERIES. THE OTHER WILL BE  
19 MANDY PATINKIN ON JUNE 9 WHO IS APPEARING WITH THE PASADENA  
20 SYMPHONY, SYMPHONY AND POPS FOR AN EVENING OF POPULAR AND SHOW  
21 TUNES. THE LULA WASHINGTON DANCE THEATER IS A LOS ANGELES-  
22 BASED REPERTOIRE DANCE ENSEMBLE THAT PERFORMS INNOVATIVE AND  
23 PROVOCATIVE CHOREOGRAPHY BY LULA WASHINGTON. KNOWN FOR MIXING  
24 ATHLETICISM, PERFORMANCE ART, BALLET AND STREET DANCE STYLES  
25 TO BOTH EXPLORE AND REFLECT THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN CULTURAL AND



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1 HISTORICAL EXPERIENCE. LULA AND HER HUSBAND, IRWIN, FOUNDED  
2 THE COMPANY IN 1980 AS A CREATIVE OUTLET FOR MINORITY DANCE  
3 ARTISTS IN THE INNER CITY. AND TODAY THE COMPANY HAS DANCED IN  
4 MORE THAN 150 U.S. CITIES AND ABROAD IN GERMANY, SPAIN,  
5 KOSOVO, MEXICO, CANADA, CHINA AND RUSSIA. IN 1983, LULA  
6 ESTABLISHED HER OWN DANCE SCHOOL TO PROVIDE LOW COST AND FREE  
7 DANCE CLASSES TO NEIGHBORHOOD CHILDREN THROUGH AN AFTER SCHOOL  
8 PROGRAM CALLED "I DO DANCE, NOT DRUGS". OVER ITS THREE  
9 DECADES, THE LULA WASHINGTON DANCE CENTER SCHOOL HAS PRODUCED  
10 A CADRE OF HIGH QUALITY PROFESSIONAL DANCERS WHILE ALSO  
11 TREATING THOUSANDS OF OTHERS TO THE JOYS OF DANCE. THE JOHN  
12 ANSON FORD AMPHITHEATER 2013 SEASON OPENS ON JUNE 7 WITH A  
13 DIVERSE LINEUP OF PERFORMANCES THAT CELEBRATE THE VIBRANT  
14 ARTISTIC PRACTICES, CULTURES AND COMMUNITIES OF LOS ANGELES  
15 COUNTY. BUT THE ONE WE WANT TO CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO TODAY IS  
16 AUGUST 10, 2013, WHEN THE LULA WASHINGTON DANCE COMPANY WILL  
17 GRACE THE STAGE OF THE FORD THEATER TO WHAT I'M SURE WILL BE A  
18 SELL-OUT CROWD. SO WE'RE HONORED TO HAVE LULA AND IRWIN HERE.  
19 IRWIN REMINDED ME THE OTHER DAY THAT HE FIRST MET ME WHEN I  
20 WAS FIRST CAMPAIGNING IN 1975 AND HANDED HIM SOME OF MY  
21 PROPAGANDA AT THE VON'S MARKET IN PALMS. [LAUGHTER.] AND I  
22 REMEMBER IRWIN. BECAUSE HE PROMISED TO VOTE FOR ME.  
23 [LAUGHTER.] EVEN THOUGH HE DIDN'T LIVE IN MY DISTRICT.  
24 [LAUGHTER.] BUT I REMEMBER WHEN THIS DANCE COMPANY GOT  
25 STARTED. I WAS A MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL THEN, AS I TOLD



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1 YOU THE OTHER DAY. I'M A BIG FAN OF DANCE. AND MY SISTER IS A  
2 DANCER, WAS A DANCER WHEN SHE WAS YOUNGER. AND I HAVE FAMILY  
3 MEMBERS WHO ARE INVOLVED IN BALLET. SO IT'S REALLY A THRILL TO  
4 HAVE A COMPANY AS CREATIVE AND AS UNIQUE AND AS OUTSTANDING AS  
5 THE LULA WASHINGTON DANCE COMPANY. AND THE FORD THEATER IS  
6 BLESSED TO HAVE YOU ON THEIR STAGE NEXT AUGUST. SO LET ME  
7 PRESENT THIS TO YOU, LULA, AND IRWIN. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU'VE  
8 DONE IN OUR COMMUNITY AND WHAT YOU WILL CONTINUE TO DO IN THE  
9 MONTHS AND YEARS AHEAD. [APPLAUSE.] LET ME INVITE CHAIRMAN  
10 RIDLEY-THOMAS TO SAY A WORD. THEY ARE HEADQUARTERED IN YOUR  
11 DISTRICT.

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THEY ARE. AND A GOOD THING THAT  
14 YOU HAVE DONE, ONCE AGAIN. WE THANK SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY,  
15 HAVING A TOUGH TIME TODAY, FOR HIS INSIGHT WITH RESPECT TO  
16 HONORING THE LULA WASHINGTON DANCE TROUPE. THEY ARE, INDEED,  
17 EXTRAORDINARY. AND ANY TIME YOU FIND YOURSELF ON CRENSHAW AND  
18 COLISEUM, YOU OUGHT TO WORK YOUR WAY INTO THAT THEATER.  
19 THEY'VE MADE A FIRST-CLASS STATEMENT IN TERMS OF WHAT THE ARTS  
20 CAN BE IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE CELEBRATE THE WORK THAT THEY'VE  
21 DONE FOR MANY, MANY YEARS, BOTH WHEN ZEV AND I WERE ON THE  
22 CITY COUNCIL, WE LEARNED OF THEM, SAW THEM, AND THEY'VE  
23 CONTINUED TO GROW AND ENRICH AND ENDOW THE ENVIRONMENT THROUGH  
24 THE VENUE OF THE ARTS. AND SO WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SAY  
25 TO IRWIN AND TO LULA, WE APPRECIATE YOU. I ASSOCIATE FULLY



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1 WITH THE REMARKS THAT ZEV YAROSLAVSKY HAS MADE THIS MORNING  
2 BECAUSE THEY SPEAK TO OUR VERY ESSENCE, AND THE ARTS DO THAT  
3 IN AN EXTRAORDINARY WAY. SO, ZEV, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR  
4 HONORING THESE EXTRAORDINARILY GIFTED ARTISTS. [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **LULA WASHINGTON:** THIS IS A WOW MOMENT FOR LULA WASHINGTON  
7 DANCE THEATER. IT'S TRULY A WOW MOMENT. AND I MUST FIRST SAY  
8 THANK YOU TO ZEV FOR ALL OF THE HARD WORK THAT YOU'VE BEEN  
9 DOING AND YOUR TRUST AND FAITH IN THE ARTS HERE IN LOS ANGELES  
10 AND FOR PROVIDING THE SIGNATURE SERIES FOR US TO BE A PART OF.  
11 IT'S AN AMAZING OPPORTUNITY FOR LULA WASHINGTON DANCE THEATER  
12 ON AUGUST 10 WITH ONE OF OUR FRIEND COMPANIES, COMPLEXIONS  
13 FROM NEW YORK. SO WE'LL BE SHARING A PROGRAM. IT'S GOING TO BE  
14 A DYNAMITE EVENT. AND YOU ALL NEED TO BE GETTING YOURSELF  
15 READY FOR IT NOW, I'M TELLING YOU, BECAUSE YOU WON'T WANT TO  
16 MISS IT. AND THE VALUE OF WHAT WE ALL SHARE AND WHAT WE  
17 WITNESS HERE TODAY WITH THE WONDERFUL STATEMENTS FROM MARK  
18 ABOUT THE ARTS IS TRULY, WHAT'S A GOOD WORD, BERNARD? AMAZING!  
19 AND WE CANNOT DO IT WITHOUT OUR DANCERS. PEOPLE NEVER SEE THE  
20 DANCERS WHO MAKE THE WORK POSSIBLE. BERNARD BROWN, STEP UP  
21 REALLY QUICKLY. MICAH, QUICKLY, CHRISTOPHER? MICAH BATTLE?  
22 KALIA? KALIA, ALL OF OUR YOUNG LADIES COULDN'T MAKE IT TODAY.  
23 BUT WE HAVE THESE PEOPLE ARE AMAZING. THEY GIVE THEIR HEARTS  
24 AND SOULS TO ART. THEY TEACH IN THE COMMUNITY. ALL ACROSS THE  
25 UNITED STATES WHERE WE GO, THEY'RE TEACHING YOUNG PEOPLE. WHEN



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1 WE'RE IN CHINA AND RUSSIA, THEY'RE TEACHING YOUNG PEOPLE. SO  
2 IT'S AMAZING. WE'RE GREAT AMBASSADORS FOR THE COUNTY. THAT  
3 SHOULD BE OUR NEW NAME. AMBASSADORS FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS  
4 ANGELES. I COULDN'T DO THIS WITHOUT IRWIN WASHINGTON, WHO HAS  
5 BEEN THE BACKBONE OF THIS ORGANIZATION. GIVE THE BROTHER A  
6 HAND. [APPLAUSE.] BECAUSE A LOT OF TIMES YOU DON'T SEE THE  
7 BEHIND-THE-SCENES PEOPLE THAT KEEP THE LIGHTS ON, THAT WRITE  
8 THE GRANTS, THAT KEEP THE FUNDING GOING, WHO DO ALL THE HARD  
9 WORK AND SWEATING AND PACING. WE DO THE DANCING, WE MAKE IT  
10 LOOK ALL WONDERFUL AND AMAZING. WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT HIM.  
11 AND THEN TOMICO WASHINGTON MILLER, OUR NEXT-GENERATION  
12 DIRECTOR. AND WE'RE TRAINING HER AND SHE IN HER OWN RIGHT IS A  
13 FABULOUS CHOREOGRAPHER AND TEACHER AND A DYNAMIC INNOVATOR AND  
14 MOTIVATOR FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE ARTS. SO, WOW. AND TO LAURA,  
15 THANK YOU FOR KEEPING THE FAITH IN US ALL OF THESE YEARS.  
16 WE'VE COME A LONG WAY, BUT YOU'VE BEEN A FRIEND OF THE ARTS  
17 HERE IN THE CITY AND THE COUNTY FOR YEARS. SO WE ARE JUST SO  
18 GRATEFUL. THE SERIES KICKS OFF ON JUNE 7 AT THE FORD SERIES  
19 KICKS OFF. BUT YOU DON'T WANT TO MEET THE SIGNATURE SERIES,  
20 I'M TELLING YOU. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR DON KNABE, PLEASE.

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24 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.  
25 JOINING ME UP HERE IS ONE OF THE GREAT ONES HERE IN LOS





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1 ANGELES COUNTY, ELSIE LARRIVA AND HER FAMILY. ALSO JOINING  
2 THEM IS OTTO SOLORZANO, CHIEF DEPUTY OF OUR COMMUNITY AND  
3 SENIOR SERVICES DEPARTMENT, ALONG WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE  
4 C.S.S. STAFF. ELSIE HAS SERVED THE COMMUNITY IN SENIOR  
5 SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR THE PAST 38 YEARS WITH INCREDIBLE  
6 DEDICATION AND DISTINCTION. SHE BEGAN HER CAREER WITH LOS  
7 ANGELES COUNTY IN 1974 AS A CLERK TYPIST AT THE SAN GABRIEL  
8 SERVICE CENTER AND WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE THEN NEW SAN PEDRO  
9 SERVICE CENTER IN 1978. SHE HAS DISTINGUISHED HERSELF AS A  
10 PASSIONATE AND A VERY EFFECTIVE PUBLIC SERVANT. SHE WAS  
11 CONTINUALLY PROMOTED AND SERVING DIFFERENT CAPACITIES AT THE  
12 CENTER. AND WHILE THERE, SHE ASSISTED WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF  
13 THE WEDNESDAY CLUB, A SOCIAL OUTLET FOR SENIORS IN THE HARBOR  
14 AREA, WHICH I'VE SEEN IN ACTION. SHE COORDINATED VARIOUS  
15 EVENTS TO ENGAGE AND ADDRESS HEALTH AND SOCIAL ISSUES THAT THE  
16 COMMUNITY FACED. SHE ALSO DEVELOPED A SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAM  
17 TO PROVIDE ELIGIBLE SENIORS WITH A DAILY LUNCH AT LITTLE OR NO  
18 COST. SHE COORDINATED A SENIOR WELLNESS PROGRAM WITH ST.  
19 MARY'S MEDICAL CLINIC FOR HEALTH SCREENINGS AND EDUCATIONAL  
20 SEMINARS BY MEDICAL DOCTORS. SHE ASSISTED SENIORS WITH THEIR  
21 LEGAL ISSUES. SHE PARTNERED WITH ATTORNEYS TO PROVIDE FREE  
22 LEGAL -- FREE LEGAL? FREE LEGAL COUNSELING -- OXYMORON THERE -  
23 - ON ISSUES INCLUDING HEALTHCARE, ESTATE PLANNING AND PROPERTY  
24 DOCUMENTS. IN 2005, ELSIE WAS PROMOTED TO SERVE AS OUR  
25 DIRECTOR DOWN THERE AT THE SAN PEDRO SERVICE CENTER. BECAUSE



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1 OF THE SUCCESS OF THE CENTER AND ITS PROGRAMS, WE AT THE  
2 COUNTY APPROVED A MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR PROJECT TO EXPAND AND  
3 IMPROVE THE FACILITY. IN 2011, WE HAD A WONDERFUL GRAND  
4 REOPENING DOWN THERE WITH ELSIE UNDER HER LEADERSHIP.  
5 BEAUTIFUL NEW ENTRANCE, EXPANDED PUBLIC MEETING SPACE FOR THE  
6 COMMUNITY. NOW SHE'S GETTING A WELL-DESERVED RETIREMENT. AND  
7 WELL-EARNED. SO ON BEHALF OF OUR 10 MILLION RESIDENTS, THE  
8 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU, ELSIE, FOR YOUR  
9 DECADES OF SERVICE TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, PARTICULARLY  
10 THE SAN PEDRO HARBOR AREA. WE ALL COMMEND HER FOR HER GREAT  
11 WORK FOR PERSONALLY FOR ME AND THE MANY YEARS EITHER WITH  
12 DEANE OR NOW THE SUPERVISOR SINCE '96. SHE'S A VERY SPECIAL  
13 LADY IN THE SAN PEDRO AREA. AND THAT COMMUNITY CENTER IS GOING  
14 TO MISS HER A LOT. SHE IS DONE, BUT SHE HAS PUT IT ALL IN  
15 PLACE SO IT WILL BE ONGOING IN THE SERVICES. SO ELSIE,  
16 CONGRATULATIONS, A JOB WELL DONE. GOD BLESS. GREAT RETIREMENT  
17 AND GOOD HEALTH. [APPLAUSE.]

18

19 **ELSIE LARRIVA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND GOOD MORNING,  
20 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. IT'S AN HONOR FOR ME TO BE HERE THIS  
21 MORNING. MY 38 YEARS WORKING AT THE SAN PEDRO SERVICE CENTER  
22 HAS BEEN MOST REWARDING TO ME. WORKING AT THE SAN PEDRO  
23 SERVICE CENTER HAS GIVEN ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO GROW. AND I'VE  
24 BEEN ABLE TO HELP THOSE THAT ARE MOST IN NEED. I WOULDN'T BE  
25 HERE TODAY IF IT WERE NOT FOR SOME SPECIAL PEOPLE FROM THE



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1 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES, AND I WOULD LIKE  
2 TO ACKNOWLEDGE THEM. CYNTHIA BANKS, OTTO SOLORZANO, JOSIE  
3 MARQUEZ, AND GERALDO RODRIGUEZ. AND I'D ALSO LIKE TO SAY THAT,  
4 GIVE MY REGARDS AND MY ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO THE CENTER DIRECTORS  
5 AND TO MY STAFF. THANK YOU ALL. IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE WORKING  
6 WITH ALL OF YOU. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] YES, I WOULD LIKE TO  
7 INTRODUCE MY SON, PAUL ESCOLLA AND NOEL ESCOLLA, DAUGHTER-IN-  
8 LAW AND MY GRANDSON WILLIAM ESCOLLA. THEY'RE HERE WITH ME  
9 TODAY. [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **OTTO SOLORZANO:** ELSIE, ON BEHALF OF COMMUNITY AND SENIOR  
12 SERVICES, WE WANT TO WISH YOU WELL. WE KNOW YOU WILL HAVE A  
13 GREAT TIME. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SAN  
14 PEDRO SERVICE CENTER. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK FOR THE  
15 COUNTY. IT'S BEEN WONDERFUL HAVING YOU. ENJOY THE REST OF YOUR  
16 LIFE. [APPLAUSE.]

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE DO  
19 COMMENCE WITH THE AGENDA AT THIS POINT. WE HAVE THREE  
20 INDIVIDUALS WHO WISH TO BE HEARD. THEY ARE AS FOLLOWS: DANIEL  
21 JONES, GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL AND ERIC PREVEN. IF YOU WOULD COME  
22 IMMEDIATELY, WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT. I SEE TWO PERSONS  
23 APPROACHING. IS DR. CLAVREUL HERE?

24

25 **ERIC PREVEN:** SHALL I COMMENCE OR WAIT?



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SIR?

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4 **DANIEL JONES:** GOOD MORNING. IS THIS ON ITEM 17?

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** IT IS.

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8 **ERIC PREVEN:** 17?

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S WHAT YOU SIGNED.

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12 **DANIEL JONES:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DANIEL JONES. ON THE  
13 OTHER PART, I JUST HAVE A QUESTION AS FAR AS THE DIVISION OF  
14 FUNDS BETWEEN TWO DIFFERENT FUNCTIONING ENTITIES, THE FIRE  
15 DEPARTMENT AND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. YOU KNOW, I'M NOT HERE  
16 TO EBB AND FLOW WHAT THE NUMBERS ARE, THAT'S Y'ALL'S  
17 RESPONSIBILITY. I JUST SEE A DEFICIENCY AND FEEL IT AND  
18 UNDERSTAND IT AND HAVE A LOT OF HISTORY BEHIND IT. I WOULD  
19 THINK AS FAR AS PUBLIC SAFETY IS CONCERNED, BOTH SAY ONE WORKS  
20 TOGETHER AS FAR AS HAVING A MORE EFFICIENT EFFECT AS FAR AS  
21 RESOURCES AND EVERYTHING ELSE. THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND  
22 SECURITY, I MEAN, I UNDERSTAND THE PURPOSE AND FUNCTION. I  
23 JUST DON'T LIKE THE WAY THE RESOURCES ARE ALL BEING FUNNELED  
24 FROM THE TOP DOWN. NOW, WE ARE ALL IN CHARGE OF HOMELAND



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1 SECURITY, SIR. HOPEFULLY I DON'T HAVE TO EXPLAIN MYSELF  
2 BECAUSE I'VE ALREADY DONE THAT AT CITY HALL. WE'RE NOT HERE.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

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6 **DANIEL JONES:** THANK YOU. THIS IS OUR COUNTY. I SWORE TO DEFEND  
7 THE CONSTITUTION TWICE. -- INDUCTION CENTER RIGHT NEXT TO --  
8 HOUSE. JUST DIVIDE THE RESOURCES A LITTLE BIT MORE EQUITABLY  
9 BETWEEN ALL ENTITIES. MAKE ALL SECTIONS EVEN, MAYBE. I MEAN, A  
10 LITTLE BIT MORE CLOSER TO HARMONY. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY,  
13 SIR. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14

15 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM  
16 DISTRICT 3. AND TODAY IS AN ENORMOUS AGENDA. AND THERE'S A  
17 SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT OF THE BUDGET MEETING FROM WEDNESDAY, MAY  
18 15, 2013, AND IT HAS COME TO MY ATTENTION THAT MEMBERS OF THE  
19 PUBLIC WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO ADDRESS PUBLIC COMMENT ON THAT  
20 ITEM, WHICH I FIND VERY DISTURBING, IF IT'S TRUE. AND I'D LIKE  
21 A RESPONSE ON THAT ONE OFF TO THE SIDE AFTERWARDS. THAT IS  
22 COMPLETELY INAPPROPRIATE. OBVIOUSLY THIS IS A BUSY, BUSY TIME  
23 FOR THE SHERIFF. WE'RE VERY INTERESTED IN THE EXPENDITURES.  
24 AND ITEM 13 IS AN EXAMPLE IS SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY IS TIPPY-  
25 TOEING INTO THE WATER ON THE IDEA OF A JAIL-HOSPITAL OR A KIND



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1 OF A PARTIAL REPLACEMENT OF MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL WITH SOMETHING  
2 THAT IS DRESSED UP, IT'S A LITTLE WOLF DRESSED UP IN SHEEP  
3 COSTUME TO BE AIMED AT THE MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS IN OUR  
4 FACILITIES, WHICH IS, OF COURSE, THERE IS A MENTAL HEALTH  
5 CRISIS IN OUR FACILITIES. AND FOR THAT, WE ARE APPRECIATIVE.  
6 BUT BUILDING A BILLION DOLLAR JAIL IS NOT THE SOLUTION, OF  
7 COURSE. WE DO NOT WANT INCARCERATION. WE WANT IN-COMMUNITY  
8 HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED TO THESE MENTALLY ILL FOLKS WHO HAVE  
9 COMMITTED CRIMES, POSSIBLY, IN THE PAST. SO THAT IS A VERY  
10 IMPORTANT DISTINCTION THERE. AND ADDITIONAL CONSULTANTS HAVE  
11 BEEN BROUGHT IN, OBVIOUSLY, TO LOOK AT THE PREVIOUS  
12 CONSULTANTS' WORK. AND WE'RE FINDING SOME WAY TO SHOVE DOWN  
13 THE PUBLIC'S THROAT SOME KIND OF A JAIL, WHICH I'M REALLY  
14 HOPEFUL THAT THIS BOARD IS SEEKING A WAY AROUND THAT. IT'S  
15 POSSIBLE THAT WE ARE GOING TO FIND A DIFFERENT SOLUTION AND  
16 FIND A WAY TO RELEASE THOSE FUNDS ACCORDINGLY TO ORGANIZATIONS  
17 THAT ARE MORE SET UP TO DEAL WITH MENTALLY ILL PATIENTS AND  
18 SUCH. AND I KNOW THAT DESPITE SOME OF THE PROBLEMATIC COMMENTS  
19 MADE IN THIS ROOM RECENTLY BY SOME OF THE SUPERVISORS ABOUT  
20 THE MENTALLY ILL, WE ALL ARE UNITED IN OUR EFFORT TO TRY TO  
21 MAKE THAT PROBLEM, HEAL THAT PROBLEM AND SOLVE THOSE PROBLEMS  
22 FOR SOME OF THOSE PEOPLE. WHERE IS SUPERVISOR MOLINA? HOW IS  
23 IT POSSIBLE THAT WE CAN HAVE A BUDGET MEETING LAST WEEK WHERE  
24 SHE'S HERE, THE SHERIFF HAS COME DOWN TODAY AND NOW THERE'S NO  
25 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. IT SEEMS INCONCEIVABLE THAT WE'RE GOING TO





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1 HAVE OUR USUAL SILLY DANCE OF CHASING ONE ANOTHER BACK AND  
2 FORTH WITHOUT ONE OF THE PARTICIPANTS. I MEAN, I FIND THAT --  
3 I FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE AND I HOPE THAT SHE'S OKAY.  
4 PROBATION ITEM TODAY, WHICH I GUESS AM I GOING TO BE ABLE TO  
5 ADDRESS THE PROBATION ITEM? NO, I WILL NOT BE AS USUAL THAT  
6 WAS CALLED FOR TODAY BUT THE SUPERVISOR, THE CHAIR IS PUSHING  
7 IT TO JUNE 20 INEXPLICABLY. I'D WANT TO SPEND MY REMAINING 30  
8 SECONDS TO TALK ABOUT THE DEFINITION OF RECIDIVISM, WHICH IS  
9 SOMETHING THAT OUR CHAIRMAN HAS TAKEN A STRONG LEAD IN  
10 ARTICULATING, ALTHOUGH HE HASN'T TOLD US WHAT HIS OPINION IS  
11 YET. BUT JACKIE LACEY HAS MADE IT CLEAR THAT ANY LITTLE  
12 VIOLATION OF PROBATION SHOULD BE A RECIDIVISM HIT. SUPERVISOR  
13 MOLINA, APPARENTLY, AGREES WITH HER. SHERIFF BACA, AND HE CAN  
14 SPEAK FOR HIMSELF, DOES NOT AGREE. SHERIFF BACA BELIEVES THAT  
15 THE ORIGINAL CRIME SHOULD BE THE MAIN SENTENCE THAT'S BEING  
16 SERVED. AND IF THERE'S A PROBLEM WITH THAT, IT'S A SENTENCING-  
17 RELATED ISSUE NOT A RECIDIVATION OR WHATEVER YOU CALL IT. I  
18 CERTAINLY HOPE THAT WHEN PARAGRAPH 73, WHICH WAS ON OCTOBER --

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR  
21 TESTIMONY, MR. PREVEN.

22

23 **ERIC PREVEN:** SHOULD WE ADDRESS PARAGRAPH 73 DURING THE  
24 PROBATION ITEM THAT'S COMING UP?

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3 >>SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN: YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED AT THIS  
4 POINT IN TIME AND WE WILL RE-VISIT THE ITEM IN A FEW MOMENTS  
5 AT THIS POINT.

6

7 ERIC PREVEN: HAVE WE REGROUPED REGARDING ADDRESSING THE  
8 SHERIFF?

9

10 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN: WHAT WE'RE DOING IS  
11 ACKNOWLEDGING DR. CLAVREUL AT THIS POINT.

12

13 ERIC PREVEN: THANK YOU.

14

15 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
16 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. FIRST WE DEAL WITH ITEM 19. BECAUSE  
17 THAT'S AN ITEM HAVING TO DO WITH LEASE OF SPACE FROM THE  
18 COUNTY. AND THIS ONE IS IN OPEN SESSION. SO I'M STILL  
19 WONDERING WHY THE DEAL ABOUT M.L.K. CORPORATION IS DONE UNDER  
20 CLOSED SESSION. AND YOU WENT TO CLOSED SESSION LAST WEEK. AND  
21 NO DECISION WAS MADE. THAT'S THE SECOND TIME. I AM VERY  
22 PATIENT. I WILL BE BACK HERE ALL THE TIME. I WANT TO KNOW  
23 WHERE OUR \$84,000 A YEAR HAVE GONE AND TO WHOM THEY ARE PAID.  
24 AND I WANT TO KNOW WHY THEY ARE GOING IN CLOSED SESSION FOR  
25 THE LEASE. THAT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE. SO LIABILITY OF THIS



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1 COUNTY, WHEN PEOPLE OCCUPY PROPERTY OF THE COUNTY WITHOUT  
2 DOCUMENTATION AND AGREEMENT PUTS THIS COUNTY IN TREMENDOUS  
3 JEOPARDY. SO I WOULD LIKE THAT VERY MUCH TO BE DEALT WITH  
4 PRONTO. ON ITEM 44, HAVING TO DO WITH E.H.R., YOU KNOW, WE  
5 HAVE -- AND I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S GOING TO BE CALLED LATER  
6 BECAUSE SUPERVISOR KNABE HAD HELD THAT ITEM, TOO, BUT MOST OF  
7 THE TIME, YOU KNOW, IT DOES NOT COME BACK AND WE ARE NOT  
8 ALLOWED TO SPEAK TO IT, ANYWAY. BUT ITEM 44 DEALS WITH E.H.R.  
9 AND OFF AND ON WE HAVE HAD ITEMS WITH E.H.R. AND MULTIPLE  
10 MILLION OF DOLLARS ALLOCATED TO IT. I THINK YOU NEED TO BE  
11 CAREFUL WITH THOSE BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW IF WONDERFUL DR. KATZ  
12 EVER LET YOU KNOW, BUT STARTING THIS WEEK, THE U.S. GOVERNMENT  
13 IS TAKING TO PROPOSE CUTTING THE PAYMENT TO HOSPITALS THAT  
14 TREAT DISPROPORTIONAL SHARE OF THE POOL, MEANING US, INCLUDING  
15 \$500 MILLION REDUCTION IN FISCAL 2014 AS PART OF PRESIDENT  
16 BARACK OBAMA HEALTHCARE REFORM. SUFFICIENT PROTECTION AND  
17 AFFORDABLE CARE ACT MANDATE ANNUAL DEDUCTION, REDUCTION OF  
18 MEDICARE PAYMENTS TO HOSPITALS LIKE OURS. SO I HOPE YOU ARE  
19 AWARE OF THAT. AND SINCE WE HAVE NOT SEEN ANY BUDGET FROM  
20 D.H.S. BECAUSE IT'S POSTPONED EVERY MONTH AFTER EVERY MONTH, I  
21 THINK YOU SHOULD BE LOOKING AT THAT VERY CAREFULLY BECAUSE IT  
22 IS GOING TO AFFECT US. I WANTED TO SPEAK TO ITEM 60, BUT IT'S  
23 A DISCUSSION ITEM. IS IT GOING TO BE CALLED AT ALL? THANK YOU  
24 FOR YOUR TIME.

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. AS  
2    A POINT OF CLARIFICATION WITH RESPECT TO S-1, I BELIEVE, IT IS  
3    CONTINUED AT THE REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT. SO THAT ANY  
4    MISTAKEN NOTION THAT IT IS AN "INEXPLICABLE", AND I QUOTE, AN  
5    "INEXPLICABLE" CONTINUANCE IS HEREBY CORRECTED. THE DEPARTMENT  
6    REQUESTED THE CONTINUANCE IN AN ATTEMPT TO BE BETTER PREPARED  
7    FOR THE PRESENTATION THAT THEY WISH TO MAKE BEFORE THE BOARD.  
8    MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

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10   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE  
11   YOU. ITEM NO. S-1, WILL BE CONTINUED TO JUNE 18, 2013, AT THE  
12   REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER. ITEM  
13   NO. 1 IS BEFORE YOU, ITEM NO. 2 IS BEFORE YOU. ITEM NO. 5 WILL  
14   BE REFERRED TO CLOSED SESSION UNDER ITEM CS-2. ITEM NO. 16 IS  
15   BEFORE YOU, 17, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 27. ITEM NO. 28 WILL  
16   BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS. ITEM NO. 39 IS BEFORE YOU. ITEM NO. 45  
17   IS BEFORE YOU. ITEM 51 WILL BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS. ITEM NO.  
18   55 IS BEFORE YOU. THOSE ARE THE ITEMS.

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20   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THOSE ITEMS  
21   INDEED ARE BEFORE US. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH MOVES. SUPERVISOR  
22   KNABE SECONDS. I SEE NO OBJECTION. PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS  
23   VOTE ON THOSE ITEMS.

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25   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** GO TO SPECIALS?



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE CAN PROCEED TO THE  
3 SPECIALS. WE BEGIN WITH THE FIFTH DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR  
4 ANTONOVICH.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIR AND MEMBERS, I'D LIKE TO MAKE THE  
7 FOLLOWING ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST, A GOOD FRIEND WHO PASSED AWAY  
8 WAS SENATOR NEWTON RUSSELL, FORMER STATE SENATOR AND  
9 ASSEMBLYMAN WHO PASSED AWAY AFTER SERVING 32 YEARS IN THE  
10 LEGISLATURE. HE REPRESENTED THE COMMUNITIES OF BURBANK,  
11 ARCADIA, MONROVIA, SIERRA MADRE, SAN MARINO, TEMPLE CITY,  
12 GLENDALE, LA CA ADA, PASADENA. SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES  
13 NAVY AND HE LEAVES HIS WIFE, DIANE; AND THEIR THREE CHILDREN,  
14 STEVEN, SHERRY AND JULIE. IN A STRANGE BIT OF HISTORY, IN  
15 1973, THE LEGISLATURE WAS GERRYMANDERED AND SENATOR RUSSELL  
16 AND I WERE PLACED IN THE SAME DISTRICT IN THE '74 ELECTION. I  
17 DEFEATED SENATOR RUSSELL IN THE PRIMARY, BUT, AT THAT TIME,  
18 LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR REINECKE RESIGNED AND SENATOR JOHN HARMER  
19 WAS APPOINTED LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR BY GOVERNOR REAGAN. SO  
20 APPROXIMATELY THREE OR FOUR WEEKS AFTER THE PRIMARY ELECTION,  
21 THEY HAD THIS APPOINTMENT. AND THEN AN ELECTION COINCIDED WITH  
22 THE GENERAL ELECTION, AND SENATOR RUSSELL RAN FOR STATE  
23 SENATE. AND SO BOTH OF US, WHO HAD CHALLENGED ONE ANOTHER IN  
24 THE PRIMARY, ENDED UP VICTORS IN THE NOVEMBER ELECTION. I'VE  
25 HAD A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH NEWT. AND HE AND I



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1 COAUTHORED THE LEGISLATION THAT ALLOWED LOCKHEED TO SELL THE  
2 BOB HOPE AIRPORT, BURBANK, TO PASADENA, GLENDALE, AND BURBANK.  
3 AS A RESULT, THAT AIRPORT IS ONE OF OUR VITAL TRANSIT CENTERS  
4 IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. ALSO, A FRIEND OF MANY OF US, STEVE  
5 KINNEY, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 69. HE SERVED IN THE  
6 UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AND THEN STARTED PUBLIC OPINION  
7 STRATEGIES, RUNNING THE FIRM'S CALIFORNIA OFFICE AND WAS THE  
8 REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE'S REGIONAL POLITICAL DIRECTOR.  
9 AND HE PASSED AWAY WITH CANCER. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,  
10 CINDY. FANNIE LOUISE HOLDEN PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 78. SHE  
11 IS THE MOTHER OF ASSEMBLY MEMBER CHRIS HOLDEN AND A MEMBER OF  
12 THE SCOTT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH. AND WE'LL HAVE ALL MEMBERS  
13 ON THAT. IN ADDITION TO CHRIS, SHE LEAVES BEHIND HER SON,  
14 REGGIE; AND HER SISTERS, ANNIE AND MAXINE. NEIL SALISIAN  
15 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84, MEMBER OF THE TOURNAMENT OF  
16 ROSES, SERVING ON 19 DIFFERENT COMMITTEES DURING HIS 45 YEARS  
17 OF SERVICE. AND HE WAS HE WAS QUITE INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY.  
18 DONALD ROSS, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LANCASTER, WAS DEPUTY  
19 DIRECTOR OF THE ROCKET PROPULSION LABORATORY AT EDWARDS AIR  
20 FORCE BASE FOR 12 YEARS. HE SERVED 32 YEARS AS A TRUSTEE FOR  
21 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE. MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
22 COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION. AND VERY ACTIVE IN  
23 THE COMMUNITY. JERRY WOLF PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 23. RETIRED  
24 SERGEANT WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND HIS  
25 LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS IN LANCASTER. PAUL SPRINGBORN, RETIRED LOS





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1 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS THE  
2 NORWALK STATION. MERVEN NEIS, RETIRED SERGEANT, LOS ANGELES  
3 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS ALSO  
4 ANTELOPE VALLEY. ELIZABETH SANDERS, RETIRED DEPUTY WITH THE  
5 LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HER LAST ASSIGNMENT  
6 WAS WITH THE DETECTIVE DIVISION. HELEN ANN MERRICK, LONGTIME  
7 RESIDENT OF COVINA, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 91, MEMBER OF  
8 THE COVINA WOMEN'S CLUB, HISTORICAL SOCIETY, THE REPUBLICAN  
9 WOMEN'S FEDERATED, MEALS ON WHEELS AND INTER-COMMUNITY  
10 HOSPITAL AUXILIARY. LELAND OSGOOD BALLENGER, LONG- TIME  
11 RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES  
12 MARINE CORPS DURING THE KOREAN WAR. RETIRED AFTER 35 YEARS  
13 WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. GLADYS  
14 MCKNIGHT-PURVIS PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 91. LONGTIME  
15 RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. JANET ARNERICH PASSED AWAY AT  
16 THE AGE OF 104, FORMER DENTAL HYGIENIST, IS SURVIVED BY HER  
17 SON, TOM; AND HER GRANDDAUGHTER, DR. CHRISTI. FRANK DENHARTOG,  
18 LONGTIME BUSINESS OWNER OF SIR JAX MEATS AND DELI, SURVIVED BY  
19 HIS WIFE OF 51 YEARS, FROM THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. AND AGNES  
20 POPOVICH CARDONE, PASSED AWAY MAY 15, SURVIVED BY HER SON AND  
21 THREE GRANDCHIDREN AND FIVE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. THOSE ARE MY  
22 ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** I THANK YOU VERY MUCH,  
25 SUPERVISOR. WE MOVE TO SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. ZEV? ALL RIGHT.



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1 NO SPECIALS? SUPERVISOR KNABE? YES, WE'LL TAKE THE SPECIALS  
2 NOW.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO. 60?

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE CAN.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** LET'S TAKE THAT UP. IT IS A DISCUSSION ITEM,  
9 I GUESS.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE TWO SPEAKERS WHO WISH TO  
12 BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM, ERIC PREVEN AND GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON  
13 ITEM 60. ERIC PREVEN AND GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. MR. PREVEN?

14

15 **ERIC PREVEN:** LET ME JUST GET ORGANIZED BEFORE YOU START.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE'RE MOVING AS  
18 EXPEDITIOUSLY AS WE CAN FOR THE BALANCE OF THE AGENDA. YOU CAN  
19 PROCEED.

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21 **ERIC PREVEN:** WHY HAS IT BEEN REDUCED TO TWO MINUTES, SIR?

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** I JUST GAVE YOU AN EXPLANATION.  
24 PROCEED, PLEASE.

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** OKAY. ITEM NO. 60, YES, OF COURSE, THIS IS THE  
2 C.E.O.'S -- YEAH IT WAS ALREADY STARTED. DON'T WORRY, SIR.  
3 THEY'RE REDUCING. I APPRECIATE THAT. YOU'RE A GOOD MAN.

4  
5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** PROCEED.

6  
7 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. THIS IS THE FOSTER FAMILY AGENCY,  
8 THAT'S AN F.F.A. AND THIS IS BASICALLY IN ADVANCE OF THE FINAL  
9 BUDGET CHANGES, WE'RE HAVING A DISCUSSION ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT  
10 IT'S A GOOD PLAN TO PUT INTO PLACE SEVEN NEW POSITIONS THAT  
11 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND THE D.C.F.S. HAVE EARMARKED FOR THE  
12 ROLE OF MONITORING THESE FACILITIES THAT HAVE NOT BEEN LIVING  
13 UP TO THE STANDARDS THAT WE EXPECT. THE PROBLEM IS AND IT'S A  
14 KEY CENTRAL PROBLEM DOWN HERE AT L.A. COUNTY HALL IS THAT THIS  
15 IS MORE SELF REVIEW. YOU SAY NO, NO, THE COUNTY WILL BE  
16 LOOKING AT THESE PROVIDERS. IT'S NOT SELF REVIEW. BUT THESE  
17 ARE D.C.F.S. FOLKS. AND D.C.F.S. IS A STORIED UNIT HERE IN  
18 L.A. COUNTY. IT HAS AN ENORMOUS \$1.8 BILLION BUDGET. IT HAS  
19 OVER 7,000 EMPLOYEES. THEY SERVICE ROUGHLY 35,000 YOUNG  
20 PEOPLE. AND, BELIEVE IT OR NOT, THERE IS A SUBSTANTIAL CONCERN  
21 THAT THIS DIVISION THAT INARGUABLY DOES SOME GOOD BY  
22 INTERVENING WHERE CHILDREN HAVE BEEN IN HARM'S WAY OR ABUSED  
23 IS ALSO A DEVASTATING FAILURE IN THE WAY THAT IT'S SET UP.  
24 THERE IS CONSTANT, MEANINGLESS COURT HEARINGS THAT GO AROUND  
25 IN CIRCLES. IT FEEDS A MILL THAT ABSORBS TREMENDOUS LEGAL



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1 DOLLARS. RICHARD DROOYAN, WHO WILL BE REPORTING TO THE BOARD  
2 IN A MOMENT ON THE CITIZENS COMMISSION ON JAIL VIOLENCE, IS  
3 ALSO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE BOARD OF CHILDREN,  
4 SOMETHING, NETWORK, WHICH IS THE LEGAL AID GROUP THAT PROVIDES  
5 AID FOR BASICALLY YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HAVE NO REPRESENTATION,  
6 WHICH IS ALL OF THEM, BECAUSE THEY'RE ALL IN A VERY DIFFICULT  
7 STRUGGLE TO EITHER BE PUT BACK INTO THE HOME WHERE THEY'RE  
8 SUPPOSED TO BE OR TAKEN CARE OF. IT'S GOING VERY BADLY, TO BE  
9 HONEST. AND I'M CONCERNED THAT BY ADDING SEVEN PEOPLE OF A  
10 SENIOR LEVEL IN D.C.F.S. TO THAT MIX TO MOVE AROUND SOME  
11 OTHERS, WE ARE SIMPLY MOVING AROUND THE PIECES. I SUGGEST AN  
12 OUTSIDE OVERSIGHT ENTITY.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MR. PREVEN, SUPERVISOR KNABE  
15 REMINDS ME THAT YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.

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17 **ERIC PREVEN:** SUPERVISOR KNABE MAY BE CORRECT.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MAY I OFFER YOU THIS INSIGHT,  
20 YOU DID GET THE EXPLANATION AS TO WHY S-1 WAS CONTINUED, DID  
21 YOU NOT HEAR IT? S-1?

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23 **ERIC PREVEN:** WHAT ABOUT IT, SIR?

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1   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YOU SAID THERE WAS AN  
2   INEXPLICABLE REASON FOR IT BEING CONTINUED. WE CAME BACK TO  
3   EXPLAIN TO YOU IT WAS CONTINUED AT THE REQUEST OF THE CHIEF  
4   PROBATION OFFICER SO THAT HE COULD PREPARE THE REPORT.

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6   **ERIC PREVEN:** ARE YOU BLAMING MR. POWERS, SIR?

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8   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** I AM NOT. I'M OFFERING YOU AN  
9   EXPLANATION FOR WHY IT WAS CONTINUED. YOU SAID THAT IT WAS AN  
10  INEXPLICABLE. IT IS NOT. AND YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.

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12  **ERIC PREVEN:** THAT HAS BEEN PROPERLY EXPLAINED, THANK YOU, SIR.  
13  HOW ABOUT THE EARLIER QUESTION WHICH WAS REGARDING WHY WE  
14  CAN'T ADDRESS THE SHERIFF?

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16  **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** DR. CLAVREUL? WOULD YOU RESTRAIN  
17  MR. PREVEN, PLEASE? THAT'S YOUR NEW ASSIGNMENT.

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19  **ERIC PREVEN:** NOT NECESSARY.

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21  **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
22  DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I THINK IT IS THE FIRST TIME I SPEAK  
23  ON AN ITEM HAVING TO DO WITH FOSTER CARE AND THE CHILDREN AND  
24  SO ON BECAUSE I'M SO UPSET ABOUT IT. I USUALLY DON'T WANT TO  
25  EVEN ADDRESS IT. I WAS A PERSON WHOSE TWO CHILDREN WERE



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1 KIDNAPPED BY HER HUSBAND. AND I COULD NOT GET THE FOSTER CARE  
2 TO HELP IN ANY WAY. AND THEY ALWAYS MADE THE CHILDREN LIE. SO  
3 THAT'S WHY I DO NOT ADDRESS THAT ISSUE. I'M SURE, YOU KNOW,  
4 I'VE BEEN MONITORING THE BOARD SINCE 1999. I CANNOT BELIEVE  
5 THAT ALL THE PARENTS WHO HAVE COME HERE EVERY TUESDAY HAVE  
6 LIED. I THINK BY CHANCE ALONE MANY OF THEM HAVE BEEN TELLING  
7 THE TRUTH. IF YOU ARE GOING TO USE SEVEN PEOPLE TO REVIEW THE  
8 D.H.S., WHAT I WOULD ADVISE IS THAT YOU HAVE THEM AS A  
9 SEPARATE ENTITY, VERY MUCH LIKE A QUALITY ASSURANCE SYSTEM OF  
10 HOSPITAL WHERE THOSE SEVEN INDIVIDUALS WILL REPORT TO YOU  
11 DIRECTLY OF WHAT'S GOING ON WITH D.H.S. BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S  
12 THE ONLY WAY YOU ARE GOING TO BE ABLE TO FIND THE INFORMATION  
13 YOU NEED TO CORRECT THE SITUATION. AND I THINK THOSE SEVEN  
14 EMPLOYEES SHOULD BE PROTECTED IF THEY BLOW THE WHISTLE OR  
15 WHATEVER ON WHAT'S GOING ON WITH D.H.S. SO I THINK THE MONEY  
16 WILL BE WELL SPENT TO HAVE THOSE SEVEN PEOPLE WHO HAVE NO TIE  
17 TO D.H.S. BUT THEY HAVE AN ALLIANCE TO YOU AND GIVE YOU THE  
18 POWER TO RESPOND. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING.

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY,  
21 DR. CLAVREUL. ALL RIGHT. LET'S PROCEED WITH THE ITEM.  
22 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, IF YOU WISH TO BE HEARD, THE FLOOR IS  
23 YOURS. IS THE DEPARTMENT HEAD HERE BY ANY CHANCE SO THAT WE  
24 CAN ADDRESS THE ISSUE?

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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK THEY ARE. I THINK THEY ARE HERE.  
2   THERE HE IS. MR. CHAIRMAN, I DON'T HAVE -- WELL, I DON'T HAVE  
3   ANY QUESTIONS, BUT PERHAPS MR. BROWNING HAS SOMETHING HE WANTS  
4   TO IMPART. I'M READY TO MOVE ON THIS. BUT, MR. BROWNING, DO  
5   YOU HAVE JUST A SUCCINCT SUMMARY OF WHAT THIS THIS ITEM MEANS  
6   TO YOUR DEPARTMENT, WHAT THE REASON FOR YOUR REQUEST WAS?

7

8   **PHILIP BROWNING:** I THINK THIS WAS AN ISSUE THAT HAD BEEN  
9   DISCUSSED WITH THE BOARD A COUPLE TIMES. WE PREPARED  
10   DOCUMENTATION. WE TALKED ABOUT IT FOR ABOUT 25 MINUTES LAST  
11   WEEK. WHAT WE DID WAS TO GO BACK TO THE CLUSTER AND HAVE A  
12   FAIR AMOUNT OF TIME SPENT PROVIDING CLARIFICATION. I THINK THE  
13   CHAIR ASKED THAT WE TAKE THIS BACK THROUGH THE CLUSTER. I  
14   BELIEVE ALL THE QUESTIONS, TO MY KNOWLEDGE, HAVE BEEN ASKED.  
15   WE'VE SENT WRITTEN RESPONSES BACK ON ALL OF THEM, I BELIEVE,  
16   WITH THE EXCEPTION OF MAYBE ONE. THE BOTTOM LINE IS: THIS WILL  
17   ASSIST US IN ENSURING THAT STATE-LICENSED FOSTER HOMES AND  
18   GROUP HOMES ARE MONITORED TO THE SAME LEVEL AS THE FOSTER  
19   FAMILY AGENCIES, WHICH I THINK WE ALL BELIEVE WILL BE A WAY TO  
20   MORE SYSTEMICALLY ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF ABUSE AND NEGLECT.

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22   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THIS UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN CUT  
23   BACK OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS, IS THAT CORRECT? WHAT WAS  
24   THE SIZE OF THE UNIT AT ITS PEAK AND WHAT IS IT NOW?

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1   **PHILIP BROWNING:** IF WE LOOK BACK TO 2003, WE HAD ABOUT 50, 51  
2   PEOPLE DOING THE SAME THING. WE HAVE 36 PEOPLE DOING THAT  
3   TODAY. SO WE'VE TAKEN A CUT OF 15 STAFF PERSONS OVER THE LAST  
4   10 YEARS. AND, FRANKLY, STAFF CUTS DO HAVE AN IMPACT. AND SO I  
5   THINK AT ONE POINT THERE WAS A BELIEF THAT WE NEEDED TO MOVE  
6   AS MANY PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE BACK TO THE LINE. THAT WAS DONE.  
7   BUT I THINK THERE ARE SOME CONSEQUENCES ANY TIME THOSE KIND OF  
8   DECISIONS ARE MADE. AND SO AT THIS TIME WE'RE REQUESTING THE  
9   SEVEN ADDITIONAL STAFF, NOT AS THE TOTAL SOLUTION. THERE'S A  
10   MOTION, I THINK, THAT WE'RE WORKING ON ABOUT HOW WE COULD MORE  
11   SYSTEMICALLY ADDRESS THE MONITORING ISSUE GLOBALLY FOR THE  
12   DEPARTMENT. THERE ARE OTHER DEPARTMENTS WHICH HAVE SIMILAR  
13   ISSUES IN TERMS OF MONITORING CONTRACTS. WE'VE REACHED OUT TO  
14   THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, TO THE CASEY FOUNDATION AND TO SOME  
15   OTHER ENTITIES TO SEE WHAT'S BEING DONE THAT WE MIGHT  
16   REPLICATE HERE. WE'VE ALSO REACHED OUT TO SOME PRIVATE FIRMS  
17   THAT WE THINK MIGHT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE SOME ASSISTANCE TO US  
18   IN PERFORMING THIS TASK. BUT THOSE ARE LONGER-TERM SOLUTIONS.  
19   THOSE ARE NOT SHORT-TERM, TOMORROW KIND OF SOLUTIONS. BUT THEY  
20   ARE ONES THAT WE'RE GOING TO COME BACK AND PUT IN THE REPORT  
21   THAT'S DUE TO THE BOARD WITHIN A VERY SHORT PERIOD OF TIME,  
22   ALTHOUGH I WOULD JUST BE HONEST AND SAY WE PROBABLY NEED MORE  
23   TIME THAN JUST THAT 30-DAY MOTION PROVIDED.  
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1   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. BUT AS TO THIS ITEM, THESE SEVEN  
2   POSITIONS, YOU BELIEVE THAT THE SOONER YOU GET MOVING ON THEM,  
3   THE BETTER?

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5   **PHILIP BROWNING:** YES, SIR.

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7   **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WON'T TAKE ANYMORE TIME, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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9   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ON THAT NOTE, I THINK IT SHOULD  
10  BE CLEAR THAT THIS MOTION SEEKS NOT TO BE EXHAUSTIVE WITH  
11  RESPECT TO THE ISSUES BEFORE US. THE WAY I INTERPRET THIS  
12  MOTION IS THAT WE CAN'T HAVE IT BOTH WAYS: ONE, TO ON THE ONE  
13  HAND TO CLAIM THAT THESE PROBLEMS CONTINUE AND WE DO NOTHING  
14  ABOUT IT. THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE PROBLEM  
15  BY INCREASING THE RESOURCES, HUMAN RESOURCES, THAT THE  
16  DEPARTMENT HAS TO ADDRESS THIS IN A MORE PROACTIVE AND  
17  THOROUGH MANNER. NOW, THE CRITIQUE HAS BEEN OFFERED THAT IT IS  
18  STAFF. AND STAFF IS THE PROBLEM. NO. I TAKE THIS MOTION TO  
19  BELIEVE THAT STAFF SHOULD BE CAUSED TO MEET EXPECTATIONS BY  
20  VIRTUE OF THE POSITIONS BEING FILLED. I DO NOT THINK THIS IS  
21  AN ATTEMPT TO PRECLUDE ANY OTHER; THAT IS, INDEPENDENT OR  
22  OUTSIDE WORK THAT MAY BE WARRANTED. IT IS WORTH NOTING THAT  
23  THERE IS A UNIT THAT THE DEPARTMENT; THAT IS, THE BOARD DID  
24  ESTABLISH, C.S.I.U., THAT HAS A ROLE THAT IS INDEPENDENT OF  
25  THE DEPARTMENT IN TERMS OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES-



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1 RELATED ISSUES. ITS SCOPE IS NARROW. BUT NONETHELESS  
2 INDEPENDENT. SO THIS MOTION SEEKS TO ADDRESS AT LEAST A PART  
3 OF THE PROBLEM WHERE THE DEPARTMENT IS SHORT-HANDED. AND I  
4 WILL REPEAT THE POINT. WE CAN'T CAUSE THE DEPARTMENT NOT TO  
5 FUNCTION AT THE CAPACITY THAT IT NEEDS TO FUNCTION AND THEN  
6 CONTINUE TO CRITICIZE, THAT IS, HAMMER THE DEPARTMENT FOR WHAT  
7 IT IS AND IS NOT DOING. I THINK THAT'S THE SPIRIT OF THE  
8 MOTION, IS IT NOT SUPERVISOR?

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I COULDN'T HAVE SAID IT BETTER  
11 MYSELF.

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SO THEN THE SEPARATE  
14 SET OF ISSUES, TAKE NOTE OF THE FACT THAT SUPERVISOR KNABE  
15 MAKES A MOTION AMENDMENT, KUMBAYA.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CONDITIONED ON YOU'RE ABLE TO PRONOUNCE MY  
18 NAME.

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, THEN WE'RE IN DEEP TROUBLE  
21 TODAY, OBVIOUSLY. THERE ARE A SET OF QUESTIONS THAT ONE BOARD  
22 MEMBER HAS RAISED THAT ARE INCOMPLETE. LET THIS THEN BE  
23 INSTRUCTIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT THAT THAT ASSIGNMENT DOES NEED  
24 TO BE COMPLETED AND SHARED WITH ALL FIVE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.



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1 IS THERE A TIME FRAME IN WHICH YOU CAN ACCOMPLISH THAT, MR.  
2 BROWNING?

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4 **PHILIP BROWNING:** I THINK THERE WAS A JUNE 4 DEADLINE ON THAT.  
5 I BELIEVE WE HAVE MOST OF THOSE QUESTIONS AND ALL OF THE  
6 ANSWERS.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** FIRST WEEK OF JUNE AT THE LATEST  
9 AND ALL BOARD MEMBERS SHOULD BE IN RECEIPT OF THE RESPONSES.

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11 **PHILIP BROWNING:** YES, SIR.

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANKS VERY MUCH.  
14 SUPERVISOR?

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO I WOULD MOVE APPROVAL OF ITEM 60.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** RIGHT.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND, SO THAT HE CAN GO AHEAD AND START  
21 HIRING. AND THEN THE ANSWERS TO THE QUESTIONS CAN COME  
22 SEPARATELY BY JUNE 4.

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** EXACTLY.

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1    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S MY MOTION.

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3    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WILL BE  
4    THE ORDER.

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6    **PHILIP BROWNING:** THANK YOU.

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8    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** LET'S MOVE TO THE NEXT ITEM,  
9    THEN. SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOUR SPECIALS?

10

11    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE A COUPLE OF ADJOURNING  
12    MOTIONS THAT HAVE JUST COME THROUGH THE TRANSOM.

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14    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SOME THINGS HAVE TRANSPIRED  
15    SINCE YOU BEGAN YOUR SPEECH. THANK YOU.

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17    **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE  
18    MEMORY OF NORRIS HUNDLEY, PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AT U.C.L.A. AND  
19    RENOWNED SCHOLAR ON THE TOPIC OF WATER RIGHTS ON THE WESTERN  
20    UNITED STATES WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 77. HE  
21    WAS BORN IN HOUSTON, TEXAS, MOVED WITH HIS FAMILY TO SOUTHERN  
22    CALIFORNIA AS A YOUNG BOY, WHERE HE MET HIS FUTURE WIFE,  
23    CAROL, IN HIGH SCHOOL. AFTER EARNING HIS PH.D. IN HISTORY FROM  
24    U.C.L.A. IN 1963, HE TAUGHT BRIEFLY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF  
25    HOUSTON BEFORE RETURNING TO U.C.L.A., WHERE HE TAUGHT FOR THE





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1 NEXT 30 YEARS. AUTHORIZING MANY BOOKS AND ARTICLES ON WATER  
2 RESOURCES, WATER HISTORY, AND THE COMPLEXITY OF LEGAL WATER  
3 RIGHTS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 56 YEARS, CAROL; TWO  
4 DAUGHTERS, WENDY HARRIS AND JACQUELINE REID; AND OTHER FAMILY  
5 MEMBERS. AND I ALSO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF RAY  
6 MANZAREK, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN THE  
7 THIRD DISTRICT AND KEYBOARDIST FOR THE ROCK GROUP, THE DOORS,  
8 WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 74. HE WAS A STUDENT AT  
9 U.C.L.A. IN FILM WHEN HE MET JIM MORRISON AND THEY DECIDED TO  
10 FORM A BAND, LATER RECRUITING DRUMMER JOHN DENSMORE AND  
11 GUITARIST ROBBY KRIEGER. THE GROUP QUICKLY GAINED A FOLLOWING  
12 FOR THEIR MOODY JAZZ INFECTED -- INFLECTED, AND JAZZ INFECTED,  
13 I GUESS, ARRANGEMENTS, COMPLEMENTED BY MANZAREK'S DISTINCTIVE  
14 ORGAN LINES AND MORRISON'S DARKLY MYSTERIOUS LYRICS. AFTER  
15 SEVERAL YEARS OF POPULAR SUCCESS, THE GROUP DISBANDED  
16 FOLLOWING MORRIS'S PREMATURE DEATH IN 1971 AT THE AGE OF 27.  
17 BUT MANZAREK CONTINUED WRITING AND PRODUCING AND PLAYING IN  
18 OTHER GROUPS, MOST RECENTLY WITH HIS FORMER BAND MATE, ROBBY  
19 KRIEGER. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, DOROTHY; A SON, PABLO;  
20 THREE GRANDCHILDREN; AND TWO BROTHERS, RICK AND JAMES  
21 MANZAREK. MR. CHAIRMAN, IF WE COULD SEND SOME KIND OF  
22 APPROPRIATE CERTIFICATE TO THE PEOPLE OF MOORE, OKLAHOMA, AND  
23 THE OKLAHOMA COMMUNITY THAT WAS AFFECTED BY THE TORNADOES LAST  
24 NIGHT, I THINK IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR ALL MEMBERS TO SIGN  
25 IT UNDER THE CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** JUST GIVE ME ONE SECOND HERE. COULD WE TAKE  
5 UP 13, ITEM 13?

