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[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION
ON NOVEMBER 9, 2004, BEGINS ON PAGE 93.]

SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING. I WILL CALL THE MEETING TO
ORDER AND ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE RISE. WE'LL BE LED IN THE
INVOCATION BY RABBI HAIM BELIAK, FROM LOS ANGELES, AND THE
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY CHARLES HAYS, JOE LOUIS POST
NUMBER 633, THE AMERICAN LEGION. RABBI?

RABBI HAIM BELIAK: <SPEAKS IN HEBREW>, OUR HEAVENLY PARENT,
THE STORY TELLER HAS OFTEN WARMED OUR HEART WITH OFFERING US
THE RIGHT KINDS OF QUESTIONS TO ASK. HOW IS AN EGG LIKE A
CLOUD? HOW IS A MATCH LIKE A GRAIN OF WHEAT. HOW IS A PINE
CONE LIKE A WORD? THE CHILDREN, YOU AND I TRY TO GUESS. THERE
IS ONLY ONE ANSWER. AN EGG MAKES A BIRD, A CLOUD MAKES RAIN,
MATCHES MAKE FIRE, WHEAT MAKES BREAD, BUT A PINE CONE AND A
WORD, ONE CHILD SMILES AND CALLS OUT, "WHEN GOD BEGAN MAKING
THE WORLD, GOD BEGAN WITH A WORD." ANOTHER CRIES OUT,
"BEGINNINGS, THEY ARE ALL BEGINNINGS." AND SO WE LISTEN TO THE
VOICE OF THE STORY TELLER, ONCE THERE WERE PEOPLE WHO DIDN'T
KNOW HOW TO MAKE BEGINNINGS OR EVEN HOW TO RECOGNIZE THEM, BUT
BEGINNINGS ARE EVERYWHERE: ON THE GROUND IN SEEDS, IN THE SKY
WITH CLOUDS, IN YOUR MIND WITH IDEAS, IN YOUR HAND WITH TOOLS



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1 TO WORK WITH, IN YOUR HEART, IN YOUR FEELINGS, AND IN THE WORD
2 OF GOD. AMEN.

3

4 **CHARLES D. HAYS:** FACE THE FLAGS, PLEASE, PUT YOUR HAND OVER
5 YOUR HEART, AND JOIN ME IN REPEATING THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
6 TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE]

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE'VE BEEN LED IN THE
11 INVOCATION THIS MORNING BY HAIM DOVE BELIAK, WHO IS A GRADUATE
12 STUDENT IN EDUCATION AT THE CLAREMONT GRADUATE UNIVERSITY,
13 WHERE HE'S COMPLETING HIS PH.D. IN HIGHER EDUCATION
14 ADMINISTRATION. HE IS A GRADUATE OF THE HEBRIAN COLLEGE AND IS
15 AN ORDAINED RABBI AND HAS AN A.B. DEGREE FROM OCCIDENTAL
16 COLLEGE IN PHILOSOPHY AND GEOLOGY. THAT'S QUITE A COMBINATION.
17 RABBI BELIAK IS THE RABBI OF BETH SHALOM OF WHITTIER, AND A
18 DACH HABAREIM OF LAS ALAMEDAS. IN ADDITION HE WORKS AT THE
19 METROPOLITAN DETENTION CENTER IN THE TERMINAL ISLAND FEDERAL
20 PRISONS. HE IS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF RABBIS FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IN
21 ISRAEL AND IS A LONG-TIME PARTICIPANT IN MUSLIM, CHRISTIAN AND
22 JEWISH DIALOGUE. SINCE 9/11, RABBI BELIAK HAS SERVED AS THE
23 EDUCATIONAL CHAIR OF THE INTERFAITH COMMUNITIES, UNITED FOR
24 JUSTICE AND PEACE, ON THAT STEERING COMMITTEE, AND HE IS
25 MARRIED AND HE HAS THREE CHILDREN. HE WAS BORN IN MUNICH,



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1 GERMANY, GREW IN MASON CITY, IOWA, AND PHOENIX, ARIZONA. HE
2 CURRENTLY RESIDES IN LOS ANGELES WITH HIS SPOUSE AND HIS THREE
3 CHILDREN. AND WE APPRECIATE THAT VERY ELOQUENT INVOCATION THIS
4 MORNING. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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8 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, WE ARE VERY PLEASED TO HAVE THIS MORNING
9 CHARLES HAYS, AND HE IS FROM THE JOE LOUIS POST NUMBER 633,
10 HE'S ADJUTANT AND HE'S FROM THE AMERICAN LEGION. HE WAS IN THE
11 MILITARY FROM '53 TO '57 AS A STAFF SERGEANT WITH THE U.S. AIR
12 FORCE, 310 BOMBER WING. HE SERVED IN EUROPE, HE RECEIVED THE
13 UNITED NATIONS SERVICE MEDAL, HE RECEIVED THE AIR FORCE GOOD
14 CONDUCT MEDAL, NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, AIR FORCE
15 OVERSEAS RIBBON, AND HE IS RETIRED FROM -- AS TOOLING LIAISON
16 FOR MCDONALD DOUGLAS. HE IS A WIDOW WITH FOUR CHILDREN. HE'S
17 LIVED IN THE DISTRICT FOR 35 YEARS AND HE ATTENDED COLLEGE AT
18 L.A. TRADE TECH. HE WAS FROM OMAHA, NEBRASKA. THANK YOU FOR
19 BEING HERE. [APPLAUSE]

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE'LL PROCEED WITH THE AGENDA.

22

23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
24 BOARD. WE'LL BEGIN ON PAGE 3. ON ITEM CS-1, WE HAVE A REQUEST



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1 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK, AND ALSO ON CS-4,
2 REQUEST TO SPEAK ON THE ITEM.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

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6 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON PAGE 6, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
7 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEM 1-D.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CHAIR WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
10 BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

11

12 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING
13 AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-H.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY
16 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

17

18 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL
19 PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEM 1-P.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CHAIR WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
22 MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

23



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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 6.
2 ON ITEM NUMBER 6, HOLD FOR COUNTY COUNSEL. THE REST ARE BEFORE
3 YOU.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
6 ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
7 SO ORDERED.

8

9 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, ITEMS 7 AND 8. ON
10 ITEM NUMBER 7, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR MOLINA, AND ON ITEM NUMBER
11 8, FOR THE RECORD, SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES "NO."

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

14

15 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SO ITEM NUMBER 8, WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA
16 VOTING "NO," IS BEFORE YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, CHAIR WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY
19 SUPERVISOR BURKE, WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTING "NO." SO
20 ORDERED.

21

22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 9
23 THROUGH 11.

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY
2 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

3

4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** FIRE DEPARTMENT, ITEMS 12 THROUGH 14. ON
5 ITEM NUMBER 12, HOLD FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
8 YAROSLAVSKY, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
9 ORDERED.

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11 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** HEALTH SERVICES, ITEMS 15 THROUGH 20.
12 EXCUSE ME. ON, ITEM NUMBER 18, WE HAVE REQUESTS FROM MEMBERS
13 OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ON WHICH ITEM?

16

17 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THAT'S NUMBER 18, THOSE WERE JUST GIVEN
18 TO ME.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** THE NURSES.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
23 BURKE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
24 ORDERED.

25



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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** INTERNAL SERVICES. ON ITEM 21, WE HAVE A
2 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK. PUBLIC WORKS,
3 ITEMS 22 THROUGH 37. ON ITEM NUMBER 22, THE DIRECTOR REQUESTS
4 A TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE. ON ITEM --

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO ORDERED.

7

8 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ON ITEM 29, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS A
9 ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE. ON ITEM NUMBER 33, FOR THE RECORD,
10 SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES "NO."

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. I WILL REMOVE MY CONTINUANCE ON 29.
13 ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY
14 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SHERIFF, ITEMS 38 THROUGH 41. ON ITEM
17 NUMBER 40 AS NOTED --

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** EXCUSE ME. GOING BACK, ON THE REMAINDER,
20 WITH THE ITEM NUMBER 33 --

21

22 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** 33.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTING "NO."

25



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1 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** RIGHT. FOR THE RECORD. OKAY. OKAY.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

4

5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SHERIFF, 38 THROUGH 41. AS NOTED ON THE
6 GREEN SHEET, ON ITEM 40, THE SHERIFF REQUESTS THAT THE ITEM BE
7 CONTINUED TO JANUARY 11, 2005.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOLD THAT.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** PARDON ME?

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT NUMBER IS THAT?

14

15 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THAT IS NUMBER 40.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOLD IT.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WILL QUESTION A HOLD,
20 AND THEN WE HAVE THE CONTINUANCE FROM THE SHERIFF, SO WE'LL
21 HOLD IT FOR DISCUSSION.

22

23 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ALL RIGHT. THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ON THE REMAINDER, WITH ITEM 40 BEING HELD,
2 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE.
3 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

4

5 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR, ITEM 42.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY
8 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

9

10 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATION, ITEMS 43
11 THROUGH 47.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY
14 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, I'LL READ THE
17 SHORT TITLE INTO THE RECORD, AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THROUGH
18 DECEMBER 31, 2006, THE TERM OF THE PROPRIETARY PETROLEUM
19 PIPELINE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY
20 ORDINANCE NUMBER 11854 AS AMENDED. FOR THE RECORD, ON THIS
21 ITEM, SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTES "NO."

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED
24 BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTING "NO," SO
25 ORDERED.



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2 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** SEPARATE MATTER. ON ITEM NUMBER 49,
3 PUBLIC WORKS HAS SUBMITTED A MEMORANDUM AND RECOMMENDS THAT
4 THE BOARD CONTINUE THE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EMERGENCY
5 CONTRACT, AND THAT THE BOARD REVIEW THIS MATTER AGAIN IN 14
6 DAYS.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO IS THAT -- WE'RE JUST CONTINUING IT FOR
9 TWO WEEKS OR?

10

11 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. DOES IT TAKE AN ACTION, OR JUST SO
14 ORDERED ON THE CONTINUANCE?

15

16 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** JUST SO ORDERED.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY, CONTINUED TWO WEEKS, SO ORDERED.

19

20 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
21 REQUESTED BY BOARD MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
22 OFFICER, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF
23 THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
24 ITEM 50-A.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, THE CHAIR
2 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

3

4 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** AND 50-B.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
7 SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

8

9 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.
10 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL
11 DISTRICT NUMBER 2.

12

13 **SUP. BURKE:** WE HAVE NO PRESENTATIONS.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY? I DON'T
16 -- OKAY. WE'RE ONCE AGAIN VERY FORTUNATE TO BE WELCOMING A NEW
17 CONSUL-GENERAL HERE TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THE HONORABLE
18 RONALD DE LANGHE IS THE NEW CONSUL-GENERAL OF BELGIUM. PRIOR
19 TO BECOMING CONSUL-GENERAL TO LOS ANGELES HE SERVED AS
20 BELGIUM'S AMBASSADOR TO ARGENTINA. HE WAS ACCREDITED BY THE
21 UNITED STATES STATE DEPARTMENT ON SEPTEMBER 13TH OF THIS YEAR
22 AS CONSUL-GENERAL OF BELGIUM HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
23 CONSUL-GENERAL DE LANGHE WAS EDUCATED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF
24 BRUSSELS WHERE HE RECEIVED HIS MASTER'S DEGREE IN ECONOMICS
25 AND POLITICAL DIPLOMATIC SERVICES. THE CONSUL-GENERAL HAS BEEN



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1 POSTED IN OVERSEAS ASSIGNMENTS IN FRANCE, MEXICO, NORWAY,
2 ZAIRE, AND SAUDI ARABIA. HE ALSO SERVED AS CONSUL-GENERAL IN
3 CHICAGO FROM 1987 TO 1991, AND AMBASSADOR TO VENEZUELA FROM
4 1994 TO 1998. LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AS WE ALL KNOW, IS HOME TO
5 PEOPLE OF MANY DIFFERENT CULTURES, INCLUDING MANY OF BELGIAN
6 DESCENT, SO WE APPRECIATE THE IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS THAT THE
7 BELGIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY HAS MADE TO ENRICH THE LIVES OF THE
8 PEOPLE HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND WE HOLD IN HIGH ESTEEM
9 THEIR FRIENDSHIP. AND WE WELCOME YOU TO YOUR SECOND POSTING
10 HERE IN THE UNITED STATES, AND WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS
11 PLAQUE, AND A SMALL PLAQUE IN RECOGNITION OF A WARM WELCOME
12 HERE TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY. [APPLAUSE]

13

14 **CONSUL-GENERAL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT IS A
15 GREAT HONOR FOR ME TO BE ABLE TO ATTEND THIS MEETING OF THE
16 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND TO BE
17 WELCOMED BY DISTINGUISHED MEMBER. MANY THANKS, MR. CHAIRMAN,
18 FOR YOUR KIND WORDS AND MANY THANKS ALSO FOR THIS NICE PLAQUE
19 COMMEMORATING MY APPOINTMENT AS CONSUL-GENERAL OF THE KINGDOM
20 OF BELGIUM TO YOUR COUNTY. IT'S AN IMPRESSIVE COUNTY, AN
21 IMPRESSIVE POSTING FOR ME BECAUSE I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS
22 COUNTY IS THE COUNTY WITH THE LARGEST POPULATION IN THE UNITED
23 STATES, AND COMPARE THAT TO BELGIUM, MY LITTLE COUNTRY, YOUR
24 POPULATION IS EQUAL AND MAY BE LARGER THAN THE POPULATION OF
25 BELGIUM. BECAUSE I THINK THAT YOUR POPULATION IS GROWING



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1 FASTER THAN OURS. IT IS GOING TO BE A GREAT PLEASURE FOR ME TO
2 BE LIVING AND TO BE WORKING IN THIS COUNTY IN THE COMING THREE
3 OR FOUR YEARS. IT'S, I'M SURE, I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO IT. IT'S
4 GOING TO BE A DRIVING EXPERIENCE NOT ONLY BECAUSE I SHALL BE
5 ABLE TO BENEFIT FROM THE MANY SERVICES THAT THE COUNTY IS
6 RENDERING TO ITS CITIZEN JUST LIKE IF I WERE ONE OF THEM, AND
7 ALSO BECAUSE I AM CONVINCED THAT I SHALL FIND MANY
8 OPPORTUNITIES TO FOSTER THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OUR TWO
9 PEOPLE, THE PEOPLE OF THE -- THE ANGELINOS, AS ONE SAY, I
10 THINK, AND THE BELGIANS. I HOPE, MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT I SHALL BE
11 ABLE TO BRING YOU MANY VISITORS, GOVERNMENT LEVEL OR LOCAL
12 LEVEL FROM MY COUNTRY. I HOPE I SHALL BE ABLE TO CREATE NEW
13 CONTACTS BETWEEN OUR RESPECTIVE INSTITUTIONS, WHICH DEDICATE
14 THEMSELVES TO DEVELOPING EDUCATION, CULTURE, AND OTHER
15 ACTIVITIES. I WOULD LIKE ALSO TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY, MR.
16 CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISOR, TO WISH YOU A
17 WELL-DESERVED SUCCESS IN ALL YOUR UNDERTAKINGS AND TO WISH TO
18 THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES ALL THE HAPPINESS POSSIBLE. THANK
19 YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE] [INDISTINCT VOICES]

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. NOW WE HAVE SOME VERY SPECIAL
22 AWARDS TO PRESENT. I'M PLEASED TODAY TO BE ABLE AS CHAIRMAN,
23 TO JOIN THE QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION IN HONORING
24 THIS YEAR'S COUNTY-WIDE AWARD WINNING PROGRAMS. THESE AWARDS
25 WERE ALSO RECENTLY PRESENTED AT THE COMMISSION'S 18TH ANNUAL



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1 AWARDS LUNCHEON HELD AT THE DOROTHY CHANDLER PAVILION HERE AT
2 THE MUSIC CENTER. SO MY NOTES SAY SOMETHING ABOUT A VIDEO AND
3 THE SUPERVISORS' DANCE, IS THAT -- YEAH, OKAY, ALL RIGHT. [
4 INDISTINCT VOICES]

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH IT'S A LONG WAY TO GO.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WE WISH TO THANK THE QUALITY AND
9 PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION FOR THE OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AND
10 EXPERTISE IT HAS PROVIDED TO ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENTS AND THEIR
11 COOPERATION AS WELL. I WANT TO PARTICULARLY ACKNOWLEDGE THE
12 COMMISSION CHAIR, JACKLYN TILLY HILL, FOR HER VISION,
13 LEADERSHIP, AND DEDICATION TO ENRICHING LIVES FOR THE ENTIRE
14 COUNTY FAMILY, AND I'M GOING TO ASK CHAIRPERSON HILL TO COME
15 FORWARD AND SAY A FEW WORDS.

