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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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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, CA 90012 Board of Supervisors GLORIA MOLINA First District

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Dear Supervisors:

APPOINTMENT AND SALARY FOR COUNTY COUNSEL (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

Recommendation to appoint and set the salary of Mark Saladino to serve as County Counsel of the County of Los Angeles.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Appoint Mark Saladino to the position of County Counsel at an annual salary of \$288,915, effective October 15, 2014.
- 2. Instruct the Director of Personnel to execute an at-will employment contract which is approved as to form by County Counsel.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to appoint a County Counsel for the County of Los Angeles and to set the salary for the position for Mark Saladino.

Since 1998, Mark Saladino has served as the Treasurer and Tax Collector for the County of Los Angeles. In addition to his experience in finance and investments, Mr. Saladino has extensive legal experience both in private and public sector. Mr. Saladino has served as Principal Deputy County Counsel for the County of

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Los Angeles and had a successful private practice at Hawkins, Delafield & Wood in New York City and at Jones Day and Reavis & Pogue in Los Angeles.

Given Mr. Saladino's extensive legal experience, it is recommended that your Board approve Mr. Saladino's annual salary of \$288,915, effective immediately.

<u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

Approval of these recommendations will further the County of Los Angeles Strategic Plan Goal of Operational Effectiveness to enhance the quality and productivity of the County workforce.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The cost of the recommended actions will be absorbed within the Office of the County Counsel's current budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The recommended salary will provide appropriate compensation to Mr. Saladino to perform the duties of County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Implementation of these recommendations will provide leadership for the Office of County Counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T FUJIOKA Chief Executive Officer

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County Counsel Appt. Letter