

THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2017 ON PAGE 102]

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING, AND WELCOME TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. YOU'LL TAKE NOTE OF THE FACT THAT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SACHI HAMAI, IS IN PLACE, AND THE COUNTY COUNSEL, MARY WICKHAM, IS IN PLACE, AS IS OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER, LORI GLASGOW. THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS, LED BY PAUL COBLENTZ, IS HERE TO FACILITATE WHAT NEEDS TO BE ACCOMPLISHED. WE HAVE A FULL AGENDA. A FULL COMPLEMENT OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT AND ACCOUNTED FOR. WE HAVE AN INVOCATION AND A PLEDGE, AS IS OUR CUSTOM, AND WE WILL PROCEED ACCORDINGLY. AT THE INVITATION OF THE THIRD DISTRICT, WE HAVE MATI WAIYA, FOUNDER OF THE WISHTOYO FOUNDATION, TO LEAD US IN THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING. AND THE PLEDGE WILL BE, AT THE INVITATION OF THE SECOND DISTRICT, CYRIAC ALENCHERIL, A FORMER STAFF SERGEANT OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IF YOU'D BE KIND ENOUGH TO PLEASE RISE FOR THIS MORNING'S INVOCATION. SIR?

MATI WAIYA: THANK YOU. WELCOME, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, OUR CITIZENS OF OUR WORLD. A MEMORY OF TIME; AN HONORING OF ANCESTORS-- OUR GRANDMOTHERS AND OUR GRANDFATHERS; THE

DIRECTION AND THE EXAMPLE THAT WE SET; AND A COMMUNITY OF FAMILY AND CORE VALUES: THAT'S WHAT THIS COUNTRY WAS BUILT FROM. THOUGH IT WAS BIRTHED OF VIOLENCE, WE CAN'T CONTINUE THAT. I WANT TO GIVE MY HONOR TO OUR ELDERS, THE TONGVA-GABRIELINO PEOPLE FROM THIS AREA, OF CHUMASH DESCENT; FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA TO CHICHIMECA, THE MASHEKA PEOPLE. WE COME TOGETHER TODAY AS A HUMAN FAMILY. WE COME TOGETHER TODAY TO HOLD THE HANDS OF OUR YOUTH; TO THE BIRTHRIGHT OF OUR CHILDREN TO HAVE A HEALTHY WORLD. WE HAVE HEALTHY ENERGY ALL AROUND US, IN THE SUN, IN THE WIND, IN THE WATER. WE DON'T NEED TO CONTINUE TO TAKE THE VERY BLOOD OF OUR MOTHER EARTH FOR THE GAIN OF A PROFIT. WE'VE SEEN THE EXAMPLE AT STANDING ROCK, WHERE PRAYER HAS THE POWER FOR PEACE AND FOR LOVE, FOR COMMUNITY, THAT WE ALL STAND FOR. SOME OF YOU HAVE COME FROM DIFFERENT PLACES, A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT ARE DEALING WITH THE SITUATION OF IMMIGRANTS THAT CAME BY THE MILLIONS. OUR LAND WAS LOST, BUT WE DON'T DWELL ON THAT. WE BUILD ON THAT. WE'RE A PEOPLE OF DIVERSITY, OF GENDER. WHETHER YOU'RE GAY OR STRAIGHT OR BLACK OR WHITE, WHATEVER YOU BELIEVE, WHATEVER LANGUAGE YOU SPEAK, WHATEVER FOOD YOU EAT, WE HAVE SO MUCH TO LEARN FROM ONE ANOTHER IN THIS BEAUTIFUL STATE OF CALIFORNIA, THE SIXTH LARGEST ECONOMY IN THE WORLD. A POPULATION LARGER THAN CANADA, A POPULATION LARGER THAN AUSTRALIA-- THAT'S WHO WE ARE. AS CALIFORNIANS, WE NEED TO STICK TOGETHER AND EMBRACE ONE ANOTHER FOR WHAT WE ALL STAND FOR. OUR PEOPLE HAVE BEEN

HERE FOR 15,000 YEARS. YOU BURY YOUR DEAD ON OUR LAND. LET'S TAKE CARE OF IT TOGETHER, AS WE RAISE OUR CHILDREN AND HONOR THEM FOR THE LIFE AND THE WORLD THAT THEY DESERVE. [SPEAKS NATIVE LANGUAGE.] TO THOSE THAT WE CARRY IN OUR HEART AND SPIRIT, TO THOSE THAT HAVE BEEN BRAVE FOR PEACE AND LOVE, TO OUR MOTHERS AND FATHERS AND GRANDMOTHERS AND GRANDFATHERS THAT HAVE HELD OUR HAND THROUGH THIS JOURNEY, LET US HOLD OUR CHILDREN'S HAND, AND TO THOSE THAT ARE NOT BORN, TO A WORLD WITHOUT STRUGGLE AND WITHOUT HATRED. [HORN BLOWS.] I GIVE TO YOU A SONG OF OUR PEOPLE ABOUT THE WILLOW TREE THAT LIVES IN THE WATER, AND THE FLEXIBILITY AND TOLERANCE THAT IT HAS, TO BUILD A HOME TO PROTECT US FROM HARM OR HAZARD, TO HOLD OUR FAMILIES IN A GOOD WAY, AND WITH THE LESSON THAT WE CAN HAVE FOR THEIR FUTURE. [SINGS IN NATIVE LANGUAGE.] THANK YOU, GRANDMOTHER, GRANDFATHER. AND TO ALL THE MOTHERS AND WIVES AND DAUGHTERS AND SISTERS THAT GIVE US LIFE, WE HONOR YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, FOR THE WOMEN'S MOVEMENT, AND FOR ALL THAT MATTERS TO US. WHEN WE WERE BORN INTO THE WORLD, WE CRIED OUT LOUD. NEVER BE QUIET. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

CYRIAC M. ALENCHERIL: PLEASE FACE THE FLAG. PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART, AND IF YOU ARE A VETERAN, YOU MAY RENDER A HAND SALUTE, AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THANK YOU. I BELIEVE YOU CAN ALL SIT DOWN NOW, IF YOU WANT TO. AND NOW FOR SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT. WHAT DO YOU THINK? MATI WAIYA IS A CHUMASH CEREMONIAL LEADER, A DOLPHIN DANCER, MEMBER OF THE SANTA CLARA RIVER TURTLE CLAN. HE'S A THE FOUNDER OF WISHTOYO FOUNDATION, A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT PROTECTS CHUMASH NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT THAT ALL PEOPLE DEPEND UPON. MR. WAIYA BUILT THE CHUMASH DISCOVERY VILLAGE, A REVIVAL OF A TRADITIONAL CHUMASH VILLAGE, ON AN 8,000-YEAR-OLD SITE OVERLOOKING THE PACIFIC OCEAN, ON THE BLUFFS IN MALIBU. THERE ARE A CONTINUUM OF CEREMONIES AND CELEBRATIONS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. HE PRESENTS PROGRAMS IN TRADITIONAL REGALIA FOR SCHOOLS, PUBLIC EVENTS, GOVERNMENTAL FUNCTIONS, AND GRASSROOTS FOUNDATIONS. AND OVER THE LAST TWO DECADES, HE'S PRESENTED PROGRAMS TO THOUSANDS OF SCHOOL CHILDREN, SHARING HIS KNOWLEDGE ABOUT CHUMASH TRADITIONS, SUSTAINABLE LIFEWAYS, AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY. PLEASE HELP ME THANK MATI WAIYA. [APPLAUSE.]

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE INTRODUCE THIS MORNING'S PLEDGE VETERAN? HE IS CYRIAC ALENCHERIL, WHO ATTENDED HIGH SCHOOL IN PALA, INDIA, AND CAME TO THE UNITED

STATES IN SEPTEMBER OF 2001. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY FROM 2002 UNTIL 2010, AND ATTAINED THE RANK OF STAFF SERGEANT. HIS LAST UNIT OF ASSIGNMENT WAS WITH THE 508 MILITARY POLICE BATTALION, AND HE SAW COMBAT IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM. HE IS A RECIPIENT OF AN IRAQI CAMPAIGN MEDAL, THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM MEDAL, AND THREE ARMY COMMENDATION MEDALS, AS WELL. HE IS AN ALUMNUS OF ST. FRANCIS COLLEGE, WHERE HE DOUBLE-MAJORED IN ENGLISH AND PHILOSOPHY. HE IS EMPLOYED AS A LINGUIST AND AS AN ASPIRING FILM ACTOR. AND FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS, HE'S RESIDED IN THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT WITH HIS SONS, AARON AND ELIAS. AND SO WE'RE DELIGHTED TO HAVE HIM WITH US TODAY. AND SO IT'S ON BEHALF OF ALL MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD, MR. ALENCHERIL, THAT WE SAY TO YOU, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO THIS COUNTRY, AND WE THANK YOU FOR LEADING US IN TODAY'S PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE TO OUR PLEDGE VETERAN. [APPLAUSE.] MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

RECORDING: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW BE READ, AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,

THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES: SPEAKERS MUST CEASE SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF. PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM, AND REFRAIN FROM UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL, THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING, OR OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY OTHER PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF, AND BOARD MEMBERS, AND MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE BOARD MEETING. AND FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE WILL PROCEED WITH THE READING OF THE AGENDA.

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDA, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. ON PAGE 4, CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 7. ON ITEM 2, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 3, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE. AND ON ITEM 4, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 10, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 8 THROUGH 37. ON ITEM NO. 8, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK, TO FEBRUARY 7, 2017. ON ITEM NO. 12, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK, TO FEBRUARY 7, 2017. ON ITEM 16, THIS INCLUDES THE REVISIONS, AS POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, AND SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 23, THE FIRE CHIEF REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK, TO FEBRUARY 7, 2017. ON ITEM 24, THE INSPECTOR GENERAL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK, TO FEBRUARY 7, 2017. ON PAGE 19, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 35-A, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE

REMAINING ITEMS, THROUGH 35-B, HAVE BEEN HELD BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE CONTINUANCES AND THE REQUEST TO REFER BACK. THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR BARGER MOVES. SUPERVISOR HAHN SECONDS. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ON PAGE 20, ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEMS 38 AND 39. ON ITEM 38, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 6, SALARIES, BY AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS TO ADD AND/OR DELETE AND CHANGE CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS AND NUMBERS OF ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS. ON ITEM 39, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING THE COMMON CARRIER PETROLEUM PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO PACIFIC PIPELINE SYSTEM L.L.C., TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE FRANCHISE THROUGH DECEMBER 31ST, 2021, AND ADD THREE FRANCHISE AREAS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF NEWHALL, ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST, AND WEST CARSON AND RANCHO DOMINGUEZ. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON BOTH OF THESE ITEMS. ON PAGE 22, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM CS-1, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK, TO FEBRUARY 7, 2017. ON ITEMS CS-2 THROUGH CS-5, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED TO SPEAK ON THESE ITEMS. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE

AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS AND PRESENTATIONS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 4.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR HAHN, THE FLOOR IS YOURS.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR. IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TODAY TO HONOR SOME OF OUR WORLD WAR II MERCHANT MARINERS. AND SPECIFICALLY, WE WANTED TO BRING ATTENTION TO THE MEN WHO ARE VOLUNTEERING ON A REGULAR BASIS TO PRESERVE AND PROMOTE ONE OF THE VICTORY SHIPS WHICH IS IN SAN PEDRO, THE S.S. LANE VICTORY. YOU KNOW, WHEN I WAS IN CONGRESS-- ACTUALLY, BEFORE I WAS IN CONGRESS, WHEN I WAS ON THE CITY COUNCIL OF LOS ANGELES, WE BEGAN SUPPORTING LEGISLATION IN CONGRESS TO HONOR THE SERVICE OF OUR WORLD WAR II MERCHANT MARINERS. THE MERCHANT MARINERS WERE CIVILIAN SEAMEN WHO TRANSPORTED GOODS AND SOLDIERS FOR THE U.S. MILITARY DURING THE WAR. THEY FACED ENEMY FIRE. MANY WERE TAKEN PRISONER. THOUSANDS DIED. IN FACT, THEY ACTUALLY DIED AT A HIGHER RATE THAN ANY OTHER UNIFORMED SERVICE DURING THE WAR. BUT WHEN THE WAR WAS OVER-- AND EVEN THE PRESIDENT AND FORMER GENERAL EISENHOWER TALKED ABOUT, IF THERE WAS ANY GROUP THAT WE OWED THANKS FOR THE VICTORY OF WORLD WAR II, IT WOULD BE OUR MERCHANT MARINERS. HOWEVER, THEY WERE NOT CONSIDERED VETERANS AFTER THE WAR. IN FACT, THEY WEREN'T EVEN INCLUDED IN

THE G.I. BILL. SO, AS YOU REMEMBER, THE G.I. BILL WAS THERE TO SORT OF HAVE A SMOOTH TRANSITION FOR ALL OF THESE FOLKS WHO FOUGHT IN THE WAR. WE ALLOWED THEM TO GET LOW-INTEREST LOANS. THEY BOUGHT THEIR FIRST HOME. MANY OF THEM USED THEIR LOANS TO GO TO COLLEGE. BUT BY THE TIME THE INJUSTICE OF THE MERCHANT MARINERS NOT RECEIVING THE G.I. BILL-- I THINK IT WAS IN THE 70S, THEY WERE FINALLY RECOGNIZED AS VETERANS. BUT BY THEN, MANY OF THESE GUYS WERE PROBABLY IN THEIR 60S, AT THAT POINT. IT WAS TOO LATE TO BUY THEIR FIRST HOME, AND PROBABLY TOO LATE TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL. SO IT REALLY WAS AN INJUSTICE THAT I THINK WE'VE NEVER ACTUALLY RIGHTED. SO WHEN I WENT TO CONGRESS, I FOUGHT VERY HARD TO PASS LEGISLATION THAT WOULD GIVE OUR MERCHANT MARINERS, THE SURVIVING ONES FROM WORLD WAR II-- WHICH THERE'S LESS THAN 5,000 OF THEM; THAT NUMBER'S PROBABLY A LITTLE LOWER NOW-- A ONE-TIME COMPENSATION FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, TO SAY, "THANK YOU. WE KNOW THIS DOESN'T MAKE UP FOR THE YEARS THAT YOU WEREN'T RECOGNIZED, BUT MAYBE THIS WILL HELP." NEVER GOT IT PASSED IN CONGRESS. THEN I CAME VERY CLOSE, RIGHT BEFORE I LEFT, TO PASSING LEGISLATION THAT WOULD GIVE EACH OF THE SURVIVING MERCHANT MARINERS A CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL. WE ACTUALLY GOT BOTH-- IT WAS A BIPARTISAN BILL, BUT WE RAN OUT OF TIME IN THE 114TH CONGRESS. SO I'M HOPING THAT THIS WOULD BE ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE WOULD CONSIDER TO PRESS THOSE BACK IN WASHINGTON, D.C., THAT WORK ON OUR FEDERAL LEGISLATION, TO WORK WITH CONGRESS TO SEE,

MAYBE, IN THE 115TH CONGRESS, WE COULD AWARD A CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL, AGAIN, TO THE SURVIVING MERCHANT MARINERS. MANY OF THEM ARE IN THEIR 90S, AND WE LOSE, I THINK, ALMOST HALF OF THEM EVERY YEAR. WE HAVE VERY FEW WORLD WAR II VETERANS SURVIVING. SO TODAY, IT GIVES ME-- UNTIL THAT HAPPENS, THAT YOU'RE HONORED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE, AS THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, TO MAKE A POINT OF HONORING VETERANS THAT HAVE SERVED IN THE MERCHANT MARINES, THE U.S. COAST GUARD, U.S. ARMY, U.S. NAVY DURING WORLD WAR II, THE VIETNAM WAR, AND THE KOREAN WAR, THOSE WHO HAVE DEDICATED THEMSELVES TO MAINTAINING AND PRESERVING THE S.S. LANE VICTORY IN SAN PEDRO. IF YOU HAVE NEVER SEEN THE S.S. LANE VICTORY, IT IS AN AMAZING SHIP THAT'S FOUND IN SAN PEDRO. IT IS WORTH YOUR TIME TO TOUR IT. IT'S QUITE REMARKABLE. WE HAVE TWO WORLD WAR II MERCHANT MARINE VETERANS WITH US TODAY: IZZY DIETSCH AND-- IS PAUL HERE? PAUL MILLSON'S... HE'S NOT HERE. OKAY. SO, AND THE S.S. LANE VICTORY, BUILT IN 1945, HERE IN LOS ANGELES, IT SERVED DURING WORLD WAR II, IT SERVED DURING THE KOREAN WAR, AND IT SERVED DURING THE VIETNAM WAR. IN FACT, IT WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR EVACUATING 7,000 KOREAN REFUGEES, WHICH IS VERY APPROPRIATE IN WHAT WE'RE DEALING WITH NOW IN THIS COUNTRY, MANY OF THEM WOMEN, MANY OF THEM CHILDREN. AND THIS IS WHAT YOU SHOULD GO SEE AT THE S.S. LANE VICTORY. IT IS IN THE BOTTOM OF THE SHIP. THEY HAVE RECREATED WHAT IT MUST HAVE BEEN LIKE TO BE A KOREAN REFUGEE TRYING TO

ESCAPE THE HORRORS OF THAT WAR, AND BEING LITERALLY PUT ON THIS SHIP AND BROUGHT HERE. IT'S AN AMAZING EXHIBIT. SO THE MERCHANT MARINE VETERANS HAVE RESTORED THE SHIP BACK TO ORIGINAL CONDITION. THE UNITED STATES MERCHANT MARINE VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II BOARD OF DIRECTORS STAFF, THE S.S. LANE VICTORY'S OPERATIONAL CREW, IS MADE UP OF ENTIRELY VOLUNTEERS. AND THE SHIP IS A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED HISTORIC LANDMARK, AND SERVES AS A MUSEUM AND A MEMORIAL DEDICATED TO THE SERVICE AND SACRIFICE OF ALL MERCHANT MARINE SAILORS AND NAVY ARMED GUARDSMEN. THANK YOU. IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR PASSION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION. THANK YOU, IN SPITE OF THE FACT, IN MY OPINION, THAT YOU HAVE NOT BEEN GIVEN THE KIND OF HONOR THAT IS DUE THE SERVICE THAT YOU GAVE TO THIS COUNTRY. TAKE IT TODAY FROM THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE HONOR YOU, WE THANK YOU, AND WE WILL NEVER FORGET WHAT YOU'VE DONE. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS? DO ANY OF YOU WANT TO SAY A FEW WORDS? OF COURSE. AND THIS MAN KNEW MY UNCLE, JOHN HAHN. HE HAS A STORY THAT EVEN I DIDN'T KNOW.

SPEAKER: I'M SURPRISED. CAN YOU HEAR ME LOUD AND CLEAR?

SUP. JANICE HAHN: YES.

SPEAKER: IT'S AN HONOR TO BE HERE, BUT I WANT TO LET YOU KNOW ONE THING. I'M GOING TO TRY AND MAKE IT SHORT, SIMPLE, AND GET TO THE POINT. I'VE BEEN TO HELL AND BACK, AND LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING: I'M THE WORLD'S LUCKIEST GUY ON THE FACE OF THIS EARTH, THAT I'M STILL AROUND. I DO THE BEST I CAN, BUT I'LL TELL YOU ONE THING: THEY CALLED ME A NAUGHTY BOY. AT THE AGE OF 15 YEARS OLD, I JOINED THE NAVY, AND THEY FOUND OUT THAT I USED MY BROTHER'S AGE, AND THEY BOOTED ME OUT. BUT I DIDN'T GIVE UP. I DON'T GIVE UP, AND I DON'T GIVE IN. BUT LET ME TELL YOU ONE THING: I JOINED THE MARITIME SERVICE. AND THE SAME THING: I USED MY BROTHER'S AGE. AND YOU KNOW WHAT? LOOSE LIPS SINK SHIPS, BUT LOOSE LIPS SANK ME. MY MOM FOUND OUT AND WENT DOWN THERE, AND SAID, "I WANT MY SON OUT OF HERE RIGHT NOW. HOW COME YOU'RE ACCEPTING HIM AT THE AGE OF 15?" SO WHEN THEY MADE A BACKGROUND CHECK ON ME, THEY FOUND OUT I WAS 18, HE SAID, "MA'AM, I'M SORRY. YOUR SON IS GOING TO STAY IN THE MARITIME SERVICE." SO THEY WENT BACK AND MADE ANOTHER BACKGROUND CHECK. THEY WERE GONE QUITE A WHILE. THEY DID FIND OUT I USED MY BROTHER'S AGE, AND THEY BOOTED ME OUT. BUT, LIKE I TOLD YOU, I DON'T GIVE UP AND I DON'T GIVE IN. I JOINED THE UNION, AND THAT'S HOW I GOT IN. BUT YOU KNOW WHAT? I REGRET ONE THING: THAT I QUIT SCHOOL. AND THAT'S A BIG ERROR I MADE. WE ALL MAKE MISTAKES, BUT I'M PAYING THE BIG PRICE FOR IT. BUT I DON'T WANT TO-- NO, DON'T CALL ME A VETERAN, AND DON'T CALL

ME A HERO. ALL MY HEROES ARE ASLEEP IN THE DEEP. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'M SORRY I TOOK LONG-WINDED. [APPLAUSE.]

SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU. WE HAD A COUPLE OF CONFESSIONS THERE, RIGHT HERE IN PUBLIC. HE CONFESSED. THAT'S RIGHT. OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND I'M GOING TO HAND OUT THESE CERTIFICATES TO EACH OF YOU, AND THEN WE'LL TAKE A PICTURE. THANK YOU. YOU KNOW I LOVE YOU GUYS. THANK YOU. AND I HAVE SOME OTHER HEROES, ACCORDING TO THEIR FELLOW CLASSMATES, TODAY. I HAVE ST. JOHN BOSCO HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM. [APPLAUSE.] AND I WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE THE TEAM AND THEIR COACH, JASON NEGRO, AND HIS COACHING STAFF FOR WINNING THEIR SECOND C.I.F. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP. [APPLAUSE.] ST. JOHN BOSCO HIGH SCHOOL IS AN ALL-BOYS HIGH SCHOOL LOCATED IN BELLFLOWER, AND THEY WON THEIR FIRST C.I.F. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP IN 2013. AND NOT ONLY ARE WE HONORING THE TEAM HERE TODAY, BUT THE SCHOOL IS ALSO HONORING THE FEAST DAY OF THEIR PATRON, ST. JOHN BOSCO. HOW PERFECT. THE COACH WAS NAMED 2016 SOUTHERN SECTION FOOTBALL COACH OF THE YEAR BY THE CALIFORNIA COACH'S ASSOCIATION, "THE LONG BEACH PRESS TELEGRAM," "U.S.A. TODAY," AND C.I.F. SOUTHERN SECTION DIVISION I. THE ST. JOHN BOSCO BRAVES ENTERED THEIR SEASON AS THE REIGNING TRINITY LEAGUE CHAMPIONS, A TITLE THEY'VE HELD FOR THE PAST FOUR SEASONS. AND DESPITE AN INJURY-RIDDLED SEASON, THE TEAM FINISHED WITH A REGULAR SEASON RECORD

OF 8-2, AND WENT ON TO WIN THE C.I.F. SOUTHERN SECTION DIVISION I CHAMPIONSHIP. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ST. JOHN BOSCO BRAVES AND THEIR COACHES ON AN INCREDIBLE SEASON. COACH? WHERE'S THE COACH? [APPLAUSE.] WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS?

JASON NEGRO: I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU GUYS FOR HONORING US IN THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. WE REALLY APPRECIATE THIS HONOR. ON BEHALF OF MY ENTIRE PROGRAM AND THE ENTIRE SCHOOL COMMUNITY AT ST. JOHN BOSCO HIGH SCHOOL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND WE'RE VERY PROUD AND HAPPY TO BE ABLE TO HONOR THE CITY OF L.A. WITH A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP AT THE HIGHEST DIVISION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NOW, SUPERVISOR KATHRYN BARGER, FOR HER PRESENTATION.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: THANK YOU. TODAY, IT IS MY PLEASURE TO RECOGNIZE GLENDORA POLICE CHIEF TIMOTHY STAAB, ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT. CHIEF STAAB HAS SERVED WITH THE GLENDORA POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR 33 YEARS, BEGINNING IN 1983, AS A CADET. IN 1985, HE BECAME AN OFFICER IN THE DEPARTMENT, THEN A CORPORAL 11 YEARS LATER, A SERGEANT IN 2001, A LIEUTENANT IN 2006, AND A CAPTAIN IN 2011. HE WAS PROMOTED TO POLICE CHIEF

IN 2013, BECOMING GLENDORA'S EIGHTH CHIEF OF POLICE. CHIEF STAAB'S FAVORITE ASSIGNMENT DURING HIS CAREER IN THE DEPARTMENT WAS BEING A MOTORCYCLE TRAFFIC OFFICER FOR FIVE YEARS. GOD BLESS YOU. DURING THE LAST GLENDORA CHRISTMAS PARADE, HE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO RIDE ONE LAST TIME AS AN OFFICER, THROUGH HIS COMMUNITY. DURING HIS TENURE AS CHIEF, HE SERVED WITH DISTINCTION AND PROVIDED GREAT LEADERSHIP TO THE DEPARTMENT. HE LED THE COMMUNITY DURING HIS TRYING COLBY FIRE AND SUBSEQUENT MUDSLIDES, PROVIDING CALM AND EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP TO THE CITY. HE'S EARNED THE ADMIRATION AND PRAISE OF HIS PEERS AND OFFICERS IN THE DEPARTMENT, AND HAS BUILT A STRONG RELATIONSHIP WITH THE COMMUNITY HE SERVED. CHIEF STAAB, THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY FOR THE LAST 33 YEARS. YOU WILL BE SORELY MISSED, BUT I KNOW YOU HAVE GREAT PLANS FOR RETIREMENT. AND FROM WHAT I UNDERSTAND, YOU'RE GOING TO GO FOR A JOG AFTER THIS, AROUND THE HOLLYWOOD LAKE?

CHIEF TIMOTHY STAAB: THAT'S RIGHT.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: THERE YOU GO. SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH ON BEHALF OF THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. [APPLAUSE.]

CHIEF TIMOTHY STAAB: JUST A FEW WORDS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS GREAT HONOR, TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. SMALL CITIES

LIKE THE CITY OF GLENDORA RELY ON COUNTY SERVICES SO MUCH, WHETHER IT'S THE D.A.'S OFFICE, WHETHER IT'S THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. 32 YEARS AGO, I WAS IN SHERIFF'S ACADEMY CLASS 226, AND AS CHIEF, I'D SENT ALL MY OFFICERS TO THE SHERIFF'S ACADEMY. AND OF COURSE, YOUR GREAT FIRE DEPARTMENT. THREE YEARS AGO, WE HAD THE COLBY FIRE. FIVE HOMES BURNED DOWN IN GLENDORA. BUT THE MODEL WAS, BUT FOR THE ASSISTANCE AND THE GREAT WORK OF THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, THEY WOULD HAVE EXPECTED 70 OR 80 HOMES. YOU SAVED GLENDORA. AND SO, THANK YOU AGAIN ON BEHALF OF THE RESIDENTS OF GLENDORA, THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING YOU GUYS PROVIDE, AND THANK YOU FOR THIS GREAT HONOR. AND... INTRODUCE MY WIFE, DAWN, TAKING PICTURES. WE'RE GOING TO GO ON A RUN AROUND LAKE HOLLYWOOD AFTER THIS. SO, AGAIN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: TODAY MUST BE FOOTBALL DAY, BECAUSE IT'S MY HONOR TO RECOGNIZE THE PARACLETE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM C.I.F. CHAMPIONS, 3-AA STATE CHAMPIONS. WE ARE JOINED BY PRINCIPAL JOHN ANSON, HEAD COACH DEAN HARRINGTON, ASSISTANT COACHES RICK MAGUIRE, ART LOPEZ, BOBBY BROWN, SR., AND BRETT NELSON, AND 21 PLAYERS FROM THE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM. THE HARD WORK OF THE COACHES AND PLAYERS DELIVERED THE FIRST-EVER STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP FOR THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. ON THEIR ROAD TO CHAMPIONSHIP, THE SPIRITS DEFEATED LOS ALTOS, SECURING

THEIR NINTH C.I.F. SOUTHERN SECTION DIVISION 6 TITLE. UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF COACH HARRINGTON AND THE ASSISTANT COACHES, THE PLAYERS MET GREAT SUCCESS ON THE FIELD, AS WELL AS ATTAINING PERSONAL GROWTH. FOOTBALL TEACHES YOUNG MEN DISCIPLINE, FOCUS, AND THE VALUE OF HARD WORK AND TEAMWORK. PRINCIPAL ANSON AND THE COACHES OF THIS GREAT TEAM, THANK YOU FOR BEING POSITIVE ROLE MODELS AND HELPING TO SHAPE THE LIVES OF MANY YOUNG MEN. AND, PLAYERS, THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND SECURING THIS TITLE TO BRING HOME TO THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL. [APPLAUSE.] AND WE'VE GOT SOMETHING FOR YOU ALL.

SPEAKER: I'D LIKE TO THANK THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR HAVING US HERE TODAY. IT'S QUITE AN HONOR. THIS IS A VERY SPECIAL TEAM. TO START THE SEASON 0-3, NO ONE THOUGHT WE'D GO VERY FAR IN THE PLAYOFFS, LET ALONE WIN THE C.I.F. CHAMPIONSHIP AND THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP. SO, AS THE COACH, I'M VERY PROUD OF THESE YOUNG MEN. AND NOT ONLY THAT, BUT THEY'RE GREAT STUDENTS, AND JUST GREAT MEN, OVERALL. WE'RE REALLY HAPPY FOR THEM. AND AGAIN, THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT, THESE ARE SCHOLAR ATHLETES. GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE, BECAUSE THEY DESERVE IT! [APPLAUSE.]

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: NOW IT IS MY HONOR TO INTRODUCE GUS.

SUP RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: GUS?

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: GUS, SUPERVISOR. GUS.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: GUS.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: GUS IS A POODLE-TERRIER MIX, 6 MONTHS OLD, AND A MALE, LOOKING FOR A PERMANENT HOME OUT THERE. I DON'T KNOW IF ANYONE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY NEEDS A DOG. A GOOD MASCOT, NO? GUS CAN BE ADOPTED BY CALLING 562-728-4610. AND THIS IS GUS: SWEET, LOVABLE, A LITTLE TIMID, BUT JUST NEEDS A LITTLE BIT OF LOVE. AND THERE ARE MANY MORE GUSES AT OUR ANIMAL SHELTERS, THAT ARE LOOKING FOR PERMANENT HOMES. SO I ENCOURAGE YOU ALL TO CALL AND ADOPT. CAN YOU SAY HI, GUS? AND LAST, BUT NOT LEAST, IS FINN, A TWO-MONTH-OLD MALE. THIS IS FINN, TWO MONTHS OLD. AGAIN, AT THE DOWNEY ANIMAL SHELTER, LOOKING FOR A PERMANENT LOVING HOME. KIND OF QUIET. 562-728-4610. MANY MORE FINNS OUT THERE TO BE ADOPTED. HI, BABY. THANK YOU, CHAIR.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE NOW RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR SOLIS, WHO HAS THREE PRESENTATIONS. SUPERVISOR?

SUP. SOLIS: GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. I'D LIKE TO NOW CALL UP MR. ZERIHOUN YILMA. MR. YILMA-- THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE-- CURRENTLY SERVES AS THE ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR THE COALITION OF HUMANE IMMIGRANT RIGHTS OF LOS ANGELES, TO MANY OF US KNOWN AS C.H.I.R.L.A. C.H.I.R.L.A. WAS FORMED IN RESPONSE TO THE IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986, WITH THE MISSION OF ACHIEVING FULL HUMAN, CIVIL, AND LABOR RIGHTS THROUGH COALITION-BUILDING. SINCE THEN, C.H.I.R.L.A. HAS EMERGED AS A CALIFORNIA LEADER--

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: PARDON ME. SUPERVISOR SOLIS DOES HAVE THE FLOOR. SERGEANTS, IF YOU WOULD HAVE EVERYONE IN THE ROOM TO GOVERN THEMSELVES ACCORDINGLY?

SUP. SOLIS: THANK YOU. SINCE THEN, C.H.I.R.L.A. HAS EMERGED AS A CALIFORNIA LEADER, WITH NATIONAL IMPACT THROUGH THEIR EXPANDING PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, SUCH AS CIVIC ENGAGEMENT, COMMUNITY EDUCATION, LEGAL IMMIGRATION SERVICES, ORGANIZING, POLICY, AND ADVOCACY. SINCE 2016, C.H.I.R.L.A. JOINED THE MILLION VOTER PROJECT, SUCCESSFULLY REGISTERING OVER 82,000 NEW FREQUENT VOTERS, WHO WOULD OTHERWISE BE UNLIKELY TO VOTE OR PARTICIPATE IN THE ELECTION PROCESS. TO THAT END, C.H.I.R.L.A.-- THEIR CALL CENTER WAS ABLE TO REACH ABOUT 157,000 INDIVIDUALS, TO ENCOURAGE AND ACTIVATE THE ELECTORATE

BY HARNESSING THE POWER OF THOSE DIRECTLY IMPACTED BY A BROKEN IMMIGRATION SYSTEM. IN COLLABORATION WITH OUR OFFICES, C.H.I.R.L.A. HAS ALSO SERVED AS CO-CHAIR OF THE PROTEGETE YA CAMPAIGN, WHICH MEANS "PROTECT YOURSELF." AND IT'S A COMMUNITY-BASED EFFORT THAT AIMS TO EDUCATE AND MOTIVATE MORE THAN 755,000 ELIGIBLE LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENTS IN L.A. COUNTY TO APPLY FOR CITIZENSHIP. THANK YOU TO MR. YILMA AND HIS STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS FOR THE COALITION OF HUMANE IMMIGRANT RIGHTS, FROM LOS ANGELES. TODAY WE PAY TRIBUTE TO YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR EFFORTS. AND I'D LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO SAY A FEW WORDS, BUT I KNOW SUPERVISOR KUEHL WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A STATEMENT.

SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: I SIMPLY WANTED TO ADD MY THANKS AND MY RESPECT AND ADMIRATION FOR C.H.I.R.L.A. THE WORK THAT YOU'VE DONE IN THE PAST-- I THINK WE'VE WORKED TOGETHER... I THINK IT MIGHT BE 20 YEARS FOR ME, NOW. AND THE FACT THAT YOU, AS MATI SAID, NEVER GIVE IN, NEVER GIVE UP, AS JANICE'S UNCLE SAID-- I MEAN, WE'RE ALL TOGETHER ON THIS. AND I HOPE THAT YOU KNOW THAT NOW, MORE THAN EVER, WE REALLY NEED AND RESPECT AND WILL JOIN YOUR WORK. THANK YOU.

ZERIHOUN YILMA: THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISORS, ESPECIALLY HILDA SOLIS. AND IT'S REALLY AN HONOR FOR US TO BE RECOGNIZED IN THIS WAY. THIS IS THE WORK THAT WE DO, NOT JUST FOR RECOGNITION, BUT THIS IS OUR WORK. AND MORE THAN EVER, THIS IS

THE MOST IMPORTANT TIME THAT WE KNOW THAT SUPERVISORS ARE BEHIND US, SUPPORTING THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY, AND REALLY APPRECIATE IT AND THANK YOU SO MUCH. THIS IS HUMBLY THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

SUP. HILDA SOLIS: OKAY. GOOD MORNING AGAIN. TODAY WE ARE ALSO CELEBRATING THE LUNAR NEW YEAR. TODAY I'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE SOME OF OUR GREAT ORGANIZATIONS THAT CO-HOSTED THIS YEAR'S MONTEREY PARK LUNAR NEW YEAR FESTIVAL. EVERY YEAR, ON 7 BLOCKS OF GARVEY AVENUE IN THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, MONTEREY PARK BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND WORLD JOURNAL L.A. PUT ON A GRAND STREET FESTIVAL TO RING IN THE LUNAR NEW YEAR. AROUND 250,000 PEOPLE COME FROM ALL OVER SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TO PARTICIPATE. THE FESTIVAL IS OPEN TO ALL PEOPLE OF ALL BACKGROUNDS, AND HAS MUCH TO OFFER BY WAY OF LION AND DRAGON DANCES, MUSIC PERFORMANCES, CRAFTS, AND OF COURSE, A LOT OF GOOD FOOD. TO RECOGNIZE THE CO-HOST OF THIS OUTSTANDING EVENT, WE HAVE WITH US TODAY JOSEPHINE LOUIE, MEMBER OF THE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE; JOHNNY THOMPSON, OWNER OF JOHNNY THOMPSON MUSIC, AND CHAIR OF THE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AS WELL AS OTHER MEMBERS OF HIS COMMITTEE; AND VINCENT CHANG, CITY CLERK OF MONTEREY PARK. PLEASE GIVE THEM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE, THEN I WILL ASK MR. THOMPSON TO SAY A FEW WORDS. PLEASE GIVE THEM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]

JOHNNY THOMPSON: THANK YOU. IN 1985, FRED HSIEH, THE FOUNDER OF MODERN-DAY CHINESE IMMIGRATION INTO MONTEREY PARK AND SO CAL, GAVE ME A CALL AND LET ME KNOW THAT HE WAS FORMING A BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT. AND 1992, WE BEGAN THE FIRST LUNAR NEW YEAR EVENT, WHICH, THIS LAST WEEKEND, WE CELEBRATED OUR 25TH ANNIVERSARY. AND IT HAS BECOME AN ICONIC CULTURAL EVENT, AND WE'RE QUITE PROUD OF IT. IT'S CURRENTLY BEING CO-PRODUCED BY THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK AND THE WORLD JOURNAL NEWSPAPER. WE HAVE VINCENT CHANG HERE, FROM THE CITY, AND WE ALSO HAVE JOSEPH-- WELL, THEY WERE ALREADY INTRODUCED: JOSEPHINE AND JEAN AND IVAN. AND WE'RE VERY PROUD TO BE HERE, AND WE APPRECIATE THE HONOR FROM SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND THE COUNTY BOARD, AND AS WELL AS THE DISTRICT PERSON, DIRECTOR, WHICH WOULD BE LAWRENCE HSIEH, FOR HIS ASSISTANCE. AND ONCE AGAIN, WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS: THANK YOU FOR COMING. THANK YOU. HAPPY EARLY EASTER. OKAY. AND NEXT, WE HAVE A REALLY EXCITING GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS WHO'VE COME TO JOIN US TODAY. AND AT THIS TIME, I'D LIKE TO CALL UP MRS. AZIZAH ALI-REGAN-- SHE IS THE PRINCIPAL OF THE ISLAH ACADEMY OF LOS ANGELES-- AND MR. ROBIN TOMA, FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION. WE'D LIKE THE CHILDREN TO COME UP IN THE FRONT. THEY'RE OUTSTANDING. WE WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,

BECAUSE WE ALSO KNOW THAT THE ACADEMY IS IN HIS DISTRICT, BUT THEY SERVE MANY, MANY OF OUR STUDENTS IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, AS WELL. THE ISLAH L.A. MISSION IS A REVIVE-THE-NEIGHBORHOODS-OF-LOS-ANGELES EFFORT, TO SERVE AS A MODEL FOR OTHER CHILDREN AND INDIVIDUALS FROM INNER-CITY COMMUNITIES IN AMERICA. "ISLAH" IS AN ARABIC WORD THAT IS USED THROUGHOUT THE KORAN, AND IN SOME PROPHETIC TRADITIONS. IT IMPLIES "TO RENEW, REVIVE, AND RESTORE." ITS USAGE ALSO PERTAINS TO RECONCILING RELATIONS BETWEEN PEOPLE, WHICH IS WHAT BEST DESCRIBES THEIR INITIATIVE. MRS. ALI-REGAN RECEIVED HER UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE FROM VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY, AND HER MASTER'S DEGREE FROM PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY, IN EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION, AS WELL AS HER CALIFORNIA TEACHING CREDENTIAL FROM U.C.L.A., IN THE URBAN TEACHING PROGRAM. SHE HAS BEEN AN EDUCATOR FOR 20 YEARS, AND HAS SPENT 15 YEARS WORKING AS A MIDDLE-SCHOOL TEACHER IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES, WHERE SHE ALSO MENTORED NEW TEACHERS AND TRAINED STAFF ON CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE TEACHING. MUCH OF HER CAREER HAS BEEN SPENT EDUCATING OTHER TEACHERS AND PARENTS ON NURTURING THE WHOLE CHILD, AND HELPING STUDENTS WITH FAMILY AND ENVIRONMENTAL TRAUMA TO EXCEL IN SCHOOL, AND TO THRIVE, EMOTIONALLY. ISLAH ACADEMY USES THE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE MODEL FOR GUIDING AND REDIRECTING STUDENTS, AND TO PROVIDE THEM WITH HIGH-QUALITY PROGRAMMING, PRACTICAL EDUCATION, AND SOCIAL SERVICES, AIMING TO EMPOWER INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR FAMILIES. TODAY WE PRESENT MRS. ALI-REGAN WITH THIS CERTIFICATE, AND

INVITE HER, ALONG WITH ROBIN TOMA, TO SHARE A FEW WORDS. PLEASE THANK HER FOR COMING AND BRINGING HER STUDENTS HERE TODAY. [APPLAUSE.]