16

17 **CHAIRPERSON HILL:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. THE QUALITY AND
18 PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION WANTS TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE INCREDIBLE,
19 UNBELIEVABLE CONTINUING SUPPORT OF THE ENTIRE BOARD OF
20 SUPERVISORS, THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE THAT ENABLES US TO CONTINUE
21 WITH OUR PROGRAMS. THE PURPOSE OF THE QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY
22 COMMISSION IS TO -- OUR MISSION IS TO IDENTIFY AND SUPPORT THE
23 INCREDIBLE WORK THAT GOES ON BY THE DEPARTMENTS. WE HAVE OVER
24 90,000 EMPLOYEES THAT EACH AND EVERY DAY ARE OUT THERE
25 ENRICHING LIVES FOR THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IT'S



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1 A PRIVILEGE AND A PLEASURE FOR THE COMMISSION TO BE ABLE TO
2 SHOWCASE THE TOP 10 PROJECTS OF THE ENTIRE COUNTY AS WELL AS
3 THE SPECIAL PROJECTS HERE TODAY. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH,
4 SUPERVISOR KNABE.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'M GOING TO ASK COMMISSIONER
7 HILL TO STAY HERE. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AND JOIN ME AS WE PRESENT OUR AWARDS, AND I
10 UNDERSTAND, IT'S GOING TO ROLL WHILE WE PRESENT. IS THAT
11 CORRECT OR? OKAY. YOU'RE GOING TO PLAY THE VIDEO? HIT IT. [
12 MUSIC]

13

14 **ANNOUNCER:** WELCOME TO THE 18TH ANNUAL PRODUCTIVITY AND
15 QUALITY AWARDS PROGRAM. THE THEME, 'COUNTY AMBASSADORS,
16 PERFORMANCE HEROES, REFLECTS THE OUTSTANDING EMPLOYEES WHO
17 PLAY A KEY ROLL IN EXECUTING OUR STRATEGIC PLAN AND SHARING
18 ITS VISION WITH CO-WORKERS AND THE PUBLIC ACROSS THE COUNTY.
19 AS A GOVERNMENT, WE SERVE ALMOST 10 MILLION RESIDENTS IN AN
20 AREA OF OVER 4,000 SQUARE MILES, FROM OCEAN COASTLINE TO
21 NATIONAL FORESTS. AS AN ORGANIZATION, WE EMBRACE OUR MISSION
22 OF ENRICHING LIVES THROUGH EFFECTIVE AND CARING SERVICE AND
23 ENDORSE OUR COUNTY-WIDE STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS OF SERVICE
24 EXCELLENCE, WORK FORCE EXCELLENCE, ORGANIZATIONAL
25 EFFECTIVENESS, FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES'



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1 WELL BEING, COMMUNITY SERVICES, HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH, AND
2 PUBLIC SAFETY. WE SALUTE THE PUBLIC OFFICIALS, MANAGERS, AND
3 EMPLOYEES OF THE COUNTY AND WELCOME THEIR VALUABLE
4 CONTRIBUTIONS AND COMMITMENT TO OUR GREAT AND DIVERSE
5 COMMUNITIES.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. FIRST, JACKLYN IF YOU'D JOIN ME UP
8 HERE. FIRST WE HAVE THE BEST APPLICATION OF TECHNOLOGY AWARD,
9 AND IT'S PRESENTED TO OUR CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT
10 FOR THE RETURN MAIL AND DATA VERIFICATION BAR CODING. ALL
11 RIGHT, CONGRATULATIONS. [INDISTINCT VOICES]

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NEXT, FOR THE BEST INNOVATIVE USE OF
14 TECHNOLOGY AWARD IS PRESENTED TO THE INTERNAL SERVICES
15 DEPARTMENT WITH THE LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT FOR THEIR CIVIL
16 E-COURT, CIVIL E-FILING AND RETRIEVAL. IT'S OKAY TO APPLAUD
17 FOR THEM IF YOU'D LIKE. [APPLAUSE] [INDISTINCT VOICES]

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS, CONGRATULATIONS. NEXT, FOR
20 THE BEST INTERAGENCY COOPERATION AWARD, IT'S PRESENTED TO THE
21 AUDITOR CONTROLLER WITH THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE AND
22 INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR COUNTY- WIDE CONTRACTS
23 MONITORING SYSTEM. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** IT'S INTENT THAT YOU'RE, "ROW, ROW, ROW
2 YOUR BOAT." [LAUGHTER] [INDISTINCT VOICES]

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, CONGRATULATIONS, EVERYBODY. THE
5 NEXT, THE BEST QUALITY IMPROVEMENT AWARD, IS PRESENTED TO THE
6 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THEIR ELECTRONIC
7 BENEFIT TRANSFER. [APPLAUSE] [INDISTINCT VOICES]

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU, CONGRATULATIONS
10 EVERYBODY, CONGRATULATIONS. THE NEXT IS THE COMMISSIONER'S
11 MEMORIAL AWARD, AND IT'S PRESENTED TO THE HUMAN RELATIONS
12 COMMISSION WITH THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICE FOR AN INCREDIBLE
13 PROGRAM CALLED "ZERO HOUR: THE TIME TO ACT IS NOW." [APPLAUSE
14] [INDISTINCT VOICES]

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, CONGRATULATIONS EVERYBODY. NEXT
17 IS THE COUNTY IMAGE ENHANCEMENT AWARD. IT'S GIVEN TO THE PARKS
18 -- OUR DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION FOR THEIR JACKIE
19 ROBINSON PARK HEALTH AND DENTAL FAIR. [APPLAUSE] [
20 INDISTINCT VOICES]

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NEXT IS THE PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT AWARD,
23 EXCUSE ME, AND IT'S PRESENTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
24 WORKS FOR THEIR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS PERFORMANCE
25 MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK. [APPLAUSE]



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, CONGRATULATIONS EVERYBODY, THANK
3 YOU VERY MUCH. THE NEXT IS THE PERSONAL BEST AWARD. THAT'S
4 PRESENTED TO THE OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR FOR THEIR SERVING THE
5 MANDARIN-SPEAKING TAXPAYER. [APPLAUSE]

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS, EVERYBODY, THANKS. NEXT IS
8 THE ARTHUR GUTTENBERG AWARD, FOR BEST OVERALL TECHNOLOGY
9 AWARD. IT'S PRESENTED TO THIS CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER,
10 EXCUSE ME, TOGETHER WITH THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD,
11 OUR INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, AND NETWORK TELEVISION TIME
12 FOR THEIR BOARD MEETINGS AND MULTI-MEDIA ON THE WEB. [
13 APPLAUSE] [INDISTINCT VOICES]

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THE NEXT IS THE MEGA MILLION-DOLLAR
16 PLATINUM EAGLE AWARD, AND THAT'S PRESENTED TO THE SHERIFF'S
17 DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR INMATE SERVICES UNIT. [APPLAUSE] [
18 INDISTINCT VOICES]

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NOW WE GET TO PRESENT THE TOP 10 AWARD
21 WINNING PROJECTS. THE FIRST TOP 10 AWARD IS PRESENTED TO THE
22 CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT WITH OUR DEPARTMENT OF
23 PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES FOR THEIR AUTOMATED INTERFACE
24 PARTNERSHIP. [APPLAUSE] [INDISTINCT VOICES]

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THE NEXT TOP 10 AWARD IS PRESENTED TO THE
2 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, OFFICE OF WOMEN'S HEALTH, FOR
3 THEIR CERVICAL CANCER PREVENTION AND EDUCATION INITIATIVE. [
4 APPLAUSE] [INDISTINCT VOICES]

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. CONGRATULATIONS, EVERYBODY. THE
7 NEXT TOP 10 AWARD IS PRESENTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN
8 AND FAMILY SERVICES, FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND
9 PROBATION DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR CLINICAL AND PLACEMENT SUPPORT.
10 [APPLAUSE] [INDISTINCT VOICES]

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD, CONGRATULATIONS EVERYBODY. THE
13 NEXT TOP 10 AWARD IS PRESENTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
14 HEALTH, WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND SHERIFF'S
15 DEPARTMENT, THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC DEFENDER AND THE LOS ANGELES
16 SUPERIOR COURT FOR THEIR COMPETENCY RESTORATION PROGRAM. [
17 APPLAUSE] [INDISTINCT VOICES]

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY, VERY GOOD, CONGRATULATIONS. THE NEXT
20 TOP 10 AWARD IS PRESENTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
21 FOR THEIR H.H.W.M.P. ELECTRONIC WASTE, E-WASTE COLLECTION,
22 THAT'S -- [APPLAUSE]

23



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THAT'S LIKE ALL YOUR OLD COMPUTERS AND ALL
2 OF YOUR ELECTRONIC THINGS, YOU KEEP THEM OUT OF LANDFILLS,
3 IT'S VERY GOOD. [INDISTINCT VOICES]

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THE NEXT TOP 10 AWARD IS PRESENTED TO THE
6 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
7 FOR THEIR JAIL H.I.V./A.I.D.S. SERVICES PROGRAM. [APPLAUSE]
8 [INDISTINCT VOICES]

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS. THE NEXT TOP 10 AWARD IS
11 PRESENTED TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION HOUSING
12 AUTHORITY, AND OUR DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES,
13 THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, AND THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT
14 FOR THEIR "STEP OUT" APARTMENTS. [APPLAUSE] [INDISTINCT
15 VOICES]

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD, CONGRATULATIONS. NOW WE'RE GOING
18 TO BE PRESENTING THE COMMISSION'S TOP THREE EAGLE AWARDS.
19 FIRST, THE BRONZE EAGLE GRAND PRIZE WINNER IS PRESENTED TO THE
20 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR THEIR SOLAR POWERED BUS STOP
21 AMENITIES PROGRAM. [APPLAUSE] [INDISTINCT VOICES]

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS. NEXT IS OUR SILVER EAGLE
24 GRAND PRIZE WINNER, AND IT'S PRESENTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
25 REGIONAL PLANNING WITH THE OFFICE OF THE ASSESSOR, THE CHIEF



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1 INFORMATION OFFICE, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR
2 THEIR OBLIQUE AERIAL DIGITAL IMAGERY PROJECT. [APPLAUSE] [
3 INDISTINCT VOICES]

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. CONGRATULATIONS,
6 CONGRATULATIONS. [INDISTINCT VOICES]

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY, I KNOW, WE'RE GOING TO CLEAR EXIT
9 STAGE RIGHT, THEN WE'RE GOING TO OPEN THE -- OR WE'RE JUST
10 GOING TO DO A VIDEO AGAIN, AND THEN WE'RE GOING TO PRESENT THE
11 BIG ONE.

12

13 **ANNOUNCER:** SO, AND SEE THE SIDES OF BUILDINGS, TO MEASURE
14 THEIR HEIGHTS, LOOK AT THEM FROM SEVERAL DIFFERENT ANGLES,
15 FIND ELEVATION FOR ANY POINT ON THE PHOTO AND MUCH MORE. THE
16 IMAGERY IS HELPING ALL THREE DEPARTMENTS IN MANY ACTIVITIES,
17 ESPECIALLY WITH PROPERTY ASSESSMENT, FACILITIES MANAGEMENT,
18 FLOOD CONTROL AND ROAD DESIGN, PLANNING AND ZONING ACTIVITIES,
19 AND ZONING ENFORCEMENT. AND NOW, FOR THE COMMISSION'S TOP
20 AWARD, THE GOLD EAGLE AWARD AND ALSO ANOTHER RECIPIENT OF THE
21 COMMISSION'S PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT AWARD, WE ARE PROUD TO
22 HONOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES HARBOR-U.C.L.A.
23 MEDICAL CENTER FOR THEIR BEST PRACTICE, CLINIC EFFECTIVENESS
24 AND PRODUCTIVITY. OVER THE PAST 10 YEARS, HEALTH SERVICES
25 MISSION TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO UNDER-INSURED AND UNINSURED



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1 POPULATIONS HAS GROWN SIGNIFICANTLY, WHILE THE DEMAND HAS
2 INCREASED THE DEPARTMENT'S FISCAL CRISIS STILL LOOMS AND
3 ALLOCATION OF ADDITIONAL RESOURCES HAS BEEN KEPT TO A MINIMUM.
4 FACED WITH THESE CHALLENGES, THE AMBULATORY CARE STAFF AND
5 LEADERSHIP BEGAN IMPLEMENTING A NUMBER OF OPERATIONAL CHANGES
6 THAT LED TO INCREASED CLINIC PRODUCTIVITY AND PATIENT
7 SATISFACTION. THESE CHANGES INCLUDED THE DEVELOPMENT OF
8 INDIVIDUAL CLINIC MANAGEMENT TEAMS AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
9 CLINIC PRODUCTIVITY AND OTHER AREA-SPECIFIC GOALS IN ADDITION
10 TO THE FORMATION OF AN INTERDISCIPLINARY AMBULATORY CARE
11 COUNCIL. OVERALL CLINIC PRODUCTIVITY HAS INCREASED BY 25% IN
12 THE SEVEN YEARS AND OUT-PATIENT COSTS HAVE DECREASED SINCE
13 INDIVIDUAL CLINIC PRODUCTIVITY TARGETS WERE INITIALLY
14 ESTABLISHED. IN JUST TWO YEARS, PATIENT SATISFACTION ROSE FROM
15 80% TO OVER 96%. THESE CHANGES LED TO EFFICIENCIES THAT
16 SURPASSED PERFORMANCE MEASURES SET IN BOTH THE PUBLIC AND
17 PRIVATE SECTORS OF HEALTHCARE. MOST RECENTLY, HARBOR-U.C.L.A.
18 WAS SELECTED AS ONE OF THE THREE BEST PRACTICES IN AMBULATORY
19 CARE FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY BY THE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM
20 CONSORTIUM. THEY WERE LAUDED AS EXCEPTIONAL PERFORMERS IN THE
21 TOP FIFTH PERCENTILE IN THE AREAS OF ACCESS TO CARE,
22 PRODUCTIVITY, AND PATIENT SATISFACTION. [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AND NOW WE'RE PROUD TO HONOR THE DEPARTMENT
25 OF HEALTH SERVICES, HARBOR-U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER FOR THEIR



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1 BEST PRACTICE CLINIC EFFECTIVENESS AND PRODUCTIVITY. I'M GOING
2 TO ASK DR. GARTHWAITE, IF YOU'D SAY A FEW WORDS AS WELL TOO
3 PLEASE.

4

5 **DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE:** WELL, I'D LIKE TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS
6 AND THE QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION FOR THIS AWARD. ON
7 BEHALF OF OUR STAFF, WHO'VE REALLY EARNED IT. YOU KNOW, ONE OF
8 THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS IS TO UNDERSTAND WHAT BUSINESS
9 YOU'RE IN AND ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS THEN IS TO
10 MEASURE YOUR PROGRESS TO ACHIEVING GOALS WITHIN THAT VISION.
11 IT IS CLEAR TO US THAT OUR BUSINESS IS TO DELIVER HEALTHCARE
12 AND DELIVER QUALITY HEALTHCARE TO THOSE WITHOUT INSURANCE AND
13 THOSE WITHOUT OTHER MEANS TO PAY OR TO FIND HEALTHCARE
14 SERVICES IN PARTICULAR PARTS OF THIS COUNTY. AND ONE OF THE
15 BEST MEASURES IS ACCESS TO THAT CARE, AND WITH THE SAME
16 DOLLARS, THIS GROUP OF PEOPLE PUT IN PLACE A SYSTEM THAT
17 ALLOWS MANY MORE PEOPLE TO GET CARE AND TO GET BETTER CARE AS
18 EVIDENCED BY THEIR SATISFACTION. SO WE'RE PROUD OF THEM AND
19 THEY'VE REALLY SET THE PACE FOR THE REST OF THE SYSTEM AS WE
20 IMPLEMENT OUR PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM TO DRIVE QUALITY
21 HEALTHCARE ACROSS THE COUNTY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR ALL
24 OF OUR WINNERS. [APPLAUSE]

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AND AGAIN, WE WANT TO THANK THE QUALITY AND
2 PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION, CHAIRPERSON JACKIE HILL AND TO ALL OF
3 OUR COMMISSIONERS. BUT, MORE IMPORTANTLY, TO FOLKS THAT IN THE
4 COUNTY FAMILY THEY'VE WORKED SO HARD TO ENHANCE EFFECTIVENESS
5 AND OPPORTUNITY FOR SERVICE IN WHATEVER AREA IT MAY BE, SO A
6 BIG HAND TO OUR COUNTY FAMILY AS WELL, TOO. [APPLAUSE]

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. NOW I'D LIKE TO CALL COLONEL
9 JOSEPH SMITH, OUR DIRECTOR OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS,
10 FORWARD. THROUGHOUT OUR HISTORY, LOYAL CITIZENS FROM EVERY
11 CORNER OF AMERICA HAVE BEEN WILLING TO ASSUME THE DUTY OF
12 MILITARY LIFE. THERE ARE MORE THAN 25 MILLION LIVING AMERICAN
13 VETERANS, MANY OF THEM WHO PUT THEIR LIVES ON THE LINE TO
14 PRESERVE OUR FREEDOM, MANY DOING THAT TODAY. MEMBERS OF THE
15 ARMY, NAVY, AIR FORCE, MARINES, AND COAST GUARD HAVE PROTECTED
16 OUR COUNTRY AND LIBERATED MILLIONS OF PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD
17 FROM THE THREATS OF TYRANNY AND TERROR. TODAY, OUR PROUD
18 VETERANS HAVE GIVEN US EXTRAORDINARY LEGACY OF PATRIOTISM AND
19 HONOR AND THEIR SERVICE REPRESENTS THE HIGHEST FORM OF
20 CITIZENSHIP. WE SALUTE THEIR SERVICE, HONOR THEIR SACRIFICE,
21 AND CONTINUE TO THANK THEM FOR SUPPORTING THIS NATION IN EVERY
22 HOUR OF OUR NEED. SO ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES ON
23 THE BOARD, IT'S MY PLEASURE TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO COLONEL
24 SMITH AS WE PROCLAIM NOVEMBER 11TH 2004 AS NATIONAL VETERANS'
25 DAY AND URGE THE CITIZENS OF OUR GREAT COUNTY AND STATE AND



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1 NATION TO HONOR ALL VETERANS WHO HAVE SERVED SO VALIANTLY TO
2 PROTECT THIS GREAT COUNTRY. [APPLAUSE]

3

4 **COLONEL JOSEPH SMITH:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF
5 THE BOARD. I APPRECIATE THE BOARD RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER THE
6 11TH VETERANS' DAY, WHICH IS A SPECIAL DAY IN OUR COUNTRY
7 WHERE WE HONOR THE SERVICE AND SACRIFICE OF OUR VETERANS. AND
8 AS WE DO SO, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER ALL GAVE SOME
9 AND SOME GAVE ALL. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, AS WE FOLLOW UP ON WHAT COLONEL
14 SMITH WAS EXPRESSING ABOUT VETERANS' DAY, IT'S OUR PLEASURE
15 THAT WE HAVE TODAY SOME OUTSTANDING SOLDIERS WHO ARE INVOLVED
16 IN THE WAR ON TERROR HELPING TO DEFEND OUR STATE AND NATION
17 FOR FREEDOM. AS WE STATED, ON THURSDAY, THE COUNTY WILL BE
18 CELEBRATING VETERANS' DAY WHERE WE PAY TRIBUTE TO THE BRAVE
19 MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE SERVED OUR NATION AS MEMBERS OF THE
20 MILITARY. WELL, THIS MORNING I HAVE THE PLEASURE OF
21 INTRODUCING FOUR OUTSTANDING SOLDIERS WHO HAVE SERVED OUR
22 COUNTRY, OUR STATE, AND OUR NATION WITH HONOR. FIRST I WOULD
23 LIKE TO RECOGNIZE BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN GONG, WHO WAS BORN IN
24 CANTON, CHINA, WHERE HE BEGAN HIS MILITARY CAREER AS AN
25 ENLISTED SOLDIER IN THE CALIFORNIA MILITARY ARMY NATIONAL



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1 GUARD. HE WAS COMMISSIONED AS SECOND LIEUTENANT IN 1971.
2 GENERAL GONG HAS COMMANDED NATIONAL GUARD TROOPS WHICH HAVE
3 BEEN DEPLOYED DURING THE 1992 LOS ANGELES RIOTS, AND CURRENTLY
4 SERVES AS THE DEPUTY COMMANDER SUPPORT HEADQUARTERS 40TH
5 INFANTRY DIVISION MECHANIZED. IN JANUARY OF THIS COMING YEAR,
6 GENERAL GONG WILL DEPLOY OVERSEAS AS THE OPERATIONS COMMANDER
7 OF A SIZABLE FORCE OF SOLDIERS AS PART OF THE GLOBAL WAR ON
8 TERRORISM. HE IS A ROLE MODEL FOR ASIAN-AMERICANS AND INDEED
9 FOR ALL CITIZENS, AND I'M HONORED TO PRESENT HIM WITH THIS
10 COMMENDATION AT THIS TIME. GENERAL GONG? [APPLAUSE]

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NEXT IS CAPTAIN RUSSELL NAKAISHI, WHO IS A
13 NATIVE OF HILO, HAWAII. CAPTAIN NAKAISHI HAS DISTINGUISHED
14 HIMSELF AS A LEADER IN THE CALIFORNIA STATE MILITARY RESERVE
15 WHERE HE CURRENTLY SERVES AS COMMANDER OF THE FIRST TO THE
16 185TH ARMORED SUPPORT DETACHMENT. HE BEGAN HIS CAREER EIGHT
17 YEARS AGO SERVING IN A VARIETY OF BRIGADIER LEVEL -- BRIGADE
18 LEVEL STAFF ASSIGNMENTS. HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN THE FORMATION
19 AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATE MILITARY RESERVES, FIRST TO THE
20 185TH SUPPORT DETACHMENT A UNIT THAT ASSISTED THE CALIFORNIA
21 NATIONAL GUARD IN TRAINING AND TESTING APPROXIMATELY 2,000
22 SOLDIERS FROM THE FIRST TO THE 185TH THAT WERE DEPLOYED TO
23 OVERSEAS ASSIGNMENTS. SO ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD, CAPTAIN, WE'D
24 LIKE TO GIVE YOU THIS PROCLAMATION. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 2, JAMES CHIN, SERVED
2 OUR NATION IN COMBAT IN VIETNAM AS A SOLDIER IN THE FIRST
3 CALVARY DIVISION. IN 1999, HE ANSWERED OUR STATE'S CALL TO
4 SERVE WHEN HE JOINED THE STATE MILITARY RESERVE. SINCE 9/11,
5 CHIEF CHIN HAS SERVED AS PART OF THE SOLDIERS READINESS
6 PROCESSING TEAM HELPING WITH THE DEPLOYMENT OF CALIFORNIA
7 NATIONAL GUARD SOLDIERS FOR OPERATION IRAQ FREEDOM, OPERATION
8 ENDURING FREEDOM, AND OPERATION NOBLE EAGLE, KOSOVO,
9 GUANTANAMO BAY, AND OTHER MISSIONS IN SUPPORT OF THE GLOBAL
10 WAR ON TERROR. WE WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT THIS PROCLAMATION TO
11 GENERAL -- CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER CHIN. GOING TO MAKE YOU A
12 GENERAL. [APPLAUSE]

13
14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER STEVEN CHO, HIS
15 MILITARY EXPERIENCE CROSSES MANY DECADES AND CONTINENTS. HE
16 FIRST SERVED AS A CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER IN THE REPUBLIC OF
17 KOREA'S ARMY FROM MARCH 1956 THROUGH JANUARY 1971, AND NOW
18 PROUDLY WEARS THE UNIFORM OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE MILITARY
19 RESERVE. HE'S A GRADUATE OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY SIGNAL
20 SCHOOL AND THE U.S. ARMY AIR DEFENSE SCHOOL. HE'S
21 DISTINGUISHED HIMSELF AS AN OUTSTANDING AMBASSADOR FOR KOREAN
22 AMERICANS. AS SUCH HE SERVED AS A SPECIAL PROJECT OFFICER FOR
23 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE 40TH INFANTRY DIVISIONS RETURNING FROM
24 KOREA. HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN OBTAINING A KOREAN PRESIDENTIAL
25 UNIT CITATION RIBBON FOR THE DIVISION'S COLORS, AND ARRANGING



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1 FOR THE KOREAN CONSUL-GENERAL TO PRESENT IT AT THE EVENT HELD
2 LAST MONTH. HE IS CURRENTLY ASSIGNED TO THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS
3 OFFICE OF THE 40TH INFANTRY DIVISION MECHANIZED SUPPORT
4 BRIGADE. SO I WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT THIS TO CHIEF WARRANT
5 OFFICER STEVEN CHO. [APPLAUSE]

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GENERAL GONG?