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE CAN, IF YOU WISH, AS A PART  
8 OF YOUR SPECIALS.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MY SPECIALS. THAT WILL BE MY LAST SPECIAL.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE SEVERAL PERSONS WHO WISH  
13 TO BE HEARD ON THAT ITEM. AND THEN WE'LL HEAR FROM SUPERVISOR  
14 KNABE WITH HIS ADJOURNING MOTIONS. AND ITEM 44. I WILL  
15 CONCLUDE WITH MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS AND WE WILL SEEK TO  
16 CONTINUE THE BALANCE OF THE AGENDA AFTER WE RETURN FROM CLOSED  
17 SESSION. ALL RIGHT. HERE WE GO WITH ITEM 13. GINA CLAYTON,  
18 PATRICIA RUSSELL, BRITTANY WEISSMAN, GAIL EVANGELNE, THANK  
19 YOU. PLEASE COME FORWARD. JULIA ROBINSON SHIMIZU, IF YOU WOULD  
20 PREPARE YOURSELF TO COME NEXT. MARTHA GIFFEN, PAULA PEARLMAN.  
21 ALL RIGHT, LADIES, THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE. YOU MAY PROCEED,  
22 MA'AM.

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24 **MARTHA GIFFEN:** MY NAME IS MARTHA GIFFEN. FIRST I WANT TO THANK  
25 THIS BOARD FOR APPROVING A.B.1421 FOR USE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS



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1 ANGELES. AND THAT EFFORT WAS -- THANK YOU. THAT EFFORT WAS LED  
2 BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND W3 VERY MUCH APPRECIATE IT. AND I  
3 ALSO THANK SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY FOR HIS INTEREST IN DOING  
4 SOMETHING TO ALLEVIATE THE CONDITIONS IN THE COUNTY JAILS THAT  
5 PREVENT THE MENTALLY ILL INMATES FROM RECEIVING THE TREATMENT  
6 THEY NEED AND THE SECURITY AND PROTECTION THAT THEIR ILLNESS  
7 DEMANDS. A.B.1421, KNOWN AS LAURA'S LAW, IF FULLY IMPLEMENTED  
8 COULD GREATLY REDUCE THE NUMBER OF MENTALLY ILL PEOPLE WHO GET  
9 ARRESTED AND JAILED IN THE FIRST PLACE. THIS WOULD GREATLY  
10 REDUCE COSTS TO THE COUNTY FOR HOSPITALIZATIONS AND  
11 INCARCERATIONS BECAUSE IT WOULD SHIFT THE TREATMENT COSTS OF  
12 MEDI-CAL AND MENTAL HEALTH FUNDING. LAURA'S LAW HELPS PEOPLE  
13 GET INTO TREATMENT IN COMMUNITY TREATMENT CENTERS FOR SEVERE  
14 MENTAL ILLNESS BEFORE THEY DETERIORATE TO THE POINT OF BEING  
15 INCARCERATED OR HOSPITALIZED. SUCH OUTPATIENT COMMUNITY  
16 TREATMENT SAVES MONEY. I HAVE HERE A COPY OF A STUDY OF NEW  
17 YORK'S SIMILAR KENDRA'S LAW THAT SHOWS THAT IN THE FIRST YEAR  
18 OF IMPLEMENTATION, THE PROGRAM WAS COST-NEUTRAL. AND OVER THE  
19 FOLLOWING YEARS, THE STATE OF NEW YORK ACTUALLY SPENT MUCH  
20 LESS ON INCARCERATION AND HOSPITALIZATION. IN FACT, THE  
21 INCARCERATION RATES FOR MENTALLY ILL PEOPLE WERE REDUCED BY  
22 ABOUT 80 PERCENT, AS WERE HOSPITALIZATION RATES. IN ADDITION  
23 TO THOSE COSTS, SCIENTISTS NOW KNOW THAT THE SOONER SOMEONE  
24 RECEIVES TREATMENT, LESS BRAIN DAMAGE IS INCURRED BY PEOPLE  
25 WITH SCHIZOPHRENIA. AND THEY WILL HAVE A BETTER OUTCOME. THERE



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1 IS A MUCH REDUCED INCIDENCE OF HOSPITALIZATION OF PEOPLE WHOSE  
2 TREATMENT IS BEING RIGOROUSLY MONITORED. OUR CURRENT PRACTICE  
3 OF ALLOWING PEOPLE TO DETERIORATE ON THE STREETS IN FILTH AND  
4 VIOLENCE TO THE POINT WHERE THEY DIE OR ARE ARRESTED IS  
5 INHUMANE AND UNWORTHY OF OUR COUNTRY. WHEN LAURA'S LAW WAS  
6 FIRST PROPOSED OVER 10 YEARS AGO --

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MA'AM? ARE YOU ABOUT DONE? YOUR  
9 TIME HAS EXPIRED.

10

11 **MARTHA GIFFEN:** THANK GOD. MAYBE THIS WILL RESCUE MY HOMELESS  
12 DAUGHTER FROM MALNUTRITION, SEXUAL ASSAULTS AND THE HELL OF  
13 HALLUCINATIONS IN HER HEAD. I URGE YOU TO PUSH FOR THE FULL  
14 IMPLEMENTATION OF LAURA'S LAW IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.  
15 THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
18 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. GO RIGHT AHEAD.

19

20 **GINA CLAYTON:** THANK YOU. HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS  
21 GINA CLAYTON AND I AM THE RESEARCH AND POLICY ASSOCIATE FOR  
22 THE LOS ANGELES REGIONAL REENTRY PARTNERSHIP, WHICH IS A BODY  
23 OF MORE THAN 125 PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS AND AGENCIES  
24 FOCUSED ON THE SUCCESSFUL REINTEGRATION OF FORMERLY  
25 INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS TO INCREASE PUBLIC SAFETY AND REDUCE



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1    RECIDIVISM. THE LOS ANGELES REGIONAL REENTRY PARTNERSHIP IS IN  
2    SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S MOTION, CALLING FOR  
3    ANALYSIS OF JAIL CONSTRUCTION OR RENOVATION THAT LOOKS INTO  
4    WHETHER INSTEAD OF MERELY REPLACING MEN'S CENTRAL WITH A \$1  
5    BILLION NEW JAIL FACILITY, WHETHER IT MAKES SENSE TO REPLACE  
6    SOME OF THE MEN'S CENTRAL FACILITY WITH AN INTEGRATED INMATE  
7    TREATMENT CENTER AND WHETHER THIS WOULD BETTER SERVE THE  
8    COMMUNITY'S INTERESTS. THE ISSUE OF APPROPRIATELY HOUSING AND  
9    PROVIDING MEDICAL TREATMENT TO THE LARGE PERCENTAGE OF PERSONS  
10    IN JAIL WITH MENTAL ILLNESS AND MEDICAL CONDITIONS IS AN  
11    INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT ONE. IT IS AN ISSUE OF PUBLIC SAFETY,  
12    HUMANE TREATMENT AND USING TAXPAYER PUBLIC SAFETY DOLLARS IN A  
13    MANNER THAT IS EFFICIENT, EFFECTIVE AND EVIDENCE-BASED. THE  
14    HOUSING OF MENTALLY AND MEDICALLY ILL INMATES WITH THE GENERAL  
15    POPULATION RESULTS IN UNNECESSARY HARM AND TRAUMA TO  
16    INDIVIDUALS AND AN EXACERBATION OF SYMPTOMS AND COSTS THE  
17    COUNTY DOLLARS AND OUTCOMES. WHILE L.A.R.P., THE LOS ANGELES  
18    REGIONAL REENTRY PARTNERSHIP IS NOT CURRENTLY TAKING A  
19    POSITION ON JAIL CONSTRUCTION OR RENOVATION, WE ADAMANTLY  
20    SUPPORT THAT WHICH LEADS TO LOWER RECIDIVISM, COORDINATED  
21    SERVICE DELIVERY, AND IMPROVED PUBLIC SAFETY. SUPERVISOR  
22    YAROSLAVSKY'S MOTION HELPS CHART THAT COURSE. THEREFORE  
23    L.A.R.P. SUPPORTS THIS MOTION. AND FINALLY, RESPECTFULLY  
24    PLEADS WITH THIS BODY THAT REGARDLESS OF JAIL CONSTRUCTION OR  
25    RENOVATION PLANS, THIS BOARD FOCUS ON AND MOVE FORWARD WITH



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1 THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PRETRIAL RELEASE AND ALTERNATIVES TO  
2 INCARCERATION. WE NEED TO BE PRIORITIZING ALTERNATIVES TO  
3 INCARCERATION AND PRETRIAL RELEASE AND BE EXPEDITIOUS ABOUT  
4 IT. IN PARTICULAR, THE 3400 BEDS THAT THE SHERIFF AND THE  
5 C.E.O. HAVE ALREADY IDENTIFIED AVAILABLE WITHIN THE CURRENT  
6 SYSTEM NEED TO BE IMPLEMENTED AND WE NEED TO MOVE FORWARD WITH  
7 THIS. MY TIME IS UP. THANK YOU.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY  
10 AND WE'LL HEAR THE NEXT SPEAKER NOW.

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12 **PATRICIA RUSSELL:** MY NAME IS PATRICIA RUSSELL, AND I AM IN  
13 FAVOR OF AGENDA 13. HOWEVER, AT THIS TIME, I BELIEVE THAT  
14 THERE IS AN URGENCY TO DO SOMETHING FOR THE MENTALLY ILL  
15 INCARCERATED IN JAIL MENTAL HEALTH IN TOWER 1 OF LOS ANGELES  
16 COUNTY. MY SON HAPPENS TO BE INCARCERATED THERE. AND I HAVE  
17 LEARNED THAT ALTHOUGH THE GENERAL POPULATION IN TWIN TOWERS  
18 HAS ACCESS TO WHAT'S CALLED THE EDUCATIONAL-BASED  
19 INCARCERATION PROGRAM WHERE THEY CAN TAKE ALL KINDS OF  
20 CLASSES, COMPUTER CLASSES, OCCUPATIONAL TRAINING, G.E.D., ET  
21 CETERA, ET CETERA, THAT IS NOT AVAILABLE TO INMATES IN JAIL  
22 MENTAL HEALTH. AND I HAVE SPOKEN IN FRONT OF THE MENTAL HEALTH  
23 COMMISSION. AND I'M ASKING THEM TO GET IN TOUCH -- OR TO GET A  
24 MEETING GOING WITH JAIL MENTAL HEALTH AND THE DEPARTMENT OF  
25 MENTAL HEALTH AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AS WELL AS THE





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1 E.B.I. PROGRAM AND SIT DOWN AND TALK ABOUT WHAT CAN BE  
2 IMPLEMENTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THERE IS NOTHING FOR THESE  
3 MEN TO DO. I KNOW THAT BECAUSE I KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH MY  
4 SON. THEY HAVE AT MOST ONE GROUP A DAY FOR 32 INMATES ON EACH  
5 POD. I FEEL THERE'S AN URGENCY OF NOW BECAUSE OF COURSE I CARE  
6 ABOUT MY SON AND I DON'T WANT HIM TO GET SICKER, WHICH HE HAS  
7 SINCE HE'S BEEN INCARCERATED, GOTTEN SICKER, ALMOST DIED AND  
8 HAD TO BE RUSHED TO THE HOSPITAL. AND WHEN HE CAME BACK, HE  
9 WAS THROWN IN WITH 40 INMATES TO GO THROUGH THE WHOLE I.R.C.  
10 THING AGAIN, THAT'S A WHOLE OTHER ISSUE. I'M SORRY, I'M VERY  
11 PASSIONATE ABOUT TRYING TO HELP MENTALLY ILL PEOPLE THAT ARE  
12 INCARCERATED IN OUR COUNTY. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY,  
15 MS. RUSSELL AND WE'LL PROCEED TO THE NEXT SPEAKER.

16

17 **BRITTNEY WEISSMAN:** HELLO, I'M BRITTNEY WEISSMAN, I'M EXECUTIVE  
18 DIRECTOR OF N.A.M.I., LOS ANGELES COUNCIL. N.A.M.I. IS A  
19 GRASSROOTS VOLUNTEER-DRIVEN ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO  
20 IMPROVING THE LIVES OF THOSE WHO ARE IMPACTED BY MENTAL  
21 ILLNESS. WE ALSO SUPPORT THIS MOTION. I'M JOINED TODAY BY  
22 THESE THREE LADIES WHO ARE REPRESENTATIVES OF N.A.M.I., AND  
23 N.A.M.I. IS A COUNTY-WIDE ORGANIZATION. WE HAVE 12 AFFILIATES  
24 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. I SERVE AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE  
25 COUNTY COUNSEL WHICH REPRESENTS ALL OF THE 12 AFFILIATES.



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1 WE'RE HAPPY TO BE HERE. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS  
2 MOTION. AND I'LL LET MY COLLEAGUES SPEAK TO MORE DETAILS.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT  
5 SPEAKER, PLEASE. I'M GOING TO PAULA PEARLMAN, PETER ELIASBERG.

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7 **JULIA ROBINSON SHIMIZU:** I'M JULIA ROBINSON. OH, SORRY. EXCUSE  
8 ME. I'M JULIA ROBINSON SHIMIZU. AND I REPRESENT N.A.M.I. SAN  
9 FERNANDO VALLEY. WE ARE A VOLUNTEER-DRIVEN ORGANIZATION. AND  
10 WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF OUR LOVED ONES  
11 WITH MENTAL ILLNESS. WE ASK TO BE INCLUDED IN THE DISCUSSION  
12 PROCESS AS THIS MOVES FORWARD BECAUSE WE ARE THE ONES WHO ARE  
13 THERE WITH OUR LOVED ONES EVERY DAY. AND WE CAN BRING AN  
14 UNDERSTANDING TO THIS DISCUSSION. AND WE APPRECIATE YOUR  
15 EFFORT. THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE  
18 APPRECIATE YOUR TESTIMONY. MA'AM, THE FLOOR IS YOURS.

19

20 **GAIL EVANGUELIDI:** I'M GAIL EVANGUELIDI, I HOPE YOU CAN ENJOY  
21 WHAT I'M SAYING, MY VOICE HAS BEEN BAD LATELY. I STARTED THE  
22 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH N.A.M.I. L.P.S. CONSERVATORSHIP  
23 MENTORING TEAM IN WHICH WE HELP FAMILIES TO BE ABLE TO GET  
24 THEIR LOVED ONES IN TREATMENT AND IN VOLUNTARY TREATMENT. I'M  
25 GOING TO READ A STATEMENT. I WISH HOSPITALS WOULD EVALUATE



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1 PATIENTS ON SOME OTHER MEASURE THAN JUST WHAT THE PATIENT  
2 SAYS. I WAS RELEASED FROM SO MANY HOSPITALS WHEN I WAS AT THE  
3 HEIGHT OF MY BREAKS WITH NO MEDICATIONS. IT WAS HORRIBLE AND  
4 MADE MY SITUATION SO MUCH WORSE. IN OTHER WORDS,  
5 INCARCERATION. I REALLY WISH THEY WOULD HAVE KEPT ME. THIS WAS  
6 WRITTEN BY A YOUNG LADY WHO IS NOW ORGANIZING LARGE BENEFITS  
7 FOR NONPROFITS WHO IS PRESENTLY UNDER AN L.P.S.  
8 CONSERVATORSHIP IN INVOLUNTARY TREATMENT. THE COST OF A  
9 HOSPITAL BED EACH DAY IS \$1400. A MENTAL HEALTH JAIL CELL IS  
10 \$490 A DAY. AND AN I.M.D. WHERE THEY CAN GET SOME PRETTY GOOD  
11 TREATMENT IS ONLY \$148 A DAY. WE SERIOUSLY NEED MORE M.D.  
12 BEDS, I.M.D. BEDS. AND I'VE REQUESTED THAT MANY TIMES WITH  
13 EVERY ONE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BECAUSE WE CAN GIVE YOU  
14 GREATER RESULTS. WE HAD A STUDY DONE BY CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE  
15 AND LOS ANGELES IN WHICH THEY FOUND BY TREATING 26 PEOPLE,  
16 THEY SAVED \$852,000 PER YEAR, WHICH IS PRETTY SUBSTANTIAL. WE  
17 DON'T HAVE ADEQUATE FACILITIES. IF WE HAD ADEQUATE FACILITIES,  
18 WE CAN SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCE THE COST IN TREATING MENTALLY ILL.  
19 WE NEED A STATE-OF-THE-ART MENTAL HEALTH HOSPITAL THAT RAISES  
20 THE BAR ON MENTAL HEALTH. HOW DO YOU GET TREATMENT FOR A  
21 PERSON WHO HAS A NEUROLOGICAL BRAIN DISORDER THAT DOESN'T KNOW  
22 THAT THEY'RE ILL? IT'S EXTREMELY DIFFICULT. AND I HOPE NONE OF  
23 YOU EVER HAVE TO WALK THAT ROAD BECAUSE IT'S ABSOLUTELY  
24 LUDICROUS TRYING TO DO THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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1   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
2   NEXT SPEAKERS, PLEASE? AND WILL BE FOLLOWED BY JOSEPH  
3   MAIZLISH, MARSHA TEMPLE AND DIANA ZUNIGA.

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5   **PAULA PEARLMAN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS PAULA PEARLMAN. I'M  
6   THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE DISABILITY RIGHTS LEGAL CENTER.  
7   AND I'M ALSO A VISITING ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF LAW AT LOYOLA  
8   LAW SCHOOL, TEACHING DISABILITY RIGHTS AND SPECIAL EDUCATION  
9   LAW. AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK ABOUT THIS PROPOSITION, THIS  
10   PROPOSAL. I ALSO LOOKED AT THE AMENDMENT WITH ASKING THIS  
11   CONSTRUCTION COMPANY -- FOR THE COUNTY TO INCLUDE THE  
12   DEPARTMENTS OF THE SHERIFF AND MENTAL HEALTH. I THINK THAT'S A  
13   REALLY GOOD IDEA. IT'S HARD FOR ME TO UNDERSTAND HOW A  
14   CONSTRUCTION COMPANY IS GOING TO UNDERSTAND THE APPROPRIATE  
15   TREATMENT FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE EXPERIENCING MENTAL ILLNESS. I  
16   ALSO IN ANY SUCCESSFUL STRUCTURAL CHANGE THAT I'VE BEEN A PART  
17   OF, ANY COMMITTEE, I THINK YOU NEED STAKEHOLDERS AT THE TABLE,  
18   TOO. AND SO YOU HAVE THE OTHER SPEAKERS, MYSELF, A.C.L.U. IS  
19   HERE, AS WELL, WHERE THESE ARE ORGANIZATIONS AND ENTITIES WHO  
20   ARE REALLY DEALING WITH PEOPLE WHO ARE EXPERIENCING MENTAL  
21   HEALTH CONDITIONS. THE OTHER SIDE OF IT IS WE'RE SUING YOU  
22   WHEN YOU'RE NOT DOING THINGS RIGHT. YOU KNOW, WE HAVE A  
23   FAIRNESS HEARING TODAY IN ONE OF OUR CASES AGAINST THE COUNTY  
24   ON EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS. WE'VE SUED YOU TO KEEP RANCHO LOS  
25   AMIGOS HOSPITAL OPEN. SO THIS IS THE KIND OF WORK THAT WE DO.



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1 I'D LIKE TO DO THIS WORK ON THE FRONT END AND NOT THE BACK  
2 END. I DON'T WANT TO BE HERE LATER SAYING "LOOK, WE ASKED YOU  
3 TO INCLUDE COMMUNITY GROUPS. LOOK, YOU REALLY NEED TO CONSIDER  
4 THE ALTERNATIVES TO SENTENCING." I HAVE VOLUNTEERS IN MY  
5 OFFICE RIGHT NOW WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS  
6 THAT ARE FROM FEDERAL COURT WHO WERE IN A DIVERSION PROGRAM.  
7 YOU KNOW, THERE ARE WAYS TO GET PEOPLE TO PREVENT THEM FROM  
8 SPENDING TIME IN JAIL. AND I APPLAUD YOU FOR THINKING ABOUT  
9 THIS AND CHANGING THE LANDSCAPE. MAYBE, YOU KNOW, I DON'T  
10 REALLY BELIEVE IN A LOCKED FACILITY. I UNDERSTAND THAT WE NEED  
11 THOSE OPTIONS AVAILABLE. BUT I THINK THERE'S OTHER THINGS THAT  
12 WE CAN DO AND WE'VE OUTLINED THEM IN OUR LETTER ABOUT TRYING  
13 TO LOOK AT THE ISSUE DIFFERENTLY. AND I OFFER YOU OUR  
14 EXPERTISE AND OUR TIME AND OUR GOOD WILL. THANK YOU.

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
17 WE'LL PROCEED TO THE NEXT SPEAKER.

18

19 **PETER ELIASBERG:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. SUPERVISOR  
20 YAROSLAVSKY, THE A.C.L.U. ALSO WANTS TO THANK YOU FOR THIS  
21 MOTION AND FOR THE OPPORTUNITY IT PRESENTS TO OPEN UP A  
22 CONVERSATION AND LOOK AT WAYS TO REFORM THE WAY THAT PEOPLE  
23 WITH MENTAL ILLNESS WHO ENTER INTO THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM  
24 HAVE BEEN DEALT WITH. THE POSSIBILITIES FOR THE COUNTY FOR  
25 LOWER COSTS AND BETTER MENTAL HEALTH OUTCOMES ARE THINGS THAT



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1 EVERYONE IN THIS COUNTY SHOULD BE LOOKING FOR AND EXCITED  
2 ABOUT. THE ONLY CONCERN I HAVE ABOUT THE MOTION IS IT DOES  
3 STILL FOCUS ON THE IDEA OF SOME KIND OF WHAT APPEARS TO BE,  
4 ALTHOUGH THERE ARE NOT A LOT OF DETAILS, BUT I HOPE THAT WHAT  
5 IS EXPLORED IS NOT JUST A KIND OF BETTER JAIL MODEL. IN 1997,  
6 THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE MADE A SERIES OF BLISTERING FINDINGS  
7 ABOUT THE TREATMENT OF THE MENTALLY ILL IN THE LOS ANGELES  
8 COUNTY JAILS. IN 2008, DR. TERRY COOPER MADE A SERIES OF  
9 FINDINGS THAT WERE ALMOST THE SAME, SHOWING THAT NO CHANGE HAD  
10 COME ABOUT. AND I THINK AN IMPORTANT THING TO RECOGNIZE IS IN  
11 THOSE YEARS, TWIN TOWERS WAS OPENED, AND TWIN TOWERS WAS  
12 PROMISED TO BE THE BETTER TREATMENT OF MENTALLY ILL. THE  
13 REALITY IS THERE ARE GOING TO BE SOME PEOPLE WHO ARE MENTALLY  
14 ILL IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM WHO NEED TO BE IN QUITE A  
15 SECURE FACILITY. BUT THE VAST MAJORITY OF THEM DO NOT. AND  
16 WHAT WE'VE SEEN OVER THE YEARS IS THIS MERRY GO ROUND OF INTO  
17 THE JAILS, BACK TO SKID ROW, INTO EMERGENCY ROOMS, BACK INTO  
18 THE JAILS AGAIN, AT GREAT COST TO THE COUNTY, HORRIBLE COST TO  
19 FAMILIES AND PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS. AND THE PEOPLE WHO  
20 HAVE, IN LARGE PART, BEEN IN CHARGE OF THIS MODEL ARE D.M.H.  
21 AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THE SAME  
22 PEOPLE WHO ARE NOW BEING ASKED TO EVALUATE ALTERNATIVES. SO I  
23 WANT TO ECHO MISS PEARLMAN'S STATEMENT. I VERY MUCH HOPE WE  
24 CAN EXPAND THIS. OF COURSE WE NEED D.M.H. AND L.A.S.D. TO BE  
25 INVOLVED IN THIS EVALUATION. I HOPE WE CAN BRING STAKEHOLDERS,





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1 PEOPLE WHO WORK WITH THESE COMMUNITIES AND ARE KNOWLEDGEABLE  
2 ABOUT THESE COMMUNITY TREATMENTS AND THESE DIVERSIONS TO BE  
3 PART OF THIS PROCESS. BECAUSE D.M.H. AND THE SHERIFF'S  
4 DEPARTMENT HAS RUN THIS PROCESS SINCE 1997, AND WE KNOW WHAT  
5 THE RESULTS HAVE BEEN. WE NEED TO BROADEN AND GET DIFFERENT  
6 VOICES INVOLVED IN THIS EVALUATION. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IF THE AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES  
11 UNION WOULD SUPPORT THE LEGISLATION THAT HAS BEEN OFFERED TIME  
12 AND TIME AGAIN IN SACRAMENTO TO REQUIRE THE MENTAL HEALTH  
13 TREATMENT FOR THE MENTALLY ILL, THEY WOULDN'T BE IN JAIL.  
14 THEY'D BE IN HOSPITALS AND BE REHABILITATED AND RESTORED TO A  
15 NORMAL LIFE. BUT BY ALLOWING THESE INDIVIDUALS TO REMAIN ON  
16 THE STREETS AND TO GET INTO PROBLEMS IS CREATING THIS BIGGER  
17 PROBLEM THAT WE HAVE. SO THAT LAW HAS TO BE CHANGED SO THAT  
18 THEY REQUIRE THE MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR THE MENTALLY ILL. AND  
19 THE A.C.L.U. COULD CHANGE THEIR POSITION AND GO A LONG WAYS IN  
20 HELPING THOSE WHO ARE MENTALLY ILL.

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22 **PETER ELIASBERG:** I DON'T WANT TO TAKE UP MY TIME, BUT I'D BE  
23 HAPPY TO TALK TO THE SUPERVISOR ABOUT THAT. WE WOULD LIKE TO  
24 SEE BETTER TREATMENT FOR THE MENTALLY ILL. I'D BE HAPPY TO  
25 DISCUSS THAT.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BY REQUIRING TREATMENT FOR THE MENTALLY ILL.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR  
5 TESTIMONY. SUPERVISOR ELIASBERG, YOU AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH  
6 ARE PERMITTED TO HAVE A SIDEBAR AT ANY TIME THAT YOU WISH.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CHANGE YOUR POSITION IN SACRAMENTO AND WE'LL  
9 WORK WITH YOU.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE'LL  
12 PROCEED WITH NO FURTHER FISTICUFFS MA'AM, PLEASE.

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14 **DIANA ZUNIGA:** MY NAME IS DIANA ZUNIGA, I AM REPRESENTING  
15 CALIFORNIANS UNITED FOR A RESPONSIBLE BUDGET. WE DO SUPPORT  
16 THE FURTHER ANALYSIS OF THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMUNITY, BUT DO  
17 WANT TO URGE THE BOARD TO FOCUS ON ALTERNATIVES TO  
18 INCARCERATION THAT CAN BE IMPLEMENTED FOR THOSE WITH SUCH  
19 ISSUES OUT OF THE JAIL SYSTEM. WE APPLAUD THE BOARD FOR  
20 LOOKING INTO THE ISSUES OF THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMUNITY, BUT  
21 THIS HAS ENDED UP MAKING LOS ANGELES COUNTY JAILS THE LARGEST  
22 MENTAL HEALTH HOSPITAL IN THE UNITED STATES. AND WE DO THINK  
23 THAT ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION IS NOT THE ANSWER OR CONTRACTING,  
24 AGAIN, WITH THE CONSTRUCTION FIRM WILL ACHIEVE THE RESULTS  
25 THAT THE COMMUNITY NEEDS. LIKE PETER ELIASBERG JUST SAID, TWIN



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1 TOWERS WAS ALSO ALREADY CONSTRUCTED AS A MENTAL HEALTH  
2 FACILITY, SO HOW DO WE EXPECT THAT THIS ADDITIONAL FACILITY  
3 WILL SERVE THE POPULATION WITH THE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES THAT  
4 THEY NEED? WE ALSO KNOW THAT CONTINUOUS IMPRISONMENT ONLY  
5 CAUSES TRAUMA AND WORSENS THE CONDITIONS OF THOSE SUFFERING  
6 FROM MENTAL HEALTH DIAGNOSIS. WE ALSO WONDER HOW MUCH A.B.109  
7 FUNDING IS BEING ALLOCATED FOR ALTERNATIVE PLACEMENTS FOR THE  
8 MENTAL HEALTH COMMUNITY AND HOW THESE 3,400 BEDS ARE BEING  
9 FUNDED AND WHERE THE PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN REGARDS TO  
10 THIS. WE REALLY URGE THE BOARD TO FOCUS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION  
11 OF LAURA'S LAW, THE FUNDING THAT CAN GO INTO ALTERNATIVES TO  
12 INCARCERATION AS WELL AS HOW THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS  
13 BUDGETING THEIR ALLOCATED A.B.109 FUNDING, WHERE THE SURPLUS  
14 FROM THE LAST TWO YEARS IS GOING. I KNOW TODAY UNFORTUNATELY  
15 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BUDGET IS GOING TO -- IS NOT GOING TO  
16 BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. SO WE ARE REALLY ASKING THE BOARD TO  
17 FOCUS ON THAT A.B.109 FUNDING. IS IT GOING TO THE ALTERNATIVES  
18 TO INCARCERATION THAT NEED TO BE IMPLEMENTED FOR THE MENTAL  
19 HEALTH COMMUNITY AND FURTHER REDUCING THE POPULATION AS  
20 OPPOSED TO EXPANDING THE CURRENT SYSTEM. AGAIN, WE NEED TO  
21 FOCUS ON SUPPORTIVE SERVICES TO EXPAND COMMUNITY-BASED  
22 TREATMENTS, REDUCE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE INSIDE OF THE LOS  
23 ANGELES JAILS, IMPLEMENT THIS PRETRIAL PROGRAM THAT WE HAVE  
24 TALKED ABOUT CONTINUOUSLY AND USE GOOD TIME CREDITS THAT HAVE



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1 BEEN USED IN OTHER COUNTIES TO FURTHER REDUCE THE POPULATION.

2 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.

5 MS. ZUNIGA, WHAT ORGANIZATION DID YOU INDICATE YOU WERE

6 REPRESENTING? WHAT ORGANIZATION AGAIN?

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8 **DIANA ZUNIGA:** CALIFORNIANS UNITED FOR A RESPONSIBLE BUDGET.

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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12 **DIANA ZUNIGA:** AND WE ALSO HAVE SOME BUDGET TALKING POINTS FOR

13 YOU ALL, AS WELL.

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE NEED TALKING

16 POINTS. SERGEANT? THANK YOU. SIR?

17

18 **JOSEPH MAIZLISH:** YES. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. MY NAME IS JOE

19 MAIZLISH, A MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST AND FOR SEVEN YEARS

20 A ONE-NIGHT-A-WEEK VOLUNTEER IN A TREATMENT PROGRAM FOR THE

21 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. I'M ALSO A CURB

22 MEMBER AND I'M SPEAKING IN BOTH CAPACITIES NOW. I'M VERY GLAD

23 TO SEE THIS MATTER BEING TAKEN UP BY THE BOARD. AND IN THE

24 SAME WAY THAT I ASKED SHERIFF BACA WHEN HE TALKS ABOUT

25 EDUCATION-BASED INCARCERATION OR MS. MCDONALD WHO TOLD ME THAT



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1 SHE'S TRYING TO EXTEND THE DRUG TREATMENT IN THE JAILS, I SAY:  
2 YES. THE PEOPLE WHO ARE HELD IN CUSTODY MUST BE. IT'S AN  
3 ETHICAL AND A LEGAL OBLIGATION, PROBABLY, ALSO, TO GIVE THEM  
4 THE VERY BEST TREATMENT. BUT FOR HOW MANY PEOPLE DO WE GIVE  
5 THAT VERY BEST TREATMENT? TO DISCUSS CREATING PROGRAMS AND  
6 ESPECIALLY BUILDING OR PREPARING SPACE TO DO THAT IN, WE  
7 REALLY NEED TO HAVE A GOOD LOOK AT THE NUMBERS, AT THE  
8 PROJECTIONS. I'VE SAID THIS BEFORE, AND MANY OTHERS HAVE, TOO,  
9 YOU HAVE DR. AUSTIN'S REPORT FROM LAST YEAR ABOUT REPLACEMENT  
10 OF MEN'S CENTRAL NOT BEING NECESSARY PROVIDED A FEW SIMPLE  
11 MEASURES THAT DON'T EVEN REQUIRE STATE LAW CHANGES TO BE MADE.  
12 SO THESE THINGS ARE AVAILABLE IN 2011 REPORT, DEVERE INSTITUTE  
13 SAID THAT PREBOOKING DIVERSION OF LOW LEVEL MENTALLY ILL  
14 PEOPLE COULD BE DONE AND SAVE TREMENDOUSLY ON THINGS. EVEN  
15 EARLIER THAN THAT, IT'S BEEN MENTIONED BY A COUPLE OF THE  
16 SPEAKERS AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REFERRED TO IT, I'VE GOT IN  
17 MY HANDOUT AN ANALYSIS OF THE COST EFFECTS OF USING THINGS  
18 LIKE LAURA'S LAW, WHICH THIS BOARD HAS ENDORSED BUT HAS USED  
19 VERY MUCH LESS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY THAN IN SOME OTHER  
20 COUNTIES. IT IS A LEGAL PROCESS IN COURTS. PEOPLE ARE NOT  
21 BEING ASSIGNED RANDOMLY OR IN ANY KIND OF LIGHT WAY TO CARE.  
22 THEY USUALLY ACCEPT THE JUDGE'S RECOMMENDATIONS RATHER THAN  
23 COURT ORDERS. LET'S EMPLOY THIS FULLY. WE'LL HAVE AN IDEA OF  
24 THE SPACE NEEDS, THE NUMBERS NEEDS AND OF COURSE BE ABLE TO  
25 USE A LOT OF TREATMENT OUTSIDE OF JAILS.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.

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4 **JOSEPH MAIZLISH:** MAY I GIVE THESE?

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YOU MAY.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME JUST ADD THAT, MR. CHAIRMAN, WE PLAN  
9 TO FULLY IMPLEMENT LAURA'S LAW. THAT WILL BE A VERY BIG STEP.

10

11 **JOSEPH MAIZLISH:** I THINK IT WILL REDUCE THE NECESSITY FOR ANY  
12 KIND OF CONSTRUCTION.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MA'AM? FOLLOWED BY  
17 JOHN WALSH, WHO WILL BE THE FINAL SPEAKER ON THIS ITEM.

18

19 **MARSHA TEMPLE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I AM MARSHA TEMPLE. I  
20 AM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE INTEGRATED RECOVERY NETWORK.  
21 AND WHEREAS I GENERALLY SUPPORT THE MOTION, I DON'T THINK THAT  
22 IT GOES FAR ENOUGH. MORE PEOPLE IN L.A. COUNTY JAILS NEED MORE  
23 AND BETTER TREATMENT FOR THEIR MENTAL DISABILITIES. HOWEVER,  
24 PROVIDING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN A PUNITIVE ENVIRONMENT IS  
25 NOT THERAPEUTIC. 75 PERCENT OF THE CHRONICALLY HOMELESS PEOPLE





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1 ON SKID ROW ARE MENTALLY ILL. MOST OF THOSE PEOPLE WILL SPEND  
2 SOME TIME, SOME PART OF THEIR LIFE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY JAIL.  
3 WE NEED TO FIND A BETTER SOLUTION TO STOP THE REVOLVING DOOR  
4 BETWEEN SKID ROW AND TWIN TOWERS SO THAT WE COULD HAVE  
5 COMMUNITY-BASED TREATMENT THAT WOULD PROVIDE HOUSING,  
6 HEALTHCARE AND JOBS, THEREFORE REDUCED RECIDIVISM AND KEEP  
7 MORE MENTALLY ILL PEOPLE OUT OF JAIL. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY,  
10 AND PARDON THE FACT THAT I WAS SLIGHTLY DISTRACTED FOR A  
11 MOMENT. BUT THE OBSERVATION THAT IN A PUNITIVE ENVIRONMENT TO  
12 SEEK THERAPEUTIC RESULTS IS A POWERFUL INSIGHT, I BELIEVE. MR.  
13 WALSH, THE FLOOR IS YOURS.

14

15 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH, BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. A  
16 NEW POST UP TODAY. YOU KNOW, AM I THE ONLY ONE WHO'S BEEN AN  
17 INMATE? I'M A PROUD INMATE OF THE SHERIFF'S. 1990, JULY 14,  
18 SATURDAY. READ ALL ABOUT IT IN THE JULY 15 COPY OF THE L.A.  
19 TIMES. I WAS ARRESTED ON ORDERS OF MAYOR BRADLEY, WHO I STILL  
20 LIKE AS A PERSON, AT THE OPENING OF THE BLUE LINE. AND  
21 ARRESTED. I HAD MARKS ON MY WRISTS FOR ABOUT THREE OR FOUR  
22 DAYS. OF COURSE, IF THE SHERIFFS REALLY WANT TO CLAMP DOWN,  
23 YOU'LL HAVE SCARS ON YOUR WRIST FOR YOUR ENTIRE LIFE. I JUST  
24 WANT TO SAY AS A PARTAKER OF THE SERVICE, I WAS SENT DOWN TO A  
25 SHERIFF'S STATION, WHICH NO LONGER EVEN EXISTS ANYMORE, IT'S



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1 NOW A CHILD CENTER. AND I WAS TREATED OKAY. I WASN'T RAPED.  
2 THE OTHER GENTLEMEN IN THERE WITH ME WAS DRUNK. AND I GOT OUT  
3 ON MY OWN RECOGNIZANCE ABOUT FOUR HOURS LATER. AND THEN OF  
4 COURSE BRADLEY DROPPED THE CHARGES. AND YOU KNOW WHAT THE  
5 CHARGE WAS? SPEAKING TOO LOUDLY AT THE OPENING OF THE BLUE  
6 LINE. AND INCIDENTALLY, YOU CAN READ ALL ABOUT IT IN RONALD  
7 TAYLOR'S ARTICLE. SO LET ME SAY: YOU WASTED YOUR MONEY ON ME.  
8 REMEMBER, THAT WHAT WE SHOULD BE DOING HERE, THERE ARE NO  
9 SOCIAL PROBLEMS. THERE ARE ONLY POLITICAL PROBLEMS. THERE IS  
10 NO MENTAL ILLNESS; THERE IS UNEQUAL DISTRIBUTION OF WEALTH  
11 WHICH AFFECTS MINORITIES, RACIST, AND THAT'S THE REASON  
12 THEY'RE IN JAIL. THAT'S THE REASON RICH WHITE GUYS AREN'T IN  
13 JAIL. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
16 THAT CONCLUDES THE PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON ITEM 13. SUPERVISOR  
17 YAROSLAVSKY. I'M SORRY? THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR  
18 YAROSLAVSKY. MR. PREVEN, MAY I APPRISE YOU OF THE FACT THAT  
19 THE BOARD DOES HAVE RULES BY WHICH WE ARE GOVERNED.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D ASK ASSISTANT SHERIFF  
22 MCDONALD TO JOIN US AT THE CENTER TABLE. LET ME JUST THANK THE  
23 PEOPLE WHO TESTIFIED THIS MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN. THIS IS --  
24 AND ALL OF THE SUGGESTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE AND CRITIQUES  
25 THAT HAVE BEEN MADE ARE WELL MADE AND OUGHT TO BE TAKEN TO



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1 HEART HAS WE GO FORWARD. THE INTENT OF THIS MOTION IS TO THROW  
2 THIS KIND OF APPROACH INTO THE MIX OF THE STUDY THAT IS NOW  
3 BEING DONE PURSUANT TO THE MOTION THAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH  
4 MADE SOME WEEKS AGO. IN MY CONVERSATIONS WITH THE SHERIFF'S  
5 PERSONNEL, PARTICULARLY TERRI MCDONALD AND HER TEAM HAS  
6 CONVINCED ME THAT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE OUGHT TO AT LEAST  
7 LOOK AT AND SEE IF THERE COULD BE SOMETHING THAT CAN BE MADE  
8 OF THIS THAT WOULD BE A GAME CHANGER AS FAR AS THE WAY WE  
9 TREAT OR DEAL WITH PEOPLE WHO COME INTO OUR CUSTODY WHO HAVE  
10 MENTAL ILLNESS ISSUES OR SUBSTANCE ABUSE ISSUES OF ONE SORT OR  
11 ANOTHER. AND IT SOUNDS SIMPLE BUT IT CERTAINLY ISN'T SIMPLE.  
12 AND I THINK THERE'S A WHOLE -- NOT ONLY DOES OUR CULTURE AS  
13 PUBLIC POLICYMAKERS HAVE TO CHANGE SOMEWHAT, BUT YOUR  
14 DEPARTMENT'S CULTURE IS GOING TO HAVE TO CHANGE. BECAUSE EVEN  
15 IF YOU FIND A WAY TO DO THIS KIND OF AN APPROACH, TO DO A  
16 BUILDING THAT PUTS AS MUCH OF A FOCUS ON TREATMENT AS IT DOES  
17 ON INCARCERATION, THE ABILITY TO DO THE JOB RIGHT, LET'S  
18 STIPULATE THAT THERE ARE SOME PEOPLE THAT SHOULDN'T EVEN BE  
19 THERE. BUT FOR THOSE WHO ARE REQUIRED TO BE THERE, TO DO THE  
20 JOB RIGHT, THE MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS AND THE PERSONNEL  
21 OTHER THAN THE SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL WHO ARE THERE NEED TO HAVE  
22 SOME RUN OF THE PLACE SO THAT THEY CAN DO THEIR THING. THEY  
23 CAN DO WHAT THEY'RE TRAINED TO DO. AND YOUR SHERIFF'S  
24 PERSONNEL ARE GOING TO HAVE TO BE TRAINED TO, A LITTLE BIT IN  
25 WHAT THOSE MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS ARE TRAINED IN SO THAT



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1 THEY CAN WALK A MILE IN THE OTHER PERSON'S SHOES AND NOT JUST  
2 SAY "YOU'RE NUTS, AND WE'RE GOING TO SHUT YOU OFF AND YOU  
3 CAN'T DO WHAT YOU'RE PROPOSING TO DO. IT'S NOT IN KEEPING WITH  
4 THE REGULATIONS THE WAY WE RUN OUR JAIL," ET CETERA. I'M KIND  
5 OF -- I'M JUMPING AHEAD OF THE GAME BECAUSE I THINK THERE IS  
6 AN APPETITE ON OUR BOARD TO TAKE A LOOK AT THIS. AS I SAID TO  
7 YOU WHEN WE MET, AND I'VE SAID TO THE SHERIFF, I'M NOT  
8 INTERESTED IN SPENDING A BILLION DOLLARS ON ANOTHER JAIL. I  
9 JUST THINK THAT'S A COLOSSAL WASTE OF MONEY. AND I KNOW THAT  
10 THE COMPLEXITIES WE'RE FACING. BUT UNTIL WE RAISE IT TO A  
11 CRISIS LEVEL AND ALMOST BLOW THE WHOLE SYSTEM UP, WE'RE NOT  
12 GOING TO GET ANYBODY'S ATTENTION ABOUT THE ABSURDITY OF  
13 SPENDING 1.4 BILLION, WHICH WAS THE ORIGINAL NUMBER THAT WAS  
14 PROPOSED, 1.3 BILLION, TO TEAR DOWN AN EXISTING JAIL AND BUILD  
15 A NEW ONE TO REPLACE IT. BUT I AM OPEN, AS A POLICY MAKER AND  
16 AS A TAXPAYER, TO DOING SOMETHING THAT COSTS MONEY IF IT  
17 STANDS A CHANCE OF ACTUALLY PRODUCING RESULTS AND GETTING GOOD  
18 PRODUCT OUT THE DOOR AND NOT JUST WAREHOUSING PEOPLE WHO HAVE,  
19 FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER, FOUND THEMSELVES IN OUR CUSTODY.  
20 AND IT'S A VERY SIMPLE ASPIRATION THAT I THINK EVERYBODY COULD  
21 AGREE WITH. BUT THE DEVIL IS MOST CERTAINLY IN THE DETAILS OF  
22 THIS. AND THAT'S WHAT I'M INTERESTED IN HEARING FROM YOUR  
23 CONSULTANT, OUR CONSULTANT, AND FROM US AND FROM THE  
24 STAKEHOLDERS. I THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE -- IF IT'S NOT  
25 APPROPRIATE TO HAVE THEM DESIGN A PROGRAM, A FACILITY, IT'S



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1 CERTAINLY APPROPRIATE TO VET IT THROUGH THEM SO THAT SOME OF  
2 THESE FOLKS WHO MAY HAVE A CONTRARIAN POINT OF VIEW TO OUR OWN  
3 OR TO YOUR OWN BUT ACTUALLY TOIL IN THE VINEYARDS AS MUCH AS  
4 ANY OF US DO MIGHT ACTUALLY HAVE A GOOD IDEA, AS SHOCKING AS  
5 THAT MIGHT BE. SOME OF THESE FOLKS DO HAVE GOOD IDEAS FROM  
6 TIME TO TIME. AND I THINK THEY'VE COME HERE IN THAT SPIRIT TO  
7 HELP MAKE THIS, WHATEVER WE DECIDE TO DO, TO HELP MAKE IT AS  
8 GOOD AS POSSIBLE AND AS SUCCESSFUL AS POSSIBLE. SO THAT'S WHAT  
9 I'M INTERESTED IN SEEING US DO. I DON'T KNOW WHETHER THIS IS  
10 GOING TO GO ANYWHERE. I DON'T KNOW THAT ANY OF US DO. BUT I  
11 THINK YOU WANT TO GIVE IT A SHOT. AND I KNOW THE SHERIFF WANTS  
12 TO GIVE IT A SHOT. AND I THINK IT DESERVES TO BE LOOKED AT AS  
13 SERIOUSLY AS ANY OF THE OTHER ALTERNATIVES THAT HAVE BEEN  
14 KICKED AROUND. BUT I JUST WANTED TO SHARE THESE OTHER CONCERNS  
15 THAT I HAVE THAT WE NEED TO BE THINKING NOT JUST ABOUT THE  
16 BRICKS AND MORTAR AND HOW WE'RE GOING TO ORGANIZE THE  
17 FACILITY, BUT HOW IT'S GOING TO OPERATE, AND HOW WE CAN  
18 MINIMIZE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO EVEN HAVE TO GO INTO SUCH A  
19 FACILITY AND HOW WE CAN TREAT SOME OF THE LESS ACUTE CASES.  
20 I'LL CALL IT AN OUTPATIENT BASIS TO REFER THEM TO THE MENTAL  
21 HEALTH PROVIDERS THAT WE HAVE, THAT WE PARTNER WITH ALL OVER  
22 THE REGION. AGAIN, IT'S A LOT EASIER SAID THAN DONE AND IT'S  
23 NOT CHEAP. BUT IT'S A HELL OF A LOT CHEAPER THAN BUILDING A  
24 BILLION \$400 MILLION JAIL WHICH DOESN'T EVEN BEGIN TO ADDRESS



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1 IT. SO I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU, TERRY, AND SHERIFF, TO SPEAK TO IT  
2 AND SHARE WITH US ANY THOUGHTS YOU MAY HAVE.

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4 **TERRI MCDONALD:** CERTAINLY. THANK YOU SO MUCH. TERRI MCDONALD,  
5 ASSISTANT SHERIFF, CUSTODY DIVISION, SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,  
6 ACCOMPANYING THE SHERIFF TODAY. THANK YOU, FIRST OF ALL, FOR  
7 YOUR MOTION, MR. SUPERVISOR. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I REALIZED  
8 WHEN I STARTED TOURING THE JAILS WAS WE REALLY ARE CHALLENGED  
9 WITH PHYSICAL PLANT OF THE JAILS IN L.A. COUNTY. WE'RE  
10 CHALLENGED BOTH FOR TREATMENT SPACE AND INDIVIDUAL PROVIDER  
11 SPACE BUT ALSO CAPACITY IN GENERAL. THERE'S APPROXIMATELY 2700  
12 MALES IN TWIN TOWERS TODAY OR IN GENERAL POPULATION WHO ARE IN  
13 THE MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM OR NEED TO BE IN THE MENTAL HEALTH  
14 PROGRAM. AND WE'VE BEEN MONITORED BY DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE IN  
15 THE TREATMENT AND SERVICE PROVISION FOR THOSE OFFENDERS, AND  
16 WE HAVE NOT BEEN HITTING THE MARK. AND SO AS WE LOOK AT,  
17 REALLY, THE NEED TO STOP UTILIZING MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL AND  
18 BUILD ADDITIONAL CAPACITY, IT MAKES SENSE FROM MY PROFESSIONAL  
19 JUDGMENT TO ADDRESS OTHER ISSUES FACING THE COUNTY JAIL  
20 SYSTEM. AND ONE OF THE HIGHER RISK POINTS FROM MY PERSPECTIVE  
21 IS MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT. THERE'S OTHER AREAS THAT WE REALLY  
22 COULD ADDRESS THROUGH CONSTRUCTION, WHICH IS A.D.A., AMERICANS  
23 WITH DISABILITIES ACT, A NEED FOR BED CAPACITY. WE HAVE A  
24 LAWSUIT PENDING FOR US THERE. SO I WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
25 FURTHER DISCUSS THE ISSUE. I WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK



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1 WITH VANIR AND THE STAKEHOLDERS, I AGREE WITH YOU, MR.  
2 SUPERVISOR, THEY PROVIDE VALUABLE INPUT TO US. AND I AM ALWAYS  
3 WELCOME TO LISTEN TO OTHER PEOPLE'S IDEAS. AND SO WE LOOK  
4 FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE BOARD AND WITH PROVIDERS AND WITH  
5 VANIR IN COMING FORWARD WITH A PROPOSAL.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU. SHERIFF?

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9 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** WELL, WE CERTAINLY KNOW THAT THE VISION FOR  
10 DOING A BETTER JOB IS IN FRONT OF US NOW WITH YOUR PROPOSAL.  
11 AND I THINK IN THE DESIGN PHASE, WE'LL HAVE TO DO SOME  
12 SIGNIFICANT PLANNING TO ACCOMMODATE THE SECURITY ASPECT ALONG  
13 WITH THE MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT ASPECT. I THINK THAT WE WILL  
14 WORK CLOSELY WITH THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE AND WE'LL WORK CLOSELY  
15 WITH OUR MENTAL HEALTH PARTNERS THAT ARE WITHIN THE COUNTY'S  
16 EMPLOY AS WELL AS ALL THOSE WHO ARE OUTSIDE. I'M ON THE BOARD  
17 OF THE SALVATION ARMY. THE BELL SHELTER HAS PURPOSEFULLY  
18 DESIGNED ITSELF AROUND MENTALLY CHALLENGED OFFENDERS WHO ARE  
19 IN RECOVERY OF VARIOUS LEVELS, WHETHER IT'S PSYCHOLOGICAL OR  
20 ADDICTIONS THAT ARE CHEMICALLY INDUCED OR ALCOHOL-INDUCED. SO  
21 THIS IS REALLY THE BIGGEST CHALLENGE WE HAVE RELATIVE TO THE  
22 QUALITY OF WHAT'S GOING ON INSIDE THE JAILS BESIDES MINIMIZING  
23 VIOLENCE. SO I THINK THAT WE'RE ON AN OPPORTUNITY HERE WITH  
24 YOUR PROPOSAL. AND WE WOULD LIKE TO WORK OUT THE DETAILS IN A  
25 MANNER THAT SATISFIES THE ECONOMIC ASPECT OF THIS, AS WELL. AS





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1 YOU KNOW, STAFFING DOES COST IN A MEDICAL ENVIRONMENT A LITTLE  
2 MORE. BUT WE CAN WORK THIS OUT. I THINK THAT THERE'S A KEY TO  
3 DEEMPHASIZING FOR THOSE THAT CAN BE TREATED IN THE COMMUNITY,  
4 THE ASPECT OF MENTAL HEALTHCARE EXCLUSIVELY IN THE JAIL ALONE.  
5 I DON'T THINK IT SHOULD BE ON A CONTINUUM. DARRELL STEINBERG,  
6 THE PRESIDENT PRO TEM OF THE SENATE, HAS BEEN HERE. HE IS THE  
7 ONE WHO LED TO FUNDING FOR CONTINUUM OF CARE FOR MEDICINE  
8 AFTER THEY GOT OUT. THAT MONEY DRIED UP. WE'VE GOT TO LOBBY  
9 THE STATE WITH THEIR EXTRA REVENUE TO GET THAT PIECE BACK IN  
10 PLACE SO THAT THE CONTINUUM OF CARE GOES ON FOR THOSE THAT ARE  
11 MENTALLY IN NEED OF PHARMACEUTICAL SUPPORT. SO I HAVE A LOT OF  
12 ENTHUSIASM ABOUT YOUR PROMOTION, OBVIOUSLY. BECAUSE OF THE  
13 NATURE OF WHAT IS REAL IN TERMS OF A MENTALLY CHALLENGED  
14 INDIVIDUAL, IT IS NOT SIMPLE EVEN AFTER RELEASE FROM THE  
15 COUNTY JAIL TO THINK THAT THAT PERSON IS GOING TO BE STABLE.  
16 THE CONTINUUM OF CARE ALLOWS FOR THE STABILITY. THE DESIGN OF  
17 THE INSTITUTION WILL FACILITATE THEIR PARTICULAR MALADY. IT IS  
18 REALLY -- HAS MANY MORE POSITIVE ASPECTS THAT I CAN'T EVEN  
19 COMMENT ON NOW. AND I JUST THANK YOU FOR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO  
20 TAKE THIS ISSUE AS SERIOUSLY AS YOU HAVE. AND WE WANT TO MAKE  
21 IT WORK. THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S ALL I HAVE.



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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH,  
2    SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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4    **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS, I HAVE NO PROBLEM  
5    SUPPORTING THIS MOTION BECAUSE IT FOLLOWS THE MOTION THAT  
6    SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND I HAD BROUGHT IN TO HAVE AN ENTIRE  
7    COMPREHENSIVE STUDY AND VIEW, REVIEW OF THE COURTS SO WE CAN  
8    DEAL WITH ALL OF THESE ISSUES THAT WE ARE WORKING TO RESOLVE.  
9    AND I WOULD JUST ASK THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE THAT RELATIVE TO THE  
10   INDEPENDENT COUNSEL OR CONSULTANT, THIS WILL NOT HAVE ANY  
11   DELAY IN THEIR FINAL REPORT TO THIS BOARD?

12

13   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ACTUALLY, I DID SPEAK TO THE  
14   CONSULTANT. IT WILL PROBABLY BE ABOUT A TWO-WEEK DELAY. WE  
15   INTEND TO BRING THE REPORT BACK ON JULY 16.

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17   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT WILL BE JULY 16, THEN?

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19   **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** CORRECT.

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21   **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

22

23   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ANY FURTHER  
24   DISCUSSION ON THE ITEM? IT IS ABUNDANTLY CLEAR THAT THE  
25   EMPHASIS ON MENTAL HEALTH IS A FULLY APPROPRIATE ONE. AND TO



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1 THE EXTENT THAT THAT IS THE CASE, THIS SEEKS TO CAUSE OUR  
2 FURTHER ATTENTION AND SCRUTINY TO THE BE APPLIED TO THAT  
3 SUBJECT MATTER WITH THE INTENT FOR US TO COME OUT WITH A MUCH  
4 BETTER PROJECT. I THINK THAT'S THE INTENT AND THE SPIRIT OF  
5 THE MOTION. IT'S BEEN PROPERLY MOVED AND SECONDED. IF THERE  
6 ARE NO FURTHER DISCUSSION, IF THERE IS NO FURTHER DISCUSSION  
7 TO BE HELD ON THE ITEM, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE. MADAM  
8 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, THE SHERIFF IS HERE. WE WISH TO TAKE UP  
9 THAT ITEM, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. WE DO  
10 NOTE THE SPEAKER TO BE HEARD ON THIS, PATRISSE CULLORS, IF YOU  
11 WOULD COME FORWARD. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SHERIFF BACA?

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15 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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17 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE  
18 BOARD, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO RECESS THE REGULAR BOARD  
19 MEETING IN ORDER TO TAKE UP THE ORAL TESTIMONY FROM THE  
20 SHERIFF FOR THE ADJOURNED SPECIAL BUDGET HEARING MEETING  
21 RELATED TO THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET OF 2013/14. I BELIEVE THE  
22 SHERIFF WANTED TO MAKE SOME COMMENTS?

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE MATTER OF THE BUDGET  
25 THAT'S BEFORE US, THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD ON THAT



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1 ITEM, SHERIFF BACA. AND SO IF YOUR STAFF IS HERE, WE CAN  
2 PROCEED ACCORDINGLY. AND AS YOU PREPARE, I'M SORRY? AS YOU  
3 PREPARE, COME FORWARD, AND MISS CULLORS, PLEASE PROCEED.

4

5 **PATRISSE CULLORS:** GOOD MORNING, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS PATRISSE  
6 CULLORS. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF DIGNITY AND POWER NOW  
7 AND THE FOUNDER AND LEAD ORGANIZER OF THE COALITION TO END  
8 SHERIFF'S VIOLENCE IN L.A. JAILS. OUR ORGANIZATION STRONGLY  
9 AGREES WITH THE PERSONS BATTLING WITH MENTAL ILLNESS AND  
10 PERSONS BATTLING WITH DRUG ADDICTION SHOULD BE GIVEN  
11 SPECIALIZED TREATMENT. BUT WE DISAGREE WITH THE MOTION TO PUSH  
12 FURTHER JAILING OF OUR LOVED ONES. MY BROTHER WAS DIAGNOSED  
13 INSIDE L.A. COUNTY JAIL'S TWIN TOWERS, AND HIS HEALTH  
14 DETERIORATED INSIDE THE JAILS. NOT ONLY WAS HE NOT ADEQUATELY  
15 TREATED, HE WAS CONSISTENTLY ABUSED BY SHERIFF DEPUTIES. I  
16 ASKED HIM IF HE EVER RECEIVED ANY PROPER TREATMENT, AND HE  
17 SAID NO. HE WAS USUALLY OVERLY MEDICATED AND NEVER GIVEN THE  
18 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH A THERAPIST ON A REGULAR BASIS. OUR  
19 ORGANIZATION HAS MET WITH DOZENS OF FAMILIES WHOSE LOVED ONES  
20 HAVE SUFFERED FROM ABUSE BY THE SHERIFFS AND ALSO A LOT OF  
21 THEIR LOVED ONES SUFFERED FROM MENTAL ILLNESS. WE BELIEVE THE  
22 MONEY YOU ARE SUGGESTING TO GIVE TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
23 SHOULD BE GIVEN TO COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS. AND WE NEED  
24 TO CENTER THE CONVERSATION ABOUT WELLNESS AND HEALTH AT THE  
25 FOREFRONT OF THE CONVERSATION ABOUT FOLKS WITH MENTAL



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1 ILLNESSES AND DRUG ADDICTION. WE ARE URGING THE BOARD TO LOOK  
2 FOR ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR  
5 TESTIMONY, MS. CULLORS, WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO HEAR  
6 FROM YOU AS WE PROCEED WITH THE ITEMS AT HAND. SHERIFF, READY  
7 TO PROCEED?

8

9 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES. GOOD MORNING AGAIN OR GOOD AFTERNOON.  
10 WITH ME IS ASSISTANT SHERIFF TODD ROGERS AND GLENN DRAGOVICH,  
11 AND CONRAD, WHO ARE ALL PART OF THE BUDGET MANAGEMENT OF THE  
12 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. WE COULD GO TWO WAYS. WE COULD GIVE YOU  
13 A POWER POINT WHICH WE HAVE DISTRIBUTED TO ALL FIVE OFFICES  
14 ALREADY AND WE'VE DISCUSSED THIS WITH YOU IN PERSON. I DON'T  
15 KNOW IF THAT'S NECESSARY TO REPEAT HERE PUBLICLY. BUT IN YOUR  
16 DIRECTION, I WILL FOLLOW THAT LEAD IF THAT'S WHAT YOU CHOOSE.  
17 IF NOT, THEN I THINK THAT THERE'S A NODDING TO GO FORWARD THAT  
18 WE DON'T NEED TO RECOVER OLD GROUND.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK WE'VE HAD THE  
21 PRESENTATION BEFORE AND WE ARE IN PRETTY GOOD SHAPE UNLESS  
22 THERE'S A SENTIMENT OTHERWISE FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.  
23 [SILENCE.] SEEING NONE, PROCEED, SHERIFF.

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1   **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** OKAY. THE KEY POINT IS THAT WE'VE BEEN IN  
2   COMMUNICATION WITH THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE. THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE  
3   HAS PROPOSED A PARTIAL ELIMINATION PLAN OF THE CARPING PROBLEM  
4   THAT WE HAVE. IN DISCUSSING WITH MY STAFF HOW WE WOULD DO  
5   THIS, WE INTEND TO END, AS BEST AS WE CAN, THE CARPING PROBLEM  
6   IN THE PATROL STATIONS THAT AFFECT THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS.  
7   I'VE LISTENED TO EACH BOARD MEMBER REGARDING THE  
8   UNINCORPORATED PRIORITY THAT THEY HAVE. AND I AGREE WITH THE  
9   CONCERN. AND IT'S MY CONCERN, AS WELL. SO THAT'S OUR FIRST  
10   PHASE OF WHAT WOULD BE A NUMBER OF DOLLARS. IT COULD BE AS  
11   MUCH AS \$18 MILLION. THE TOTAL PROBLEM FOR CARPING, BY THE  
12   WAY, IS \$36,600,000 PROBLEM. TO END IT ALL, THAT'S WHAT IT  
13   WOULD TAKE IN TERMS OF A FINANCIAL ASSIST. HOWEVER, IN THE  
14   DISCUSSION WITH THE C.E.O., HE PROPOSED AN \$18 MILLION FIRST  
15   PHASE. I THINK THAT'S MANAGEABLE AND REASONABLE. BUT THAT  
16   MONEY, I'VE INSTRUCTED MY BUDGET EXPERTS HERE TO DEDICATE THIS  
17   MONEY WHOLLY TO THE PATROL STATIONS, UNINCORPORATED PATROLS.  
18   AND THIS, THEN, WILL BE EARMARKED. IT WILL BE AUTOMATED FROM  
19   ONE YEAR TO THE OTHER. IT WILL BE ONGOING. AND THE ONLY THING  
20   THAT WOULD BE ANYTHING THAT WOULD ERODE TO THAT AMOUNT OF  
21   MONEY IS WHEN THERE'S FUTURE SALARY INCREASES AND THE LIKE,  
22   WHICH REDUCES THE PER CAPITA COSTS -- OR INCREASES THE PER  
23   CAPITA COSTS. SO FIRST POINT OF MY BUDGET IS THE C.E.O. HAS  
24   PROPOSED AN 18 MILLION PHASE 1 ALLOCATION. AND I'M ASKING THE  
25   BOARD TO SUPPORT THAT ALLOCATION TO ELIMINATE CARPING IN THE



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1 UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S  
2 PATROLLING AREAS. NUMBER 2, THE ONGOING RESTORATION OF THE  
3 CUTS THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ENDURED THREE BUDGETS AGO, THE  
4 C.E.O. IS PROPOSING TO HAVE THE 22 MILLION RATHER THAN A ONE-  
5 TIME ALLOCATION, THAT IT BE A CONTINUING, STRUCTURALLY AN  
6 ONGOING ALLOCATION. THAT'S A VERY IMPORTANT AMOUNT OF MONEY,  
7 OBVIOUSLY. AND THAT AMOUNT WE WILL ENDEAVOR TO END THE CARPING  
8 IN THE JAIL SYSTEM OR OTHER ASPECTS OF THE DEPARTMENT.  
9 PARTICULARLY WE DON'T WANT TO CARP DETECTIVES THAT ARE COMING  
10 OUT OF OUR DETECTIVE DIVISION ITSELF. AND SO THE POLICING SIDE  
11 IS IMPORTANT, AS WELL. AND WE'RE GOING TO LOOK AT HOW TO APPLY  
12 THIS MONEY IN THAT RESPECT. BUT IT'S NOT GOING TO BE EASY TO  
13 DO BECAUSE IT IS A BUDGET THAT IS ESSENTIALLY DESIGNED, THE 22  
14 MILLION, TO KEEP THE STAFFING LEVEL WHERE IT SHOULD BE TO  
15 PROVIDE SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
16 SYSTEM. LET ME SEE. IS THERE ANOTHER ITEM THAT I DIDN'T  
17 MENTION HERE? SO THE FINAL POINT TO MAKE IS THAT OUR TOTAL  
18 RECOMMENDED CUT FOR THE CURRENT BUDGET IS \$59 MILLION. AND  
19 WHAT I BELIEVE IN MY LAST CONVERSATION WITH THE C.E.O., WHICH  
20 WAS THIS MORNING, IS THAT AS THE COUNTY'S REVENUE SHOWS A  
21 POSITIVE GROWTH, THEN WE WILL BE IN A POSITION TO VISIT WHAT  
22 MAY BE SOME OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE ADDITIONAL ELIMINATION OF  
23 CARPING. AND SO THAT'S SOMETHING THAT MOST LIKELY WILL HAVE TO  
24 COME AT A LATER POINT IN TIME. HOPEFULLY WHEN WE GO INTO THE  
25 JUNE APPROVAL HEARINGS, WE'LL SEE A TREND WITH THE BUDGET,





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1 COUNTY REVENUES AND THE LIKE AS A POSITIVE GROWTH TREND. AND  
2 THEN TOWARD THE FALL WHEN WE RECONCILE THE WHOLE PRIOR YEAR  
3 FISCAL YEAR, MAYBE THERE WILL BE SOME INDICATORS, AS WELL. SO  
4 ALL I'M ASKING AT THIS POINT IS THAT ALL THE PLANNING  
5 PROCESSES TO BRING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S CARPING TO AN  
6 END WOULD BE APPRECIATED. IT WOULD CERTAINLY BE MORE TO AN  
7 ADVANTAGE FOR THE PUBLIC AND THE INTERNAL SERVICES WITHIN  
8 JAILS IF WE WERE TO END THE CARPING ALTOGETHER IN ONE FISCAL  
9 YEAR. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR  
12 ANTONOVICH, YOU WISH TO ENGAGE THE SHERIFF?

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SURE.

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** AND THEN SUPERVISOR KNABE WILL  
17 FOLLOW.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SHERIFF, I KNOW YOU'VE BEEN RELYING ON  
20 CARPING SINCE MARCH OF 2010 TO REDUCE THE USE OF OVERTIME  
21 RELATIVE TO YOUR BUDGET. AND THIS HAS REQUIRED YOUR PERSONNEL  
22 TO WORK 20 PERCENT OF THEIR 40-HOUR WEEK IN A DIFFERENT  
23 ASSIGNMENT TO FILL THESE VACANT POSTS WHICH YOU'VE KEPT  
24 UNFILLED BECAUSE OF BUDGET CUTS. I UNDERSTAND THAT BETWEEN  
25 MARCH 2010 AND APRIL 2013, CARPING HAS RESULTED IN 1.5 MILLION



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1 HOURS OF LOST INVESTIGATIVE, TRAINING, ADMINISTRATIVE,  
2 SUPERVISORIAL AND SPECIALIZED SERVICES. ALSO THAT WE HAVE  
3 FUNDED SOME OF YOUR ONGOING PROGRAMS WITH ONE-TIME FUNDS. BUT  
4 OUR JOINT MOTION TODAY IS NOT A PLAN THAT GIVES YOU AUTHORITY  
5 TO HIRE ALL 270 DEPUTIES OVERNIGHT BUT A THOUGHTFUL PLAN THAT  
6 PROPOSES PHASING OUT OF CARPING IN A RESPONSIBLE WAY AND IN A  
7 REALISTIC TIME FRAME. SO WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO A PLAN THAT  
8 WOULD ADDRESS THIS ISSUE WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE COLLEAGUES ON  
9 BOARD AND GETTING IF NECESSARY NEW SHERIFF DEPUTIES TO REPLACE  
10 THOSE THAT ARE NEEDED. SO, MR. FUJIOKA, ONE OF YOUR  
11 ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE BUDGET THIS YEAR WAS TO ALIGN ONE-TIME  
12 REVENUES WITH ONE-TIME EXPENDITURES FOR EVERY DEPARTMENT  
13 EXCEPT THE SHERIFF. WHEN DO WE INTEND TO ALIGN THE SHERIFF'S  
14 BUDGET SO THAT THE BUDGET BALANCE IS ONGOING FUNDING FOR  
15 ONGOING NEEDS, SPECIFICALLY THE \$22 MILLION FUNDING GAP? I  
16 NOTICE, MR. FUJIOKA, YOU CHANGED YOUR HAIR STYLE. THAT'S A  
17 CUTE DRESS.

18

19 **BRENCE CULP:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. YES, YOU'RE RIGHT. WE PLAN  
20 TO COME BACK TO YOUR BOARD IN THE FINAL STAGES PHASE OF THE  
21 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS, WHICH WILL BE ON JUNE 24 TO MAKE SURE  
22 THAT UNINCORPORATED AREA PATROL IS FULLY FUNDED AND HAS A  
23 CONTINUING SOURCE OF FUNDING BEHIND IT. WE HAD WAITED UNTIL  
24 FINAL CHANGES BECAUSE WE HAD BEEN ASKED BY YOUR BOARD TO  
25 ESTABLISH AN ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM TO ENSURE THAT ALL OF



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1 THAT FUNDING WOULD BE USED FOR DEPLOYING THAT PERSONNEL IN THE  
2 UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND WE'LL BE READY TO DO THAT.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THEN THE JUNE BUDGET THAT WE WILL HAVE  
5 BEFORE US WILL INCLUDE THE \$22 MILLION IN ONGOING FUNDS?

6

7 **BRENCE CULP:** WE'RE SCRUTINIZING THAT NUMBER. WE THINK IT WILL  
8 BE IN THAT BALLPARK. BUT WE WANT TO MAKE ABSOLUTELY SURE THAT  
9 THE UNINCORPORATED AREA -- OUR RECOMMENDATION TO YOU TO  
10 RESTORE FULL FUNDING FOR UNINCORPORATED AREA PATROL DOES COVER  
11 ALL OF THE SHERIFF'S COSTS FOR THAT FUNCTION. YES, SIR, IN  
12 THAT NEIGHBORHOOD.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN THE SHERIFF INDICATES HE'S  
15 APPROXIMATELY \$50 MILLION SHORT RELATIVE TO THE RE-ALIGNMENT  
16 A.B.109. AND OUR STAFFS WERE BRIEFED LAST WEEK ON THIS FUNDING  
17 AND TOLD THAT THE STATES ARE INADEQUATELY FULLY REIMBURSING  
18 THE SHERIFF'S COSTS BECAUSE HE WAS ADEQUATELY FUNDED THROUGH  
19 ALL OF THE N3'S IN THE JAIL. THERE WOULDN'T BE ENOUGH FUNDS  
20 LEFT FOR THE OTHER IMPACTED DEPARTMENTS AND COMMUNITY-BASED  
21 ORGANIZATIONS. SO HOW COULD YOU ADDRESS THAT YOU?

22

23 **BRENCE CULP:** THAT'S CORRECT, SIR. THE STATE FUNDING FOR  
24 A.B.109 RE-ALIGNMENT IS NOT SUFFICIENT IN THE AGGREGATE TO  
25 COVER THE SHERIFF'S FULL COSTS FOR INCARCERATING THAT



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1 POPULATION AS WELL AS THE COSTS FOR THE OTHER DEPARTMENTS. AS  
2 YOU KNOW, WE'RE CONTINUING TO WORK WITH THE STATE TO MAKE SURE  
3 THAT OUR FUNDING FOR THAT IS AS CLOSE TO BEING ADEQUATE AS  
4 POSSIBLE.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU KNOW, I'VE SUPPORTED IN THE PAST, OBVIOUSLY  
9 THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS HAVE A HUGE ISSUE FOR ME. GIVE YOU  
10 ADDITIONAL DOLLARS. BUT I CONTINUE TO HAVE PROBLEMS IN MY  
11 DISTRICT. AND I THINK IT'S A MICROCOSM OF OTHER PARTS OF THE  
12 COUNTY. AND I JUST WANT TO BE SURE -- I DON'T KNOW IF WE NEED  
13 TO PUT -- AND THIS IS BOTH TO THE SHERIFF AS WELL AS THE C.E.O  
14 -- IF WE NEED TO ADDRESS IT VIA P.F.U. OR WHAT SO THAT WE GET  
15 THESE DOLLARS. SAY HACIENDA HEIGHTS, OR ROWLAND LIGHTS APPEAR  
16 TO BE ADEQUATE, THE MONEY WE VOTED TO TAKE CARE OF THIS ISSUE  
17 BEFORE? IT'S GOING THIS WAY IN WHITTIER UNINCORPORATED. I  
18 DON'T KNOW HOW YOU ADDRESS THAT. BUT THE BIG THING FOR ME IS:  
19 I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM GETTING RID OF CARPING. I WANT TO GET  
20 RID OF IT. AND I WANT THE DOLLARS BUT I WANT THE DOLLARS  
21 PROTECTED SO THAT THEY GO TO THE UNINCORPORATED SERVICES.  
22 EVERY TIME WE THROW MORE MONEY AT IT, IT SEEMS TO BOUNCE  
23 AROUND. I JUST FEEL THE MONEY IS BEING USED IN OTHER PLACES.  
24 CAN WE DO IT P.F.U.? CAN WE PROTECT THE DOLLARS FOR  
25 UNINCORPORATED AREAS?



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**BRENCE CULP:** YES, SIR. IN ORDER TO ADDRESS YOUR QUESTIONS ABOUT ACCOUNTABILITY, FIRST, OF COURSE, THE SHERIFF HAD COMMITTED TO USING THE MONEY THAT WAS GIVEN THIS YEAR FOR THAT PURPOSE. BUT FOR NEXT YEAR WE ARE PROPOSING TO ESTABLISH AN ENTIRELY SEPARATE BUDGET UNIT. IT WILL KEEP THE MONIES SET ASIDE FOR USE ONLY FOR THAT PURPOSE. THE SHERIFF WILL WORK WITH YOUR OFFICES TO DETERMINE THE LEVEL OF SERVICE THAT WILL BE PROVIDED IN YOUR UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND THEN THE SHERIFF WILL SUBMIT A MONTHLY BILL DEMONSTRATING THAT THOSE SERVICES WERE PROVIDED. AND THEN THAT BILL CAN BE USED TO DRAW FUNDING FROM THAT BUDGET UNIT. IT WILL PREVENT THE FUNDING IN THE BUDGET UNIT FROM BEING USED FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE.

14

**SUP. KNABE:** WELL RIGHT NOW WE'VE GOT THE ACCOUNTABILITY THROUGH MINUTES AND THE MINUTES DON'T LOOK GOOD VERSUS OTHER AREAS. WE'RE REALLY GETTING SHORTCHANGED IN WHITTIER UNINCORPORATED. AND NOW THAT I'VE TAKEN OVER ALL OF WHITTIER UNINCORPORATED FROM SUPERVISOR MOLINA, IT'S A HUGE ISSUE FOR ME. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS LOOK AT THE NUMBERS TO KNOW THAT GAMES ARE BEING PLAYED WITH SOMEBODY, AND IT'S THE PEOPLE THAT I REPRESENT AND THAT THIS COUNTY REPRESENTS. AND WE ARE THEIR POLICE CHIEF AND POLICE DEPARTMENT AND PROTECTORS. AND WHILE CRIME MAY BE DOWN, WE CERTAINLY HAVE OTHER ISSUES IN THAT AREA THAT DESERVE THE SAME KIND OF PROTECTION THAT EVERY OTHER PART



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1 OF THE COUNTY GETS AND DESERVES. SO, I MEAN, YOU KNOW, AS LONG  
2 AS IT'S GOING TO BE A SEPARATE BUDGET UNIT AND THERE'S GOING  
3 TO BE ACCOUNTABILITY. WE GOT THE MINUTES RIGHT NOW.

4

5 **BRENCE CULP:** WE WILL BE TYING THOSE MINUTES TO FUNDING. AND SO  
6 THE SHERIFF HAS OFFERED TO GIVE THE MONTHLY ACCOUNTING. AND  
7 THAT WILL CREATE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUR OFFICE TO HAVE A  
8 CONVERSATION WITH THE SHERIFF'S STAFF ABOUT WHETHER THOSE  
9 NUMBERS ARE MEETING YOUR NEEDS.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** AND I APPRECIATE THAT. BUT THE PROBLEM IS WE'RE  
12 GETTING THOSE NUMBERS NOW. INSTEAD OF GOING THIS WAY, THEY'RE  
13 GOING THAT WAY. AND I THOUGHT, HEY, WE GAVE SOME DOLLARS FOR  
14 CARPING. AND IT SEEMS TO BE WORKING IN OTHER PARTS OF THE  
15 COUNTY. BUT WHITTIER'S GETTING SHORTCHANGED.

16

17 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THANK YOU, MR. SUPERVISOR. I AGREE WITH YOU.  
18 I THINK WE HAVE DEDICATED THIS NEW PROPOSED AMOUNT OF DOLLARS  
19 WHOLLY FOR UNINCORPORATED PATROL TO END CARPING. RIGHT NOW  
20 WE'RE AT A 98 PERCENT SERVICE LEVEL FOR BOTH THE CITIES AND  
21 THE COUNTIES IN TERMS OF OUR MINUTES PROVIDED AND THE MONEY  
22 THAT'S SPENT.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** NOT IN WHITTIER. YOU'RE NOT CLOSE.

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1   **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THE WHITTIER PART MAY BE IN NEED OF THAT  
2   EXTRA ATTENTION, AND I INTEND TO STRAIGHTEN THAT PROBLEM OUT,  
3   MR. SUPERVISOR. I APPRECIATE YOUR OBSERVATION AND YOU'RE  
4   ABSOLUTELY CORRECT ON THE DEDICATING OF FUNDS AND NOT LETTING  
5   IT ERODE OVER VARIOUS BUDGET CYCLES. AND SO I WANT TO PUT A  
6   LOCK BOX ON THIS NEW BILL BACK. AND I'VE TOLD MY STAFF A  
7   COUPLE WEEKS AGO THAT IF THIS MONEY ARRIVES, WE CANNOT CHANGE  
8   THE DEDICATED FEATURE OF THIS IN ANY WAY, SHAPE OR FORM. THE  
9   C.E.O.'S PLAN TO HAVE THOSE SPECIAL BUDGET UNITS FOR THIS  
10   PURPOSE FURTHER SOLIDIFIES SOLVING THE PROBLEM THAT YOU'VE  
11   IDENTIFIED. THANK YOU.

12

13   **SUP. KNABE:** WE WANT TO PHASE OUT CARPING, BUT I'M NOT SURE  
14   WHAT THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO DO THAT. OBVIOUSLY THAT'S A  
15   DEBATE THAT YOU ALL HAVE INTERNALLY WITH THE UNIONS AND  
16   EVERYBODY ELSE. SOME WANT OVERTIME, SOME WANT NEW DEPUTIES.  
17   DOESN'T LOOK LIKE WE CAN HAVE IT BOTH WAYS.

18

19   **BRENCE CULP:** THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR. WE'RE LOOKING AT THE  
20   FUNDING ALLOCATION TO BEGIN ELIMINATING CARPING AS THE SHERIFF  
21   MENTIONED AND AS YOUR BOARD HAS INDICATED SUPPORT FOR. WHETHER  
22   THAT IS ACHIEVED BY ADDITIONAL OVERTIME OR NEW HIRES WILL BE A  
23   POLICY DECISION FOR THE BOARD.

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS  
2    OR COMMENTS FOR THE SHERIFF AT THIS POINT? LET ME, THEN, MOVE  
3    THAT THE BOARD RECEIVE AND FILE, TAKE UNDER ADVISEMENT THE  
4    SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET REQUEST AND COMMENTS MADE BY SHERIFF BACA.  
5    IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION, WE ARE GOING TO ADJOURN OUR SPECIAL  
6    MEETING ON THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET. ANY WRITTEN TESTIMONY AND  
7    REQUESTS ARE TO BE FILED WITH THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF  
8    SUPERVISORS THROUGH THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON THIS COMING  
9    FRIDAY, MAY 24. ALSO, I WOULD RECONFIRM THAT THE BUDGET  
10    DELIBERATIONS WILL BEGIN ON MONDAY, JUNE 24, AT 9:30 THAT  
11    MORNING. SO IT HAS BEEN MOVED. AND IT'S SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR  
12    ANTONOVICH. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS, WE WILL RECONVENE OUR  
13    REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER.  
14    THERE'S NO POINT OF ORDER YOU CAN DECLARE FROM YOUR SEAT. TAKE  
15    YOUR SEAT. YES? MR. CHAIRMAN, WE ARE STILL DOING SPECIALS. I  
16    BELIEVE SUPERVISOR KNABE IS UP.

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18    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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20    **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE SEVERAL ADJOURNING MOTIONS.  
21    FIRST OF ALL, MIKE MENTIONED ALREADY, BUT LONGTIME FRIEND MR.  
22    STEVE KINNEY, ONE OF MY DEAR FRIENDS, PASSED AWAY, AS MIKE  
23    MENTIONED THIS LAST COUPLE DAYS DUE TO AN INCREDIBLE BATTLE  
24    WITH CANCER. HE WAS A LEADING CONSULTANT IN CALIFORNIA  
25    REPUBLICAN POLITICS, PART OF PUBLIC OPINION STRATEGY FOR THE



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1 LAST 14 YEARS. HE WORKED IN WESTERN POLITICS FOR OVER 40  
2 YEARS, INCLUDING AS PART OF THE R.N.C. REGIONAL POLITICAL  
3 DIRECTOR. HE WAS A POLLSTER TO GOVERNOR DEUKMEJIAN, GOVERNOR  
4 WILSON, STATE TREASURER MATT FONG, AMONG OTHERS, AND AS MIKE  
5 MENTIONED, SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE. HE IS  
6 SURVIVED BY HIS DEAR WIFE, CINDY. HE WILL BE MISSED IMMENSELY  
7 BY THOSE OF US WHO KNEW HIM AND THOSE WHOSE LIVES HE ENRICHED.  
8 ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF TYLER COHEE. TYLER IS THE  
9 SON OF A VERY GOOD FRIEND WHO WAS TRAGICALLY KILLED IN AN  
10 AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT A COUPLE DAYS AGO. HE WAS ONLY 33 YEARS  
11 OLD. OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS  
12 AT THIS VERY GRIEVOUS TIME. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF  
13 WILLIAM GILBERT, SPECIALIST WILLIAM GILBERT, YOUNG MAN AT 24  
14 OF HACIENDA HEIGHTS WAS KILLED IN AFGHANISTAN ON MAY 14 WHEN  
15 ENEMY FORCES ATTACKED THEIR UNIT WITH AN I.E.D. HE ENLISTED IN  
16 AUGUST OF 2010. ON HIS FIRST COMBAT TOUR HE WAS ASSIGNED TO  
17 THE THIRD BATTALION FIRST ARMY DIVISION FOR FORT BLISS.  
18 DEPLOYED TO AFGHANISTAN FOR OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM. HE WAS  
19 A STUDENT ATHLETE AT LA SERNA HIGH SCHOOL IN WHITTIER.  
20 GRADUATED IN 2007. HE WAS A PITCHER ON THE VARSITY BASEBALL  
21 TEAM FOR FOUR YEARS AND ALSO PLAYED FOOTBALL. HE IS SURVIVED  
22 BY HIS WIFE, MONICA, WHO IS EXPECTING A CHILD IN TWO WEEKS;  
23 ALSO HIS MOTHER JODY, AND SISTER JESSICA. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN  
24 IN MEMORY OF MOLLY HARRINGTON, A MANHATTAN BEACH NATIVE WHO  
25 ALSO FOUGHT A VERY COURAGEOUS BATTLE WITH BREAST CANCER AND



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1 PASSED AWAY AT THE VERY YOUNG AGE OF 45. SHE RECEIVED THE  
2 HEADMASTER'S AWARD FROM CHADWICK AND A B.A. FROM GEORGETOWN  
3 UNIVERSITY, LAW DEGREE FROM S.C., WHERE SHE GRADUATED NEAR THE  
4 TOP OF HER CLASS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, CHRIS; AND  
5 THEIR THREE CHILDREN, STELLA, REILLY AND FINN. AND FINALLY  
6 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CATHY LYNN HUBBARD, LONGTIME  
7 RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH, AND EMPLOYEE WITH OUR DEPARTMENT OF  
8 PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, WHO ALSO PASSED AWAY AT THE VERY YOUNG  
9 AGE OF 45. SHE WAS A GRADUATE OF CAL STATE DOMINGUEZ. STARTED  
10 HER CAREER WITH D.P.S.S. AS AN ELIGIBILITY WORKER. SHE HOSTED  
11 SEVERAL LEGISLATIVE VISITS AND ACCOMPANIED V.I.P.S AND I.H.S.  
12 RIDE ALONGS, RECEIVED COUNTLESS AWARDS AND RECOGNITION LETTERS  
13 FOR HER OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS AND VOLUNTEER WORK. SHE WILL  
14 BE DEEPLY MISSED. SHE WAS A DEVOTED MOTHER AND A PERSON WHO  
15 DEEPLY VALUED FRIENDSHIPS AND FAMILY. SHE ENRICHED THE LIVES  
16 OF MANY AND WILL BE MISSED BY ALL. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER  
17 THREE CHILDREN, JAZMINE, AARON, KELLY; FATHER, ALBERT;  
18 SIBLINGS, RASHELLE, DEBRA, ALBERT, JR., AND COURTNEY. MR.  
19 CHAIRMAN, THOSE ARE MY MOTIONS. AND I BELIEVE I HELD ITEM --

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ITEM 44.

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** ITEM 44. I HAVE JUST A QUESTION FOR THE  
24 DEPARTMENT. I WANT TO SORT OF GET THEM ON RECORD ON THIS.



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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ON RECORD. THE DEPARTMENT SHOULD  
2    COME FORWARD.

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4    **SUP. KNABE:** DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ANYBODY BACK THERE?

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6    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MR. HOWARD, THE SUPERVISOR  
7    WISHES TO GET YOU ON RECORD.

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9    **SUP. KNABE:** I WAS SORT OF SURPRISED TO SEE THAT YOU ALL ARE IN  
10    THE DESIGN PHASE OF THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT. THIS IS A HUGE  
11    PROJECT IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND PARTICULARLY WITH  
12    A.C.A. AND EVERYTHING ELSE COMING ON BOARD. IS THE DEPARTMENT  
13    DOING THIS INTERNALLY? OR ARE YOU USING OUTSIDE CONTRACTORS TO  
14    HELP IN THIS DESIGN PHASE?

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16    **DAVID HOWARD:** WE'RE BRINGING -- WE HAVE CONSULTANTS THAT ARE  
17    HELPING US RIGHT NOW, OUTSIDE CONSULTANTS, DOING THE  
18    ASSESSMENT. AND THEN IN THIS ACTION, WE WOULD BE BRINGING ON  
19    OUTSIDE CONSULTANTS THAT WOULD ACTUALLY DO THE DESIGN.

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21    **SUP. KNABE:** BECAUSE I WAS JUST WONDERING WHAT KIND OF  
22    EXPERTISE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS HAS AS IT RELATES TO  
23    A CENTRALIZED HEALTH INFORMATION DATA SYSTEM. I WAS SOMEWHAT  
24    CONFUSED BY THE FACT THAT E.P.W. IS THE LEAD ON THIS VERSUS



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1 OUR TECH FOLKS OR I.S.D. OR SOMEONE ELSE. SO MAYBE YOU COULD  
2 EXPLAIN WHY OR HOW YOU GUYS WOUND UP IN CHARGE OF THIS.

3

4 **DAVID HOWARD:** SURE. YES, SUPERVISOR. THE OVERALL HEALTH  
5 RECORDS PROGRAM REALLY HAS TWO COMPONENTS: HEALTH SERVICES  
6 WITH THEIR CONSULTANTS IS LEADING THE I.T. COMPONENT OF IT.  
7 THE PIECE THAT'S BEFORE YOU THIS MORNING THAT PUBLIC WORKS IS  
8 RESPONSIBLE FOR IS WE'RE DOING UPGRADES TO THE EXISTING  
9 BUILDING SYSTEMS, SPECIFICALLY COOLING, ELECTRICAL AND LOW-  
10 VOLTAGE CABLING THAT WILL SUPPORT THE NETWORK THAT THEY'RE  
11 GOING TO BUILD.

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13 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU'RE MORE IN CHARGE OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE PIECE?

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15 **DAVID HOWARD:** THAT'S EXACTLY CORRECT.

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY, THANK YOU. I'LL MOVE THE ITEM, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S BEEN PROPERLY MOVED. IS  
20 THERE A SECOND? SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH THEN SECONDS. THERE'S NO  
21 FURTHER DISCUSSION OR OBJECTIONS, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS  
22 VOTE. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. IF I MAY PROCEED TO MY  
23 ADJOURNING MOTIONS, I BEGIN WITH MR. ADAM BURTON, BORN  
24 DECEMBER DECEMBER 28, 1926 IN PASADENA, CALIFORNIA. AND HE  
25 PASSED ON MAY 15 AT THE AGE OF 86. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED



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1 STATES ARMY DURING WORLD WAR II AND WAS THE FIRST AFRICAN-  
2 AMERICAN IN CALIFORNIA TO BE AWARDED A COLLECTION AGENCY  
3 LICENSE IN THE 1950S. HE ALSO SERVED AS A DEPUTY TO LOS  
4 ANGELES COUNTY SUPERVISOR KENNETH HAHN. HE IS SURVIVED BY MANY  
5 MEMBERS OF HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HIM, NOT THE  
6 LEAST OF WHICH OF WHOM IS HIS SON, L.A. COUNTY FIRE CAPTAIN  
7 BRENT BURTON. AND PLEASE ADD SUPERVISOR KNABE AND SUPERVISOR  
8 ANTONOVICH. EDWARD MADDOX, BORN ON SEPTEMBER 27, 1949 AND HE  
9 PASSED ON MAY 21 AT THE AGE OF 63. HE GRADUATED FROM THE  
10 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA LOS ANGELES WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE  
11 IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AND HE EARNED HIS DOCTORATE OF  
12 JURISPRUDENCE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA BERKELEY. HE  
13 WORKED AS A STAFF ASSISTANT TO PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER IN THE  
14 1970S AND WORKED IN THE MEDIA INDUSTRY FOR OVER 25 YEARS.  
15 BEFORE JOINING THE SECOND DISTRICT STAFF AS THE SENIOR DEPUTY  
16 FOR COMMUNICATIONS IN 2009, HE WAS EMPLOYED IN THE CITY OF  
17 INGLEWOOD AS THEIR PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER. HE WILL BE  
18 REMEMBERED AS A HARD- WORKING AND CARING MAN. HE IS SURVIVED  
19 BY FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. EDWARD  
20 C. MADDOX. AND, FINALLY, CARL EARLS. CARL EARLS WAS A NEXT  
21 DOOR NEIGHBOR OF MINE, AND HE MOVED THERE IN 1957. I THINK THE  
22 RECORD WILL REFLECT WHEN HE MOVED TO THE COMMUNITY OF LEIMERT  
23 PARK, A COMMUNITY SOME NINE YEARS EARLIER, WAS DEFINED BY  
24 RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS. AN AREA, AS SOME OF YOU MAY KNOW, WAS  
25 MADE TO BE ACCESSIBLE TO FAIR HOUSING THROUGH THE SUPREME



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1 COURT CASE OF VAUGHN VERSUS MILLER. SORRY. NOT VAUGHN VERSUS  
2 MILLER. SHELLY VERSUS KRAMER. AND THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT HAS  
3 ENDURING IMPACT ON THE LIFE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. CARL  
4 EARLS PRACTICED LAW RIGHT THERE ON CENTRAL AND VERNON FOR  
5 MANY, MANY YEARS, SOME 50 SOME ODD YEARS. HE HAS PASSED. HE  
6 SERVED ON THE BOARD OF THE WILEY COLLEGE, ONE OF THE  
7 HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, AND WAS A MEMBER  
8 OF THE HAMILTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH. SERVICES WILL BE HELD  
9 ON NEXT TUESDAY AT THAT VERY CHURCH. AND SO WE SAY FAREWELL TO  
10 A GOOD MAN, CARL EARLS. MADAM SECRETARY.

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12 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** AT THIS TIME I BELIEVE WE WILL BE  
13 PROCEEDING INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THAT WILL BE THE  
16 ORDER.

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18 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** AND THEN IF I COULD READ YOU INTO  
19 CLOSED SESSION. IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,  
20 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL  
21 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-1, CONFERENCE  
22 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION, ITEM NO. CS-  
23 2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT  
24 EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE, AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, ITEM  
25 NO. 5 FROM TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BE DISCUSSED UNDER THIS ITEM.





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1 ITEM NO. CS-3, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES  
2 FOR THE POSITION OF INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR OVERSIGHT AND  
3 MONITORING OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND ITEM NO. CS-4,  
4 DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS AS POSTED ON THE  
5 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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8 [CLOSED SESSION]

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, IF YOU  
12 WOULD READ OUT THE REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION.

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14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NO. 5 TODAY, WHICH WAS IN  
15 OPEN SESSION AND WAS REFERRED TO CLOSED SESSION UNDER ITEM CS-  
16 2, ON THAT ITEM, IT WILL BE REFERRED BACK TO SUPERVISOR  
17 ANTONOVICH'S OFFICE. ON ITEM NO. CS-1, CS-2 AND CS-3, THERE IS  
18 NO REPORTABLE ACTION. AND WE WILL AGAIN GO BACK INTO CLOSED  
19 SESSION TO TAKE UP ITEM NO. CS-4. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WHAT'S BEFORE US NOW  
22 IS?

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24 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THE REPORT ON THE CITIZENS'  
25 COMMISSION ON JAIL VIOLENCE.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL HEAR FROM THE  
3 IMPLEMENTATION MONITOR AT THIS POINT. AND WE'RE GOING TO TAKE  
4 PUBLIC COMMENTS FIRST. AND I CALL THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE, THE  
5 FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS, DANIEL JONES, ANDRIANA BICANIN, ERIC  
6 PREVEN, OSCAR JOHNSON, PATRISSE CULLORS.

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8 **ERIC PREVEN:** THIS IS NOT THE JAIL REPORT. THIS IS S-3. ALL  
9 RIGHT. WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO BEGIN, SIR?

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** NO, I WANT YOU JUST TO --

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13 **ERIC PREVEN:** SIMMER DOWN?

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** HOLD YOUR HORSES JUST FOR A  
16 MOMENT. ON THE ITEM BEFORE US IN TERMS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION  
17 MONITOR REPORT, ERIC PREVEN, PATRISSE CULLORS, AND FLOYD  
18 HAYHURST. AND MR. JOHNSON, IF I COULD ASK YOU TO JUST HOLD ON  
19 FOR A BIT, WE'LL GET TO YOU SHORTLY, ALL RIGHT? THANK YOU.  
20 PROCEED, MR. PREVEN.

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22 **ERIC PREVEN:** PROCEED WITH WHAT, SIR? ARE WE IN PUBLIC COMMENT  
23 OR ARE WE IN S-3?

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1   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL SAY IT AGAIN. THE  
2   IMPLEMENTATION MONITOR'S REPORT IS S-3.

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4   **ERIC PREVEN:** BUT HE HAS NOT MADE HIS REPORT YET.

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6   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** BUT YOU ARE AFFORDED THE  
7   OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK.

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9   **ERIC PREVEN:** IN ADVANCE OF HIS REPORT? IS THAT WHAT YOU'D LIKE  
10   ME TO DO?

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12   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, OBVIOUSLY THAT'S WHAT I  
13   WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO DO, AND I'VE ASKED YOU TO DO IT FOUR  
14   TIMES.

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16   **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU FOR ONCE AGAIN LOADING UP MY TANK THE  
17   APPROPRIATE COMBUSTIBLES. I'M SPEAKING NOW. THIS IS MY  
18   PRESENTATION ON S-3. WE HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR A NUMBER OF  
19   HOURS. THERE WAS A CLOSED SESSION, WHICH IS UNDERSTANDABLE,  
20   PERHAPS. THE S-3 ITEM, THOUGH, IS A REPORT BY OUR -- NOT OUR  
21   ATTORNEY, BECAUSE HE'S CLEARLY NOT YOUR ATTORNEY, EVEN THOUGH  
22   HE IS THE FORMER GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE C.C.J.V. THE CURRENT  
23   MEMBER OF THE POLICE COMMISSION, CHILDREN'S LAW BOARD OF  
24   DIRECTORS. I MEAN HE DOES SEEM LIKE HE'S ONE OF THE LAWYERS



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1 FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. BUT WE'VE HEARD YOU TELL US THAT  
2 HE'S NOT.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** HE IS NOT.

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6 **ERIC PREVEN:** THAT SAID, WE WON'T NOW GET A CHANCE TO COMMENT  
7 ON HIS REPORT BUT I'VE READ IT SO I'LL DO MY BEST. TODAY IS  
8 ALSO THE DAY THAT WE ARE RESCHEDULING A LITTLE TETE-A-TETE  
9 WITH THE SHERIFF WHO GAVE US A NICE PRESENTATION THIS MORNING.  
10 MAYBE HE'LL HAVE A CLOSED SESSION VERSION OF THAT LATER. BUT  
11 NONE OF THESE ITEMS THAT I'M ABOUT TO MENTION WERE REFERENCED,  
12 THE \$88 MILLION THAT HAS BEEN REQUESTED, AS I UNDERSTAND IT,  
13 AND CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, 3 MILLION OF WHICH WILL GO TO THE  
14 FAST P.P.I. COMPUTER SYSTEM, TO ACTUALLY CONVERT THAT INTO  
15 CARTS, WHICH WOULD BE A BETTER SYSTEM. 771 FOR THE TERRI  
16 MCDONALD, THE ASSISTANT SHERIFF. 13,324,000 FOR THE INTERNAL  
17 INSPECTIONAL COMMAND, THAT'S THE GROUP THAT COMMANDER GUYOVICH  
18 WILL RUN. AND ALMOST \$6 MILLION, 5.8, FOR MORE CUSTODY-  
19 SPECIFIC TRAINING. 21 MILLION FOR MORE SUPERVISORS. AND THEN  
20 THIS IS AN IMPORTANT ONE, ZERO FOR CUSTODY ASSISTANTS. NOW,  
21 THERE MUST BE SOME REASON WHY 6.3 OR WHATEVER THE ITEM THAT  
22 SAID GET MORE CUSTODY ASSISTANTS HAS BEEN ZEROED OUT AND WE'RE  
23 PULLING OUT 14 MILLION OF THE BUDGET THAT WE HAD EARMARKED FOR  
24 THAT. \$15.442 MILLION IS TO REVAMP THE INVESTIGATIVE  
25 DISCIPLINE SYSTEM. WE'VE ASKED TO SEE THE GUIDELINES FOR



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1    FORCE. THEY WERE PROVIDED APPARENTLY IN FEBRUARY AND MARCH TO  
2    SOME PEOPLE BUT NOT TO THE PUBLIC. POLICE GIVE ME ONE SECOND  
3    TO FINISH. 313,000 FOR CHIEF ABNER, WHO WILL BE RUNNING THE  
4    I.A.B. GOING FORWARD. AND THEN 1-1/2 MILLION DOLLARS FOR RISK  
5    MANAGERS IN ALL OF THE JAILS. WHICH AGAIN, WHAT THEY'LL BE  
6    DOING IS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE. AND THAT'S WHY WE THINK THAT  
7    THESE MEETINGS SHOULD BE CONDUCTED OUT IN PUBLIC. AND THAT'S  
8    WHY WE'RE SO UPSET THAT MANY OF THESE MEETINGS HAVE BEEN  
9    TAKING PLACE IN THE BACK ROOM. AND ONE THING, MY FINAL  
10   COMMENT, I PROMISE, 15 SECONDS. THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR  
11   GENERAL, WE HAVE EARMARKED SUBSTANTIAL DOLLARS FOR. I BELIEVE  
12   IT'S -- WELL IT'S ACTUALLY NOT THAT MUCH. IT'S ONLY 5 MILLION.  
13   WE'RE GOING TO HAVE 16 MILLION FOR THE CONTINUATION OF THE  
14   CITIZENS COMMISSION ON JAIL VIOLENCE. BUT WE'VE BEEN MEETING  
15   IN CLOSED DOORS TO FIND THIS PERSON AND WE HAVE FORGOTTEN WHAT  
16   ABOUT THE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT DIMENSION? WE KNOW THAT YOU HAVE  
17   SUPPORTED THAT. AND THAT OTHER SUPERVISORS HOPEFULLY COULD  
18   COME FORWARD AND JOIN YOU IN THAT BECAUSE THAT IS REALLY  
19   WHAT'S NECESSARY TO GET A GRIP ON OUR JAIL VIOLENCE ISSUES BUT  
20   NOT JUST THAT, ALL THE SHERIFF ISSUES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
21   COURTESY AND TIME.

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23   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR MY LENIENCY, MR.  
24   PREVEN. COURTEOUS. LENIENCY, MR. PREVEN.

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, SIR.

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3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** LATITUDE. FLEXIBILITY. MR.  
4 HAYHURST.

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6 **FLOYD HAYHURST:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS  
7 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** NO LENIENCY FOR YOU, MR.  
10 HAYHURST.

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12 **FLOYD HAYHURST:** NO LEANING? [LAUGHTER.] I'M FLOYD HAYHURST,  
13 PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR LOS ANGELES DEPUTY SHERIFFS  
14 AND ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR 31 YEARS.  
15 I'M BACK AGAIN. AND BEFORE I START, I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT THIS  
16 IS ON ITEM NO. 2, AS WELL, WHICH I KNOW THAT'S BEEN ADDRESSED.  
17 I'M BACK AGAIN. I WILL CONTINUE TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD  
18 MEETINGS TO TRY TO URGE YOU TO STAY FOCUSED ON THE STAFFING  
19 LEVEL SHORTAGES WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THESE  
20 CONDITIONS ARE UNSAFE FOR OUR MEMBERS. AND WE ARE NOT  
21 PROVIDING THE KIND OF PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES THAT YOUR  
22 RESIDENTS EXPECTED AND DESERVE. ONE STATION LAST WEEK, ALL BUT  
23 ONE OF THE FIVE COUNTY PATROL CARS, WHICH IS THREE  
24 UNINCORPORATED AREAS, WERE BUSTED. THIS MEANS THE SHERIFF'S  
25 DEPARTMENT DEPLOYED ONE COUNTY CAR AND THREE UNINCORPORATED



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1 AREAS. TWO OF THE AREAS WERE COMPLETELY UNPATROLLED. I'M TOLD  
2 BY THE DEPUTIES AT THAT STATION, THIS IS NOT THE FIRST TIME  
3 AND THEY DO NOT EXPECT IT TO BE THE LAST TIME. THE STATION IS  
4 TEMPLE. AND IT WAS WEDNESDAY, MAY 15. WHAT'S REALLY  
5 DISCOURAGING ABOUT THIS PARTICULAR UNINCORPORATED AREA, THIS  
6 IS WHERE A DEPUTY WAS SHOT AND KILLED APPROXIMATELY 11 YEARS  
7 AGO. AND WE WERE ALL TOLD THERE WOULD NEVER BE UNDERSTAFFING  
8 AGAIN IN THAT PATROL AREA AND WE WOULD ALWAYS HAVE BACKUP. OF  
9 COURSE, THEY SOLVED THE PROBLEM THE OTHER NIGHT BY NOT  
10 DEPLOYING ANY DEPUTY SHERIFFS INTO THAT AREA. I'M SURE THE  
11 RESIDENTS LIVING THERE APPRECIATE THE SHERIFFS PATROLLING  
12 THERE. THIS PAST SATURDAY, ANOTHER STATION HAD THREE COUNTY  
13 CARS BUSTED. DEPUTIES ENCOUNTERED AN UNCOOPERATIVE ARMED  
14 SUSPECT. THEY REQUESTED ASSISTANCE THREE TIMES AS THEY ENGAGED  
15 A COMBATIVE ARMED SUSPECT. UNFORTUNATELY THE ARMED SUSPECT  
16 FOUGHT WITH THE DEPUTIES FOR CLOSE TO 3-1/2 MINUTES AND TRIED  
17 TO TAKE ONE OF THEIR GUNS. YES, THIS ENDED IN ANOTHER TRAGEDY.  
18 AT SHERIFF STATIONS ALL OVER THE COUNTY, OUR DETECTIVE BUREAUS  
19 HAVE CASELOADS PILED HIGH, CURRENT CASES UNTOUCHED, AND  
20 THEY'RE TOO BUSY WORKING THEIR SECOND JOB. IT'S CALLED  
21 CARPING. AS THE DETECTIVES REPORT THEIR BACKLOGS EACH AND  
22 EVERY WEEK, THEY CONTINUE TO BE PULLED FROM THEIR DESK TO WORK  
23 PATROL ASSIGNMENTS AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK TO KEEP THE MINIMUM  
24 CONTRACTED POSITIONS FILLED. IT IS UNSAFE FOR EVERYONE AND IS  
25 UNACCEPTABLE. WHY DOES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAVE TO SUFFER





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1 THESE UNSAFE STAFFING LEVELS? I'M ASKING YOUR HELP ONCE AGAIN.  
2 PLEASE DO NOT LET THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN YOU AND THE SHERIFF  
3 CONTINUE BECAUSE THE RESULT IS UNSAFE STAFFING LEVELS. THE  
4 COMMUNITY SHOULD BE SAFE, THE DEPUTIES SHOULD BE SAFE AND DO  
5 NOT DESERVE TO BE PAWNS IN THIS POLITICAL CONTEST. I KNOW EACH  
6 AND EVERY ONE OF YOU -- I KNOW EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU WILL  
7 DO THE RIGHT THING BY THE COMMUNITY AND YOUR BOARD SHOULD  
8 START IMMEDIATE ACTION WHICH I NOTICED YOU DID THIS MORNING TO  
9 START ADDING ADDITIONAL FUNDS AND RESOURCES TO THE  
10 UNINCORPORATED AREA. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT NEEDS MILLIONS  
11 OF DOLLARS TO RESTORE THE INADEQUACIES OF PERSONNEL TO COVER  
12 THE GROWING DEMANDS. WE NEED MORE SWORN PERSONNEL ON PATROL  
13 FOR BACKUP AND TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY THAT WE TOOK AN OATH TO  
14 PROTECT. YES, I KNOW THAT'S A LOT OF MONEY. BUT I'M SURE IT  
15 WILL MAKE THE COUNTY MUCH MORE SECURE AND SAFE. THERE ARE  
16 RESOURCES YOU CAN IDENTIFY TO PROVIDE RELIEF AND WE URGE YOUR  
17 BOARD TO TAKE ACTION THAT WOULD RESTORE THE SHERIFF'S  
18 DEPARTMENT FUNDING IMMEDIATELY. I HAVE A COPY OF THE RADIO  
19 TRANSMISSIONS OF THE EVENT THAT OCCURRED IN YOUR DISTRICT, MR.  
20 RIDLEY-THOMAS. I'M SURE YOU WOULD LOVE TO HEAR IT. I'M SURE  
21 THE REST OF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HEAR IT. IT'S ABOUT 10 MINUTES  
22 LONG. AND I DID BRING IT WITH ME. I WILL GIVE IT TO SERGEANT  
23 AT ARMS GIRARD. AND TAKE THE TIME TO LISTEN HOW LONG THESE  
24 DEPUTIES FOUGHT AND TRIED TO MAINTAIN CONTROL WITHOUT HAVING  
25 TO USE DEADLY FORCE. ABOUT SIX MINUTES INTO IT, YOU'LL HEAR



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1 WHERE THEY ASKED FOR MUTUAL AID FROM EAST L.A. STATION AND  
2 SOUTH STATION. THIS IS DANGEROUS. IT'S A DANGEROUS JOB. WE  
3 KNOW IT IS. BUT WE NEED THE FUNDING. AND PLEASE SET THE THINGS  
4 ASIDE. THANK YOU ALL THIS AFTERNOON FOR YOUR VERY VALUABLE  
5 TIME.

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR  
8 TESTIMONY. WE'LL MOVE TO THE NEXT PERSON WISHING TO BE HEARD.  
9 JOHN WALSH.

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11 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.  
12 COME AND SEE THE THROAT-SLITTING. AS FAR AS VIOLENCE IS  
13 CONCERNED, AS YOU KNOW I ONLY SPENT FOUR HOURS AS A GUEST OF  
14 THE SHERIFF'S IN MY LIFE. AND I DIDN'T SEE ANY VIOLENCE THERE.  
15 I THINK ONE OF THE PROBLEMS THE VIOLENCE IS HIGH IS THE FOOD  
16 BECAUSE IF YOU FEED PEOPLE TRASH, THEY WILL ACT TRASHY. IN MY  
17 ENTIRE LIFE, I'VE EATEN MANY MEALS. I'M ALMOST 70 YEARS OLD.  
18 IT'S THE ONLY MEAL I EVER ATE WHERE I HAD NO IDEA WHAT IT WAS.  
19 IT DIDN'T TASTE BAD. IT WAS TASTELESS. BUT I HAD NO IDEA WHAT  
20 IT WAS. WAS IT A SOUFFLE? I THINK THAT THE CRIME -- I MEAN,  
21 LET'S FACE IT. THERE ISN'T A JAIL IN THE WORLD THAT ISN'T RUN  
22 BY THE PRISONERS. LET ME REPEAT THAT. THERE IS NO JAIL IN THE  
23 HISTORY OF THE WORLD, YOU CAN GO BACK TO ATHENS, THAT ISN'T  
24 ESSENTIALLY RUN BY THE PRISONERS BECAUSE THEY OUTNUMBER THE  
25 GUARDS. AND LET'S FACE IT, THINGS ARE PRETTY BAD AT THIS



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1 FACILITY. AND THAT'S WHY, I REALLY THINK WHAT WE REALLY NEED  
2 IS TO HAVE ERIC GARCETTI COME IN AS THE MAYOR AND TRY TO SCORE  
3 POINTS OFF YOU AND TO MAKE THIS A NATIONAL ISSUE AND TO DO  
4 SORT OF LIKE AN ANTONIO VILLARAIGOSA THING WHILE HE MEDDLES IN  
5 EVERYTHING. OR YOU CAN VOTE FOR WENDY GREUEL, WHO WILL STAY  
6 OUT AND MIND HER OWN BUSINESS. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. SEE  
7 WHAT WE HAVE.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY  
10 AND THAT CONCLUDES THOSE WHO WISH TO BE HEARD ON THIS ITEM.  
11 I'LL ASK FOR MR. DROOYAN TO COME FORTH AT THIS POINT AND THEN  
12 WE WILL PROCEED WITH HIS PRESENTATION. HE DOES INDICATE THAT  
13 IT'S IN SUMMARY FASHION. FROM THAT POINT, I THINK WE WILL MOVE  
14 TO PUBLIC COMMENT. MR. JOHNSON, STAY TUNED. WELCOME MR.  
15 DROOYAN, YOU MAY PROCEED.

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17 **RICHARD E. DROOYAN:** I WILL AS SOON AS IT COMES BACK UP ON THE  
18 SCREEN. THERE IT IS. GOOD AFTERNOON. THIS IS MY SIXTH REPORT  
19 TO THE BOARD. THIS IS GOING TO BE A RELATIVELY BRIEF REPORT.  
20 MOST OF THE ACTIVITY IN THIS LAST PERIOD OF TIME HAS BEEN  
21 WORKING WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO PUT TOGETHER THEIR PROPOSALS  
22 FOR VARIOUS ASPECTS THAT REQUIRE FUNDING FROM THIS BOARD, AND  
23 I'LL TALK ABOUT THAT IN A SECOND. YOU'LL SEE IN THIS LAST  
24 PERIOD OF TIME THE DEPARTMENT HAS REALLY ONLY COMPLETED OR  
25 PARTIALLY COMPLETED TWO MORE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS. THE



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1 NUMBER OF IMPLEMENTED RECOMMENDATIONS HAS REMAINED THE SAME,  
2 BUT THE NUMBER OF PARTIALLY IMPLEMENTED HAS GONE FROM 15 TO  
3 17. AND I'LL TALK ABOUT THAT IN A SECOND. BUT THAT SHOULD NOT  
4 BE AN INDICATION THAT THERE HAS NOT BEEN PROGRESS. THERE HAS  
5 BEEN A LOT OF WORK SORT OF BEHIND THE SCENES AND I'LL TALK  
6 ABOUT THAT IN A SECOND. THE TWO RECOMMENDATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN  
7 PARTIALLY IMPLEMENTED BY THE DEPARTMENT IS THE RECOMMENDATION  
8 NO. 6.7 TO INCREASE THE USE OF CUSTODY ASSISTANTS TO DEPUTY  
9 RATIO. THE DEPARTMENT HAS NOW GOTTEN THE PERMISSION TO FREEZE  
10 81 POSITIONS, WHICH MEANS THAT THEY WILL START TO BE ABLE TO  
11 HIRE CUSTODY ASSISTANTS TO REPLACE DEPUTIES TO ACHIEVE THE  
12 35/65 RATIO THAT'S IN THE UNION'S CONTRACTS. THAT'S GOING TO  
13 TAKE SOMEWHERE, I WOULD GUESS, BETWEEN 3 TO 6 TO 8 MONTHS NEXT  
14 YEAR FOR THEM TO GET THOSE PEOPLE HIRED AND TO REPLACE THOSE  
15 DEPUTIES WITH CUSTODY ASSISTANTS. ONCE THAT HAPPENS, THEN THE  
16 DEPARTMENT WILL UNDERTAKE AN ASSESSMENT OF ALL OF THE  
17 POSITIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT TO DETERMINE HOW MANY ADDITIONAL  
18 POSITIONS THEY CAN -- DEPUTY POSITIONS THEY CAN SUBSTITUTE  
19 WITH CUSTODY ASSISTANTS TO ACHIEVE EVEN A GREATER RATIO AND  
20 SOME FINANCIAL SAVINGS TO THE DEPARTMENT WITHOUT IMPACTING THE  
21 LEVEL OF SERVICE IN THE DEPARTMENT. THE OTHER AREA WHERE THE  
22 DEPARTMENT HAS MADE SOME SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENTS AND  
23 PARTIALLY IMPLEMENTED THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE C.C.J.V. IS  
24 IN THE HANDLING OF INMATE GRIEVANCES. THE DEPARTMENT HAS NOW  
25 APPOINTED AN INMATE GRIEVANCE COORDINATOR TO TRACK ALL OF THE



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1 INMATE GRIEVANCES, THE PROGRESS THAT'S BEING MADE IN THE  
2 HANDLING OF THOSE GRIEVANCES AND THE PROCESSING OF THOSE  
3 GRIEVANCES. THEY'VE ALSO DEVELOPED A PILOT PROJECT INVOLVING  
4 THE USE OF IPADS TO TAKE AND TRACK INMATE GRIEVANCES THAT  
5 THEY'RE GOING TO IMPLEMENT OVER THE NEXT SIX MONTHS. IF  
6 THEY'RE ABLE TO FULLY IMPLEMENT THAT PROGRAM BY THE END OF  
7 DECEMBER OF 2014, THAT WILL BE A SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT IN  
8 THE WAY THEY HANDLE INMATE GRIEVANCES. THE ADDITIONAL  
9 ACTIVITIES IN THIS LAST PERIOD OF TIME THAT WERE NOT REFLECTED  
10 IN THAT FIRST CHART ARE COMPLETING THE REVISIONS TO THE USE OF  
11 FORCE MANUAL. THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLETED. I'VE COME UP  
12 WITH A FEW ADDITIONAL SUGGESTIONS THAT I NEED TO DISCUSS WITH  
13 THE DEPARTMENT. ONCE THOSE ADDITIONAL SUGGESTIONS HAVE BEEN  
14 AGREED TO BY THE DEPARTMENT, THE MANUAL WILL BE READY FOR  
15 PUBLICATION. I'VE SAID THIS BEFORE. I REMAINED OPTIMISTIC THAT  
16 WE WILL HAVE IT PUBLISHED AND PRESENTED TO THIS BOARD BY THE  
17 NEXT TIME THAT I APPEAR HERE. IN THIS LAST PERIOD OF TIME, THE  
18 CONSULTANTS AND I HAVE WORKED EXTENSIVELY WITH THE DEPARTMENT  
19 WITH RESPECT TO THE REVAMPING OF THE INVESTIGATIVE AND  
20 DISCIPLINARY SYSTEM AND THE DEPARTMENT'S SUBMISSION FOR  
21 ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR I.A.B., THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS BUREAU,  
22 AND I.C.I.B., THE INTERNAL CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU. THE  
23 CONSULTANTS HAVE ADVISED ME THAT THERE IS NO DOUBT IN THEIR  
24 MIND THAT THE DEPARTMENT NEEDS ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATORS IN  
25 I.A.B. AND IN I.C.I.B. THE QUESTION THAT WE HAVE BEEN