AZIZAH ALI-REGAN: THANK YOU SO MUCH. MUCH HONOR AND RESPECT TO SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, WHO'S ALWAYS BEEN A SUPPORT TO MY FAMILY, PERSONALLY, AND OUR COMMUNITY; AS WELL AS JANICE HAHN. I TAUGHT AT MARKHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL FOR 16 YEARS, AND YOUR OFFICE GAVE US SO MANY BUSES FOR FIELD TRIPS. SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT'S AN HONOR AND IT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR US TO BE HERE TODAY, BECAUSE THE STUDENTS THAT YOU SEE BEHIND ME ARE PART OF A PROGRAM THAT WE DO AT ISLAH ACADEMY, WHERE WE FOCUS ON LEADERSHIP AND CHARACTER BUILDING, BUT ALSO COMMUNITY RESPONSIBILITY. SO YOU'RE LOOKING AT THE NEXT POLITICAL LEADERS, THE NATIONAL LEADERS, AND GLOBAL LEADERS. SO, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HONORING US AND ALLOWING THEM TO REGAIN CONFIDENCE IN THIS PROCESS, THIS POLITICAL PROCESS, SO THAT WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

ROBIN TOMA: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. AND I'M HONORED TO BE JOINING IN THE CONGRATULATIONS TO PRINCIPAL ALI-REGAN AND THE ISLAH ACADEMY. I THINK, PARTICULARLY NOW, GIVEN THE RECENT EXECUTIVE ORDER, WE KNOW THAT THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY IS FACING A TOUGH TIME. THIS ORDER, WHICH IS TARGETING PEOPLE, KEEPING OUT TRAVELERS AND REFUGEES OF CERTAIN MUSLIM COUNTRIES, BASED ON

THEIR RELIGION, BASED ON THEIR NATION OF ORIGIN, IS THE KIND OF ACTION WHICH UNFORTUNATELY FUELS ISLAMOPHOBIA AND DISCRIMINATION, AND, IN TURN, FUELS HATRED, SUSPICION, AND FEAR. AND MY GREATEST CONCERN IS THAT THESE YOUNG CHILDREN, WHEN THEY GO OUT INTO THE COMMUNITY, CAN'T OPENLY SAY THAT THEY'RE MUSLIM, WITHOUT FEAR THAT SOMEHOW THEY'RE GOING TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH A DANGEROUS PERSON, SOMEONE WHO SHOULD BE SUSPECTED AND WATCHED CAREFULLY. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE, AS A COUNTY, HAVE DONE IS TO SPEAK OUT AND TO SAY THAT WE WILL NOT STAND FOR ISLAMOPHOBIA; THAT WE WILL STAND UP TO IT. WE AT THE COMMISSION, ALONG WITH THIS COUNTY, HAVE TAKEN ACTIONS IN THE PAST WHICH HAVE SENT A CLEAR WELCOMING MESSAGE TO REFUGEES FROM SYRIA, TO ALL PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTY-- THE TENS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE RELIGIOUS BELIEFS THAT MAY BE TARGETED FOR BEING SINGLED OUT BECAUSE OF PREJUDICE AND HOSTILITY. WE AT THE COMMISSION HAVE BEEN WORKING HARD, ESPECIALLY NOW, ON OUR MISSION TO TRANSFORM PREJUDICE INTO ACCEPTANCE, INEQUITY INTO JUSTICE, AND HOSTILITY INTO PEACE. WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, PARTICULARLY THE MUSLIM COMMUNITIES, TO BE SURE THAT WHAT THEY'RE EXPERIENCING IS GOING TO BE NOTICED, IS GOING TO BE RECOGNIZED, IS GOING TO BE ASSISTED. WE SAW THAT, AFTER THE ELECTION, THAT THERE WAS HATE ACTIVITY IN OUR COUNTY-- SOMETHING THAT WE SHOULD NOT BE SEEING. AND WE SAW THAT THAT ANTIPATHY IS ONLY LIKELY TO CONTINUE AND STRENGTHEN, IN A

PERIOD WHEN WE'RE TALKING ABOUT BANNING PEOPLE FROM COUNTRIES BECAUSE THEY'RE MUSLIM-MAJORITY COUNTRIES, AND TARGETING THOSE INDIVIDUALS, EVEN REFUGEES WHO ARE FLEEING POLITICAL PERSECUTION. TRULY, THIS IS AN IMPORTANT TIME TO BE REMINDED THAT ALL OF US, IF WE LOOK DEEPLY IN OUR FAMILY HISTORY, WE ALL HAVE A HISTORY WHERE OUR COMMUNITY HAS BEEN TARGETED BECAUSE OF PREJUDICE, BECAUSE OF THEIR RELIGIOUS BELIEFS, LIKE OUR FOUNDING FATHERS, LIKE THE KIND OF HOSTILITY THAT CAME TO EVEN WHITE IMMIGRANTS WHO ARE CATHOLIC, ITALIANS, AND IRISH. WE KNOW THAT MY OWN COMMUNITY, JAPANESE AMERICANS, BY EXECUTIVE ORDER, WAS TARGETED BECAUSE OF THE NATION OF ORIGIN, AND IT LED TO MY MOTHER BEING IMPRISONED DURING THE WAR, HERE IN THIS COUNTRY, NOT BECAUSE OF ANY WRONGDOING, BUT SIMPLY BECAUSE OF HER NATION OF ORIGIN. THAT IS A PLACE WE DON'T WANT TO BE IN. AND SO WE REALLY DO NEED TO CONTINUE TO SPEAK OUT, AND NOT ALLOW HYSTERIA, PRE-EXISTING PREJUDICE, OR A FAILURE OF POLITICAL LEADERSHIP TO LEAD US TO WHERE WE WERE MANY YEARS GO, AND WHAT WE SEEM TO BE HEADING TOWARDS NOW. AND SO I REALLY WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WHO HAVE BEEN THERE, IN TERMS OF POLITICAL LEADERSHIP AND SPEAKING OUT AT EVERY TURN, BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT, WHILE TODAY IT IS THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY AND IMMIGRANTS, WE KNOW THAT TOMORROW AND IN THE FUTURE, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT OTHER GROUPS. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE TARGETING OF WOMEN'S RIGHTS, THE TARGETING OF L.G.B.T. RIGHTS, THE TARGETING OF DIFFERENT GROUPS OF VULNERABLE

MINORITIES. AND TO ALL OF THAT, WE NEED TO STICK TOGETHER. I JUST WANT TO MENTION A FEW THINGS THAT WE ARE DOING THAT I WANT EVERYONE TO KNOW, PARTICULARLY THE HONOREES AND THE COMMUNITY THAT'S BEING TARGETED. WE WANT TO HEAR ABOUT ANY ACTS OF HATE THAT YOU ARE SUFFERING. WE WANT TO KNOW ABOUT ACTS OF DISCRIMINATION. WE WANT YOU TO REPORT THAT. YOU CAN REPORT IT TO US, TO SPLCCENTER.ORG, TO #REPORTHATE. YOU CAN ALSO, IF YOU'RE A VICTIM OF A HATE CRIME, REPORT IT TO THE POLICE. YOU CAN ALSO REPORT IT TO US, AT WWW.LAHUMANRELATIONS.ORG. WE WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT IF YOU ARE FACING DISCRIMINATION BY A BUSINESS, THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF FAIR EMPLOYMENT AND HOUSING IS THERE, AND HAS TOLD US THEY WANT TO HELP YOU TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS IN DISCRIMINATION. I ALSO WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT WE ARE LAUNCHING AN EXCITING NEW PROGRAM, WHERE WE ARE GOING TO BE INVITING THE ENTIRE L.A. COUNTY COMMUNITY TO JOIN WITH THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY DURING THE MONTH OF RAMADAN. RAMADAN, AS YOU KNOW, IS A HOLY MONTH, AND AND EVERY DAY, THERE IS FASTING FROM SUNUP TO SUNDOWN. AND AT THE END OF THAT DAY, THERE IS A BREAKING OF THE FAST, KNOWN AS THE IFTAR. THAT'S A JOYOUS MOMENT, AND ONE THAT MANY MUSLIM COMMUNITIES WANT TO SHARE WITH OTHERS IN THEIR COMMUNITY. SO WE ARE JOINED WITH L.A. COMMONS AND MANY MUSLIM ORGANIZATIONS TO LAUNCH THAT HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, IN MAY OF THIS YEAR, AND WE INVITE ALL OF YOU TO JOIN IN. GO TO RAMADANINLA.COM, OR GO TO THE FACEBOOK PAGE, AND YOU CAN LEARN HOW YOU CAN BE A PART

OF IT. IT'S A CHANCE TO LEARN ABOUT ANOTHER SIDE OF ISLAM THAT WE DON'T OFTEN SEE. SO, WITH THAT, I WANT TO SAY THAT WE ARE WITH YOU. WE ARE UNITED AND STRONGER TOGETHER, AND WE WILL NOT ALLOW OURSELVES TO BE DIVIDED. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: I KNOW WE ALL LOOK SO MUCH ALIKE, THOUGH, SO IT'S OKAY, WHICH IS EXACTLY WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TODAY. YOU KNOW, IN THESE TIMES, WHEN WE ARE TALKING ABOUT WHAT WE CAN DO IN RESPONSE TO SOMETHING, WE'RE ALSO PAYING VERY CLOSE ATTENTION TO WHAT WE CAN DO IN A WAY OF KEEP ON KEEPING ON. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE HAVE DONE IN THE COUNTY IS TO PAY CONSTANT ATTENTION TO THOSE WHO NEED A HAND UP, THOSE WHO NEED A BIT OF A SAFETY NET, AND ALSO THOSE WHO MIGHT BE ABOVE THE POVERTY LINE, BUT STILL REALLY NEED OUR HELP. SO IN THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS, WE'VE PAID MORE AND MORE ATTENTION TO WHAT WE CAN DO FOR WORKING FAMILIES, FOR LOW AND MODERATE INCOME EARNERS. AND THIS WEEK, WE ARE CELEBRATING AND DECLARING CAL E.I.T.C. AWARENESS WEEK. WHAT IS THAT? A LOT OF LETTERS? WELL, WE'LL TELL YOU. THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT HAS BECOME AVAILABLE TO THOSE FILING CALIFORNIA STATE INCOME TAX RETURNS. IT HAS BEEN AVAILABLE TO THOSE FILING FEDERAL INCOME TAX RETURNS. WHAT DOES THIS MEAN? THE STATE PUTS A POOL OF MONEY ASIDE, AND IF YOU CLAIM THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT, DOLLAR

FOR DOLLAR, IT COMES OFF THE TAX THAT YOU PAY, AND IT'S OF WONDERFUL BENEFIT FOR LOW AND MODERATE INCOME EARNERS. BUT MANY PEOPLE WHO ARE ELIGIBLE HAVE NO IDEA ABOUT THIS. THEY'RE NOT TAKING ADVANTAGE OF IT. PROBABLY $300 MILLION WAS LEFT ON THE TABLE LAST YEAR. AND AS WE KNOW, THAT COULD GO A LONG WAY IN HELPING WORKING FAMILIES PUT A MEAL ON THE TABLE, BUY BASIC NECESSITIES, AND MAYBE EVEN BE ABLE TO STAY IN THEIR HOUSE OR APARTMENT. SO WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT MORE PEOPLE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE E.I.T.C. AND THANKS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND ITS CENTER FOR FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT, L.A. COUNTY IS GOING TO DO EVERYTHING IT CAN TO MAKE SURE THAT MORE PEOPLE FILE FOR THE E.I.T.C. THIS YEAR. THIS WEEK, THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND THE CAL E.I.T.C. FOR ME CAMPAIGN WILL WORK TO EDUCATE FAMILIES ABOUT THEIR E.I.T.C. ELIGIBILITY, DRIVE AWARENESS OF FREE TAX PREPARATION SERVICES-- YES, IT'S ALMOST THAT TIME AGAIN-- AND HELP FAMILIES CLAIM THEIR HARD-EARNED MONEY. TODAY, THE COUNTY, AS I SAID, IS PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF JANUARY 29TH THROUGH FEBRUARY 4TH AS CAL E.I.T.C. AWARENESS WEEK IN THE COUNTY. I'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE LEADERSHIP OF BRIAN STIGER, DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS, BECAUSE WITHOUT HIS HARD WORK-- WE KEEP, ACTUALLY, PILING THINGS INTO THAT DEPARTMENT, I THINK, LIKE, "LET'S GIVE THAT TO BRIAN." BUT THIS PARTICULAR CAMPAIGN, WHICH WILL BENEFIT MANY THOUSANDS OF COUNTY RESIDENTS BY BRINGING THEM GREATER

FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC STABILITY, WOULD JUST NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT HIS WORK. SO PLEASE HELP ME TO CONGRATULATE AND THANK THIS TEAM. AND I'LL ASK BRIAN TO SAY A FEW WORDS, AND THEN WE'LL TAKE A FEW PICTURES. SO, FIRST, A LITTLE APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]

BRIAN STIGER: WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR, AND THE HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, FOR THIS PROCLAMATION THIS WEEK. THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT WEEK FOR US, BECAUSE IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY FOR LOW-WEALTH INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF A TAX PROGRAM THAT IS DESIGNED SPECIFICALLY FOR THEM. AS THE SUPERVISOR SAID, OVER $300 MILLION ARE LEFT EACH YEAR ON THE TABLE, AND THIS MONEY CAN GO TO HARDWORKING FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS, TO HELP THEM FILL IN THOSE GAPS AT THE END OF THE MONTH, TO HELP START SAVINGS ACCOUNTS, AND REALLY TO BEGIN TO IMPROVE THEIR FINANCIAL CAPABILITY. OVER THIS NEXT WEEK, OR OVER THESE NEXT FEW MONTHS, ACTUALLY, WE'RE GOING TO BE PARTNERING WITH A NUMBER OF OUR PARTNERS STANDING BEHIND ME. WE HAVE REPRESENTATIVES FROM STATE CONTROLLER BETTY YEE'S OFFICE. WE ALSO HAVE THE I.R.S. OUT IN THE AUDIENCE. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HELP. AND WE ALSO HAVE THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. AND SO WE'RE ALL WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE PROMOTING CAL E.I.T.C., AND MAKING SURE INDIVIDUALS HAVE ACCESS TO THIS MONEY. SO, THANK YOU AGAIN, SUPERVISOR. I APPRECIATE IT. [APPLAUSE.]

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THOSE PRESENTATIONS, TO ALL MEMBERS. WE WILL PROCEED WITH THE AGENDA. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE PROCEED.

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK FOR ITEMS THAT WERE NOT HELD BY A SUPERVISOR. WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN YOU HEAR YOUR NAME? DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL SIGNED UP FOR AGENDA ITEM NO. 6, NO. 13, AND 15. ERIC PREVEN SIGNED UP TO SPEAK FOR ITEM 1-D, NO. 1, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 15, 17, 38, 39, AND CS-3. ARNOLD SACHS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK FOR ITEM 1-D, 1, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, ITEMS 27 THROUGH 35-B, 38, 39, CS-2, CS-3, CS-4, AND CS-5. AND WOULD LARA WOJAHN PLEASE COME FORWARD? SIGNED UP TO SPEAK FOR ITEM NO. 7.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE'VE ASKED THAT YOU COME FORWARD. THOSE WHO WISH TO BE HEARD, PLEASE DO SO. SIR, PLEASE PROCEED.

ERIC PREVEN: DON'T START THE TIME UNTIL THE PERSON--

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: PLEASE PROCEED, PLEASE.

ERIC PREVEN: IT'S ERIC PREVEN, FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT, AND YOU STARTED THE TIME BEFORE I BEGAN TO SPEAK, WHICH IS UNFORTUNATE. 1-D IS-- SEAN ROGAN, YOUR TREASURED PARTNER AND COLLEAGUE. WE DID A LARGE R.F.P. TO, LIKE, 293 PEOPLE RESPONDED. AND THEN WE WHITTLED IT DOWN TO 76, AND THEN WE GOT IT DOWN TO 10 PEOPLE WHO LOOK AT SENIOR CENTERS. AND THEN WE GOT IT DOWN TO 3, AND WE PICKED CADRE TECH-- I BELIEVE THAT'S CORRECT-- ARCHITECTS, AND THEY ARE TAKING $596,000 TO ADJUST THE SENIOR CENTER. IT'S A RENOVATION. IT'S MOSTLY PAINT AND UPGRADES. IT'S A VERY NICE THING TO DO FOR $5.1 MILLION. THE QUESTION BECOMES, IS $600,000 A REASONABLE FEE FOR A DESIGNER? YOU KNOW, IF I WERE THE UNIT MANAGER, I WOULD SAY, "YOU HAVE GOT TO BE KIDDING ME." ARCHITECTS ALL OVER TOWN ARE DESPERATE FOR THIS KIND OF HELPFUL WORK, WHERE THEY COULD DO THIS KIND OF STUFF, BUT YOU HAVE IT ON THE FANCY PANEL FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT, SO-- IF IT IS THE FOURTH DISTRICT. I'M NOT EVEN SURE. ITEM NO. 1 IS, SUPERVISOR HAHN IS REMOVING 35 SEPARATE COMMISSIONERS FROM A WIDE ARRAY OF COMMISSIONS. IT'S A REMOVAL ITEM. SHE'S JUST NAILING THEM. 35. SO I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE THAT. I WAS WONDERING IF SHE MET WITH THEM PERSONALLY, AND THEN IS GOING TO APPOINT SOME NEW ONES HERSELF, FROM HER SIDE. BUT THIS IS PARTISAN-NESS IN POLITICS IS APPALLING, IF IT'S TRUE. ITEM NO. 2 IS JANICE HAHN AGAIN. SOUTH BAY C.O.G. IS A WELL-REGARDED AND EFFICIENT GROUP, TREATING HOMELESSNESS BETWEEN THE SECOND DISTRICT-- FORMERLY KNABE, NOW HAHN-- AND

THEY DO A NICE JOB, EVIDENTLY. CALLING THE SPOTS WHERE HOMELESS PEOPLE CONGREGATE "HOT SPOTS" IS REMINISCENT OF WHEN A DOG CHEWS ON ITS LEG AT A CERTAIN SPOT, AND THAT'S CALLED A HOT SPOT. I DON'T KNOW. I FEEL LIKE WE COULD COME UP WITH A MORE HUMANE WAY TO REFER TO THIS, IF WE'RE GOING TO BE DOING ACTIVITY IN THOSE SPACES-- SPECIAL ACTIVITY-- TO HELP AND CREATE TRIAGE. THANK YOU FOR WORKING ON THAT. IT IS THE SCOURGE OF OUR TIME, OBVIOUSLY. ITEM NO. 4 IS A CHILD SAFETY-- WELL, I GUESS I GET TO COME BACK ON THAT ONE. ITEM NO. 3 IS CHILDCARE, AND JANICE HAHN IS VERY NICELY LOOKING OUT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE GOING TO DO A LOOK-SEE, MAKE SURE WE'RE PROVIDING CHILDCARE APPROPRIATELY FOR COUNTY WORKERS. PAUSE. WHAT ABOUT THE PUBLIC? WHAT ABOUT 34,000 YOUNG PEOPLE WHO CAN'T ACCESS CHILDCARE, AND SHOULD BE, ON A REGULAR BASIS? SO IT WOULD BE GREAT IF WE COULD EXPAND THAT LOOK. ITEM NO. 7, I JUST WILL SIMPLY SAY THE FOLLOWING: YOU ARE ADVOCATING AGAINST MEASURE S. OKAY, MEASURE S IS THE NEIGHBORHOOD INTEGRITY INITIATIVE. THIS WAS PUT TOGETHER BY ANGELINOS WHO ARE TRYING TO GET ATTENTION OF THE PUBLIC TO RAISE UP CONCERNS ABOUT PROBLEMS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, REGARDING CITY PLANNING. IT'S A CITY-SIDE INITIATIVE. FOR THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WITHOUT HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING APPROPRIATELY, TO HEAR FROM BOTH SIDES OF THAT ISSUE, TO SIMPLY DRAW A CONCLUSION AND ANNOUNCE THAT YOU'RE GOING TO BE WRITING A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER, IS LIKE A BLUNT-FORCE TRAUMA. AND BY THE WAY, THAT WAS

NOT 3 MINUTES, WAS IT? WAS THAT 3 MINUTES? IT FELT LIKE FIVE? OKAY, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. WELL, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'RE GOING TO ALLOW ME TO CONTINUE, OR STOP. I GUESS YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE ME STOP, SO I'LL COMPLY WITH THE RULE AND COME BACK, APPROPRIATELY. THIS PLACE IS ROTTEN AT THE CORE. THANK YOU.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM 6, VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN: I'M TOTALLY IN FAVOR OF DOING SOMETHING VERY IMPORTANT ABOUT IT, BUT IT MIGHT BE GOOD TO WAIT WHAT'S GOING TO BE DONE BEFORE WE RESPOND. IN THE PAST, THE COUNTY HAVE DONE THINGS I'M NOT VERY PLEASED ABOUT WOMEN AND VIOLENCE. I MEAN, WE HAD A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION ON WOMEN WHO WAS WORKING FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VIOLENCE, AND IS ON A COMMISSION OF WOMEN, AND HAD BEEN, FOR YEARS AND YEARS. SHE WAS APPOINTED WHEN, LIKE WE SAY IN FRENCH, WHEN JESUS WAS A CORPORAL. THAT MEANS TOO LONG TO REMEMBER. BUT THAT'S WRONG. I MEAN, AND I'M GLAD TO SEE JANICE HAHN GET RID OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN THERE FOREVER. YOU HAVE MY VOTE ON THAT. AND SO THAT'S ONE OF THE ISSUES. AND ESPECIALLY, I THINK, IN LOS ANGELES, WE HAVE A LOT OF ISSUES WITH WOMEN VIOLENCE. AND ESPECIALLY AMONG THE HOMELESS WOMEN AND GAY AND LESBIAN, IT'S A VERY BIG ISSUE. SO, AS AN ITEM, I

WOULD SPEAK ON ITEM 13, ABOUT RANCHO LOS AMIGOS. I'M ALWAYS GLAD TO SEE MONEY PUT IN THAT PROJECT, BUT IT SEEMS TO ME THAT IT WAS QUITE A HUGE AMOUNT OF DIFFERENCE. SO I WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO LOOK AT THAT. AND ON ITEM 16, I'M ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT THE EXTENSION. WE ARE DOING AN EXTENSION FOR MULTIPLE, MULTIPLE NONPROFIT GROUPS. AND I'VE THOUGHT ON THAT ISSUE, SINCE 1999, THAT WE SHOULD NOT BLANKET-EXTEND H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S. NONPROFITS WITHOUT LOOKING AT IT. AND EVERY YEAR, IT HAPPENS, AND IT HAS BEEN OVER 30 YEARS, AND H.I.V. HAS BEEN DEALT WITH PUBLIC MONEY. AND SOME OF THOSE INSTITUTIONS, I WONDER IF THEY PROVIDE APPROPRIATE CARE. SOME OF THE ONES DON'T EVEN EXIST, ALMOST, YOU KNOW? SO I WOULD LIKE FOR, IN THE FUTURE, THAT WE LOOK AT THOSE SEPARATELY. AND I HAD HELD ITEM NO. 3. AND YOU CANNOT, AFTER AN ITEM IS ON AN AGENDA AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC SIGNED FOR IT, YOU CANNOT REMOVE IT. YOU CAN CONTINUE IT, BUT THE PUBLIC HAS A RIGHT TO SPEAK FOR. AND YOU HAVE DONE THAT REPEATEDLY. AND IT'S WHY SOME MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, WHO HAVE NOT BEEN NICE, ARE VERY FRUSTRATED IN THEIR RESPONSE OF THE WAY THEY DO.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. NEXT SPEAKER?

ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. AND I DID HOLD SEVERAL ITEMS. I WAS CONCERNED, FROM THE BOARD'S

ACTIONS LAST WEEK, THAT THE SUPERVISORS HELD SIX ITEMS, WHICH WOULD'VE MEANT THAT ALL MY TIME WOULD HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED, INCLUDING MY PUBLIC COMMENT. AND I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN THE PROCESS OF THE BROWN ACT, TO GIVE UP PUBLIC COMMENT TO PAY TO SPEAK IN FRONT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AN ELECTED BODY OF OFFICIALS, BY GIVING UP YOUR RIGHT TO SPEAK ON PUBLIC COMMENT. BUT, YOU KNOW, WE TALK ABOUT THE POLICIES IN WASHINGTON, AND WE--

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: ARE YOU IN THE SUBJECTS BEFORE US, MR. SACHS?

ARNOLD SACHS: YOU KNOW WHAT? ONE OF THOSE ITEMS I MUST HAVE SIGNED UP WOULD HAVE INCLUDED THIS LITTLE--

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: NO, IT DID NOT.

ARNOLD SACHS: NO? YOU SURE?

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: I'M ABSOLUTELY SURE. AND CONTRARY TO WHAT YOU THINK, WE ARE LISTENING. YEAH. I'M ABSOLUTELY CLEAR THAT YOU ARE NOT ADDRESSING THE ITEMS.

