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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

Dear Supervisors:

**TERMINATION OF CHILD CARE STAFFING SERVICES CONTRACT FOR CONVENIENCE
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

The Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) seeks the Board's delegated authority to terminate a contract for child care staffing services with Mexican American Opportunity Foundation (MAOF) at the Children's Welcome Center (CWC).

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

Delegate authority to the Director of DCFS, or designee, to terminate Contract Number 77925 with MAOF for child care staffing services by issuing a 30-day notice of termination to MAOF, upon completion of the transition of services from the current child care staffing services contract to the Transitional Shelter Care services contract, which is in the best interest of the County.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

MAOF has been providing child care staffing services at the CWC located at LAC+USC Medical Center since March 2013. In April 2015, the County and California Department of Social Services (CDSS) Director, Will Lightbourne, entered into a stipulated judgment in the lawsuit Lightbourne v. County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC580223, which requires the County to provide licensed 72-hour transitional shelter care (TSC) facilities for the populations of children currently served by the CWC and Youth Welcome Center (YWC) within an abbreviated timeframe. On December 8, 2015, the County entered into separate contracts with four agencies to provide TSC services. It is anticipated that the TSC contracts will enable the County to comply with the terms set forth in the stipulated judgment. It is also anticipated that the TSC Contractors may start providing

TSC services as soon as March 1, 2016. This will eliminate the need for DCFS to continue the contract for child care staffing services with MAOF.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions are consistent with the Countywide Strategic Plan Goals No. 1: Operational Effectiveness: Contracting with the selected Contractors for TSC services maximizes the effectiveness of processes, structures, operations, and strong fiscal management to support timely delivery of customer-orientated and efficient public services. In addition Goal number 3: Integrated Services Delivery: the recommended actions facilitate the County’s maximization of opportunities to measurably improve client and community outcomes and leverage resources through the continuous integration of health, community, and public safety services.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

DCFS does not anticipate a financial impact, as the DCFS children will transition to TSC providers. The current contract extension for six months for \$1,240,267 with MAOF expires on June 30, 2016. The current contract cost has been funded using 36 percent Federal funds, 33 percent State funds, and 31 percent net County cost.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

As a result of the stipulated judgment in the lawsuit Lightbourne v. County of Los Angeles, the County executed contracts with four agencies to provide licensed 72-hour TSC facilities to serve the populations of children currently served by the CWC and YWC. It is anticipated that the TSC contracts will enable the County to comply with the terms set forth in the stipulated judgment and the staffing services currently provided by MAOF would no longer be needed.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There is no impact on the current services as the child care services will be transitioned to the recently executed TSC contracted facilities. MAOF has been informed that their child care staffing services contract may be terminated within the next three months and that MAOF will be provided a 30 day advance notice prior to terminating the childcare staffing services contract.

CONCLUSION

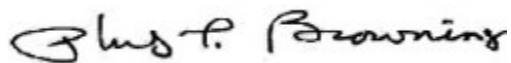
Upon Board approval, the Acting Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, is requested to return one adopted stamped Board letter to:
Department of Children and Family Services
Attention: Leticia Torres-Ibarra, Contracts Division Manager
425 Shatto Place, Room 400
Los Angeles, CA 90020

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Philip L. Browning". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "P".

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c: Chief Executive Officer
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