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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

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LORI GLASGOW
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**REQUEST TO DECORATE AND DEDICATE THE EXISTING HUMAN TRAFFICKING SOFT
ROOM LOCATED AT THE LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT (LASD) HUMAN
TRAFFICKING CENTER TO HONOR SUPERVISOR DON KNABE
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This letter is to request Board approval to decorate and dedicate the existing human trafficking soft room located at the LASD/Human Trafficking Center in honor of Supervisor Don Knabe. The room will be appropriately decorated in an effort to make victims feel as safe and comfortable as possible.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

Approve a joint recommendation from the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and the Probation Department to each use county funds to purchase furnishings and decorations amounting to no more than \$ 2,500.00 per Department for the existing human trafficking soft room located at the LASD/Human Trafficking Center and to name the room in honor of Supervisor Don Knabe. Funding is available in the current budget for each Department.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Supervisor Don Knabe was first elected to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors in November of 1996. He has spent his political career working to protect innocent and vulnerable children. The Supervisor is one of the first elected leaders in the nation to bring attention to the travesty of child sex trafficking. As a result of his strident advocacy, the County has emerged as a national leader in the fight to end this brutal exploitation of minors. The dedication will memorialize

Supervisor Knabe's commitment and unwavering dedication to the well-being of all children and youth.

The "soft room" is located at the Sheriff's Human Trafficking Center. While it is currently furnished to adequately meet the needs of the victims, more can be done to further enhance both the comforting and welcoming elements of the room.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The cost of the recommended action in Fiscal Year 2016-17 will be approximately \$5,000.00 and will be fully financed by using existing DCFS Realignment and Probation county funds to purchase furnishings and decorations in an attempt to ensure that youth being interviewed feel as comfortable as possible.

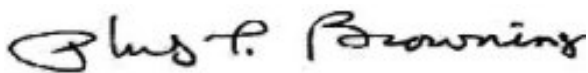
FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Department of Children and Family Services and the Probation Department seek Board approval to utilize funds to decorate the room and the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department will commemorate the space as recommended.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There is no impact on current services or projects.

Respectfully submitted,



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CALVIN C. REMINGTON

Interim Chief Probation Officer



JIM McDONNELL

Sheriff

PLB:JM:CR:ER

c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel