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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON

2 TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2020 ON PAGE 200]

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5 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** WE'RE GOING TO START THE BOARD
6 MEETING IN ONE MINUTE. OKAY, GOOD MORNING, EVERYBODY. GOOD
7 MORNING. GOOD MORNING. WE WELCOME YOU TO THE REGULARLY
8 SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS FEBRUARY 11TH, 2020. THE INVOCATION WILL
10 BE LED BY REVEREND MATTHEW MCHALE, FROM THE EMERSON UNITARIAN
11 UNIVERSALIST CHURCH IN THE CITY OF CANOGA PARK, IN THE THIRD
12 DISTRICT, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, BY REUBEN
13 MEDINA, FORMER CORPORAL IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY, FROM THE
14 CITY OF WHITTIER IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO
15 STAND, PLEASE DO SO.

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17 **REVEREND MCHALE:** BEFORE WE BEGIN, I WANT US TO REMEMBER THE
18 INDIGENOUS PEOPLE OF THIS LAND: THE TONGVA, TATAVIAM, CHUMASH,
19 AND TOCTAM. LET US REMEMBER, THIS LAND DOES NOT BELONG TO ANY
20 OF US. IT IS SHARED AMONGST ALL OF US HUMANS, PLANTS, AND
21 ANIMALS WHO CALL THIS LAND HOME. I INVITE YOU NOW TO JOIN ME
22 IN A SPIRIT OF PRAYER. SPIRIT OF LIFE, SPIRIT OF LOVE, SPIRIT
23 OF JUSTICE, HOLY ONE KNOWN BY MANY NAMES, AND BEYOND ALL
24 NAMING, WE ASK YOUR BLESSINGS ON THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN
25 CALLED TO LEAD THIS COMMUNITY. REMIND THEM THAT THEY ARE NOT

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1 ONLY LEADERS, BUT ALSO PUBLIC SERVANTS WHO, LIKE ALL OF US,
2 ARE CALLED TO SERVE THE COMMON GOOD. AS THEY DELIBERATE, MAY
3 THEY REMEMBER THE MOST VULNERABLE IN OUR COMMUNITY, THOSE
4 WHOSE VOICES WILL NOT BE HEARD INSIDE THESE WALLS, THOSE WHO
5 CAN'T AFFORD TO TAKE TIME OFF WORK, THOSE WHOSE ILLNESS OR
6 DISABILITY PREVENTS THEM FROM BEING HERE, THOSE WHOSE
7 IMMIGRATION STATUS MAKES THEM FEARFUL OF STEPPING INSIDE A
8 GOVERNMENT BUILDING, OR WHO ARE IN DETENTION ALREADY; THOSE
9 WHO ARE HOMELESS, WHO CANNOT LEAVE THEIR POSSESSIONS OUT ON
10 THE STREET BECAUSE SOMEONE MIGHT TAKE THEM OR CLEAR THEM AWAY;
11 THOSE BEING HELD IN JAIL FOR CRIMES OF POVERTY; THOSE FOR WHOM
12 IT IS TOO HARD TO GET HERE USING PUBLIC TRANSIT; THOSE WHOSE
13 LIVES WERE UNJUSTLY TAKEN IN ACTS OF VIOLENCE, SOMETIMES BY
14 THOSE WHO WERE SUPPOSED TO PROTECT THEM. AND MAY THEY ALWAYS
15 REMEMBER THOSE FUTURE GENERATIONS WHO WILL INHERIT A WORLD
16 SHAPED BY THE ACTIONS WE TAKE, OR FAIL TO TAKE. GRANT THEM AND
17 US THE WISDOM AND COURAGE TO KNOW AND DO WHAT IS RIGHT AND
18 GOOD AND TRUE. MAY THEY AND WE ALWAYS BE GUIDED BY THE SPIRIT
19 OF COMMUNITY, BY THE SPIRIT OF JUSTICE, BY THE SPIRIT OF LOVE.
20 THIS WE PRAY IN THE NAME OF ALL THAT WE HOLD AS SACRED AND
21 HOLY. AMEN, ASHE, BLESSED BE.

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23 **CORPORAL REUBEN MEDINA:** GOOD MORNING. PLEASE FACE THE FLAG AND
24 PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART. IF YOU ARE A VETERAN,
25 YOU MAY RENDER A HAND SALUTE, AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF

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1 ALLEGIANCE. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED
2 STATES OF AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS:
3 ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE
4 FOR ALL.

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6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** YOU KNOW, WHEN MY NEPHEW WAS LITTLE AND I
9 WAS IN THE LEGISLATURE, AND HE CAME TO SEE ME SWORN IN, AND
10 THEY STARTED WITH A PRAYER, WHICH WAS NOT ALLOWED IN HIS
11 SCHOOL, HE SAID TO MY SISTER, HIS MOTHER, "MOM, CAN THEY DO
12 THAT?" AND THE ANSWER IS, "YEAH, WE CAN DO IT BECAUSE WE WANT
13 TO START EVERY MEETING WITH A CALL TO GRACE AND JUSTICE AND
14 COMMUNITY." AND THAT WAS REALLY, REALLY BEAUTIFUL, MATT. I
15 WANT YOU TO HELP ME THANK THE REVEREND MATTHEW MCHALE, WHO
16 BEGAN HIS MINISTRY AT EMERSON UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH IN
17 2016. HE WAS RAISED AS A UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST, AND HAS BEEN
18 AN ACTIVE LEADER IN THE DENOMINATIONS AS YOUTH AND AS YOUNG
19 ADULT, PARTICULARLY IN WORK ABOUT RACIAL AND CLIMATE
20 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE. THE REVEREND ATTENDED SEMINARY AT STAR
21 KING SCHOOL FOR THE MINISTRY, AND HAS A B.A. AND AN M.A. IN
22 AMERICAN STUDIES. REVEREND MATTHEW LOVES CREATING WORSHIP
23 SERVICES THAT TOUCH BOTH THE HEAD AND THE HEART, AND A
24 COMPELLING, PROPHETIC VISION GROUNDED IN A HISTORY OF JUSTICE
25 WORK IN UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISM AND THE WIDER WORLD. HE

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1 BELIEVES THAT A CHURCH MUST SERVE THOSE WITHIN AND BEYOND ITS
2 WALLS, AS WELL AS EQUIP OTHERS TO LIVE LIVES OF MEANING AND
3 PURPOSE. HE IS MARRIED TO ANNA WAGNER, AND HAS A DAUGHTER
4 NAMED RIVER GRACE. PLEASE HELP ME TO THANK THE REVEREND
5 MATTHEW MCHALE. [APPLAUSE.] THANKS, MATT.

6

7 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. AND MAY I JUST ADD, ALSO, MY
8 THANKS FOR THE BEAUTIFUL INVOCATION THIS MORNING. IT WAS JUST-
9 - EVERY SINGLE WORD WAS PERFECT, AND I HOPE I CAN KEEP IT IN
10 MY HEART TO, AT LEAST, THROUGH THE END OF THE MEETING. YOU
11 KNOW, PLEASE JOIN ME IN THANKING CAVALRY SCOUT REUBEN MEDINA
12 FOR LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE THIS MORNING. [APPLAUSE.] CAVALRY
13 SCOUT MEDINA BEGAN HIS MILITARY SERVICE IN THE U.S. ARMY IN
14 2012. HE SERVED IN THE 137TH ARMOR REGIMENT, AND WAS STATIONED
15 IN AFGHANISTAN AND KUWAIT. HE HAS BEEN AWARDED THE COMBAT
16 ACTION BADGE, THE NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL, AND SEVERAL
17 OTHER HONORS FOR HIS SERVICE. CAVALRY SCOUT MEDINA IS
18 CURRENTLY A FULL-TIME STUDENT AT EL CAMINO COLLEGE, AND IS
19 MAJORING IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION, ASPIRING TO ONE DAY OWN A
20 BUSINESS. IN HIS FREE TIME, HE ENJOYS SPENDING TIME WITH HIS
21 SON, ROCK-CLIMBING, WEIGHT-LIFTING, AND PLAYING ICE HOCKEY. HE
22 CURRENTLY RESIDES IN WHITTIER WITH HIS SON, AARON. CAVALRY
23 SCOUT MEDINA, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, I THANK
24 YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY, AND WE'RE SO HONORED TO
25 HAVE YOU WITH US HERE TODAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO, THE ORDER TODAY IS
3 GOING TO BE, WE WILL BE TAKING UP CLOSED SESSION IMMEDIATELY
4 FOLLOWING THE BOARD PRESENTATIONS. WE WILL NOW HAVE BOARD
5 PRESENTATIONS. CLOSED SESSION SHOULD TAKE ABOUT 40 TO 45
6 MINUTES. SO WITH THAT, I WILL BEGIN THE PRESENTATIONS,
7 FOLLOWED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOLLOWED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL,
8 AND THEN SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING. IT IS MY PLEASURE TO
11 HONOR SOME OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S EXCEPTIONAL STUDENTS, THE
12 RECIPIENTS OF THE ENRICHMENT PLUS AWARDS. LET'S GIVE THEM A
13 ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
14 COLLABORATED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
15 SERVICES TO ESTABLISH THE ENRICHMENT PLUS PROGRAM TO CELEBRATE
16 THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE HARDWORKING YOUTH IN THE COUNTY'S
17 CARE. FOR MORE THAN TWO DECADES, THE PROGRAM HAS HONORED
18 STUDENTS WHO IMPROVE OR EXCEL IN SCHOOL, RECOGNIZING THEIR
19 EFFORTS TO GROW AND ACHIEVE THEIR FULL POTENTIAL. ENRICHMENT
20 PLUS UNITS TEACHERS, PARENTS, CAREGIVERS, AND SOCIAL WORKERS,
21 TO EQUIP OUR STUDENTS WITH MUCH-NEEDED SELF-CONFIDENCE,
22 EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES, AND DEDICATED SUPPORT. BECAUSE OF THE
23 STUDENTS THAT WORK THROUGH THIS NETWORK OF LOVE AND RESOURCES,
24 THEY TRULY ARE BETTER EQUIPPED TO SUCCEED. THE STUDENTS
25 GREATLY BENEFIT FROM THE SUPPORT THEY RECEIVE AT HOME AND AT

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1 SCHOOL. THROUGHOUT THE PROGRAM, THEY GAIN THE CONFIDENCE THEY
2 NEED TO ATTEND A TRADE SCHOOL OR UNIVERSITY THEY LOVE, PURSUE
3 A CAREER THEY ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT, AND HAVE FULFILLING
4 ADULTHOODS. WITHOUT FURTHER ADO, I'M PROUD TO PRESENT THE
5 HONOREES OF THE 5TH DISTRICT. OUR FIRST OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC
6 ACHIEVEMENT AWARDEE IS ALISA COQUINAN, AN 8TH-GRADER AT JOHN
7 MUIR HIGH SCHOOL. AN HONOR STUDENT WITH A 4.0 G.P.A., ALISA
8 STANDS OUT FOR BEING RESPONSIBLE AND HARDWORKING. [APPLAUSE.]
9 AS HER TEACHERS SAY, IT IS A PLEASURE TO HAVE HER IN THE
10 CLASS, NOT ONLY FOR HER EXCEPTIONAL GRADES, BUT HER REMARKABLE
11 DEDICATION. HER CHARACTER AND DRIVE HAVE EARNED ALISA A SPOT
12 IN THE GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION PROGRAM. WE ARE SO PROUD
13 OF YOUR COMMITMENT. LET'S GIVE HER ANOTHER ROUND OF APPLAUSE.
14 [APPLAUSE.] NEXT, I'M EXCITED TO PRESENT ELIA BEA, A FOURTH-
15 GRADER AT LA FETRA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. HER POSITIVE ATTITUDE
16 AND RELENTLESS MOTIVATION HAVE HELPED HER OVERCOME CHALLENGES
17 THAT HAVE COME HER WAY. SHE HAS RECEIVED GOOD GRADES ON HER
18 REPORT CARD, AND ACTIVELY PARTICIPATES IN AN AFTERSCHOOL
19 HOMEWORK PROGRAM. AS AN AVID READER, SHE WAS AWARDED FOR
20 EXCELLING IN THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM. HER ACCOMPLISHMENTS
21 AREN'T LIMITED TO ACADEMICS. SHE RECENTLY EARNED THIRD PLACE
22 IN THE AZUSA GOLDEN DAYS RELAY RACE, AND HAD DRAWINGS FEATURED
23 IN THE P.T.A. REFLECTIONS ART SHOW. IN SCHOOL AND IN YOUR
24 COMMUNITY, WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU. LET'S GIVE HER A ROUND OF
25 APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] AND NOW I AM EAGER TO PRESENT OUR

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1 AWARDEE FOR THE MOST IMPROVED ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: ANTHONY
2 CRUZ, A SOPHOMORE AT PALMDALE HIGH SCHOOL. THROUGH LOVE,
3 SUPPORT, AND RESOURCES, ANTHONY HAS PERSEVERED AND OVERCOME
4 LOSS. WHILE KEEPING UP WITH SCHOOLWORK WAS A CHALLENGE DURING
5 A TIME HE WAS NAVIGATING PERSONAL TRIALS, ANTHONY WORKED HARD
6 TO IMPROVE HIS ACADEMICS, AND IS NOW PASSING ALL HIS CLASSES.
7 LET'S GIVE HIM APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] IN HIS PERSONAL LIFE, HE
8 IS BECOMING MORE INDEPENDENT, AND IS HONING IN ON LIFE SKILLS,
9 MAINTAINING A REPUTATION FOR BEING CARING, RESPECTFUL, AND
10 HELPFUL IN THE CLASSROOM AND AT HOME. WHEN HE'S NOT AT SCHOOL,
11 ANTHONY SHOWS OFF HIS ATHLETIC SKILLS IN CLUB SOCCER LEAGUE.
12 UPON GRADUATION, ANTHONY HOPES TO ATTEND COLLEGE OR JOIN THE
13 ARMED FORCES. CONGRATULATIONS, ANTHONY. WE'RE EXCITED TO SEE
14 HOW FAR YOU'VE COME AND HOW FAR YOU WILL GO. LET'S GIVE HIM
15 ANOTHER ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] I AM DEEPLY INSPIRED BY
16 EACH OF THESE YOUTH, AND I'M EAGER TO SEE HOW THEY WILL
17 CONTINUE TO THRIVE. THEIR FUTURES ARE BRIGHT, AND THEY HAVE SO
18 MUCH TO LOOK FORWARD TO IN THE NEXT CHAPTER. NOW I WOULD LIKE
19 TO TURN IT OVER TO SUPERVISOR HAHN, TO INTRODUCE THE FOURTH-
20 DISTRICT AWARDEES. AGAIN, ONE MORE ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR THESE
21 AMAZING STUDENTS. [APPLAUSE.]

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23 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER. IT IS MY HONOR
24 TO INTRODUCE THE FOURTH DISTRICT'S IMPROVED ACADEMIC
25 PERFORMANCE HONOREE, EMILY-- IS IT ROSSER OR ROSER? ROSSER.

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1 EMILY ROSSER! [APPLAUSE.] EMILY LIVES IN BELLFLOWER, AND IS IN
2 THE 11TH GRADE, AND SHE HAS SHOWN A GREAT DEAL OF RESILIENCE
3 AND MATURITY. WHEN SHE'S NOT BUSY WITH SCHOOL, EMILY WORKS
4 PART TIME, AND HAS RECENTLY COMPLETED AN INTRODUCTION TO
5 COLLEGE COURSES AT PASADENA CITY COLLEGE. EMILY ENJOYS
6 STUDYING HER CULTURE, WOMEN'S RIGHTS, AND HOPES TO BECOME A
7 REGISTERED NURSE. LET'S GIVE HER ANOTHER BIG ROUND OF
8 APPLAUSE! CONGRATULATIONS, EMILY. [APPLAUSE.] AND NOW I'M
9 TURNING THIS OVER TO THE GREAT SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, FROM
10 THE GREAT SECOND DISTRICT. COME ON DOWN, MARK.

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12 **SUP. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM
13 CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES. I'M PLEASED TODAY THAT WE CAN HONOR THE
14 ONE AND ONLY MIGUEL BRUVIN HERRERA. GIVE HIM A BIG ROUND OF
15 APPLAUSE, WON'T YOU? [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT. SOMEBODY SAID
16 MIGUEL IS IN THE BUILDING, AND WE RECOGNIZE HIM WITH AN
17 ENRICHMENT PLUS AWARD FOR MOST IMPROVED ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT.
18 ANOTHER ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR MIGUEL. [APPLAUSE.] A JUNIOR AT
19 OPPORTUNITIES FOR LEARNING, WHERE HIS TEACHERS DESCRIBE HIM AS
20 A DEDICATED AND COMMITTED YOUNG MAN. MIGUEL RECENTLY EMBARKED
21 ON A SERIES OF SUCCESSES AT SCHOOL, AND ATTRIBUTES HIS
22 NEWFOUND MOTIVATION TO HIS RESOURCE PARENT, WHO IS LIKE A
23 MOTHER TO HIM. MIGUEL HAS EARNED ALL A'S IN PHYSICAL SCIENCE,
24 PHYSICAL EDUCATION, AND IN ENGLISH. HE HAS MAINTAINED STRONG
25 ATTENDANCE, AND DEMONSTRATES STRONG CHARACTER BY TURNING IN

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1 ALL ASSIGNMENTS ON TIME, ON TIME, ON TIME. [APPLAUSE.] OVER
2 HERE, WE SAY, "ON TIME AND ON BUDGET." [LAUGHTER.] HE DEALS
3 WITH "ON TIME." MIGUEL HAS BEEN ACCEPTED INTO AN EXPEDITED
4 HIGH-SCHOOL GRADUATION PROGRAM, AND IS EXPECTED TO GRADUATE IN
5 JUNE OF THIS YEAR, SIX MONTHS AHEAD OF SCHEDULE. [APPLAUSE.]
6 SO, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THERE'S ON TIME AND THEN THERE'S
7 AHEAD OF TIME. HE'S AHEAD OF TIME. [LAUGHTER.] ADDITIONALLY,
8 MIGUEL HAS BEEN NOMINATED BY HIS TEACHER TO ATTEND AN ALL-
9 EXPENSE-PAID TRIP TO OUR NATION'S CAPITAL, WASHINGTON, D.C.,
10 AND THAT'S A GOOD THING. ON TIME, AHEAD OF TIME, ON BUDGET.
11 THAT'S GOOD. ALL EXPENSES PAID. AND SO WE WISH THIS IMPRESSIVE
12 YOUNG MAN THE VERY BEST AS HE WORKS TOWARD GRADUATION AND
13 ACCOMPLISHING HIS GOALS. AND SO WE WANT TO SAY TO YOU, MIGUEL,
14 KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK. WE ARE ALL PROUD OF YOU, AND I AM SURE
15 YOU WILL CONTINUE TO MAKE US EVEN MORE PROUD. ONCE AGAIN,
16 MIGUEL BRUVIN HERRERA. GIVE HIM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE.
17 [APPLAUSE.] AND NOW, WOULD YOU JOIN ME IN WELCOMING TO THE
18 PODIUM THE HONORABLE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT.
19 SHE IS HILDA SOLIS. [APPLAUSE.]

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** BUENOS DIAS. AND I HAVE THE PLEASURE AND
22 DISTINCT HONOR TO INTRODUCE OUR HONOREE. AND I WANT TO THANK
23 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND ALL THE BOARD OFFICES AND MEMBERS
24 AND MADAM CHAIR FOR PUTTING FORTH THIS PRESENTATION. I HAVE
25 BEEN READING A LOT ABOUT DESTINY RIVERA. SHE'S OUR FIRST-

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1 DISTRICT AWARDEE, AND I AM VERY IMPRESSED WITH HER, AND I'M
2 SURE YOU WILL BE, TOO. DESTINY IS A SENIOR AT THE FREEMONT
3 ACADEMY OF ENGINEERING AND DESIGN IN POMONA. SHE HAS BEEN
4 RECEIVING SERVICES FROM THE FIRST-DISTRICT FOSTER YOUTH
5 EDUCATION PROGRAM OVER THE LAST YEAR. DESTINY HAS ACCOMPLISHED
6 SO MUCH IN HIGH SCHOOL THAT I'M CONFIDENT SHE WILL SUCCEED IN
7 ANYTHING THAT SHE CHOOSES TO PURSUE. SHE IS AN HONOR STUDENT
8 WITH A 3.88 GRADE POINT AVERAGE... [APPLAUSE.] WHO IS ALSO
9 INVOLVED IN NUMEROUS EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING THE
10 ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY VICE PRESIDENT. DESTINY WAS SELECTED
11 FOR HER PRESTIGIOUS INTERNSHIP AT POMONA COLLEGE TO CONDUCT
12 OPTOELECTRONICS RESEARCH, AND WORK WITH ORGANIC SOLAR CELLS.
13 HOW ABOUT THAT? [APPLAUSE.] AND IF ALL OF THAT WEREN'T ENOUGH,
14 SHE RECENTLY GOT HIRED TO BE A PROJECT MANAGER FOR A NONPROFIT
15 ORGANIZATION CALLED GENTE ORGANIZADA, WHICH PROVIDES SERVICES
16 TO YOUTH AND IMMIGRANTS. AND CURRENTLY, DESTINY IS WAITING TO
17 HEAR BACK FROM COLLEGES THAT SHE APPLIED TO, INCLUDING
18 PRINCETON. [APPLAUSE.] PRETTY AWESOME. [CHEERING AND
19 APPLAUSE.] AS YOU CAN TELL, SHE'S A BRIGHT YOUNG STAR, AND
20 WE'RE SO LUCKY TO HAVE HER HERE WITH US, AND WE KNOW SHE'S
21 GOING TO BE A SUCCESS IN HER FUTURE YEARS. PLEASE GIVE HER A
22 BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] CONGRATULATIONS.
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1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AND THEN, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, I KNOW
2 YOUR STUDENT COULDN'T BE HERE, BUT YOU WANTED TO SAY SOME
3 WORDS.

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5 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** WELL, I THINK IT IS ALWAYS WORTH HONORING A
6 PERSON, EVEN IF THEY COULDN'T BE HERE. I JUST WAS TOLD THAT
7 AUDRINA MOLINA AND HER MOTHER WERE UNABLE TO ATTEND, BUT I
8 WANTED TO PRAISE BOTH OF THEM AND THE WHOLE FAMILY, AS WELL AS
9 AUDRINA'S SOCIAL WORKER, CRYSTAL GREEN, FOR ALL OF THE WORK
10 THEY'VE DONE TOGETHER, AND OF COURSE WHAT THE YOUNG PERSON HAS
11 ACHIEVED. SHE'S 12 YEARS OLD, AND SHE WAS GIVEN THIS
12 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BASED ON A GREAT DEAL OF RESILIENCE AND
13 PERSEVERANCE THAT HELPED HER MAINTAIN A HIGH ACADEMIC STANDING
14 AND PARTICIPATION IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES. THE FAMILY IS
15 TOGETHER, BUT HAS STRUGGLED WITH HOMELESSNESS, WITH VIOLENCE
16 IN THE FAMILY. AND DESPITE THOSE MANY OBSTACLES, AUDRINA, HER
17 CLASSMATES AND TEACHERS REPORT, IS ALWAYS JOYFUL, HAS A KIND
18 HEART, SHOWS GREAT RESPECT TOWARDS HER CLASSMATES AND ADULTS
19 ALIKE. SHE LOVES PARTICIPATING IN SPORTS IN HER SCHOOL, WHICH
20 IS FROST MIDDLE SCHOOL. SHE'S ON THE VOLLEYBALL TEAM, AND
21 SHE'S TRYING OUT FOR THE SOFTBALL TEAM. THE FAMILY CURRENTLY
22 RESIDES TOGETHER IN SYLMAR, AND THEY ARE ALL WORKING TOGETHER
23 TO HELP HER MAINTAIN HER GRADES AND HER INCREASING ACADEMIC
24 ACHIEVEMENT. I WONDER IF YOU MIGHT AT LEAST ACKNOWLEDGE
25 AUDRINA IN HER ABSENCE. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AND NOW I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU
3 TO BRUNO. BRUNO IS A YORKIE-SHIH TZU MIX, WHICH I HAVE NEVER
4 SEEN, AND NOW I HAVE. THIS IS A-- YEAH, A YORKIE-SHIH TZU MIX,
5 AND IS 10 MONTHS OLD, MALE, AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION AT OUR
6 DOWNEY SHELTER: 562-728-4610. AND WE WILL EVEN THROW IN THIS
7 BEAUTIFUL SWEATER. BUT THIS IS BRUNO, AND THERE ARE MANY,
8 MANY, MANY OTHER ANIMALS AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION, DOGS AND
9 CATS. LAST WEEK WE HAD A 10-YEAR-OLD, AND I ENCOURAGE PEOPLE
10 TO LOOK AT THE OLDER ANIMALS AS WELL, BECAUSE THEY NEED
11 FOREVER HOMES AS WELL. BUT THIS IS BRUNO, A 10-MONTH-OLD
12 YORKIE-SHIH TZU MIX. SWEET TEMPERAMENT, KIND DOG. OKAY. AND IF
13 DOGS AREN'T YOUR THING, WE'VE GOT INK, AND INK IS A CALICO
14 THAT'S A LITTLE SKITTISH THIS MORNING. INK IS THREE MONTHS
15 OLD, FEMALE, 562-728-4610, AT OUR DOWNEY SHELTER. AND... YEAH,
16 INK IS A LITTLE EXCITED. BUT AGAIN, IF YOU CAN'T ADOPT AND YOU
17 WANT TO FOSTER, REACH OUT TO ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL AND TALK
18 TO THEM. THERE ARE MANY OPPORTUNITIES, EVEN TO VOLUNTEER AT
19 ONE OF OUR SHELTERS. BUT THIS IS INK. 562-728-4610. THANK YOU.
20 NOW, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU ALL. WOW. VERY NICE. OKAY. THANK
23 YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THIS MORNING, I HAVE THE HONOR OF MAKING
24 THIS SPECIAL PRESENTATION, AND I KNOW SOME OF OUR BOARD
25 MEMBERS WILL JOIN ME HERE THIS MORNING. IT'S THE 2019 CHAMPION

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1 FOR WEST NILE VIRUS PREVENTION CHALLENGE PRESENTATION. AND I
2 WANT TO THANK THOSE THAT HAVE JOINED ME HERE AT THE DAIS,
3 INCLUDING OUR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH, DR. FERRER. AS SOME
4 OF YOU MAY KNOW, THE WEST NILE VIRUS IS A DISEASE CAUSED BY
5 THE BITES OF INFECTED MOSQUITOES. WEST NILE VIRUS IS
6 ESPECIALLY WORRISOME BECAUSE THERE IS NO CURE OR SPECIFIC
7 TREATMENT ONCE AN INDIVIDUAL IS INFECTED WITH THE VIRUS.
8 HOWEVER, IT IS PREVENTABLE THROUGH AWARENESS AND KNOWLEDGE OF
9 PREVENTION BEHAVIORS. BACK IN 2018, THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF
10 PUBLIC HEALTH LAUNCHED THE CHAMPIONS OF WEST NILE VIRUS
11 PREVENTION CHALLENGE, WHICH INVITED L.A. COUNTY CITIES AND
12 UNINCORPORATED AREAS, AS WELL AS THE CITY OF L. A.
13 NEIGHBORHOODS, TO PARTNER WITH DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND
14 LOCAL VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICTS TO COMPLETE SEVERAL WEST NILE
15 VIRUS OUTREACH ACTIVITIES, AND TO PROMOTE PREVENTION PRACTICES
16 IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. THE CHALLENGE WAS SO SUCCESSFUL THAT, IN
17 2019, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH CONDUCTED THE CHAMPIONS OF
18 WEST NILE VIRUS PREVENTION CHALLENGE FOR A SECOND YEAR IN A
19 ROW. AND SO TODAY WE'RE HERE TO RECOGNIZE THE 12 PARTICIPANTS,
20 WHICH INCLUDE 11 CITIES AND ONE UNINCORPORATED AREA, WHO TOOK
21 ON THE 2019 CHALLENGE. I FIRST WANT TO THANK THE LOCAL VECTOR
22 CONTROL DISTRICTS FOR THEIR PARTNERSHIP WITH THIS CHALLENGE,
23 AND THAT INCLUDES THE GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR
24 CONTROL DISTRICT, REPRESENTED HERE TODAY BY CAROLINE GONGORA
25 AND MARY JO COLBURN. LET'S GIVE THEM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE,

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1 BECAUSE THEY TAKE CARE OF US. THEY ALL DO. THE SAN GABRIEL
2 VALLEY MOSQUITO VECTOR CONTROL, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WEST
3 VECTOR CONTROL, THE COMPTON CREEK MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT,
4 AND THE ANTELOPE VALLEY MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL. LET'S
5 GIVE THEM ALL A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. I ALSO WANT TO MENTION
6 THE FOLLOWING CITIES THAT HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THE 2019
7 CHAMPION FOR WEST NILE VIRUS PREVENTION CHALLENGE. AND THE
8 FOLLOWING CITIES ARE REPRESENTED HERE TODAY: BELLFLOWER,
9 WHITTIER, CERRITOS, REPRESENTED BY MAYOR NARESH SOLANKI;
10 CULVER CITY, REPRESENTED BY MAYOR MEGHAN SAHLI-WELLS; AND EL
11 MONTE, REPRESENTED BY OUR PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES DIRECTOR,
12 BRADEN YU. I SEE SOME OTHER CITIES, BUT WE WILL GET THERE. SO
13 PLEASE GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.] WE ALSO
14 HAVE THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS, AND I'D ALSO WANT TO SPECIALLY
15 RECOGNIZE THE HACIENDA HEIGHTS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION FOR
16 THEIR COMMITMENT FOR COMPLETING MANY OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
17 CHALLENGE FOR A SECOND YEAR IN A ROW. SO LET'S GIVE THEM A BIG
18 ROUND OF APPLAUSE. THEY ARE REPRESENTED HERE TODAY BY PUBLIC
19 RELATIONS CHAIR LUCY VERA PEDREGON. AND THE FOLLOWING CITIES
20 ARE ALSO BEING HONORED FOR COMPLETING ALL THE SIX PREVENTION
21 PROMOTION ACTIVITIES OF THE CHALLENGE, AND THAT IS BRADBURY,
22 ARCADIA, BALDWIN PARK-- OUR MAYOR IS HERE, AND OUR CITY
23 COUNCILWOMAN; LAKEWOOD, REPRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBER STEVE
24 CROFT; ROLLING HILLS ESTATES, REPRESENTED BY MAYOR PRO TEM
25 STEVE ZUCKERMAN. LET'S GIVE THEM ALL A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE.

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1 2019 CHAMPIONS. AND FINALLY, I'D LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THE CITY
2 OF SOUTH PASADENA FOR BEING NAMED THE ULTIMATE CHAMPION OF THE
3 WEST NILE VIRUS PREVENTION. SOUTH PASADENA IS REPRESENTED BY
4 OUR VERY OWN COUNCIL MEMBER DR. MARINA KABIZRIAN. YES. LET'S
5 GIVE THEM ALL A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. WE WANT TO THANK THEM
6 FOR THEIR DEDICATION. NOW I'D LIKE TO INVITE OUR CHAIRWOMAN TO
7 SAY A FEW WORDS, AND THEN WE WILL INVITE SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
8 THOMAS, AND THEN DR. FERRER.

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR
11 INVITING ME TO TAKE PART IN THIS PRESENTATION. I AM
12 CONTINUALLY IMPRESSED BY THE COMMITMENT OF OUR CITIES IN THE
13 5TH DISTRICT, BUT ACTUALLY, ALL 88 CITIES AND UNINCORPORATED
14 AREAS. LET'S GIVE YOU ALL A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]
15 AND I HAVE TO SAY IT DOES NOT COME AS A SURPRISE THAT YOU ALL
16 WENT ABOVE AND BEYOND IN THIS COMPETITION. WEST NILE VIRUS IS
17 A SERIOUS ISSUE AND IS A REAL CONCERN FOR THE SAN GABRIEL
18 VALLEY RESIDENTS. THANK YOU TO MY CITY PARTNERS FOR PUTTING
19 THIS PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE IN THE FOREFRONT OF OUR
20 CONVERSATIONS. OUR COMMUNITIES ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE TIME AND
21 RESOURCES YOU SPENT COMBATTING WEST NILE VIRUS. FROM THE FIFTH
22 DISTRICT, I AM EXCITED TO CONGRATULATE OUR ULTIMATE CHAMPION
23 AWARDEE, SOUTH PASADENA, REPRESENTED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DR.
24 MARINA KABRIZIAN, AND WATER CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABILITY
25 ANALYST ARPY KASPARIAN. SAY IT FAST. IS HE HERE? IS ARPY HERE?

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1 OKAY. OKAY. YEAH, KASPARIAN. KASPARIAN. NOW, ARCADIA AWARDEE
2 ALSO IS A CHAMPION, REPRESENTED BY APRIL VERLATO. LET'S GIVE
3 THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. AND I ALSO WANT TO GIVE A
4 SHOUTOUT. I KNOW BRADBURY COULD NOT BE HERE TODAY, BUT THEY
5 WERE ALSO AWARDED AS A CHAMPION, AND I'M PROUD TO PARTNER WITH
6 YOU CITIES. WE'VE GOT MUCH WORK TO DO WITH THE WET WEATHER
7 COMING. WE NEED TO BE VERY VIGILANT AND CONTINUE TO REMIND
8 PEOPLE. SO, WHILE WE ARE CHAMPIONS TODAY, LET'S KEEP THIS ON
9 THE FOREFRONT AND EDUCATE. AND YOU'RE A DOCTOR, SO YOU KNOW
10 THAT IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US NOT TO LET STANDING WATER. TIP AND
11 TOSS. THERE YOU GO. SO, WITH THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE
12 SUPERVISOR HAHN, TO RECOGNIZE HER CITIES.

13

14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** HI, EVERYBODY. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER,
15 FOR THE INTRODUCTION. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR LEADING
16 THIS PRESENTATION. I'M SO EXCITED TO SEE MY FOURTH-DISTRICT
17 CITIES BEING HONORED HERE TODAY. AND, AS ALREADY BEEN SAID,
18 THE WEST NILE VIRUS CAN CAUSE SERIOUS HEALTH EFFECTS THAT
19 ACTUALLY CAN BE DEADLY. AND L.A. COUNTY IS IDENTIFIED AS A
20 HIGH-RISK AREA FOR MOSQUITO-BORNE ILLNESSES, BUT IT CAN BE
21 PREVENTED, AND THAT'S WHY OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
22 ORGANIZED A WEST NILE PREVENTION CHALLENGE. IT ENCOURAGED ALL
23 OF OUR L.A. COUNTY CITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN PROMOTING THE WEST
24 NILE PROTECTION PRACTICES AMONG THEIR RESIDENTS. AND I'M SO
25 PROUD, ACTUALLY, TO THANK EVERYBODY, BUT PARTICULARLY TO HONOR

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1 MY CITIES IN MY DISTRICT FOR GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND TO MAKE
2 SURE THAT THEIR RESIDENTS AND, IN TURN, ALL RESIDENTS IN L.A.
3 COUNTY ARE SAFE FROM THIS DEADLY VIRUS. JOINING US HERE TODAY,
4 THEY HAVE ALREADY BEEN INTRODUCED, BUT COUNCIL MEMBER STEVE
5 CROFT OF LAKEWOOD IS HERE. HI, STEVE. MAYOR PRO TEM STEVE
6 ZUCKERMAN OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES. LUCY VERA PEDREGON-- HI,
7 LUCY-- IS HERE FROM THE HACIENDA HEIGHTS IMPROVEMENT
8 ASSOCIATION. AND MAYOR NARESH SOLANKI OF CERRITOS. BELLFLOWER
9 AND WHITTIER ALSO PARTICIPATED, BUT THEY COULD NOT BE HERE
10 TODAY. THANK YOU SO MUCH TO ALL OF YOU FOR DOING THIS. IT'S SO
11 IMPORTANT. THERE IS PROBABLY NOTHING THAT I THINK ANY OF US
12 TAKE MORE SERIOUSLY THAN OUR PUBLIC'S HEALTH. THAT IS PROBABLY
13 THE FIRST THING WE - THINK ABOUT, IS THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND
14 SAFETY OF THOSE THAT WE REPRESENT AT THE LOCAL LEVEL IN OUR
15 VARIOUS JOBS. SO THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND I'M NOT SURE WHO I'M
16 TURNING-- MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS IS NEXT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, ALL
17 OF YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

18

19 **SUP. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISORS.
20 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, DELIGHTED TO BE HERE ON THIS OCCASION,
21 TO GIVE RECOGNITION THAT IS TIMELY AND NOTEWORTHY. I THINK IT
22 IS A TESTAMENT TO HOW CITIES AND COUNTIES CAN WORK WELL
23 TOGETHER. THE PARTICIPATING CITIES, AS YOU KNOW, USE SOCIAL
24 MEDIA, NEWSLETTERS, IN-PERSON ENGAGEMENT, AND OTHER OUTREACH
25 EFFORTS TO PROMOTE PUBLIC HEALTH, AWARENESS, AND PREVENTION.

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1 THE CITY OF CULVER CITY ALSO USED EDUCATION PROGRAMS IN
2 SCHOOLS, PARTNERSHIPS WITH STUDENTS AND TEACHERS, AND
3 COMMUNITY EVENTS TO SPREAD INFORMATION AND MAKE FOR AWARENESS
4 ABOUT THE WEST NILE VIRUS. A SHOUTOUT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
5 PUBLIC HEALTH AND ALL COLLABORATING DEPARTMENTS FOR THEIR
6 LEADERSHIP AND INGENUITY IN WORKING THIS FORWARD, AND FOR ALL
7 THOSE WHO HAVE COME FORWARD TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE DOING ALL
8 THAT WE CAN TO MAXIMIZE PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY AND
9 COMMUNITY AWARENESS. PARTICULAR NOTE TO THE CITY OF CULVER
10 CITY AND ITS LEADERSHIP AND ITS COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT FOR
11 MAKING THIS HAPPEN. NOW I TURN IT OVER TO THE NEXT PERSON UP.
12 BUT BECAUSE SUPERVISOR HAHN HAS SPOKEN, I SUSPECT WE ARE NOW
13 TURNING TO THE ONE AND ONLY DR. BARBARA FERRER, HEAD OF THE
14 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **DR. FERRER:** GOOD MORNING, AND THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR
17 SOLIS, FOR COORDINATING OUR PRESENTATION TODAY, AND TO ALL OF
18 OUR SUPERVISORS FOR CHAMPIONING HEALTHY COMMUNITIES. WE CAN'T
19 DO THIS WORK WITHOUT THE AMAZING LEADERSHIP THAT WE HAVE HERE
20 WITH OUR SUPERVISORS. THEIR INVALUABLE SUPPORT ACTUALLY MAKES
21 THIS CAMPAIGN A SUCCESS. I ALSO OFFER MY CONGRATULATIONS AND
22 MY DEEP APPRECIATION TO ALL OF OUR CITY AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS
23 WHO ARE RECEIVING AWARDS FOR THE TREMENDOUS EFFORTS THAT THEY
24 MADE TO REDUCE MOSQUITO BREEDING GROUNDS, AND PROVIDE
25 RESIDENTS WITH GOOD INFORMATION ON PREVENTING WEST NILE VIRUS.

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1 THANKS SO MUCH FOR YOUR OUTSTANDING WORK. THIS IS NOW
2 POSSIBLE-- [APPLAUSE.] ADDRESSING MOSQUITO-BORNE ILLNESS IS
3 NOT POSSIBLE EITHER JUST BY YOUR PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT, OR
4 EVEN BY THE WONDERFUL PARTNERS WE HAVE IN OUR VECTOR CONTROL
5 AGENCIES. THIS REALLY TAKES EVERYBODY IN A CITY, AND YOUR
6 LEADERSHIP ON MOBILIZING HERE HAD TO DO MULTIPLE THINGS TO
7 BECOME CHAMPIONS. SO THIS WAS NOT, LIKE, JUST GO AND DO ONE
8 THING, PUT UP SOME POSTERS. EVERYBODY HERE COMPLETED THE
9 CHALLENGE, AND YOU'RE REALLY TO BE COMMENDED FOR YOUR
10 WONDERFUL WORK. AND JUST AS A REMINDER, WEST NILE VIRUS
11 CONTINUES TO PLACE A TREMENDOUS BURDEN ON L.A. COUNTY, AND IT
12 THREATENS THE WELLBEING OF OUR RESIDENTS EVERY YEAR. SINCE
13 2015, WE'VE HAD ON AVERAGE 159 CASES OF WEST NILE VIRUS, AND
14 MANY OF THE PEOPLE WHO ARE INFECTED, UNFORTUNATELY, EXPERIENCE
15 SEVERE NEUROLOGICAL ILLNESSES AND INFECTIONS, WHICH CAN RESULT
16 IN LONG-TERM DISABILITIES AND DEATHS. SO I WANT TO REALLY
17 EXTEND OUR APPRECIATION FROM THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO
18 OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR TAKING THIS LEADERSHIP ON MAKING
19 SURE WE'RE DOING EVERYTHING WE CAN TO PROMOTING HEALTHY
20 COMMUNITIES, AND TO OUR PARTNERS IN THE COMMUNITY WHO LIFTED
21 UP THIS WORK AND REALLY EXCELLED. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

22 [APPLAUSE.]

23
24 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** OKAY. WE ARE READY TO GO. THIS IS MY LAST
2 PRESENTATION, MADAM CHAIR, BUT IT'S-- IT IS REALLY AN HONOR
3 AND A PRIVILEGE TO HAVE DISTINGUISHED INDIVIDUALS HERE TODAY.
4 WE'RE CELEBRATING THE N.A.A.C.P. FOUNDER'S DAY. AND I'M HAPPY
5 TO HAVE SOME VERY EXTRAORDINARY COMMUNITY LEADERS HERE WITH
6 ME: JEANETTE ROYSTON, PRESIDENT OF THE POMONA VALLEY
7 N.A.A.C.P. BRANCH, WHO IS ALSO THE FIRST-DISTRICT APPOINTEE TO
8 THE COUNTY'S HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION. PLEASE GIVE HER A BIG
9 ROUND OF APPLAUSE. SHE IS WONDERFUL. AND WITH THE POMONA
10 VALLEY BRANCH ARE ALSO JAMES SHIRLEY, LESIA LETT, YOLANDA
11 BROWN, AND NIKKI DOMINGUEZ, AND KATHY COY. PLEASE GIVE THEM A
12 BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. REPRESENTING THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
13 N.A.A.C.P. BRANCH IS ALSO T.J. CAMPBELL. LET'S GIVE HIM A BIG
14 ROUND OF APPLAUSE. I'M VERY HAPPY AND PLEASED HE'S HERE.
15 TOGETHER, THEY LEAD THEIR LOCAL CHAPTERS OF THE NATIONAL
16 ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE, OTHERWISE
17 KNOWN AS THE N.A.A.C.P. TOMORROW IS THE N.A.A.C.P.'S NATIONAL
18 FOUNDER'S DAY, AND OF COURSE WE WANT TO CELEBRATE BLACK
19 HISTORY MONTH, WHICH IS ALSO TAKING PLACE. THE N.A.A.C.P.,
20 MANY OF YOU MAY NOT KNOW, WAS FOUNDED ON FEBRUARY THE 12TH IN
21 1909, 111 YEARS AGO TOMORROW. THEIR MISSION WAS TO ENSURE THE
22 POLITICAL, EDUCATIONAL, SOCIAL, AND ECONOMIC EQUALITY OF
23 RIGHTS OF ALL PERSONS, AND TO ELIMINATE RACIAL DISCRIMINATION.
24 FOR MORE THAN A CENTURY, THEY HAVE BEEN STRIVING FOR A MORE
25 JUST AND EQUITABLE SOCIETY FOR ALL OF US. WITH HUNDREDS OF

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1 THOUSANDS OF MEMBERS AND MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS, THE N.A.A.C.P.
2 REMAINS ONE OF THE OLDEST AND LARGEST CIVIL RIGHTS
3 ORGANIZATIONS IN THE COUNTRY. AND IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, WE
4 HAVE THE POMONA VALLEY AND THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY BRANCHES OF
5 THE N.A.A.C.P., AND THEY ARE DOING A LOT TO HELP US ORGANIZE
6 AND ADVOCATE IN OUR COMMUNITIES. AND I'M A PROUD MEMBER OF THE
7 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY N.A.A.C.P. FOR MANY, MANY YEARS. AND I AM
8 PROUD TO RECOGNIZE MY GOOD FRIEND, JEANETTE ROYSTON, THE
9 PRESIDENT OF THE POMONA VALLEY BRANCH, WHO HAS BEEN A CHAMPION
10 OF AFRICAN AMERICANS AND ALL COMMUNITIES OF COLOR. SHE IS,
11 INDEED, A COALITION BUILDER WHO KNOWS HOW TO MOBILIZE AND
12 INSPIRE PEOPLE FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE AND BACKGROUNDS, AND TO
13 STAND UP AND SPEAK. THE POMONA VALLEY N.A.A.C.P. BRANCH HAS,
14 FOR YEARS, BEEN REGISTERING VOTERS AND ADVOCATING TO INCREASE
15 ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION. THEY MARCHED AGAINST FAMILY
16 SEPARATION AND CHILD DETENTION IN SAN DIEGO. THANK YOU FOR
17 THAT. THEY ARE REVIVING DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING'S POOR PEOPLE'S
18 CAMPAIGN, AND CONTINUING HIS LEGACY. I AM SO PROUD TO HAVE
19 BEEN A MEMBER OF THE BRANCH MYSELF FOR YEARS, AND TO SEE THE
20 GOOD AND MIGHTY WORK THAT THEY'RE DOING, ALL FOR MANY, MANY
21 YEARS. I ALSO WANT TO RECOGNIZE A YOUNG MAN THAT I MET
22 RECENTLY, T.J. CAMPBELL, FROM THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
23 N.A.A.C.P. BRANCH, WHO TOOK OVER RECENTLY IN THAT ROLE. VERY
24 INSPIRING, VERY DISTINGUISHED INDIVIDUAL. FOR THE PAST SEVERAL
25 YEARS, THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY N.A.A.C.P. BRANCH HAS HOSTED

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1 MANY EVENTS AND PROGRAMS AIMED AT EMPOWERING AND INSPIRING OUR
2 COMMUNITY, AND THEY HOLD AN ANNUAL CEREMONY THAT PAYS TRIBUTE
3 TO DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR., THERE ON THE PREMISES OF THE
4 WEST COVINA CITY HALL. AND I HAVE SEEN AND BEEN INSPIRED BY SO
5 MANY THOUGHTFUL SPEAKERS, AND TO SEE SO MANY OF OUR YOUNG
6 PEOPLE ENGAGED. THEY ALSO PROMOTE YOUTH SUMMITS, BACKPACK
7 GIVEAWAYS, JUST TO NAME A FEW. AND I'M GRATEFUL FOR EVERYTHING
8 THAT THESE TWO ORGANIZATIONS ARE DOING TO HELP SERVICE THE SAN
9 GABRIEL AND POMONA VALLEYS, INCLUDING THE INLAND EMPIRE AND
10 SAN BERNARDINO, BECAUSE THEIR STRETCH IS FAR AND WIDE. OUR
11 CONSTITUENTS ARE BETTER OFF FOR HAVING THE SUPPORT OF
12 ORGANIZATIONS THAT WE CAN PARTNER WITH, ALONG WITH THE
13 N.A.A.C.P., AND I'M PROUD AND HONORED TO RECOGNIZE THESE TWO
14 AMAZING LEADERS, AND THEIR MEMBERSHIP, AND THE MANY PEOPLE
15 THAT ARE WORKING HARD ALONGSIDE WITH THEM. I'D LIKE TO INVITE,
16 AT THIS TIME, JEANETTE ROYSTON, AND ALSO T.J. CAMPBELL, TO SAY
17 A FEW WORDS. [APPLAUSE.]

18
19 **JEANETTE ROYSTON:** GOOD MORNING. I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR
20 HILDA SOLIS AND HER CABINET MEMBERS FOR THIS RECOGNITION. AS
21 SHE MENTIONED, THERE'S SEVERAL ACTIVITIES ON THE LOCAL LEVEL
22 THAT THE N.A.A.C.P. IS INVOLVED IN. SO I'M JUST GOING TO GIVE
23 YOU A LITTLE BRIEF HISTORY. THE ACTUAL N.A.A.C.P. THROUGHOUT
24 THE NATION, IT IS 2,500 LOCAL BRANCHES. IN THE STATE OF
25 CALIFORNIA, THERE ARE 52 BRANCHES. THE POMONA VALLEY BRANCH

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1 AND SAN GABRIEL BRANCH IS JUST TWO OF THOSE 52 BRANCHES. AND
2 WE ARE DETERMINED TO CONTINUE TO FIGHT TO END DISCRIMINATION
3 AND RACIAL DISPARITY. WE ARE ABSOLUTELY ON THE FRONT LINE, DAY
4 IN AND DAY OUT. SO WE THANK ALL OF YOU WHO ARE SUPPORTING US
5 IN THIS. THIS AFTERNOON, OR THIS MORNING, WE THANK HILDA
6 SOLIS. WE HAVE BEEN DOING THIS FOR 111 YEARS. I WANT TO THANK
7 EVERYONE HERE TODAY FOR BRINGING THIS TO THE ATTENTION OF THE
8 STATE OF CALIFORNIA SUPERVISOR BOARD MEETING. THANK YOU SO
9 MUCH.

10

11 **T.J. CAMPBELL:** FIRST, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE COUNTY
12 SUPERVISORS, AND PARTICULARLY COUNTY SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS,
13 FOR BEING A GREAT SUPPORTER OF OUR ORGANIZATION. LIKE JEANETTE
14 ROYSTON SAID, THIS IS AN 111-YEAR ORGANIZATION, AND TO THINK
15 ABOUT THE FORESIGHT OF THE FOUNDERS, TO THINK ABOUT THESE
16 POLITICAL-SOCIAL ISSUES THAT WE STILL CARRY TODAY, IS VERY
17 IMPORTANT. AND IT IS NOT ABOUT ME. I'M GLAD TO BE A
18 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ORGANIZATION, BUT I WOULD JUST LIKE TO
19 BRIEFLY SHARE WITH YOU GUYS THE OBJECTIVES OF THE
20 ORGANIZATION. AND IF YOU SEE IT AS IMPORTANT, MAYBE THAT'S A
21 CALL FOR YOU TO JOIN YOUR LOCAL BRANCH. AND SO THE OBJECTIVE
22 IS TO ENSURE THE POLITICAL, EDUCATIONAL, SOCIAL, AND ECONOMIC
23 EQUALITY OF ALL CITIZENS; TO ACHIEVE EQUALITY OF RIGHTS AND
24 ELIMINATE RACE AND PREJUDICE AMONGST THE CITIZENS OF THE
25 UNITED STATES; TO REMOVE ALL BARRIERS OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

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1 THROUGH DEMOCRATIC PROCESSES; TO SEEK ENACTMENT AND
2 ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL LAWS SECURING CIVIL
3 RIGHTS; TO INFORM THE PUBLIC OF THE ADVERSE EFFECTS OF RACIAL
4 DISCRIMINATION, AND TO SEEK ITS ELIMINATION; TO EDUCATE
5 PERSONS OF THEIR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS, AND TO TAKE ALL LAWFUL
6 ACTION, THEREFORE, TO SECURE AND EXERCISE-- EXCUSE ME. AND
7 WITH THAT BEING SAID, I THINK THAT WE CAN ALL SEE IN TODAY'S
8 CURRENT CLIMATE THAT THESE FIGHTS ARE STILL HERE TODAY, JUST
9 AS PERTINENT AS THEY WERE IN 1909. SO, AS CITIZENS, WE ALL
10 MUST COME TOGETHER TO CONTINUE TO IMPROVE OUR CIVIC RIGHTS. I
11 THANK YOU FOR MY TIME. I THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. I THANK YOU,
12 HILDA SOLIS, FOR BEING A GREAT SUPPORTER OF OUR ORGANIZATION.
13 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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19 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** CHAIR? THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THIS
20 PRESENTATION REALLY MEANS A LOT TO ME, AND A GREAT DEAL TO THE
21 THIRD DISTRICT, BECAUSE, AS YOU'LL SEE TODAY AND NEXT WEEK,
22 AND MANY WEEKS TO COME, WE SPEND A LOT OF TIME THINKING ABOUT
23 HOMELESSNESS AND WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT. BUT THERE ARE A NUMBER
24 OF PEOPLE, VERY SPECIAL PEOPLE, WHO DO MORE THAN THINK ABOUT
25 IT, TRY TO KICK THE CAN DOWN THE ROAD, AS THEY SAY, A LITTLE

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1 FURTHER, AND PAUL DUMONT IS ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE, BECAUSE WE--
2 [CHEERS.] PLEASE GIVE HIM A LOT OF CHEERS. YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW
3 YET, BUT THIS GUY IS VERY SPECIAL. IN THE COUNTY THESE DAYS,
4 WE TALK A LOT ABOUT THE VALUE OF WHAT WE'RE CALLING "LIVED
5 EXPERIENCE." IT MEANS THE KNOWLEDGE, THE PASSION, THE INSIGHTS
6 FROM PEOPLE WHO KNOW EXACTLY WHAT IT FEELS LIKE TO BE
7 HOMELESS, OR HAVE BEEN HOMELESS, OR HAD A SUBSTANCE ABUSE
8 ISSUE, OR A MENTAL ILLNESS. THAT KIND OF KNOWLEDGE IS
9 DIFFERENT AND, IN MANY WAYS, MORE PRICELESS THAN THAT WHICH
10 CAN BE OFFERED BY THOSE WHO'VE JUST NEVER WALKED IN THOSE
11 SHOES. IT'S WHY TODAY I REALLY WANT YOU TO JOIN ME IN THANKING
12 AND RECOGNIZING A REAL HERO, PAUL DUMONT. GIVE HIM A ROUND OF
13 APPLAUSE, EVEN BEFORE I TELL YOU ALL THE GREAT THINGS HE'S
14 DONE. FOR YEARS, HE LIVED ON THE STREETS IN L.A., BUT HE FOUND
15 STABILITY IN A VAN NUYS RECOVERY HOME IN 2004. AND VERY
16 SHORTLY AFTER THAT, HE BEGAN SETTING UP HOMES FOR OTHER PEOPLE
17 LIKE HIM, WHO ARE JUST LOOKING FOR A SAFE PLACE TO REBUILD
18 THEIR LIVES. AND EVERY DAY SINCE, HE WORKS THE FRONT LINES OF
19 THE HOMELESS CRISIS IN OUR THIRD DISTRICT, ACTUALLY GETTING
20 PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS ONE AT A TIME, TWO AT A TIME,
21 COLLABORATING WITH EVERY ONE OF OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. HE
22 WORKS TIRELESSLY BEYOND THAT TO REFORM AND INFORM OUR JUSTICE
23 POLICIES, TO INCREASE EDUCATIONAL, ECONOMIC, AND HOUSING
24 OPPORTUNITIES, AND TO PROTECT THE CIVIL LIBERTIES OF OUR MOST
25 VULNERABLE NEIGHBORS, WHO JUST DO NOT HAVE THE ABILITY TO

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1 FIGHT FOR THEMSELVES... YET. BUT HE'S A HERO TO THEM, AS WELL.
2 HE WAS AN EFFECTIVE PRESENCE ON HIS LOCAL NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
3 AND ITS MANY, MANY COMMITTEES. AND WHEN HE IS NOT LEADING HIS
4 NONPROFIT OR SERVING ON HIS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL, HE IS
5 ADVISING OTHER HOMELESS SERVICE PROVIDERS TO HELP THEM
6 OVERCOME THE OBSTACLES THAT CAN BE PLACED IN FRONT OF THEM TO
7 OPENING NEW HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES. LAST YEAR, HE LAUNCHED A
8 NONPROFIT STARTUP COMMUNITY BRIDGE HOUSING TO OFFER AN
9 IMMEDIATE SOLUTION TO 50 PEOPLE WHO WOULD OTHERWISE BE LIVING
10 ON THE STREET. IT IS A LOW-BARRIER, IMMEDIATE HOUSING FACILITY
11 THAT OFFERS WALK-IN SERVICES, INCLUDING MEALS AND SHOWERS AND
12 PROPERTY STORAGE, AND SAFE PARKING, AND 50 BEDS. PAUL'S WORK
13 AS A SERVICE PROVIDER, AS AN ADVOCATE, HAVE OPENED A DOOR TO
14 HOUSING AND TREATMENT TO COUNTLESS COUNTY RESIDENTS. SO PLEASE
15 JOIN ME IN THANKING PAUL FOR HIS TRULY EXTRAORDINARY WORK OVER
16 MANY DECADES. [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **PAUL DUMONT:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL JUST SAID EVERYTHING THAT I HAD
19 WRITTEN DOWN ON MY PAPER, SO FORGIVE ME. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
20 KUEHL AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. IT IS WITH GREAT HUMILITY THAT
21 I ACCEPT THIS ON BEHALF OF THE REAL HEROES, THE PEOPLE COMING
22 OFF THE STREETS OF LOS ANGELES, AND MY COLLEAGUES AND FAMILY
23 MEMBERS WHO PUT UP WITH SEEMINGLY NEVER-ENDING DAYS WORKING ON
24 THE FRONT LINE OF THIS HUMANITARIAN CRISIS. PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE
25 MY COLLEAGUE JACQUELINE CHAVEZ, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF

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1 COMMUNITY HEALTH SYLMAR. JACKIE IS LEADING OUR TEAM IN SYLMAR
2 TO OVERCOME BARRIERS TO END HOMELESS, ONE PERSON AT A TIME.
3 OVER 100 PEOPLE WHO WOULD OTHERWISE BE UNSHELTERED SLEEP IN
4 OUR HOMES EVERY NIGHT. ALSO, HERE ARE MY CHILDREN, TIFFANY
5 DUMONT AND J.P., WHO IS TOO CAMERA-SHY OUT THERE. THEY WORK
6 ALONGSIDE ME, DAILY, TO HELP OTHERS. THEIR PASSION IS
7 LEGISLATIVE AND POLITICAL ADVOCACY FOR PROGRESSIVE SOCIAL
8 JUSTICE CAUSES. OUR ANNUAL FAMILY VACATION IS TO THE A.C.L.U.
9 CONVENTION IN SACRAMENTO, COMING UP. THAT'S WHAT WE DO. I
10 LIVED ON THE STREETS OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY FOR ABOUT 20
11 YEARS BEFORE FINDING SOBRIETY IN THE VAN NUYS RECOVERY HOUSE.
12 THE 12-STEP PROGRAMS TOLD ME I HAD TO CARRY THE MESSAGE OF
13 HOPE TO THOSE STILL SUFFERING. I SHARED HOUSING WITH OTHERS IN
14 RECOVERY BECAUSE THE RENT WAS TOO HIGH. IT IS STILL TOO HIGH.
15 AFTER A COUPLE YEARS, THE LOCAL NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL CALLED
16 ME, AND THEY SAID, "WE WANT TO LEARN ABOUT THE WORK THAT YOU
17 ARE DOING IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD." I WAS REALLY EXCITED. I GOT MY
18 SUNDAY BEST ON. I INVITED MY FRIENDS, AND I WENT TO THE
19 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING, AND I ENCOUNTERED A LARGE
20 PROTEST OF N.I.M.B.Y.S THAT DIDN'T WANT ME IN THEIR
21 NEIGHBORHOOD. THAT WAS MY CALL TO POLITICAL ADVOCACY ACTION
22 AND ACTIVISM. I COULDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY THEY DIDN'T WANT US
23 PROVIDING SOLUTIONS IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD. IT WAS OUR
24 NEIGHBORHOOD. I HAVE A LOT MORE WRITTEN DOWN HERE, BUT I'D
25 LIKE TO END WITH THAT. IT IS GOING TO TAKE ALL OF US ACCEPTING

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1 HOUSING IN EVERY ONE OF OUR NEIGHBORHOODS, BECAUSE THIS IS OUR
2 COLLECTIVE PROBLEM. FROM CHATSWORTH TO SAN PEDRO TO POMONA,
3 EVERY COMMUNITY NEEDS TO BE PART OF THIS SOLUTION. AND ONE
4 FINAL THING: I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE A SHOUTOUT TO MY PARTNERS AT
5 JUSTICE L.A. THEY ARE HERE TODAY ON AN AGENDA ITEM FOR THE
6 PROBATION DEPARTMENT, AND I'M PART OF THAT WORK GROUP, AND WE
7 WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE OF THE MONEY INVESTED IN COMMUNITIES
8 THAT CAN ACTUALLY SOLVE PROBLEMS, INSTEAD OF JAILS AND
9 PRISONS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I'M DOING THE PRESENTATION, THE NEXT ONE UP
12 HERE, BECAUSE I KNOW MY COLLEAGUES ALSO WANT TO SAY A FEW
13 WORDS. I THINK IT IS EASIER IF WE'RE ALL UP HERE TOGETHER. SO,
14 THIS ONE'S A LITTLE SAD FOR ME, PARTICULARLY, AND I'M SURE IT
15 IS FOR A LOT OF PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY FAMILY, TO BID FAREWELL
16 TO STEVEN GOLIGHTLY. LET'S GIVE HIM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE.
17 [APPLAUSE.] STEVEN JOINED THE L.A. COUNTY BACK IN 1999, AS
18 CHIEF DEPUTY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES. AND
19 THEN YOU ACTUALLY BECAME THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF D.P.S.S.,
20 BEFORE MOVING ON TO THE CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT IN
21 2002, BECOMING THEIR DIRECTOR IN 2007. WHILE STEVEN CERTAINLY
22 HAD A POSITIVE IMPACT AT D.P.S.S., IT WAS AT CHILD SUPPORT
23 SERVICES WHERE HE TRULY MADE HIS MARK. HE TOOK A SMALL COUNTY
24 DEPARTMENT THAT HADN'T QUITE FOUND ITS IDENTITY SINCE IT LEFT
25 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, AND TRANSFORMED IT INTO A VITAL AGENCY

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1 FOCUSED ON HELPING FAMILIES. HIS LEADERSHIP WON THE CONFIDENCE
2 OF THIS BOARD, AND ALSO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, WHICH ENDED
3 UP INCREASING ITS FUNDING OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES, WHICH
4 MANY SAID WOULD NEVER HAPPEN. STEVEN IS RECOGNIZED AS A
5 NATIONAL LEADER, HAVING SERVED AS PAST PRESIDENT OF BOTH THE
6 NATIONAL CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT ASSOCIATION AND THE
7 CALIFORNIA CHILD SUPPORT DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION. WHILE THOSE
8 ACHIEVEMENTS ARE NOTEWORTHY, IT IS THE IMPACT THAT HE HAS HAD
9 RIGHT HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY THAT I THINK WE ARE ALL MOST
10 IMPRESSED BY. HE IS BY FAR ONE OF OUR LONGEST-TENURED
11 DEPARTMENT HEADS, AND HE IS A VALUED MEMBER OF OUR COUNTY
12 FAMILY. YOU KNOW, I THINK FOR ALL OF US, WHEN WE LOOK AT THE
13 ISSUE OF HOMELESSNESS, WE REALLY HAVE BEEN TRYING TO ATTACK IT
14 AT EVERY POSSIBLE ANGLE, AND I CERTAINLY THINK CHILD SUPPORT
15 SERVICES IS A HUGE PART AND A HUGE ASPECT OF MOTHERS AND
16 FAMILIES STAYING ALIVE, STAYING WHERE THEY'RE LIVING. IT IS A
17 HUGE THING. I KNOW, PARTICULARLY, SINGLE WOMEN, SINGLE
18 MOTHERS, WHO HAVE GONE THROUGH THIS; USUALLY, ECONOMICALLY,
19 ARE ON THE SHORT END OF THE STICK OF A DIVORCE. AND YOUR
20 DEPARTMENT REALLY HELPS GET THEM THE DESERVED AND THEIR
21 RIGHTFULLY OWNED FINANCES THAT ARE COMING THEIR WAY. AND THAT
22 WORK IS-- I DON'T KNOW IF WE CAN EVEN QUANTIFY THAT WORK IN
23 TERMS OF HOW IT HAS HELPED KEEP FAMILIES AFLOAT AT THEIR MOST
24 DESPERATE TIME. YOU KNOW, THERE'S PEOPLE THAT COME ALONG IN
25 YOUR LIFE. THERE'S PEOPLE THAT COME AND GO. AND, YOU KNOW,

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1 WHAT IS INTERESTING IS JUST IN THE FEW, THREE AND A HALF YEARS
2 I HAVE BEEN HERE AT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, IT IS AMAZING
3 HOW MANY DEPARTMENT HEADS HAVE BEGUN TO RETIRE. I HOPE IT WAS
4 NOTHING I SAID. BUT IT HAS REMINDED ME OF HOW IMPORTANT THE
5 COUNTY FAMILY IS. BUT I THINK, FOR YOU, I HAVE ALWAYS JUST
6 SEEN A HUMAN BEING WHO IS SO FULL OF GRACE AND PASSION AND
7 DEDICATION AND MERCY, AND YOU HAVE BEEN A FRIEND AND A MENTOR,
8 I THINK, TO MANY PEOPLE HERE IN THE COUNTY. I REMEMBER ONE OF
9 OUR FIRST ENCOUNTERS WAS ACTUALLY ON A PLANE GOING TO
10 WASHINGTON, D.C., WHICH I WAS ON MORE THAN I WASN'T. AND I
11 KNEW THEN THAT YOU WERE SOMEONE THAT I COULD REACH OUT TO, I
12 COULD DEPEND ON, AND I'VE FELT EXTREMELY CLOSE TO YOU SINCE I
13 HAVE BEEN HERE. AND I'M GOING TO MISS YOU. I KNOW THIS WAS NOT
14 AN EASY DECISION. IT PROBABLY NEVER REALLY IS, FOR THOSE OF
15 YOU WHO ARE SO A PART OF THE FABRIC OF L.A. COUNTY. BUT I DO--
16 HONESTLY, I'M TRYING TO WISH YOU WELL. I REALLY DO. AND I KNOW
17 THAT YOU AND DOUGLAS HAVE AN INCREDIBLE LIFE TOGETHER, AND YOU
18 WILL BE HAVING A LOT MORE TIME TO SPEND ON THINGS THAT REALLY
19 ARE IMPORTANT. SO WE'LL MISS YOU. WE APPRECIATE YOUR SERVICE
20 TO L.A. COUNTY. I THINK, AGAIN, THE FAMILIES THAT YOU HAVE
21 SAVED, YOU MAY NEVER EVEN KNOW THE OUTCOMES OF THEIR LIFE. BUT
22 THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU DID. I WILL MISS YOU. AND I KNOW SOME
23 OF MY COLLEAGUES ALSO WANT TO SPEAK.

24

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1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AND THEN
2 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY SOME WORDS. SUPERVISOR
3 RIDLEY-THOMAS? OKAY.

4

5 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. IT IS INTERESTING.
6 IT'S ACTUALLY THROUGH STEVE THAT I HAVE LEARNED THE DIFFERENCE
7 BETWEEN THINKING SOMETHING UP AND GETTING IT DONE. BECAUSE AS
8 A SORT OF A FRESHMAN LEGISLATOR IN SACRAMENTO IN THE LATE 90S,
9 I HAD ALREADY WORKED ON WHAT USED TO BE CALLED WOMEN'S ISSUES,
10 ONE OF WHICH WAS CHILD SUPPORT, BECAUSE MANY, MANY MORE WOMEN
11 WERE GRANTED CUSTODY, AND THEY THEN WERE TOLD BY THE FATHERS
12 OF THEIR KIDS, "WELL, IT IS YOURS. I'M NOT GOING TO PAY
13 ANYTHING." THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICES HAD DOMINION OVER
14 THESE COLLECTIONS AND BRINGING ACTIONS IN COURT. AND THOUGH,
15 YOU KNOW, THEY WERE GOOD AT A LOT OF THINGS, THIS WAS PRETTY
16 LOW ON THEIR TO-DO LIST. SO I BROUGHT A BILL TO TAKE CHILD
17 SUPPORT AWAY FROM THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICES IN ALL 58
18 COUNTIES, WHICH SUDDENLY MADE THEM WAKE UP, BECAUSE IT WAS A
19 BUDGET ISSUE AS WELL, AND TO CREATE A NEW DEPARTMENT IN EVERY
20 ONE OF THE 58 COUNTIES TO DO CHILD SUPPORT. AND THE BILL
21 PASSED, WAS SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR, AND SUDDENLY THERE WERE
22 NEW DEPARTMENTS IN ALL 58 COUNTIES. AND SO YOU GO, "OKAY, NOW
23 I'M GOING HOME. I'M GOING ON TO MY NEXT THING. I SURE HOPE IT
24 WORKS." AND IN L.A. COUNTY, IT WORKED. AND A GREAT DEAL OF THE
25 CREDIT FOR THAT IS TO YOU, STEVEN GOLIGHTLY, BECAUSE YOU MADE

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1 THIS DEPARTMENT WORK, OUT OF COMPASSION, DEDICATION, REALLY
2 FINE ADMINISTRATIVE SKILLS, AND A REAL UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT
3 THIS WAS ALL ABOUT. I HAVE TO ALSO SAY, PERSONALLY, I WAS
4 ALWAYS VERY PROUD OF YOU, AS A MEMBER OF THE L.G.B.T.
5 COMMUNITY AND BEING PROUDLY OUT, AND THAT ALSO SHOWS AS AN
6 EXAMPLE, AS ANY OF US DOES IN OUR SPECIFIC COMMUNITIES, WHAT
7 CAN BE DONE BY SOMEONE WHO HAS FACED DISCRIMINATION
8 THEMSELVES, TO GO ON AND SAY, "I REALLY UNDERSTAND THESE
9 THINGS ARE IMPORTANT, AND I WILL PITCH IN AND DO THIS." SO I
10 WISH YOU WELL. I'M SAD, TOO. LIKE JANICE, I NEVER KNOW WHETHER
11 TO SAY, "HEY, CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RETIREMENT," OR WHETHER
12 TO SAY YOU ARE A RAT-FINK JUMPING THE SHIP [LAUGHTER.] BUT
13 THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.
14 [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** WELL, A LOT OF GREAT THINGS HAVE BEEN SAID,
17 AND I KNOW I WON'T BE THE LAST. BUT I WANT TO THANK YOU,
18 STEVEN, BECAUSE I THINK WE HAVE A SOMEWHAT PERSONAL
19 CONNECTION. I HAVE AN OLDER SISTER WHO WORKED IN YOUR
20 DEPARTMENT LONG BEFORE THE REFORMS OCCURRED, AND I REMEMBER
21 DISTINCTLY WORKING IN THE STATE SENATE, ALONG WITH OTHER
22 COLLEAGUES. I WAS IN THE SENATE, AND I THINK, SHEILA, YOU WERE
23 IN THE ASSEMBLY, AND WE WORKED ON THE LEGISLATIVE REFORMS THAT
24 TOOK PLACE, THAT WERE SO NEEDED, BECAUSE EVERYBODY WAS OUT TO
25 GET L.A. COUNTY, IF YOU REMEMBER THOSE DAYS. BUT NOW, THANK

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1 GOD, THE REFORMS ARE WORKING. PAYMENT IS BEING MADE TO
2 FAMILIES AND CHILDREN. AND I THINK SOME OF THE GREAT MEMORIES
3 THAT I HAVE RECENTLY WITH YOU AND YOUR DEPARTMENT IS GOING OUT
4 TO POMONA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS, AND
5 PASSING OUT WELL OVER 500 BACKPACKS FULL OF GOODIES AND BOOKS
6 AND THINGS THAT ARE NEEDED FOR CHILDREN IN NEED OUT IN POMONA,
7 AND IT IS JUST-- IT WAS FABULOUS TO SEE YOU OUT THERE, NOT
8 JUST ONCE BUT ON EVERY OCCASION, AND ALWAYS BEING SUPPORTIVE.
9 AND I KNOW YOU HAVE UPLIFTED SO MANY IN YOUR STAFF AND IN THE
10 DEPARTMENT, AND THAT'S A FINE TRIBUTE TO YOU. AND I WISH YOU
11 WELL IN YOUR RETIREMENT AND IN EVERYTHING THAT YOU DO. THANK
12 YOU SO MUCH, STEVEN. IT HAS BEEN A PLEASURE TO KNOW YOU. THANK
13 YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AND I ACTUALLY AM EXCITED FOR YOU,
16 BECAUSE YOU DO SO MUCH OUTSIDE THE COUNTY, AND GIVE BACK TO SO
17 MANY, AND SO I KNOW THAT THIS IS A NEW CHAPTER IN YOUR LIFE,
18 AND I'M EXCITED FOR YOU. BUT I HAVE TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
19 KUEHL, AS WELL, BECAUSE I REMEMBER, AS A STAFFER, THE PHONE
20 CALLS WE WOULD GET FROM FRUSTRATED INDIVIDUALS, BOTH MEN AND
21 WOMEN, WHO COULD NOT NAVIGATE THE DEPARTMENT. AND IT TOOK GOOD
22 LEADERSHIP AND GREAT STAFF, AS WELL, TO MAKE IT HAPPEN, AND
23 YOU WERE THE PERFECT LEADER, AND YOU HAD-- AND YOU STILL HAVE--
24 - GREAT STAFF THAT CONTINUE TO BUILD ON THAT LEGACY THAT
25 YOU'VE BUILT WITH A NEW DEPARTMENT. I WANT TO THANK YOU. I

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1 ECHO WHAT MY COLLEAGUES HAVE SAID ABOUT THE ISSUES, AS IT
2 RELATES TO THE ROOT CAUSE OF HOMELESSNESS. YOU ARE A PARTNER,
3 BUT YOU ARE SO MUCH MORE THAN THAT. THERE ARE SO MANY LAYERS
4 TO YOU, STEVEN. I KNEW YOU AT D.P.S.S., WHEN YOU WERE CHIEF OF
5 STAFF. AND I HAVE JUST SEEN YOU GROW, AND I'M SO PROUD OF YOU,
6 THE LEADER, BUT ALSO THE PERSON YOU ARE. SO I'M WISHING YOU
7 MUCH HAPPINESS ON YOUR RETIREMENT. I KNOW WE WILL BE IN TOUCH.
8 WE'VE GOT A COMMON GROUP WITH THE WOLF CONNECTION, THAT WE'RE
9 GOING TO BE DOING AMAZING THINGS WITH, UP IN ACTON. SO I LOOK
10 FORWARD TO HELPING YOU WRITE THE NEXT CHAPTER IN THE BOOK
11 YOU'RE WRITING-- YOUR LIFE. SO, MUCH HAPPINESS, AND GOOD LUCK.
12 [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. IT IS
15 WELL WORTH NOTING THAT OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS COME WITH
16 CREDENTIALS AND ARE PREPARED TO DO THESE TASKS. WE HIRE WELL
17 WHEN WE SELECT PEOPLE TO LEAD OUR DEPARTMENTS, AND DR.
18 GOLIGHTLY'S TOUR OF DUTY, YOU MIGHT CALL IT, THROUGHOUT THE
19 RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS OF WHICH HE HAS BEEN A PART HAS NO
20 DOUBT INFORMED HIS WORK AND CONTRIBUTED TO HIS ABILITY TO
21 INNOVATE AND LEAD. A GRADUATE OF CAL STATE DOMINGUEZ HILLS,
22 WITH A MASTER'S DEGREE, AND HE IS PROUD OF THAT, AND FOLLOWED
23 WITH A PH.D. IN PUBLIC POLICY AT BALDWIN UNIVERSITY IN 2010,
24 BUT THE FOCUS OF HIS DISSERTATION WAS PREDICTIVE ANALYTICS.
25 AND HE HAS USED HIS KNOWLEDGE IN THIS AREA TO DEVELOP AND

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1 MAINTAIN A SECTION DEDICATED TO ROBUST ANALYSIS, MONITORING,
2 AND TRACKING, TO ENSURE THAT CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENTS ARE
3 OBTAINED IN A TIMELY MANNER, AND THAT THESE PAYMENTS MAKE IT
4 TO THE PEOPLE WHO NEED THEM MOST. AND WHO ARE THOSE
5 INDIVIDUALS? THEY ARE SINGLE PARENTS AND THEIR CHILDREN. AND
6 SO WE SAY THANK YOU, STEVEN. THANK YOU, DR. GOLIGHTLY, FOR
7 YOUR COMMITMENT AND FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP. ANOTHER ROUND OF
8 APPLAUSE FOR STEVEN. HE DOES "GO LIGHTLY."