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1 WRESTLING WITH OVER THE LAST MONTH, MONTH AND A HALF IS: HOW  
2 MANY ADDITIONAL RESOURCES DOES THE DEPARTMENT NEED? THE  
3 DEPARTMENT AND THE CONSULTANTS AND I HAVE LOOKED AT A NUMBER  
4 OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS. WE'VE LOOKED AT THE L.A.P.D. AND THE  
5 DEPARTMENT HAS ANALYZED THE CASELOADS OF ITS INVESTIGATORS AND  
6 I'VE PREPARED A MEMO THAT I'VE SUBMITTED TO THE C.E.O.'S  
7 OFFICE THAT TAKES ALL THE INFORMATION THAT'S BEEN GATHERED BY  
8 THE DEPARTMENT AND THE EVALUATION BY THE CONSULTANTS AND THEIR  
9 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AND THAT'S BEEN  
10 SUBMITTED TO THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE. IN ADDITION, THE DEPARTMENT  
11 RESPONDED TO THE C.E.O.'S REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION  
12 REGARDING THE COMPLIANCE LIEUTENANTS. THESE WOULD BE SEVEN  
13 LIEUTENANTS WHO WOULD BE ASSIGNED TO ALL OF THE FACILITIES AND  
14 ONE OF THE LIEUTENANTS WOULD BE ASSIGNED TO BOTH THE NORTH AND  
15 SOUTH FACILITIES. SO THERE WOULD BE SEVEN COMPLIANCE  
16 LIEUTENANTS FOR THE EIGHT FACILITIES. THEY WOULD BE  
17 RESPONSIBLE FOR CONDUCTING ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATIONS OF  
18 CERTAIN TYPES OF FORCE. THEY WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR  
19 MONITORING AND TRACKING THE USE OF FORCE INVESTIGATIONS. THEY  
20 WOULD ALSO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR EVALUATING, ASSESSING, USE OF  
21 FORCE INCIDENTS IN EACH FACILITY TO LOOK AT TRENDS, AREAS OF  
22 PROBLEMS, PARTICULAR DEPUTIES WHO POTENTIALLY ARE PROBLEMS,  
23 AND THEY WOULD BE DOING THAT IN EACH OF THE FACILITIES. IN A  
24 MEETING THAT I ATTENDED WITH ASSISTANT SHERIFF MCDONALD, AND  
25 MANY OF HER STAFF ALONG WITH THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, SHE



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1 EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF THESE COMPLIANCE LIEUTENANTS AND  
2 THE ROLES THAT THEY COULD PLAY TO ENHANCE THE INVESTIGATION,  
3 MONITORING AND ASSESSMENT OF USE OF FORCE INCIDENTS. THE  
4 DEPARTMENT, UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF ASSISTANT SHERIFF  
5 MCDONALD, HAS DONE A COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT OF THE  
6 SUPERVISORY NEEDS IN THE JAILS. THEY LITERALLY WENT THROUGH  
7 EACH OF THE FACILITIES FLOOR BY FLOOR, MODULE BY MODULE, SHIFT  
8 BY SHIFT, DAY BY DAY, ASSESSED WHAT THEIR SUPERVISORY -- THE  
9 EXISTING SUPERVISORY RESOURCES ARE AND WHAT ADDITIONAL  
10 RESOURCES THEY NEED AND SHOWED IN A SPREADSHEET THAT THEY  
11 SUBMITTED TO THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE EXACTLY WHERE THE ADDITIONAL  
12 PERSONNEL WOULD BE LOCATED, WHAT SHIFTS AND WHAT DAYS. THAT  
13 ASSESSMENT IS NOW BEING REVIEWED BY THE CONSULTANTS. THE  
14 CONSULTANTS AND I HAVE REQUESTED SOME ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.  
15 WE'RE WAITING TO GET THAT BACK FROM THE DEPARTMENT. I  
16 ANTICIPATE OVER THE NEXT PERIOD OF TIME THAT THE DEPARTMENT  
17 AND THE CONSULTANTS AND I WILL HAVE FURTHER DIALOGUE REGARDING  
18 THE DEPARTMENT SUPERVISORY ASSESSMENT. ONCE THE CONSULTANTS  
19 HAVE HAD A CHANCE TO EVALUATE IT, I WILL PREPARE A SUBMISSION  
20 TO THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE ALONG WITH THE DEPARTMENT SUPERVISORY  
21 ASSESSMENT AND THE CONSULTANT'S EVALUATION. AND MY GOAL IS TO  
22 HAVE THAT TO THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE BEFORE I REPORT BACK TO THIS  
23 BOARD NEXT MONTH. AND THE LAST THING WE DID AND SPENT A FAIR  
24 AMOUNT OF TIME IS WITH RESPECT TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE  
25 INSPECTIONAL SERVICES COMMAND. AS YOU RECALL, THIS IS A





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1   COMMAND TO DO INTERNAL AUDITS AND INSPECTIONS. IT'S SOMETHING  
2   THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN LACKING. IT'S SOMETHING THAT THE  
3   DEPARTMENT HAS HAD TO CREATE. AND FOR THE LAST FOUR MONTHS,  
4   THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN WORKING ON THIS, THEY HAVE BEEN  
5   WORKING ON THIS WITH THE CONSULTANTS AND MYSELF. WE'VE HAD A  
6   NUMBER OF DIFFERENT MEETINGS. WE'VE GONE BACK AND FORTH TO  
7   GIVE OUR INPUT TO THE DEPARTMENT. THE LAST THING THAT I  
8   RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT WAS A SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT. I  
9   THOUGHT THEY HAD DONE A VERY, VERY GOOD JOB IN THINKING  
10   THROUGH WHAT THEY NEEDED, THE TIMELINE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION,  
11   WHEN THE RESOURCES WOULD BE NEEDED, AND WHAT THOSE RESOURCES  
12   WOULD BE DOING. I NEED TO DO OVER THE -- THAT IS NOW ON MY  
13   PLATE TO DO A FINAL ASSESSMENT AND TO SUBMIT THAT TO THE  
14   C.E.O.'S OFFICE, WHICH WILL GET DONE IN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS.  
15   BUT I WAS VERY IMPRESSED WITH THE WORK PRODUCT THAT WAS  
16   DEVELOPED BY THE DEPARTMENT IN THE LAST PERIOD OF TIME. IT  
17   TOOK A LONG TIME BECAUSE IT WAS A VERY COMPLEX PROBLEM. BUT I  
18   THINK THE DEPARTMENT REALLY GOT THEIR ARMS AROUND IT. AND  
19   THAT'S SOMETHING THAT IS NOW ON MY DESK. I'M GOING TO REVIEW  
20   THE ASSESSMENT AND I WILL SUBMIT IT TO THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE  
21   WITHIN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS. SO LOOKING FORWARD, BY THE  
22   TIME I'M BACK BEFORE THIS BOARD WILL BE THE APPROVAL OF THE  
23   REVISED USE OF FORCE MANUAL. I HOPE IN THE NEXT 30 DAYS THAT  
24   THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE WILL APPROVE THE FUNDING REQUEST FOR THE  
25   CUSTODY DIVISION TRAINING BUREAU. THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE HAS



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1 ADVISED ME THAT THEY'RE DOING A FINAL REVIEW OF THAT. AND I  
2 THINK THEY'RE CLOSE TO APPROVING THAT REQUEST. THE C.E.O.'S  
3 OFFICE IS REVIEWING THE I.A.B. AND I.C.E. RESOURCE REQUEST. I  
4 ANTICIPATE THAT THERE WILL BE SOME FURTHER GIVE-AND-TAKE. THE  
5 C.E.O.'S OFFICE WILL LIKELY HAVE SOME ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS AND  
6 REQUEST ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT, BUT I HOPE  
7 THAT WE CAN GET THAT COMPLETED IN THE NEXT 30 DAYS. MY OWN  
8 VIEW IS WE'RE PRETTY CLOSE TO COMPLETING THE ANALYSIS OF THE  
9 COMPLIANCE LIEUTENANTS. THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE MAY WANT SOME  
10 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, BUT I THINK THAT SHOULD BE PRETTY  
11 CLOSE TO COMPLETED WITHIN THE NEXT 30 DAYS. THE DEPARTMENT IS  
12 PROVIDING INFORMATION TO THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE REGARDING THE  
13 DATA TRACKING SYSTEM. THE DEPARTMENT ENVISIONS, IN EFFECT, TWO  
14 DIFFERENT SYSTEMS THAT WILL BE LINKED TOGETHER. ONE WILL BE  
15 THE P.P.I. SYSTEM FOR TRACKING DATA ABOUT PERSONNEL, AND THE  
16 SECOND WILL BE THE CART SYSTEM. THE CART SYSTEM WILL BE THE  
17 ENTRY POINT FOR ALL INCIDENTS, ACTIVITIES, EVENTS IN THE  
18 CUSTODY DIVISION. SUPERVISORS, COMMANDERS AND THE LIKE WILL BE  
19 INPUTTING DATA FROM THE CUSTODY DIVISION INTO CARTS. ALL DATA  
20 THAT IS OF A PERSONNEL NATURE WILL AUTOMATICALLY, THEN, BE  
21 ROUTED INTO THE PERSONNEL PERFORMANCE INDEX SYSTEM, THE P.P.I.  
22 SYSTEM, SO YOU WILL HAVE ONE SET OF DATA. IT WILL BE  
23 CONSISTENT. AND FOR TRACKING PERSONNEL INFORMATION, IT WILL BE  
24 IN THE P.P.I.; FOR TRACKING ALL OTHER EVENTS, IT WILL BE IN  
25 THE CART SYSTEM. AND HOPEFULLY IT WILL BE A FULLY INTEGRATED



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1 SYSTEM. AND THE DEPARTMENT HAS MADE AN INITIAL FUNDING REQUEST  
2 TO THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, AND I ANTICIPATE OVER THE NEXT THREE  
3 DAYS THAT WILL CONTINUE TO BE EVALUATED. I DON'T ANTICIPATE  
4 THAT WILL BE APPROVED BY THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE IN THE NEXT 30  
5 DAYS. AND THEN, AS I SAID, OVER THE NEXT 30 DAYS, I WILL BE  
6 WORKING WITH THE CONSULTANTS ON THE DEPARTMENT'S FUNDING  
7 REQUESTS FOR THE INSPECTIONAL SERVICE COMMAND AND ADDITIONAL  
8 SUPERVISORS. THOSE HAVE NOT BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE C.E.O.'S  
9 OFFICE, BUT HOPEFULLY WILL BE IN THE NEXT 30 DAYS. AND THAT  
10 COMPLETES MY REPORT.

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12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH  
13 FOR YOUR REPORT, MR. DROOYAN. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, ARE THERE  
14 QUESTIONS FOR MR. DROOYAN? SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RELATIVE, MR. DROOYAN, THE GROUP'S  
17 RECOMMENDATIONS --

18

19 **RICHARD E. DROOYAN:** I'M SORRY, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, COULD  
20 YOU SAY AGAIN?

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT APPEARS THAT THE GROUP OF RECOMMENDATIONS  
23 ARE READY FOR FULL IMPLEMENTATION BUT ARE IN A HOLDING PATTERN  
24 BECAUSE THEY ARE CONTINGENT ON THINGS LIKE THE FINALIZATION OF  
25 THE USE-OF-FORCE MANUAL AND THE CREATION OF THE CUSTODY



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1 TRAINING DIVISION. BASED ON THAT, SHOULD WE BE SATISFIED WITH  
2 THE PACE AT WHICH THE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE BEING IMPLEMENTED?

3

4 **RICHARD E. DROOYAN:** YES, I THINK SO. I MEAN, YOUR BOARD  
5 APPOINTED ME IN DECEMBER. SO THIS IS FIVE MONTHS. OVER HALF OF  
6 THE RECOMMENDATIONS HAVE BEEN FULLY IMPLEMENTED. OVER THREE  
7 QUARTERS OF THEM HAVE BEEN EITHER FULLY IMPLEMENTED OR  
8 PARTIALLY IMPLEMENTED. THOSE THAT HAVE NOT BEEN IMPLEMENTED  
9 ARE, AS YOU INDICATED, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THINGS THAT THE  
10 DEPARTMENT IS WORKING ON NOW, THEY'RE WORKING ON THEM WITH  
11 MYSELF AND WITH THE CONSULTANTS. AND SOME OF THEM DO NOT  
12 REQUIRE FUNDING. THE USE OF FORCE MANUAL, THAT GETS APPROVED,  
13 THAT'S ANOTHER SEVEN RECOMMENDATIONS. THE CUSTODY TRAINING  
14 BUREAU, WHICH IS IN THE FINAL STAGES OF REVIEW BY THE C.E.O.'S  
15 OFFICE, THAT WILL IMPLEMENT ANOTHER SEVERAL RECOMMENDATIONS.  
16 AND ALL OF THESE THINGS ARE ACTIVELY BEING WORKED ON BY THE  
17 DEPARTMENT AND BEING DEVELOPED. SO I AM VERY MUCH PLEASED WITH  
18 THE PACE OF THE IMPLEMENTATION.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE LAST QUESTION, YOUR RECOMMENDATION,  
21 4.11 STATES THAT MANAGEMENT SHOULD BE ASSIGNED AND ALLOCATED  
22 BASED ON UNIQUE SIZE AND NEEDS OF EACH FACILITY. YOUR REPORT  
23 STATES THAT THE DEPARTMENT'S ANALYSIS OF THIS RECOMMENDATION  
24 HAS TAKEN LONGER THAN EXPECTED AND OUGHT TO BE COMPLETED BY  
25 OCTOBER. SO ARE THERE ANY SPECIFIC REASONS WHY THE ANALYSIS IS



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1 BEING DELAYED? AND DID THE DEPARTMENT UNDERESTIMATE THE SCOPE  
2 OF THE ANALYSIS?

3

4 **RICHARD E. DROOYAN:** IT'S YOUR SECOND POINT. THEY  
5 UNDERESTIMATED THE SCOPE OF THE ANALYSIS. THEY NEED TO LOOK AT  
6 EVERY SINGLE MANAGEMENT POSITION IN EVERY FACILITY, ASSESS  
7 EXACTLY WHAT THAT PERSON IS DOING, WHETHER THAT PERSON IS  
8 REDUNDANT IN THAT PARTICULAR FACILITY OR WHETHER THAT PERSON  
9 NEEDS HELP IN A PARTICULAR FACILITY. THEY JUST UNDERESTIMATED  
10 THE AMOUNT OF WORK THAT WAS REQUIRED.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR.

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR KNABE, SUPERVISOR  
15 YAROSLAVSKY? QUESTIONS? TO THE C.E.O., AT OUR LAST MEETING'S  
16 PRESENTATION BY MR. DROOYAN, YOU MAY RECALL THAT I REQUESTED A  
17 REPORT BACK AT TODAY'S MEETING ON THE STATUS OF THE  
18 OUTSTANDING RECOMMENDATIONS THAT REQUIRE ADDITIONAL FUNDING.  
19 THE QUESTION IS: HAS THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE ESTABLISHED A  
20 TIMETABLE TO BRING TO THE BOARD'S ATTENTION; THAT IS, IT'S  
21 ANALYSIS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT  
22 INDICATES WILL REQUIRE ADDITIONAL FUNDING IN ORDER TO BE  
23 IMPLEMENTED?

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1   **BRENCE CULP:** YES, SIR. THE 14 ORIGINAL REQUESTS THAT REQUIRED  
2   FUNDING, AS YOU KNOW, FOUR HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED WITHOUT  
3   FUNDING USING EXISTING RESOURCES. YOUR BOARD HAS APPROPRIATED  
4   FUNDING FOR TWO OF THE ITEMS. AS MR. DROOYAN MENTIONED, WE'RE  
5   WORKING TOWARDS SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET ADJUSTMENT TO FUND FOUR  
6   MORE OF THE REQUESTS. AND WE BELIEVE ANOTHER FOUR WILL REMAIN,  
7   INCLUDING THE FUNDING FOR THE O.I.G.

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9   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. WE'LL NEED  
10   TO SEE -- THE BOARD WILL NEED TO SEE A WRITTEN STATEMENT TO  
11   THAT EFFECT IN TERMS OF WHAT IS TO COME FORWARD, THE TIMELINE  
12   AND THE LIKE. THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL. AND IF WE COULD GET THAT  
13   IN RELATIVELY SHORT ORDER, WE COULD CONTINUE TO DO WHAT WE  
14   NEED TO DO.

15

16   **BRENCE CULP:** WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO PREPARE THAT.

17

18   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MS. CULP. AS IT  
19   RELATES TO THE SHERIFF OR THE ASSISTANT SHERIFF I SEE NEITHER  
20   OF THE TWO HERE, BUT FOR THE RECORD, LET IT BE KNOWN --

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22   **TERRI MCDONALD:** RIGHT HERE.

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24   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** I'M SORRY. I SEE YOU NOW. COME  
25   FORWARD, PLEASE, JUST FOR A MOMENT.



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2 **TERRI MCDONALD:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON TO THE  
5 BOTH OF YOU. RECOMMENDATION 3.9 STATES THAT INMATE GRIEVANCES  
6 SHOULD BE TRACKED ON THE P.P.I. BY NAMES OF THE L.A.S.D.  
7 PERSONNEL. IN LAST MONTH'S PRESENTATION WE DISCUSSED WHETHER  
8 THE DEPARTMENT HAD IDENTIFIED ANY TRENDS REGARDING THE INMATE  
9 GRIEVANCE PROCESS AND THE DEPARTMENT DID NOT HAVE THAT  
10 INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT THE TIME, AS YOU'LL RECALL. THE  
11 QUESTION STANDS BEFORE US AT THIS JUNCTURE. HAVE ANY TRENDS  
12 REGARDING THE INMATE GRIEVANCES BEEN IDENTIFIED? IF YOU WISH  
13 TO ANSWER THAT QUESTION IN THE CONTEXT OF YOUR PRESENTATION,  
14 THAT WOULD BE IN ORDER.

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16 **TERRI MCDONALD:** YES, SIR. WE'RE PREPARED TO DO THAT. TERRI  
17 MCDONALD, ASSISTANT SHERIFF. IF YOU WOULDN'T MIND, I'VE GOT A  
18 POWER POINT, I CAN COVER PRETTY MUCH EVERYTHING IN A COUPLE OF  
19 MINUTES.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** EXCELLENT.

22

23 **TERRI MCDONALD:** SO WHEN WE HAD MET LAST TIME, WE TALKED ABOUT,  
24 AND IT'S FROM THE MERRICK BOBB REPORT, BUT IT'S AN IMPORTANT  
25 DISCUSSION AND WE TALKED ABOUT THE CAMERAS. AND THE QUESTION





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1 WAS ASKED LAST TIME WE WERE HERE HOW MUCH IT WOULD COST TO DO  
2 STATIONARY -- TO FINISH STATIONARY CAMERAS WITHIN THE ENTIRE  
3 JAIL SYSTEM. AND SO IF THE COUNTY WAS ABLE TO WORK WITH THE  
4 C.E.O.'S OFFICE TO PUT CAMERAS EVERYWHERE THE COUNTY, THE  
5 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE TO DO IT, IT'S APPROXIMATELY  
6 \$26.7 MILLION. TO DO THE LAPEL VEST CAMERAS, IN LIEU OF THE  
7 FIXED CAMERAS IS OVER \$66 MILLION. AND SO WE'LL CONTINUE TO  
8 WORK WITH THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE ON HOW WE'D LIKE TO PROCEED  
9 FORWARD WITH THE CAMERA ITEMS.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR THAT FEEDBACK.

12

13 **TERRI MCDONALD:** MOVING ON, IF YOU DON'T MIND, GIVE A QUICK  
14 OVERVIEW ON FORCE, YOU WANT ME TO JUST KEEP ROLLING, SIR?

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** I'D APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH.  
17 ROLLING, ROLLING, ROLLING.

18

19 **TERRI MCDONALD:** YOU SHOULD HAVE A POWER POINT PRESENTATION IN  
20 FRONT OF YOU BEFORE THEY PULL UP THE POWER POINT. ESSENTIALLY  
21 WHAT WE'VE FOUND IS THAT THE BEST NEWS IS THAT FORCE THAT'S  
22 RESULTED IN A SERIOUS OR SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT TO THE OFFENDER,  
23 WE'VE HAD NONE OF THOSE INCIDENTS SINCE WE LAST MET. SINCE  
24 APRIL 1 OF THIS YEAR, NO OFFENDER HAS RECEIVED AN INJURY THAT  
25 REQUIRED HOSPITALIZATION, FRACTURES, ANY MAJOR EVENT, WHICH IS



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1 VERY, VERY POSITIVE. IT SHOWS THAT THE STAFF ARE USING GOOD  
2 RESTRAINT DURING COMPLEX FORCE SITUATIONS. THE ONE THING THAT  
3 IS NOTED IS THAT FORCE IS UP. IT'S TRENDED UP SLIGHTLY FROM  
4 THIS PERIOD LAST YEAR. AND I THINK I MENTIONED LAST TIME I  
5 WOULD HAVE EXPECTED THAT. BECAUSE WHAT WE'RE FINDING IS, IS  
6 THAT WHAT I'LL CALL GUIDING FORCE, PHYSICAL STRENGTHS AND HOLD  
7 TYPE OF FORCE WASN'T PREVIOUSLY REPORTED UNLESS THERE WAS AN  
8 INJURY, AND IT HAS BEEN. SO AS A RESULT, FORCE IS UP SLIGHTLY  
9 OVER LAST PERIOD. AND I THINK THE NEW BASELINE REALLY WILL BE  
10 JANUARY 1 OF 2013 BECAUSE THAT'S WHEN THE FORCE POLICY  
11 CHANGED. YOU'RE NOT ABLE TO FIND IT? OKAY. SO WE'VE HAD SOME  
12 COMPUTER PROBLEMS. SO I'M JUST GOING TO MOVE ALONG IN THE  
13 POWER POINT. AND I'M ON PAGE 8 OF THE POWER POINT. HOPEFULLY  
14 YOU HAVE IT IN FRONT OF YOU.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. PAGE 8, WE HAVE IT.

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18 **TERRI MCDONALD:** SO YOU HAD ASKED LAST TIME ABOUT THE GRIEVANCE  
19 PROCESS.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** CORRECT.

22

23 **TERRI MCDONALD:** AND, FRANKLY, I'M PLEASED TO LEARN THAT WE  
24 ALREADY HAVE PLANS IN PLACE TO DEAL WITH THE GRIEVANCE  
25 PROCESS, BECAUSE IT'S BEEN ONE OF THE MOST CHALLENGING



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1 UNDERSTANDINGS I'VE TRIED TO EMBARK ON SINCE I'VE GOTTEN THE  
2 JOB. I ASKED THE TEAM TO LOOK AT A TREND OF GRIEVANCES, AND  
3 THEY WENT BACK TO MARCH OF 2012 UP TO FEBRUARY OF 2013,  
4 BECAUSE THAT'S WHEN THEY FINISHED. ONE OF THE CHALLENGES, WHEN  
5 WE ASKED ABOUT WHAT ARE THE INMATES GRIEVING. THE INMATES USE  
6 THE SAME FORM FOR A GRIEVANCE AS THEY WOULD FOR A REQUEST. SO  
7 A GRIEVANCE WOULD BE SOMETHING LIKE "THE FOOD IS COLD", OR  
8 "I'M NOT GETTING CARE," WHEREAS A REQUEST IS "I'D LIKE TO GO  
9 TO E.B.I.". SO ONE OF THE CHALLENGES WE HAVE IS REALLY  
10 STANDARDIZING HOW WE MEASURE, HOW WE REPORT THESE AND HOW WE  
11 TRACK THEM. THERE WERE ALMOST 9,000 COMBINED REQUESTS AND  
12 GRIEVANCES THAT HAD BEEN ENTERED INTO THE FACILITY AUTOMATED  
13 FAST SYSTEM, WHICH I DON'T CONSIDER REMARKABLY HIGH FROM MY  
14 PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE IN CORRECTIONS. I THINK IT'S ABOUT  
15 STANDARD ON WHAT YOU'D FIND IN A CORRECTIONAL ENVIRONMENT, THE  
16 PERCENTAGE TO TOTAL. OF COURSE IN ANY ENVIRONMENT, YOU FIND  
17 THERE ARE SOME OFFENDERS WHO TEND TO USE THE GRIEVANCE SYSTEM  
18 MORE ROBUSTLY. WE FOUND THAT 40 INMATES HAD 10 OR MORE. AND  
19 ONE PARTICULAR INMATE HAD 55 REQUESTS. AND, AGAIN, THAT'S NOT  
20 AN UNUSUAL EVENT, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE. PAGE 9 KIND OF SHOWS  
21 SOME TREND ANALYSIS LOOKING AT POPULATION AGAINST THE NUMBER  
22 OF GRIEVANCES. AND AS ONE WOULD EXPECT, AS THE POPULATION GOES  
23 UP, GRIEVANCES GO UP. AS THE POPULATION GOES DOWN, GRIEVANCES  
24 GO DOWN. YOU DO NOTE THE MARCH 10 TO FEBRUARY 11, THE NUMBER  
25 OF GRIEVANCES TO TOTAL POPULATION IS LOWER THAN MARCH 12 TO



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1 FEBRUARY 13. I DON'T SEE THAT AS A NEGATIVE. THAT CAN ACTUALLY  
2 BE A POSITIVE, WHERE IT'S SHOWING THAT INMATES HAVE MORE  
3 ACCESS TO GRIEVANCE FORMS, WHERE WE'RE RESPONDING TO  
4 GRIEVANCES. SO, AGAIN, IT IS A MECHANISM BY WHICH MANAGEMENT  
5 AND CUSTODY ENVIRONMENTS RESOLVE PROBLEMS AT THE LOWEST LEVEL.  
6 DEPARTMENT-WIDE, SLIDE NO. 10 WILL SHOW YOU KIND OF WHAT ARE  
7 THE INMATES GRIEVING? THAT'S AN IMPORTANT MANAGEMENT QUESTION  
8 THAT ANYBODY WOULD ASK. THE NUMBER ONE GRIEVANCE ITEM IS  
9 INMATE PROGRAMS. AND THAT'S A PRETTY BIG BUCKET OF STUFF THAT  
10 GETS BOUND ALL TOGETHER. AND THAT'S WHY IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE  
11 CREATE A NEW SYSTEM THAT MORE CLEARLY DEFINES WHAT PROGRAMS  
12 IS. BUT PROGRAMS CAN BE YARD TIME. IT CAN BE ACCESS TO  
13 RELIGIOUS SERVICES. IT CAN BE CLOTHING. SOMETIMES THEY GET ALL  
14 BUCKETED TOGETHER. AND IF YOU LOOK ALL THE WAY OVER TO THE FAR  
15 RIGHT HAND SIDE, YOU'LL SEE THAT ON AN AVERAGE MONTH, WE GET  
16 174.2 GRIEVANCES FROM INMATES IN THE PROGRAM, OR, AGAIN,  
17 REQUESTS FOR SERVICES. THE SECOND BIGGEST ITEM IS MEDICAL  
18 SERVICES. AND, FRANKLY, YOU WOULD KIND OF EXPECT THAT WHEN  
19 YOU'RE PUTTING REQUESTS FOR SERVICES IN WITH GRIEVANCES. AND  
20 SO AS WE GET THIS BETTER DEFINED, IT WILL BE INTERESTING TO  
21 SEE WHETHER OR NOT THERE ARE ACTUAL COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE  
22 MEDICAL SERVICES THEY ARE OR AREN'T RECEIVING OR SIMPLY THAT  
23 THEY NEED A MEDICATION RENEWAL. INMATES, THE THIRD MOST  
24 TOPICAL EVENT IS INMATE WORK ASSIGNMENTS, WHICH IS GOOD. IT'S  
25 TELLING YOU THAT THE INMATES DON'T WANT TO BE IDLE, THAT



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1 THEY'RE ASKING TO BE ENGAGED IN PROGRAMS. SO I SEE THAT AS A  
2 POSITIVE. THE FACT IT TRENDED UP, THOUGH, AT THE END OF  
3 FEBRUARY AND INMATE PROGRAMS TRENDED DOWN TELLS ME WE'RE  
4 COUNTING BOTH OF THOSE ISSUES IN THE SAME AREA AND IT'S AN  
5 AREA WE NEED TO BE MORE ARTFUL ABOUT. AGAIN INMATE SERVICES  
6 PROGRAMS, VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS IS THE FOURTH. AND COMPLAINTS  
7 AGAINST STAFF IS THE FIFTH. AND IF YOU LOOK ON THERE, IT WAS  
8 MUCH HIGHER IN MARCH OF 2012 THAN IT WAS TOWARDS THE END OF  
9 THE YEAR. ON AVERAGE WE RECEIVE ABOUT 43.5 COMPLAINTS AGAINST  
10 STAFF PER MONTH. MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL RECEIVED THE MOST NUMBER  
11 OF COMPLAINTS OF ANY OF OUR JAILS. AND SO IT HAS A SLIDE ON  
12 SLIDE NO. 11. THE NO. 1 ISSUE AT MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL WAS  
13 PROGRAMS. AND MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, THE LINEAR DESIGN OF IT  
14 MAKES IT VERY DIFFICULT TO RUN PROGRAMS IN THERE. BUT IT'S  
15 GOOD THAT THE INMATES ARE ASKING. AND YOU CAN SEE WHERE  
16 EDUCATION-BASED INCARCERATION INCREASING AROUND  
17 OCTOBER/NOVEMBER OF '12 DECREASED THE AMOUNT OF REQUESTS OR  
18 COMPLAINTS ABOUT NOT GETTING IT. AND, AGAIN, YOU CAN ALSO SEE  
19 WHERE WE'RE NOT BEING VERY SPECIFIC BETWEEN PROGRAMS AND WORK  
20 ASSIGNMENTS, BECAUSE YOU CAN SEE IN DECEMBER THE COMPLAINT ON  
21 PROGRAMS GOES DOWN, INMATE WORK ASSIGNMENTS GOES UP. I BELIEVE  
22 THAT WE'RE COUNTING THEM IN BOTH LOCATIONS. THIRD GROUP IN  
23 THERE IS INMATE SERVICES SCHOOL VOCATION. FOURTH IS HOUSING  
24 LOCATION RECLASSIFICATION. YOU WOULD EXPECT, BECAUSE OF THE  
25 DESIGN OF MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, YOU WILL GET COMPLAINTS ABOUT



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1 THE DORM ENVIRONMENT THERE. AND THEN JUSTICE DELAYS. TRYING TO  
2 GET THE COURT, THERE'S A LOT OF PRESENTENCE OFFENDERS IN MEN'S  
3 CENTRAL JAIL. THE FEMALE FACILITY, C.R.D.F., SLIDE NO. 12, HAS  
4 THE HIGHEST COMPLAINTS AGAINST STAFF PERCENTAGE TO TOTAL. AND  
5 THAT'S AN AREA IN WHICH I HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT. MOST COMPLAINTS  
6 ARE NOT FORCE COMPLAINTS; THEY'RE ACTUALLY COMPLAINTS ABOUT  
7 RUDENESS. AND SO TEACHING THE DEPUTIES HOW TO COMMUNICATE WITH  
8 OFFENDERS IN A WAY THAT DOESN'T FEEL CONFRONTATIONAL IS AN  
9 AREA IN WHICH WE NEED TO IMPROVE. THE OTHER COMPLAINTS YOU CAN  
10 SEE ARE RELATIVELY LOW, AVERAGING ANYWHERE FROM REALLY 1.8 PER  
11 MONTH TO 1.3 PER MONTH FOR CLOTHING, MEDICAL, FACILITY  
12 CONDITION AND MISCELLANEOUS. TWIN TOWERS, THERE ARE A  
13 PRIMARILY MENTAL HEALTH FACILITY.