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9 **GENERAL GONG:** OH, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU. MY WORDS
10 SHALL BE BRIEF, BUT, WOW, WHAT A GREAT DAY TO BE AN AMERICAN,
11 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. HONORABLE SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, TO ALL
12 OF OUR PUBLIC LEADERS THAT ARE HERE TODAY, AND EQUALLY TO OUR
13 -- MY COMRADES IN UNIFORM, I AM HUMBLY HONORED THAT WE ARE
14 RECOGNIZED TODAY, PERHAPS ON MY PART UNDESERVINGLY, BUT IF IT
15 REPRESENTS THE SOLDIERS THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN HARM'S WAY
16 TRYING TO PROTECT THIS COUNTRY'S FREEDOM, THEN I GLADLY
17 ACKNOWLEDGE THE RECEIPT OF THIS. OFTEN TIMES PEOPLE ASK ME
18 "WHY, GENERAL GONG, DO YOU DO WHAT YOU DO?" AND PERHAPS THE
19 RENOWNED GENERAL DOUGLAS MACARTHUR SUMMED IT UP VERY NICELY
20 BACK IN 1952, AND HE SAID, "FOR DUTY, FOR HONOR, FOR COUNTRY."
21 I THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE. THANK YOU. [
22 APPLAUSE]

23

24 **CAPTAIN RUSSELL NAKAISHI:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE HONOR TO
25 REPRESENT THE ASIAN-AMERICAN SOLDIERS IN THE GUARD AND THE



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1 STATE MILITARY RESERVE. AS FOR ME, A ROLE MODEL IS ALWAYS
2 IMPORTANT TO GIVE ME THE INSPIRATION TO DO WHAT I DO FOR THE
3 STATE, COUNTY, AND NATION, AND THAT COMES FROM THE WORLD WAR
4 II VETERANS, THE JAPANESE-AMERICAN VETERANS WHO SERVED WITH
5 THE 100TH INFANTRY BATTALION, 442ND REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM AND
6 INTERPRETERS THAT SERVED IN THE PACIFIC. THEIR DEDICATION AND
7 THEIR HIGH STANDARDS HAVE BEEN THE INSPIRATION FOR ME TO DO MY
8 BEST IN THE STATE MILITARY RESERVE AND FOR THIS NATION. THANK
9 YOU. [APPLAUSE]

10

11 **CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER JAMES CHIN:** THANK YOU FOR THE HONOR AND
12 THE TIME IN FRONT OF THIS COMMISSION. FOR ME, MILITARY SERVICE
13 HAS ALL BEEN FOR THE GUY TO THE RIGHT OF ME, TO THE GUY TO THE
14 LEFT OF ME. MILITARY SERVICE IS AN HONORABLE VALUE, AND THAT
15 IT CONTRIBUTES TO THIS COMMUNITY, THIS COUNTY AND THIS STATE
16 AND IT GIVES ME EXTRA PRIDE IN WHAT I'M DOING. RIGHT NOW, OUR
17 GUYS ARE MOSTLY OVERSEAS DOING THEIR JOB, BUT THAT LEAVES
18 BEHIND STUFF IN THE COMMUNITY HERE THAT STILL NEEDS TO BE
19 DONE. THE NATIONAL GUARD DOES FIRE, THEY DO FLOODS, THEY DO
20 SEARCH AND RESCUES, THEY DO THINGS THAT ORDINARILY THE COUNTY
21 IS BEYOND RESOURCE FOR BECAUSE THEY HAVE SPECIAL EQUIPMENT.
22 RIGHT NOW IF PEOPLE HAVE TIME AND THEY WANT TO COMMIT SOME
23 SERVICE TO THEIR COUNTY AND TO THEIR STATE, THE NATIONAL
24 GUARD, AND THE STATE MILITARY RESERVE IS -- HAS OPENINGS, AND



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1 IF YOU'D LIKE TO COME AND JOIN UP, COME AND SEE ANY OF US AND
2 WE'LL HELP YOU WITH THE PAPERWORK. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CHO? [APPLAUSE]

5

6 **CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER STEVE CHO:** THANK YOU, LADIES AND
7 GENTLEMEN. I HOPE WITH THIS EVENT, COUNTY LOS ANGELES WILL BE
8 NUMBER ONE COUNTY IN THE UNITED STATES TO FIGHT THE TERRORISM.
9 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU CHO. LET ME SAY EARLIER THIS
12 MORNING, WE HAD A PRESS CONFERENCE IN MY OFFICE, WE HAD FIVE
13 MEMBERS OF THE ASIAN MEDIA, TELEVISION, AND PRINT MEDIA THERE
14 AND THEY INTERVIEWED EACH OF THESE INDIVIDUALS, AND WHERE
15 THERE ARE APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE, THERE IS A WEB PAGE YOU CAN
16 CONTACT FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THOSE WHO ARE
17 INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CALIFORNIA NATIONAL GUARD OR THE
18 STATE MILITARY RESERVE, AND WE APPRECIATE GENERAL SWIDLER'S
19 LEADERSHIP, WHO IS THE COMMANDING GENERAL IN GENERAL AREAS,
20 WHO'S THE ADJUTANT GENERAL FOR THE CALIFORNIA NATIONAL GUARD,
21 AND WE WILL PARTICIPATE IN MORE OF THESE PROGRAMS SO WE CAN
22 ENSURE THAT WE HAVE TOTAL INVOLVEMENT OF OUR GREAT COUNTY.
23 GENERAL SWIDLER WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THE MILITARY REFLECT THE
24 GREAT POPULATION OF THIS GREAT COUNTY, AND THAT IS OUR
25 ASSIGNMENT, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO CARRYING IT OUT. SO WE



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1 THANK THE GENERAL AND WE WISH HIM WELL AS HE'S DEPLOYED
2 OVERSEAS IN JANUARY AND WE THANK THE OTHER THREE OFFICERS WHO
3 WERE DEVOTING THEIR TIME AND HELPING WITH THE DEPLOYMENT FOR
4 OUR MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE GOING OVERSEAS. SO THANK YOU VERY
5 MUCH AND GOD BLESS YOU. [APPLAUSE] [INDISTINCT VOICES]

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ANOTHER FRIEND THAT I'D LIKE TO BRING BEFORE
8 THE BOARD, AND WE'RE SORRY THAT HE HAS RETIRED, BUT HE'S NOT
9 RETIRING FROM THE MEDICAL SERVICE, HE'S STILL GOING TO BE
10 INVOLVED, AND THAT'S DR. STEVEN RYAN, WHO WAS THE DEAN OF
11 U.S.C.'S KECK SCHOOL OF MEDICINE FOR THE PAST 13 YEARS, FROM
12 1991 TO 2004, AND AS SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT FROM 1993 TO 2004.
13 HE'S NOW A PROFESSOR OPHTHALMOLOGY AND PRESIDENT OF THE DOHENY
14 EYE INSTITUTE, WHICH IS A STATE OF THE ART FACILITY RECOGNIZED
15 AS A PROMINENT CENTER FOR PATIENT CARE, VISION RESEARCH AND
16 PHYSICIAN EDUCATION. HE SERVED AS CHAIRMAN OF THE U.S.C.
17 DEPARTMENT OPHTHALMOLOGY FROM 1974 TO 1995. HE WAS AWARDED HIS
18 MEDICAL DEGREE FROM JOHN HOPKINS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF
19 MEDICINE, AND COMPLETED HIS RESIDENCY AND CHIEF RESIDENCY
20 THERE. AN INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED EXPERT, HE HAS APPEARED
21 BEFORE CONGRESS A NUMBER OF TIMES IN SUPPORT OF THE NATIONAL
22 INSTITUTES OF HEALTH AND THE NATIONAL EYE INSTITUTE. SO
23 STEPHEN, WE APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP IN THE COUNTY AT U.S.C.
24 AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU AT DOHENY AND WISH YOU
25 CONTINUED SUCCESS IN BEING A GOOD ROLE MODEL FOR ALL OF THE



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1 CITIZENS OF OUR GREAT COUNTY AND STATE. [APPLAUSE] [
2 INDISTINCT VOICES]

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE ALWAYS SIT NEXT TO EACH OTHER AT THE SONS
5 OF SAINT PATRICK DINNER EACH YEAR AT THE BEVERLY HILTON.

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7 **DR. STEPHEN J. RYAN:** THAT'S RIGHT. I LIKE TO SEE MICHAEL O.
8 ANTONOVICH, YOU KNOW, WE REALLY DO THAT PRETTY WELL TOGETHER.
9 BUT WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS TO THANK THE ENTIRE BOARD, ALL
10 THESE SUPERVISORS INDIVIDUALLY AND COLLECTIVELY FOR WHAT YOU
11 DO FOR HEALTHCARE FOR ALL THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES, AND AS
12 WE HEARD EARLIER THIS MORNING, OUR COUNTY IS THE SIZE OF A
13 COUNTRY AND THE POPULATION, AND WHAT YOU DO FOR ALL OF US AND
14 CERTAINLY FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, I KNOW WHAT A CHALLENGE IT IS,
15 I KNOW THE FINANCIAL CHALLENGES, AND THAT'S SOMETHING A
16 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND A STATE GOVERNMENT, BUT YOU FIND A WAY
17 TO MAKE IT WORK FOR ALL OF US, AND WHETHER IT'S A TRAUMA
18 NETWORK, OR AS I GO FORWARD IN MY LIFE AT DOHENY AND WE HAVE
19 THE PARTNERSHIP WITH U.S.C., WE DEEPLY APPRECIATE ALL THE
20 SUPERVISORS DO IN WORKING WITH DR. GARTHWAITE AND THE
21 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. SO THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO FOR
22 LOS ANGELES, I APPRECIATE IT, THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **DR. STEPHEN J. RYAN:** EXCUSE ME, I'D LIKE TO BE ABLE TO
25 INTRODUCE MY WIFE ANNE, AND DAUGHTER PATTY, WHO'VE SUPPORTED



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1 ME OVER THESE 30 YEARS HERE AND MAYBE WE MAYBE WE MIGHT GET A
2 PHOTOGRAPH IF WE COULD. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [INDISTINCT
3 VOICES]

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW I WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME MRS. HASMIK
6 DANIELIAN AND DR. ARMINE HACOPIAN, WHO ARE RECIPIENTS OF THE
7 ARMENIAN EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION'S 2204 EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR
8 AWARDS. DR. HASMIK HAS BEEN AN EDUCATOR WITH THE GLENDALE
9 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR 15 YEARS AND A PRINCIPAL FOR 8
10 YEARS STARTING AT TOLL MIDDLE SCHOOL AND ASSUMING THE COLE
11 PRINCIPALSHIP AT HOOVER HIGH SCHOOL FOUR YEARS AGO AT HIGH
12 SCHOOL. HASMIK HOLDS TWO MASTER'S DEGREES AND HAS TAUGHT AT
13 GLENDALE COLLEGE, BURBANK ADULT SCHOOL, AZUSA PACIFIC
14 UNIVERSITY, ONE OF THE GREAT UNIVERSITIES IN OUR COUNTY, ALONG
15 WITH CLAREMONT COLLEGES, PITTSBURGH AND SCRIPS. AT A STATE
16 CONFERENCE LAST SPRING, HASMIK WAS INTRODUCED AS THE FIRST
17 TRIPLE CROWN WINNING PRINCIPAL IN CALIFORNIA. UNDER HER
18 GUIDANCE, THE FACULTY BECAME A CALIFORNIA DISTINGUISHED
19 SCHOOL, A NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL AND STATE AND NATIONAL
20 TITLE 1 HIGH ACHIEVING SCHOOL. THE ONLY TRIPLE CROWN WINNING
21 SCHOOL IN THE STATE AT THAT TIME. SHE'S ALSO BEEN NAMED THE
22 2004 PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR BY THE ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA
23 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS. SO CONGRATULATIONS. I'LL GIVE YOU THIS
24 PROCLAMATION. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARMINE IS A MEMBER OF THE GLENDALE COMMUNITY
2 COLLEGE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES SINCE 2001. SHE'S HAD MORE
3 THAN THIRTY YEARS EXPERIENCE IN EDUCATION, COUNSELING AND
4 LEADERSHIP TRAINING. SHE HOLDS TWO MASTER'S DEGREE AND A
5 DOCTORATE IN ORGANIZATIONAL MANAGEMENT AND EDUCATIONAL
6 LEADERSHIP FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF LA VERNE. IN 2002, SHE
7 SERVED AS CO-CHAIR OF THE SUCCESSFUL MEASURE G CAMPAIGN WHICH
8 GENERATED NEARLY A HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS FOR UPGRADES AND
9 RENOVATIONS ON THE GLENDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE CAMPUS. DR.
10 HACOPIAN HAS BEEN AN INSTRUCTOR, ADMINISTRATOR, COUNSELOR,
11 E.S.L. SPECIALIST AND PROGRAM COORDINATOR THROUGHOUT HER
12 CAREER. SHE'S ALSO BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE CITY OF GLENDALE'S
13 MEMORIAL COMMITTEE, NEW HORIZON'S FAMILY CENTER, A GREAT
14 CENTER THAT HELPS CHILDREN IN SOUTH GLENDALE AND THE GLENDALE
15 BURBANK CHAPTERS OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS. SO DOCTOR, WE
16 APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP AND LONG-TIME FAMILY FRIENDSHIP. [
17 APPLAUSE] [INDISTINCT VOICES]

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19 **SPEAKER:** I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS MY
20 GRATITUDE TO HONORABLE MIKE ANTONOVICH AND COUNTY BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS. COMMUNITY SERVICE AND EMPOWERING OUR YOUTH
22 CONTINUE BEING THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IN MY LIFE. THANK YOU
23 VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]



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1 **SPEAKER:** I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND MY DEEPEST APPRECIATION
2 TO HONORABLE MIKE ANTONOVICH FOR INITIATING THIS RECOGNITION.
3 EDUCATION IS THE ONLY THING THAT WE HAVE THAT INVESTS IN THE
4 FUTURE OF OUR YOUTH. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE] [INDISTINCT
5 VOICES]

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND BRINGING OUT OUR LITTLE ANIMAL OF THE
8 WEEK IS MARCJA MAYEDA, AS WE WELCOME HER, BECAUSE THIS IS ALSO
9 NATIONAL ANIMAL SHELTER WEEK -- APPRECIATION WEEK. WITH HER WE
10 HAVE OUR SEVEN-WEEK OLD DOMESTIC LONG HAIR NAMED MIDNIGHT. SO
11 I GIVE YOU LITTLE MIDNIGHT, COMES WITH A RED BOW. ANYBODY WHO
12 WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HER CAN CALL THE TELEPHONE NUMBER AT THE
13 BOTTOM OF YOUR SCREEN, OR IN THE AUDIENCE WHO WOULD LIKE TO
14 ADOPT LITTLE MIDNIGHT, SEE ANYBODY? YOU LIKE UNCLE DON OVER
15 THERE, HUH? I'M SURE DAVID JANSSEN WITH THAT NEW HAIRDO WOULD
16 LIKE TO TAKE A CAT HOME. DAVID? DAVID? WOULD YOU LIKE TO TAKE
17 A LITTLE CAT HOME WITH THAT NEW HAIRDO? YOU'RE JUST LOOKING?
18 LOOKING AROUND? THERE'S -- OVER THERE, THERE'S DAVID. THE
19 TELEPHONE NUMBER IS (562) 728-4644, OR IN THE AUDIENCE. AND
20 MARCIA, LET ME GIVE YOU THIS PROCLAMATION, AS WE HAVE NATIONAL
21 ANIMAL SHELTER APPRECIATION WEEK FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS
22 ANGELES. OKAY. OKAY. [APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING?

