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MOTION BY SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY

September 13, 2005

Whereas, the people of Los Angeles County overwhelmingly approved Proposition B in 1996 in order to reduce the influence that campaign funds have on the county's governmental processes; and

Whereas, Proposition B has been successful in reducing the amount of money individuals and companies contribute to County campaigns and the amount of time candidates spend raising campaign funds, and in so doing, reducing the influence of campaign funding on the governmental process; and

Whereas, Proposition B is crystal clear in assigning responsibility for the enforcement of violations of this law to the District Attorney of this County; and

Whereas, there appears to be confusion or ambiguity as to the assignment of responsibility for screening campaign finance filings in order to determine compliance with Proposition B, and the need for referral to the District Attorney for enforcement; and

Whereas, this confusion may have resulted in the lack of enforcement of certain of Proposition B's provisions on a number of occasions since its passage:

**I, THEREFORE, MOVE** that the County Counsel, in conjunction with the District Attorney and the County Registrar, present a plan to the Board of Supervisors within four weeks that:

- 1) Assigns the responsibility for screening campaign finance filings for compliance with Proposition B requirements to the County Registrar-Recorder;
- 2) Establishes a protocol by which the Registrar-Recorder refers violations of Proposition B to the District Attorney as called for in Proposition B;
- 3) Ensures that the District Attorney enforces the County's campaign finance laws as provided in Proposition B; and
- 4) Includes funding for staffing necessary to implement these recommendations.

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