ARNOLD SACHS: ITEM 7, YOU OPPOSED THE MEASURE S IN AGREEMENT WITH P.A.T.H. AND WHEN THEY TALKED ABOUT THAT MEASURE H, THE

HALF-CENT... THE MONEY FOR THE CITY, THERE WAS A STORY ABOUT P.A.T.H. WORKERS-- PEOPLE ASSISTING THE HOMELESS-- WHO ARE FILLING OUT CARDS FOR THE HOMELESS PEOPLE TO SIGN, ASKING FOR PEOPLE TO SUPPORT THIS INITIATIVE SO THAT THEY COULD GET INTO HOMES. SO THIS IS THE 2013 FROM THE COUNTY, AN INITIATIVE OF THE UNITED WAY OF GREATER LOS ANGELES. 23 HOMELESS COUNT. 39,500 PEOPLE HOMELESS IN 2013. SO NOW, IN THREE YEARS OR SO, WE'VE BEEN UP TO 48,000. 48,000 IS JUST BELOW THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT WORK FOR THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, GIVE OR TAKE 10 PERCENT. THAT'S PRETTY AMAZING. AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, IN ALL YOUR EXPERIENCE IN GOVERNMENT, HAVE DONE ABSOLUTELY NOTHING EXCEPT ASK FOR MORE MONEY. AND SO LET'S SPEAK OF MONEY. OH, AND BY THE WAY, THAT P.A.T.H.-COORDINATED ENTRY DATA SYSTEM THAT THEY'RE FILLING OUT IS PUTTING PEOPLE ON VOUCHER SYSTEM. HOMELESS VOUCHER. BOY, THAT WAS A QUICK MINUTE RIGHT THERE. HOMELESS VOUCHERS. SO THERE'S 39,000 PEOPLE WAITING FOR VOUCHERS-- SECTION 8 VOUCHERS-- AND NOW YOU HAVE HOMELESS PEOPLE ON TOP OF IT.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE? PLEASE EXCUSE YOURSELF. THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE? NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE? THANK YOU.

LARA WOJAHN: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LARA WOJAHN. I'M HERE TO SPEAK ABOUT YOUR ITEM NO. 7. I THINK I HAVE A DIFFERENT

PERSPECTIVE THAN MANY OF YOU HERE, BECAUSE I'M A NEW RESIDENT. I'VE ONLY LIVED HERE FOR TWO YEARS. I LIVE ON THE WEST SIDE, IN MAR VISTA, AND IT'S MILLION-DOLLAR HOMES SURROUNDED BY BLIGHT AND EMPTY LOTS. AND IT WAS AMAZING TO ME THAT SUCH A POPULOUS CITY, WITH SO MANY PEOPLE WHO WANT TO MOVE HERE, AND THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NO DEVELOPMENT, NO INVESTMENT, GOING ON IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD. AND I REALIZED, AFTER DOING SOME RESEARCH, THAT PEOPLE DON'T WANT DEVELOPMENT. THEY OPPOSE IT. THEY OPPOSE ANY INVESTMENT AT EVERY TURN. I BELIEVE THAT YOUR MEMORANDUM THAT YOU PUT OUT SETS IT OUT PERFECTLY, SO I WON'T REPEAT YOUR POINTS. BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT THE PEOPLE THAT ARE SUPPORTING MEASURE S DON'T WANT PEOPLE LIKE ME TO MOVE TO THE CITY, AND THAT'S SAD. AND I FEEL PERSONALLY OFFENDED BY THAT. THEY THINK THAT THEIR CITY, THEY WANT TO PUT UP A WALL. SO I'M TAKING IT TO HEART, AND THIS IS WHY I'M HERE. L.A. HAS DONE A GREAT NUMBER OF THINGS IN THE PAST TWO YEARS WITH TRANSIT. I TOOK THE METRO TRAIN HERE TODAY. IT WAS WONDERFUL. THESE SAME PEOPLE DON'T LIKE THE TRAIN. I DON'T UNDERSTAND IT. I'VE LIVED IN OTHER CITIES IN THE WORLD. I LIVED IN VANCOUVER, AND IT'S A DREAM COMPARED TO L.A., WITH ALL OF THE TRAFFIC. AND THAT'S ALL PEOPLE COMPLAIN ABOUT, IS TRAFFIC. SO I'D JUST LIKE TO THROW MY TWO CENTS IN HERE, AS A NEWCOMER, AND I THINK I CAN SPEAK FOR A LOT OF NEWCOMERS. PLEASE, OPPOSE MEASURE S, AND DO WHATEVER YOU CAN TO REDUCE THE REGULATORY HURDLES AND THE LAWSUITS THAT COME UP TO BLOCK

ANY KIND OF PROGRESS AND DEVELOPMENT IN THIS CITY, BECAUSE I'VE STARTED TO REALLY NOTICE IT, AND IT'S HARD TO GET ANYTHING DONE HERE. THANK YOU.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKERS. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THAT IS THE END OF THE SPEAKERS THAT SIGNED UP TO SPEAK FOR ITEMS NOT HELD BY SUPERVISORS, AND THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU: ITEM 1-D, 1, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35-B, 38, AND 39.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE US. SUPERVISOR KUEHL MOVES. SUPERVISOR SOLIS SECONDS. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THE FOLLOWING ITEM IS BEFORE YOU, HELD BY SUPERVISOR HAHN: AGENDA ITEM NO. 2. IT'S THE P.A.T.H. AGREEMENT FOR FUNDING TARGETED TO OUTREACH ENGAGEMENT, CONNECTING HOMELESS PERSONS IN SOUTH BAY REGION WITH INTERIM RESIDENTIAL OPTIONS, HOUSING, AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR HAHN, THE ITEM IS BEFORE US.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU. I JUST WANTED TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SAY I'M HAPPY THAT WE ARE CONTINUING OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH P.A.T.H. AND THE SOUTH BAY C.O.G. PEOPLE ARE ALWAYS SAYING THAT PART OF THE PROBLEM ON US FINALLY SOLVING THE PROBLEM OF PEOPLE BEING HOMELESS IS THAT FOLKS WEREN'T WORKING TOGETHER. THE CITY WASN'T WORKING WITH THE COUNTY, THE COUNTY WASN'T WORKING WITH A LOT OF THE CITIES. WELL, I WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT THIS. THIS IS ONE OF THE THINGS THAT YOU'VE DONE RIGHT, AND WE ARE CONTINUING THAT. YOU KNOW, THERE ARE 16 CITIES IN THE SOUTH BAY C.O.G., WHO-- THEY HAVE A LOT OF ISSUES THEY DEAL WITH. THEY DEAL WITH TRANSPORTATION ISSUES. THEY DEAL WITH QUALITY-OF-LIFE ISSUES. THEY DEAL WITH ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES. BUT IT'S IMPRESSIVE TO ME THAT THEY'VE DECIDED TO MAKE ONE OF THEIR INITIATIVES ENDING HOMELESSNESS. AND IT'S AN INITIATIVE THAT THEY'VE HAD AGREEMENT WITH ALL 16 CITIES, AND THE PARTNERSHIP WITH P.A.T.H. TO IMPLEMENT THE STRATEGIES TO END HOMELESSNESS IS SOMETHING I'M PROUD THAT THE COUNTY IS CONTINUING. YOU KNOW, TO DATE, 96 INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN PLACED IN HOUSING. THEY'VE ENGAGED 600 INDIVIDUALS, AND CONNECTED THEM TO MENTAL HEALTH, SUBSTANCE-ABUSE SERVICES. SO THEY ARE DOING GOOD THINGS. AND WE KNOW THAT IF MEASURE H PASSES IN MARCH, THESE ARE THE KINDS OF INITIATIVES THAT WILL

CONTINUE, WITH MORE RESOURCES TO REACH MORE PEOPLE, AND ULTIMATELY MAKE SURE THAT WE CAN END PEOPLE WHO ARE LIVING ON OUR STREETS IN L.A. COUNTY. SO I JUST WANTED TO SAY THANKS FOR THE VISION OF THE PREVIOUS BOARD AND THIS BOARD, AS WE MOVE FORWARD TO PARTNER WITH GROUPS LIKE THIS. I THINK IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR HAHN. THIS IS A MOTION THAT YOUR PREDECESSOR AND I BROUGHT FORWARD, BECAUSE WE SHARE THIS PORTION OF THE COUNTY, IN TERMS OF JURISDICTION. AND I'M PLEASED TO JOIN WITH YOU AGAIN IN MOVING FORWARD THE SUPPORT FOR P.A.T.H., THAT, AS YOU HAVE INDICATED, HAS DEMONSTRATED PERFORMANCE. THIS IS WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO DO THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. THE OBJECTIVE WE HAVE, AS WAS ASSERTED YESTERDAY AT A PRESS CONFERENCE, WHICH SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND I ATTENDED, WAS TO SCALE UP THE RESOURCES FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE HOMELESS POPULATION. IT IS PRECISELY THESE KINDS OF EFFORTS. YOU HEARD SUPERVISOR HAHN MAKE REFERENCE TO MENTAL HEALTH, AS WELL AS THE OTHER SERVICES, INCLUDING SUBSTANCE-USE TREATMENT. ADD TO THAT HEALTHCARE PROPER; THAT IS, PRIMARY CARE AND OTHER SERVICES THAT ARE DEEMED APPROPRIATE. I WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT 96 INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN PLACED IN HOUSING, IN ADDITION TO THE SERVICES THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED. SO P.A.T.H. IS PERFORMING. IT IS ONE OF SEVERAL ENTITIES IN THE FIRST, THE SECOND, THE

THIRD, AND THE FOURTH, AND FINALLY THE FIFTH DISTRICT, THAT PERFORMED. AND OUR OBLIGATION IS TO MOVE THIS AGENDA FORWARD, TO MAKE SURE THEY CAN DO MORE, RATHER THAN LESS. THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS, OUR EFFORTS ARE LIMITED. THIS IS APPROXIMATELY $210,000. THAT'S NOWHERE NEAR WHAT'S NEEDED TO DO WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE. AND SO THE REASON WHY WE SPEAK THE LANGUAGE OF ONGOING REVENUES IS BECAUSE THE ONE-TIME ALLOCATIONS WILL NOT GET IT DONE. SO, ONCE AGAIN, SUPERVISOR HAHN, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN THIS REGARD, AND I APPRECIATE YOUR PARTNERSHIP, AND WE WILL PROCEED TO CALLING THE ROLL.

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THERE ARE TWO INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THEY ARE...?

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: MEREDITH BERKSON AND ARNOLD SACHS.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IF THE TWO INDIVIDUALS WOULD COME? MORNING, MEREDITH.

MEREDITH BERKSON: GOOD MORNING.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THE FLOOR IS YOURS.

MEREDITH BERKSON: THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HAVING ME HERE THIS MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, AND FOR ALLOWING ME TO ADDRESS YOU. MY NAME IS MEREDITH BERKSON, AND I'M THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR OF SOUTH COUNTY FOR P.A.T.H.: PEOPLE ASSISTING THE HOMELESS. AND I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF OVERSEEING THE SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS HOMELESS OUTREACH PROGRAM THAT YOU HAVE ON THE AGENDA TODAY TO EXTEND. I WANT TO TELL YOU ABOUT TWO PEOPLE THIS PROGRAM HAS HELPED: ALAN, A MAN WHO WAS LAID OFF IN 1995, AND, WHEN HIS BROTHER AND MOTHER DIED IN SHORT SUCCESSION, HE HAD A STROKE AND BECAME HOMELESS, AND BEGAN DRINKING HEAVILY TO COPE WITH HIS GRIEF. WE MET ALAN AT A CHURCH IN REDONDO BEACH, WHERE HE WAS GETTING A HOT MEAL, AND WE HELPED ALAN DEVELOP A GOAL PLAN, MOVE INTO A SHARED-LIVING SITUATION, AND BEGIN JOB-SEARCHING AGAIN. ROBIN HAD BEEN HOMELESS FOR JUST OVER TWO YEARS WHEN SHE DECIDED TO ATTEND THE HOMELESS CONNECT EVENT P.A.T.H. HOSTED WITH THE CITY OF CARSON. IN 2014, SHE LOST HER JOB DUE TO HER WORSENING CHRONIC HEALTH AND MENTAL-HEALTH CONDITIONS, AND BEGAN SLEEPING IN HER CAR. SHE WAS UNABLE TO FIND WORK, AND INTERVIEWING WHILE HOMELESS WAS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT. THE SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS PROGRAM HELPED HER LOCATE AN APARTMENT, PAID HER FIRST MONTH'S RENT AND SECURITY DEPOSIT, AND ASSISTED HER IN REENROLLING IN SCHOOL, TO BECOME A MASSAGE THERAPIST. THESE ARE JUST TWO OF THE 96 INDIVIDUALS WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO HELP HOUSE SINCE THE PROGRAM STARTED, IN FEBRUARY

2016. THIS EXTENSION WILL HELP US HOUSE MANY OTHERS, INCLUDING THE 7 MOVE-INS WE HAVE CURRENTLY PENDING. IN ADDITION TO ASSISTING INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS DIRECTLY, WE HAVE ENGAGED WITH THE SOUTH BAY CITIES' FIRST RESPONDERS, POLICE, THE ROBUST FAITH COMMUNITY, AND THE KINDHEARTED RESIDENTS OF THE SOUTH BAY ON THIS ISSUE. AND LAST WEEK, THE SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS' BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO ENDORSE MEASURE H, A TRUE SYMBOL OF THE GREAT AND GROWING COLLABORATION TO END HOMELESSNESS IN THE SOUTH BAY. THE MOMENTUM OF THIS PROGRAM WILL ONLY CONTINUE TO BUILD OVER THE NEXT FOUR MONTHS, AND HOPEFULLY INTO THE FUTURE. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR YOUR SWIFT ENDORSEMENT OF THIS PROGRAM, AND YOUR IMMEDIATE CHAMPIONING OF THE HOMELESS SERVICES, SINCE BEING ELECTED TO THE BOARD. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS PROGRAM FROM THE BEGINNING, AND FOR SPEARHEADING THE EFFORT TO FIND AN ENDURING FUNDING SOURCE TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS ON A MUCH LARGER SCALE. LASTLY, THANK YOU TO THE ENTIRE BOARD FOR YOUR VISION AND LEADERSHIP IN PUTTING MEASURE H ON THE BALLOT. IN THIS CHALLENGING TIME, IT IS TRULY AN INSPIRING AND HOPE-INSTILLING ACTION. THANK YOU.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. THANK YOU.

ARNOLD SACHS: THANK YOU. SO, AGAIN, I REFER TO THIS HOME FOR GOOD 2013 HOMELESS COUNT. AND IT MENTIONS-- AS A MATTER OF FACT, IT MENTIONS THE SOUTH BAY HARBOR AREA AND THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES AREA, WHEN THIS WAS 39,500 PEOPLE HOMELESS IN L.A. SO, BETWEEN THOSE TWO AREAS, WHICH ARE REPRESENTED BY THE TWO SUPERVISORS THAT SUPPORT THIS ACTION, THERE WAS A TOTAL OF 12,058 HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS, 3,460 CHRONIC INDIVIDUALS, 1,500 VETS, AND WE'VE HOUSED 90 AND GOTTEN 600 REFERRED IN THREE YEARS. THAT'S A PRETTY GOOD AVERAGE. I MEAN, YOU SHOULD STAND UP AND TAKE ANOTHER PAT ON THE BACK. I WORKED AT A MEAL, SERVING HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT A CHURCH. MAYBE THIS LADY WAS THERE. WHO KNOWS? WE SERVE 100 PEOPLE. SO YOU HAVEN'T EVEN HOUSED ALL THE PEOPLE THAT COME TO THIS CHURCH. AND I CAN GUARANTEE YOU THAT THERE'S AT LEAST 96 THAT NEED HOUSING. REFERRALS FOR SERVICES? ALL YOU WANT TO DO, AS IT WAS REPORTED IN THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE REPORT THAT DID A RECAP ON YOUR PROJECT 50, THAT WAS INTRODUCED BY THE Z MAN-- IT COST $10 MILLION FOR THE COUNTY-- WAS OUTREACH PROGRAMS. BECAUSE PEOPLE CAN'T GET TO THE SERVICES THEY NEED, IT'S BETTER TO GO OUT AND GIVE THEM OUTREACH PROGRAMS. SO YOU'RE DELIVERING SERVICES, WHICH MEANS YOU NEED MORE PERSONNEL TO GO OUT AND GIVE SERVICES. BUT YOU HAVE NO PLACE TO PUT THE PEOPLE. IT'S GOING TO TAKE FIVE YEARS FOR ANY KIND OF HOUSING TO BE BUILT IN LOS ANGELES, AND YOUR MEASURE H INITIATIVE IS ONLY GOING TO BE FOR FIVE YEARS. AND IT SHOULDN'T BE FOR A

HALF-CENT SALES TAX. A HALF-CENT SALES TAX WOULD BE $860 MILLION.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. THE RECORD WILL REFLECT THAT THE MEASURE H PROPOSAL IS FOR 10 YEARS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE? EXCUSE ME. EXCUSE ME. YOU'RE INCORRECT. GO READ IT AGAIN. PROCEED.

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: MR. CHAIRMAN, THAT WAS THE LAST PUBLIC SPEAKER. AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 IS BEFORE YOU.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR HAHN MOVES. SUPERVISOR BARGER SECONDS. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THE NEXT ITEM BEFORE YOU IS AGENDA ITEM NO. 4, HELD BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. THIS IS REGARDING CHILD SAFETY. THERE ARE SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS FROM DEPARTMENTS AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS, AND TWO INDIVIDUALS HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR HAHN, IF YOU'D LIKE, OR IF THERE'S MEMBERS OF THE STAFF WHO HAVE PRESENTATIONS THEY'D LIKE TO OFFER, WE ARE RECEPTIVE TO THAT,

AS WELL. WHAT IS YOUR PLEASURE? ALL RIGHT, THE LEAD PERSON ON THE...

TODD HOOD: GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SIR.

TODD HOOD: I AM FIREFIGHTER-PARAMEDIC TODD HOOD, WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR PUTTING FORTH THE MOTION TO IMPLEMENT A CHILD SAFETY CAMPAIGN THROUGHOUT 2017, TO ADDRESS CHILD SAFETY, SPECIFICALLY WATER AND DROWNINGS. ON JUNE 12, 2016, I PULLED A YOUNG GIRL OUT OF A POOL. I HAD HEARD A SCREAM, AND I LOOKED OVER, AND I SAW FAMILY MEMBERS REACHING OUT FOR THEIR CHILD, A 3-YEAR-OLD LITTLE GIRL. SHE HAD DROWNED. I RAN OVER TO HELP. THERE WAS A LIFEGUARD. SHE WAS VERY YOUNG. I COULD SEE IN HER EYES-- HER EYES WERE WIDE OPEN. I TOLD HER, "I'M A PARAMEDIC. I WILL HELP YOU." AND AS WE TOOK THIS CHILD FROM THE POOL, HER LIPS WERE BLUE. SHE WAS LIFELESS. SHE WAS NOT BREATHING, AND I CHECKED THE PULSE, AND SHE HAD NO PULSE. THE LIFEGUARD PULLED OUT A POCKET MASK, WHICH IS A MASK THAT YOU PLACE OVER THE PATIENT'S MOUTH. SHE STARTED BREATHING FOR THE PATIENT. WHEN I FOUND THAT THERE WAS NO PULSE, I STARTED DOING C.P.R., AND WE WERE WORKING ON THIS LITTLE GIRL. THE WHOLE TIME, THE FAMILY WAS STANDING BY-- GOOD FAMILY, ALSO IN PUBLIC

SERVICE-- AND THEY DID NOT KNOW THIS HAPPENED. IT COULD HAVE BEEN ONLY A COUPLE MINUTES. THEY WERE CRYING AND UPSET, BUT WE KEPT WORKING ON THIS LITTLE GIRL. WE KEPT DOING C.P.R. FOR A FEW MINUTES. AT THAT TIME, I SAW A LOT OF WATER AND VOMIT COME UP. AND AT THAT POINT, I THOUGHT, "OKAY, THIS IS GOOD. WE'RE GETTING IT OUT. WE'RE HELPING HER." SO I TOLD THE LIFEGUARD, "KEEP BREATHING, KEEP BREATHING." I KEPT DOING C.P.R. ABOUT A MINUTE LATER, I SAW HER TRY TO BREATHE ON HER OWN, AND I KNEW AT THAT POINT WE WERE BRINGING HER BACK. I SAID, "I THINK WE'RE DOING IT. WE'RE BRINGING HER BACK, SO KEEP GOING." AND THEN SHE DID TAKE IN A BREATH. SHE LET OUT A CRY. AND AT THAT TIME, THE FATHER GRABBED HER AND HELD HER, AND SHE WAS JUST CRYING IN HER FATHER'S ARMS. THEY TOOK HER TO THE HOSPITAL. SHE SPENT THE NIGHT IN THE HOSPITAL FOR ANY KIND OF SECONDARY PROBLEMS, SUCH AS SECONDARY DROWNING OR POSSIBLE PNEUMONIA, AND THEY EVALUATED HER OVERNIGHT. THEY FOUND THAT THIS LITTLE GIRL HAD NO BRAIN DAMAGE. THEY FOUND THAT SHE COMPLETELY SURVIVED. THEY FOUND THAT SHE HAD NO PNEUMONIA, NO SECONDARY DROWNING. EVERYTHING WAS OKAY. SO THE NEXT MORNING, THEY CHECKED HER OUT, AND THEY BROUGHT HER HOME. I AM STILL IN CONTACT WITH THIS FAMILY, TO THIS DAY. WE'VE BECOME GOOD FRIENDS. AS I STATED, THE FATHER'S IN PUBLIC SERVICE, AS WELL, SIMILAR TO MY DEPARTMENT, AND WE'VE BECOME GOOD FRIENDS. I HAVE TWO DAUGHTERS, A FIVE-YEAR-OLD AND A SEVEN-YEAR-OLD, AND THIS LITTLE GIRL WAS THREE YEARS OLD. AND THEIR FAMILY HAS

THREE KIDS OF THEIR OWN. MOM AND DAD WERE WATCHING THE KIDS. MOM TURNED AROUND FOR A MOMENT TO CHANGE THE DIAPER ON THE BABY. DAD WAS PLAYING WITH THE OLDER DAUGHTER. YOUNGER DAUGHTER WAS IN THE SHALLOW END. SHE WENT TO GO SWIM OVER TO DAD. TOOK A FEW SECONDS. SO, BASICALLY, WHAT HAPPENED THAT DAY WAS SOMETHING THAT COULD HAPPEN TO ANYBODY. IT WAS VERY QUICK FOR US TO BE THERE, AND HELP WAS VERY QUICK, AND I THINK THAT'S WHY THE OUTCOME WORKED FOR THIS LITTLE GIRL. I'M HAPPY TO REPORT THAT SHE IS FINE AND IN FULL RECOVERY. WHAT HAPPENED THAT DAY JUST SHOWS HOW QUICKLY IT TAKES FOR A CHILD TO DROWN. DROWNING IS THE LEADING CAUSE OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH IN CHILDREN UNDER FIVE YEARS OF AGE. THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT SUPPORTS LIFESAVING MESSAGES ON WATER SAFETY, AND WE DO LOOK FORWARD TO PARTNERING WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AND OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS ON CHILD SAFETY INITIATIVES, AND COORDINATING CHILD SAFETY EDUCATION. THANK YOU.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: WELL, I THINK WE OUGHT TO GIVE THAT PARAMEDIC A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. THAT'S WHAT WE OUGHT TO DO. [APPLAUSE.]

TODD HOOD: THANK YOU.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. WOULD YOU PREFER TO PROCEED WITH THE OTHER COUNTY STAFF TO OFFER PUBLIC HEALTH, AND OTHERS?

DR. CATHERINE DERIDDER: THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS HONOR TO SPEAK TO YOU TODAY. MY NAME IS DR. CATHERINE DERIDDER. I'M A PEDIATRICIAN AT L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER, AND I'M OFTEN CALLED TO EVALUATE CHILDREN THAT HAVE BEEN ADMITTED FOR VARIOUS INJURIES, INCLUDING BURNS, DROWNINGS, SUFFOCATIONS AND UNSAFE SLEEP SITUATIONS, AND MOTOR VEHICLE CRASHES. THE C.D.C. INJURY REPORT REVEALED THAT 20 CHILDREN DIE EVERY DAY FROM PREVENTABLE INJURIES. IT'S ALSO ESTIMATED THAT 1 IN 4 CHILDREN SUSTAIN AN UNINTENTIONAL INJURY THAT REQUIRES MEDICAL CARE EVERY YEAR. THIS ACCOUNTS FOR A COST OF ALMOST $17 BILLION PER YEAR. IN L.A., OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS, AN AVERAGE OF ALMOST 92 CHILDREN HAVE DIED FROM PREVENTABLE ACCIDENTS. AND FOR THE PAST 16 YEARS, DROWNING HAS BEEN ONE OF THE LEADING CAUSES OF ACCIDENTAL DEATHS OF CHILDREN IN L.A. COUNTY. MANY FAMILIES ARE SIMPLY NOT AWARE OF THE THINGS THEY CAN DO TO REDUCE INJURY. FOR EXAMPLE, I WANT TO BRIEFLY DISCUSS A CASE OF A YOUNG CHILD WHOM THE FATHER WAS BATHING IN THE BATHROOM SINK. THE FATHER TURNED HIS BACK FOR A MOMENT TO GRAB A TOWEL, AND THE CHILD TURNED THE FAUCET. THE WATER BECAME SCALDING HOT, INSTANTLY, AND THE CHILD SUFFERED SEVERE BURNS TO THE HAND AND THE ARM. MANY CHILDREN LIKE THIS ONE REQUIRE HOSPITALIZATIONS

TO OUR BURN CENTER, WHERE THEY RECEIVE WOUND MANAGEMENT, INCLUDING POSSIBLE SKIN GRAFTING AND SURGERY, NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT, AND PHYSICAL THERAPY, TO RECOVER FROM THEIR INJURIES. MANY OF OUR FAMILIES EITHER ARE NOT AWARE OF THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PEDIATRICS' RECOMMENDATIONS TO SET WATER HEATERS AT 120 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT, OR ARE LIVING IN APARTMENTS WHERE THEY DO NOT HAVE CONTROL OF THE WATER HEATER SETTINGS. A PUBLIC HEALTH CAMPAIGN TO INCREASE AWARENESS OF INJURY PREVENTION IS CRITICAL IN PREVENTING THESE UNINTENTIONAL INJURIES. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN THIS CRITICAL ISSUE, AND SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR SUPPORTING THIS MOTION. I ASK THAT THE BOARD SUPPORT THIS MOTION FOR INCREASED AWARENESS AND SUSTAINED EDUCATION OF CHILDHOOD UNINTENTIONAL INJURIES. THANK YOU.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

CYNTHIA HARDING: GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. CYNTHIA HARDING, INTERIM DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. AND I JUST WANTED TO ADD A FEW REMARKS TO THE REMARKS MY COLLEAGUES HAVE MADE. I THINK THEY MADE A REALLY STRONG POINT ABOUT HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO PREVENT THESE PREVENTABLE INJURIES, PARTICULARLY IN CHILDREN. WAY TOO MANY OF OUR CHILDREN ARE DYING FROM THESE PREVENTABLE INJURIES. AND OVER 5,000

HOSPITALIZATIONS IN A YEAR, WE'RE SEEING FROM THESE. AND BEYOND THAT, THESE INJURIES AND DEATHS COME AT A TREMENDOUS COST TO OUR CHILDREN, TO OUR FAMILIES, TO OUR GOVERNMENT, TO OUR TAXPAYERS. AND IN ADDITION TO THE DIRECT MEDICAL COSTS THAT WE ARE SEEING, THERE ARE LESS QUANTIFIABLE BUT DEVASTATING EMOTIONAL AND QUALITY-OF-LIFE AND PRODUCTIVITY COSTS THAT ARE RESULTING FROM THESE INJURIES. AS YOU CAN SEE FROM THE TESTIMONY OF MY COLLEAGUES, EVERY INJURY REPRESENTS A MISSED OPPORTUNITY FOR PREVENTION, AND UNDERSCORES THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS MOTION AND THIS CAMPAIGN TO RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT THESE PREVENTABLE INJURIES. AND WE ALSO KNOW THAT PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGNS CAN HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT. AND IF I CAN JUST TALK A SECOND ABOUT A VERY SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN, THE BACK TO SLEEP CAMPAIGN THAT WAS LAUNCHED IN 1994, WHICH DRAMATICALLY REDUCED THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN DYING FROM SUDDEN INFANT DEATH SYNDROME. AND AS WE SAW, THE DEATHS DROPPED BY 50 PERCENT. WE SAW A 50-PERCENT INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF PARENTS PUTTING THEIR BABIES BACK TO SLEEP ON THEIR BACKS. SO WE KNOW THESE CAMPAIGNS CAN HAVE AN IMPACT, AND WE KNOW THAT WORKING TOGETHER WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, WITH OUR HEALTHCARE PRACTITIONERS, WITH COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, WE CAN HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON CHILD INJURIES. AND PUBLIC HEALTH IS VERY HONORED TO BE LEADING THIS WORK WITH OUR DEPARTMENTS, AND TO WORK TOGETHER ON PREVENTING OUR CHILDREN FROM DYING.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SIR?

DARYL OSBY: GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE CHAIR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. DARYL OSBY, FIRE CHIEF OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT. IN CONCLUSION, ON BEHALF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR BRINGING THIS INITIATIVE TO THE FOREFRONT, IN RELATION TO CHILD SAFETY. AS YOU RECOGNIZE AND KNOW, THE MISSION OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT IS THE PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY, AND TOO OFTEN OUR FIREFIGHTERS AND PARAMEDICS GO ON INCIDENTS THAT ARE PREVENTABLE, AS ARTICULATED BY FIREFIGHTER PARAMEDIC HOOD. AND WE SPEND A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF OUR TIME IN RELATION TO PREVENTION, PUBLIC EDUCATION, AND RESPONSE, BUT IT'S NOT ENOUGH. AND FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE, IN MANY INSTANCES, MOST INCIDENTS THAT WE RESPOND ON ARE PREVENTABLE. THEREFORE, ONCE AGAIN, WE'D LIKE TO APPLAUD THE SUPERVISORS, AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S LOOKING FORWARD IN THE COLLABORATION WITH PUBLIC HEALTH AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS, TO WORK COLLABORATIVELY AND MORE EFFECTIVELY TO SAVE CHILDREN'S LIVES IN THIS COUNTY. SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE TAKE NOTE OF THE FACT THAT THIS IS A MOTION BROUGHT BY BOTH SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HAHN. SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU HELD IT. SUPERVISOR, IF YOU'LL PROCEED?

SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU. I WOULD DEFER TO THE AUTHOR OF THE MOTION FIRST, MY COLLEAGUE, AND THEN I'LL SAY A FEW WORDS AFTER YOU.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: FOLLOWED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS: THANK YOU. FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO COMMEND ALL OF YOU, AND I WANT TO THANK THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, BECAUSE YOU INITIALLY ASKED MY DEPUTY, TAYLOR DUDLEY, WHO IS HERE, IF WE WOULD CONSIDER CARRYING THIS. AND OBVIOUSLY, THIS IS SUCH AN IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR ALL OF US. I THINK EVERYONE ON THE DAIS HERE HAS HAD TO DEAL WITH THIS ONE WAY OR ANOTHER IN OUR PUBLIC LIFE, OR EVEN IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND COMMUNITY LIFE. BUT IT'S SO IMPORTANT FOR US TO KNOW THE LIFESAVING TOOLS THAT ARE AVAILABLE, EDUCATING OUR PUBLIC, NEW MOTHERS, FAMILY MEMBERS; BUT JUST THE NOTION THAT THE FIRST RESPONDERS, YOU'RE THERE SAVING LIVES, WHETHER IT'S BURNS, WHETHER IT'S POISONING-- YOU KNOW, CHILDREN INGESTING SOMETHING AS SIMPLE AS CAR WAX OR CLEANER, PINE-SOL, ANYTHING LIKE THAT. ALL THOSE THINGS CAN BE PREVENTABLE. AND I KNOW, FOR MANY OF US, WE CAN'T DO ENOUGH. SO I AM WITH YOU ON THIS CAMPAIGN. I KNOW WE CAN DO A LOT MORE. WE'VE GOT TO TALK ABOUT SAFETY FOR CHILDREN IN OUR CARS-- THEIR CHILD SAFETY SEATS-- AND ALSO ABOUT EDUCATING YOUNG MOTHERS, PARTICULARLY THEIR

ROLE IN CARING FOR THEIR NEWBORN INFANTS. SO ANYTHING THAT I KNOW THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CAN DO, WE'RE GLADLY THERE. AND WE NEED TO ALSO ENLIST OUR NATIONAL SPONSORS TO GET INVOLVED WITH THIS, BECAUSE THE COUNTY IS ONE OF THE LARGEST COUNTIES IN THE COUNTRY, AND WHATEVER WE SEE HERE IS MAGNIFIED 10 TIMES. AND I REALLY WANT TO COMMEND ALL OF YOU. THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU DO. AND I WANT TO THANK THE COUNTY, YOUR DEPARTMENTS, FOR RESPECTIVELY INVESTING IN HELPING US PUT THIS CAMPAIGN FORWARD. AND I WANT TO THANK OUR CO-AUTHOR, JANICE HAHN, WHO IMMEDIATELY SAID, "YES, ABSOLUTELY. THIS IS SUCH AN IMPORTANT CAMPAIGN FOR ALL OF US." SO, AGAIN, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR HARD WORK. APPRECIATE IT.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOLLOWED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AND MY THANKS TO MY COLLEAGUE, SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS, FOR INVITING ME TO BE THE CO-AUTHOR OF THIS MOTION. AND MY FIRST FEELING THIS MORNING, LISTENING TO THE FIREFIGHTER PARAMEDIC TELL THAT INCREDIBLE STORY, WAS, OF COURSE, THANK GOD FOR OUR PARAMEDICS. THANK GOD FOR KENNY HAHN, WHO CAME UP WITH THE IDEA OF PARAMEDICS IN THE LATE 60S. AND TO THINK THAT EVEN THAT WAS SUCH A CONTROVERSIAL IDEA, THAT SOMEHOW FIREFIGHTERS WOULD BE THE ONES THAT WOULD BE PROVIDING MEDICAL SERVICE. SO

IT'S REALLY GREAT, AGAIN, TO JUST KEEP HEARING OF THE LIFESAVING JOBS OUT THERE THAT YOU'RE DOING EVERY DAY. THANK YOU FOR THAT. YOU KNOW, I REALLY AM HAPPY ABOUT THIS, BECAUSE I THINK WHAT STRIKES ME, OF COURSE, IS THE PREVENTABLE INJURIES AND DEATHS. SO MANY OF OUR KIDS, UNFORTUNATELY, ARE GOING TO SUCCUMB TO HORRIBLE DISEASES WHICH WE HAVEN'T FIGURED OUT YET HOW TO CURE OR PREVENT. BUT TO THINK THAT SO MANY OF THESE DEATHS AND INJURIES ARE PREVENTABLE, ONLY IF WE GET PROPER INFORMATION AND AWARENESS OUT TO THE PUBLIC. SO THIS CAMPAIGN IS SO IMPORTANT. AND THE MORE WE LEARN-- WHICH IS PART OF WHAT WE'RE DOING, IS GATHERING THE INFORMATION ON WHAT THESE ACCIDENTS AND INJURIES ARE, SO THAT WE CAN THEN BEGIN TO FORM OUR CAMPAIGN AROUND CREATING THE AWARENESS FOR THAT. I THINK WE'VE COME SO FAR. I REMEMBER, AS A LITTLE GIRL, MY MOTHER'S IDEA OF A SEATBELT WAS HER ARM HOLDING ME BACK EVERY TIME SHE PUT THE BRAKE ON. WAS THAT TRUE FOR YOUR MOTHER, TOO? YEAH, SHE JUST PUT THE ARM OUT. AND OF COURSE, THEN WE BEGAN TO LEARN HOW IMPORTANT SEATBELTS WERE. AND THEN WE BEGAN TO LEARN HOW IMPORTANT CAR SEATS ARE. SO I THINK WE BEGIN TO ADVANCE IN OUR KNOWLEDGE AND OUR ABILITY TO PREVENT. AND I ALSO HAVE TO-- ALWAYS, WHEN WE TALK ABOUT CHILDHOOD SAFETY, I'D LIKE TO ALWAYS GIVE A SHOUT-OUT TO MY PREDECESSOR, DON KNABE, WHO, OF COURSE, THE BEGINNING OF CHILDHOOD SAFETY IS, OF COURSE, ALLOWING MOTHERS TO GIVE UP THEIR BABIES AT A FIRE STATION OR A HOSPITAL WITHOUT ANY QUESTIONS ASKED, IF THEY

FEEL AT THAT MOMENT IN THEIR LIVES, FOR WHATEVER REASON, THAT THEY WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE THE KIND OF SAFETY AND CARE FOR THEIR CHILDREN. SO THAT'S A GREAT PROGRAM THE COUNTY ALREADY HAS, AND THE MORE THAT WE CAN DO TO EDUCATE PARENTS, BECAUSE WHAT MOTHER OR WHAT FATHER REALLY DOESN'T WANT TO, AT THEIR CORE, PROTECT THEIR CHILDREN FROM ANY POSSIBLE HARM THAT MAY COME THEIR WAY? SO, THANK YOU. I REALLY LOOK FORWARD TO PARTNERING WITH YOU AS WE GO FORWARD IN THIS. THANK YOU.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KUEHL, FOLLOWED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. NATURALLY, TO ADD MY PRAISE AND MY THANKS FOR THIS WORK, I WANT TO CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO A FEW THINGS. WE HAVE BEEN CHAMPIONING CONNECTION IN THE COUNTY, CERTAINLY SINCE I'VE BEEN HERE AND BEFORE. AND IN THAT SENSE, I WANT TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT, THOUGH WE ARE FOCUSED ON SORT OF PREVENTABLE INJURIES TO CHILDREN AND DANGERS TO CHILDREN, I WANT TO PRAISE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FOR TREATING VIOLENCE IN THE FAMILY AS A KIND OF PREVENTABLE INJURY THAT IS ONE THAT IS ALSO AMENABLE TO EDUCATION. AND THERE IS A CONTINUUM THERE. OFTEN, WE FIND THE SAME KIND OF NEGLECT AS WE FIND IN A HOUSE WHERE THERE'S A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF ABUSE. IN THAT SENSE, I'M ASSUMING THAT ONE OF THE PARTNERS IN A LARGER CHILD SAFETY CAMPAIGN IS THE

OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION. AND AS YOU KNOW, WE'RE NOW ALSO ENGAGED IN GREATLY EXPANDING OUR HOME VISITATION PROGRAM-- YOUR HOME VISITATION PROGRAM. AND THE USE OF HOME VISITATION FOR THESE EDUCATION PURPOSES IS ALSO, I THINK, FORTUITOUS, BECAUSE HOW DO YOU EDUCATE FAMILIES? AND IF WE HAVE PROGRAMS THAT REACH OUR YOUNG PARENTS, IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO DO SO. FINALLY, I WANT TO TALK A MINUTE ABOUT SAFE SLEEP: THE SORT OF SAFE SLEEP CAMPAIGNS THAT TRY TO EDUCATE PARENTS. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE FOUND RECENTLY IS THERE HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF INFANT DEATHS IN OUR HOMELESS COMMUNITY, PARTLY BECAUSE, ALTHOUGH MORE OFTEN THAN NOT, IF YOU GO TO A HOMELESS SHELTER WITH YOUR INFANT OR CHILD, THEY DO HAVE CRIBS NOW IN MANY OF THE SHELTERS, BUT WHEN THE SHELTERS ARE FULL AND YOU GET A VOUCHER FOR A MOTEL ROOM, THE MOTELS DO NOT HAVE CRIBS, OFTEN. AND DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT IT. AND EVEN WORSE, IN A WAY, AS YOU KNOW VERY WELL, SO MANY OF OUR HOMELESS POPULATION LIVING IN THEIR CARS, OR SOMEBODY'S CAR, AND VERY DIFFICULT TO ARRANGE SAFE SLEEP IN A CAR. BUT I CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THAT THE MORE WE GET THE WORD OUT AND TRY TO FIND HELP-- A NUMBER OF OUR PEOPLE IN OUR HOMELESS POPULATION ARE AFRAID THAT IF THEY REVEAL THAT THEY HAVE YOUNG CHILDREN, OR THAT THEY'RE HOMELESS WITH THEIR YOUNG CHILDREN, THAT THE COURTS WILL TAKE THEM AWAY. AND SO I'VE BEEN TRYING TO WORK WITH OUR DEPENDENCY COURT A LITTLE BIT TO SEE IF WE CAN LOWER THAT FEAR, BECAUSE WE WANT TO EDUCATE FAMILIES ABOUT CHILD SAFETY WITHOUT THEM

BEING AFRAID, VERY MUCH LIKE WITH OUR IMMIGRANT POPULATION, WITHOUT BEING AFRAID OF BEING TURNED IN. SO I WONDER IF YOU MIGHT THINK IN PUBLIC HEALTH ABOUT, PERHAPS, A SPECIFIC PROGRAM, SINCE WE ARE IN CONTACT WITH OUR HOMELESS POPULATION-- WE HAVE HOMELESS OUTREACH DAYS, WE HAVE ALL KINDS OF THINGS-- TO INCLUDE CHILD SAFETY, SINCE SO MANY OF OUR HOMELESS ARE FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN. AND THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR WORK. THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: WELL-STATED, SUPERVISOR. AND WE TRUST THAT THE TEAM WILL TAKE THOSE REMARKS AND SUGGESTIONS UNDER ADVISEMENT. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: ACTUALLY, IT'S INTERESTING THAT YOU BRING THAT UP, BECAUSE I WAS GOING TO BRING THIS UP. ON THE NEWS LAST NIGHT, I SAW A PIECE, AND I THINK IT WAS IN FINLAND, WHICH HAS ONE OF THE LOWEST RATES OF S.I.D.S. IT'S A BASIC BOX.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: YES, I SAW THAT.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AND IT LOOKS LIKE A FILE BOX THAT WE HAVE IN OUR OFFICES.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: I SAW THAT.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AND THERE'S A HUGE CAMPAIGN MOVING FORWARD. AND THE STUDIES SHOW THAT IN FINLAND, WHERE THEY'VE DONE THIS, IT HAS DECREASED THE RATE OF S.I.D.S. INEXPENSIVE. I THINK IT WAS $18 OR $19. MAYBE THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE CAN EXPLORE, NOT ONLY TO PROVIDE FOR OUR HOMELESS SHELTERS, BUT ALSO THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, BECAUSE IT COMES-- AND YOU SAW IT, AS WELL. IT COMES WITH A REQUIREMENT THAT YOU WATCH A SHORT VIDEO, EXPLAINING JUST THE DOS AND DON'TS SURROUNDING THIS. SO I THINK THERE'S AN OPPORTUNITY, AND THAT'S ACTUALLY WHAT I WAS GOING TO BRING UP, AND SO TO TAIL ON WHAT YOU SAID. AND I HAVE TO COMMEND YOU. SHARING THAT STORY, I KNOW YOU WERE RELIVING IT AS YOU WERE TELLING IT, AND THERE IS NO QUESTION IN MY MIND THAT WE HAVE THE BEST OF THE BEST OF THE BEST WORKING WITHIN COUNTY FIRE. THANK YOU, CHIEF OSBY. BUT, YOU KNOW, WHEN I HEAR THAT STORY, I KNOW THAT EACH SUMMER, ESPECIALLY, THOSE NUMBERS GO UP. AND AS SOMEONE WHO PUT MY PARENTS THROUGH HELL AND BACK, GOING TO THE HOSPITAL, EATING MUSHROOMS IN THE FRONT YARD, EVEN THOUGH I KNEW I WASN'T SUPPOSED TO, I AM 100 PERCENT-- YEAH, TWICE. TWICE. AND I STILL LIKE MUSHROOMS. BUT, YOU KNOW, I COMMEND YOU AND THE WORK YOU CONTINUE TO DO, AND I THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. IT'S FANTASTIC.

SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THIS IS A GOOD POINT. I WAS JUST THINKING WHAT YOU WERE SAYING. AFTER THE RAIN, ALL OVER THE COUNTY,

MUSHROOMS ARE SPRINGING UP IN PEOPLE'S FRONT YARDS, AND THEY DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT THEY ARE, WHAT'S POISONOUS OR NOT. SO... I KNOW. I SEE CINDY NODDING. SAFE "DON'T EAT IT" ISSUES, RIGHT?

CYNTHIA HARDING: WE'LL TAKE ALL OF THAT INTO CONSIDERATION IN OUR REPORT.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: PLEASE DO, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE BOARD. PLEASE TAKE THIS UNDER CONSIDERATION. DO YOU WISH TO CLOSE, SUPERVISOR SOLIS OR SUPERVISOR HAHN?

SUP. HILDA SOLIS: JUST CALL THE ROLL, PLEASE.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. MORE MUSHROOMS. THANK YOU SO MUCH. [LAUGHTER.] MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THERE ARE TWO INDIVIDUALS WHO SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL AND ERIC PREVEN, PLEASE COME FORWARD.

DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT ITEM. SINCE I AM A RETIRED PEDIATRIC I.C.U. AND NEONATAL NURSE, I KNOW ABOUT WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT. ONE THING I DID NOT HEAR AT ALL,

WHICH I THINK NEEDS TO BE TAUGHT, IS THAT CHILDREN SHOULD NOT GO IN JACUZZIS. THE TEMPERATURE IS SO HIGH. AND I CAN TELL YOU, AS A RULE, IF YOU'RE GOING TO DROWN, DROWN IN COLD WATER. YOUR CHANCES OF SURVIVAL ARE FAR BETTER. WHEN IT'S HOT, YOU ALMOST DIE ALL THE TIME. I ONLY KNOW ONE SURVIVOR FROM A JACUZZI. AND I THINK TEACHING CHILDREN-- I MEAN, THE FAMILY OF CHILDREN-- WHO ARE HOSPITALIZED, BEFORE THEY ARE RELEASED, THAT WOULD BE A VERY GOOD THING TO HAVE THIS PROGRAM. AND ALSO, I HAVE NOT HEARD ABOUT VACCINATION AT ALL. I TAKE THIS ISSUE, ALSO.

ERIC PREVEN: YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT, RUNNING FOR THE MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES. I APPRECIATE THIS ITEM, AS WELL. THE SECOND OF YOUR PRIORITIES, AFTER POISONINGS, IS MEDIA AND INTERNET SAFETY. AND I THINK YOU ALL KNOW THAT ASSEMBLY MEMBER QUIRK-- THE LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR, THIS YEAR-- PUT INTO EFFECT SOMETHING CALLED 1785, WHICH IS, BELIEVE IT OR NOT, GOING TO EXPAND THE RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES IN CARS. SO YOU SHOULD KNOW-- IT'S NOT ON THE STATE DEPARTMENT WARNING LIST AS ONE OF THE HOT SPOTS IN THE WORLD, BUT RIGHT OUTSIDE OF J.F.K. AIRPORT, ON THE VAN WYCK EXPRESSWAY AT LIBERTY, THEY ARE PLUCKING PEOPLE LIKE PICKLES IN A BARREL FOR $150 FINES, FOR LOOKING AT G.P.S. DEVICES. SO CHILDREN ARE THE BEST WAY TO EDUCATE PARENTS ABOUT NOT USING G.P.S. DEVICES IMPROPERLY. BUT USING G.P.S. DEVICES

CREATES A REAL SHIFT, BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT TOURISTS NEED TO NAVIGATE DIFFICULT CITIES. SO I WOULD ASK YOU TO WRITE A LETTER TO QUIRK, SAYING WE NEED TO FIX IT TO MAKE CLEAR THAT YOU CAN USE G.P.S. DEVICES. AND THE PEOPLE WHO SELL THESE THINGS-- THERE ARE 586,000 IPHONES SOLD A DAY, BY APPLE-- SHOULD PROVIDE STANDS IN RENTAL CARS FOR PEOPLE WHO COME TO VISIT, BECAUSE IT'S CRITICALLY IMPORTANT. PEOPLE DON'T KNOW WHAT THE LAW IS IN L.A. OR NEW YORK. THEY TRAVEL AND THEY GET NAILED. AND THOUGH PEOPLE WHO LIKE TO NAIL PEOPLE FOR CITATIONS DON'T MIND GETTING TOURISTS OVER ANGELINOS, NONE OF US APPRECIATE IT, AND WE SHOULD FIND A WAY TO EDUCATE PEOPLE ABOUT DISTRACTED DRIVING THAT INVOLVES PRIMO BURGERS, AS WELL, BARGER. EVERYTHING NEEDS TO BE ON THE ROAD-- EYES ON THE ROAD-- NOT PUNITIVE FINES ON ANGELINOS AND OTHERS.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. NEXT SPEAKER, IF THERE ARE ANY.

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THOSE WERE THE LAST TWO SPEAKERS.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR SOLIS MOVES. SUPERVISOR HAHN SECONDS. IF THERE'S NO FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THE ITEM, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE. NEXT ITEM, PLEASE.

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THE NEXT ITEM BEFORE YOU IS ITEM 16. THIS ITEM WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. THIS IS A SUPPLEMENTAL D.P.W. CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR AS-NEEDED BUILDING AND SAFETY INSPECTIONS. THERE ARE DEPARTMENTAL SPEAKERS TO ANSWER QUESTIONS, AND THERE'S ONE PUBLIC SPEAKER.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: HI. GOOD MORNING. FIRST OF ALL, AS YOU KNOW, I HAD CONCERNS ABOUT THIS, THE FIRST TIME I LOOKED AT IT, AND I APPRECIATE THE REVISIONS THAT YOU MADE TO THE ORIGINAL CONSULTING REQUEST. AND THANK YOU FOR ADDRESSING SOME OF MY PREVIOUS CONCERNS. I HAVE A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS, STILL. SO, AS WE PROVIDE THE ESSENTIAL SERVICES TO THE COUNTY, I'M JUST MORE AND MORE UNDER THE BELIEF THAT, IF ALL POSSIBLE, THESE SERVICES SHOULD BE COMPLETED WITH OUR OWN COUNTY EMPLOYEES. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE, THERE'S A NEED TO USE OUTSIDE CONSULTING SERVICES, BUT I REALLY BELIEVE THAT THOSE SERVICES SHOULD ONLY BE ACCESSED WHEN THE DEMAND EXCEEDS THE DEPARTMENT'S AVAILABLE RESOURCES. MAYBE YOU CAN EDUCATE ME ON WHAT TRIGGERS THE USE OF THESE OUTSIDE CONSULTING SERVICES.

MARK PESTRELLA: SURE, SUPERVISOR. MARK PESTRELLA, ACTING DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS. SUPERVISOR, THIS ITEM BEFORE YOU IS AN EXTENSION OF AN EXISTING CONTRACT THAT WE HAVE, AND WE'RE SEEKING TO EXTEND IT FOR SIX MONTHS. AND IT'S TIMELY FOR ME TO TELL YOU THAT, BECAUSE IN THAT SIX-MONTH PERIOD, WHAT I'VE

BEEN PLANNING ON DOING IS REPLACING CONTRACT SERVICES WITH PERMANENT EMPLOYMENT. AND I'M ON THE SAME PAGE AS YOU AND THE OTHER SUPERVISORS, WHO HAVE BEEN REPEATEDLY LETTING US KNOW THAT THEY'D LIKE TO SEE PERMANENT EMPLOYMENT REPLACE CONTRACT EMPLOYMENT IN OUR DEPARTMENTS-- SO-TO-SPEAK SELF-RELIANCE. MY PLAN IS TO HAVE THESE CONTRACTS USED ONLY IN THE CASE WHERE WE HAVE EXTRAORDINARY NEED, OR SERVICES BEYOND THE CAPABILITY OF OUR PERMANENT STAFF. IN FACT, I AM REDUCING THE CONTRACTING STAFF TO ZERO, IN THIS PERIOD OF TIME, TO SIX MONTHS, AND REPLACING THEM WITH PERMANENT STAFF. SO I'M ON THE SAME PAGE WITH YOU.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: AND SO YOU THINK, BY THE END OF SIX MONTHS, WE WILL HAVE STAFFED UP IN THOSE AREAS WITH OUR OWN FOLKS, TO, IN THE FUTURE, PROVIDE THESE SERVICES?

MARK PESTRELLA: YES. IN FACT, I'VE ALREADY REPLACED OUR PLAN-CHECK ENGINEERS WITH 100 PERCENT IN-HOUSE. I HAVE AN OPEN EXAM RIGHT NOW FOR PERMIT TECHNICIANS, AS A COMPONENT OF THIS-- 600 APPLICANTS THAT APPLIED-- AND WE'LL BE RELEASING 21 AND HIRING 36 PERMANENT EMPLOYEES IN THAT SIX-MONTH PERIOD. MY ONLY CONCERN, SUPERVISOR, IS THAT WE DON'T DISRUPT SERVICES TO DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORS WHO ARE LOOKING FOR THEIR BUILDING PERMITS. AND SO THAT'S THE ONLY REASON WE'RE ASKING

FOR AN EXTENSION, RIGHT NOW, OF SERVICES: SO WE DON'T DISRUPT BUILDING PERMITS.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: I MEAN, I THINK THAT'S RIGHT, AND I'M REALLY HAPPY TO HEAR YOU ACTUALLY HAVE A PLAN AND A GOAL TO HIRE MORE FOLKS. HOW CAN WE BE SURE THAT, AT THE END OF THE SIX MONTHS, WE'RE NOT BACK HERE IN THE SAME POSITION? THERE WAS A SENSE THAT-- I WAS EVEN GOING TO SAY, WOULD IT BE MORE PRUDENT TO ACTUALLY DO THIS ON A MONTH-TO-MONTH BASIS, INSTEAD OF SIX MONTHS, JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT-- AND WHO KNOWS? IN FIVE MONTHS, MAYBE WE WOULD BE OKAY.

MARK PESTRELLA: RIGHT. I MEAN, I ACTUALLY THINK THE SIX MONTHS IS CONSERVATIVE. I THINK WE CAN DO IT IN A SHORTER PERIOD OF TIME. BUT AGAIN, I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THE CUSTOMER SERVICE IN OUR BUILDING AND SAFETY OFFICES. WE SUPPLY BUILDING AND SAFETY SERVICE TO 11 CITIES-- CONTRACT CITIES, AS WELL AS THE COUNTY UNINCORPORATED AREAS-- SO I DON'T WANT TO LET THOSE CITIES DOWN, AS WELL. BUT, CERTAINLY, I CAN COME BACK HERE AND REPORT TO YOU ON OUR PROGRESS, IF YOU'D LIKE.

SUP. HAHN: I THINK THAT WOULD MAKE ME FEEL BETTER, MAYBE, IF YOU COULD COME BACK AND LET US KNOW HOW THE HIRING'S GOING, HOW WE'RE DOING. BUT I AGREE WITH YOU, PARTICULARLY AS WE'RE LOOKING TO, OBVIOUSLY, PROVIDE GOOD CUSTOMER SERVICE TO OUR

CITIES THAT HAVE CONTRACTS WITH US. NOTHING MAKES FOLKS MORE UPSET THAN A DELAY IN BUILDING INSPECTING. THAT COULD PUT A WHOLE PROJECT WAY OFF. SO I AGREE WITH YOU. I KNOW THERE'S GOOD PEOPLE WHO WOULD LOVE TO BE HIRED AND WORKING THESE AREAS, AND I JUST THINK WE'RE GOING TO BE BETTER OFF, LONG-TERM, HAVING THESE BE OUR OWN COUNTY EMPLOYEES.

MARK PESTRELLA: VERY GOOD, SUPERVISOR.

SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU, MARK.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR BARGER, PLEASE?

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: YEAH. THANK YOU, MARK. I MEAN, AS A DISTRICT THAT HAS A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF DEVELOPMENT, ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT I'VE HAD-- AND I TALKED TO C.A.P.E. ABOUT THIS, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT WE NEED TO HIRE, ESPECIALLY BASED ON ATTRITION, AND BACKFILL RATHER THAN CONTRACT. BUT I DON'T WANT IT TO BE AT THE EXPENSE OF EXPEDITING THE CASES. WE GET CALLS THAT IT'S TAKING TOO LONG, OR THAT, YOU KNOW, "WHY IS IT THAT X CITY CAN DO IT IN 3 WEEKS, AND IT TAKES US 3 MONTHS?" AND GIVEN THE FACT THAT WE'RE PUSHING FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING, AND FOR REALLY PUSHING PEOPLE OUT THERE TO INVEST IN HOUSING THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE COGNIZANT OF THE FACT THAT WE NEED TO BE AWARE OF THE

TIMELINE. AND I KNOW, WHEN I HANDLED D.C.F.S., THEY HAD A YARDSTICK FOR CASES, FOR EACH CASEWORKER. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING SIMILAR, SO THAT IF WE'RE GOING TO BRING IT IN-HOUSE, WITH THE CONTRACT EMPLOYEES, WE EXPECT X, Y, Z, I THINK THE EXPECTATION SHOULD BE APPLES-TO-APPLES, IN TERMS OF WHAT OUR EXPECTATION IS, MOVING FORWARD.

MARK PESTRELLA: ABSOLUTELY, SUPERVISOR BARGER. THE METRICS THAT WE USE FOR SINGLE-FAMILY IS TWO-WEEK TURNAROUND ON PLAN CHECK, AND THEN SOMEWHAT LONGER AS THE MORE COMPLEX PROJECTS COME IN. AND I KNOW, IN YOUR AREA, THE TRACKS THAT ARE UP THERE ARE GOING TO REQUIRE A LOT OF ATTENTION. AND IN ANTICIPATION OF THOSE DEVELOPMENTS COMING, WE WOULD WANT TO HAVE SOME CONTRACT SERVICES, IN THE LONG RUN, TO FILL IN. WHAT I DON'T WANT TO HAVE IS TO HAVE CONTRACT EMPLOYEES BE SITTING IN OUR DEPARTMENT FOR MORE THAN SIX MONTHS OR A YEAR, WHERE THEY COULD BE PERMANENT EMPLOYEES. AND SO THAT'S MY CONCERN, IS WE BE SELF-RELIANT, WITH RESPECT TO BUILDING AND SAFETY SERVICES. AND THE OTHER PART OF THAT IS THAT THE ECONOMY IS SUCH THAT WE DO THINK WE CAN SUPPORT THIS, LONG-RUN.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: WELL, I MEAN, THE FEES COMING IN ARE SUPPOSED TO NEGATE THE COST TO THE COUNTY ON THAT. BUT DO YOU THINK THAT IMPLEMENTING THE COMPUTER SYSTEM THAT WE'RE PUTTING INTO PLAY IS GOING TO HELP, AS WELL, SO THAT WE CAN TRACK

TURNAROUND, AND ALL? AND WHEN IS THAT GOING TO BE UP TO FULL SPEED?

MARK PESTRELLA: RIGHT. SO WE'VE ALREADY IMPLEMENTED EPIC L.A. FOR OUR DEPARTMENT, AND WE'RE EXPANDING ITS USEFULNESS THROUGHOUT THE DEPARTMENTS, TO MAKE IT A VIRTUAL ONE-STOP. SO IT'S GOING TO HELP WITH THE ANALYSIS OF ENTITLEMENTS, AS WELL AS PERMITTING OF NEW DEVELOPMENT. THE ACCOUNTABILITY THAT WE'LL BUILD INTO IT-- WE ALREADY HAVE ACCOUNTABILITY PROGRAMS FOR OUR INSPECTORS AND PLAN CHECKERS THAT WE WILL BE HOLDING THEM TO. I HAVE THE BUILDING OFFICIAL HERE TODAY WITH US. WE'LL MAKE HIM ACCOUNTABLE FOR THAT, AS I SPEAK HERE AND MAKE PROMISES. BUT I ASSURE YOU THAT WE ARE LOOKING AT THAT, AND WE ARE HAVING METRICS TO MAKE SURE THAT PERFORMANCE IS ALWAYS LOOKED AT, ALONG WITH OUR PERMANENT EMPLOYEES, AS WELL AS OUR CONTRACTORS.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: OKAY. THANK YOU, MARK.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE NOTE THE NAMES AT THE HANDS OF SUPERVISOR KUEHL. ANY OTHER PERSONS WANT TO BE HEARD RIGHT NOW? SUPERVISOR, PLEASE PROCEED.

SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. FIRST OF ALL, I ACTUALLY THINK YOU'VE DONE A REALLY GOOD JOB, IN THE SHORT TIME THAT YOU'VE BEEN OUR ACTING DIRECTOR, OF WORKING WITH C.A.P.E.-- I MEAN, THAT'S MY IMPRESSION-- AND REALLY REACHING OUT, HAVING COMMUNICATION. AND SO I WANTED TO THANK YOU FOR THAT. I THINK IT CALMS THE WATERS A LOT. WE HAVE A LOT OF IDEAS ABOUT BRINGING WORK INSIDE. NOT ALL OF US, ALL AT THE SAME TIME, ARE ALL ABOUT THE SAME JOBS, BUT SORT OF A LOT OF DIFFERENT ISSUES THAT COLLIDE. ONE OF THEM RELATES TO THE USE OF OUR OWN CLIENTS, WITH ADEQUATE TRAINING FOR ENTRY-LEVEL JOBS. AND NOT JUST IN THE COUNTY, BUT WE'VE BEEN SAYING THIS KIND OF EVERYWHERE WE'VE BEEN GOING: WE'VE GOT FOSTER KIDS, WE'VE GOT PEOPLE COMING OUT OF JAIL, WE'VE GOT HOMELESS, MANY, MANY OF THEM EITHER ALREADY CAPABLE OR TRAINABLE TO DO THESE ENTRY-LEVEL JOBS. IN PUBLIC WORKS, OFTEN, IT'S QUITE DIFFERENT. THESE ARE SKILLED JOBS, AND A LITTLE MORE DIFFICULT BRINGING PEOPLE IN FOR THE SKILLED JOBS. BUT I THINK THE MESSAGE FROM US, REALLY, IS TO DO YOUR VERY BEST TO SEPARATE THOSE KINDS OF JOBS, WHERE WE ONLY NEED 8 DAYS A YEAR TO ACTUALLY DO AN EVALUATION AT A VERY HIGH LEVEL, OR FROM THOSE JOBS THAT WE'RE JUST AUTOMATICALLY CONTRACTING OUT. AND IT'S NOT JUST YOUR DEPARTMENT, MR. PESTRELLA, BUT I.S.D. AND OTHERS, WHERE WE THINK A LITTLE TRAINING WOULD HELP, AND THEN PEOPLE WOULD HAVE A JOB FOR LIFE. SO NAVIGATING THOSE WATERS, EVEN AMONG THE FIVE OF US, OFTEN NOT THAT EASY, I KNOW, BUT I

THINK THE GENERAL FEELING IS, WHERE WE CAN BRING WORK IN, IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT THE UNIONS. WE WANT TO BE ON THE UNIONS, AS WELL, WITH THEIR APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS, SO THAT THEY'RE NOT A CLOSED SYSTEM, TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT OUR ULTIMATE RESPONSIBILITY, WHICH IS, OF COURSE, IN THE GENERAL SENSE, TO ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY; IN A SPECIFIC SENSE, TO THOSE WHO RELY ON US FOR THE SAFETY NET. SO KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK. AND KEEPING THIS IN MIND, LET US KNOW AS IT GOES ALONG. THANK YOU.

MARK PESTRELLA: I WILL. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS: MR. CHAIR? AND I'LL JUST TAKE A QUICK SECOND. I CONCUR WITH A LOT THAT HAS BEEN SAID, BUT I ALSO THINK THAT WE HAVE TO THINK LONG-TERM AS WE'RE GOING INTO A WHOLE NEW CYCLE, BUILDING HOMES FOR HOMELESS PEOPLE, AND HOW IMPORTANT THAT IS. THOSE ARE GOOD JOBS, SO I KNOW THAT'S ON YOUR RADAR.

MARK PESTRELLA: IT IS ON MY RADAR, YES.

SUP. HILDA SOLIS: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR...

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE?

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. WOULD DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL PLEASE COME FORWARD?

DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD MORNING. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I'M ALWAYS CONCERNED THAT THOSE CONTRACTS ARE JUST RENEWED AT THE LAST MINUTE, WITHOUT ANY COMEBACK. I'VE BEEN HERE SINCE 1999. I SEE THAT EVERY MONTH. I THINK YOU NEED TO DO LONG-TERM PROJECTION IN TIME. ALSO, I'M CONCERNED THAT MISS FARBER DISAPPEARED OVERNIGHT, AND SO ON. SO I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE SOME OF THOSE ISSUES LOOKED MORE IN DETAIL, AND SO ON. THANK YOU.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, DOES THAT EXHAUST OUR LIST?

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: YES, SIR, THAT'S THE LAST SPEAKER.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THE ITEM IS BEFORE US, UNLESS THERE ARE OTHER QUESTIONS TO BE TAKEN UP, AT THIS POINT IN TIME. SEEING NONE, SUPERVISOR BARGER MOVES. SUPERVISOR KUEHL SECONDS. PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THE NEXT ITEM BEFORE THE BOARD IS ITEM 35-A, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT: "WE FURTHER MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF

SUPERVISORS LIMIT THE AUTHORITY GRANTED IN THIS MOTION TO A PERIOD OF 24 MONTHS; AND, B, DIRECT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO PROVIDE A WRITTEN REPORT IN 18 MONTHS THAT INCLUDES A DESCRIPTION OF THE AGREEMENTS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO THIS DELEGATED AUTHORITY, A SUMMARY OF THE WORK PRODUCT AND ANALYSIS PRODUCED, AN EVALUATION OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE DELEGATED AUTHORITY, AND, IF WARRANTED, A PROPOSAL TO EXTEND THE DELEGATED AUTHORITY FOR AN ADDITIONAL PERIOD OF TIME." TWO INDIVIDUALS HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. THE AMENDING LANGUAGE IS BEFORE US. I DON'T KNOW THAT IT WARRANTS ANY FURTHER CLARIFICATION OR ELUCIDATION, UNLESS YOU WISH TO SPEAK ON THE ITEM, SUPERVISOR.

SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: I BELIEVE THE AUTHORS--

SUP. HILDA SOLIS: WE'VE AGREED TO--

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT, IT'S BEEN ACCEPTED. THE AMENDMENTS HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED BY THE MAKER OF THE MATTER. ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION, AT THIS POINT? LET'S GO TO THOSE WHO WISH TO BE HEARD BY WAY OF PUBLIC COMMENT.

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD: DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL AND ERIC PREVEN.

ERIC PREVEN: YES. IT IS ERIC PREVEN, FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT, AND I AM RUNNING FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES. IN APRIL OF 2015, SUPERVISOR SOLIS WILL REMEMBER SHE AND ANTONOVICH RAISED BIG CONCERNS ABOUT A COMPANY CALLED PALANTIR, A LAW-ENFORCEMENT-BASED INTERNET COMPANY, AND THEY SORTED IT OUT. BUT THIS IS NOT OKAY, BECAUSE DATA NOW, MORE THAN EVER, OF INDIVIDUALS NEEDS TO BE MAXIMALLY TRANSPARENT, IF WE'RE GOING TO BE PUTTING OUR MINER HATS ON AND GOING INTO THE PUBLIC RECORDS TO GET INFORMATION ABOUT PEOPLE FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS. SO I DO NOT AGREE THAT THE C.E.O. WORKING UPSTAIRS DILIGENTLY, BELOW THE $300,000 THRESHOLD, SHOULD BE ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD JUST BECAUSE. THEY SHOULD ABSOLUTELY PUT IT ON A BOARD'S AGENDA. THERE SHOULD ABSOLUTELY BE A PUBLIC VETTING OF THIS KIND OF BEHAVIOR. S.A.S. IS A GROUP THAT SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND ARNIE BERGHOFF ARE CERTAINLY FAMILIAR WITH, DOING DATA MINING INTO THE D.C.F.S. GROUP. THERE ARE ALL SORTS OF PERNICIOUS WAYS TO USE DATA. THERE ARE NICE WAYS, AS WELL. I'M SURE YOU'RE ONLY FOCUSED ON THE NICE ONES, BUT THE PUBLIC HAS TO BE SURE, BECAUSE WE HAVE BEEN CITED REPEATEDLY BY YOU. WE PAY THROUGH THE NOSE FOR INMATE TELEPHONE CALLS.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. DR. CLAVREUL CHOOSES TO PASS. DOES THAT EXHAUST THE LIST OF THOSE WHO WISH TO BE HEARD?

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: YES, THOSE WERE THE ONLY TWO INDIVIDUALS FOR THIS ITEM.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: WE HAVE AMENDING LANGUAGE SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. THE MOTION, THEN, IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, AS AMENDED. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE. NEXT ITEM, PLEASE.

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THE NEXT ITEMS BEFORE YOU ARE SPECIAL ITEMS AND ADJOURNMENTS, BEGINNING WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 4.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR HAHN?

SUP. JANICE HAHN: THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF DEACON WILLIE GARCIA. DEACON WILLIE WAS BORN AND RAISED IN SAN PEDRO. HE WORKED AS AN I.L.W.U. LONGSHOREMAN FOR 43 YEARS, BEFORE RETIRING IN 2006. HIS GREATEST JOY IN LIFE WAS THE DAY OF HIS SPIRITUAL

CONVERSION, AT THE AGE OF 33. AS A PARISHIONER OF MARY STAR OF THE SEA, HE BECAME INVOLVED IN NUMEROUS MINISTRIES. IN 1995, HE WAS ENCOURAGED TO ENTER THE DEACONATE FORMATION, AND WAS LATER ORDAINED A DEACON ON JUNE 10, 2000. HE WAS KNIGHTED TWICE, AS SIR DEACON WILLIAM GARCIA, UNDER THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND THE EQUESTRIAN ORDER OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE OF JERUSALEM. HE LIVED A BEAUTIFUL AND FULL LIFE, TRAVELING WITH HIS WIFE TO VARIOUS COUNTRIES. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, LOUISE, OF 55 YEARS; HIS SONS WILLIAM, CHRISTOPHER, GREG AND JAMARR; HIS DAUGHTER RENEE; NINE BEAUTIFUL GRANDCHILDREN; AND HIS BROTHER HENRY. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF BONA TUCKER. BONA PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 20TH AFTER A BATTLE WITH LEUKEMIA. BONA WAS A TORRANCE RESIDENT, WHO WORKED PROFESSIONALLY AS A TOY DESIGNER. IN 2001, SHE OPENED RABBITAT, A BOUTIQUE IN TORRANCE. THE BOUTIQUE HELPED SUPPORT HER PETSAVE FOUNDATION RESCUE, WHICH RESCUED DOMESTIC RABBITS, CATS, AND DOGS, BUT RABBITS WERE ALWAYS THE CENTRAL FOCUS. IN DECEMBER OF 2004, SHE AND HER HUSBAND OPENED A SAN PEDRO BUSINESS, PETSAVE'S RABBITAT AND GIFTS, TO SUPPORT HER LARGER MISSION OF FINDING HOMES FOR THE HOMELESS RABBITS. I BELIEVE I TOOK MY GRANDDAUGHTERS TO THIS RABBITAT GIFTS, AND THEY WERE THRILLED TO SEE THE MANY CAGES OF THE BEAUTIFUL, LARGE, FLOPPY-EARED RABBITS THAT SHE WAS RESCUING. SHE WAS WIDELY RESPECTED THROUGHOUT THE SOUTH BAY AND HARBOR AREA AS THE REGION'S FOREMOST RABBIT RESCUER. SHE

PLACED THOUSANDS OF RABBITS IN HOMES, OVER THE PAST TWO DECADES. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER DENISE, A SISTER CARA, AND TWO BROTHERS, TUCKER AND DANA, AND APPARENTLY THOUSANDS OF RABBITS OUT THERE, WHO SHE SAVED THEIR LIVES.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WE'LL NOW MOVE TO THE FIFTH DISTRICT. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BRUNO CAVOTO, RESIDENT OF CASTAIC, WHO PASSED AWAY THIS PAST THURSDAY. HE WAS A MASTER CARPENTER AND WINEMAKER. HE LEAVES BEHIND HIS WIFE ELSA; DAUGHTERS ROSANNA, STEFANIA; GRANDSON LIAM; BROTHERS MIKE, PETE, ARMANO; SISTERS ADELE, CARMELLA, VANDA, LALA; AND MANY NIECES AND NEPHEWS. I ALSO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BRENNAN DWYER, RESIDENT OF AGUA DULCE, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 38. HE OWNED AND OPERATED J.R. HARDWARE IN MONTROSE, CALIFORNIA. HE WAS AN ACTIVE VOLUNTEER FOR REBUILDING TOGETHER: A NEW LEASH ON LIFE. BRENNAN IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER FIONA; PARENTS, DR. RICHARD DWYER AND JULIANNE FEUERHELM; BROTHERS SEAN, MICHAEL, AND LOREN; AND SISTERS KELLY AND EMILY. ALSO, CATHERINE KINAST, A RESIDENT OF MISSION HILLS, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80. SHE WORKED IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY FOR NEARLY 30 YEARS, SPECIALIZING IN SPECIAL EDUCATION. AS A MOTHER OF TWO DEAF SONS, SHE WAS A FIERCE

ADVOCATE FOR DEAF CHILDREN, AND WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN CHANGING STATE LAW TO ENSURE BETTER EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR DEAF CHILDREN. SHE WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HER HUSBAND RON, AND IS SURVIVED BY HER FOUR SONS: KEVIN, CHRIS, TIMOTHY, AND PATRICK. ALSO, FOR PATTI KORPAL, A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF PASADENA, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 59. SHE WORKED AT L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR OVER 20 YEARS, AND, AFTER RETIRING IN 2012, BECAME A COURT-APPOINTED FOSTER CHILDREN'S ADVOCATE, OR C.A.S.A. PATTI LOVED TO TRAVEL, BOTH INTERNATIONALLY AND TO OUR STATE PARKS AROUND THE COUNTRY. SHE LEAVES BEHIND HER HUSBAND MIKE AND NEPHEW KEVIN. AND ALSO, LYLE MEANS, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF AGUA DULCE, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80. HE HAD A LONG CAREER AS SUPERINTENDENT WITH NEWHALL OIL REFINERY, AND SERVED IN THE AIR FORCE AS AN AIRMAN SECOND CLASS MEDIC. HE AND HIS WIFE PAT WERE RECIPIENTS OF THE PIONEER FAMILY OF THE YEAR AWARD IN 2004, AND HE WAS A CHARTER MEMBER OF E.T.I. CORRAL 86, AND CANYON COYOTES 4-H CLUB DRILL TEAM. FOR 38 YEARS, LYLE AND PAT OPENED THEIR HOME TO FOSTER CHILDREN. LYLE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE PAT; SONS DANIEL, SHAWN, TONY; DAUGHTERS CHRISTY, ROSSIEL, ANA, PATTY, VANESSA, SHERRY, NANCE; BROTHER DARRELL; AND SISTERS BETTY AND VENA. AND LAST, BUT NOT LEAST, ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DONALD OGDON, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF CANYON COUNTRY, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 83. DON ENJOYED A 44-YEAR CAREER FOR AIRCRAFT DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FIRMS, INCLUDING MCDONNELL DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT

AND LOCKHEED CORPORATION. EARLY IN HIS CAREER WITH LOCKHEED, HE WORKED ON THE FAMED BLACKBIRD SR-71 SPY PLANE AT THE BURBANK "SKUNK WORKS" DIVISION. LATER, LOCKHEED SENT DONALD TO OKINAWA DURING THE VIETNAM WAR, TO TRAIN CREWS TO OPERATE THE HISTORY-MAKING RECONNAISSANCE PLANE. DONALD IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON DANA AND DAUGHTER LESLIE. AND THEN, CHAIR, I KNOW THAT WE CONTINUED THE ALISO CANYON. CAN I JUST ASK A FEW QUESTIONS REGARDING THAT? BECAUSE WE'RE HAVING A HEARING ON THIS TOMORROW, AND ON THURSDAY.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: ALL RIGHTY. PLEASE PROCEED. YOU ARE IN ORDER.

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: SUPERVISOR, WE HAVE SOME PEOPLE HERE TO ANSWER SOME OF YOUR QUESTIONS.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: AND I WILL MAKE THIS QUICK, IN THE INTEREST OF TIME, BUT I JUST WANT TO STATE FOR THE RECORD. HI.

CYNTHIA HARDING: GOOD MORNING.

ANGELO BELLOMO: MORNING.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: CAN YOU ELABORATE ON THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND A.Q.M.D., IN RELATION TO THE A.Q.M.D. HEALTH STUDY?

CYNTHIA HARDING: YEAH. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. CYNTHIA HARDING, INTERIM DIRECTOR FOR PUBLIC HEALTH. I'M HERE WITH ANGELO BELLOMO, OUR DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR HEALTH PROTECTION, AND WITH SCOTT KUHN, FROM COUNTY COUNSEL. HAPPY TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS. AND IN TERMS OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND A.Q.M.D., REGARDING THE HEALTH STUDIES, SO THE A.Q.M.D. IS THE REGULATORY ENTITY. THEY'RE THE ONE THAT MANDATED THAT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY DO THIS HEALTH STUDY. FROM DAY ONE, WE HAVE BEEN SPEAKING WITH THEM ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE, THE NEED, THE SCOPE, AND THE KIND OF OVERSIGHT PANEL THAT WILL NEED TO BE IN PLACE, OF SCIENTISTS, THAT CAN DO THIS HEALTH STUDY.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: OKAY, I KNOW THAT I PROVIDED A WHITE PAPER THAT WAS PIE IN THE SKY. I MEAN, IT WAS A BIG, TALL REQUEST, AS IT RELATES TO A HEALTH STUDY. HOW ARE WE DOING IN DISCUSSING THIS WITH THE GAS COMPANY? ARE WE GETTING ANYWHERE?

CYNTHIA HARDING: WELL, DO YOU WANT TO RESPOND?

ANGELO BELLOMO: LET ME JUST SAY THIS, SUPERVISOR BARGER, IS THAT EVEN THOUGH WHAT YOU HAD PROVIDED WAS ALL-ENCOMPASSING, THE REALITY OF IT IS, IS THAT THE PANEL THAT WAS PULLED TOGETHER BY A.Q.M.D., OF WHICH WE'RE A MEMBER, THAT REALLY IS WHO WE'RE LOOKING FOR ADVICE ON WHAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THAT STUDY. IN TERMS OF LEGAL STATUS OF THE EFFORTS...

SCOTT KUHN: WE HAVEN'T HAD ANY SPECIFIC DISCUSSIONS WITH SO CAL GAS ABOUT A HEALTH STUDY. A.Q.M.D. IS SUING THE GAS COMPANY TO REQUIRE THE HEALTH STUDY. WE'RE SEVERAL MONTHS AWAY FROM ANY KIND OF COURT DETERMINATION ON THAT RIGHT NOW. IT'S IN DISCOVERY. THERE'S NO TRIAL DATE SET ON THAT CLAIM, WHICH IS, AGAIN, JUST BETWEEN THE AIR DISTRICT AND THE GAS COMPANY.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: SO A.Q.M.D. REALLY IS THE LEAD, IN TERMS OF MOVING FORWARD WITH THE STUDY COMPONENT?

CYNTHIA HARDING: YES.

SCOTT KUHN: CORRECT.

SUP. KATHRYN BARGER: OKAY. AND LAST, BUT NOT LEAST, TOMORROW IS A HEARING, AND I KNOW I'M GOING TO BE TESTIFYING, AND I THINK SOME OF THE DEPARTMENTS ARE GOING TO BE THERE. AND AS SOMEONE WHO INHERITED THIS FROM SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, WHO WAS

REALLY LEADING THE CHARGE, AS IT RELATES TO HOLDING THE GAS COMPANY ACCOUNTABLE, I'M AGAIN, WITH THE BOARD'S PERMISSION, GOING TO REQUEST THAT THEY WITHHOLD INJECTION UNTIL HEARINGS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED, AS WELL AS DETERMINING WHAT THE CAUSE OF THE LEAK THAT CREATED THIS ISSUE HAS BEEN DETERMINED. AND SO I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM CONTINUING IT, CLOSED-SESSION, BUT I JUST WANTED TO GO ON THE RECORD, LETTING YOU ALL KNOW THAT I AM GOING TO TAKE A HARD LINE, IN TERMS OF THE REINJECTION. AND THE BOARD HAS GONE ON RECORD SUPPORTING STEARN'S BILL, WHICH ACTUALLY ALSO BASICALLY REQUIRES WHAT I'M REQUESTING, AS IT RELATES TO D.O.G.G.R. AND THE P.U.C. SO, THANK YOU, CHAIR.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THAT ESSENTIALLY TAKES CARE OF THE ITEMS BEFORE US. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM: MR. ERIC PREVEN.

ERIC PREVEN: YES, IT IS ERIC PREVEN, FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT, AND I'M RUNNING FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR. I CANNOT FIND THIS ON THE AGENDA. NOW, I REALIZE THAT THERE'S A SPECIAL-- IS THERE SOME PROVISION? CS-1? SO IT'S A CLOSED-SESSION ITEM? WAS IT CALLED THAT WAY? IT CAME UP IN THE ADJOURNMENTS DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT, SO THAT IS A BIG RED FLAG. LOOK, I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THE QUESTIONS. I THINK THAT THEY SHOULD BE

AGENDIZED IF YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE THIS KIND OF A DISCUSSION. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS--

SUP. BARGER: ERIC, IT WAS AGENDIZED UNDER CLOSED SESSION TO BE CONTINUED, BUT I ASKED THAT I HOLD IT FOR QUESTIONS.

ERIC PREVEN: IT WAS NOT CALLED UP LIKE AN ITEM.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: AND IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE.

ERIC PREVEN: WELL, FAIR ENOUGH. AS A REQUEST, IT'S APPROPRIATE FOR THE PUBLIC TO UNDERSTAND THAT IT WOULD BE ON THE AGENDA.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: EXCUSE ME, MR. PREVEN.

ERIC PREVEN: DON'T INTERRUPT ME, PLEASE, SIR.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: NO. I WON'T INTERRUPT YOU. LET ME JUST SIMPLY SAY THAT THE OBJECTIVE IS NOT FOR YOU TO COME AND TELL US HOW TO RUN THIS MEETING. THE RULES ARE EXPLICIT. THIS IS A SPECIAL, AND THE MEMBER OF THE BOARD CALLED IT AS SUCH. AND SO YOU ADDRESS THE ITEM-- YOU'VE BEEN AFFORDED THAT OPPORTUNITY-- OR WE WILL PROCEED. MADAME COUNTY COUNSEL?

MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: MR. PREVEN, THAT'S WHY WE'RE GIVING YOU TIME TO SPEAK RIGHT NOW, TO ADDRESS CS-1.

ERIC PREVEN: YEAH, THE PEOPLE VERSUS THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA VERSUS SO CAL GAS. SO, WHO FILED THE LAWSUIT? WAS IT THE COUNTY COUNSEL, ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA?

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: MR. PREVEN, THIS IS PURSUANT TO OUR RULES. IT'S NOT AN OCCASION FOR YOU TO EXCHANGE AND DEBATE. LET'S PROCEED.

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 1, FOR SPECIALS AND ADJOURNMENTS.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT, THEN WE'LL PROCEED TO DISTRICT 3. SUPERVISOR KUEHL, IF YOU HAVE--? SUPERVISOR SOLIS HAS NO SPECIALS OR ADJOURNING MOTIONS, AND I'LL CONCLUDE.

SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SAD TO ASK MY COLLEAGUES TO JOIN ME IN ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF JUDGE WILLIAM NORRIS, WHO DIED ON JANUARY 21ST. HE WAS ON THE NINTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS. AND AMONG MANY OF THE OPINIONS THAT HE WROTE WAS ONE THAT WAS QUITE HISTORIC IN ITS TIME, AS IT WAS QUITE EARLY IN THE DISCUSSION OF ANY AVAILABILITY OF GAY RIGHTS

UNDER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES AND CALIFORNIA. AND THERE WAS A CASE ABOUT AN ARMY OFFICER. AND JUDGE NORRIS WROTE THE RULING THAT SAID THAT GAY PEOPLE HAD THE SAME CONSTITUTIONAL PROTECTIONS AS RACIAL MINORITIES. IT WAS A FIRST. IT WAS THE FIRST TIME EQUAL PROTECTION WAS EVEN ACCEPTED AS A THEORY, AND LED, WAY DOWN THE LINE, TO THE LATER HOLDINGS BY A NUMBER OF COURTS, INCLUDING THE SUPREME COURT. HE WAS AN APPOINTEE OF GOVERNOR PAT BROWN ON THE CALIFORNIA BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM 1961 TO '66, AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE COLLEGES FROM '66 TO '72. HE'S A FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE L.A. POLICE COMMISSION, AND THE FOUNDING PRESIDENT OF THE L.A. MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ARTS BOARD OF DIRECTORS. HE WAS AN EXTRAORDINARY MAN, CARED ABOUT SO MANY THINGS. REALLY, A RENAISSANCE MAN, BUT ABOVE ALL, A FINE JURIST AND A FINE ATTORNEY. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE JANE; HIS DAUGHTERS KIM, BARBARA, AND ALLISON; HIS SON DON NORRIS; AND HIS SISTER DOROTHY. AND, COLLEAGUES, I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BARBARA HALE, WHO DIED ON JANUARY 26TH, WHO PLAYED SECRETARY DELLA STREET IN "PERRY MASON," FOR 9 SEASONS OF THE SERIES AND 30 TELEVISION MOVIES. SHE WON A PRIME-TIME EMMY AWARD FOR THE ROLE IN 1959. SHE SPENT HER EARLY CAREER UNDER CONTRACT WITH R.K.O., WENT ON TO STAR IN "HIGHER AND HIGHER" WITH FRANK SINATRA, AND "FAR HORIZONS" WITH CHARLTON HESTON. SHE HAS A STAR ON THE HOLLYWOOD WALK OF FAME, WHICH SHE GOT IN 1960. SHE'S SURVIVED

BY HER SON, WILLIAM KATT, AND HER DAUGHTERS, JOHANNA KATT AND JUANITA KING. WHEN HER SON WAS A LITTLE BOY AND SOMEONE ASKED HIM WHAT HIS MOTHER DOES FOR A LIVING, HE SAID, "SHE'S A SECRETARY TO A LAWYER." AND I GUESS WE WERE ALL KIND OF SWEPT UP IN THE REALITY OF THAT. AND, COLLEAGUES, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MIKE CONNORS, WHO DIED ON JANUARY 26TH. HIS MOVIE AND T.V. CAREER STRETCHED FROM THE 60S TO 2007. HIS FILM DEBUT WAS IN 1962, IN A FILM WITH JOAN CRAWFORD. HE'S PROBABLY BEST KNOWN AS "MANNIX," THAT DETECTIVE SERIES THAT RAN FOR EIGHT YEARS, BEGINNING IN 1967. HE AND HIS WIFE BECAME CHAMPIONS IN THE EFFORT TO ERASE THE STIGMA OF MENTAL ILLNESS, AS A RESULT OF HIS SON MATTHEW'S DIAGNOSIS OF SCHIZOPHRENIA. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, MARY LOU WILLEY, AND A DAUGHTER, DANA. AND, COLLEAGUES, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MARY TYLER MOORE, WHO DIED JANUARY 25TH. READING AN OBITUARY IS RIDICULOUS, IN A WAY, FOR SOMEBODY THAT EVERYBODY KNOWS SO WELL. BUT I THINK WE KNOW SHE ACTUALLY MADE HISTORY, ALONG WITH HER HUSBAND, GRANT TINKER, AND THE PRODUCTION COMPANY, STARRING IN HER SERIES, "THE MARY TYLER MOORE SHOW," PLAYING MARY RICHARDS, WHO WAS LATER THOUGHT OF AS AN EARLY FEMINIST, BECAUSE, OH, SHE WASN'T MARRIED, AND SHE WAS STILL A CAREER PERSON. SHE WON FOUR OF HER SEVEN EMMY AWARDS FOR THAT SHOW. EARLY IN HER CAREER, SHE PLAYED ANOTHER STYLISH WOMAN, LAURA PETRIE, WIFE OF THE COMEDY WRITER PLAYED BY DICK VAN DYKE ON

"THE DICK VAN DYKE SHOW." THESE TWO SERIES, BARELY 10 YEARS APART, IN A FUNNY WAY, IN RETROSPECT, REFLECTED SHIFTING NORMS FOR THE DEPICTION OF WOMEN, AND THEIR POTENTIAL AND ASPIRATIONS IN MEDIA. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, DR. ROBERT LEVINE. AND, COLLEAGUES, I ASK, ALSO, WITHOUT READING BIOGRAPHIES, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF AUBREY FINN, OF RONALD HONTHANER, OF JOHN JAMGOTCHIAN, AND GERALD RICHARD FECHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. ALL ADJOURNING MOTIONS HAVE BEEN APPROPRIATELY ACKNOWLEDGED. LET ME FILE THE FOLLOWING THREE: ONEIL CANNON, BORN IN 1917, JULY 28, IN A PARISH IN LOUISIANA KNOWN AS PLAQUEMINES. HE DIED ON JANUARY THE 20TH, JUST A FEW DAYS SHY OF HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY. IN NEW ORLEANS, HE JOINED THE UNITED OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL WORKERS OF AMERICA, WHILE EMPLOYED AS A UNIVERSAL LIFE INSURANCE AGENT. AND MR. CANNON MOVED TO LOS ANGELES WITH HIS FAMILY AFTER WORLD WAR II TO ESCAPE RACISM IN THE SOUTH. IT WAS HERE IN LOS ANGELES WHERE HE LEARNED THE ART TECHNIQUES OF PRINTING AT THE FRANK WIGGINS TRADE SCHOOL. MR. CANNON WORKED FOR THE PUBLISHER OF PROGRESSIVE BLACK NEWSPAPER THE CALIFORNIA EAGLE, AND HAD HIS FIRST PRINT SHOP IN THE NEWSPAPER'S BASEMENT. HE LATER OPENED HIS OWN PRINT SHOP, FIDELITY EDUCATIONAL PRESS, AND PRINTED BROCHURES, JOURNALS, AND LEAFLETS FOR UNION ORGANIZATIONS. IN 1950S, MR. CANNON

BROKE THE COLOR LINES AND WAS THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN MEMBER OF THE PRINTERS UNION OF LOS ANGELES. AND HE WORKED TO BRING EQUAL ACCESS TO EDUCATION BY ADVOCATING FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE, THEN KNOWN AS JUNIOR COLLEGE, TO SERVE YOUTH IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. AND SO IT WAS IN 1967 THAT THE SOUTHWEST COMMUNITY COLLEGE WAS THE RESULT. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE INDEPENDENT PROGRESSIVE PARTY, THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND NATIONAL CENTRAL COMMITTEES, AND MR. CANNON WAS A CO-FOUNDER OF THE PAUL ROBESON COMMUNITY CENTER IN LOS ANGELES, WHICH CONTINUES TO THRIVE. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS ACTIVISM AND HIS PROGRESSIVE WORK AS A PRINTER, AND IN THE AREA OF EDUCATION. HE'S SURVIVED BY THREE CHILDREN, BRENDA, DENISE, LLOYD; AND TWO STEPCHILDREN, DALE AND JAN; HIS SISTER VERA; AND MANY GRANDCHILDREN, EXTENDED FAMILY, AND FRIENDS, WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. AND THEN, DR. JOHN ALBERT DAVIS, BORN IN LAGRANGE, GEORGIA, PASSED ON THE 13TH OF THIS YEAR, AT THE AGE OF 82. HE WAS A FORMER ASSISTANT CLINICAL PROFESSOR OF MEDICAL EDUCATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA'S KECK SCHOOL OF MEDICINE. AS A YOUNG CHILD, HE AND HIS BROTHER WERE SENT TO LOS ANGELES TO LIVE WITH FRIENDS AFTER AN INCIDENT WITH THE KU KLUX KLAN. AFTER HIGH SCHOOL, HE ATTENDED THE LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT LOS ANGELES ON ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS. DR. DAVIS JOINED THE KECK SCHOOL OF MEDICINE IN 1968, AS A RESEARCH ASSOCIATE, COUNSELING AND RECRUITING MINORITY STUDENTS. AND IN '71, HE

RECEIVED A DOCTORATE DEGREE IN SOCIOLOGY, AND BECAME A FACULTY MEMBER AT LOYOLA. DURING HIS TENURE AT L.M.U., DR. DAVIS FOUNDED THE DEPARTMENT OF AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDIES. IN 1969, SHORTLY AFTER BECOMING A RESEARCH ASSOCIATE, HE ESTABLISHED A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED PROGRAM THAT FOCUSED ON DIVERSIFYING BIOMEDICAL SCHOOLS, CALLED MED-C.O.R., AND DR. DAVIS LED THE MED-C.O.R. PROGRAM FOR 41 YEARS. HE FOUNDED A MENTOR PROGRAM FOR AFRICAN-AMERICAN COLLEGE STUDENTS AND EARLY PROFESSIONALS, CALLED FOR BROTHERS ONLY. HE WAS THE CO-FOUNDER FOR THE ORGANIZATION, SUCH AS THE YOUNG BLACK SCHOLARS, BLACK MALE ACHIEVEMENT, AND THE LOS ANGELES SPORTS ACADEMY AT THE AUDUBON MIDDLE SCHOOL. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR CREATING A PROGRAM FOR UNDERREPRESENTED YOUTH IN THE MEDICAL FIELD AND IN HIGHER EDUCATION. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE MAMIE, HIS THREE CHILDREN, DEANNA, GREGORY, AND KEITH, EIGHT GRANDCHILDREN, AND EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS, AS WELL AS COLLEAGUES, WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. DR. JOHN DAVIS. MARY ELIZABETH FOSTER DAVIS, BORN ON JULY THE 5TH IN 1928, IN DECATUR, ILLINOIS. SHE PASSED ON JANUARY 21 OF THIS YEAR, HERE IN LOS ANGELES, AT THE AGE OF 88. SHE GREW UP IN ILLINOIS, ATTENDED DECATUR HIGH SCHOOL, AND MOVED TO LOS ANGELES IN THE SUMMER OF 1960. SHE WAS A MEMBER OF THE L.A.X. ADVISORY COMMITTEE, THE LENNOX SCHOOL BOARD, THE LENNOX NATIONAL LITTLE LEAGUE, AND A LONGTIME LEADER AND MEMBER OF THE LENNOX COORDINATING COUNCIL. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER DEDICATION TO FAMILY AND VOLUNTEER EFFORTS

IN THE CENTINELA AND LENNOX COMMUNITIES. MRS. DAVIS IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER JUDY, HER SON RICK, 7 GRANDCHILDREN, 11 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS, WHO WILL CERTAINLY MISS HER DEARLY. MARY ELIZABETH FOSTER DAVIS. THAT CONCLUDES MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS, AND WE'LL RECORD IT AS SUCH. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK UNDER PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN YOU HEAR YOUR NAME CALLED. DORINNA LYDE, ARNOLD SACHS, CLAIRE ROBERSON, JEANINE ROHN, OSCAR MOHAMMAD, ERIC PREVEN, AND SIVANNAH ELMALIACH.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IF YOU WOULD COME FORWARD? MR. MOHAMMAD, THE FLOOR IS YOURS. PLEASE PROCEED, SIR. MR. MOHAMMAD.

OSCAR MOHAMMAD: YEAH. WALL STREET-- IT'S THE MOST DANGEROUS COMMUNITY IN AMERICA. CORRUPT JUNK BONDS AND BAILOUTS. WE SHOULD HAVE HUMAN RIGHTS ABOVE ALL RIGHTS. WE SHOULD INVITE THE NON-AFRICAN-AMERICAN MUSLIM TO ISLAM. RACISM CAN END, DISCRIMINATION WOULD END, AND POVERTY WOULD END FOR THE BLACK COMMUNITY. REMOVE THE HOMELESS FROM DOWNTOWN SKID ROW. WE SHOULD END FEDERAL FUNDS. WE SHOULD END GRANT FUNDS FOR THE HOMELESS. LAST YEAR IN CHICAGO, WE HAD 740 BLACK AMERICANS GOT

KILLED. LAST YEAR, IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WE HAD 340 BLACK AMERICANS GOT KILLED. OVER A THOUSAND BLACKS GOT KILLED IN TWO STATES IN AMERICA, TWO CITIES. BUT POLITICS, THEY ONLY LOBBY FOR CORPORATE CAPITALISM. WE SHOULD END POLITICAL WELFARE. WE SHOULD END CORPORATE WELFARE. WE SHOULD FIND A WAY OF FAIR DISTRIBUTION OF THE WEALTH. WE SHOULD TRY TO FIND A GOVERNMENT THAT CAN BE ACCOUNTABLE FOR OUR ACTIONS, AND TRY TO LIVE BETTER-- LIVE BY THE CONSTITUTION THAT GOVERNS US, THAT CAME FROM THE KORAN. BUT NEXT MONTH WILL BE BLACK HISTORY MONTH, AND WE WILL SEE HOW MUCH CONTRIBUTION THAT THE BLACKS HAVE MADE TO AMERICA. I THINK BLACK PEOPLE HAVE MADE OVER 200-AND-SOMETHING CONTRIBUTIONS TO AMERICA. THE FIRST PRESIDENT WAS BLACK. HIS NAME WAS JOHN HANSON. THOMAS JEFFERSON WAS BLACK. JAMES MONROE WAS BLACK. JOHN MONROE WAS BLACK. JOHN ADAMS WAS BLACK. WHO CARES, THOUGH? WE ARE IN A LOST WORLD, THOUGH. IN SOME TYPE OF WAY, OUR VALUE SYSTEM HAVE GOT LOST. I THINK OUR COUNTRIES HAVE GOT LOST. ONE WRITER SAID, "YOU WALK ON THE OUTSIDE. YOU SHOULD NOT BE AFRAID OF DEATH."

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. MA'AM, PLEASE PROCEED.

CLAIRE ROBERSON: YES. I'M CLAIRE ROBERSON, AND I AM A DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SERVICES. I WORK WITH FOSTER YOUTH, AGES 16

TO 21 AND ABOVE. I'M STILL WORKING WITH A COUPLE OF GIRLS WHO ARE 25, AT U.S.C. I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR APPROVING THE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT FUNDS PROGRAM THAT, FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS, YOU HAVE ALLOWED US TO PUT ON A PROJECT CALLED THE Y.D.S. COLLEGE SUMMIT. AND MY REASON FOR COMING TODAY IS TO GIVE YOU ALL A FLIER, AND TO LET YOU KNOW THAT YOUR EFFORTS HAVE NOT GONE UNNOTICED, THAT THE WHITE HOUSE INITIATIVE-- WELL, THE PAST WHITE HOUSE INITIATIVE-- ON EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE FOR AFRICAN AMERICANS ACKNOWLEDGED US FOR OUR WORK FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS. THIS IS OUR FOURTH YEAR. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A FABULOUS EVENT. AND IF ANYTHING, THE FOSTER YOUTH ARE ASKING FOR MORE POLITICAL INVOLVEMENT. IF ANY ONE OF YOU HAVE A DEPUTY THAT WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND OUR EVENT, WE WOULD BE SO HONORED. AND I HAVE SOME FLIERS FOR EACH ONE.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

CLAIRE ROBERSON: THANK YOU.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: INDEED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

JEANINE ROHN: HI. MY NAME'S JEANINE ROHN, AND I'M A RECENTLY ELECTED A.D.E.M. FROM DISTRICT 51. AND I FIRST WANT TO JUST THANK YOU FOR RECOGNIZING MARY TYLER MOORE. IT WAS SO NICE TO HEAR YOU TALK ABOUT HER. AND AS A FEMALE BABY BOOMER WATCHING

THE SHOW IN THE 70S, I'M REMINDED HOW WONDERFUL IT IS TO BE HERE AT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WITH THE NEW MAKEUP THAT WE HAVE HERE. I WROTE TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S OFFICE THIS MORNING, AND THEY WERE KIND ENOUGH TO COME OVER AND RESPOND TO ME. OUR DISTRICT-- THERE'S AN OVERLAP WITH C.D.34, AND WE'RE GOING TO BE HAVING A CONGRESSIONAL ELECTION TO REPLACE OUR CONGRESSMAN, BECERRA. AND THE ANNOUNCEMENT LAST WEEK CALLED FOR THAT SPECIAL ELECTION. WHAT HAPPENS BY PLACING THAT PRIMARY ELECTION ON APRIL 4TH IS IT CREATES 4 ELECTIONS IN 4 MONTHS FOR OUR DISTRICT. AND SO I WROTE A LETTER, AND YOUR OFFICE RESPONDED, WHICH WAS WONDERFUL. WE'RE REQUESTING THAT THE BOARD MEMBERS MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO GOVERNOR BROWN TO MOVE THE PRIMARY ELECTION DATE FROM APRIL 4TH TO MAY 16TH. THERE'S SEVERAL REASONS. ONE IS COST. WHAT I DID IS I FORWARDED TO ALL OF YOU-- AND I CAN DO IT IN AN E-MAIL, AS WELL-- IT'S ESTIMATED, FROM AN ARTICLE THAT I'VE ATTACHED, IT'S $1.5 MILLION FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION. SO THE IDEA THAT THERE WOULD BE ONE INSERTED BETWEEN OUR MAY 7TH AND-- I'M SORRY, BETWEEN OUR MARCH 7TH AND OUR MAY 16TH DATE IS A COST SITUATION. TWO IS JUST THE READINESS OF OUR VOTERS, AND THE CANDIDATES TO PROPERLY EXPOSE THEMSELVES TO OUR VOTERS. AND THEN, ALSO, JUST AVOIDING CONFUSION AND DISENFRANCHISEMENT AND VOTER FATIGUE IN THE AREA, FOR FOUR ELECTIONS IN FOUR MONTHS. AND WE DID GET A RESPONSE FROM DEAN LOGAN THIS MORNING. WHAT I DIDN'T STATE IN MY LETTER, IN MY E-MAIL TO YOU, IS THAT IN CALIFORNIA ELECTION

CODE 10703, WHICH IS ALSO SOMETHING THAT I'VE ATTACHED TO YOU, IT STATES THAT THE GOVERNOR HAS BETWEEN 126 AND 140 DAYS TO SCHEDULE THE SPECIAL ELECTION. SO THERE IS TIME TO GO AHEAD AND SCHEDULE IT FOR THE MAY 16TH, AND GIVE US PROPER TIME TO GET READY. AND I WOULD ALSO STATE JUST ONE LAST THING: THIS IS THE THIRD TIME THAT I'VE TESTIFIED OR GIVEN ANY KIND OF SPEECH HERE, AND THE OTHER TWO TIMES WERE AFTER THE PRIMARY VOTE, AND ALSO THE COUNTING OF THE VOTE AT THE REGISTRAR. I WENT DOWN FOR 10 DAYS AND WITNESSED THE COUNTING OF THE VOTE. THE PEOPLE IN OUR DISTRICT DIDN'T JUST COME HERE TO AIR THEIR GRIEVANCES. THERE WERE OVER 100 PEOPLE IN L.A. COUNTY THAT TESTIFIED ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED IN THEIR POLLING PLACES, AND MANY OF THEM WERE FROM MY DISTRICT. I WAS A VOLUNTEER. I OVERSAW A LOT OF VOLUNTEERS IN C.D.34. SO I'M JUST ASKING YOU THAT WHEN I RAN, I VOWED TO THE VOTERS THAT WERE VOTING FOR ME THAT I WOULD TRY TO REMIND--

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: AND YOU HAVE DONE THAT.

JEANINE ROHN: YEAH. OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

ERIC PREVEN: IT'S ERIC PREVEN, A CANDIDATE FOR THE MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES, AND I WILL TAKE EQUAL TIME AS THAT WOMAN TOOK. THANK YOU.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: YOU WILL ATTEMPT TO. THANK YOU.

ERIC PREVEN: RIGHT. AND THE ITEMS 8 AND 12 HAVE TO DO WITH COUNTY COUNSEL LITIGATION AND COST OF RISK REPORT. THEY WERE CONTINUED, ONCE AGAIN, IN REPETITION. GLORIA MOLINA, FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT, MADE EVERY EFFORT TO HAVE THESE JUNE 30 AND LEGAL STUFF HEARD IN SEPTEMBER. WE ARE, AS YOU KNOW, FACING FEBRUARY, AND THAT'S WHEN YOU INTEND TO HEAR IT. IN ADDITION TO ITEM 24 IS MAX HUNTSMAN, WHO'S MOVED OVER TO THE SWANKY WORLD TRADE CENTER, INTO SOME FANCY OFFICES, RATHER THAN BEING HOUSED AT MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, WHERE WE NEED THEIR WORK. AND I FEEL THAT CONTINUING THESE ITEMS TO NEXT WEEK IS IMPROPER. I FEEL THAT IT WILL COMPOUND MORE AND MORE. THIS IS A RELATIVELY EARLY NIGHT FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND YET YOU CONTINUALLY DO THIS, AND IT AVOIDS PUBLIC SCRUTINY ON THE WORK THAT-- MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, YOU DO NOT KNOW WHO YOUR OWN LAWYER IS, AS RICHARD DROOYAN WAS IMPLEMENTED AS THE IMPLEMENTATION MONITOR. YOUR LAWYER, WHO WAS THE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT-- THAT'S WHY I SUED THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND TOOK IT TO THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. ALL RIGHT. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE? HI.

SIVANNAH ELMALIACH: HI. MY NAME IS SIVANNAH. I'M A SURVIVOR OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, AND CURRENTLY A VICTIM OF THE POWERS OF D.C.F.S. I'VE COMPLIED WITH ANY MANDATES TO BE ABLE TO REUNIFY WITH MY 16-MONTH-OLD SON. EVERYTHING ORDERED FOR ME TO DO BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES HAS BEEN COMPLETED, YET MY CASE HAS NOT MOVED FORWARD. I AM FULLY COMPLIANT, BUT THE RECORD IS SHOWING PARTIAL COMPLIANCE. I HAVE TRIED NUMEROUS TIMES TO CONTACT MY SOCIAL WORKER, THE ASSISTANT REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR, AND THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR, TO FIND SOLUTIONS AND REASONS WHY I'VE NOT FULLY REUNIFIED YET. INSTEAD OF A RESPONSE, I GET VAGUE INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS TO RUN AROUND, COMPLETING TASKS THAT I LATER LEARN WERE UNNECESSARY AND/OR UNRELATED. I FEEL MY SON AND I ARE BEING VICTIMIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. I AM STILL AT MONITORED VISITATION. THE REPORT STATES THERE WERE NO SIGNS OF ABUSE. EVERY CONCERN THE DEPARTMENT HAS EXPRESSED TO ME HAS BEEN ADDRESSED. THEY HAVE INTERNAL CONFLICTS. MY SOCIAL WORKER CLAIMS SHE WANTS TO GIVE ME UNMONITORED VISITATION, BUT HER SUPERVISOR WON'T LET HER. AT THE MEETING WE ARE SUPPOSED TO HAVE ONCE A MONTH, THEY ARE VERY ABRUPT. I KEEP MY SOCIAL

WORKER AS INFORMED AND UP-TO-DATE AS I CAN. I CONTINUE TO GO TO GROUPS AND THERAPY. BUT THE DEPARTMENT HAS EXPRESSED THAT THEY FEEL I AM GOING TO QUANTITY OVER QUALITY. I HAVE TAKEN THAT INTO CONSIDERATION AND CUT OUT EXCESSIVE GROUPS. TO MY KNOWLEDGE, I HAVE MADE EVERY EFFORT TO REUNIFY, BUT THE DEPARTMENT HAS YET TO FOLLOW THROUGH WITH PROGRESSING MY CASE, OR MAKE IT CLEAR TO ME AS TO WHY OR WHY NOT. MY SON DOES NOT DESERVE TO BE A VICTIM OF A BROKEN SYSTEM. I HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT MY REUNIFICATION. MY CASE HAS BEEN OPEN ALMOST A YEAR. MY CONCERN IS, MY SON NEEDS TO BE WITH ME. AND AS A RESULT OF THE DETAINMENT, MY SON HAS BEEN TRAUMATIZED. SINCE THIS CASE, I HAVE JUMPED THROUGH HURDLES AND BARRIERS TO COMPLETE EVERYTHING AND MORE THAN THE REQUIREMENTS. MY SON IS IN COUNSELING WITH ME, AND INVOLVED IN SEVERAL THERAPIES. MY QUESTION IS, WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO DO TO REGAIN CUSTODY OF MY SON AND CLOSE THIS CASE? I JUST WANTED TO ASK, WHAT CAN I DO? AND I HAVE SPOKEN TO THE MAN IN THE BACK.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. IF YOU'D BE KIND ENOUGH TO TELL US WHAT DISTRICT YOU RESIDE IN, ONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD WILL HAVE AN APPROPRIATE STEP.

SIVANNAH ELMALIACH: SECOND DISTRICT.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT, THEN THERE ARE PERSONS HERE. SHE'S COMING TO YOUR ATTENTION. PLEASE MAKE YOURSELF KNOWN TO HER.

SIVANNAH ELMALIACH: THANK YOU SO MUCH.

SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICE?

LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE; ITEM CS-3, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT: INTERVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE APPOINTMENT TO THE POSITION OF ROAD COMMISSIONER, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS; ITEM CS-4, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS; AND ITEM CS-5, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS SACHI A. HAMAI AND DESIGNATED STAFF, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION JANUARY 31, 2017

There is no reportable action on items CS-2, CS-4 or CS-5.

In open session item CS-1 was continued one week to February 7, 2017.

CS-3. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Government Code Section 54957) Interview and consideration of candidate(s) for appointment to the position of Road Commissioner/Director of Public Works. (17-0564) The Board selected a finalist for the position of Director of Public Works/Road Commissioner. This matter is required to be returned to the Board for a public hearing on the candidates's qualifications pursuant to Streets and Highways Code section 2006 before final appointment. The Chief Executive Officer is instructed to negotiate a salary and execute an at-will employment contract approved as to form by the County Counsel, subsequent to appointment and approval of an annual salary by the Board of Supervisors.

The vote of the Board was unanimous with all Supervisors being present.

I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do hereby certify:

That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors January 31, 2017 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my direction and supervision;

That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by me.

I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor related to any party to the said action; nor in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 8th day of February 2017, for the County records to be used only for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts as on file of the office of the reporter.

JENNIFER A. HINES

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