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1 **MARCIA MAYEDA:** SURE. I'D JUST LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR
2 ANTONOVICH AND THE REST OF THE BOARD FOR DECLARING THIS
3 NATIONAL ANIMAL SHELTER APPRECIATION WEEK. THE SHELTERS DO A
4 TREMENDOUS SERVICE IN THE COMMUNITY BY RESCUING AND RE-HOMING
5 LOST AND UNWANTED PETS, AND I'D LIKE TO INVITE ANYBODY WHO'S
6 INTERESTED IN ADOPTING A PET FOR THE HOLIDAYS, MAKING A HAPPY
7 HOLIDAY FOR THOSE HOMELESS ANIMALS, TO PLEASE COME TO ONE OF
8 OUR COUNTY SHELTERS AND FIND A WONDERFUL PET. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I WANTED TO DO A SPECIAL
13 ADJOURNMENT. I WANTED TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN THIS MORNING IN
14 THE MEMORY OF LUIS SANCHEZ QUINTANAR. HE'S A LONG-TIME
15 RESIDENT OF EAST L.A. HE RECENTLY JOYFULLY CELEBRATED HIS 83RD
16 BIRTHDAY. WE WANTED TO EXPRESS OUR CONDOLENCES TO THE MEMBERS
17 OF HIS FAMILY, SOME OF THEM WHO ARE HERE WITH US IN THE
18 AUDIENCE. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR THOUGHTS AND OUR PRAYERS TO
19 HIS WIFE OFELIA, AND THEIR THREE CHILDREN, MARGIE, DARLENE,
20 AND CHUCK. LUIS'S DAUGHTER, MARGIE ARVISO, IS SOMEONE WHO HAS
21 BEEN WORKING WITH US FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS, SHE'S A DEDICATED
22 NURSE AT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. WOMEN AND CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL. SHE
23 HAS ASSISTED US TREMENDOUSLY IN A LOT OF OUR COMMUNITY ISSUES
24 OUT THERE. SHE IS ALSO VERY DEDICATED TO THE HISPANIC NURSES
25 ASSOCIATION AND SHE'S BEEN AN OUTSTANDING ROLE MODEL TO ALL OF



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1 THE OTHER NURSES. SO I WANTED TO DO THAT SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT
2 BECAUSE I KNOW THAT IT WAS LUIS SANCHEZ QUINTANAR WHO PROVIDED
3 A LOT OF INSPIRATION TO MARGIE AND OTHERS THAT PROVIDED
4 TREMENDOUS SERVICE. SO I'D LIKE US TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MR.
5 LUIS SANCHEZ QUINTANAR.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, BECAUSE WE ARE AN EMPLOYER
10 SUPPORTIVE OF THE GUARD AND RESERVE AND WE EACH HAVE BEEN
11 GIVEN A -- BILL HOSKIN'S GIVEN US THIS PROCLAMATION THIS
12 MORNING, HE WANTS TO DO A PICTURE FOR THEIR PUBLICATION ON
13 THIS.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. [INDISTINCT VOICES]

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ZEV, SUPERVISOR BURKE HAS A --

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I DO NOT BELIEVE I HAVE ANY
20 ADJOURNING MOTIONS TODAY, I'LL JUST DOUBLE CHECK. I DO NOT. I
21 WANT TO CALL UP NUMBER 6, AND I HAVE AN AMENDMENT TO MAKE. I
22 ASKED MY STAFF TO CIRCULATE IT. AS DRAFT OF THE MINUTES AND
23 STATEMENTS OF PROCEEDINGS FOR ITEM CS-2 CONSIDERED AT THE
24 MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2004, AND ADJOURNED AT THE SEPTEMBER
25 13TH, 2004 MEETING, DID NOT INDICATE THAT ANY REPORTABLE



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1 ACTION WAS TAKEN ON THE ITEM. HOWEVER, IN HIS REPORT DATED
2 NOVEMBER 5TH, THIS PAST FRIDAY, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
3 CONCLUDED THAT THE BOARD EXCEEDED THE PERMISSIBLE PARAMETERS
4 OF GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9, REGARDING THE SCOPE OF
5 ALLOWABLE DISCUSSION AND REACHED APPARENT CONSENSUS ON THE
6 ACTIONS RELATED TO SAVING KING DREW MEDICAL CENTER. THE
7 MINUTES AND STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD SHOULD
8 REFLECT AND BE RESPONSIVE TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S FINDINGS.
9 I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE MINUTES AND THE STATEMENT OF
10 PROCEEDINGS FOR THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2004, ADJOURNED
11 TO SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2004, INCLUDE A REFERENCE TO THE FINDINGS
12 OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, AND THAT THE BOARD SPECIFICALLY
13 RESCIND AND DECLARE A NULLITY THE ACTION THAT THE DISTRICT
14 ATTORNEY FOUND TO HAVE CONSTITUTED ACTION TAKEN UNDER THE
15 BROWN ACT.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MOVED. SECONDED?

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19 **SUP. BURKE:** I SECOND IT.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

22

23 **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN --



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2 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL GO BACK TO MINE NOW.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, GO AHEAD. THANKS.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE
7 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. WILLIAM I. YOUNG. HE PASSED AWAY ON
8 MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST, AFTER A VERY BRIEF INTENSE STRUGGLE WITH
9 CANCER. HE WAS A DOCTOR OF PULMONARY MEDICINE AT CEDAR SINAI
10 AND ASSISTANT CLINIC PROFESSOR AT U.C.L.A. SCHOOL OF MEDICINE,
11 ASSISTANT PROFESSOR AT CHARLES DREW POST-MEDICAL --
12 POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL SCHOOL. HE CAME TO LOS ANGELES IN 1977,
13 BEGAN A FELLOWSHIP IN PULMONARY MEDICINE AT CEDARS, HE QUICKLY
14 BECAME AN INTEGRAL PART OF SEVERAL DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES, WAS
15 AN IMPORTANT BRIDGE BETWEEN THE CITY'S MEDICAL COMMUNITY AND
16 ITS AFRICAN-AMERICAN RESIDENTS. THROUGH PUBLICATIONS, A
17 BIMONTHLY NEWSPAPER COLUMN AND PERSONAL APPEARANCE, HE SPENT A
18 CONSIDERABLE TIME TRYING TO PERSUADE AFRICAN-AMERICANS TO
19 ADOPT HEALTHY LIFESTYLES THAT WERE IN SYNC WITH THEIR CULTURAL
20 INTERESTS. HE CONTRIBUTED COUNTLESS HOURS IN HIS PROFESSIONAL
21 EXPERTISE TO PATIENTS WHO HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO AFFORD HIS
22 SERVICES UNDER ORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES. HE VALUED THEM AS MUCH
23 AS HE DID HIS PATIENTS WHO ARE WELL KNOWN SPORTS AND
24 ENTERTAINMENT FIGURES. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, PHYLLIS, WHO
25 IS EXPECTING THEIR FIRST CHILD IN DECEMBER, AND SHE IS A



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1 EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, AND SON ADAM,
2 AGED 23 AND DAUGHTER ERICA, AGED 22, FROM HIS PREVIOUS
3 MARRIAGE. HE IS MOURNED BY HIS CHILDREN, HIS WIFE, HIS SISTER
4 SARAH ANITA SUGS, HIS BROTHER CHARLES AND CURLY YOUNG AND HIS
5 AUNT SARAH STIPLING. HIS SERVICE WAS HELD, AND I THINK 5,000
6 PEOPLE ATTENDED HIS SERVICE ON MONDAY. HE WAS CERTAINLY A
7 DISTINGUISHED PHYSICIAN AND OF COURSE HE WAS THE PERSON WHO
8 TOOK CARE OF ALL OF THOSE PEOPLE WITH HIGH PROFILE, AND I
9 UNDERSTAND THAT HE WAS CONGRESSWOMAN DIANE WATSON'S PERSONAL
10 PHYSICIAN, WHO TOOK CARE OF HER DURING HER RECENT ILLNESS.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALL MEMBERS.

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14 **SUP. BURKE:** AND BERNARD JOSEPH AINSWORTH, WHO PASSED AWAY
15 NOVEMBER 6TH. BEN BUTCH, AS HE'S WELL KNOWN BY HIS FRIENDS AND
16 FAMILY, WAS A PEARL HARBOR SURVIVOR, ACTIVE IN THE LOCAL
17 AMERICAN LEGION AND VETERAN OF FOREIGN WARS, HAVING SERVED AS
18 COMMANDER TO BOTH ORGANIZATION. HE WAS AN ACTIVE CITIZEN WITH
19 HIS WIFE, BETTY AINSWORTH, FORMER MAYOR OF THE CITY OF
20 HAWTHORNE, WHO PRECEDED HIM IN DEATH. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS
21 SISTER, PEGGY BERKLINE, DAUGHTERS STEPHANIE AND VICTORIA
22 AINSWORTH, FOSTER SON, JERRY KALIS, NINE GRANDCHILDREN, SIX
23 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN, AND STEP GRANDCHILDREN AND A HOST OF
24 OTHER RELATIVES AND FRIENDS. AND ELEANOR MORRISON GREEN,



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1 BELOVED MOTHER OF CRESIA GREEN DAVIS, BOARD MEMBER OF THE
2 INGLEWOOD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SO ORDERED.

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6 **SUP. BURKE:** THANK YOU. I'LL CALL UP ITEM NUMBER CS-4, WHICH A
7 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAD HELD THAT ITEM. CANDIDATES FOR COUNTY
8 COUNSEL.

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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** RIGHT AND MR. BAXTER? AND WHILE YOU'RE UP
11 HERE ADDRESS -- PLEASE ADDRESS BOTH OF YOUR CLOSED SESSION
12 ITEMS.

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14 **SUP. BURKE:** WHAT WAS THE OTHER ONE HE WAS HOLDING?

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ALSO CS-1.

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18 **SUP. BURKE:** CS-1 AS WELL? I'M SORRY. I MISSED THAT.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WELL BUT I'M JUST -- I'LL CALL HER LATER,
21 OKAY.

22

23 **PETER BAXTER:** EXCUSE ME, SIR, I'M NOT SURE EXACTLY WHAT YOU
24 SAID.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WHILE YOU'RE HERE JUST ADDRESS YOUR -- YOU
2 ALSO HELD CS-1 SO ADDRESS CS-1 AND CS --

3

4 **PETER BAXTER:** NO, NO SIR, I HELD 12, FIRE DEPARTMENT.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. GO AHEAD THEN ON CS-4.

7

8 **PETER BAXTER:** OKAY, SIR. MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF YOUR HONORABLE
9 BOARD, MR. JANSSEN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS PETER
10 BAXTER AND I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES. IT IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
11 THAT THIS AGENDA ITEM IDENTIFIES A CLOSED SESSION TO CONSIDER
12 THE APPOINTMENT OF THE CHIEF LEGAL ADVISOR FOR THE COUNTY, THE
13 COUNTY COUNSEL. THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES READS
14 VERY CLEARLY THAT WE HAVE A PARLIAMENTARY FORM OF GOVERNMENT,
15 WHEREAS WE ARE TRYING TO MAKE A PRESIDENTIAL FORM OF
16 GOVERNMENT OPERATE AS IF THAT FORM IS THE FORM SET FORTH IN
17 THE CONSTITUTION. THE COUNTY COUNSEL OF THE COUNTY OF LOS
18 ANGELES IS THE OFFICER WHO WOULD REASONABLY BE EXPECTED TO
19 APPRAISE THAT QUESTION AND RESPOND WITH A DIRECT ANSWER
20 SUPPORTED BY EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT HIS OR HER ANSWER OF WHICH IS
21 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MAY I
22 REMIND YOU THAT WHEN THE PREVIOUS COUNTY COUNSEL LEFT, I SPOKE
23 AT THIS PARTICULAR TABLE AND SAID I WISH HE WOULD STAY UNTIL
24 AFTER THE ELECTION, BECAUSE HE LEFT SEVERAL WEEKS BEFORE THE



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1 ELECTION, AND THIS IS A CRITICAL ISSUE. I THANK YOU, MR.
2 PRESIDENT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, THERE IS SOME ELSE WHO WAS HOLDING THAT.
7 I'LL CALL UP ITEM NUMBER 18. WAS THERE ANYONE ELSE WHO WAS --

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** NO, BUT THERE WAS SOMEONE THAT HELD CS-1,
10 IF YOU WANT TO CALL THAT ONE UP.

11

12 **SUP. BURKE:** OH OKAY, CS-1.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** GENEVIEVE. DON'T FORGET 12, WE'LL HAVE TO
15 CALL HIM BACK.

16

17 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
18 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I AM VERY CONCERNED OF WHAT HAPPENED JUST
19 A MINUTE AGO, YOU KNOW. SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY MENTIONED A
20 VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT, AND I WANT TO TELL YOU, YOU JUST
21 VIOLATED THE BROWN ACT AGAIN, BECAUSE ON ITEM 6, ANYBODY
22 READING ITEM 6 WILL HAVE NEVER KNOWN IT HAD TO DO WITH THE
23 VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT, OF THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER. SO I
24 SUGGEST THAT WHEN YOU WRITE ITEMS, THEY ARE SPECIFIC ENOUGH SO
25 THE PUBLIC KNOW WHAT THEY REALLY ENTAIL. IT IS APPALLING THAT



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1 AFTER VIOLATING THE BROWN ACT REPEATINGLY, AND YOU HAVE BEEN
2 FOUND GUILTY ON OCCASIONS, THAT YOU MADE THE DEAL WITH THE
3 DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO ACCEPT TO DEAL WITH THE ISSUE UNDER ONE
4 CONDITION, NOT TO GIVE THE DOCUMENTS ON WHICH YOU MADE YOUR
5 DECISION. IT IS APPALLING. UP TO THIS DATE, YOU HAVE NOT CURE
6 YOUR VIOLATION UNTIL WE GET OTHER DOCUMENT. AND FOR YOUR
7 INFORMATION, PROPOSITION 59 PASSED, OVERWHELMINGLY, AND IT
8 WILL BE NICE THAT YOU GIVE THE DOCUMENTATION SO THE PUBLIC CAN
9 KNOW ON WHAT YOU MADE YOUR DECISION TO CLOSE THE TRAUMA
10 CENTER. AND FOR YOU TO RESCIND YOUR DECISION ON YOUR VOTE IS A
11 JOKE, BECAUSE PEOPLE KNOW THAT WHEN SOMEONE HAS MADE THEIR
12 DECISION, IT'S ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO CHANGE THEIR MIND. AND ON
13 TWO OCCASION, YOU MADE YOUR DECISION TO CLOSE THE TRAUMA
14 CENTER. IT IS A TOTAL DISRESPECT OF THE PUBLIC. ARE WE HAVING
15 A PRIVATE SIDE CONVERSATION HERE? IT'S OBVIOUS, AND I'M NOT
16 TALKING FOR ALL THE SUPERVISORS, BUT FOR SOME MEMBER OF THE
17 SUPERVISORS, THAT YOU HAVE A TRUE CONTEMPT OF THE PUBLIC, AND
18 FOR THE JOB FOR WHICH YOU WERE ELECTED, AND MAYBE IT IS TIME
19 TO CALL FOR A RECALL, AND I THINK SOME OF YOU DESERVE IT, AND
20 I THINK IF WE HAVE TO DO THAT TO BE HEARD, AND NOT TO BE AT
21 YOUR DISPOSAL, OF YOUR FANCY, WE WILL DO IT. [SCATTERED
22 APPLAUSE]

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I WOULD JUST -- [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO POINT OUT WHAT ITEM
2 NUMBER 6 SAYS IN THE AGENDA. IT SAYS EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE
3 BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION, APPROVED MINUTES FOR THE SEPTEMBER
4 2004 MEETINGS, MEETINGS, OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
5 SPECIAL DISTRICTS FOR WHICH THE BOARD IS THE GOVERNING BODY.
6 THAT MEANS ALL OF THE MEETINGS WE HELD DURING THE MONTH OF
7 SEPTEMBER, AND IT IS -- THIS WAS THE APPROPRIATE TIME TO MAKE
8 SUCH AN AMENDMENT TO THE MINUTES. NOW IT IS -- I THINK THAT'S
9 PRETTY CLEAR, AND I APOLOGIZE IF SOME PEOPLE DIDN'T READ THE
10 AGENDA PARTICULARLY CLOSELY OR PERHAPS DIDN'T EXPECT THAT WE
11 WOULD TAKE THE ACTION WE DID, BUT WE DID.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR BURKE, YOU WANTED TO CALL
14 UP, WHAT, 18?

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** YES. I'LL CALL 18.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. OKAY. WE HAVE SOME MEMBERS OF THE
19 PUBLIC THAT HAVE HELD THIS ITEM. GRACE CORSE, JOEL SOLIS,
20 JEANETTE PETER, AND DIANA FAULK. OKAY. WHOEVER WOULD LIKE TO
21 PROCEED, PROCEED, JUST GIVE US YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD.

22

23 **DIANA FAULK, RN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DIANA FAULK, I'M A
24 NURSE ANESTHETIST AT HARBOR-U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER FOR 10
25 YEARS. I'M HERE TODAY WITH MY SUPERVISOR, JEANETTE PETER, ALSO



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1 A NURSE ANESTHETIST AT HARBOR-U.C.L.A. FOR 25 YEARS. WE'RE
2 HERE TODAY TO INFORM YOU OF A CRITICAL SHORTAGE OF FULL TIME
3 NURSE ANESTHETISTS MANPOWER IN L.A. COUNTY. THE PRIMARY REASON
4 FOR THIS SHORTAGE IS A DISCREPANCY IN COMPENSATION PAID BY THE
5 COUNTY VERSUS THE OUTSIDE COMMUNITY. WE KNOW THAT THIS IS THE
6 PRIMARY REASON BECAUSE, YEAR AFTER YEAR, WE TALK TO AND TRY TO
7 RECRUIT NEW GRADUATE NURSE ANESTHETISTS FROM OUR COUNTY NURSE
8 ANESTHESIA TRAINING PROGRAM, AND WHAT THEY TELL US IS THE
9 SAME. THEY CHOOSE NOT TO HAVE A CAREER AT THE COUNTY BECAUSE
10 THE COUNTY'S TOP SALARIES ARE AT OR BELOW STARTING SALARIES
11 ELSEWHERE IN THE COMMUNITY. AND IT IS FRUSTRATING FOR US TO
12 WATCH YEAR AFTER YEAR THESE GRADUATES THAT WE'VE WORKED SO
13 HARD TO TRAIN AS COST EFFECTIVE PHYSICIAN SUBSTITUTES FOR THE
14 COUNTY LEAVE OUR SYSTEM TO WORK ELSEWHERE BECAUSE WE CAN'T PAY
15 THEM ENOUGH. IT'S ALSO FRUSTRATING FOR US BECAUSE THERE HAS
16 BEEN A 50% ATTRITION RATE IN OUR PERMANENT STAFF THAT HAS
17 DEVELOPED OVER THE LAST FOUR YEARS, MAKING WORKING CONDITIONS
18 IN THE OPERATING ROOM INCREASINGLY STRESSFUL. THE PROPOSAL
19 BEFORE YOU TODAY IS TO RAISE THE SALARIES OF TEMPORARY
20 REGISTRY NURSE ANESTHETISTS BY 30 TO 37%, BECAUSE THE
21 HOSPITALS ARE UNABLE TO HIRE ENOUGH FULLTIME STAFF. THIS
22 AMOUNT REPRESENTS EXACTLY WHAT A FULL-TIME STAFF IS UNDERPAID
23 BY COMMUNITY STANDARDS. THE CURRENT HOURLY WAGE FOR A REGISTRY
24 TEMPORARY NURSE ANESTHETIST IS 85% ABOVE THAT OF A STAFF
25 ANESTHETIST. IF WE WERE AT OR CLOSE TO COMMUNITY STANDARDS



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1 WITH OUR SALARIES AND WE COULDN'T STILL HIRE ENOUGH FULL-TIME
2 STAFF, THEN IT WOULD MAKE SENSE TO TAKE THESE MEASURES TO
3 RECRUIT TEMPORARY HELP, BUT THIS IS NOT THE CASE. THE FACT IS,
4 IF FULL-TIME SALARIES WERE INCREASED IN THE RANGE OF 30%, THE
5 NEED FOR TEMPORARY HELP WOULD BE NONEXISTENT.

