



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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June 10, 2008

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

Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVE AN INCREASE TO THE SPENDING AUTHORITY
FOR THE CONTRACT FOR CARDIOLOGY SERVICES
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

The Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (District) is requesting approval to increase the Cardiology Services Contract Program from \$125,000 to \$200,000 per fiscal year to accommodate the increased number of referrals and resultant diagnostic services.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR HONORABLE BOARD, ACTING AS THE
GOVERNING BODY OF THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF
LOS ANGELES COUNTY:**

1. Approve an increase in spending authority for the District's Cardiology Services Contract Program from \$125,000 to \$200,000. This represents an increase of \$75,000 per fiscal year for the duration of the Cardiology Services Contract Program, which ends on April 30, 2010.

SERVING THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE CITIES OF:

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BELL GARDENS
BELLFLOWER
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PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Due to an increase in compliance through the Fitness for Life Program (40 percent to 84 percent participation in the Fitness for Life annual physical exam), there has been an increase in the number of safety employees referred to Harbor-UCLA for cardiology consult. In addition, with your Board's November 2006 approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with the Los Angeles County Lifeguard Association, the Fitness for Life Program was expanded to include all ocean lifeguards.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Approval of the recommended action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goal #2, Workforce Excellence, enhancing the quality of the District's workforce.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Sufficient funding is available in the District's Special Operations Budget Unit to address the projected appropriation needs for the fiscal year. There is no impact on net County cost.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Auditor-Controller and County Counsel have reviewed and approved the recommended actions.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

Approval of the recommended action will allow the Fitness for Life Program to continue with uninterrupted screenings for abnormal stress tests for safety employees.

CONCLUSION

Upon approval by your Board, please instruct the Executive Officer to return adopted copies of this letter to the following offices:

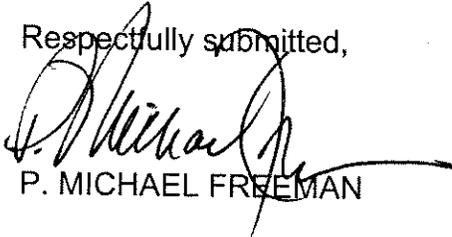
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2. Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County
Contracts Section, Materials Management Division
5801 South Eastern Avenue, Suite 100
Commerce, CA 90040
Attention: Lucy Guadiana, Supervising Administrative Assistant

3. Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County
Financial Management Division
5801 South Eastern Avenue, Suite 130
Commerce, CA 90040
Attention: Theresa R. Barrera, Assistant Chief

Respectfully submitted,



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- c: Chief Executive Officer
Auditor-Controller
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors