



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held February 6, 2008, the Board took the following action:

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The following statement was entered into the record for Supervisors Burke and Knabe:

“It has just come to the attention of the Board of Supervisors that state officials conducted an inspection of the emergency room at Harbor-UCLA that concluded this past Friday. Although, the County Department of Health Services has not received the official findings of the state, it is expected that the state will issue a citation of ‘immediate jeopardy’ relating to overcrowding in the emergency room, delays in the triage and reassessment of patients. The entire emergency room system within Los Angeles County is very fragile and this immediate jeopardy could further strain the system.”

Therefore, Supervisor Burke made a motion that the Board take the following actions:

1. Make a finding pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2), that there is a need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the agenda being posted as specified in subdivision (a); and
2. Direct the Chief Executive Officer and Director of Health Services to provide a detailed report to the Board at the meeting of February 12, 2008, at 11:30 a.m., regarding the number of hours patients are waiting at Harbor-UCLA, the weaknesses in the triage system and a reassessment of patients and the details of the proposed corrective action plan.

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Supervisor Molina made a suggestion that Supervisors Burke and Knabe's motion be amended to include a comparison of the waiting times at Harbor-UCLA compared to other hospital facilities, and what protocols exist in County facilities when a patient is missing. Supervisors Burke and Knabe accepted Supervisor Molina's amendment. Supervisor Burke's motion, as amended, seconded by Supervisor Knabe, was unanimously carried.

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