6

7 **JEANETTE PETER, RN:** TEMPORARY HELP IS NOT THE QUICK-FIX SOME
8 PEOPLE BELIEVE IT IS.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** WOULD YOU IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD
11 PLEASE.

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13 **JEANETTE PETER, RN:** JEANETTE PETER.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU JEANETTE.

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17 **JEANETTE PETER, RN:** OKAY, BASED ON MY EXPERIENCE WITH REGISTRY
18 THE AMOUNT OF WORK HOURS REQUIRED TO CREDENTIAL ORIENT AND
19 PROCTOR TEMPORARY STAFF IS EQUAL TO THAT FOR PERMANENT STAFF
20 WITHOUT THE REWARD OF A DEDICATED EMPLOYEE. TEMPORARY HELP
21 OFTEN WORK ONLY ONE OR TWO SHIFTS AND NEVER RETURN. THERE'S A
22 REASON SOME PEOPLE CONSTANTLY MOVE FROM JOB TO JOB. NOT EVERY
23 ANESTHETIST IS HARD WORKING, RELIABLE OR DRUG-FREE. OUR
24 MESSAGE IS THAT THE USE OF REGISTRY TO FILL A SHORTAGE OF
25 FULLTIME EMPLOYEES, AS CONVENIENT AS IT MAY SEEM SERVES TO



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1 ULTIMATELY CREATE MANY MORE PROBLEMS THAN IT SOLVES. IT SHOULD
2 ALSO BE NOTED THAT THE NUMBERS IN THE PROPOSAL REGARDING THE
3 FISCAL IMPACT OF TEMPORARY HELP AT THE HOSPITALS ARE EXTREMELY
4 UNDERESTIMATED. FROM 1991 TO 2000, HARBOR-U.C.L.A. UTILIZED
5 REGISTRY NURSE ANESTHETISTS FOR STAFFING, AND THEY EXCEEDED A
6 BUDGET OF \$600,000 BY 200,000 TO 500,000 ANNUALLY

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8 **DIANA FAULK, RN:** SO, IN CLOSING, WE'D LIKE TO SAY THROUGH THE
9 ONGOING CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS AND YOUR MANPOWER ADJUSTMENT
10 MECHANISM, THE OPPORTUNITY TO SOLVE THIS PROBLEM OF A SHORTAGE
11 EXISTS AT ITS SOURCE. BASICALLY WHAT WE'D LIKE TO SAY IS THAT
12 IT IS OUR HOPE THAT YOU WILL CHOOSE NOT TO ELECT A SHORT-TERM
13 VERY COSTLY SOLUTION WITH SALARY INCREASES FOR TEMPORARY NURSE
14 ANESTHETISTS, BUT, RATHER TO STAFF YOUR ANESTHESIA DEPARTMENTS
15 WITH FULL-TIME COMMITTED COUNTY NURSE ANESTHETISTS BY
16 RECOGNIZING THE SALARY DISCREPANCY THAT HAS EVOLVED FOR THE
17 FULLTIME STAFF, ALLOCATING FUNDS TO THIS END AND APPROVING A
18 SALARY STRUCTURE WITH RETENTION FACTORS BUILT IN TO PREVENT
19 THIS SHORTAGE FROM RECURRING. WE'RE CONFIDENT IF SALARIES ARE
20 RAISED TO COMMUNITY STANDARDS, THAT WE CAN HIRE A FULL
21 COMPLEMENT OF COUNTY NURSE ANESTHETISTS TO SERVE THE COUNTY
22 HOSPITALS, AND FOR YOUR ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER, WE THANK YOU
23 VERY MUCH.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. ARE THE OTHER TWO GOING TO
2 SPEAK?

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4 **JOEL SOLIS, RN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOEL SOLIS, I'M A
5 REGISTERED NURSE L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER. WHILE
6 WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE SUBJECT OF REGISTRY NURSES OR
7 TRAVELING NURSES, THIS IS PRETTY MUCH RAMPANT LATELY ALL OVER
8 THE COUNTY HOSPITALS. BUT WHILE THE USE OF REGISTRY OR
9 TRAVELING NURSES BRINGS FORTH A MUCH NEEDED RELIEF TO A
10 DANGEROUSLY LOW STAFFING PROBLEM, IT SETS UP FOR DANGEROUS
11 SITUATIONS FOR PATIENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS. FIRST,
12 THEY'RE UNFAMILIAR, REALLY, WITH OUR SYSTEM, ESPECIALLY IF
13 THEY'RE GIVEN A WEEK OR LESS OF ORIENTATION TO FAMILIARIZE
14 THEMSELVES WITH THE WHOLE SYSTEM. NUMBER TWO, IT BRINGS
15 BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS ARE NOT FULLY CHECKED IN SOME OF THE
16 -- SOME CASES. IN ADDITION, THERE'S REALLY NO REAL COMMITMENT
17 OF THESE TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES IN PROVIDING THE BEST POSSIBLE
18 CARE FOR OUR PATIENTS. ALSO, TRAVELING NURSES UNDERMINE THE
19 CONTINUITY OF CARE FOR OUR PATIENTS. SO WITH THIS MOTION, THE
20 MESSAGE FROM THIS BOARD SENDS A VERY LOUD AND CLEAR MESSAGE TO
21 THE 5,000 HARD-WORKING NURSES AND OUR PATIENTS, AND THAT IS
22 THAT YOU'RE NOT WORTH THE INVESTMENT FOR OUR PERMANENT
23 SOLUTION. LIKE MY COLLEAGUE SAID BEFORE, THIS IS A COSTLY
24 SHORT-TERM FIX TO A PROBLEM THAT NEEDS A PERMANENT SOLUTION.
25 GRACE?



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2 **GRACE CORSE, RN:** MY NAME IS GRACE CORSE, I'M A REGISTERED
3 NURSE FROM L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER AND THE
4 HEALTHCARE WORK FORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. I'M THE CHAIR OF
5 THE BARGAINING TABLE, AND I WOULD LIKE YOU TO KNOW THAT ALL OF
6 THE NURSES IN L.A. COUNTY, FROM THE BARGAINING TABLE AND ALL
7 5,000 NURSES SUPPORT OUR C.R.N.A.'S. THIS IS A SPECIAL GROUP
8 OF NURSES WHOSE COMPENSATION IS EVEN FURTHER REMOVED FROM THE
9 COMMUNITY STANDARD THAN THE COMPENSATION OF ALL THE REST OF
10 THE NURSES IN L.A. COUNTY. WE URGE YOU TO USE THE MANPOWER
11 SHORTAGE TO THE FULLEST EXTENT FOR THE C.R.N.A.'S IMMEDIATELY
12 AND FOR THE REST OF YOUR COUNTY NURSES.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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16 **GRACE CORSE, RN:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MR. JANSSEN, DO YOU WANT TO RESPOND, OR?

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20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. THEY RAISED A COUPLE
21 OF DIFFERENT AREAS. ONE HAS TO DO WITH THE TRAVELING NURSES,
22 AND I THINK THAT'S AN ISSUE THE DEPARTMENT CAN TALK ABOUT.
23 WITH RESPECT TO BARGAINING, HOWEVER, AND THAT'S REALLY WHAT A
24 LARGE PART OF THIS IS ABOUT, I THINK, WE'RE IN MEDIATION WITH
25 THE NURSES NOW, WE GAVE THEM A LAST, BEST, AND FINAL OFFER. IT



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1 INCLUDES A IMMEDIATE 4% MANPOWER SHORTAGE ADJUSTMENT, 2-1/2%
2 GENERAL SALARY MOVEMENT JANUARY 1ST OF '05, 2-1/2% GENERAL
3 SALARY MOVEMENT JANUARY 1ST OF '06, A 2% STEP INCREASE FOR
4 NURSES WHO'VE WORKED 10 YEARS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, '05. 2% STEP
5 INCREASE FOR 15-YEAR EMPLOYEES, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1ST '06, A
6 10% BONUS FOR WORKING AT M.L.K., \$131 A MONTH EVENING SHIFT
7 DIFFERENTIAL INCREASE, \$176 A MONTH NIGHT SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL
8 INCREASE, AND WE HAVE REACHED AGREEMENT ON A NEW
9 CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM. WE DON'T BARGAIN IN PUBLIC, WE DON'T
10 NEGOTIATE IN PUBLIC, WE DO NOT ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE THE UNION
11 OR THE NURSES, BUT WE DO, UNDER THE LAW, HAVE A RIGHT TO
12 SIMPLY STATE WHAT OUR LAST, BEST, AND FINAL OFFER IS, AND
13 THAT'S WHAT I JUST DID. WE THINK IT IS A VERY GOOD OFFER FOR
14 THE NURSES AND WE'RE STILL IN THE PROCESS.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY, HOW MUCH IS THE OFFER IN TERMS OF
17 DOLLARS IN ADDITION TO OVER AND ABOVE WHAT THE CURRENT PACKAGE
18 IS?

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20 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** THE ESTIMATED COST OF THE PACKAGE IS RIGHT
21 AROUND \$50 MILLION.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TOTAL COST OF THE PACKAGE IS \$50 MILLION.

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25 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** CORRECT, FOR THE THREE-YEAR PERIOD.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THAT 50 MILLION ADDED?

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4 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** YES.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THE ITEM'S BEFORE US, THEN, SUPERVISOR
7 BURKE.

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9 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT. I'D LIKE TO CALL UP ITEM NUMBER 12.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** DO YOU WANT TO --

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13 **SUP. BURKE:** OH, YES, I MOVE IT.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED
16 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. CALL
17 UP ITEM 12?

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19 **SUP. BURKE:** YES.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** MR. BAXTER? GO AHEAD, MR. BAXTER.

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23 **PETER BAXTER:** MR. PRESIDENT -- MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF YOUR
24 HONORABLE BOARD, MR. JANSSEN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS
25 PETER BAXTER AND I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES. IT IS RESPECTFULLY



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1 SUBMITTED THAT THIS AGENDA ITEM COVERS THE COST OF A STRESS
2 MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR FIRE FIGHTERS. THE PROBLEM OF STRESS IN
3 FIRE FIGHTERS WOULD BE GREATLY ALLEVIATED IF THERE WAS A
4 METHOD OF FIGHTING FIRE THAT WAS SUCCESSFUL. INTRODUCING STEAM
5 TO A BURNING BUILDING WOULD PUT FIRE OUT IMMEDIATELY. STEAM
6 DENIES THE ENTRY OF OXYGEN TO THE SITE OF THE FIRE. STEAM CAN
7 BE DIRECTED TO A FIRE SITE IN A HIGH-RISE WITHIN THE TIME IT
8 TAKES FOR A HELICOPTER TO REACH THE FIRE SITE. CLIMBING EVERY
9 STEP OF THE WAY TO A FIRE IN A HIGH-RISE, EVEN IF IT'S ONLY A
10 30-FLOOR HIGH-RISE LIKE THEY HAVE HERE, IS NEXT TO BEING
11 SUICIDAL, BUT THAT IS THE WAY FIRE MANAGEMENT CONTENTS WITH
12 SUCH HIGH-RISE FIRES, ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
13 AND I THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR.

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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. BAXTER.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL MOVE IT.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BURKE MOVES IT. CHAIR WILL
20 SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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22 **SUP. BURKE:** ITEM 21.

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24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** ITEM 21, IT'S BEING HELD FOR A MEMBER OF
25 THE PUBLIC. [INDISTINCT VOICES]



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. OKAY, AND WE'LL GET SUPERVISOR
3 MOLINA'S STAFF TO LET HER KNOW THAT THE ITEM THAT SHE HAD SOME
4 QUESTIONS ON, LORNE LILIENTHAL?

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6 **LORNE D. LILIENTHAL, ESQ.:** YES.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD, SIR.

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10 **LORNE D. LILIENTHAL, ESQ.:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING TO THE
11 HONORABLE BOARD. LORNE LILIENTHAL APPEARING ON BEHALF OF
12 ALLIED BUILDING MAINTENANCE. WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT ANY
13 DECISION FOR TERMINATION BE DEFERRED UNTIL THE ADMINISTRATIVE
14 REMEDIES HAVE BEEN EXHAUSTED, OR ON THE ALTERNATIVE, TO DENY
15 THE REQUEST. FIRST WITH REGARD TO THE DEFERMENT. IN A
16 CONTRACTUAL DISPUTE, WHICH IS THIS IS, EACH OF THE COUNTY
17 DEPARTMENTS IS REQUIRED LEGALLY AS WELL AS CONTRACTUALLY TO
18 FIRST EXHAUST ITS ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES, SPECIFICALLY THE
19 LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE AS WELL AS THE SPECIFIC TERMS OF THE
20 CONTRACT REQUIRE EACH DEPARTMENT TO MEET AND TRY TO RESOLVE
21 THESE DISPUTES IN GOOD FAITH PRIOR TO SEEKING A DETERMINATION
22 OF A TERMINATION. ONLY IN THE EVENT THAT THERE'S NO RESOLUTION
23 TO THE DISPUTE CAN A TERMINATION BE SOUGHT. IN THIS PARTICULAR
24 CASE, THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NO DISPUTE THAT THERE WAS ANY ATTEMPT
25 TO RESOLVE THIS MATTER. WITH REGARD TO THE DENIAL OF THE



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1 REQUEST, IT'S IMPORTANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT THE MOVING PARTY IS
2 THE COUNTY AUDITOR, IS NOT THE SPECIFIC COUNTY DEPARTMENTS
3 WHICH ARE SEEKING THE -- OR PREPARED ANY FINDINGS WITH REGARD
4 TO THE PURPORTED VIOLATIONS. THE REPORT THAT WAS PREPARED BY
5 THE AUDITOR FOUND, OUT OF 10 ALLEGED VIOLATIONS, THERE WERE
6 ONLY THREE THAT WERE ALLEGEDLY SUBSTANTIATED, BUT IF YOU WERE
7 TO ASK EACH OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WHETHER OR NOT THEY HAD
8 ANY COMPLAINTS WITH REGARD TO PERFORMANCE OF THE PARTICULAR
9 CONTRACTS, YOU WOULD FIND THAT THEY HAD NO CRITICISMS. IN
10 FACT, I RECENTLY SPOKE JUST A FEW DAYS AGO WITH LINDA ESTRADA,
11 WHO IS THE DISTRICT DIVISION MANAGER OVER AT THE I.S.D., WHICH
12 IS THE DEPARTMENT WHICH IS SPEARHEADING THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE.
13 SHE TOLD ME SPECIFICALLY THAT SHE HAD ABSOLUTELY NO COMPLAINTS
14 WITH REGARD TO THE PERFORMANCE AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE
15 CONTRACTS AND THAT THEY WERE COMPLETELY SATISFIED. IN FACT, IF
16 YOU WERE TO LOOK AT THE EVIDENCE, YOU'D FIND THAT THERE WAS
17 COMPLETE COMPLIANCE. THERE ARE MONTHLY PERFORMANCE SUMMARY
18 REPORTS WHICH ARE REQUIRED TO BE PREPARED. THE I.S.D., OVER
19 THE LAST SIX OR SEVEN MONTHS, HAS CONSISTENTLY FOUND THAT
20 ADVANCED HAS BEEN IN COMPLETE COMPLIANCE. I RECENTLY SUBMITTED
21 TO THE BOARD A SUMMARY SHOWING THAT THERE WAS COMPLETE
22 COMPLIANCE AS WELL AS A SAMPLE FORM, ESPECIALLY WITH REGARD TO
23 THE ISSUE OF PAYMENT UNDER THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE AND
24 PAYMENT OF THE PARTICULAR RATES AS REQUIRED UNDER THE
25 CONTRACT. ADDITIONALLY, TERMINATION IS NOT WARRANTED PURSUANT



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1 TO THE AUDITOR'S REPORT, YOU MUST HAVE THREE THINGS IN ORDER
2 TO PURSUE A TERMINATION. ONE IS THAT THE VIOLATIONS MUST NOT
3 BE MATERIAL -- I MEAN, MUST BE MATERIAL. THE VIOLATIONS MUST
4 BE INTENTIONAL, AND THAT THE VIOLATIONS MUST BE CONTINUING. IN
5 THIS PARTICULAR CASE, THERE ARE TWO VIOLATIONS THAT ARE BEING
6 FOCUSED ON BY THE AUDITOR: FAILURE TO PAY THE CORRECT RATE OF
7 OVERTIME AS WELL AS TRAVEL TIME. AFTER A YEAR LONG
8 INVESTIGATION, THE AUDITOR DETERMINED THAT FOR ONLY ABOUT A
9 TWO-WEEK PERIOD, THERE WAS A FAILURE TO PAY THE OVERTIME RATE
10 FOR A HANDFUL OF HOURS AS WELL AS FOR TRAVEL TIME. THIS
11 AMOUNTS TO A DISPUTE OF APPROXIMATELY \$200. WITH ADVANCED
12 ANNUAL PAYROLL FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES OF APPROXIMATELY \$530,000
13 PER YEAR, THIS IS VERY MINIMAL. ALSO, GIVEN THE FACT THAT IT'S
14 SUCH A SMALL AMOUNT, THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NO EVIDENCE THAT IT'S
15 BEEN INTENTIONAL. GIVEN THE FACT THAT THIS WAS ONLY A TWO-WEEK
16 SAMPLE STUDY THAT WAS TAKEN, THERE COULD BE ABSOLUTELY NO
17 EVIDENCE THAT THIS WAS A CONTINUING VIOLATION. IN FACT, THE
18 AUDITORS REPORT WAS ONLY PREPARED ON AUGUST 26TH, JUST A FEW
19 MONTHS AGO. THERE'S BEEN ABSOLUTELY NO OPPORTUNITY ON
20 ADVANCED'S PART TO RESPOND TO ANY OF THESE PURPORTED
21 ALLEGATIONS. BECAUSE THERE'S BEEN NO -- ABSOLUTELY NO ATTEMPT
22 TO RESOLVE THIS BY A GOOD FAITH RESOLUTION DISPUTE AS WELL AS
23 THE FACT THAT THE AUDITOR'S REPORT DOES NOT SUBSTANTIATE
24 TERMINATION, ADVANCED RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS THAT THE DECISION
25 FOR TERMINATION BE DEFERRED UNTIL THESE ISSUES CAN BE BROUGHT



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1 TO THE TABLE AND RESOLVED, AND IN THE ALTERNATIVE, THAT THERE
2 BE NO DETERMINATION BECAUSE THE AUDITOR'S REPORT DOES NOT
3 SUBSTANTIATE IT.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY FIRST OF ALL, I'LL ASK STAFF TO
6 RESPOND, ONE, TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS THAT IS EITHER
7 COMPLETED OR DONE, OR WHATEVER, AND ANY OF THE OTHER ISSUES,
8 AND I BELIEVE SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAS SOME QUESTIONS AS WELL,
9 TOO.

10

11 **TYLER MCCAULEY:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR KNABE, AND MEMBERS OF THE
12 BOARD, MY NAME IS TYLER MCCAULEY, AUDITOR CONTROLLER. I'D LIKE
13 TO REFER TO A FEW OF THE COMMENTS THAT WERE MADE. THE ACTION
14 BEFORE YOU THIS MORNING RELATES TO AN AUDIT THAT MY STAFF
15 PERFORMED ON ADVANCED BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND IT RELATES TO
16 THE FINDINGS THAT WERE REPORTED TO YOU ON AUGUST 26TH.
17 ATTACHED TO THOSE FINDINGS ARE THE RESPONSE OF THE ADVANCED.
18 IT DID NOT TAKE A YEAR LONG, THE ELAPSED TIME MAY HAVE BEEN A
19 YEAR BECAUSE WE ARE PULLED OFF AND ON OFTEN, BUT THE AUDIT
20 ITSELF ONLY TOOK SEVERAL WEEKS. ADVANCED, AT THE TIME OF THE
21 CONTRACT -- AT THE AUDIT, HAD NINE CUSTODIAL CONTRACTS WITH
22 FOUR DEPARTMENTS. FOUR OF THOSE WERE WITH LIBRARY, ONE WITH
23 I.S.D., TWO WITH PUBLIC WORKS, AND TWO WITH PROBATION
24 DEPARTMENT. 80% OF THE CONTRACT DOLLARS RELATED TO THE
25 CONTRACTS FOR THE LIBRARY. LIBRARY IS NOT ON THE AGENDA TODAY



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1 AS THEIR CONTRACT EXPIRED, AND LIBRARY NO LONGER CONTRACTS
2 WITH ADVANCED. THERE ARE TWO KEY ISSUES IN THE REPORT THAT
3 RESULTED IN MY CONCLUSION THAT THE CONTRACTS WITH ADVANCED
4 SHOULD BE TERMINATED. FIRST, ADVANCED DID NOT PROVIDE ALL THE
5 SERVICES THAT WERE REQUIRED UNDER THE CONTRACT. THEY TOLD US
6 THAT IF THEY HAD TO PROVIDE ALL THOSE SERVICES, THEY WOULD
7 HAVE HAD TO HAVE BID A HIGHER AMOUNT. THEREFORE, IN MY
8 OPINION, THEY BID DECEPTIVELY, AND BY NOT PROVIDING THE
9 SERVICES REQUIRED UNDER THE CONTRACTS, THEY WERE PAID FOR
10 SERVICES THEY DID NOT PROVIDE. OR, IN OTHER WORDS, THEY WERE
11 OVERPAID. IN THEIR RESPONSE, WHICH IS ATTACHED TO THE AUDIT
12 REPORT, THEY SAID THAT NO ONE TOLD THEM THAT THEY WERE NOT
13 PROVIDING SATISFACTORY SERVICES. I DO NOT FIND THIS TO BE AN
14 ACCEPTABLE EXCUSE, ALTHOUGH DEPARTMENTS ARE REQUIRED TO
15 MONITOR CONTRACTS, CONTRACTORS HAVE THE ABSOLUTE DUTY TO
16 PROVIDE ALL SERVICES THEY AGREE TO PROVIDE IN THE CONTRACT
17 WHEN THEY SIGN IT, WHETHER OR NOT THE DEPARTMENT EXPRESSES
18 CONCERNS ABOUT THOSE SERVICES, OR, IN OTHER WORDS, IT'S NOT A
19 MATTER OF WHETHER OR NOT THEY GET CAUGHT NOT PROVIDING
20 SERVICES, THEY ARE TO PROVIDE THOSE SERVICES THEY AGREED TO.
21 SECONDLY, THE REASON ADVANCED DID NOT IN MANY CASES PAY COUNTY
22 CONTRACT EMPLOYEES AN OVERTIME RATE WHERE THERE WAS A LIVING
23 WAGE OR ANY OTHER RATE THEY WERE PAID STRAIGHT TIME, WHICH IS
24 INSTEAD OF TIME AND A HALF, WHICH IS REQUIRED. ADVANCED TOLD
25 US THAT THEIR COMPUTER WAS TO BLAME, BUT THIS WAS NOT THE



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1 CASE, BECAUSE THERE WERE A FEW CASES WHERE THE EMPLOYEES WERE
2 PAID CORRECTLY. WE USED THE SAMPLE OF 10 EMPLOYEES AND WENT
3 OVER A PERIOD OF THREE MONTHS, LOOKED AT VARIOUS TIMES THEY
4 WERE PAID. THEY WERE A SPECIALTY CREW. WE HAD TO USE THAT 10
5 EMPLOYEES BECAUSE THE OTHER TIMECARDS WERE NOT MAINTAINED AND
6 WE COULD NOT TELL THE HOURS WORKED BY THE EMPLOYEES, THE IN-
7 AND-OUT HOURS, THEY JUST NOTED EIGHT OR WHATEVER. THESE
8 EMPLOYEES, BECAUSE THEY MOVED FROM LOCATION TO LOCATION, PUT
9 THEIR TIME DOWN. ALL 10 CASES, WE FOUND, AS I INDICATED, THAT
10 THEY DID NOT PAY, IN ALL 10 CASES, PAID OVERTIME LIKE THEY ARE
11 SUPPOSED TO. AND IT WAS ON THAT BASIS, THOSE TWO BASES, THAT I
12 DETERMINED THAT THE CONTRACT SHOULD NOT BE CONTINUED AND I
13 BELIEVED AND I MADE THE RECOMMENDATION THAT THE COUNTY NO
14 LONGER CONTRACT WITH THIS FIRM BECAUSE OF THE REASONS CITED.
15 AND THEN I ISSUED THE REPORT AND WITH ME OF COURSE DAVE
16 LAMBERTSON FROM I.S.D., AND I TURN IT OVER TO HIM, BECAUSE AT
17 THIS POINT HE RECEIVED MY REPORT HE THEN BEGAN A SERIES OF
18 ACTIONS THAT BRING US HERE TODAY.

19

20 **DAVID LAMBERTSON:** YES. I'M DAVID LAMBERTSON, I'M THE INTERIM
21 DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT. AS TYLER
22 INDICATED, THE AUDIT REPORT WAS FOCUSED TOWARD FOUR
23 DEPARTMENTS: PUBLIC WORKS, LIBRARY, THE INTERNAL SERVICES
24 DEPARTMENT, AND PROBATION, ALL OF WHICH HAD CONTRACTS WITH
25 ADVANCED AT THE TIME OF TYLER'S AUDIT. I VOLUNTEERED TO LEAD A



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1 WORK GROUP TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN TYLER'S REPORT,
2 WHICH, AS HE'S INDICATED, WAS BASICALLY TO TERMINATE THE
3 CONTRACT WITH ADVANCED, TO TRANSFER THE CONTRACTS AND TO
4 INITIATE DEPARTMENT HEARINGS. A WORK GROUP WAS COMPRISED OF
5 REPRESENTATIVES FROM EACH OF THOSE DEPARTMENTS AS WELL AS THE
6 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, THANK YOU, AS WELL AS THE AUDITOR-
7 CONTROLLER AND COUNTY COUNSEL, TO MEET THE OBJECTIVE OF
8 TERMINATION, THE COURSE OF ACTION DECIDED WAS TERMINATION FOR
9 CONVENIENCE, WHICH THE CONTRACT SPECIFICALLY GIVES THE COUNTY
10 RIGHT TO EXERCISE AT ITS CONVENIENCE, FOREVER WHATEVER REASON
11 IT DEEMS NECESSARY, AND THAT'S WHY THE CLAUSE IS THERE. IT IS
12 NOT TRUE THAT WE WERE REQUIRED TO FOLLOW A DEFAULT AND CURE
13 PROCESS. WE COULD GO EITHER WAY. WE CHOSE TO GO THE
14 CONVENIENCE ROUTE IN ORDER TO MEET THE OBJECTIVE OF
15 TERMINATING THE CONTRACT.

16
17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE HAD REQUESTED THIS AUDIT, AND I WANT TO
20 UNDERSTAND CLEARLY, SO THE VIOLATIONS OF THIS CONTRACT ARE NOT
21 NECESSARILY ALL LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS. IS THAT
22 CORRECT?

23
24 **TYLER MCCAULEY:** THAT'S CORRECT, ESPECIALLY THE ONES NOT
25 PROVIDING SERVICES.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. SO, BUT THERE ARE SOME LIVING WAGE
3 ISSUES?

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5 **TYLER MCCAULEY:** THAT'S CORRECT.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. I WOULD LIKE, FIRST OF ALL, JUST TO
8 SAY TO THE CONTRACTOR, AGAIN, YOUR CONTRACT IS NOT MADE WITH
9 ONE INDIVIDUAL AND ONE DEPARTMENT; YOUR CONTRACT IS MADE WITH
10 THIS BOARD AND A RESPONSIBILITY TO COUNTY RESIDENTS, SO THAT
11 IS THE REALITY OF IT. AND IF A CONTRACT SAYS YOU PROVIDE THOSE
12 SERVICES, THOSE ARE THE SERVICES YOU PROVIDE. AND IF YOU HAVE
13 A PROBLEM IN PROVIDING THOSE SERVICES, YOU SHOULD QUESTION IT
14 BEFORE YOU SIGN THE CONTRACT AND BEFORE WE PAY YOU. YOU CAN'T
15 COME AFTER THE FACT AND SAID, "WE SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID MORE
16 IF WE WERE SUPPOSED TO DO THESE THINGS." SO THAT DOESN'T HOLD
17 ANY WATER. SO I MOVE THAT WE MOVE FORWARD ON THESE
18 TERMINATIONS. I WOULD LIKE TO ADD IN ADDITION THAT I THINK WE
19 NEED A BETTER PROCESS TO REVIEW THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE AND
20 THE MONITORING OF THESE CONTRACTS. THAT, I THINK, IS AN
21 UNDERLYING PROBLEM ON IT. WE SHOULDN'T HAVE TO WAIT AND GO
22 THROUGH A VERY EXTENSIVE AUDIT PROCESS TO CATCH SOME OF THE
23 PROBLEMS THAT ARE ON HERE. SO I KNOW YOU SAID YOU WERE PART OF
24 A WORK GROUP, BUT I REALLY DO THINK THAT THAT IS SOMETHING
25 THAT YOU NEED TO PROBABLY START ADVANCING ON ALL OF THE



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1 CONTRACTS, NOT JUST ON THESE RECOMMENDATIONS, BUT LOOK AT HOW
2 IT'S BEING MONITORED IN THESE DEPARTMENTS, AND --

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4 **DAVID LAMBERTSON:** YES, SUPERVISOR, WE'VE ALREADY GENERATED A
5 LIST OF IDEAS TO MAKE SOME OF THE ENHANCEMENTS FROM WHAT WE
6 LEARNED ON THIS ONE, INCLUDING, WHICH I THINK IS A GOOD IDEA,
7 IN THE ACTUAL BID AND EVALUATION PROCESS, ASSIGNING POINTS OR
8 A RATING CATEGORY FOR A DEMONSTRATED ABILITY TO APPLY WITH
9 WAGE REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING LIVING WAGE, INCLUDING SITE
10 VISITS, SO THAT THERE'S A SENSE OF PREVENTION THAT YOU'RE
11 CONTRACTING WITH PEOPLE THAT HAVE THE ABILITY.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** ABSOLUTELY, BECAUSE I HEARD THAT THEY HAD REALLY
14 SLOPPY BOOKKEEPING RECORDS WHEN IT CAME TO EMPLOYEE RECORDS,
15 SO HOW COULD WE EVEN MONITOR EFFECTIVELY OUR LIVING WAGE
16 ORDINANCE IF THEY DON'T EVEN KEEP EFFECTIVE RECORDS, AND
17 THAT'S A DUTY THAT THEY HAVE TO US AS WELL.

18

19 **TYLER MCCAULEY:** AND A STATE DUTY THAT THEY KEEP TIME CARDS, WE
20 NEED TO BE VERY SPECIFIC SUPERVISOR MOLINA, EXACTLY IN OUR
21 CONTRACTS WHAT WE WANT TO SEE ON THAT TIME CARD.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT, THEN MAYBE WE NEED TO MAKE THAT A
24 SPECIFIC PART, BUT I AM HOPING THAT THAT IS SOMETHING WE'RE
25 GOING TO CORRECT AND I'D APPRECIATE IT IF YOU SHARE WITH MY



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1 STAFF 'CAUSE WE'RE INTERESTED, AND IT DOESN'T DO US A BIT OF
2 GOOD TO HAVE A LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE WHEN WE'RE MANDATING
3 CONTRACTORS AND TRYING TO TREAT, MAKE SURE THAT EMPLOYEES ARE
4 APPROPRIATELY TREATED WHEN WE CAN'T, AT THE END OF THE DAY,
5 EVALUATE WHETHER, IN FACT, THESE RECORDS ARE MAINTAINED AND
6 WHO'S RESPONSIBLE FOR MONITORING THOSE RECORDS, AND HOW THEY
7 ARE MONITORED. I DON'T THINK THAT TYLER HAS THE ABILITY TO GO
8 IN AND AUDIT ALL OF THESE, AND IT WOULD JUST BE IMPOSSIBLE,
9 BUT REALLY, WE HAVE TO RELY ON, I GUESS IT'S THE OFFICE OF
10 AFFIRMATIVE ACTION, RIGHT?

11

12 **TYLER MCCAULEY:** THEY DO A LOT, AND WE NEED TO RELY ON OUR
13 DEPARTMENTS AND GIVE THEM TOOLS TO MAKE SURE AT THE END OF THE
14 DAY THAT THEY VERIFY WHAT WAS DONE.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT AT THE SAME TIME, IF -- WE NEED
17 TO FIND ONE MECHANISM AS TO HOW THAT IS DONE, AND IF IT,
18 INCLUDING THE ON SITE INSPECTIONS, BECAUSE, AGAIN, THEY CAN
19 GET COMFORTABLE WITH THE IDEA THAT, YOU KNOW, OH THEY DIDN'T
20 TELL US TO DO THAT, NOW WE DON'T HAVE TO DO THAT, AND THEY
21 START CHANGING THAT AS BEING PART OF THE PROGRAM. THEY HAVE TO
22 HONOR THEIR CONTRACT. SO I MOVE THAT WE MOVE FORWARD WITH
23 THESE RECOMMENDATIONS AND THAT WE CREATE A PROCESS THAT'S
24 GOING TO BE MORE EFFECTIVE AS FAR AS MONITORING OUR WAGE --
25 LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE CONTRACTS.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THE OTHER QUESTION THAT I HAD, I KNOW IT
3 WAS TOTALLY ANSWERED, I UNDERSTAND THE AUDIT PART, BUT WAS THE
4 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS OF THAT THAT HAS RUN ITS COURSE? IS
5 THAT CORRECT?

6

7 **TYLER MCCAULEY:** IN MY SENSE IT HAS, SUPERVISOR.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY, ALL RIGHT.

10

11 **LORNE D. LILIENTHAL, ESQ.:** MAY I RESPOND?

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** JUST QUICKLY. WE'RE NOT NEGOTIATING
14 PUBLICLY IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS.

15

16 **LORNE D. LILIENTHAL, ESQ.:** WITH REGARD TO THE FAILURE TO
17 PERFORM SERVICES, THAT WAS ONLY WITH REGARD TO THE LIBRARY
18 CONTRACT, WHICH IS NO LONGER AT ISSUE BECAUSE THAT CONTRACT
19 HAS EXPIRED AND HAS NOT BEEN RENEWED. ADDITIONALLY, JUST TO
20 QUALM ANY TYPE OF CONCERNS ON THAT, THERE WAS A CUSTOM IN
21 DEALING WITH REGARD TO PERFORMANCE UNDER THE CONTRACT. IF THE
22 LIBRARY HAD ANY CONCERNS WITH REGARD TO ITS TASKS NOT BEING
23 PERFORMED, THEY WOULD NORMALLY PROCEDURALLY GO AHEAD AND FIRE
24 OFF A NOTICE TO TAKE CORRECTIVE ACTION. AND ALL THE CONTRACTS,
25 ANY TIME THAT ADVANCED WAS GIVEN SUCH A NOTICE, THEY WOULD



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1 ALWAYS COMPLY. SO THERE'S GOT TO BE SOME SORT OF NOTICE AND
2 OPPORTUNITY HERE. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SHE SETS UP A VERY GOOD
3 POINT WITH REGARD TO WELL YOU TAKE THE CONTRACT AS IT IS, BUT
4 IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE, THE LIBRARY HAD NO OBJECTIONS THEY
5 GAVE THEM NO NOTICE WHATSOEVER THAT THERE WAS ANY PROBLEM
6 WHATSOEVER. WITH REGARD TO THE LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE, AGAIN,
7 THAT'S SOMETHING THAT APPEARS TO BE THE FOCUS OF WHAT THE
8 AUDITOR IS LOOKING AT. AGAIN, IT'S IMPORTANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT
9 WE'RE ONLY TALKING ABOUT A VERY SMALL SAMPLE, ABOUT A TWO-WEEK
10 PERIOD. AGAIN, ONLY ABOUT 46 -- I THINK IT WAS 46 HOURS THAT
11 WAS THE FAILURE TO PAY NOT ANY OVERTIME OR ANY TRAVEL TIME,
12 BUT THE CORRECT RATE. THIS WAS A MISTAKE DUE TO A COMPUTER
13 PROBLEM WHICH AN AUDITOR WAS ADVISED OF, THIS IS A CONTINUING
14 DISPUTE WHICH HAS NOT BEEN RESOLVED. IN ADDITION, WITH THE
15 FAILURE TO PAY THE CORRECT AMOUNT OF TRAVEL TIME, THE LIVING
16 WAGE ORDINANCE SPECIFICALLY PROVIDES THAT YOU'RE NOT REQUIRED
17 TO PAY THE LIVING WAGE RATE, THE COUNTY RATE, WHEN TRAVELING
18 TO AND FROM COUNTY JOBS. IT'S ONLY WHEN YOU ARE WORKING WHILE
19 AT A COUNTY JOB THAT YOU'RE REQUIRED TO PAY THE COUNTY RATE.
20 THIS WAS ADVISED TO THE AUDITOR, THE AUDITOR HAS PROVIDED
21 ABSOLUTELY NO POINTS AND AUTHORITIES OR LEGAL SUPPORT SHOWING
22 THAT THIS IS NOT THE CASE.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. YES.

25



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1 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D JUST LIKE CLARIFICATION. I WOULD SUPPOSE THAT
2 WHAT IT SAYS, WHEN YOU SAY NOT GOING TO AND FROM WORK IS HOME
3 TO WORK OR SOMETHING, BUT IF ONCE YOU GET TO WORK AND THEN YOU
4 GO AND PART OF YOUR JOB IS TO HAVE AND CLEAN THREE OFFICE
5 BUILDINGS, THE TIME IT TAKES FOR YOU TO GO FROM ONE OFFICE
6 BUILDING TO THE OTHER IS PART OF YOUR WORK, AND I WOULD ASSUME
7 THAT THAT'S COVERED. WOULD YOU PLEASE CLARIFY THAT?

8

9 **RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISOR BURKE, I
10 BELIEVE YOU HAVE CORRECTLY CHARACTERIZED WHAT THE ORDINANCE
11 THAT YOU'VE ADOPTED MEANS ON THE TRAVEL TIME TO AND FROM WORK,
12 BUT IF THE TRAVEL IS PART OF MOVING FROM ONE COUNTY FACILITY
13 TO ANOTHER, IT IS REASONABLE TO ASSUME THAT THAT'S ALL PART OF
14 A COUNTY SERVICE.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YEAH, THE OTHER CLARIFICATION, MR. FORTNER,
17 IS SOMEBODY ANSWERED MY QUESTION, BECAUSE I SUPPORT SUPERVISOR
18 MOLINA'S ACTION, BUT HAS THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS GONE
19 THROUGH? I MEAN, IN OTHER WORDS, JUST FROM A LEGAL STANDPOINT,
20 ARE WE DOING SOMETHING PREMATURE THAT HAS NOT GONE THROUGH AN
21 ENTIRE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS? IS THERE APPEAL PROCESS OR, I
22 MEAN, THAT'S THE QUESTION THAT I KEEP ASKING AND NO ONE WANTS
23 TO ANSWER.

24



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1 **RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
2 PERHAPS I CAN ADDRESS THAT. THE APPEAL PROCESS THAT'S REFERRED
3 TO, THE ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDY, IS, FIRST OF ALL, NOT
4 APPLICABLE IN A CONVENIENCE TERMINATION FOR ANY REASON. SO
5 THERE CAN BE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT ARE DESCRIBED IN A BROCHURE
6 THAT'S PUT OUT BY THE OFFICE OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMPLIANCE
7 WHERE WE TRY TO WORK WITH PEOPLE, BUT IN THIS CONVENIENCE
8 TERMINATION IT IS NOT APPLICABLE.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, THAT'S ALL I WANTED TO HEAR.
11 OKAY, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
12 BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU.

13

14 **LORNE D. LILIENTHAL, ESQ.:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT CONCLUDES ALL OF MY SPECIALS.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, DO YOU HAVE
19 ANY ADJOURNMENTS?

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, AND I DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER SPECIALS.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. FOR THE RECORD ON ITEM -- AGENDA ITEM
24 NUMBER 22, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTED THAT ITEM
25 TO BE RECONSIDERED AND CONTINUED ONE WEEK INSTEAD OF TWO



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1 WEEKS, SO THE CHAIR WOULD MOVE RECONSIDERATION. WITHOUT
2 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THEN MOVE A ONE-WEEK CONTINUANCE VERSUS
3 TWO.

4

5 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** MR. CHAIR, ON ITEM NUMBER 7, I'D LIKE TO
6 REQUEST A TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE ON THAT. IT'S A CONTRACT
7 BETWEEN FIRST 5 L.A. AND OUR OFFICE.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** HOW LONG?

10

11 **C.A.O. JANSSEN:** TWO WEEKS?

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. ITEM NUMBER 7 WILL BE IN
14 TWO WEEKS. ANYTHING ELSE, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY? OKAY. I HAVE
15 AN ADJOURNMENT, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOSE GONZALES.
16 JOSE PASSED AWAY ON NOVEMBER 2ND IN JAPAN WHILE ON ACTIVE
17 DUTY. JOSE WAS A FIRST CLASS PETTY OFFICER, AVIATION
18 TECHNICIAN FIRST CLASS ON THE U.S.S. KITTY HAWK STATIONED IN
19 YOKOSUKO, JAPAN. JOSE WAS ALSO A DEARLY LOVED ONE OF IVONNE
20 EVELYN UMANA, WHO IS AN EMPLOYEE IN OUR COUNTY FAMILY IN THE
21 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. IVONNE IS IN OUR
22 THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS. JOSE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED AND DEARLY
23 MISSED BY FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND NUMEROUS PERSONS THAT HE HAD
24 NEVER HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET. SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR
25 ANTONOVICH.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST, YESTERDAY, I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO

3 PARTICIPATE IN THE CHILD WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND

4 FAMILY SERVICES CONFERENCE AT THE BEVERLY HILTON WHERE WE HAD

5 PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES INVOLVED IN THE

6 ADOPTION ISSUE. AND ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT WE HAD BEEN

7 PURSUING, THERE'S BEEN SOME GREAT SUCCESS, AND THAT'S THE

8 INITIATIVE THAT PRESIDENT BUSH SIGNED INTO LAW WHICH WAS THE

9 ADOPTION PROMOTION ACT OF 2003 WHICH GIVES EXTRA INCENTIVES TO

10 STATES TO INCREASE ADOPTIONS OF OLDER CHILDREN, AND WE'RE

11 FINDING THAT THAT IS HAVING A VERY POSITIVE IMPACT IN HAVING

12 THE OLDER CHILDREN BEING ADOPTED. BUT ONE OF THE NICE REMARKS

13 BY DR. DAVID SANDERS IS THIS PAST WEEK WE HAD AN ADOPTION

14 WEEK, AND THERE WAS A FAMILY OF NINE CHILDREN AND THERE

15 APPEARS TO BE A FAMILY THAT WILL BE ADOPTING ALL NINE CHILDREN

16 TO KEEP THE SIBLINGS INTACT. AND AGAIN, WE APPRECIATE DR.

17 SANDERS' LEADERSHIP THERE IN WORKING TO KEEP SIBLINGS TOGETHER

18 IN THESE FOSTER CARE ADOPTION PROCEDURES THAT WE GO THROUGH.

19 BUT IT WAS A VERY WELL ATTENDED EVENT AND, AGAIN, WE HAD

20 PEOPLE FROM THE EAST COAST AND ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES AT

21 THE PROGRAM. I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY

22 TODAY OF JOHN EDWARD PARKER, WHO IS A RETIRED PARAMEDIC, THE

23 CITY OF LOS ANGELES, AND HE'S FROM THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY.

24 ROBERT MAY OF LA VERNE, WHO WAS A COUNTY EMPLOYEE WITH THE

25 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION FOR THE LAST 28 YEARS, AND



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1 HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, MARIE, AND THEIR TWO SONS, JOHN AND
2 JIM MAY. AND J. MARGARET BEGTRUP, WHO PASSED AWAY ON ALL
3 SAINTS DAY ON NOVEMBER 1ST, AND SHE WAS A AVID MEMBER OF
4 WOODLAND HILL'S WOMEN'S CLUB AND WEST VALLEY GARDEN CLUB AND
5 PAST CHAIRMAN OF THE WEST VALLEY FOOD PANTRY. I WOULD LIKE TO
6 MAKE THE FOLLOWING MOTION. IT HAS RECENTLY COME TO MY
7 ATTENTION THAT THE C.A.O.'S RISK MANAGEMENT UNIT IS ACTIVELY
8 ENGAGED IN PLANNING SOME PROPOSALS FOR SIGNIFICANT POLICY
9 CHANGES. A PARTICULAR CONCERN IS THE DIRECT ATTEMPT BY THE
10 C.A.O.'S RISK MANAGEMENT UNIT TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY OVER
11 LIABILITY CLAIMS WHICH THE RISK MANAGER DEFINES AS BOTH CLAIMS
12 AND LAWSUITS. THEY SPECIFICALLY SEEK CHANGING THE COUNTY
13 CHARTER TO ASSUME THIS ROLE. INFORMATION PROVIDED AT A
14 BRIEFING GIVEN TO STAFF FROM EACH BOARD OFFICE AND SUBSEQUENT
15 INFORMATION DEVELOPED TO GAIN A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF THE
16 ACTUAL PROPOSAL, THE BASIS FOR THE PROPOSAL RESULTED IN AN
17 EVEN MORE AMBIGUOUS PICTURE WHICH NOW REQUIRES A MORE DEFINITE
18 EXPLANATION WITH CLEAR AND UNEQUIVOCAL LANGUAGE. MOREOVER
19 WHILE IT HAS BEEN REPRESENTED THAT THE PROPOSAL IS A
20 COLLABORATIVE EFFORT BY THE AFFECTED PARTIES, SPECIFICALLY THE
21 OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL, THE FACT IS THAT WITH THE
22 POSITION OF COUNTY COUNSEL CURRENTLY UNFILLED, THE DISCUSSIONS
23 OF SUCH A SIGNIFICANT UNDERTAKING REMAIN HIGHLY QUESTIONABLE
24 OR AT THE VERY LEAST PREMATURE. ADDITIONALLY KEY MEMBERS OF
25 THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE HAVE BEEN LARGELY KEPT IN THE DARK



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1 WITH THE MINIMAL REGARD TO ANY AND ALL OF THE CONCERNS BY THE
2 C.A.O.'S RISK MANAGEMENT UNIT. SO I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE
3 DIRECT THE C.A.O. TO PROVIDE A REPORT IN ONE WEEK WHICH
4 PROVIDES A CLEAR AND CONCISE DESCRIPTION, STATUS AND BASIS FOR
5 THE SUBJECT PROPOSAL BY THE RISK MANAGEMENT UNIT TO MODIFY THE
6 COUNTY CHARTER AND ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY OVER CLAIMS AND
7 LAWSUITS AND THAT THIS AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT POLICY ITEMS
8 INVOLVING THE MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE BE
9 HELD IN ABEYANCE UNTIL SUCH TIME THAT THE PERMANENT COUNTY
10 COUNSEL HAS BEEN APPOINTED SO HE OR SHE CAN BE INVOLVED IN
11 THAT PROCESS. SO JUST ASKING A REPORT FROM THE C.A.O. FOR NEXT
12 WEEK, AND I KNOW WE'LL BE MAKING AN APPOINTMENT OF THE COUNTY
13 COUNSEL VERY SOON, IF NOT TODAY, SO THAT HE'S INVOLVED IN THE
14 PROCESS AS WELL, BECAUSE IT IS HIS DEPARTMENT.

15
16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THIS IS FOR NEXT WEEK?

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, JUST A REPORT BACK FOR NEXT WEEK.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

21
22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YEAH FOR TODAY, SO WE HAVE THE REPORT BACK
23 NEXT WEEK.

24
25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEN, ON ITEM NUMBER 40.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YES.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS ITEM HAS BEEN BEFORE US AND THIS IS THE
7 THIRD REQUEST FOR A CONTINUANCE. IF I RECALL THIS GOES BACK TO
8 NEARLY SIX MONTHS, JULY 6, AND I'M SURE WE'VE ALL RECEIVED
9 HUNDREDS OF LETTERS AND E-MAILS REGARDING SUPPORT FOR THE
10 ITEM. NOW THE SHERIFF IS REQUESTING ANOTHER TWO-MONTH
11 POSTPONEMENT. AND I'D LIKE TO ASK THE SHERIFF'S STAFF, IF
12 THEY'RE HERE, WHY IS THE SHERIFF CONTINUING THE ITEM TO
13 JANUARY?

14

15 **CHUCK JACKSON:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR. CHUCK JACKSON, CHIEF
16 OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DIVISION. IT WAS MY RESPONSIBILITY TO
17 MOVE THIS ITEM FORWARD FROM ITS PREVIOUS CONTINUANCE OF 90
18 DAYS AGO. IT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT SHERIFF WAS PREPARED TO
19 MOVE IT FORWARD TODAY. HOWEVER, THE SHERIFF HAS TAKEN A LOOK
20 AT THE M.O.U., HE HAD SOME CONCERNS ABOUT THE LACK OF SPECIFIC
21 LANGUAGE COVERING THE REMOVAL OF S.C.A.P. FUNDING FOR THE
22 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND HAS ASKED COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE
23 SOME SUPPLEMENTAL LANGUAGE TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE IMMIGRATION
24 AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT FOR THEIR APPROVAL.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT DOESN'T THE VERSION OF THE M.O.U. INCLUDE
2 A PROVISION FOR THE SHERIFF TO TERMINATE THIS M.O.U. AT ANY
3 TIME AND FOR ANY REASON?

4

5 **CHUCK JACKSON:** WELL, I HAVE NO LEGAL TRAINING SIR, BUT IN MY
6 OPINION, I THINK THE M.O.U. WOULD ALLOW US TO BACK OUT OF THE
7 M.O.U. FOR CAUSE, BUT AT THE SAME TIME, I DON'T THINK IT WAS
8 SENDING THE SPECIFIC MESSAGE THE SHERIFF WANTED TO CLEARLY
9 STATE TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS THAT WE ARE DEPENDENT ON
10 S.C.A.P. FUNDING AND HE WANTED THAT SPECIFIC INFORMATION IN
11 THE M.O.U.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT IS THE BENEFIT OF THE PROPOSED
14 MODIFICATION IN THE M.O.U., AND IS IT REALLY NECESSARY?

15

16 **CHUCK JACKSON:** WELL, AGAIN, I BELIEVE IT'S STRICTLY A
17 POLITICAL STATEMENT THE SHERIFF IS MAKING TO LET THE FEDERAL
18 GOVERNMENT KNOW THAT WE RELY ON S.C.A.P. FUNDING TO HOUSE
19 ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS IN OUR CUSTODY, AND HE WANTS TO MAKE IT
20 CLEAR TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THAT LACK OF FUNDING,
21 APPROPRIATE FUNDING FOR HOUSING THESE IMMIGRANTS, ILLEGAL
22 IMMIGRANTS, RESULTS IN OUR NOT BEING A NON-PARTICIPANT IN
23 THIS.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF WE DON'T PARTICIPATE, THEN WE DON'T HAVE
2 AN ACTUAL STATISTICAL NUMBER, WHICH WE WOULD USE FOR
3 REIMBURSEMENT, SO IF YOU'RE GOING TO GET REIMBURSEMENT YOU
4 NEED TO HAVE FULL DOCUMENTATION, WHICH THIS WOULD PROVIDE, SO
5 IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THE SHERIFF IS NOT NECESSARILY CORRECT IN
6 THAT ASSUMPTION. ARE THERE ANY OTHER OUTSTANDING MATTERS WHICH
7 ARE CONTRIBUTING TO THE DELAY AND WILL THOSE BE RESOLVED BY
8 JANUARY, AND IF SO, HOW?

9

10 **CHUCK JACKSON:** I'M NOT AWARE OF ANY OTHER OUTSTANDING MATTERS,
11 SUPERVISOR.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WOULD WE HAVE THE AUTHORITY TODAY TO PUT IN A
14 -- TO RESTATE WHAT'S IN THE CONTRACT THAT WE CAN WITHDRAW AT
15 ANY TIME, OR?

16

17 **CHUCK JACKSON:** I DON'T KNOW THAT I COULD ANSWER THAT QUESTION,
18 SIR.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. FORTNER?

21

22 **RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, IF
23 THE QUESTION IS WITH REGARD TO THE BOARD'S RIGHT TO
24 TERMINATION, THAT IS IN THE DRAFT THAT IS BEFORE THE BOARD
25 NOW.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, OKAY, I MEAN CAN WE REPORT BACK TO THE
3 SHERIFF THAT IT'S ALREADY IN THE GRANT, AND IF HE WANTS TO
4 CONTINUE IT TO JANUARY, BUT IF, OR SOONER WOULD BE MY --

5

6 **RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL:** MY STAFF IS CURRENTLY WORKING WITH THE
7 SHERIFF AND WE CAN HAVE THIS RESOLVED, I'M CERTAIN, IN A SHORT
8 ORDER.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** I MEAN BECAUSE A LOT OF THESE QUESTIONS ARE
11 THE SAME QUESTION, BUT I MEAN IF WE CAN OBVIOUSLY EXPEDITE IT
12 AND BRING IT BACK BEFORE JANUARY, IT COULD BE A BENEFIT TO US
13 ALL. I MEAN AT SOME POINT WE NEED, YOU KNOW, THAT M.O.U.

14

15 **RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL:** IT IS THE SHERIFF'S RECOMMENDATION THAT
16 AT -- AS TO WHEN IT COMES BACK, BUT WE WILL TAKE CARE OF THE
17 LEGAL WORK.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY DON'T WE JUST SAY IF TO CONTINUE IT TO
22 JANUARY, OR IF IT CAN BE RESOLVED SOONER, BRING IT BACK BEFORE
23 THE BOARD.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T UNDERSTAND. WHAT'S GOING ON? COULD YOU
2 CLARIFY FOR ME, WHAT'S THE ACTION BEFORE US?

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THE SHERIFF HAS REQUESTED A CONTINUANCE OF
5 THIS ITEM UNTIL JANUARY.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT, AND SO WHAT IS IT YOU'RE ASKING FOR
8 MICHAEL?

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** JUST WHAT WE SAID, IN THIS PAST DIALOGUE
11 WE'VE HAD WITH THE SHERIFF.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHICH IS WHAT?

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE INFORMATION, WELL AS THE SHERIFF AND THE
16 COUNTY COUNSEL ARTICULATED, THERE ARE ALREADY PROVISIONS IN
17 THE CONTRACT TO CANCEL IT AT ANY TIME, SO THE POINT IS --

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** CANCEL WHAT?

20

21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** CANCEL THE M.O.U.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND OUR M.O.U. RIGHT NOW IS YOU'RE TRYING TO
24 CHANGE SOMETHING IN THE M.O.U.

25



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1 **CHUCK JACKSON:** YES, SUPERVISOR. THE SHERIFF WANTED TO AND
2 PLACE SOME LANGUAGE IN THE PROPOSED M.O.U. WHICH WOULD REFLECT
3 THAT LACK OF S.C.A.P. FUNDING FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES,
4 THAT THE SHERIFF WOULD CANCEL THE M.O.U. AND BE A NON-
5 PARTICIPANT.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND WHAT WOULD THAT MEAN?

8

9 **CHUCK JACKSON:** IF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CHOSE NOT TO PROVIDE
10 US S.C.A.P. FUNDING FOR THOSE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS IN OUR
11 CUSTODY, THE SHERIFF WOULD WITHDRAW FROM THE M.O.U. AND CEASE
12 PERFORMING THOSE FUNCTIONS.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND SO NOW WE WOULD NOT HOLD THOSE INDIVIDUALS?

15

16 **CHUCK JACKSON:** THAT'S A POSSIBILITY ALSO, YES, MA'AM.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND SO WHAT WOULD THAT MEAN? IF A PERSON WAS
19 ARRESTED AND CONVICTED --

20

21 **CHUCK JACKSON:** THEY WOULD BE HELD FOR THEIR LOCAL CHARGE OR
22 THE LOCAL CONVICTION, WHETHER THEY WERE SENTENCED TO COUNTY
23 JAIL, BUT AT CONCLUSION OF THEIR COUNTY JAIL TIME, THEY WOULD
24 BE RELEASED FROM THE CUSTODY OF THE SHERIFF.

25



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEN LET ME UNDERSTAND THAT. WHAT YOU'RE
2 PROPOSING IS THAT IF AN UN-DOCUMENTED, AN ILLEGAL IS ARRESTED
3 AND CONVICTED AND IS SERVING IN COUNTY JAILS, HE'S SENT TO
4 SERVE THERE.

5

6 **CHUCK JACKSON:** THERE'S STILL INTENT TO SERVE THEIR COUNTY
7 TIME, YES MA'AM.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEN BUT AFTERWARDS YOU'RE GOING TO RELEASE THEM.

10

11 **CHUCK JACKSON:** YES, MA'AM.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT DO YOU DO NOW?

14

15 **CHUCK JACKSON:** IF THEY'RE INTERVIEWED AND THEY HAVE A
16 IMMIGRATION CUSTOMS DETAINER THEY'RE HELD PENDING TRANSFER TO
17 THE CUSTODY OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND RIGHT NOW, THOSE ARE THE FOLKS THAT YOU'RE
20 HOLDING?

21

22 **CHUCK JACKSON:** WE HAVE SOME OF THOSE, YES, MA'AM.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY, BUT FOR THE MOST PART, THOSE ARE JUST THE
25 ONES THAT AFTER THEY HAVE SERVED THEIR TIME IN OUR COUNTY



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1 SYSTEM. THAT'S WHO YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT, THOSE ARE THE PEOPLE
2 YOU WOULD NOW SAY YOU'RE NOT GOING-TO-PROVIDE ANY SERVICE FOR.
3 CORRECT?

4

5 **CHUCK JACKSON:** LACKING ANY S.C.A.P. FUNDING, YES, MA'AM, I
6 BELIEVE THE SHERIFF IS WILLING TO SAY THAT LACKING ANY
7 S.C.A.P. FUNDING, NO FEDERAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR HOUSING
8 THESE INMATES, THEY WOULD BE RELEASED.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND I DON'T SEE A PROBLEM WITH THAT, AND THAT'S
11 THE LANGUAGE THAT THE SHERIFF WANTS TO PUT IN?

12

13 **CHUCK JACKSON:** YES, MA'AM.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE CONTRACT ALREADY PROVIDES THE SHERIFF CAN
16 CANCEL THE M.O.U. AT ANY TIME, BUT WE'VE ASKED THAT IT COME
17 BACK PRIOR TO JANUARY IF THEY CAN RESOLVE THAT --

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT THE S.C.A.P. FUNDING IS NOT JUST BASED ON THE
20 TIME THAT THEY ARE RELEASED. I THOUGHT THE S.C.A.P. FUNDING
21 WAS AVAILABLE FOR ANY TIME OF DETENTION AS WELL. CORRECT?

22

23 **CHUCK JACKSON:** THAT'S CORRECT, YES, MA'AM.

24



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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** SO THE M.O.U., I MEAN, I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT
2 YOU WOULD BE ENDING, BECAUSE THE REALITY IS IS THAT THAT'S A
3 POLICY THAT RIGHT NOW THE SHERIFF CAN TURN ALL THOSE FOLKS OUT
4 RIGHT NOW. CORRECT? HE IS NOT LEGALLY BOUND RIGHT NOW UNDER
5 THIS CONTRACT OR UNDER THIS M.O.U. TO HOUSE THOSE INDIVIDUALS
6 ON BEHALF FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

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8 **CHUCK JACKSON:** THIS M.O.U. IS NOT DESIGNED TO PROVIDE LEGAL
9 AUTHORITY TO HOLD THE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS THAT ARE CONVICTED OF
10 CRIMES. THIS M.O.U. IS DESIGNED TO PROVIDE TRAINING AND
11 AUTHORITY TO LOCAL SECURITY PERSONNEL TO CONDUCT THESE TYPES
12 OF INTERVIEWS, TO PLACE DETAINERS WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE
13 IMMIGRATION CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT. THE MESSAGE THE SHERIFF IS
14 TRYING TO SEND WITH THIS ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE IS TO THE FEDERAL
15 GOVERNMENT IS LACKING SUFFICIENT S.C.A.P. FUNDING IN THE
16 FUTURE, THAT WE DO NOT WANT TO BE A PARTICIPANT IN THIS AND WE
17 ARE NOT GOING TO HOLD THOSE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS CONVICTED OF
18 CRIMES IN OUR CUSTODY ON AN I.N.S. OR AN I.C.E. DETAINER.
19 WE'LL RELEASE THEM AT THE CONCLUSION OF THEIR LOCAL CHARGE
20 TIME.

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22 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT, LET ME JUST -- AGAIN, I'M JUST ASKING
23 YOU ONE SIMPLE CLARIFICATION. RIGHT NOW, UNDER THE M.O.U., WE
24 ARE NOT FORCED TO HOLD A ILLEGAL ALIEN, UNDOCUMENTED
25 INDIVIDUAL, AFTER THEY HAVE SERVED TIME IN THE COUNTY JAILS.



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2 **CHUCK JACKSON:** IF THEY HAVE A FEDERAL DETAINER, I DON'T KNOW,
3 I CAN'T SPEAK TO THE LEGALITY OF IT, BECAUSE WE ARE RECEIVING
4 S.C.A.P. FUNDING. IF THEY DO NOT HAVE A DETAINER PLACED, THEN
5 OF COURSE WE DON'T HOLD THEM.

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU DON'T HOLD THEM NOW?

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9 **CHUCK JACKSON:** DO NOT.

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11 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY. BUT IN THE TRAINING THAT YOU'RE TALKING
12 ABOUT, WHAT YOU WOULD BE DOING NOW IS THEY WOULD BE REQUESTING
13 THAT OUR PERSONNEL DO THE INTERVIEWING TO HOLD TO KEEP THAT
14 RETAINER IN PLACE.

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16 **CHUCK JACKSON:** OUR PERSONNEL WOULD BE DOING THE INTERVIEWING
17 TO DETERMINE THE INFORMATION THAT WOULD LEAD TO A FEDERAL
18 DETAINER BEING PLACED AGAINST THE INDIVIDUAL, YES, MA'AM.

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20 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND RIGHT NOW, UNDER THE S.C.A.P. FUNDING, ARE
21 YOU BEING FUNDED FOR EVERY SINGLE DETAINEE THAT YOU HAVE IN
22 YOUR COUNTY JAILS?

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24 **CHUCK JACKSON:** NO, MA'AM.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU'RE NOT?

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3 **CHUCK JACKSON:** NO.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL WHAT MAKES YOU THINK THAT YOU WILL UNDER
6 THIS NEW AGREEMENT?

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8 **CHUCK JACKSON:** I DON'T KNOW THAT WE'LL EVER GET 100% FUNDING.
9 WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH IS TO NOT TO HAVE A REDUCTION
10 OF FUNDING.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK THAT'S WHAT THE SHERIFF WANTED THE
13 TWO MONTHS FOR.

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15 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO I UNDERSTAND WHAT HE WANTS IT, THAT'S -- THERE
16 SEEMS TO BE SOME LACK OF CLARIFICATION HERE, SO I JUST WANTED
17 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE UNDERSTOOD IT.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** IT'S TOTALLY UNRELATED. I MEAN IF IT'S A
20 LANGUAGE ISSUE, THE SHERIFF CAN DO THAT AND THE COUNTY COUNSEL
21 CAN DO THAT IN A WEEK. YEAH, AND IT'S NOT A LANGUAGE ISSUE.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO, I MEAN I DON'T WANT TO SPEAK FOR THE
24 SHERIFF BECAUSE I CAN'T, BUT I HAD A BRIEF CONVERSATION WITH
25 HIM ABOUT THIS GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER A FEW WEEKS AGO, AND I



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1 THINK HIS OBJECTIVE IS TO TRY TO HAVE DISCUSSIONS WITH PEOPLE
2 IN WASHINGTON ABOUT THE MORE GLOBAL ISSUE OF THE S.C.A.P.
3 FUNDING AND THAT SORT OF THING. I DON'T KNOW HOW THAT RELATES
4 TO THIS, BUT I THINK IT RELATES TO HIS DESIRE TO HAVE SOME
5 TIME BEFORE WE MOVE FORWARD. I SOUND LIKE I'M STUMBLING
6 BECAUSE I DON'T REMEMBER THE DETAILS OF THAT CONVERSATION, BUT
7 I DON'T THINK IT'S UNREASONABLE FOR HIM TO TRY TO USE WHATEVER
8 LEVERAGE HE HAS, AND I THINK PART OF THE PROBLEM IS THAT THE
9 LAST HALF OF THE NEXT MONTH WE'RE NOT HERE, SO I, LOOK, I
10 THINK WE OUGHT TO EXCEED TO THE SHERIFF'S REQUEST AND CONTINUE
11 IT 'TIL JANUARY, IF IT CAN BE BROUGHT BACK SOONER, HE OUGHT TO
12 BE BRING IT BACK SOONER, AND THAT'S WHAT MR. ANTONOVICH --

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S WHAT HE SAID AND I -- BUT LEAVE IT TO
17 THE DISCRETION OF THE SHERIFF.

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19 **SUP. BURKE:** RIGHT, AND PARTICULARLY WITH SOME OF THE NEW
20 ISSUES WE'VE BEEN SEEING IN THE NEWS IN TERMS OF PERHAPS THERE
21 MAY BE TERRORISM MONEY THAT MAY BE ALLOCATED FOR SOME OF THIS,
22 SO I SAY LET HIM TRY TO WORK SOME OF THESE OUT AND TAKE THE
23 TIME TO SEE WHAT MONEYS, DIFFERENT MONEYS THAT CAN BE
24 IDENTIFIED TO INCREASE THE S.C.A.P. BUT COME BACK AS SOON AS



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1 POSSIBLE, BUT IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO DO ANYTHING UNTIL
2 JANUARY, WILL IT?

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4 **CHUCK JACKSON:** I THINK PART OF THE REQUEST WAS BASED ON THE
5 HOLIDAY SEASON COMING UP AND THE BOARD AVAILABILITY.

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7 **SUP. BURKE:** YOU PROBABLY CAN'T --

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9 **CHUCK JACKSON:** BUT AGAIN I DON'T KNOW WHY THAT DATE WAS
10 SELECTED.

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12 **SUP. BURKE:** I SUSPECT IT'S GOING TO BE VERY DIFFICULT TO DO
13 ANYTHING IN THE NEXT 30 DAYS.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** AS IT RELATES TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
16 M.O.U., WHICH IS BEFORE US, I MEAN, ALTHOUGH WE'RE GOING TO
17 CONTINUE IT, IS THERE FUNDING ATTACHED TO THAT?

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19 **CHUCK JACKSON:** THE ONLY FUNDING IS PROVIDING THE TRAINING TO
20 OUR PERSONNEL AT NO COST. MOST OF THE M.O.U. REALLY DEALS WITH
21 PROVIDING US THE AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT THE INVESTIGATIVE
22 INTERVIEWS AND PREPARE THE NECESSARY PAPERWORK FOR THE FEDERAL
23 DETAINERS.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO THE ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED TO
2 JANUARY 11TH, UNLESS THE SHERIFF CAN COME BACK SOONER WITH --
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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECOND.
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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S ALL I HAVE, MR. CHAIRMAN.
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10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?
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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T THINK I HAVE ANY ITEMS. AND I'VE DONE MY
13 ADJOURNMENT. THANK YOU.
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15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. I BELIEVE THAT IS THE AGENDA. IS THAT
16 CORRECT? PUBLIC COMMENTS? KAREN OCAMB.
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18 **KAREN OCAMB:** I'M JUST WAITING FOR THE LITTLE THING TO GIVE ME
19 THE "GO" SIGN THERE.
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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** GO.
22

23 **KAREN OCAMB:** OKAY. THANK YOU. HI. MY NAME IS KAREN OCAMB, AND
24 I REPRESENT THE LOS ANGELES SUNSHINE COALITION. IN LIGHT OF
25 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S FINDING LAST WEEK THAT THE BOARD



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1 VIOLATED THE BROWN ACT BY MAKING DECISIONS IN SECRET, I'M HERE
2 TO ONCE AGAIN REQUEST THAT YOU CODIFY YOUR INTERNAL SUNSHINE
3 POLICIES INTO AN ORDINANCE. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, THE
4 D.A. WROTE THAT, QUOTE, "VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT IMPUGNS
5 THE INTEGRITY OF AND ERODES PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN GOVERNMENT.
6 THE NATURE AND SCOPE OF THE BROWN ACT VIOLATIONS CITED HEREIN
7 CANNOT BE MINIMIZED." END QUOTE. I SAY ACCORDING TO PRESS
8 REPORTS, BECAUSE I COULD NOT FIND THE REPORT ANYWHERE ON THE
9 BOARD OR D.A.'S WEB SITE. SO MUCH FOR ACCESS TO PUBLIC
10 DOCUMENTS. I AGREE WITH THE D.A. THAT YOU DID NOT
11 INTENTIONALLY SET OUT TO VIOLATE YOUR OWN AND THE STATE'S OPEN
12 GOVERNMENT LAWS, BUT YOU CANNOT KEEP PLEADING IGNORANCE WHEN
13 YOUR COUNTY COUNSEL IS INVOLVED. YOU CAN'T TELL THE REST OF US
14 THAT IGNORANCE OF THE LAW IS NO EXCUSE EXCEPT US. SOMEONE MUST
15 BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE. IT IS TIME TO PASS A SUNSHINE ORDINANCE
16 TO ENSHRINE YOUR COMMITMENT TO TRANSPARENCY AND OPEN
17 GOVERNMENT INTO LAW. SPECIFICS PERTAINING TO ENFORCEMENT,
18 COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY CAN THEN BE DEBATED AND KNOWN TO
19 ALL -- AND MADE KNOWN TO ALL. RIGHT NOW, THE NATION IS
20 DISCUSSING WHAT CONSTITUTES A MANDATE FROM THE PEOPLE. I
21 SUGGEST TO YOU THAT THE PEOPLE OF CALIFORNIA ISSUED THAT
22 MANDATE LAST TUESDAY, VOTING OVERWHELMINGLY FOR PROP 59, THE
23 ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT INFORMATION MEASURE, BY 83.2% STATE-WIDE
24 AND 83% IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THAT'S A MANDATE. PLEASE
25 ACKNOWLEDGE THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE AND OUR CONTINUED REQUESTS



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1 AND DO SOMETHING TO STOP THIS SLOPPY ADHERENCE TO THE LAW.
2 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND AGAIN, OF COURSE, WE'D BE MORE THAN
3 HAPPY TO WORK WITH YOU ON CONSTRUCTING THAT SUNSHINE
4 ORDINANCE.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE -- ASK A QUESTION.

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8 **KAREN OCAMB:** YES, SIR.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ARE YOU GOING TO BE INVOLVED IN AN INITIATIVE
11 TO HAVE THE BROWN ACT APPLIED TO THE CALIFORNIA STATE
12 LEGISLATURE?

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14 **KAREN OCAMB:** WELL, IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE IS A LAW
15 THAT APPLIES TO THE LEGISLATURE RIGHT NOW, THE KEELEY -- I'VE
16 FORGOTTEN THE NAME OF THE LAW, I APOLOGIZE. THERE IS A LAW
17 THAT PERTAINS TO OPEN GOVERNMENT SPECIFICALLY FOR THE STATE
18 LEGISLATURE, BUT, YOU KNOW, I CONCUR WITH YOU. I THINK THAT
19 THERE SHOULD BE AN ACROSS-THE-BOARD, YOU KNOW, OVER -- ONE
20 STANDARD FOR ALL. I TOTALLY AGREE WITH YOU, I HAVE A --

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BECAUSE IN THAT STATE PROPOSITION, THE STATE
23 LEGISLATURE JOINTLY REMOVED THEMSELVES FROM THAT LAW.

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1 **KAREN OCAMB:** YES, I UNDERSTAND THAT, AND I DON'T AGREE WITH
2 THAT PART OF IT.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** RIGHT, SO HAVING THE BROWN ACT EXCLUSIVELY
5 APPLY TO THE STATE LEGISLATURE AS IT APPLIES TO EVERY CITY,
6 COUNTY, MUNICIPALITY AND SPECIAL DISTRICT.

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8 **KAREN OCAMB:** WELL I AGREE THAT THAT IS SOMETHING THAT WE NEED
9 TO MOVE FORWARD TO AS WELL, BUT OF COURSE, AND, SIR, I HAVE
10 APPROACHED STATE LEGISLATURES AND ASKED THEM EXACTLY THE SAME
11 THING, AND, YOU KNOW, I GET SOME RATHER INTERESTING COMMENTS
12 BACK, BUT, YOU KNOW --

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT'S A BIG INITIATIVE, I MEAN, TO DO THAT.

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16 **KAREN OCAMB:** RIGHT, BUT THIS IS WHERE WE CAN, SINCE WE'RE THE
17 LOS ANGELES SUNSHINE COALITION, THIS IS WHERE WE THINK WE CAN
18 TRY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE, AND, YOU KNOW, I THINK THAT YOU ALL
19 WENT THROUGH HELL, YOU KNOW, A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO WITH THE,
20 YOU KNOW, WITH THAT VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT, AND YOU CAME
21 UP WITH SOME REALLY GOOD SUNSHINE INTERNAL POLICIES, AND THE
22 CODIFICATION OF THAT, YOU KNOW, ENSURES THAT EVERYBODY KNOWS
23 ABOUT IT AND THAT THERE IS SOME ACCOUNTABILITY AND
24 RESPONSIBILITY, AND THAT'S ESSENTIALLY ALL WE'RE ASKING FOR.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

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3 **KAREN OCAMB:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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7 **KAREN OCAMB:** ANYBODY ELSE? THANK YOU, ALL.

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9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANKS.

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11 **KAREN OCAMB:** HAPPY THANKSGIVING.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YOU TOO KAREN.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HAPPY THANKSGIVING.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY. THERE'LL BE NO OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS,
18 IF YOU'D READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION, PLEASE?

19

20 **CLERK VARONA-LUKENS:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
21 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
22 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEMS
23 CS-1, CS-2, AND CS-3, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
24 EXISTING LITIGATION, ITEM CS-4, CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES
25 FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF COUNTY COUNSEL, ITEM CS-5,



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1 INTERVIEW AND CONSIDER CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE
2 POSITION OF AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER, DIRECTOR OF WEIGHTS AND
3 MEASURES, AND ITEM CS-6, CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES FOR
4 APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF INTERNAL SERVICES
5 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** OKAY.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE FINISHED ON TIME.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR:** YES AND WE HAVE -- WE'RE GOING RIGHT IN. I
12 ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS PLEASE GO THERE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
13 THANK YOU.

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REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON NOVEMBER 9, 2004

The Board of Supervisors met today in Closed Session. The following action is being reported:

CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

(Subdivision (a) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Leroy D. Baca v. County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 299 486

This is a lawsuit by the Sheriff challenging term limits for the office of Sheriff enacted by Charter amendment (Measure A) approved by the voters at the March 5, 2002 General Election

Action Taken:

The Board of Supervisors decided not to file an appeal in the term limits litigation. The vote of the Board of Supervisors was unanimous with all Supervisors being present.

CS-4. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Government Code Section 54957)

Consideration of candidates for appointment to the position of County Counsel.



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1 Action Taken:

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3 Pursuant to County Code Section 2.06.010, the Board waived the
4 provisions of former Sections 2.06.020 through 2.06.030 and
5 appointed Raymond G. Fortner, Jr. to the position of County
6 Counsel, effective November 17, 2004, and instructed the
7 Director of Personnel to negotiate an annual salary.

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9 Ray has served in County Counsel in many capacities for almost
10 35 years and as Chief Deputy for the past 8 years. Although
11 beginning to contemplate future retirement plans, he has
12 agreed to stay until early 2006 to facilitate the recruitment
13 of a new successor County Counsel.

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15 The Board also instructed the Director of Personnel to execute
16 an at-will employment contract which is approved as to form by
17 the County Counsel subsequent to approval of an annual salary
18 for Raymond G. Fortner, Jr. by the Board of Supervisors. The
19 vote of the Board of Supervisors was unanimous with all
20 Supervisors being present.

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22 CS-6. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Government Code Section 54957)

23 Consideration of candidates for appointment to the position of
24 Director of Internal Services.

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1 Action Taken:

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3 Pursuant to County Code Section 2.06.010, the Board appointed
4 Dave Lambertson to the position of Director of Internal
5 Services, effective November 17, 2004, and instructed the
6 Director of Personnel to negotiate an annual salary. The Board
7 also instructed the Director of Personnel to execute an at-
8 will employment contract which is approved as to form by
9 County Counsel subsequent to approval of an annual salary for
10 Dave Lambertson by the Board of Supervisors. The vote of the
11 Board of Supervisors was unanimous with all Supervisors being
12 present.

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