14  
15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MAY I ASK YOU A QUESTION?

16  
17 **TERRI MCDONALD:** YES, SIR.

18  
19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ABOUT 12? THE COMPOSITION OF THE  
20 WORKFORCE, DOES IT DIFFER DRASTICALLY IN THAT CONTEXT THAN  
21 FROM MEN'S CENTRAL AND/OR TWIN TOWERS?

22  
23 **TERRI MCDONALD:** THE GLOBAL STAFFING NUMBER, TWIN TOWERS HAS A  
24 HIGHER INMATE-TO-STAFF RATIO. THE TYPE OF EMPLOYEES ARE ABOUT  
25 THE SAME. TWIN TOWERS DOES GET ENHANCED TRAINING FOR HANDLING



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1 MENTALLY DISORDERED OFFENDERS BECAUSE THAT'S WHERE THE BULK OF  
2 OUR MENTALLY ILL OFFENDERS ARE. BUT THE STAFF ARE LARGELY, YOU  
3 KNOW, ON AVERAGE FOUR TO FIVE-YEAR DEPUTIES, RELATIVELY  
4 INEXPERIENCED FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, WHO REQUIRE A GREAT DEAL OF  
5 TRAINING IN HOW YOU HANDLE COMPLEX OFFENDERS.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SO THE COMPOSITION OF THE STAFF  
8 AT C.R.D.F. IS NOT SIGNIFICANTLY DIFFERENT FROM A DEMOGRAPHIC  
9 POINT OF VIEW THAN WOULD BE AT MEN'S CENTRAL?

10

11 **TERRI MCDONALD:** YES. THE COMPOSITION OF STAFF AT C.R.D.F. IS  
12 SUBSTANTIALLY DIFFERENT THAN THE MALE FACILITY. IT'S PRIMARILY  
13 FEMALE DEPUTIES AT C.R.D.F.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU HAVE MORE CONCERNS ABOUT  
16 RUDENESS IN THAT CONTEXT? DID I HEAR YOU SAY THAT THAT'S --

17

18 **TERRI MCDONALD:** THERE'S A UNIQUENESS TO MANAGING FEMALE  
19 OFFENDERS TO MALE OFFENDERS. I'M PROBABLY AM NOT SAYING  
20 ANYTHING SHOCKING HERE. MEN AND WOMEN ARE DIFFERENT AND THEY  
21 RESPOND DIFFERENTLY.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YES. AND WE'VE BEEN TOLD FOR  
24 MOST OF MY CAREER THAT ONE OF THE REASONS FOR HAVING WOMEN IN





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1 LAW ENFORCEMENT -- HOLD ON FOR A MOMENT -- IS THEY'RE MORE  
2 EFFECTIVE IN DEFUSING PROBLEMS.

3

4 **TERRI MCDONALD:** I'M SORRY?

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** FOR THE LENGTH OF MY CAREER IN  
7 PUBLIC OFFICE, THE REASON THAT HAS BEEN OFFERED FOR MORE WOMEN  
8 IN LAW ENFORCEMENT IS THEIR EFFECTIVENESS IN DIFFUSING  
9 PROBLEMS WHEN COMPARED TO THEIR MALE COUNTERPARTS. SO I FIND  
10 THIS TO BE INTERESTING THAT YOU ARE SUGGESTING THAT YOU'RE  
11 HAVING MORE COMPLAINTS OF A CERTAIN SORT IN C.R.D.F. COMPARED  
12 TO MEN'S CENTRAL, FOR EXAMPLE. I'M JUST TRYING TO PULL THAT  
13 FORWARD FOR SOME COMMENTARY.

14

15 **TERRI MCDONALD:** I AGREE WITH YOU. I THINK PEOPLE GENERALLY  
16 EXPECT FEMALE DEPUTIES WOULD BE BETTER COMMUNICATORS. BUT  
17 FEMALE OFFENDERS NEED A MUCH LARGER, MUCH MORE PROTRACTED TIME  
18 OF COMMUNICATION THAN A MALE OFFENDER DOES. YOU CAN TELL A  
19 MALE OFFENDER GENERALLY NO, AND THEY'LL GO ABOUT THEIR WAY. A  
20 FEMALE OFFENDER YOU GENERALLY HAVE TO TAKE SOME TIME TO  
21 EXPLAIN WHY. AND IF YOU DON'T HONE YOUR COMMUNICATION SKILLS,  
22 YOU GET GRIEVANCES. SAME IN THE STATE PRISON SYSTEM. IT'S NO  
23 DIFFERENT.

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1   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WELL WE FIND THIS TO BE A VERY  
2   INTERESTING OBSERVATION WHICH WE'LL BE PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION  
3   TO ON A GO-FORWARD BASIS. PLEASE PROCEED NOW.

4

5   **TERRI MCDONALD:** AND LUCKILY I'M A WOMAN SO I CAN SAY IT LIKE  
6   I'VE SAID. I'M NOT SURE MR. DROOYAN WOULD GET AWAY WITH IT AS  
7   HEALTHY AS I WAS. IT'S AN AREA NEED TO WORK ON.

8

9   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL SEE.

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11   **TERRI MCDONALD:** SO I HAD -- THE NEXT SLIDE IS TWIN TOWERS.  
12   TWIN TOWERS IS OUR PRIMARILY MENTAL HEALTH. THE LARGEST  
13   COMPLAINTS ARE COMPLAINTS AGAINST STAFF. IT'S AN AREA AGAIN IN  
14   WHICH WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH HANDLING MENTALLY ILL  
15   OFFENDERS. AND SO WE'LL CONTINUE TO HONE THOSE SKILLS. NOTHING  
16   I SAW IN HERE THAT I FOUND REMARKABLY ALARMING FROM OVERALL  
17   HOW THEY STAND AGAINST THE OTHER JAILS. AND THEN OUR LARGEST,  
18   NUMBER 14, OUR LARGEST GENERAL POPULATION JAIL UP AT PITCHESS  
19   DETENTION CENTER, WE HAVE NEARLY 4,000 INMATES AND THERE ARE A  
20   VERY LOW NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS. THE HIGHEST ONE COMPLAINTS  
21   AGAINST STAFF. BUT 1.5. THIS WOULD, THOUGH, CAUSE ME TO MAKE  
22   SURE THAT WE'RE PICKING UP GRIEVANCES AND GRIEVANCES ARE  
23   AVAILABLE BECAUSE IT'S A PRETTY LOW NUMBER OF GRIEVANCES. SO  
24   IT'S AN AREA IN WHICH I WANT TO MAKE SURE THOSE FORMS ARE  
25   AVAILABLE TO THE OFFENDERS. AND THEN THE REST OF THE



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1 FACILITIES WE KIND OF PUT ALL ONTO ONE SLIDE BECAUSE THEIR  
2 TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS FOR THAT ENTIRE YEAR PERIOD WAS  
3 VERY LOW. SO THE RECEPTION CENTER HAD ONLY HAD 12 COMPLAINTS,  
4 WHICH WOULD GENERALLY BE NORMAL. THEY'RE ONLY THERE FOR LESS  
5 THAN 24 HOURS. NORTH HASN'T BEEN OPEN THE ENTIRE YEAR, SO IT'S  
6 NOT A FULL YEAR. AND THEN SOUTH AND EAST BOTH RUNNING 37 TO 42  
7 TOTAL COMPLAINTS FOR THE YEAR. AGAIN, I DON'T -- I'M NOT HERE  
8 CELEBRATING THAT NUMBER. I THINK WE NEED TO BE MINDFUL THAT  
9 THE GRIEVANCES ARE OUT THERE, THAT WE'RE RESPONDING TO THEM,  
10 THAT WE'RE TRACKING THEM. I DON'T WANT TO ASSUME THAT THIS IS  
11 AS ACCURATE AS I'D LIKE IT TO BE.

12  
13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

14  
15 **TERRI MCDONALD:** AND THEN I KIND OF WANTED TO TALK A LITTLE BIT  
16 ABOUT COMPLAINTS AGAINST STAFF BECAUSE THE GRIEVANCE SYSTEM IS  
17 A BAROMETER AND MECHANISM BY WHICH WE CAN LOOK THROUGH TO SEE  
18 IF WE'RE GETTING ANY ALLEGATIONS OF EXCESSIVE OR UNNECESSARY  
19 FORCE THAT AN OFFENDER DIDN'T BRING FORWARD IN ANOTHER  
20 MECHANISM. SO DURING THAT YEAR PERIOD WE HAD 522 COMPLAINTS  
21 AGAINST STAFF, REPRESENTED ABOUT 6 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL  
22 COMPLAINTS. OF THOSE 522, 19 OF THEM RESULTED IN SOME KIND OF  
23 A CORRECTIVE ACTION WITH THE EMPLOYEE. IT COULD BE ADDITIONAL  
24 TRAINING. IT COULD BE A LETTER OF CORRECTION. 6 COMPLAINTS  
25 WERE REFERRED OVER FOR FORMAL INVESTIGATION, WHETHER IT WAS AN



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1 INTERNAL AFFAIRS OR CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION. LOOKING AT IT, WE  
2 LOOKED FOR TRENDS OF ANY PARTICULAR DEPUTY, CUSTODY ASSISTANT,  
3 ASSISTANT SHERIFF THAT HAD ANY COMPLAINTS AGAINST THEM. THREE  
4 OF THEM HAD -- 11 OF THEM HAD THREE OR MORE COMPLAINTS. 41 HAD  
5 TWO OR MORE COMPLAINTS. AND THEN WE HAD ONE CLINICIAN WHO HAD  
6 10 COMPLAINTS. AND WHEN WE LOOKED AT THAT PARTICULAR ISSUE, IT  
7 WAS A FORM OF COMMUNICATION THAT WE NEEDED TODAY WORK WITH THE  
8 CLINICIAN ON HOW THEY INTERACT WITH OUR OFFENDERS IN A WAY  
9 THAT'S MORE PRODUCTIVE. I MENTIONED WHEN I STARTED OUT THAT  
10 GRIEVANCES WAS AN AREA IN WHICH I BELIEVE WE NEED TO FOCUS  
11 SOME EFFORT ON. AND SO PAGE 17 KIND OF BRINGS OUT WHAT I FIND  
12 TO BE THE CHALLENGE OF IT. THERE WAS A REAL LACK OF  
13 CONSISTENCY IN HOW WE TRACKED, RESPONDED TO AND RESTORED  
14 GRIEVANCES ACROSS THE JAILS. THE SOLUTION TO THAT, FROM MY  
15 PERSPECTIVE, IS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE LIEUTENANTS THAT MR.  
16 DROOYAN SPOKE ABOUT EARLIER WHO SERVE NOT ONLY AS USE OF FORCE  
17 -- AS INVESTIGATORS, USE OF FORCE ANALYSTS, USE OF FORCE  
18 TRACKERS, BUT ALSO GRIEVANCE TRACKERS AS WELL AS WE  
19 ESTABLISHED A DIVISION-WIDE INMATE GRIEVANCE COORDINATOR WHO  
20 WORKS FOR ME LOOKING FOR TRENDS, LOOKING FOR PROBLEMS AS WE  
21 GO. THE SECOND ONE IS JUST THE I.T. SYSTEM'S INABILITY TO  
22 PRODUCE THE TYPE OF REPORTS THAT WE NEED TO PRODUCE. AND SO  
23 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS ALREADY BEEN WORKING ON THIS AS  
24 IT RELATED TO THE CARTS THAT MR. DROOYAN TALKED ABOUT AND THE  
25 PERSONNEL PERFORMANCE INDEX. AND I BELIEVE THE ESTABLISHMENT



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1 OF THOSE AND IMPROVEMENT OF THOSE I.T. SYSTEMS WILL ACTUALLY  
2 RESOLVE THE CHALLENGES ASSOCIATED WITH HERE. SO I THINK WE  
3 HAVE WORK TO DO HERE. WILLING AT ANY POINT TO COME BACK AND  
4 TALK ABOUT HOW WE'RE DOING IN THE FUTURE. IT DOES HAVE MY  
5 COMMITTED ATTENTION.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY  
8 AND YOUR PRESENTATION. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, ARE THERE  
9 QUESTIONS FOR THE ASSISTANT SHERIFF? THAT CAUSES ME TO BELIEVE  
10 THAT YOU HAVE DONE A THOROUGH PRESENTATION OR OTHERWISE WE ARE  
11 EXHAUSTED. [LAUGHTER.]

12

13 **TERRI MCDONALD:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE LOOK  
16 FORWARD TO YOUR PRESENTATIONS AT OUR NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED  
17 OPPORTUNITY. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. WE WILL RECEIVE AND FILE  
18 THOSE REPORTS WITH THANKS TO THE PRESENTERS. WE WILL NOW GO TO  
19 THE PORTION ON THE AGENDA CALLING FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. SO IF  
20 THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WOULD COME FORWARD, WE WOULD  
21 APPRECIATE IT. OSCAR JOHNSON, IF YOU WOULD COME FORWARD. MR.  
22 DANIEL JONES. ADRIANA BICANIN. MS. PATRISSE CULLORS. ASKARI  
23 MOYENDA. DIANA ZUNIGA. ERIC PREVEN. JOHN WALSH. THE NAMES I  
24 CALLED, IF YOU WOULD COME FORWARD. I NOTE THE NAMES OF TERRY  
25 SIGMUND AND DENISE PAZ, AS WELL. COME FORWARD. WE WILL BE



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1 ADJOURNED IN THE NEXT 10 MINUTES MAX. MR. JOHNSON, PLEASE  
2 PROCEED.

3

4 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** MY NAME IS OSCAR. I SPEAK FOR THE OPPRESSED, I  
5 SPEAK FOR THE STRUGGLING POOR AND I SPEAK FOR CULTURAL CHANGE.  
6 I'D LIKE TO SPEAK A LITTLE ABOUT BLACK HISTORY AND BLACK MENS  
7 IN AMERICAN GOVERNMENT. I SEE THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA WAS  
8 NAMED AFTER BLACK MAN NAMED WILLIAM PENN. WILLIAM PENN WAS  
9 VERY RELIGIOUS. WILLIAM PENN SAID PEOPLES MUST BE GOVERNED BY  
10 GOD. IF DON'T, TYRANTS WILL RULE. OUR SECOND PRESIDENT, JOHN  
11 ADAMS, ONE OF OUR FOUNDING FATHERS, HE SAID THAT DEMOCRACY  
12 SHOULD NEVER RULE OVER MORALS. WE SHOULD END SKID ROW. WE  
13 SHOULD MOVE BLACK AMERICA OFF OF SKID ROW. IT MUST BE MUST  
14 THAT BLACK AMERICA BECOME EDUCATED. WE SHOULD STOP DRUGS AND  
15 GUNS COMING THROUGH AMERICA. GUNS AND DRUGS VIOLATE OUR  
16 FREEDOM IN AMERICA. OUR FREEDOM IN AMERICA NEEDS TO BE CLEAN.  
17 IF WE'RE NOT CLEAN, WE'RE NOT FREE. WE SHOULD SPREAD THE  
18 SHARIA ACROSS AMERICA. THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES  
19 IS A RELIGIOUS DOCUMENT. IT'S A RELIGIOUS DOCUMENT THAT CAME  
20 FROM THE LAST MESSENGER OF GOD TO AMERICA. WE SHOULD STOP  
21 TEENAGER SUICIDE TODAY. SUICIDE AMONG TEENAGERS TODAY IS VERY  
22 HIGH THAN IT HAS EVER BEEN. THE SUICIDE AMONG THE ELDERLY IS  
23 VERY HIGH THAN IT HAS EVER BEEN. WE SHOULD FIND A WAY FOR THE  
24 GOVERNMENT TO CARE FOR ALL THE PEOPLE. IF WE CAN UNITE, WE CAN



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1 MAKE A DIFFERENCE. UNITE AND WORK FOR THE COMMON GOOD OF ALL  
2 MANKIND.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.  
5 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6

7 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH, BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR  
8 GO TO JWALSHCONFIDENTIAL.WORDPRESS.COM. VOTE NOW, YOU HAVE  
9 FOUR MORE HOURS IF YOU LIVE IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, IF YOU  
10 HAVE A MAIL-IN BALLOT AND I'M ONLY TALKING TO THE PEOPLE WHO  
11 ARE GOING TO VOTE FOR GREUEL. IF YOU'RE GOING TO VOTE FOR  
12 GARCETTI, FORGET ABOUT IT. DON'T GO. IT'S A WASTE OF TIME. I'M  
13 NOT A LIBERAL, I DON'T SAY, "EVERYBODY SHOULD VOTE." NO, NO.  
14 I'M ONLY INTERESTED IN PEOPLE WHO AGREE WITH ME TO VOTE, OKAY?  
15 AND LET ME TELL YOU, GARCETTI IS SO, SO ASSURED, HE BELIEVES  
16 HE'S GOING TO WIN, HE HAS RENTED FOR \$10,000 THE PALLADIUM.  
17 TONIGHT HE WANTS THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE THERE WHILE  
18 HE HAS HIS NEW EIGHT-YEAR REIGN. TELLING YOU RIGHT NOW, THERE  
19 IS GOING TO BE A BIG SURPRISE FOR GARCETTI. THE PALLADIUM,  
20 IT'S GOING TO BE EMPTY. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. GARCETTI, IN  
21 IT FOR HIMSELF. COME TO HOLLYWOOD. HE SAYS THE CRIME IS DOWN  
22 BY TWO-THIRDS, RAPE IS UP. DOUBLE IN HOLLYWOOD. AND I WANT TO  
23 TELL YOU, IT'S NOT BLACK WOMEN WHO ARE BEING RAPED IN  
24 HOLLYWOOD. DO YOU WANT TO KNOW WHY? BECAUSE BLACK PEOPLE ARE  
25 NOT WELCOME IN HOLLYWOOD. BLACK PEOPLE ARE TURNED AWAY AT





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1 EVERY CLUB. HOLLYWOOD IS LIKE MEMPHIS IN 1956 AND I'LL TAKE  
2 ANY BLACK POLITICIAN DOWN THERE AND SHOW YOU THE RACISM. I  
3 KNOW, I'M TALKING TO THE CONVERTED HERE WHEN I TALK TO MARK  
4 RIDLEY-THOMAS. KEVIN JAMES IS A RACIST. HE IS ONLY BROUGHT OUT  
5 FOR THE RACIST VOTE THAT WERE OUT THERE NEAR PLAYA DEL REY AND  
6 HE'S WITH A RACIST REPUBLICANS. IF YOU ARE TO THE LEFT OF  
7 KEVIN JAMES, THEN YOU MUST VOTE DEMOCRATIC. DON'T BE FOOLED BY  
8 THIS GUY. HE'S A RACIST. AND HE GOES TO BED AND GETS UP, KEVIN  
9 JAMES AND ERIC GARCETTI ARE IN BED TOGETHER. IT'S PRETTY  
10 SICKENING. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13

14 **DENISE PAZ:** HI. I'M DENISE PAZ, MUCH HAS BEEN SAID ABOUT  
15 CHALLENGES FACING THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM AND FOSTER CHILDREN  
16 THEMSELVES. IT SEEMS THOSE CHALLENGES DON'T END WHEN KIDS TURN  
17 18. FOSTER KIDS AGE OUT OF THE FOSTER CARE, HAVE TO FIND JOBS  
18 AND HOUSING THROUGH THEIR OWN EFFORTS. THEY HAVE A FEW  
19 RESOURCES TO FALL BACK ON. CORRECTING THE HOMELESS YOUTH  
20 SHOULD BE THE BEST ALTERNATIVE. TRANSITIONAL HOUSING AVAILABLE  
21 FOR FORMER FOSTER KIDS UNTIL THE AGE OF 21. THAT'S BASICALLY  
22 SUBSIDIZED HOUSING WHICH IS SIMILAR TO SECTION 8. THE STATE  
23 STEPS IN AND EXPECTS LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
24 TO ALLOW D.C.F.S. TO DO A BETTER JOB FOR THE CHILDREN WHO ARE  
25 BEING EXPOSED TO ABUSE, BUT INSTEAD, D.C.F.S. OF LOS ANGELES



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1 COUNTY ARE CONTRIBUTING TO THE DEATHS TO THESE CHILDREN.  
2 FOSTER KIDS MOVE PLACEMENT SOMETIMES THROUGH 10 PLACEMENTS OR  
3 MORE OVER THE COURSE OF THEIR TIME IN FOSTER CARE. SO THAT  
4 MEANS MOVING SCHOOLS, THEY DON'T -- THEY CAN'T JOIN A  
5 BASKETBALL TEAM. THEY CAN'T GO TO PROM. THEY HAVE TO START ALL  
6 OVER. WHEN KIDS GO OFF TO COLLEGE, MOST KIDS WHO DON'T COME  
7 FROM FOSTER CARE BACKGROUNDS, WITH THEY GO OFF TO COLLEGE,  
8 MANY KIDS GO BACK TO THEIR PARENTS' HOME FOR THE SUMMER. AND  
9 KIDS MOVING BACK TO THEIR PARENTS' HOPE. SO THEY'VE GOT A  
10 SAFETY NET. FOSTER KIDS DON'T HAVE THAT. THEY DON'T HAVE  
11 FAMILY SUPPORT TO GO TO. THOSE CHILDREN END UP HOMELESS. THEY  
12 END UP IN SHELTERS. THEY END UP EATING DINNER AT OUR OUTREACH  
13 CENTERS. THEY END UP ON FOOD PANTRIES, FOOD STAMPS AND SLEEP  
14 UNDER BRIDGES. 60 PERCENT OF FOSTER YOUTH HAVE AN EPISODE OF  
15 HOMELESSNESS. D.C.F.S. ARE NOT USING GOOD JUDGMENT WHEN MORE  
16 THAN HALF OF OUR CHILDREN END UP HOMELESS. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MS. PAAS. FINAL  
19 SPEAKER MISS SIGMUND, YES.

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21 **TERRY SIGMUND:** YES, HELLO. I JUST WANTED TO ADDRESS --  
22 ACTUALLY IT WAS INTERESTING THAT THE OTHER SPEAKER WAS SAYING  
23 THAT THERE'S SUCH A HIGH SUICIDE RATE IN TEENAGERS. IN FACT,  
24 STATISTICS HAVE SHOWN THAT THE SUICIDE RATE IS EXTREMELY HIGH  
25 AMONG TEENAGERS WHO DON'T HAVE RELIGIOUS FAITH. AND HERE MY



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1 CHILDREN ARE BEING TOTALLY DENIED RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WHEN I  
2 HAVE PARENTAL RIGHTS AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS THAT YOU  
3 APPARENTLY SEEM TO THINK NOT MUCH OF, HAVE BEEN COMPLETELY  
4 VIOLATED. HERE IT SAYS IN YOUR OWN PAMPHLET THAT YOU'VE GOT  
5 THE RIGHT TO GO TO RELIGIOUS SERVICES AND THE KID HAS A  
6 CHOICE. IN ALMOST THREE YEARS, MY CHILDREN HAVEN'T GONE TO ANY  
7 RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES, LET ALONE THE ONE OF WHAT WE BELIEVE IN,  
8 SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS. I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW YOU CAN SIT  
9 HERE, IGNORE AND ACTUALLY PRETTY MUCH NOT EVEN LISTEN TO WHAT  
10 I HAVE TO SAY TO YOU AS YOU ALL SEEM TO BE IN YOUR OWN WORLD  
11 WHILE I'M TALKING. WHICH IS SO NICE BECAUSE I WAITED HOURS TO  
12 GET YOUR ATTENTION BUT THAT'S NOT REALLY IMPORTANT, YOU'RE  
13 BUSY, RIGHT.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** MAKE NO MISTAKE ABOUT IT, MISS  
16 SIGMUND, YOU HAVE OUR ATTENTION.

17

18 **TERRY SIGMUND:** I DIDN'T HAVE YOUR ATTENTION. YOU GUYS ARE ALL  
19 TALKING. SO WHILE I'M TALKING ABOUT HOW YOU'RE STAMPING ON MY  
20 SON'S CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS, YOU COULDN'T CARE LESS BECAUSE  
21 IT'S JUST THE CONSTITUTION OF THIS COUNTRY, I GET THAT. BUT  
22 EITHER WAY, I WONDER WHY YOU ALWAYS SENT ME TO MR. ALDAMARINE  
23 WHO IGNORES THAT ALSO. EVEN AS SEVERE AS WHEN LAST TIME I  
24 POINTED OUT TO HIM, YOU HAVE BEEN DENYING MY SON TO BE LOSING  
25 WEIGHT. YOU PUT IN WRITING THAT MY SON IS NOT LOSING WEIGHT



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1 THAT MY WORRIES ABOUT IT IS JUST STRESSING OUT MY CHILDREN,  
2 THEY'RE NOT REAL. I CAME WITH THESE CHARTS. I SHOWED YOU  
3 THEY'RE UNDERWEIGHT. NOW YOU'RE CHARGING ME, THIS IS A  
4 PETITION TO CHARGE ME WITH EMOTIONAL DAMAGE. AND LISTEN TO  
5 WHAT IT SAYS. THE CHILD EXHIBITS ANXIETY IN THE FORM OF LOSING  
6 WEIGHT. WASN'T YOUR CLAIM THAT MY SON DOESN'T LOSE WEIGHT? I  
7 COME HERE WITH THE CHARGE AND YOU SAY, YOU KNOW, HE DOES LOSE  
8 WEIGHT, BUT IT'S YOUR FAULT. I HAVE NO CUSTODY OF MY SON, BUT  
9 IT'S MY FAULT. I'M SUPPOSED TO HAVE VISITATION, I'M NOT  
10 GETTING IT. YOU'RE GOING TO SEND ME TO ALDAMARINE AS YOUR  
11 LIAISON, WHO DOES NOTHING. SO WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO UNDERSTAND  
12 YOU MIGHT WANT TO SEND ME TO SOMEBODY WHO DOES SOMETHING?

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE DO THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
15 TESTIMONY.

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17 **TERRY SIGMUND:** THIS IS THE CHILD THAT DOESN'T WANT TO BE WITH  
18 ME. THAT'S THAT CHILD. LOOKS REALLY MISERABLE SEEING ME.

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE TRUST  
21 THAT WE HAVE EXTENDED YOU THE COURTESY OF THE TIME PARAMETERS  
22 OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION. EACH TIME YOU'VE REQUESTED TO  
23 BE HEARD, YOU'VE BEEN ACCOMMODATED. AND YOU'VE SEIZED THE  
24 OPPORTUNITY TO ADMONISH US TODAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR



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1 TESTIMONY. WE WILL PROCEED TO ADJOURNMENT. MADAM EXECUTIVE  
2 OFFICER? YES.

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4 **LORAYNE LINGAT:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,  
5 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL  
6 RECONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION AT THIS TIME ON CLOSED SESSION CS-  
7 4, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS AS INDICATED ON THE  
8 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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