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Federal Funds for Homeboy Industries

Homeboy Industries has long served the County of Los Angeles (County) by providing job training and services such as tattoo removal to youthful offenders in the County's probation system. Homeboy Industries' work has generated long-term savings for the County by preventing recidivism and enabling young people to lead productive lives. Some services, including more than 20,000 tattoo removal sessions for youths in the custody of the Probation Department, have been performed free of charge to the County and to the youth.

The federal government has recognized the value of Homeboy Industries by awarding the organization of a \$300,000 Roybal-Allard grant. Funds authorized by that grant have yet to be released to Homeboy Industries and are delayed pending issuance of instructions by the Department of Labor. This funding is critical as Homeboy Industries, like other non-profit organizations, struggles through the economic recession.

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WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Direct the Chief Executive Officer and the County's Federal Advocacy Office to urge the appropriate federal officials to take the actions required to expedite the release of the \$300,000 grant to Homeboy Industries.

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