9

10 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** WELL, THANK YOU. I THINK EVERYONE SPOKE FROM
11 THE HEART ON THIS ONE. AND WE DO HAVE SOMETHING TO PRESENT TO
12 YOU, BUT I'M GOING TO LET YOU SAY A FEW WORDS NOW, BEFORE WE
13 PRESENT YOU WITH THE OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION NOTING THIS DAY.
14 LET'S HEAR IT AGAIN FOR THE MAN OF THE HOUR, STEVEN GOLIGHTLY!
15 [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **STEVEN GOLIGHTLY:** IT ALMOST FEELS LIKE AN OUT-OF-BODY
18 EXPERIENCE. I HAVE BEEN HERE SO MANY TIMES WHEN MY COLLEAGUES
19 HAVE RETIRED, AND THEN TODAY REALIZING, LOOKING AT THE AGENDA,
20 THAT IT WAS ME, THAT IT WAS I WHO WAS RETIRING. SO I WANT TO
21 SAY SOME THANKS, TO START WITH. OF COURSE, TO SUPERVISOR HAHN
22 FOR LEADING THE RECOGNITION THIS MORNING. BUT THANKS TO
23 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SUPERVISOR DR. RIDLEY-
24 THOMAS, SUPERVISOR BARGER. IT IS SUCH A PRIVILEGE TO BE ABLE
25 TO WORK IN AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE YOU KNOW YOU HAVE THE SUPPORT

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1 OF THE PEOPLE WHO ARE AT THE HELM. AND WHEN I GET ASKED
2 QUESTIONS ABOUT WHERE I WORK, AND I SAY, "THE COUNTY,"
3 INEVITABLY SOMEBODY WILL SAY, "OH, DO YOU SEE THE MAYOR VERY
4 OFTEN?" AND I GOT TO SAY, "WELL, NO. THEY ARE KIND OF SMALL
5 POTATOES COMPARED TO THE PURVIEW AND THE LEVEL OF
6 RESPONSIBILITY THAT WE HAVE IN THE COUNTY." AND I SAY THAT
7 VERY PROUDLY, AND I WEAR THIS PIN EVERY DAY WHEN I'M IN THE
8 OFFICE, AND OFTENTIMES WHEN I'M NOT IN THE OFFICE. I'M VERY
9 PROUD TO BE A PART OF THIS FAMILY. AND, OF COURSE, TO THE
10 SUPERVISOR'S STAFF, ALL THE FOLKS ON THE 8TH FLOOR THAT I'VE
11 HAD THE PRIVILEGE TO WORK WITH THIS MANY YEARS. AND TO MY
12 FRIEND SACHI: SACHI, YOU SWORE ME IN, RIGHT ABOUT AT THIS
13 EXACT SPOT, ON APRIL THE 2ND, 2007, AND I HAVE WORKED CLOSELY
14 WITH YOU SINCE THEN. IN FACT, MY LAST OFFICIAL DUTY WILL BE ON
15 FRIDAY AFTERNOON AT 2:00, WHEN GUESS WHAT I WILL BE DOING ON
16 THE 7TH FLOOR: MAKING THE BUDGET PRESENTATION FOR CHILD
17 SUPPORT FOR THE YEAR '20/'21. BUT, SACHI, THANK YOU, AND FOR
18 ALL OF YOUR INCREDIBLE TEAM THROUGHOUT YOUR DEPARTMENT. I
19 CAN'T IMAGINE BEING ABLE TO DO THIS JOB WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF
20 THE, AS WE SAY, THE 8TH AND THE 7TH FLOOR, AFFECTIONATELY,
21 MOST OF THE TIME. AND THEN TO MY FELLOW DEPARTMENT HEADS--
22 SOME ARE STANDING OVER HERE IN THE CORNER, SOME ARE IN THE
23 AUDIENCE-- THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT, BUT MOST OF ALL FOR YOUR
24 FRIENDSHIP OVER ALL THESE YEARS. IT IS AN AMAZING GROUP OF
25 FOLKS. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS JUST TALKED ABOUT HIRING

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1 DEPARTMENT HEADS. I HAVE NEVER WORKED WITH A FINER GROUP OF
2 INDIVIDUALS-- QUINTESSENTIAL PROFESSIONALS, CONSUMMATE
3 PROFESSIONALS, MY COLLEAGUES, 35, 36 OF US-- WHO ARE
4 PRIVILEGED TO CALL OURSELVES DEPARTMENT HEADS IN THIS GREAT
5 COUNTY. TO MY COLLEAGUES AND FRIENDS AND TEAM AT CHILD
6 SUPPORT, MANY OF WHOM ARE HERE TODAY, JUST AN INCREDIBLE
7 PRIVILEGE TO BE ABLE TO WORK WITH SO MANY PEOPLE WHO ARE JUST
8 SO PASSIONATE-- I LOVE THAT WORD-- PASSIONATE AND COMMITTED
9 ABOUT WHAT WE DO EVERY DAY, AND TO THINK ABOUT THE CHILDREN
10 AND THE FAMILIES... WE CAN'T QUANTIFY THEM. BUT I KNOW, AT THE
11 END OF THE DAY, THAT WE ARE HELPING JUST SO MANY CHILDREN AND
12 FAMILIES OUT THERE, BE THEY HOMELESS OR NON-HOMELESS,
13 THROUGHOUT-- YOU MAY NOT KNOW THIS, BUT THROUGHOUT NOT ONLY
14 L.A., CALIFORNIA, 49 STATES, 50 STATES IN THE NATION, 4
15 TERRITORIES, AND 39 FOREIGN COUNTRIES. WE HAVE A QUARTER OF A
16 MILLION CASES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, AND I WOULD LIKE TO THINK
17 AT THE END OF THE DAY THAT WE HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE. I AM SO
18 HUMBLLED AS I WALK THROUGH THIS BUILDING AND I THINK OF ALL THE
19 PEOPLE WHO HAVE COME BEFORE ME-- YOUR DAD, PERHAPS, BEING ONE.
20 YOUR FORMER BOSS, AND ONE OF MY FIRST BOSSES, SUPERVISOR
21 ANTONOVICH. THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE WHO'VE WALKED THESE HALLS
22 BEFORE ME, AND WHO WILL WALK THESE HALLS FOR MANY, MANY YEARS
23 AFTER I'M LONG GONE. IT IS A VERY HUMBLING FEELING EVERY TIME
24 I COME IN THIS BUILDING. AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE IMPACTED,
25 THE POTENTIAL TO IMPACT THE QUALITY OF LIFE, IS JUST SO GREAT.

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1 SO I THANK ALL OF YOU FOR GIVING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY TO TRY TO
2 MAKE A DIFFERENCE. AND I HOPE, AT THE END OF THE DAY, I'VE MET
3 YOUR EXPECTATIONS, AND HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE SOMEWHERE. THANK
4 YOU AGAIN. [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **STEVEN GOLIGHTLY:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, STEVEN.

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** NOW, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

11

12 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OH, THAT'S GREAT. I DIDN'T WEAR MY WHITE
13 TODAY, BUT I'M GLAD SOME OF YOU DID. SO, I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE
14 THIS MORNING OF RECOGNIZING THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF LOS
15 ANGELES COUNTY, IN HONOR OF THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
16 PASSAGE OF THE 19TH AMENDMENT! [APPLAUSE.] IT ALL BEGAN WITH
17 THE WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE MOVEMENT, WHICH WAS A DECADES-LONG FIGHT
18 TO WIN THE RIGHT TO VOTE FOR WOMEN IN THE UNITED STATES. IT
19 TOOK THE EFFORTS OF BRAVE AND COURAGEOUS WOMEN, REFERRED TO AS
20 SUFFRAGETTES, WHO SACRIFICED FAMILY, THEIR PERSONAL LIVES, AND
21 FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO MAKE IT HAPPEN. 100 YEARS AGO, IN
22 FEBRUARY 1920, THE U.S. SUPREME COURT UNANIMOUSLY DISMISSED A
23 CHALLENGE TO THE 19TH AMENDMENT, WHICH DECLARED THAT THE RIGHT
24 TO VOTE SHALL NOT BE DENIED OR ABRIDGED BY THE U.S. OR ANY
25 STATE ON ACCOUNT OF SEX. LATER THAT YEAR, THE 19TH AMENDMENT

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1 TO THE CONSTITUTION WAS FINALLY RATIFIED, DECLARING FOR THE
2 FIRST TIME THAT WOMEN, LIKE MEN, DESERVE ALL THE RIGHTS AND
3 RESPONSIBILITIES OF CITIZENSHIP. WITH WOMEN GAINING THE RIGHT
4 TO VOTE CAME THE CREATION OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS IN THE
5 UNITED STATES, INCLUDING THE CHAPTER RIGHT HERE IN LOS ANGELES
6 COUNTY. THEY TOOK IT UPON THEMSELVES TO HELP REGISTER WOMEN TO
7 VOTE, AND PROVIDE EDUCATION ON PUBLIC POLICY. TODAY, WOMEN
8 GENERALLY TURN OUT TO VOTE AT HIGHER RATES THAN MEN, AND THEY
9 ARE RUNNING FOR OFFICE IN HIGHER NUMBERS, AND JUST LOOK AT OUR
10 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: FOUR STRONG WOMEN AND ONE
11 IMPORTANT ALLY. I WANT TO THANK THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS FOR
12 CONTINUING TO EMPOWER WOMEN HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO
13 VOTE, TO TAKE ACTION ON IMPORTANT ISSUES AFFECTING OUR
14 COMMUNITIES. AND NOT ONLY ARE WE CELEBRATING WOMEN GAINING THE
15 RIGHT TO VOTE, WE ARE CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
16 LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND, YOU KNOW, I
17 THINK IT IS SO IMPORTANT, AND I HAVE COME TO REALLY ADMIRE THE
18 LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS IN THE WAY THAT YOU DO SUCH A GOOD JOB
19 OF MOSTLY REMAINING NEUTRAL, WHILE EDUCATING VOTERS ON THE
20 DIFFERENT PROPOSITIONS, THE DIFFERENT CANDIDATES. I HAVE BEEN
21 AT CANDIDATE FORUMS WHERE THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS IS THE
22 HOST AND MODERATOR, AND I'VE ALWAYS FOUND YOU TO BE SO GOOD
23 AND SO FAIR AND SO RESPECTED. YOU HAVE, FOR A HUNDRED YEARS,
24 HAD THE KIND OF CREDIBILITY THAT I'M NOT SURE IS PARALLELED IN
25 ANY OTHER ORGANIZATION. IT IS AN AMAZING TRIBUTE AND TESTAMENT

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1 TO HOW SACRED YOU TAKE THE RIGHT TO VOTE, HOW SACRED YOU TAKE
2 THE ABILITY THAT ALL VOTERS SHOULD HAVE ACCESS TO INFORMATION,
3 SO THAT THEY CAN MAKE THE MOST INFORMED DECISION THEY CAN.
4 IT'S REALLY IMPRESSIVE. AND I WAS THINKING, SUPERVISOR KUEHL,
5 THE WAY YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT WHEN YOU WERE IN OUR STATE
6 LEGISLATURE, HOW IT USED TO BE CONSIDERED "WOMEN'S ISSUES."
7 AND NOW EVERY ISSUE IS A WOMAN'S ISSUE. EVERYTHING THAT WE
8 VOTE ON, EVERY PERSON THAT WE ELECT TO OFFICE, HAS AN
9 INCREDIBLE IMPACT ON THE LIVES OF WOMEN AND GIRLS IN THIS
10 COUNTRY. SO WE'VE SORT OF TAKEN THAT IDEA OF JUST WOMEN'S
11 ISSUES, AND SAID, "EVERYTHING AFFECTS US, AND WE OUGHT TO LOOK
12 AT EVERYTHING LIKE THAT. HOW ARE OUR RIGHTS BEING PROTECTED,
13 HOW ARE WE BEING GIVEN OPPORTUNITIES AND HOW IS THE NEXT
14 GENERATION OF GIRLS GOING TO GROW UP AND FIND THE MOST AMAZING
15 OPPORTUNITIES FOR THEIR CHOICES IN LIFE?" SO THANK YOU SO MUCH
16 FOR WHAT YOU DID. MY DAUGHTER GAVE ME THIS BRACELET THAT I'M
17 WEARING TODAY, THAT SAYS... IF I CAN READ IT, "SHE BELIEVED
18 SHE COULD, AND SHE DID." SO THAT'S US. THAT'S YOU. WE THANK
19 OUR SUFFRAGETTES WHO WENT BEFORE US AND KNEW HOW IMPORTANT THE
20 RIGHT TO VOTE WOULD BE. YOU HAVE TAKEN THAT TO A WHOLE 'NOTHER
21 LEVEL. THANK YOU SO MUCH. ACCEPTING THIS HONOR TODAY,
22 COMMEMORATING THEIR ANNIVERSARY, IS FATIMA MALIK, THE
23 PRESIDENT OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
24 WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS? [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **FATIMA MALIK:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU TO THE SUPERVISORS FOR
2 ACKNOWLEDGING THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS ON THIS VERY SPECIAL
3 DAY. WE ACTUALLY HAVE SOME TREATS FOR YOU, AND SOME CURATED
4 BOOKS TO DONATE TO YOUR LIBRARY, THAT WILL BE PASSED OUT
5 LATER. MY NAME IS FATIMA MALIK. I'M PRESIDENT OF THE LEAGUE OF
6 WOMEN VOTES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND I'VE BEEN A LEAGUE
7 MEMBER FOR 10 YEARS. WOMEN HAVE PLAYED A FUNDAMENTAL ROLE IN
8 SHAPING AN INCLUSIVE AND ACTIVE ELECTORATE. WOMEN HAVE
9 POWERED, AND CONTINUE TO POWER, THE VOTE. ON THE 100TH
10 BIRTHDAY OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, WE ARE KEEPING IN LINE
11 WITH THE FACT THAT WE WERE BORN FROM THE SUFFRAGE MOVEMENT,
12 AND ROOTED IN A 100-YEAR HISTORY OF FIGHTING TO STRENGTHEN OUR
13 DEMOCRACY. WE WILL CONTINUE TO DEMONSTRATE OUR CONTINUED POWER
14 THROUGH EDUCATION AND ADVOCACY, REBUFFING THE IDEA THAT IT IS
15 NOT POLITE TO DISCUSS POLITICS. NOW, MORE THAN EVER, WE MUST
16 ENCOURAGE POLITICAL CONVERSATIONS LEADING TO AN EDUCATED
17 VOTER, AN EMPOWERED VOTER, WHICH CULMINATES TO AN ENGAGED
18 POPULATION. THIS ENGAGEMENT WILL LEAD TO LAWS AND POLICIES
19 THAT MORE ACCURATELY REFLECT THE WISHES OF THE PEOPLE, AND NOT
20 JUST A SELECT FEW, MAKING DEMOCRACY WORK. ONE OF OUR MOST
21 SUCCESSFUL VOTER EDUCATION PROJECTS IS VOTERSEGE.ORG, WHICH
22 PROVIDES TOP-TO-BOTTOM BALLOT AND CAMPAIGN FINANCE INFORMATION
23 IN ONE USER-FRIENDLY SITE, GIVING VOTERS INSTANT ACCESS TO
24 POLITICAL INFORMATION OF UNPARALLELED DEPTH AND TRANSPARENCY.
25 THE LEAGUE CONTINUES TO BE PROUD TO BE NONPARTISAN, NEITHER

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1 SUPPORTING NOR OPPOSING CANDIDATES OR POLITICAL PARTIES AT ANY
2 LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT. THERE ARE OVER 700 STATE AND LOCAL
3 LEAGUES ACROSS THE NATION, AND OVER A HALF A MILLION MEMBERS
4 AND SUPPORTERS ALWAYS WORKING ON VITAL ISSUES OF CONCERN TO
5 MEMBERS AND THE PUBLIC. THERE ARE 67 LOCAL LEAGUES IN THE
6 STATE OF CALIFORNIA. OF THOSE 67, 12-- AND NOW 13-- LOCAL
7 LEAGUES RESIDE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WHICH INCLUDE BEACH
8 CITIES, LOCATED IN THE SOUTH BAY, GLENDALE-BURBANK, LONG BEACH
9 AREA, LOS ANGELES, MOUNT BALDY AREA, PALOS VERDES PENINSULA,
10 PASADENA AREA, SANTA MONICA, EAST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, TORRANCE
11 AREA, WHITTIER, AND ANTELOPE VALLEY. AND OUR NEWEST LEAGUE
12 WILL SERVE THE AREA OF SANTA CLARITA. SEVERAL REPRESENTATIVES
13 FROM OUR LOCAL LEAGUES ARE HERE TODAY. THEY ARE EXTRAORDINARY
14 WOMEN THAT I AM GRATEFUL TO SERVE WITH. I THANK THEM FOR THEIR
15 VOLUNTEERISM, AND CONGRATULATE THEM ON THEIR NUMEROUS
16 ACHIEVEMENTS. ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE IN THE NEXT 100 YEARS, BUT
17 ONE THING IS FOR CERTAIN: THE POWER OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN
18 VOTERS WILL ALWAYS BE AT THE FOREFRONT TO DEFEND DEMOCRACY,
19 AND WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO BE A PART OF IT. THANK YOU.

20 [APPLAUSE.]

21
22 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WE
23 HAVE THIS BEAUTIFUL SCROLL, HONORING THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN
24 VOTERS FOR YOUR WORK. AND HERE'S TO ANOTHER HUNDRED YEARS!

25 [APPLAUSE.]

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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, OKAY. OKAY, PRIOR TO
3 GOING INTO CLOSED SESSION, WE HAVE THREE SPEAKERS THAT HAVE
4 SIGNED UP FOR CLOSED SESSION. WOULD YOU CALL THEM, MADAM
5 EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

6

7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WOULD ERIC PREVEN,
8 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, AND MIKE GREENSPAN PLEASE COME
9 FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU?

10

11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING, DR. CLAVREUL.

12

13 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF
14 SUPERVISORS.

15

16 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THERE YOU GO. BETTER.

17

18 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** I WANT TO COMPLIMENT YOU ON DECIDING
19 TO USE SOME RESEARCH FIRM TO HIRE A NEW C.E.O. I THINK THAT'S
20 A VERY CRUCIAL POSITION, AND I HOPE YOU WON'T MAKE THE SAME
21 MISTAKE THAN TO HAVE WITHIN THE RANKS SOMEBODY WHO IS NOT
22 QUALIFIED. I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT SACHI HAMAI. SHE IS VERY
23 QUALIFIED. I'M TALKING ABOUT THE HEAD OF D.H.S. SO
24 CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU, AND SELECT A FIRM WHO IS REALLY KNOWN
25 TO GET THE KIND OF PERSON WE NEED FOR THIS COUNTY. THANK YOU.

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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, GENEVIEVE. ANY OTHER
3 SPEAKERS? OKAY. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU READ US INTO
4 CLOSED SESSION?

5

6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
7 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
8 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-1, PUBLIC
9 EMPLOYMENT; ITEM CS-2, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT; AND ITEM CS-3,
10 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS SACHI A. HAMAI AND
11 DESIGNATED STAFF, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL
12 AGENDA.

13

14 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SO IT WILL PROBABLY BE 11:45 WHEN
15 WE'LL COME BACK INTO OPEN SESSION, SO YOU ARE MORE THAN
16 WELCOME TO GO EITHER STAY IN THE ROOM, OR GO TO THE CAFETERIA.
17 BUT WE WILL BE BACK AT 11:45. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, MADAM EXECUTIVE
20 OFFICER, WE ARE BACK IN SESSION. WE HAVE A QUORUM. WILL YOU
21 PLEASE READ US OUT OF CLOSED SESSION?

22

23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING IS A REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN
24 IN CLOSED SESSION ON FEBRUARY 11TH, 2020: ITEMS CS-1, CS-2,
25 AND CS-3, NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN.

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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. BECAUSE ONE OF THE
3 SCHEDULED SPEAKERS HAS NOT ARRIVED YET ON ITEM NUMBER THREE,
4 WE ARE GOING TO JUMP TO ITEM NUMBER SIX, WHICH IS ON THE
5 CORONAVIRUS. YEAH. I MEAN, WE'RE GOING TO CALL THE-- BUT I AM
6 JUST LETTING THE AUDIENCE KNOW. AND THEN WE ARE GOING TO GO TO
7 ITEM NUMBER THREE, THAT IS BEING HELD BY THE BOARD. BUT WILL
8 YOU GO AHEAD AND CALL THE ENTIRE AGENDA, PLEASE?

9

10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. GOOD MORNING,
11 MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL
12 BEGIN ON PAGE THREE, SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDA. THIS IS THE
13 AGENDA FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT. ON ITEMS 1-D
14 THROUGH 3-D, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS
15 BE HELD. ON ITEM 4-D, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS
16 ITEM BE CONTINUED TO MARCH 4, 2020. ON ITEM 5-D, A MEMBER OF
17 THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 5, THIS IS
18 THE AGENDA FOR THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT. ON
19 ITEMS 1-P AND 2-P, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE
20 ITEMS BE HELD. ON PAGE 6, CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 15. ON ITEMS 1 AND 2, MEMBERS OF
22 THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM 3,
23 SUPERVISOR BARGER AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS
24 ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS 4 AND 5, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
25 REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM 6, SUPERVISOR SOLIS

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1 AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLICS REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
2 ITEMS 7 THROUGH 13, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE
3 ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM 14, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS
4 ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK, TO FEBRUARY 18TH, 2020. ON ITEM
5 15, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
6 PAGE 14, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 16 THROUGH 41. ON ITEMS
7 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, AND 22, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
8 REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEMS 23 THROUGH 30, A
9 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON
10 ITEM 31, THE INSPECTOR GENERAL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
11 CONTINUED TO MARCH 4, 2020. ON ITEMS 32 THROUGH 38, A MEMBER
12 OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON PAGE 27,
13 THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE
14 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS
15 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 39-A, SUPERVISOR
16 SOLIS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE
17 HELD. THE REMAINING ITEMS, THROUGH 39-A, ARE BEFORE YOU.

18
19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
20 KUEHL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS.
21 WITH THE EXCEPTIONS AS NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER, THAT
22 WILL BE THE ORDER.

23
24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.
25 MADAM CHAIR, WE WILL NOW PLAY THE CODE OF CONDUCT.

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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR
5 ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW
7 BE READ, AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE
8 EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE
9 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD
10 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,
11 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED
12 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE
13 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE
14 REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES: SPEAKERS MUST CEASE
15 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT
16 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT
17 ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE
18 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE
19 RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF.
20 PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM, AND REFRAIN FROM
21 UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,
22 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING, OR OTHER ABUSIVE
23 STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY
24 OTHER PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF
25 THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF, AND BOARD MEMBERS, AND

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1 MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY
2 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT
3 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE
4 BOARD MEETING. AND FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR
5 BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO
6 REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY
7 THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
8 COOPERATION.

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND JUST FOR A LITTLE
11 HOUSEKEEPING, IN TALKING TO COUNTY COUNSEL, WHAT WE HAVE
12 DETERMINED IS GOING TO BE THE RULE IS, THE CODE OF CONDUCT WAS
13 READ. IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO READ IT, WE WILL HAVE COPIES
14 AVAILABLE FOR YOU TO READ. THAT WILL BE CONSIDERED A FIRST
15 WARNING, BECAUSE THAT IS GOING TO STAND AS A NOTICE REGARDING
16 YOUR CONDUCT. YOU WILL BE GIVEN A SECOND WARNING, AND THEN YOU
17 WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE. THE SECOND WARNING WILL BE THE FINAL
18 WARNING. YOU WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE BOARD MEETING. SO I
19 WOULD APPRECIATE EVERYONE'S COOPERATION, AND RESPECT EACH AND
20 EVERY INDIVIDUAL'S RIGHT TO SPEAK AT THIS BOARD, BUT ALSO
21 WITHOUT USING PROFANITY, IF POSSIBLE, AND CONDUCTING YOURSELF
22 APPROPRIATELY. SO WITH THAT, AS I SAID, WE ARE GOING TO CALL
23 UP NUMBER SIX FIRST, WHICH IS A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HILDA
24 SOLIS ON THE CORONAVIRUS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND I WANT TO ASK
2 OUR PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND OUR SUPERINTENDENT FOR L.A.
3 COUNTY OFFICE OF ED TO BE ABLE TO ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS. BUT I
4 WANTED TO JUST START, AND THANK YOU, TOO, FOR YOUR SUPPORT,
5 MADAM CHAIR, AND THE BOARD. THIS IS, UNFORTUNATELY, ONE OF
6 THOSE TOPICS THAT JUST CONTINUES TO GROW AND GROW WITH MUCH
7 INTEREST AND, UNFORTUNATELY, I THINK A LOT OF MISINFORMATION.
8 AND I JUST WANT TO STATE THAT WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS
9 REALLY CLARIFY WHAT'S HAPPENING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND
10 JUST TO REEMPHASIZE THAT WE, AS FAR AS WE KNOW, HAVE ONE
11 CONFIRMED CASE OF THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS. AND WE'RE GOING TO
12 HEAR FROM DR. FERRER ON THAT, AND SHE WILL GIVE US FACTS AS
13 SHE HEARS THEM. BUT I WANTED TO PUT THESE UPDATES ON OUR
14 AGENDA AGAIN, BECAUSE THIS WEEK I UNDERSTAND THAT, AGAIN, THIS
15 HAS BECOME A SERIOUS ISSUE FOR MANY OF OUR CONSTITUENTS, AND
16 NOT JUST IN MY DISTRICT, BUT I THINK IN THE COUNTY, AND
17 OBVIOUSLY IN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY. BUT WHEN THINGS
18 HAPPEN HERE, I THINK THERE TENDS TO BE A MAGNIFYING GLASS,
19 SOMETIMES, REFLECTED UPON OUR COMMUNITIES. SO I KNOW DR.
20 FERRER HAS SAID THE SITUATION IN THE UNITED STATES IS NOT LIKE
21 WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CHINA, AND I THINK THAT HAS TO BE
22 REEMPHASIZED OVER AND OVER AGAIN, AT LEAST UNTIL NOW. AND I
23 KNOW THAT MANY OF OUR CONSTITUENTS HAVE FAMILY MEMBERS IN
24 CHINA RIGHT NOW, AND THEY ARE WORRIED. IN FACT, I HAVE SOME
25 NEIGHBORS THAT HAVE FAMILY MEMBERS THAT ARE NOT GOING TO BE

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1 ALLOWED TO COME TO THIS COUNTRY TO BE HERE, AND HAVE BEEN PUT
2 OFF BECAUSE THEY CAN'T BE HERE TO CELEBRATE THE LUNAR NEW
3 YEAR. AND THAT, IN AND OF ITSELF, IS ALSO TRAGIC, BECAUSE IT
4 CREATES OTHER PERSONAL TRAUMATIC HARDSHIPS FOR PEOPLE. AND I'M
5 SEEING AND HEARING SOME OF THAT. SO, WHAT I WANT TO EXPRESS
6 TODAY IS, I DON'T THINK THAT ENOUGH HAS BEEN SAID ABOUT OUR
7 SYMPATHY AND OUR SUPPORT FOR THE PEOPLE WHO HAPPEN TO BE FROM
8 CHINA, AND THOSE THAT ARE AFFECTED BY THIS UNFORTUNATE
9 SITUATION. AND I THINK IT IS DURING THESE TIMES THAT I THINK
10 OUR ROLE AS ELECTED OFFICIALS AND OUR PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICIALS
11 NEED TO STEP UP AND, OF COURSE, INFORM OUR COUNTY RESIDENTS
12 ABOUT THE MOST ACCURATE AND UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION, AS WELL AS
13 OUR SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS. AND I BRING THIS UP BECAUSE OF
14 THE MISINFORMATION, AND THE FACT THAT SO MANY FEARS HAVE BEEN
15 CULTIVATED BASED ON RACIAL PROFILING. AND WE HAVE ALREADY
16 HEARD OF SOME OF THOSE INSTANCES REPORTED IN THE MEDIA, WHERE
17 A YOUNG CHILD WAS ACTUALLY BEAT UP OR BULLIED. AND WHAT ABOUT
18 THE CASES THAT WE HAVEN'T EVEN HEARD YET? YOU HAVE PARENTS
19 THAT ARE ALSO CIRCULATING PETITIONS TO CLOSE SCHOOLS. AND WE
20 ARE REACHING OUT TO THEM, GIVING THEM INFORMATION. BUT, AGAIN,
21 IT STILL PERSISTS. AND I DO KNOW THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
22 WILL BE INVESTIGATING INDIVIDUALS OR THE PERSONS INVOLVED IN
23 FABRICATING THAT NOTICE THAT WENT OUT WITH OUR SEALS, AND I
24 THINK THAT THE COMMUNITIES NEED TO KNOW, OUR RESIDENTS, WHERE
25 TO CALL IN WHEN THEY SEE THINGS, OR ACTIONS LIKE THAT, THAT

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1 TAKE PLACE, OR THEY KNOW OF WHERE THEY ARE TAKING PLACE,
2 BECAUSE THAT IS THE BEST WAY TO STOP IT. AGAIN, IT IS LIKE THE
3 OLD SAYING: WHEN YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING. AND I
4 REALLY BELIEVE THAT. I WANT TO THANK THE DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE
5 HERE TODAY, BECAUSE I REALLY WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU WHAT STEPS-
6 - WHERE ARE WE AT RIGHT NOW, DR. FERRER, AND THEN WHAT ACTIONS
7 AND STEPS THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT WILL TALK ABOUT: WHAT
8 YOU'VE DONE AND WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE TO CONTINUE ON THIS
9 EFFORT. SO I APPRECIATE YOUR ALL BEING HERE. SO, WITH THAT--

10

11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** CAN I JUST, FIRST OF ALL, THANK
12 YOU FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD? I WAS AT AN EVENT IN SAN
13 GABRIEL ON SATURDAY, AND THE MAYOR DECIDED TO CONTINUE THE
14 CELEBRATION OF THE CHINESE LUNAR NEW YEAR. AND WHILE THE
15 ATTENDANCE WAS DOWN, PEOPLE WERE ASKING ABOUT THIS. AND ONE OF
16 THE COMMENTS BACK WAS, THEY APPRECIATED THE FACT THAT-- AND
17 CONGRESSWOMAN JUDY CHU WAS THERE, AND WE HAD STATE
18 REPRESENTATIVES, SO THEY APPRECIATED THE FACT THAT WE ARE
19 WORKING COLLABORATIVELY WITH C.D.C., WITH THE STATE, BUT AT
20 THE COUNTY LEVEL, THAT YOU HAVE BEEN TRANSPARENT IN DOING
21 THESE TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALLS, BOTH WITH THE SCHOOLS, WITH
22 THE COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, WITH THE CITY COUNCILS, BEING AS
23 TRANSPARENT AS WE CAN. AND TO MY KNOWLEDGE, WE ARE STILL AT
24 ONE, WHICH TELLS ME THAT IN ADDITION TO BEING TRANSPARENT,
25 WE'RE ALSO EDUCATING ABOUT THE FACT THAT PUTTING ON A FACE

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1 MASK IS NOT GOING TO GUARANTEE, BECAUSE IT HAS TO BE A CERTAIN
2 TYPE, AND IT'S IMPORTANT TO WASH YOUR HANDS, AND THINGS LIKE
3 THAT. BUT I ALSO WANT TO COMMEND OUR SUPERINTENDENT, BECAUSE
4 OUR SCHOOL DISTRICTS ACTUALLY HAVE PUT UP LINKS WITH A MESSAGE
5 THAT YOU SENT, THAT TALKED ABOUT-- AND I SAY THIS TO MY
6 COLLEAGUES AND TO STAFF-- IF YOU DON'T FEEL WELL AND YOU'RE
7 SICK, DON'T COME IN TO WORK. IF YOU ARE SICK, DON'T GO TO
8 SCHOOL. NOT EVEN ABOUT THE CORONAVIRUS, BUT ACROSS THE BOARD.
9 AND I THINK THAT IS SOMETHING WHERE I KNOW IT CAN BE
10 CHALLENGING, ESPECIALLY IF YOU ARE PAYCHECK-TO-PAYCHECK, AND
11 NOT SHOWING UP AT WORK MEANS THAT YOU MAY NOT BE ABLE TO PAY
12 YOUR RENT. SO I UNDERSTAND THERE ARE CHALLENGES OUT THERE IN
13 GENERAL, BUT I JUST WANT TO COMMEND THE TEAM, BECAUSE WE STILL
14 HAVE TO CONTINUE TO EDUCATE. WE HAD THE RECOGNITION TODAY ON
15 WEST NILE VIRUS, WHICH IS STILL VERY MUCH IN EXISTENCE. I
16 THINK WHAT THE CORONAVIRUS HAS TAUGHT US IS THAT WE HAVE TO BE
17 PREPARED. AND PREPARED MEANS WORKING WITH ALL 88 CITIES, BUT
18 ALSO WITH THE STATE AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, TO MAKE SURE
19 THAT WE ARE RESPONDING IN A RESPONSIBLE WAY. AND TO YOUR
20 POINT, THE PROFILING THAT IS MY BIGGEST FEAR. YOU AND I BOTH
21 REPRESENT A LARGE ASIAN-AMERICAN POPULATION, AND MANY WHO HAVE
22 FAMILIES IN CHINA, BUT MANY WHO TRAVEL BACK AND FORTH TO
23 CHINA. AND IT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THAT WE SPEAK
24 FOR THEM, BECAUSE RIGHT NOW, THEY DON'T FEEL LIKE THEY HAVE A

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1 VOICE. SO WITH THAT, I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL, AND GO AHEAD,
2 DR. FERRER.

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** MADAM CHAIR, FORGIVE ME. I WANT TO THANK,
5 ALSO, OUR HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION, OUR ASSISTANT DIRECTOR
6 ROBERT SOWELL, WHO IS HERE. I REALLY APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT
7 YOU AND YOUR ORGANIZATION ARE ON THE CUTTING EDGE ON MANY
8 OCCASIONS LIKE THIS, WHEN THERE IS RACIAL PROFILING AND
9 DISCRIMINATION OCCURRING IN THE COUNTY. SO WITH THAT, MADAM
10 CHAIR, I WOULD ASK FOR DR. FERRER TO BEGIN. THANK YOU.

11

12 **DR. FERRER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I THINK IT'S AFTERNOON. GOOD
13 AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. AND I REALLY JUST WANT TO START BY
14 THANKING ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT, AND NOT JUST FOR YOUR
15 SUPPORT OF THE WORK THAT OUR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS ARE DOING,
16 BUT FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE COMMUNITY. I THINK THE ISSUES
17 AROUND DISCRIMINATION ARE HUGE, AND THERE IS A LOT OF FEAR.
18 AND PEOPLE ARE RIGHT TO BE SCARED, BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE ALL
19 THE INFORMATION WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE, TO MANAGE A NEW VIRUS.
20 BUT I WANT TO APPLAUD YOU FOR YOUR COURAGE TO STAND UP AND SAY
21 THAT EVEN WHEN WE'RE SCARED, THAT'S NOT THE TIME TO FIGHT FEAR
22 WITH STIGMA, FIGHT FEAR WITH DISCRIMINATION. YOU KNOW, WE TALK
23 ABOUT FIGHTING FEAR WITH THE FACTS. AND YOUR VERY PRESENCE AT
24 THE EVENTS THAT ARE HAPPENING DOES SEND A POWERFUL MESSAGE TO
25 EVERYBODY WHO LIVES IN THE COUNTY, THAT IT'S SAFE TO GO OUT,

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1 IT'S SAFE FOR US TO ENJOY OURSELVES, IT'S SAFE, IN PARTICULAR,
2 FOR US TO CONTINUE TO PATRONIZE OUR CHINESE VENDORS, OUR
3 RESTAURANTS. THOSE BUSINESSES HAVE TAKEN A HUGE HIT, WITH A
4 LOT OF MISINFORMATION THAT IS CIRCULATING. WE HAD THEM ON ONE
5 OF OUR PHONE CALLS, AND THEY ARE REALLY SUFFERING FROM PEOPLE
6 WHO JUST DON'T HAVE GOOD INFORMATION, AND ARE FEARFUL OF GOING
7 TO THEIR MARKETS, GOING TO THEIR STORES, GOING TO THEIR
8 RESTAURANTS. AND I THINK THE FACT THAT YOU ALL HAVE BEEN OUT
9 AND ABOUT, AND BEEN VERY SUPPORTIVE OF OUR ASIAN COMMUNITY,
10 SENDS A POWERFUL MESSAGE THAT THERE IS NO REASON FOR US TO
11 TAKE THE FEAR TO A LEVEL THAT ACTUALLY IS NOT SUPPORTED BY ANY
12 SCIENCE AROUND, YOU KNOW, SORT OF WHERE WE CAN GO AND WHERE WE
13 CAN BE SAFE. I JUST WANTED TO START WITH A HUGE THANK-YOU TO
14 ALL OF YOU, BECAUSE THAT DOES MORE THAN ANYTHING, REALLY,
15 AROUND EDUCATING PEOPLE. IT IS SORT OF WHAT WE MODEL, AND
16 WHERE WE ARE, AND WHAT WE'RE DOING, I THINK, MAKES A HUGE
17 DIFFERENCE HERE. I ALSO WANT TO THANK MY PARTNERS. YOU KNOW,
18 FIRST A BIG SHOUTOUT FOR KEVIN MCGOWAN AND O.E.M. AGAIN, AND
19 I.S.D. I'M NOT GOING TO BORE YOU WITH ALL THE LOGISTICAL
20 ISSUES THAT HAVE TO GET WORKED OUT EVERY DAY, BUT THEY HAVE
21 BEEN TREMENDOUS PARTNERS. I'M SO GLAD I'M HERE WITH DR. DUARDO
22 AND L.A.C.O. WE HAVE BEEN WORKING A LOT ON EDUCATING THE
23 SCHOOLS, AND HER TEAM HAS BEEN SO HELPFUL WITH US. ALSO REALLY
24 APPRECIATED HER VIDEO. AND OF COURSE OUR HUMAN RIGHTS
25 COMMISSION THAT STANDS IN FRONT OF REALLY GUARANTEEING THAT

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1 THIS IS A WELCOMING PLACE FOR EVERYONE. SO LET ME JUST GIVE
2 SOME QUICK NUMBERS ON THE UPDATES. MAINLAND CHINA, CURRENTLY,
3 THERE ARE 43,000 CONFIRMED CASES THERE. THERE'S OVER 1,000
4 DEATHS. I DO WANT TO NOTE THAT THE NUMBERS ARE STAGGERING, AND
5 WE STILL HAVE LOTS OF NEW CASES, BUT THE LAST 7 DAYS HAVE SEEN
6 A DECLINE IN THE NUMBER OF NEW CASES EACH DAY, WHICH MEANS
7 THAT WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT SOME OF THE STEPS THAT THEY HAVE
8 TAKEN, YOU KNOW, IN MAINLAND CHINA TO CONTAIN THE VIRUS ARE
9 STARTING TO BEAR FRUIT. OUTSIDE OF CHINA, AND THAT INCLUDES
10 THE UNITED STATES, THERE'S SLIGHTLY UNDER 500 CASES, WITH ONLY
11 TWO DEATHS. NOT ONLY TWO DEATHS; THERE HAVE BEEN TWO TRAGIC
12 DEATHS. BUT COMPARED TO THE DEATH TOLL IN MAINLAND CHINA, IT
13 IS ABSOLUTELY A MUCH SMALLER PERCENTAGE. IN THE U.S., WE HAVE,
14 AS OF TODAY, 13 CASES. 7 OF THOSE CASES ARE IN CALIFORNIA. THE
15 LATEST CASE WAS ONE OF THE 167 PEOPLE THAT WERE ON A CHARTERED
16 FLIGHT FROM WUHAN INTO L.A.X., AND THAT PERSON BECAME ILL
17 WHILE THEY WERE AT THE AIR FORCE BASE UNDER QUARANTINE. AND
18 THEY ARE CURRENTLY IN THE HOSPITAL RECEIVING CARE. WE DO HAVE
19 A PERSON-TO-PERSON CONTACT TRANSMISSION WITH THIS VIRUS. THAT
20 IS KNOWN. IN THE UNITED STATES, ALL OF THE 13 CASES, EXCEPT
21 FOR TWO, WERE PEOPLE WHO HAD ACTUALLY BEEN IN MAINLAND CHINA.
22 THE TWO CASES WHERE WE HAD PERSON-TO-PERSON TRANSMISSION IN
23 THE UNITED STATES WERE NOT COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION, THEY WERE
24 SPOUSES. VERY CLOSE CONTACT, PEOPLE INTIMATELY CONNECTED. AND
25 AGAIN, YOU KNOW, OR A REMINDER, THAT HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, WE

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1 ONLY HAVE THAT ONE CASE. THAT WAS A TRAVELER WHO LIVES IN
2 WUHAN CITY. WE'VE HAD NO NEW CASES HERE, EVEN THOUGH WE, TOO,
3 LIKE ALL OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, HAVE IDENTIFIED PEOPLE
4 THAT HAVE NEEDED TO BE TESTED. BUT ALL OF THE TEST RESULTS TO
5 DATE, FOR THE FOLKS THAT HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED, HAVE BEEN
6 NEGATIVE. THAT'S NOT TO SAY WE DON'T THINK WE WILL HAVE
7 ANOTHER CASE, OR MAYBE TWO OR THREE OR FOUR. AS MUCH AS TRAVEL
8 CONTINUES, WE WILL CONTINUE TO SEE SOME MORE CASES IN THE
9 UNITED STATES. BUT I THINK THE GOAL HAS BEEN TO DETECT AND
10 MINIMIZE THE INTRODUCTION OF THE VIRUS IN THE UNITED STATES,
11 AND I FEEL CONFIDENT THAT WE'RE PREPARED TO DO THOSE TASKS,
12 AND THAT THERE ARE STRATEGIES IN PLACE RIGHT NOW. SO I WANT TO
13 TALK ABOUT THE TWO BUCKETS OF STRATEGIES WE'RE USING. ONE IS,
14 AS SUPERVISOR BARGER MENTIONED, EDUCATION. YOU KNOW, THERE'S A
15 LOT OF WORK ON EDUCATION. AND AGAIN, WE RELY A LOT ON
16 PARTNERSHIPS. IT STARTS WITH DAILY COORDINATION CALLS,
17 MULTIPLE CALLS EVERY DAY, WITH OUR FEDERAL AND STATE PARTNERS.
18 THE INFORMATION IS CHANGING QUICKLY, AND THIS IS THE WAY WE
19 ALL STAY CONNECTED TO EACH OTHER. AND THIS INCLUDES NOT JUST
20 C.D.C. AND THE STATE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH,
21 BUT WE WORK WITH A.S.P.R., WE WORK WITH H.H.S., WE WORK WITH
22 THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE. THERE'S A HUGE GROUP OF FEDERAL AND
23 STATE PARTNERS THAT HAVE BEEN SO GRACIOUS ABOUT SUPPORTING THE
24 RESPONSE ON THE LOCAL LEVEL. BUT IT STARTS, FOR US, WITH
25 MAKING SURE THAT PEOPLE HAVE REALLY GOOD INFORMATION. WE

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1 UNDERSTAND THE REASONS FOR PEOPLE'S CONCERNS AND FEARS. WE'VE
2 LAUNCHED, TODAY, A NEW MEDIA CAMPAIGN. IT IS CALLED "GET THE
3 FACTS." EVERY DAY, WE'RE GOING TO BE POSTING FACTS, SO THAT--
4 AND IT'S EASY. WE ARE USING A LOT OF SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS.
5 IT IS MULTILINGUAL, SO THAT PEOPLE WILL ACTUALLY HAVE GOOD
6 INFORMATION, JUST THE GENERAL PUBLIC. YOU KNOW, WE ISSUED A
7 PRESS STATEMENT ON SATURDAY AGAIN, EMPHASIZING WHAT WE KNOW,
8 AND EMPHASIZING THE NEED FOR PEOPLE TO CONTINUE TO FEEL
9 COMFORTABLE DOING THEIR DAILY ACTIVITIES. WE'VE SENT OUT HAND-
10 DELIVERED MATERIALS TO 1200 TRUSTED COMMUNITY PARTNERS,
11 BECAUSE WE KNOW THEY'RE THE VOICES IN MANY OF OUR COMMUNITIES.
12 THEY'RE THE PEOPLE THAT OTHER PEOPLE GO TO, TO GET
13 INFORMATION. SO IF THEY DON'T TRUST US, AS GOVERNMENT, WE WANT
14 THEM TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE GETTING GOOD INFORMATION FROM THE
15 COMMUNITY LEADERS IN THE COMMUNITY. WE'VE OBVIOUSLY POSTED A
16 TON OF MATERIALS IN MANY DIFFERENT LANGUAGES ON OUR WEBSITE,
17 AND CONTINUE TO UPDATE THOSE. AS NOTED, WE DO TELEBRIEFINGS ON
18 A DAILY BASIS, JUST SO FOLKS UNDERSTAND. WE'VE DONE ELECTED
19 CITY MANAGERS, DEPARTMENT HEADS, SCHOOLS, CHILD CARE
20 PROVIDERS, UNIVERSITIES, FAITH-BASED LEADERS, C.B.O.S, SENIOR
21 CARE FACILITIES. THIS WEEK WE HAVE LEFT TO DO THE CONSULATE
22 OFFICES, CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE. ANOTHER BRIEFING, WE BRIEF
23 REGULARLY ELECTEDS AND CITY MANAGERS. WE WILL DO THE CHAMBERS
24 OF COMMERCE ON THURSDAY. WE WILL DO ANOTHER BRIEFING FOR
25 SCHOOLS ON FRIDAY. HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS-- WE'VE DONE, LIKE,

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1 FOUR. I THINK WE HAVE ONE THIS MORNING. AND WE WILL WORK WITH
2 OUR ASSISTED LIVING CENTERS ON FRIDAY, AS WELL. SO WE
3 CONSTANTLY ARE REACHING OUT, PUTTING TOGETHER MASSIVE LISTS,
4 INVITING PEOPLE. WE'VE HAD OVER A THOUSAND PEOPLE ON SOME OF
5 OUR CALLS. SO, YOU KNOW, THE WORD IS GETTING OUT. IT IS A
6 PLACE WHERE PEOPLE CAN ASK US QUESTIONS. WE DO IT NOT JUST TO
7 PUSH OUT INFORMATION, BUT WE KNOW PEOPLE ARE DESPERATE TO ASK
8 QUESTIONS AND GET THEIR QUESTIONS ANSWERED. I DO WANT TO NOTE
9 WE ALSO HAVE A SECURE PRIVATE LINE FOR ALL OF THE FOLKS THAT
10 PARTICIPATE IN OUR TELEBRIEFINGS, WHO ARE RUNNING PROGRAMS. SO
11 THEY CAN ALSO-- IF WE DON'T ANSWER THEIR QUESTION ON THE
12 TELEBRIEFING, WE HAVE A CALL CENTER SET UP JUST FOR ALL OF
13 THOSE ORGANIZATIONS-- UNIVERSITIES, SCHOOLS-- SO THEY CAN GET
14 TO US QUICKLY, AND WE CAN ANSWER THEIR SPECIFIC QUESTION
15 AROUND A SPECIFIC SITUATION. SO THE GENERAL PUBLIC, WE'VE DONE
16 A LOT OF WORK WITH 2-1-1, SO THEY CAN CONTINUE TO USE 2-1-1.
17 AND WE HAVE A SECURE LINE FOR PROVIDERS TO CALL IF THEY NEED
18 HELP WITH A PARTICULAR PATIENT. I DO WANT TO ALSO NOTE THAT WE
19 DO COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS. WE'VE BEEN INVITED TO A LOT OF
20 COMMUNITY MEETINGS. SO WE HAVE A TEAM OF FOLKS THAT ARE
21 AVAILABLE, AND CAN GO OUT, AGAIN, TO TALK WITH COMMUNITY
22 RESIDENTS, ANSWER THEIR QUESTIONS, AND TRY TO, AGAIN, MAKE
23 SURE THAT THE FACTS ARE OUT. THANKS TO A RECOMMENDATION FROM
24 SUPERVISOR HAHN, WE'RE JUST PUTTING UP A FACT SHEET AROUND THE
25 ANXIETY AND STRESS THAT IS ASSOCIATED WITH HAVING PANDEMICS,

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1 OR EPIDEMICS, OR OUTBREAKS. THESE ARE UNIQUE SITUATIONS. THEY
2 ARE NOT FIRES. THEY ARE NOT NATURAL DISASTERS IN THE SAME WAY.
3 BUT THEY DO GIVE A LOT OF US ANXIETY, AND THEY DO CAUSE A LOT
4 OF STRESS, PARTICULARLY FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE RELATIVES IN
5 CHINA, WHERE THE SITUATION IS DEVASTATING. SO, THANKS TO
6 D.M.H., WE WILL BE POSTING THAT. THAT ALSO IS TRANSLATED IN
7 MULTIPLE LANGUAGES. WE'VE ISSUED GUIDANCE, SPECIFIC GUIDANCE,
8 TO SCHOOLS, TO CHILD CARE CENTERS, TO EMPLOYERS, AGAIN
9 EXPLAINING WHAT ARE THE EXCLUSIONS, WHAT SHOULD I DO AROUND
10 EMPLOYEES WHO ARE BEING ASKED TO STAY HOME AND NOT COME TO
11 WORK? YOU KNOW, AGAIN, WE'RE ASKING ALL EMPLOYERS TO PLEASE
12 MAKE SURE THEY'RE OFFERING FLEXIBLE LEAVE POLICIES. WE DON'T
13 WANT PEOPLE NOT ABLE TO FOLLOW THE DIRECTIVES BECAUSE THEY
14 CAN'T AFFORD TO, SO WE'RE REALLY ASKING OUR EMPLOYERS TO HELP
15 US WITH THAT. THAT'S WHY WE'RE TALKING WITH THE CHAMBERS, AS
16 WELL, TO MAKE SURE PEOPLE UNDERSTAND. IT IS A VERY SMALL
17 NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT ARE BEING ASKED TO EXCLUDE THEMSELVES,
18 OR WHO ARE BEING QUARANTINED. BUT NONETHELESS, THOSE PEOPLE
19 NEED ALL OF OUR SUPPORT SO THAT THEY CAN BE SUCCESSFUL IN
20 FOLLOWING THE DIRECTIVES. I WANT TO SWITCH TO THE CONTAINMENT
21 SIDE OF THE HOUSE. THIS IS WHAT WE DO TO HELP CONTAIN THE
22 VIRUS FROM SPREADING. AND, YOU KNOW, THEY'RE PRETTY SIMILAR TO
23 STRATEGIES YOU HEAR ME TALK ABOUT WHEN WE HAVE HEP-A OR WE
24 HAVE A MEASLES OUTBREAK. ONE OF THE FIRST THINGS WE DO IS WE
25 FOLLOW UP WITH THE CLOSE CONTACTS OF ANY CONFIRMED CASES, AND

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1 THAT IS TO MAKE SURE THAT THOSE CLOSE CONTACTS, WE ARE IN
2 TOUCH WITH THEM. WE ASSESS THEIR SITUATION. IN THIS CASE, IF
3 WE NEED THEM TO EXCLUDE THEMSELVES FROM PUBLIC ACTIVITIES, WE
4 ARE ABLE TO DO THAT, AS WELL. AND THEY KNOW HOW TO GET HOLD OF
5 US, SHOULD THEY GET SICK, SHOULD THEY START BEING SYMPTOMATIC.
6 SO WE TRACK THEM FOR A FULL 14 DAYS AFTER THEY'VE HAD THEIR
7 EXPOSURES. WE ALSO MONITOR ALL L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS WHO HAVE
8 TRAVELED TO MAINLAND CHINA OVER THE PAST 14 DAYS, CAME IN
9 THROUGH L.A.X., ARE STAYING HERE BECAUSE THIS IS THEIR HOME,
10 DON'T NEED TO BE QUARANTINED, AND AREN'T SICK. ALL OF THOSE
11 FOLKS, WE'RE CALLING THEM. WE'RE ASSIGNING THEM A PUBLIC
12 HEALTH NURSE. THAT'S OVER A THOUSAND PEOPLE. AND WE WILL
13 FOLLOW UP WITH THEM, AGAIN, FOR 14 DAYS FROM THEIR LAST
14 EXPOSURE. WE'RE MAKING SURE THAT THEY KNOW TO DO SOCIAL
15 DISTANCING, NOT TO GO TO WORK, NOT TO GO TO SCHOOL, THAT THEY
16 HAVE THERMOMETERS. THEY ARE TAKING THEIR TEMPERATURES EVERY
17 DAY, AND THEY ARE CHECKING IN WITH US IF THEY START TO FEEL
18 SICK. THIS IS AN AGGRESSIVE EFFORT TO TOUCH ALL THE PEOPLE WHO
19 COME INTO L.A. COUNTY, WHO HAVE RECENTLY TRAVELED THROUGH
20 MAINLAND CHINA. WE ASSIST WITH ANY TRANSPORTS THAT NEED TO
21 HAPPEN FROM THE AIRPORT FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE EITHER SICK OR NEED
22 TO GO DOWN TO THE AIR FORCE BASE, MARCH AIR FORCE BASE, FOR
23 QUARANTINE. THERE ARE A GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO ARE SUBJECT TO A
24 MANDATORY QUARANTINE, AND WE WORK WITH THE C.D.C. QUARANTINE
25 STATION ON OTHER ISSUES AS THEY ARISE. I WANT TO JUST MAKE

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1 SURE PEOPLE UNDERSTAND, WE DO A LOT OF EDUCATION, BUT WE ALSO
2 HAVE A LOT OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR TRYING TO MAKE SURE THAT
3 PEOPLE WHO MAY HAVE HAD AN EXPOSURE ARE BEING FOLLOWED. AND
4 THAT'S A MAMMOTH TASK. I HAVE OVER 400 PEOPLE ON OUR STAFF
5 THAT ARE DOING DIFFERENT PIECES OF THE RESPONSE WORK AROUND
6 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS, FROM THE COMMUNICATIONS, TO ORDERING OUR
7 SUPPLIES, TO MAKING SURE WE TOUCH BASE WITH ALL THESE 1,000-
8 PLUS VISITORS, TO GOING AND DOING COMMUNITY MEETINGS. SO, A
9 DEBT OF GRATITUDE TO ALL OF THE STAFF THAT REALLY HAVE RISEN
10 TO THE OCCASION. WE CONTINUE TO HAVE TO DO OUR REGULAR DAY
11 JOBS AND ALL THE OTHER WORK, BUT PEOPLE HAVE REALLY STEPPED
12 UP, AND I KNOW I OWE A DEBT OF GRATITUDE TO AN AMAZING TEAM
13 BACK AT THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT. WE CONTINUE TO PROVIDE
14 THE BOARD WITH A WEEKLY UPDATE, A WRITTEN WEEKLY UPDATE, AND
15 OTHER UPDATES AS THE SITUATION CHANGES AND WARRANTS A DIRECT
16 COMMUNICATION WITH YOU. SO, AGAIN, THANKING ALL OUR PARTNERS,
17 THANKFUL FOR THE GREAT LEADERSHIP FROM THE BOARD OF
18 SUPERVISORS.

19
20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** DR. DUARDO?

21
22 **DR. DUARDO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. IT IS A
23 PLEASURE TO BE HERE. AND AS DR. FERRER SAID, WE APPRECIATE
24 YOUR SUPPORT. ABSOLUTELY, WE HAVE NOTICED THAT MORE SCHOOLS,
25 MORE DISTRICTS, HAVE BEEN CONTACTING OUR OFFICE WITH E-MAILS

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1 AND CALLS AND MANY QUESTIONS ABOUT HOW TO KEEP THEIR CHILDREN
2 SAFE. ONE OF OUR MAIN PRIORITIES, REALLY, IS TO PROVIDE FACTS
3 TO MITIGATE THE FEAR THAT'S OUT THERE, AND MAINTAIN A SENSE OF
4 CALM, SO THAT WE HAVE THE LEAST AMOUNT OF DISRUPTION TO OUR
5 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM. WE'VE EMPHASIZED IN OUR COMMUNICATIONS
6 WITH SCHOOLS THE IMPORTANT ROLES THAT SCHOOLS PLAY. SCHOOLS
7 ARE TRUSTED MESSENGERS, AND WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE
8 WORKING TO EDUCATE OUR PARENTS AND OUR STAFF, OUR STUDENTS, BY
9 PROVIDING THE FACTS, MAKING SURE THAT THEY HAVE ACCURATE
10 INFORMATION IN A TIMELY MANNER. IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE WORKING
11 WITH DR. FERRER, ALWAYS HER AND HER TEAM PROVIDING IMMEDIATE
12 INFORMATION, HAVING THAT IMMEDIATE ACCESS IF WE HAVE QUESTIONS
13 OR CONCERNS, AND MAKING SURE THAT THOSE QUESTIONS ARE BEING
14 ANSWERED. SO, SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE'VE DONE TO PROVIDE
15 INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE TO OUR SCHOOLS-- AND AGAIN, WE
16 REMEMBER THAT THERE ARE TWO MILLION CHILDREN IN L.A. COUNTY
17 SCHOOLS. SO THIS IS AN IMPORTANT ROLE, AND WE TAKE IT VERY
18 SERIOUSLY, OF MAKING SURE THAT WE'RE COMMUNICATING. SO WE
19 SERVE AS THE LIAISON BETWEEN THE SCHOOL AND THE L.A. COUNTY
20 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. WE HAVE DAILY COMMUNICATION WITH
21 PUBLIC HEALTH. WE PARTICIPATE IN THE REGULAR MEETINGS AND
22 DEBRIEFINGS, WHERE THEY'RE PROVIDING INFORMATION. WE SEND
23 REGULAR UPDATES TO OUR 80 SUPERINTENDENTS, TO OUR SCHOOL
24 NURSES, AND TO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES AND ADMINISTRATORS. WE
25 SHARE THE PUBLIC HEALTH RESOURCES WITH SCHOOLS, SUCH AS THE

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1 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS. THERE'S A SCHOOL TOOLKIT,
2 GUIDANCE FOR SCHOOLS. ALL OF THESE ARE PROVIDED IN ENGLISH,
3 SPANISH, CHINESE, KOREAN, AND VIETNAMESE. WE'VE TAPED VIDEO
4 MESSAGES ADDRESSING FEAR-BASED MISINFORMATION, AND ENCOURAGING
5 THAT SCHOOLS REMAIN SAFE AND WELCOMING ENVIRONMENTS FOR ALL
6 STUDENTS. WE'VE SHARED THIS INFORMATION ON SOCIAL MEDIA, AS
7 WELL. WE'VE WORKED WITH SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN THE SAN GABRIEL
8 VALLEY, PARTICULARLY WITH ALHAMBRA UNIFIED, WHICH SERVES A
9 LARGE CHINESE COMMUNITY, IN ADDRESSING SPECIFIC ISSUES AND
10 CONCERNS THAT THEY HAD THERE. WE'VE PARTICIPATED IN THE PARENT
11 INFORMATION MEETING WITH THE PUBLIC HEALTH, HOSTED BY ALHAMBRA
12 U.S.D. AND GARVEY SCHOOL DISTRICT, ON FEBRUARY 13TH AT SAN
13 GABRIEL HIGH SCHOOL. WE'VE ALSO MADE IT VERY CLEAR THAT WE DO
14 NOT WANT TO SEE ANY OF OUR STUDENTS TARGETED, BASED ON THEIR
15 RACE OR COUNTRY OF ORIGIN, OR RECENT TRAVELS THAT THEY'VE
16 MADE. AND THAT HAS BEEN A CONCERN, SO WE'RE WORKING VERY HARD
17 TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE ISN'T BULLYING, AND THAT NO CHILDREN
18 OR FAMILIES ARE PROFILED AND TARGETED. WE'VE ALSO PROVIDED
19 INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE TO ALL OF OUR L.A.C.O.E. STAFF,
20 SENDING REGULAR UPDATES, CONDUCTING INFORMATIONAL TRAININGS,
21 PROVIDING THE INFORMATION THAT WE WERE PROVIDED BY THE
22 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AND OFFERING ASSISTANCE THROUGH
23 OUR E.A.S.E. PROGRAM, WHICH IS AN EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
24 FOR COUNSELING. WE'VE SHARED INFORMATION THROUGH THE NEWS
25 MEDIA, INTERVIEWS WITH K.P.C.C. AND THE L.A. TIMES. AND THE

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1 MESSAGING, AGAIN, IS THAT SCHOOLS PLAY A VERY IMPORTANT ROLE
2 IN EDUCATING STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND STAFF, BY PROVIDING
3 ACCURATE INFORMATION. IT'S CRITICAL TO PREVENT TARGETING
4 STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND STAFF, BASED ON RACE, COUNTRY OF
5 ORIGIN, OR RECENT TRAVEL, AND TO ENSURE A SCHOOL-SAFE
6 ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL OF OUR STUDENTS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK
7 CLOSELY WITH ALL OF OUR PARTNERS. OUR WAY OF LOOKING AT THIS
8 IS THAT WE CAN GET A LOT MORE DONE BY WORKING TOGETHER, BY
9 LEVERAGING OUR RESOURCES, AND COMMUNICATING THE SAME MESSAGE
10 ACROSS THE COUNTY. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **ROBERT SOWELL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ROBERT SOWELL. I'M
15 THE ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF L.A. COUNTY'S COMMISSION
16 ON HUMAN RELATIONS, WORKING IN THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE
17 DEVELOPMENT, AGING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES. SO, ON BEHALF OF
18 PRESIDENT JARRETT BARRIOS AND THE REST OF OUR COMMISSIONERS,
19 OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ROBIN TOMA, AND OUR DEPARTMENT'S ACTING
20 DIRECTOR OTTO SOLORZANO, I WANT TO JOIN WITH WHAT HAS ALREADY
21 BEEN SHARED TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN
22 WORKING TO PREVENT POTENTIAL SOCIAL, AS WELL AS HEALTH,
23 CONSEQUENCES OF THIS VIRUS OUTBREAK. WE WERE ASKED TO SPEAK
24 DIRECTLY AND BRIEFLY TO THREE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS, AND I'M
25 GOING TO DO THAT AND BE PREPARED TO RESPOND TO OTHER QUESTIONS

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1 AS YOU WISH. THE FIRST QUESTION THAT WAS PRESENTED TO US IS,
2 WHAT ARE THE MEASURES THAT OUR COMMISSION IS TAKING IN ORDER
3 TO DISSUADE THE PUBLIC FROM SPREADING MISINFORMATION AND
4 BLAMING ASIAN OR PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES? ONE OF THE
5 THINGS I WANT TO TELL YOU ABOUT IS THAT WE ARE PARTICIPATING
6 THIS THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, IN A PRESS CONFERENCE ON THIS
7 ISSUE. THE PRESS CONFERENCE IS BEING ORGANIZED BY THE ASIAN-
8 PACIFIC POLICY AND PLANNING COUNCIL, AND DURING THAT PRESS
9 CONFERENCE, WE WILL SHARE INFORMATION AND SPEAK AGAINST
10 DISCRIMINATION AND EXPRESSIONS OF HATE. OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
11 WILL BE THERE TO SPEAK. ALSO, WE ARE CREATING A FLYER THAT CAN
12 BE DISTRIBUTED IN PRINT, POSTED ON WEBSITES, INCLUDING OURS,
13 AND DISSEMINATED THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA, TO FOCUS ON THE SOCIAL
14 CONSEQUENCES OF THIS OUTBREAK. THE FLYER WILL ACCOMPLISH TWO
15 AIMS. FIRST, IT WILL BRIEFLY SUMMARIZE FACTS ABOUT THE VIRUS:
16 ITS SPREAD AND MEASURES TO CONTAIN IT; AND THEN ALSO URGE
17 PEOPLE TO ACT BASED ON FACTS, NOT THEIR FEARS, AS HAS ALREADY
18 BEEN SAID, AND THE PREJUDICES THAT FEAR FOMENTS, WHICH WE ARE
19 WONT TO DO IN EXACTLY THESE CIRCUMSTANCES. SO THE FLYER WILL
20 BE A REMINDER THAT ALL OF US ARE AFFECTED WHEN PREJUDICE IS
21 UNRESTRAINED, WITH DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACT ON MARGINALIZED
22 GROUPS. SECOND QUESTION WE WERE ASKED TO RESPOND TO IS WHETHER
23 WE KNOW OF ANY INCIDENTS OF DISCRIMINATION, RACISM, OR HATE
24 CRIMES IN L.A. COUNTY RESULTING FROM THE CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK.
25 IN THE LAST 24 HOURS, WE HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH LAW

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1 ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY AND WITH COMMUNITY
2 PARTNERS. SO FAR, WE'VE HEARD FROM MANY. WE'VE HEARD FROM THE
3 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, L.A.P.D. WE'VE HEARD FROM L.A.U.S.D.,
4 POLICE DEPARTMENT. WE'VE HEARD FROM POLICE DEPARTMENTS IN SAN
5 GABRIEL, SAN FERNANDO, ARCADIA, SAN MARINO, VERNON, PASADENA,
6 AND OTHERS, AND ALL OF THEM SO FAR REPORT THAT THEY HAVE NOT
7 RECEIVED ANY REPORTS OF HATE INCIDENTS OR CRIMES AS A RESULT
8 OF THE VIRUS OUTBREAK. CLEARLY, THAT DOESN'T MEAN MORE THAN
9 WHAT I JUST SAID. IT ONLY MEANS THAT THEY HAVE NOT RECEIVED
10 THOSE REPORTS. IT DOES NOT AT ALL MEAN THAT THE ACTIVITY IS
11 NOT OCCURRING. THERE ARE MANY REASONS WHY PEOPLE WHO ARE
12 TARGETED WOULD NOT FEEL COMFORTABLE REPORTING. IN FACT, ONE OF
13 OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS HAS TOLD US OF A RELATED INCIDENT IN A
14 SCHOOL BETWEEN STUDENTS. THE FAMILY OF THAT TARGETED STUDENT
15 IS WORKING WITH THE SCHOOL ON ADDRESSING THIS. WE ARE
16 AVAILABLE, BUT THE FAMILY IS SPECIFICALLY NOT EAGER TO RELEASE
17 DETAILS ABOUT IT AT THIS TIME. WE ALSO CHECKED WITH 2-1-1, AND
18 THEY REPORTED NOT HAVING RECEIVED ANY CORONAVIRUS-RELATED
19 REPORTS OF HATE, EITHER. I WILL TELL YOU MORE IN JUST A MOMENT
20 ABOUT WHY THAT IS AN IMPORTANT SOURCE. AND WE ARE CONTINUING
21 TO MONITOR THE SITUATION. ALL OF THOSE SOURCES THAT I'VE
22 MENTIONED ARE IN ONGOING CONTACT WITH US. WE KNOW THAT THERE'S
23 A GROWING CONCERN AND FEAR ABOUT REPORTS, BOTH FACTUAL AND
24 FALSE, OF THE SPREAD OF THE VIRUS, AND THAT THAT KIND OF FEAR
25 OFTEN DEGENERATES INTO NEGATIVE ASSUMPTIONS AND STEREOTYPING

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1 EXPRESSED IN ACTS OF PREJUDICE, DISCRIMINATION, AND HATE. THE
2 THIRD QUESTION WE WERE ASKED TO RESPOND TO IS WHETHER THE
3 COMMISSION HAS A HOTLINE OR ANY MECHANISM WHERE CASES OF
4 DISCRIMINATION CAN BE REPORTED. SO LET ME COME BACK TO 2-1-1.
5 WE HAVE A CONTRACT WITH 2-1-1, L.A. COUNTY, TO RECEIVE CALLS
6 AND REPORTS ON THEIR WEBSITE OF BIAS-MOTIVATED HATE. AND SO WE
7 ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO CALL THAT NUMBER TO REPORT ANY EXPERIENCES
8 OF HATE, INCLUDING DISCRIMINATION. OUR CONTRACT INCLUDES CARE
9 COORDINATORS EMPLOYED BY 2-1-1, WHO FOLLOW UP WITH CALLERS
10 TARGETED BY HATE, TO BE SURE THAT THEY HAVE APPROPRIATE
11 SERVICES AND REFERRALS. AND CALLERS WHO REPORT POSSIBLE HATE
12 CRIMES ARE URGED, ALSO, TO CALL LAW ENFORCEMENT IF THEY'VE NOT
13 DONE SO ALREADY. AND 2-1-1 HAS PROMINENTLY POSTED ON THEIR
14 WEBSITE'S HOME PAGE A NOTICE ABOUT THE CORONAVIRUS, INCLUDING
15 HOW TO REPORT DISCRIMINATION, AND THAT NOTICE INCLUDES
16 INFORMATION FROM THE PRESS RELEASE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
17 HEALTH FROM THIS PAST SATURDAY. IT IS A CURIOUS THING TO NOTE
18 THAT PEOPLE WHO DO NOT FIND IT ACCEPTABLE TO SPREAD A VIRUS
19 ARE ENTIRELY COMFORTABLE WITH SPREADING THE PERNICIOUS POISON
20 OF PREJUDICE. WE ARE WORKING TO CONTAIN THE SPREAD OF THAT
21 CONTAGION, AND TRANSFORM PREJUDICE INTO ACCEPTANCE. THANK YOU
22 FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF THAT CHARGE.

23
24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU
25 WANTED TO SAY SOMETHING?

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2 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. WELL, FIRST OF ALL, I REALLY WANT
3 TO FIGURE OUT THIS MICROPHONE. I REALLY WANT TO THANK YOU,
4 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR BRINGING THIS UP, WEEKLY. I THINK THAT'S
5 SO IMPORTANT, BECAUSE I THINK THE BIGGEST ENEMY IS
6 MISINFORMATION AND NON-TRANSPARENCY. AND I'M SO PROUD OF THE
7 COUNTY. DR. FERRER, I WAS SO PROUD OF YOUR LEADERSHIP IN THIS
8 AREA, DR. DUARDO, AND OF COURSE OUR HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
9 IS SO KEY TO THIS. I REALLY APPRECIATE THIS UPDATED
10 INFORMATION EVERY WEEK, BECAUSE WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE NEWS, IT
11 IS JUST-- IT IS A LITTLE BIT SHOCKING, PARTICULARLY FOR THE
12 DEATHS. AND I'M STILL TRYING TO WRAP MY HEAD AROUND WHY PEOPLE
13 ARE DYING FROM THIS. BECAUSE I HAVE HEARD YOU SAY THIS BEFORE,
14 DR. FERRER, THAT YOU DON'T HAVE TO DIE FROM THIS. AND IT IS
15 SHOCKING TO ME THAT WE NOW HAVE A THOUSAND PEOPLE IN CHINA
16 THAT HAVE ACTUALLY DIED FROM THIS. ARE THEY DYING FROM THEIR
17 SYMPTOMS, OR ARE THEY DYING BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T CATCH IT FAST
18 ENOUGH, OR WHY ARE PEOPLE DYING FROM THIS? AND I THINK THAT'S
19 WHAT'S ADDING TO, OF COURSE, THIS FEAR. IT IS LIKE THE MOVIE
20 "OUTBREAK."

21

22 **DR. FERRER:** YEAH. I MEAN, I THINK, UNFORTUNATELY, WE HAVE
23 LIMITED INFORMATION, BECAUSE IT IS SOMETHING THAT IS HAPPENING
24 IN ANOTHER COUNTRY. ONE THING WE DO KNOW IS THE MAJORITY OF
25 PEOPLE WHO DIE ARE PEOPLE WHO HAVE UNDERLYING HEALTH

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1 CONDITIONS. SO, SIMILAR TO FLU. WE'VE HAD ALREADY 10,000
2 PEOPLE DIE IN THIS COUNTRY FROM FLU, AND IF YOU LOOK AT WHO
3 DIES FROM FLU, NOT EVERYONE WHO DIES HAS AN UNDERLYING HEALTH
4 CONDITION, BUT A LOT OF PEOPLE DO. SO I THINK SOME PEOPLE ARE
5 JUST LESS ABLE TO COPE WITH A NEW VIRUS THAT THEIR IMMUNE
6 SYSTEM HAS NEVER SEEN BEFORE, WHICH IS WHAT THIS IS. NONE OF
7 OUR IMMUNE SYSTEMS REALLY HAVE EVER COME IN CONTACT WITH THIS
8 VIRUS, AND FOR SOME OF US THAT BECOMES A CHALLENGE IF OUR
9 SYSTEMS ALREADY AREN'T OPERATING WELL. SO I THINK THE OTHER
10 ISSUES THAT CERTAINLY ARE HAPPENING IS, YOU KNOW, WE KNOW FOR
11 SURE IN THE HUBEI PROVINCE, THEY ARE OVERWHELMED WITH PEOPLE
12 WHO ARE SICK. AND SOME OF THE REPORTS WE GET IS THAT IT HAS
13 BEEN HARD FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE SICK TO GET INTO CARE. IT'S BEEN
14 DIFFICULT TO GET TRANSPORT FOR SOME PEOPLE WHO ARE MORE REMOTE
15 TO GET INTO CARE. SO I THINK SOME OF WHAT MIGHT PLAY HERE IS
16 THAT PEOPLE ARE ALSO HAVING A HARD TIME GETTING GOOD CARE,
17 BECAUSE IT'S BEEN AN OVERWHELMING SITUATION. YOU KNOW, THEY
18 BUILT TWO NEW HOSPITALS JUST TO ACCOMMODATE THE NUMBER OF
19 PEOPLE WHO ARE ILL AND NEED CARE.

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21 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THEY DID NOT HAVE TO GO THROUGH C.E.Q.A. OR
22 E.I.R.S. ON THOSE TWO HOSPITALS.

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24 **DR. FERRER:** 10 DAYS. AND I THINK IF YOU LOOK AT 43,000
25 DOCUMENTED CASES, YOU ALWAYS KNOW THOSE ARE CONFIRMED CASES.

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1 THOSE ARE PEOPLE WHO GOT SOMEWHERE, GOT A TEST, AND ACTUALLY
2 SOMEBODY CONFIRMED IT. SO THERE PROBABLY IS ALSO MORE VIRUS
3 CIRCULATING, MORE PEOPLE GETTING SICK THAN THAT 43,000 NUMBER
4 TELLS US. SO, AGAIN, SIMILAR TO THE FLU. WE'VE PROBABLY HAD
5 MAYBE AS MANY AS 20 MILLION PEOPLE IN THE UNITED STATES WHO
6 HAVE BEEN SICK WITH THE FLU, AND WE'VE HAD ABOUT 10,000
7 DEATHS. SO IF YOU LOOK AT HOW MANY PEOPLE ACTUALLY GOT SICK,
8 AND HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE DYING--

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10 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** BUT THIS ONE, I THINK, IT'S BECAUSE OF THE--

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12 **DR. FERRER:** WE DON'T KNOW.

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14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** YEAH. AND IT IS THE UNKNOWN, AND IT'S ALSO
15 EVERY NIGHT ON T.V.-- YOU KNOW, THE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS THAT
16 ARE IN THE FULL TOXIC HAZARDOUS BODY SUITS. I THINK IT PUTS
17 FEAR IN. I AM REALLY IMPRESSED WITH WHAT YOU TOLD US ABOUT
18 THOSE PASSENGERS THAT ARE COMING THROUGH L.A.X., THAT YOU ARE
19 ACTUALLY ASSIGNING EACH ONE OF THEM A HEALTH PROFESSIONAL,
20 CHECKING IN ON THEM EVERY DAY. I THINK THAT'S AMAZING. I THINK
21 THAT'S CERTAINLY... THAT IS INCREDIBLE. I'M WORRIED A LITTLE
22 BIT ABOUT THOSE WHO ARE SELF-QUARANTINING THEMSELVES, MAYBE
23 THAT DIDN'T GO THROUGH THAT PROCESS. I'VE HEARD OF A COUPLE,
24 EVEN IN MY PART OF TOWN, THAT THEY CAME-- THEY TRAVELED THERE,
25 THEY CAME BACK, THEY WEREN'T IN THE GROUP THAT GOT THAT, AND

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1 NOW THEIR EMPLOYER HAS TOLD THEM TO SORT OF SELF-QUARANTINE AT
2 HOME. ARE YOU OKAY WITH THOSE?

3

4 **DR. FERRER:** YEAH. I MEAN, WE ENCOURAGE THOSE PEOPLE, IF THEY
5 NEED SUPPORT, TO CALL 2-1-1. WE WILL GET THEIR NAMES. WE'LL
6 CALL THEM BACK. THE THING ON THE-- YOU KNOW, THE ISSUE AROUND
7 THE SELF-QUARANTINING-- YOU KNOW, WE CALL THAT ISOLATING
8 YOURSELF-- IS IT WENT INTO EFFECT AFTER FEBRUARY 2. AND THERE
9 CERTAINLY WERE SOME TRAVELERS WHO CAME BACK TO L.A. AND LIVE
10 HERE, WHO RETURNED BEFORE THE DIRECTIVES WERE ISSUED. AND SOME
11 OF THOSE PEOPLE-- AND I WANT TO SAY, YOU KNOW, WE'VE HAD 100-
12 PERCENT COOPERATION FROM TRAVELERS. WE HAVE NOT HAD A SINGLE
13 TRAVELER WHO HAS SAID, "NO, I'M NOT GOING TO LISTEN TO YOU.
14 NO, I'M NOT GOING TO DO THIS. NO, I'M NOT GETTING
15 QUARANTINED," IF THEY NEEDED TO BE QUARANTINED. SO I REALLY
16 WANT TO NOTE WE ARE SO APPRECIATIVE OF THE TRAVELERS. BUT
17 YOU'RE RIGHT. SOME PEOPLE WHO CAME BACK EARLIER ARE SAYING,
18 "WELL, I FEEL MORE COMFORTABLE WAITING THOSE 14 DAYS AND NOT
19 GOING OUT." AND WE ENCOURAGE PEOPLE-- EVERYONE WHO CAME BACK
20 IN THE LAST TWO AND A HALF WEEKS DID GET A NOTICE, WHEN THEY
21 CAME THROUGH BORDER PROTECTION, THAT TOLD THEM WHAT SYMPTOMS
22 THEY SHOULD WATCH FOR, AND HOW LONG THEY NEEDED TO WATCH FOR
23 THEM. IT IS 14 DAYS FROM YOUR LAST EXPOSURE. SO WE'RE VERY
24 APPRECIATIVE. IF THOSE PEOPLE NEED SUPPORT, THEY SHOULD CALL
25 2-1-1.

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2 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT. WELL, I APPRECIATE THAT. AND AGAIN, I
3 THINK IT IS THE SOCIAL MEDIA HYSTERIA, THE CANCELING OF
4 EVENTS, THE CALL FOR SOME SCHOOLS TO CLOSE, IS WHAT IS REALLY
5 CREATING THIS EMOTIONAL DISTRESS. PEOPLE ARE FEELING SHAMED,
6 AND ANXIETY. AND AGAIN, OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH IS
7 DOING A GREAT JOB OF DISSEMINATING THIS FACTUAL INFORMATION,
8 AND THAT HELPS DIAL DOWN THIS HYSTERIA: JUST CLEAR, EASY FACTS
9 TO KNOW HOW TO DEAL WITH THIS. BUT IT IS CLEAR THAT THIS IS
10 CAUSING A LOT OF STRESS FOR OUR RESIDENTS. AND, I MEAN,
11 SUPERVISOR SOLIS WAS TELLING ME ABOUT A NEIGHBOR WHO IS SO
12 STRESSED AND DISTRESSED, HAVING A HARD TIME EATING AND
13 SLEEPING. AND IT IS JUST UNBELIEVABLE HOW QUICKLY IN OUR
14 SOCIETY WE DIGRESS TO FEAR AND IGNORANCE AGAINST A CERTAIN
15 TYPE OF PERSON. AND IT HAPPENS SO QUICKLY. BUT I DO THINK, AS
16 WE'RE RESPONDING TO THIS EMERGENCY WITH SCIENTIFIC HEALTHCARE
17 INFORMATION, I DO THINK WE NEED TO GIVE THE SAME KIND OF
18 SUPPORT THAT WE WOULD IN OTHER EMERGENCIES, WITH GRIEF
19 COUNSELING, TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE. AND I'M GOING TO READ IN A
20 MOTION AT THIS POINT THAT SPEAKS TO THAT, AND I'M JUST GOING
21 TO READ THE DIRECTIVE. "I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF
22 SUPERVISORS INSTRUCT THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, IN
23 COLLABORATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, TO REPORT
24 BACK TO THE BOARD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH, WITH A PLAN FOR
25 MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORTIVE SERVICES, ESPECIALLY AT OUR SCHOOLS

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1 AND OUR PLACES IN OUR COMMUNITIES WHERE PEOPLE GATHER." AND I
2 HOPE I CAN HAVE THE SUPPORT OF MY COLLEAGUES. THANK YOU SO
3 MUCH ALREADY FOR THE COLLABORATION BETWEEN OUR DEPARTMENTS AND
4 OUR COMMUNITIES. I THINK WE ARE DOING THIS WELL, BUT STILL
5 THERE'S SO MANY WHO ARE FALLING THROUGH THE CRACKS OF THIS
6 EMOTIONAL STRESS AND ANXIETY. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU. YES. SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU'RE
11 ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. I DO THINK THAT THERE'S THE UNKNOWN TRAUMA
12 AND ANXIETY THAT OUR COMMUNITIES ARE, BECAUSE OF THE CULTURE,
13 ARE NOT SO EASILY FORESEEN. AND THERE'S A NEED TO COMMUNICATE
14 TO THEM IN THEIR LANGUAGE TO SEEK HELP. I JUST WANT TO SAY,
15 THOUGH, THAT ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I'D LIKE TO GET A REPORT
16 BACK, PERHAPS AT THE NEXT TIME THAT WE HAVE THIS MEETING, IS
17 REALLY MORE FOCUSED ON WHAT THE IMPACTS ARE IN OUR LOCAL
18 COMMUNITIES. I'M READING AND HEARING ON N.P.R. AND IN THE NEWS
19 WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH RESPECT TO EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES, AND
20 THE DISCRIMINATION THAT FOLKS THAT ARE HANDLING THESE
21 INDIVIDUALS AT THE AIR FORCE BASE AND AT THE AIRPORTS, THEY'RE
22 ALSO BEING EXPOSED TO DISCRIMINATION, AND PERHAPS SOME
23 RETALIATION, BY JUST CUSTOMERS. SO THERE IS A LOT OF
24 IGNORANCE. BUT I ALSO THINK THAT THERE ARE SOME BUSINESSES
25 THAT I HEARD THAT ARE FACED WITH HARDSHIPS RIGHT NOW. PEOPLE

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1 AREN'T GOING TO THEIR STORES. PEOPLE ARE NOT SHOPPING. PEOPLE
2 ARE NOT TRAVELING. I JUST HEARD THAT. THE TRAVEL AGENCIES, ALL
3 OF THAT. AND A LOT OF THEM ARE MOM-AND-POPS. SO I WANT TO KNOW
4 WHAT CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND OUR O.I.A. DEPARTMENT
5 CAN DO TO WORK TOGETHER ON THIS. SO I HAVE ASKED MY STAFF TO
6 HELP CONNECT THAT. BUT I REALLY DO THINK THAT WE GOT TO HAVE
7 BOOTS ON THE GROUND TO THINK ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON, BECAUSE
8 YOU'RE GOING TO SEE STRESS IF PEOPLE ARE LOSING THEIR
9 BUSINESSES, AND THEY CAN'T EVEN GET FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
10 BECAUSE THEY ARE MOM-AND-POP, IN MANY CASES-- YOU KNOW,
11 BUSINESS FRONTS-- AND THEY'RE WORKING HARD. I'M HEARING ABOUT
12 IN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY ALREADY, IN THE EAST COAST.
13 BOSTON, AS AN EXAMPLE. I JUST HEARD THAT THIS MORNING. BUT I
14 WOULD GATHER THAT OUR COMMUNITIES-- CHINATOWN, AND IN THE SAN
15 GABRIEL VALLEY AND OTHER PARTS-- ARE ALSO BEING IMPACTED. SO I
16 WOULD LIKE TO TRY TO GET A BETTER HANDLE ON THAT, BECAUSE I
17 THINK IT IS ALL INTERTWINED WITH THIS. SO THANK YOU, MADAM
18 CHAIR, AND I APPRECIATE THE INFORMATION YOU ALL GAVE. I REALLY
19 DO THINK, TOO, WE GOT TO WORRY ABOUT OUR YOUNG KIDS. BECAUSE
20 IF THE FAMILY'S DISTRESSED, GRANDPARENTS OR PEOPLE THAT ARE
21 ABROAD, THAT WERE SUPPOSED TO COME BACK AND ARE NOT, THEY ARE
22 PREVENTED NOW BECAUSE OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, RIGHT? THAT'S
23 ANOTHER FORM OF TRAUMA. AND WE KNOW WHAT SEPARATION DOES TO
24 CHILDREN. WE SEE IT HAPPENING WITH OTHER IMMIGRANT KIDS NOW.

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1 SO I'M JUST THINKING, WHATEVER WE CAN DO TO FOCUS IN, IF WE
2 HEAR THINGS, WHAT CAN WE DO TO BE PREPARED. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I'M GLAD YOU
5 BROUGHT UP THE RESTAURANTS, BECAUSE I WAS TALKING TO SOMEONE
6 WHO IS A FAMILY-OWNED CHINESE RESTAURANT, AND THERE HAVE BEEN
7 NIGHTS WHEN THEY'VE HAD NO CUSTOMERS. AND THE FOOD BUSINESS IS
8 PERISHABLE, AND THEIR PROFIT MARGIN IS NOT THAT GREAT. SO THE
9 IMPACT THIS IS HAVING ON THOSE RESTAURANTS-- AND, QUITE
10 FRANKLY, I THINK THAT THIS BOARD HAS BEEN SO PROACTIVE IN
11 GETTING THE WORD OUT. EVEN WITH ALHAMBRA SCHOOL DISTRICT, OUR
12 OFFICE HELPED COORDINATE A PARENT MEETING AT SAN GABRIEL HIGH
13 SCHOOL, IN ORDER TO ANSWER THEIR QUESTIONS. SO I DON'T KNOW
14 HOW WE CAN CHANGE THAT BEHAVIOR, BECAUSE THERE'S SUCH A FEAR.
15 AND TO YOUR POINT, SUPERVISOR HAHN, IT IS BECAUSE ALL WE HEAR
16 ABOUT ARE THOSE THAT DIED. AND MY UNDERSTANDING IS, THE MOST
17 VULNERABLE ARE THE ELDERLY AND THOSE WITH COMPROMISED IMMUNE
18 SYSTEMS. AND SO, YOU KNOW, EVEN WITH PNEUMONIA IN ELDERLY
19 PEOPLE, IF THEY DEVELOP PNEUMONIA, THE OUTCOME CAN BE VERY
20 BAD. AND SO, YOU KNOW, I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO
21 UNDERSTAND HOW THIS VIRUS WORKS, AND COMMUNICATE THAT, AND LET
22 PEOPLE KNOW THAT-- YOU KNOW, THAT'S WHY I MENTIONED THE SAN
23 GABRIEL LUNAR CELEBRATION. WE WERE THERE TO SHOW OUR SUPPORT
24 AND LET PEOPLE KNOW IT IS SAFE TO COME OUT. SO I REALLY
25 APPRECIATE YOUR INFORMATION. I THINK THIS HAS BEEN GOOD

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1 DIALOGUE. THE MENTAL HEALTH, ABSOLUTELY. I KNOW THE SCHOOL
2 DISTRICT IN MY CITY IS BEING VERY AGGRESSIVE IN ADDRESSING
3 THAT, SUPERVISOR HAHN, BECAUSE IT IS CAUSING A LOT OF FEAR
4 AMONGST FAMILIES AND KIDS. WHILE THEY'RE RESILIENT, ALSO, IT
5 CAN IMPACT THEM IN A VERY NEGATIVE WAY. BUT I THINK IT IS
6 IMPORTANT FOR US TO RECOGNIZE THAT. SO WITH THAT, MADAM
7 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU CALL THOSE THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO
8 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM?

9

10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WOULD THE
11 FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR
12 NAME: [CALLING NAMES.] PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL
13 ASSIST YOU.

14

15 **MANJUSHA KULKARNI:** HELLO. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MANJUSHA
16 KULKARNI, AND I AM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF A3P.C.O.N., THE ASIAN
17 PACIFIC POLICY AND PLANNING COUNCIL. WE ARE A COALITION OF
18 MORE THAN 40 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS THAT SERVE AND
19 REPRESENT THE 1.5 MILLION A.P.I.S IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I
20 WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR ALLOWING ME TO COMMENT ON THIS
21 IMPORTANT ISSUE. WE ALL KNOW THAT CORONAVIRUS IS A SERIOUS
22 CONCERN THROUGHOUT THE GLOBE. AS HAS BEEN STATED IN CHINA,
23 THOUSANDS HAVE CONTRACTED THE ILLNESS, AND UNFORTUNATELY
24 SEVERAL HUNDRED HAVE DIED. BUT OF COURSE IN LOS ANGELES, AS
25 DR. FERRER REPORTED, THERE HAS ONLY BEEN ONE CASE. NONE OF

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1 THIS JUSTIFIES IN ANY WAY A BACKLASH AGAINST A.P.I.
2 COMMUNITIES. WE KNOW THAT COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE WORRIED ABOUT
3 POSSIBLE ATTACKS, BASED ON THEIR ETHNICITY OR THEIR PERCEIVED
4 ETHNICITY. THERE HAS BEEN A FLYER IN CARSON WHICH WAS
5 MENTIONED EARLIER, TARGETING A.P.I. BUSINESSES, AND USING, OF
6 COURSE, THE LOGOS OF VARIOUS L.A. COUNTY AGENCIES, AS WELL AS
7 THE C.D.C. AND THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION. ADDITIONALLY, WE
8 KNOW THAT INDIVIDUALS IN CHINATOWN HAVE EXPRESSED CONCERN
9 ABOUT EVEN WEARING MASKS. THEY HAVE BEEN WORRIED ABOUT BEING
10 TARGETED, ABOUT BEING PHYSICALLY OR VERBALLY ASSAULTED.
11 PARENTS OF UNIVERSITY STUDENTS HERE IN LOS ANGELES HAVE
12 WORRIED ABOUT THEIR STUDENTS GETTING TOGETHER-- THESE ARE,
13 AGAIN, A.P.I. STUDENTS-- FOR CLUBS OR LUNAR NEW YEAR
14 GATHERINGS, BECAUSE THEY ARE, AGAIN, AFRAID OF BEING ATTACKED.
15 FOR ALL OF THESE REASONS, WE SUPPORT BOTH SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S
16 RECOMMENDATION, AS WELL AS SUPERVISOR HAHN'S MOTION REGARDING
17 MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT SERVICES. IT'S ABSOLUTELY IMPORTANT TO
18 GET FACTUALLY CORRECT INFORMATION ABOUT THE DISEASE AND HOW TO
19 PREVENT IT, BUT ALSO TO DEAL WITH RACISM, DISCRIMINATION, AND
20 HATE CRIMES. SO, THANK YOU AGAIN TODAY.

21
22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

23
24 **PATRICIA MCALLISTER:** PATRICIA MCALLISTER HERE. I WOULD LIKE TO
25 SALUTE THE CITY COUNCIL. THE CHINESE PEOPLE CAME TO THE CITY

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1 COUNCIL A FEW MONTHS AGO, AND THEY ASKED THE CITY TO APPROVE
2 THEM SELLING DOG FOOD. SO THEY WANT TO KILL DOGS AND SELL IT
3 IN THEIR RESTAURANTS. AND THE CITY COUNCIL VOTED NO. AND I'M
4 SO VERY PROUD OF THEM. NOW WE'RE COMING UP WITH THIS DISEASE,
5 THIS CORONA DISEASE. THIS IS NO SURPRISE. WE HAVE SOME STATES
6 WHO ARE ALLOWING DOGS AND CATS TO BE KILLED AND SERVED AS
7 FOOD. THIS SHOULD BE SOMETHING THAT WE SHOULD BAN ACROSS THE
8 UNITED STATES. NOW, I GO TO THIS CERTAIN STORE, AND THEY HAVE
9 A PANDA EXPRESS IN THERE, AND THEY ARE ALWAYS CROWDED AT
10 LUNCHTIME. I WENT IN THERE THE OTHER DAY AND NOT ONE SOUL WAS
11 IN LINE. NO ONE WAS THERE. SO I RECOMMEND THAT WE BOYCOTT
12 PANDA EXPRESS AND ALL THE CHINESE RESTAURANTS UNTIL WE GET
13 THIS MATTER CLEARED UP. NOW, FOR THEM TO COME TO THE CITY
14 COUNCIL TO ASK TO SERVE IT, THAT DOG MEAT, I THINK THEY WERE
15 PROBABLY ALREADY SERVING IT, AND THEY JUST WANTED APPROVAL. SO
16 I SAY WE BAN IT ALL UNTIL WE GET THIS DISEASE UNDER CONTROL.
17 THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. DR. CLAVREUL?

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21 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF
22 SUPERVISORS. I AM GLAD THAT YOU ARE KEEPING AN EYE ON THAT
23 DISEASE, BUT I THINK IT IS TO STOP THE FEAR THAT PEOPLE HAVE,
24 ALSO. I THINK THAT WE HAVE TO BE VERY STRAIGHTFORWARD, AND
25 ALSO ADVERTISE THAT IF YOU KEEP YOURSELF IN GOOD HEALTH, YOU

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1 ARE LESS LIKELY TO GET IT THAN TO DIE FROM IT. AND TO ANSWER
2 SUPERVISOR HAHN, THEY USUALLY DIE OF PNEUMONIA, NOT OF THE
3 CORONAVIRUS. SO, TO KEEP YOURSELF HEALTHY-- NOT SMOKING, IF
4 POSSIBLE-- WILL CUT THE DISEASE. I MEAN, THE C.D.C. IS VERY
5 GOOD, ALSO, BY GIVING FANTASTIC INFORMATION. WE HAVE ALL OUR
6 TOP SCIENTISTS WORKING ON A VACCINE ALREADY. AND I THINK THAT,
7 YOU KNOW, DON'T WASTE YOUR MONEY ON MASKS ALL THE TIME. FIRST
8 OF ALL, THEY ONLY LAST FOR 20 MINUTES. AND I THINK WHEN YOU
9 HAVE PEOPLE ASKING YOU ABOUT THAT, TELL THEM NOT TO
10 [INAUDIBLE]. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

13

14 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT IS ERIC PREVEN FROM STUDIO CITY. AND
15 FIRST OF ALL, CONGRATULATIONS TO FERRER, WHO REALLY CAN LAY
16 DOWN A TRACK. I MEAN, SHE REALLY DOES GO INTO GREAT DETAIL,
17 AND FOR AN EXTREMELY LONG AND WELL-WINDED TIME. AND I DO
18 APPRECIATE IT. I WOULD LIKE TO CALL OUT MENTAL HEALTH IS HERE
19 TODAY, FOR ANYBODY WHO HAS CONCERNS. THEY ARE HERE EVERY DAY,
20 BECAUSE THE SUPERVISORS FEEL THAT THE PUBLIC ARE INSANE. IT IS
21 NOT TRUE, BUT THAT IS ONE OF THE DETAILS. I WANT TO JUST ALSO
22 SAY HOW MUCH I APPLAUD THE SUPERVISORS FOR STANDING UP AGAINST
23 ANY BIGOTRY OR RACISM THAT IS INVOLVED IN THIS. IT IS TOTALLY
24 INAPPROPRIATE AND UNCALLED FOR, IF THAT IS HAPPENING. AND ANY
25 USE OF THE COUNTY LOGO, WHICH I HEARD IN ONE OF THE PUBLIC

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1 SPEAKER'S PRESENTATIONS, EITHER INCORRECTLY OR UNDER FALSE
2 PREMISE, IS TOTALLY OUTRAGEOUS, AND YOU SHOULD LOOK INTO THAT.
3 AND ALSO, MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS SHOULD GLANCE QUICKLY AT HIS USE
4 OF THE LOGO IN ADVERTISEMENTS ON THE L.A. TIMES FOR VARIOUS
5 THINGS DURING AN ELECTION TIME, BECAUSE I THINK THAT THAT
6 SENDS A MESSAGE THAT HE IS USING HIS INCUMBENT ADVANTAGE IN A
7 WAY THAT IS NOT APPROPRIATE. BUT VERY, VERY, VERY GOOD WORK ON
8 BRINGING AWARENESS. LET'S HAVE A MORNING PRESS CONFERENCE IN
9 THE FUTURE.

10

11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

12

13 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS. AND TALK ABOUT
14 IGNORANT PEOPLE SPREADING RUMORS OF DOG FOOD? SURE. MAYBE
15 THEY'RE JUST GETTING TIN CANS OF DOG FOOD AT THE SUPERMARKET
16 AND SPREADING THAT AROUND. BUT I'M WONDERING, SINCE YOU HAVE
17 THIS VIRUS, ARE YOU USING THE OPPORTUNITY TO GO TO THE
18 COMMUNITIES AND MAKE SURE PEOPLE ARE ENROLLED IN THE COUNTY'S
19 LOW-COST HEALTHCARE PLAN, L.A. CARE AND HEALTH NET? I MEAN, IT
20 SHOULD BE A PERFECT OPPORTUNITY, IN CASE THEY NEED TO HAVE A
21 VACCINATION. IT'S STILL THE PLANS THAT WERE APPROVED UNDER THE
22 AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, SO THEY ARE STILL MANAGED BY THE SAME
23 INSURANCE COMPANY, EVEN THOUGH THE INSURANCE COMPANY DOESN'T
24 WANT TO PAY FOR THE PREMIUM. JUST NOW, THEY ARE JUST NOT
25 GETTING PREMIUM ASSISTANCE, WHICH IS EVEN BETTER FOR THE

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1 COUNTY AND FOR THE PUBLIC, BECAUSE THE INSURANCE COMPANY STILL
2 GETS TO PAY. YOU JUST HAVE TO HAVE THE PEOPLE ENROLLED. AND IT
3 WOULD BE A PERFECT TIME TO GO AHEAD AND DO THAT, WHILE YOU ARE
4 TRYING TO FIGHT THIS DISEASE.

5

6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. SACHS. NEXT
7 SPEAKER?

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9 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBER AND HILDA SOLIS, LET
10 ME ENLIGHTEN YOU, BECAUSE YOU KNOW NOTHING OF THE WICKED,
11 UNETHICAL, RACIAL SHENANIGANS OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS
12 COMMISSION, WHICH IS THE RACIST, HATEMONGERING TOOL CREATED BY
13 THE UGLY HUNGARIAN, ELITE, SATANIC, ZIONIST JEW, AND FREEMASON
14 PUTRID DIRTBAG GEORGE SOROS AND HIS ILLUMINATI REPTILIAN
15 LIZARDS. THEY ARE NOT BEING FORTHRIGHT, AND NOR IS ROBERT
16 SOWELL. THEY HAVE DELIBERATELY FABRICATED AND PROVIDED FLAWED
17 MATERIAL AND FALSE DATA, AND THEY STIR UP STRIFE, DIVISION,
18 AND GANG STALKINGS AGAINST INNOCENT LIVES. THEY INCITE VIOLENT
19 PROTESTS AGAINST THE L.A.P.D. SHERIFFS AND THE C.H.P. AND
20 AGAIN, THEY USE THESE VIOLENT CRIMINAL BLACKS AND LATINOS AND
21 OTHERS. BUT JUST SO YOU KNOW, WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE CORONA--

22

23 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** CAN YOU STICK ON THE TOPIC,
24 PLEASE?

25

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1 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** YES, AND WE'RE GETTING THERE. THE
2 CORONAVIRUS, FROM WHAT I--

3

4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** YOU'VE GOT 13 SECONDS.

5

6 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** YES. THE CORONAVIRUS, AS WE UNDERSTAND, WAS
7 CREATED IN A DIRTY, ROGUE LAB IN CHINA, TO EXTERMINATE CERTAIN
8 CHINESE. I DIDN'T CREATE IT. I AM ONLY REPEATING WHAT WAS
9 SAID. AND IT IS SAD THAT--

10

11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED.
12 THANK YOU. YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER.

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14 **MIKE GREENSPAN:** MIKE GREENSPAN. ANYBODY BUT WESSON FOR
15 SUPERVISOR. I WANTED TO EMPHASIZE ONE ASPECT OF THIS, AND THAT
16 IS IN THE SCHOOLS. NOW, ONE THING HAPPENS IN SCHOOLS WE SEEM
17 TO BE OVERLOOKING: THE BATHROOMS ARE SMOKING LOUNGES. YEAH,
18 FOLKS. AND YOU DON'T HAVE TIME BETWEEN PERIODS, SO YOU ARE
19 SHARING A CIGARETTE. AND LET'S SAY YOU GO TO A SCHOOL THAT IS
20 RACIALLY MIXED, AND SOMEBODY YOU'RE SHARING A CIGARETTE
21 HAPPENS TO BE FROM CHINA, AND THEY GO A COUPLE TIMES A MONTH,
22 BACK TO CHINA. AND THEY GET BACK THERE IN CHINA, AND THEY ARE
23 SMOKING A JOINT WITH THEIR FRIENDS, OR SMOKING THE HASH PIPE
24 AND SHARING IT, OR SHARING THE VAPE, AND THEN THEY'RE COMING
25 BACK HERE, AND IN THE BATHROOM SHARING THE CIGARETTE.

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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** STAY ON POINT.

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4 **MIKE GREENSPAN:** I AM. WHAT I'M TRYING TO LET IT BE KNOWN IS, A
5 VERY RECKLESS TEENAGE HABIT IN SCHOOL OF SHARING THE
6 CIGARETTES IN THE BATHROOM COULD BE SPREADING THIS. WE'RE
7 LUCKY WE'RE NOT ON A POWDER KEG. AND I'M JUST TRYING TO POINT
8 THAT OUT. THAT'S WHY I WANTED TO EMPHASIZE THE SCHOOL ASPECT,
9 BECAUSE TEENAGERS CAN BE VERY RECKLESS. ANYBODY BUT WESSON.

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11 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE ONE MORE
12 SPEAKER THAT SIGNED UP TO SPEAK.

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14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HE WAIVED HIS TIME.

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16 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** HE WAVED HIS TIME? OKAY. WE HAVE
17 ITEM 6 IS A RECEIVE-AND-FILE REPORT, AND WE ARE APPROVING
18 SUPERVISOR HAHN'S MOTION, AS AMENDED, BY SOLIS. WE ARE
19 APPROVING SUPERVISOR-- NO. WE'RE APPROVING THIS ITEM AS A
20 RECEIVE-AND-FILE, AS AMENDED, WITH SUPERVISOR HAHN'S MOTION.
21 IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU. NOW WE ARE
22 GOING TO BRING UP ITEM NUMBER THREE, WHICH I HELD, AND I THINK
23 SUPERVISOR SOLIS HELD, REGARDING L.A.H.S.A., AND I'M GOING TO
24 START, AND I THINK SUPERVISOR SOLIS WILL SAY SOMETHING, AS
25 WELL. YOU KNOW, I VIEW THIS AS AN OPPORTUNITY: AN OPPORTUNITY

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1 FOR US TO HIT THE RESET BUTTON, AS IT RELATES TO PROBABLY THE
2 MOST CRITICAL ARM OF HOW WE IN THIS COUNTY PROVIDE HOMELESS
3 SERVICES COUNTYWIDE. I WAS HERE-- ACTUALLY, I HAD JUST STARTED
4 WITH THE COUNTY WHEN L.A.H.S.A. WAS FORMED, AND MANY DON'T
5 REALIZE THAT IT WAS FORMED BECAUSE OF A LAWSUIT THAT WAS FILED
6 BY THE CITY OF L.A. AGAINST LOS ANGELES COUNTY, BECAUSE THEY
7 DID NOT FEEL THAT WE IN THE COUNTY WERE DOING OUR FAIR SHARE,
8 AS IT RELATES TO ADDRESSING THE HOMELESS ISSUE. EVEN THE
9 APPOINTMENTS OF EACH BOARD SUPERVISOR HAVING AN APPOINTEE
10 WORKED TO ADDRESS THE CITY AND THE COUNTY OF L.A. FLASH
11 FORWARD NOW. I KNOW THAT MY CITIES HAVE EXPRESSED CONCERN
12 ABOUT THE FACT THAT THEY DON'T FEEL THAT L.A.H.S.A. LOOKS AT
13 IT COUNTYWIDE. I EXPLAIN TO THEM THAT, IN FACT, I BELIEVE THAT
14 THE MAKEUP OF THE BOARD DOES NOT NECESSARILY REFLECT THE FACT
15 THAT THEY DO LOOK AT IT COUNTYWIDE, BUT SOMETIMES PERCEPTION
16 BECOMES REALITY. AND SO WITH THIS MOTION, MY GOAL IS TO LOOK
17 AT THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT WE HAVE AS A BOARD, WORKING WITH THE
18 CITY OF L.A., BECAUSE THE CITY OF L.A. HAS ALSO INTRODUCED
19 SOMETHING TO ALSO RETHINK THE GOVERNANCE OF L.A.H.S.A.'S
20 STRUCTURE. IT IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO REALLY RIGHT-- I
21 DON'T EVEN WANT TO SAY "RIGHT-SIZE," BECAUSE IT IS MORE ABOUT
22 ADDRESSING THE WHOLE COUNTY AS A WHOLE, AND THE CHALLENGES
23 FACING US AS IT RELATES TO WINTER SHELTERS, THE NEED TO
24 PROVIDE SERVICES AND COORDINATION OF SERVICES TO THOSE THAT
25 ARE PROVIDING HOUSING. BUT WE ALSO NEED-- WE HAVE TO LOOK AT

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1 THIS FROM THE STANDPOINT OF, I GET CONCERNS RAISED ABOUT THE
2 R.F.P. PROCESS, THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL PROCESS, AS
3 L.A.H.S.A. HAS ROLLED IT OUT. THERE HAVE BEEN TIMES WHERE THEY
4 HAVE ISSUED IT, AND THEN THEY PULLED IT BACK. AND FOR MANY OF
5 THESE NONPROFITS, WHICH I KNOW EACH OF US REPRESENT MANY WHO
6 ARE ON A SHOESTRING BUDGET. AND IF THEY'RE APPLYING FOR A
7 GRANT OR RESPONDING TO AN R.F.P., THAT IS GOING TO MEAN THE
8 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HOW THEY PROVIDE SERVICES, LITERALLY, IN
9 THE UPCOMING MONTHS. SO I'M LOOKING AT THIS FROM THE
10 STANDPOINT OF AN OPPORTUNITY AND A POSITIVE STEP TOWARD
11 WORKING WITH OUR PARTNERS IN THE CITY. AND I WANT TO PUBLICLY
12 THANK SARAH DUSSEAUT, WHO I KNOW IS GOING TO SPEAK, WHO'S
13 SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S APPOINTEE, WHO WAS PRESIDENT OF L.A.H.S.A.,
14 AND HAS WORKED BOTH WITH THE CITY AND THE COUNTY TO BRIDGE THE
15 VIEWS THAT WE HAVE, AS IT RELATES TO OVERALL CHANGES. BUT I
16 BELIEVE SOMETHING HAS TO CHANGE. AND IF NOT HERE, I KNOW MY
17 CITIES, ESPECIALLY WITH THE FUNDING OF MEASURE H, ARE GOING TO
18 FEEL THAT THEY ARE NOT BEING REPRESENTED FAIRLY AND EQUITABLY
19 WITHIN THE L.A.H.S.A. STRUCTURE. SO I'M HOPING THAT, TODAY,
20 THAT WE RECEIVE THE VOTES TO PASS THIS. BUT I VIEW THIS TRULY
21 AS A POSITIVE, NOT A NEGATIVE, AS IT RELATES TO THE CHANGES
22 THAT NEED TO BE MADE. SO WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I'M HONORED TO BE A
25 CO-AUTHOR WITH YOU ON THIS. FOR THE LAST, I THINK, TWO YEARS,

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1 WE'VE REALLY STRUGGLED WITH OUR CITIES TO TRY TO INFORM THEM
2 HOW MEASURE H COULD BE TRANSFORMATIVE, REGARDING THE ISSUE OF
3 HOMELESS SERVICES. AND IT HAS BEEN, YOU KNOW, A CHALLENGE, I
4 THINK. THAT'S PRETTY CLEAR. I THINK THAT BECAUSE OF THE
5 DYNAMICS AND CHANGES THAT HAVE HAPPENED, IN TERMS OF DATA THAT
6 WE RECEIVE, JUST THE FACT THAT EVEN THE DEMOGRAPHICS OF THE
7 POPULATION HAS CHANGED. IT HAS INCREASED. WE ARE TALKING
8 59,000 PEOPLE ON ANY GIVEN NIGHT, AND IT COULD BE HIGHER.
9 WE'RE TALKING ABOUT 16,000 WHO ARE CHRONICALLY HOMELESS, 3,800
10 WHO ARE VETERANS, 8,800 WHO ARE PART OF A FAMILY UNIT, AND
11 THEN 5,200 ARE CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 18. 18,300 ARE WOMEN,
12 5,300 IDENTIFY AS L.G.B.T.Q., 13,700 SUFFER FROM SERIOUS
13 MENTAL ILLNESS, 8,700 ARE AFRICAN-AMERICAN, 20,500 HAPPEN TO
14 BE HISPANIC/LATINO, AND IT GOES ON. I THINK THAT WHAT WE HAVE
15 DONE WITH L.A.H.S.A.'S HELP IS, OVER TIME, GOTTEN BETTER DATA
16 TO UNDERSTAND WHAT HAS REALLY HAPPENED, AND HOW L.A.H.S.A. HAS
17 CHANGED, AND HOW I BELIEVE IT NEEDS TO CONTINUE TO CHANGE. AND
18 ONE OF THE THINGS I WILL SAY IS THAT THE L.A.H.S.A. AUTHORITY
19 WAS ESTABLISHED, FOR SOME WHO MAY NOT KNOW, THREE DECADES AGO.
20 THAT'S 30 YEARS AGO. AND ONE OF ITS PRIMARY FUNCTIONS THEN WAS
21 TO ADMINISTER WINTER SHELTER PROGRAMS. THAT'S WHAT THEY DID.
22 AND THEY ONLY DID IT FOR A FEW MONTHS OUT OF THE YEAR. AND
23 THEN BACK ALMOST 20 OR MORE YEARS AGO, IN 1994, THE WINTER
24 SHELTER PROGRAM OFFERED ABOUT 2,000 BEDS COUNTYWIDE, COMPARED
25 TO 1,269 BEDS IN 2019 AND 2020, THIS WINTER SESSION. OKAY? SO

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1 WE HAVEN'T GROWN IN TERMS OF JUST THAT NUMBER. TODAY THE
2 SYSTEM IS SIGNIFICANTLY LARGER, WE KNOW, AND IT IS A LOT MORE
3 COMPLEX, AND FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS. L.A.H.S.A. NOW, THOUGH,
4 ADMINISTERS FUNDING FOR HUNDREDS OF CONTRACTS FOR HOMELESS AND
5 HOUSING SERVICES, WHICH INCLUDES WINTER SHELTER, INTERIM
6 HOUSING, INCLUDING THE CITY OF L.A.'S GROWING BRIDGE HOUSING
7 PROGRAM, SAFE PARKING, ACCESS CENTERS AND ACCESS POINTS, RAPID
8 REHOUSING, HOUSING NAVIGATION, MOTEL VOUCHERS, AND MOBILE
9 SHOWER PROGRAMS, STREET OUTREACH, AND MUCH, MUCH MORE. THE
10 WORK THAT L.A.H.S.A. AND THE COUNTY HOMELESS INITIATIVE ARE
11 CARRYING OUT, AS WE KNOW, IS TREMENDOUS, AND I DON'T THINK OUR
12 CONSTITUENTS ARE FULLY AWARE, AND MAYBE EVEN APPRECIATE, SOME
13 OF THE EFFORTS THAT HAVE BEEN UNDERTAKEN. ONE ASPECT, THOUGH,
14 OF L.A.H.S.A.'S GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE THAT I THINK MERITS A
15 REVIEW IS THAT L.A.H.S.A.'S COMMISSION IS MADE UP OF 5
16 APPOINTEES BY THE L.A. CITY MAYOR, AND 5 APPOINTEES BY THE
17 COUNTY. EACH ONE OF US, AS A SUPERVISOR, CAN MAKE THAT
18 APPOINTMENT. YET, MORE THAN 70 PERCENT OF THE FUNDING FOR
19 L.A.H.S.A., WHICH THEY ADMINISTER, COMES FROM THE COUNTY OF
20 LOS ANGELES, INCLUDING MEASURE H REVENUE. AND I WILL REFER
21 YOUR ATTENTION TO A HANDOUT THAT I THINK WAS DISTRIBUTED THREE
22 MONTHS AGO-- AN OVERVIEW OF L.A.H.S.A. THAT WAS DONE BY ONE OF
23 THEIR AD-HOC COMMITTEES-- AND I THINK EVERYONE HERE HAS IT.
24 AND IT GIVES YOU AN IDEA OF HOW THE FUNDING STREAMS ARE SET
25 UP. BUT FOR A LAYPERSON, THEY MAY NOT UNDERSTAND THIS. AND I

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1 GET ASKED OFTEN, "WELL, SUPERVISOR, WE SUPPORT YOU ON WHAT
2 YOU'RE DOING, BUT WE DON'T SEE ANY RESULTS." AND I THINK PART
3 OF IT HAS TO DO WITH OUR EVOLUTION-- AGAIN, GOING BACK TO THE
4 GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE-- AND HOW, INITIALLY, L.A.H.S.A. CAME
5 ABOUT. WE KNOW 70 PERCENT OF THE FUNDING THAT L.A.H.S.A. GETS
6 IS FROM THE COUNTY. THE COUNTY PROVIDES 282 MILLION OF
7 L.A.H.S.A.'S BUDGET, INCLUDING MEASURE H, COUNTY'S GENERAL
8 FUND, AND OTHER RESOURCES. AND THAT MEANS ALSO D.D.W. THAT
9 MEANS OUR MENTAL HEALTH. IT ALSO MEANS OUR I.S.D. AND OTHER
10 SERVICES. THE CITY PROVIDES 11.6 PERCENT OF THEIR
11 CONTRIBUTION, THE STATE PROVIDES 11 PERCENT, THE FEDERAL
12 GOVERNMENT ONLY PROVIDES 7 PERCENT, AND PHILANTHROPY ONLY
13 PROVIDES 1 PERCENT. SO, IN TERMS OF WHAT I SEE, L.A.H.S.A. WAS
14 ESTABLISHED ORIGINALLY AS A JOINT POWER AUTHORITY OF THE CITY
15 OF L.A. AND THE COUNTY, BACK IN 1993, AND AT A TIME WHEN
16 HOMELESSNESS WAS PRIMARILY CONFINED TO THE CITY OF L.A. AND
17 SKID ROW AREA. NO ONE NEGATES THAT. THAT'S JUST HOW IT
18 EVOLVED. BUT THE HOMELESS CRISIS IS NOW MORE WIDESPREAD, AND
19 WE'VE LEARNED A LOT OF THINGS, AND WE NEED TO ENSURE THAT
20 THERE IS APPROPRIATE, I BELIEVE, REPRESENTATION FROM THE
21 COUNTY, FROM OUR MIDSIZE, AS WELL AS OUR SMALLER CITIES THAT
22 ARE SEEING THE IMPACTS OF HOMELESSNESS. THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT
23 ALL OF THEM ARE GOING TO ACCEPT HOUSING AND THINGS LIKE THAT,
24 BECAUSE WE KNOW IT'S DIFFICULT. BUT I DO THINK WE SHOULD COME
25 UP WITH BETTER IDEAS THAT CAN HELP ADDRESS THEIR CONCERNS,

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1 BECAUSE WE DO REPRESENT THEM AT THE COUNTY. I HAVE OVER 24
2 CITIES JUST IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, AND ONE OF THEM IS LOS
3 ANGELES, BUT I DON'T EVEN REPRESENT 1/5 OF THE CITY. SAN
4 GABRIEL VALLEY, FOR EXAMPLE, S.P.A. 3, THERE ARE NEARLY 4,500
5 PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. THERE WAS A 25-PERCENT
6 INCREASE FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR. IN THE EAST L.A. AREA-- THAT
7 IS INCORPORATED L.A. COUNTY-- THEY ARE IN S.P.A. 7. AND THE
8 SOUTHEAST CITIES THAT I REPRESENT, THE HOMELESS COUNT EXCEEDED
9 5,000 PEOPLE, THAT WE KNOW OF-- AN INCREASE OF 12 PERCENT.
10 THOSE ARE THE SMALLER CITIES THAT I REPRESENT IN THE SOUTHEAST
11 AREA. AND I KNOW THAT, COUNTYWIDE, WE HAVE A CRISIS GOING, AND
12 WE NEED TO DO A BETTER JOB OF ENSURING THAT THE RESOURCES ARE
13 MAKING THE IMPACT WHERE PEOPLE LIVE, AND WHERE SERVICES ARE
14 NEEDED. I THINK WE'VE SAID THAT TIME AND TIME AGAIN, AND I'M
15 HAPPY THAT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO DO THAT, BUT WE NEED TO DO MORE.
16 SO I JOIN WITH YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER AND OTHERS, TO CONTINUE
17 TO HAVE THIS DISCUSSION, BECAUSE WE DO NEED TO MAKE SURE,
18 ALSO, THAT WE ARE WORKING IN THE BEST WAY WE CAN TO LEAVE NO
19 MONEY ON THE TABLE, WHETHER IT COMES FROM THE FEDERAL
20 GOVERNMENT, H.U.D., FEDERAL FUNDING GRANT FOR PERMANENT
21 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. WE JUST CANNOT LEAVE ANY MONEY ON THE
22 TABLE. I KNOW WE'RE DOING BETTER WORK THERE NOW, WHICH IS
23 GREAT. BUT I WOULD SAY THAT WE NEED TO DO A BETTER JOB WITH
24 OUR HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, AND THE LOS
25 ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, AND ALL OF OUR

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1 DEPARTMENTS, INCLUDING MENTAL HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES, WHO
2 ALSO PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THESE PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE
3 HOUSING PLACEMENTS. I'M GLAD THAT OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND
4 L.A.H.S.A. HAVE HONED IN ON THE ISSUE OF SUPPORTIVE HOUSING
5 PLACEMENTS, AND CREATED PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING CENTRAL
6 COMMAND TO CONVENE ALL OUR PARTNERS AND MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO
7 THE PLACEMENT PROCESS. BUT WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO CUT THROUGH
8 THE RED TAPE, AS MANY OF US HAVE SAID HERE TIME AND TIME
9 AGAIN. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE PERMANENT
10 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING CENTRAL COMMAND, AND HOW THAT MODEL WILL BE
11 REPLICATED TO OTHER FUNCTIONS OF L.A.H.S.A. AND OUR COUNTY'S
12 HOMELESS SERVICE DELIVERY SYSTEM, SO THAT WE ARE ABLE TO HOUSE
13 PEOPLE FASTER AND MORE PROMPTLY. I KNOW WE'RE GOING TO HAVE
14 CHALLENGES AS WE MOVE FORWARD, BUT I HOPE THAT WE CAN WORK
15 TOGETHER. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
18 THOMAS?

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20 **SUP. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAM CHAIR, IT'S WORTH RESTATING
21 THAT WE HAVE TO REST THIS CRISIS THAT WE DEFINE AS
22 HOMELESSNESS WITH PURPOSE AND URGENCY. THE DISCUSSION TODAY
23 SEEMS TO BE ABOUT ACCOUNTABILITY, ABOUT TRANSPARENCY, AND IT
24 IS ALSO ABOUT HOW WE CAN CONSTRUCTIVELY MOVE FORWARD IN TERMS
25 OF THE CRITIQUE THAT WE MAY WISH TO BRING TO BEAR REGARDING

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1 L.A.H.S.A.'S OPERATION. IT WAS IN 1993 THAT A MEMBER OF THE
2 LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL CHAIRING THE COMMUNITY ECONOMIC
3 DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE TOOK UP THIS PROPOSAL TO RECONCILE THE
4 LAWSUIT THAT WAS PENDING BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE CITY. AND
5 THERE WAS A MAYOR AT THE TIME, BY THE NAME OF TOM BRADLEY, WHO
6 WAS DETERMINED TO ADVANCE THE ISSUE. AND SO OUT OF THAT
7 COMMITTEE, ON TO THE COUNCIL, AND ULTIMATELY SIGNED BY THE
8 MAYOR AND THE APPROPRIATE ENTITIES, IN TERMS OF THE CITY
9 ATTORNEY, ET CETERA, CAME THIS JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT, AND A
10 LOSS OF THAT WAS, FOR ALL INTENTS AND PURPOSES, AN ENTIRELY
11 DIFFERENT WORLD, AS IT RELATES TO HOMELESSNESS. I DO THINK IT
12 IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE UPDATE OUR WAY OF DEALING WITH
13 HOMELESSNESS IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, IN TERMS OF WHAT
14 OUR CURRENT REALITIES ARE. TO THE EXTENT THAT THERE HASN'T
15 BEEN STRUCTURAL OR SYSTEMIC CHANGES TO THE ENTITY THAT IS
16 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE WORK, THAT STRIKES ME AS BEING WHOLLY
17 APPROPRIATE. I DO NOT FEEL IT NECESSARY TO BE PRESCRIPTIVE AT
18 THIS MOMENT, BUT I DO WANT TO SET FORTH A SENSE THAT IT IS
19 TIME FOR A SUBSTANTIAL REVIEW. WHAT COMES OUT OF THAT, YET TO
20 BE DETERMINED. BUT WE WOULD ABDICATE OUR DUTY AND OUR
21 RESPONSIBILITY, IN MY VIEW, IF WE WERE NOT TO TAKE THAT ON.
22 EQUALLY IMPORTANT IS TO RECOGNIZE THAT MEASURE H IS THE
23 DRIVER, SIGNIFICANTLY, FOR THE WORK THAT L.A.H.S.A. NOW DOES
24 BY DELEGATION OF THIS BOARD. IT IS NOT THE CASE THAT THESE
25 COUNTY FUNDS, OR RESOURCES, HAVE TO BE ADMINISTERED BY

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1 L.A.H.S.A. WE MADE THAT DETERMINATION. IT IS CONCEIVABLE THAT
2 THE COUNTY ITSELF COULD DO IT, NOT A JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT TO
3 WHICH THE COUNTY IS PARTY. BUT WE COULD, THROUGH OUR OWN
4 INFRASTRUCTURE FOR MENTAL HEALTH, TO PUBLIC HEALTH, TO
5 D.P.S.S., ET CETERA, DO THIS WORK. WE FOUND THAT TO BE LESS
6 EFFICIENT, PERHAPS LESS COST-EFFECTIVE. THEREFORE, THE
7 DELEGATION TO L.A.H.S.A. TO CARRY OUT THE WORK. BUT IT IS NOT
8 THE CASE THAT THAT IS THE ONLY OPTION WE COULD EXERCISE. OUR
9 CONSIDERED JUDGMENT AT THE TIME WAS THAT THAT WAS THE BEST
10 OPTION TO BE EXERCISED. I THINK MEASURE H IS DOING ITS JOB,
11 AND WE SHOULD ACKNOWLEDGE THAT, BUT THERE'S A LOT MORE THAT
12 NEEDS TO BE DONE. THE PUBLIC IS DUE AN EXPLANATION, BASED ON
13 THAT MEASURE BEING ADOPTED BY 70 PERCENT OF THE VOTING PUBLIC
14 IN MARCH OF 2017. AND ONE OF THE REASONS IT WAS ABLE TO PASS,
15 PARTICULARLY AT THAT LEVEL, CLEARING A 2/3 THRESHOLD, IS
16 BECAUSE WE SAID THAT WE WOULD HAVE OVERSIGHT, AN INDEPENDENT
17 BODY APPOINTED TO DO THE WORK. THAT INDEPENDENT BODY IS IN
18 PLACE, AND THAT'S REALLY, REALLY IMPORTANT, COLLEAGUES. I
19 THINK WE SHOULD CAUSE THAT INDEPENDENT BODY, THAT OVERSIGHT
20 BODY, TO COME FORWARD IN REAL TIME, PARTICULARLY WHEN THE
21 SPECTER OF UNDERSPENDING IS BEING ADVANCED AS A PART OF THE
22 NARRATIVE OF WHY THE PROBLEMS ON OUR STREETS ARE SO OBVIOUSLY
23 TROUBLING. SO I BELIEVE THAT THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE SHOULD DO
24 ITS WORK. IT HAS AN AUDITING FUNCTION AND CAPACITY. IT NEEDS
25 TO BE ENGAGED WITH IMMEDIACY. IF THAT WERE TO HAPPEN, I THINK

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1 THAT OVERSIGHT ENTITY SHOULD DO ITS WORK IN SHORT ORDER, AND
2 CAUSE IT TO BE A PART OF OUR DELIBERATIONS, AND SO THAT WE ARE
3 ASSURING THE PUBLIC THAT THAT WHICH IT VOTED FOR, NOT JUST THE
4 ADMINISTRATION OF MENTAL HEALTH DOLLARS AND RAPID REHOUSING
5 PROGRAMS, RENTAL SUBSIDIES, AND THE LIKE; BUT, IN FACT, THAT
6 WE ARE PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE EFFECTIVENESS, THE
7 QUALITY OF THAT WORK, AND THE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY. AND SO
8 WITH THAT IN MIND, MADAM CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES, I'M HEREBY
9 CALLING FOR A SPECIAL MEETING OF THAT ENTITY TO BE CONVENED
10 FOR THE PURPOSE OF TAKING ON THE ASSIGNMENT. AND THAT ISN'T
11 THE ASSIGNMENT, TO BE CLEAR, NOT WITH RESPECT TO RESTRUCTURING
12 OF L.A.H.S.A., BUT MORE THE DRILL-DOWN IN TERMS OF WHAT HAS
13 RECENTLY COME TO OUR ATTENTION IN TERMS OF UNDERSPENDING,
14 QUANTIFY IT, COMMUNICATE TO THE BOARD AND OTHER ENTITIES, AS
15 DEEMED APPROPRIATE, PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES TO HOW MEASURE
16 H RESOURCES ARE BEING UTILIZED, AND THE CLAIM THAT'S BEING
17 MADE THAT THESE WERE NOT MEASURE H DOLLARS, BUT OTHER DOLLARS,
18 ET CETERA. LET'S HEAR FROM THE INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT ENTITY TO
19 THAT EFFECT. MADAM CHAIR?

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21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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23 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WELL, I DO THINK IT
24 TOTALLY APPROPRIATE THAT WE'RE REVISITING L.A.H.S.A.'S
25 STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION AT THIS TIME, AND THANK YOU TO

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1 SUPERVISORS BARGER AND SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS ITEM FORWARD.
2 WE ARE IN YEAR THREE OF MEASURE H. AND AGAIN, I JUST DON'T
3 THINK YOU CAN GIVE ENOUGH CREDIT TO THE VOTERS OF L.A. COUNTY.
4 THIS WAS A VERY-- AND I'M SURE THEY HAD NEVER KIND OF VOTED ON
5 ANYTHING QUITE LIKE THIS. WE WERE ASKING THEM TO AGREE TO PAY
6 A QUARTER-CENT SALES TAX, AND BASICALLY GIVE IT TO US TO-- IN
7 THEIR MINDS, I BELIEVE THEY REALLY THOUGHT WE WOULD SOLVE THE
8 PROBLEM OF HOMELESSNESS. AND YOU'RE RIGHT, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I
9 THINK THE REASON VOTERS FELT SO CONNECTED TO IT, BECAUSE IT
10 WASN'T JUST ON SKID ROW ANYMORE; IT WAS IN EVERYBODY'S
11 COMMUNITY. AND IT WAS A BIT OF A SHOCK TO EVERYBODY, TO WAKE
12 UP AND REALIZE THAT THERE WERE, AGAIN, YOU KNOW, 59,000 PEOPLE
13 SLEEPING ON OUR STREETS. MANY OF THEM WERE IN THEIR
14 COMMUNITIES, AND THEY BEGAN TO HEAR ABOUT-- YOU KNOW,
15 CERTAINLY, FOLKS HAVE MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES AND DRUG
16 ADDICTIONS, BUT PEOPLE WERE BEGINNING TO UNDERSTAND THAT THERE
17 WERE WOMEN AND CHILDREN WHO WERE SLEEPING IN THEIR CARS, AND
18 WHO-- SOME OF THEM WERE FLEEING A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SITUATION
19 AND FOUND THEMSELVES ON THE STREETS, AND THEY WERE TRYING TO
20 GET THEIR KIDS READY FOR SCHOOL THE NEXT DAY, AFTER SLEEPING
21 IN THE CAR ALL NIGHT. AND AS SUPERVISOR KUEHL ALWAYS REMINDS
22 US, YOU CAN NEVER UNDERESTIMATE THE RISING COST OF RENTS IN
23 L.A. COUNTY, AND HOW THAT VIRTUALLY THREW PEOPLE OUT ON THE
24 STREETS. AND BECAUSE OF OUR LACK OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING, THEY
25 HAD NOWHERE TO GO. SO I THINK IT WAS A BIG WAKE-UP CALL FOR

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1 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. BUT THEY, IN THEIR GENEROSITY, AGREED TO
2 DO THIS FOR 10 YEARS. AND AT FIRST, I THINK WE THOUGHT WE
3 WOULD GET ABOUT 350 MILLION. I THINK THAT WAS THE ESTIMATE
4 WHEN WE HAD IT ON THE BALLOT, ANNUALLY. LAST YEAR, WE
5 APPROPRIATED \$470 MILLION. THAT IS AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF MONEY
6 THAT WE ARE APPROPRIATING TO THIS. AND I THINK THE IDEA THAT
7 WE DID SORT OF SELL IT TO THE VOTERS IN A WAY THAT WE WEREN'T
8 GOING TO CREATE A NEW BUREAUCRACY, RIGHT? BECAUSE VOTERS DON'T
9 REALLY LIKE NEW DEPARTMENTS, NEW BUREAUCRACIES. THAT'S NOT
10 KIND OF WHAT THEY WANTED. WE SAID, "NO, WE'VE GOT 47
11 STRATEGIES ON HOW WE'RE GOING TO ATTACK THIS PROBLEM, AND
12 WE'RE GOING TO LET L.A.H.S.A. SORT OF BE THE CLEARINGHOUSE FOR
13 THIS." AND I THINK WE-- AND AGAIN, WE TALKED ABOUT NOT
14 CREATING NEW NONPROFITS. BUT THE FACT THAT THOSE TRUSTED
15 NONPROFITS ON THE GROUND, THAT PEOPLE BEGAN TO KNOW AND LOVE
16 AND TRUST IN THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES, WERE JUST GOING TO GET AN
17 INFUSION OF THESE DOLLARS. L.A.H.S.A. WAS SORT OF GOING TO
18 PASS THIS MONEY ON THROUGH TO THE GROUPS THAT HAD PROVED
19 THEMSELVES ON THE GROUND TO DO THIS WORK. AND THAT WAS ALSO A
20 SENSE OF, I THINK, COMFORT TO PEOPLE IN L.A. COUNTY, BECAUSE
21 THEY KNEW THESE GROUPS. AND IT'S CLEAR THAT, YOU KNOW, THE
22 AMOUNT OF DOLLARS THAT OUR FOLKS ARE GIVING US ANNUALLY IS A
23 HUGE AMOUNT, AND L.A.H.S.A. CLEARLY, YOU KNOW, GREW
24 EXPONENTIALLY, JUST ENORMOUSLY, IN TERMS OF WHAT THEY WERE
25 BEING REQUIRED TO DO. THEY WENT FROM A VERY DIFFERENT

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1 ORGANIZATION TO SOMETHING NOW THAT WE HAVE REALLY PINNED THE
2 PROBLEM OF HOMELESSNESS ON THEM, AND WE REALLY WANT THEM TO
3 SOLVE IT, AND OF COURSE THEY CAN'T. I DON'T KNOW IF WE'LL-- I
4 HATE SAYING THIS, BUT I DON'T REALLY EVEN SAY "END
5 HOMELESSNESS" ANYMORE, BECAUSE I'M NOT SURE THAT IS EVER GOING
6 TO BE POSSIBLE IN A CIVILIZED PLACE. IT'S JUST WE'RE ALWAYS
7 GOING TO HAVE THOSE WHO ARE ON THE MARGINS. WE'RE ALWAYS GOING
8 TO HAVE THOSE WHO JUST HAVE LOST THEIR WAY AND HAVE NOT GOTTEN
9 THEIR FOOTING BACK. NEVERTHELESS, WE NEED TO DO THE BEST
10 POSSIBLE THING WE CAN FOR THOSE WHO ARE LIVING ON THE STREETS,
11 TO BRING THEM INSIDE. AND IT IS NO SECRET THAT I HAVE BEEN
12 FRUSTRATED, AND I'VE... YOU KNOW, HAVE NOT HELD MY TONGUE
13 SOMETIMES, WHEN IT CAME TO SHARING MY CRITICISM ABOUT
14 L.A.H.S.A. I HAVE FELT A LACK OF URGENCY. I HAVE FELT A LACK
15 OF, YOU KNOW, "WE NEED A MARSHALL PLAN" KIND OF A FEELING. I
16 JUST HAVE FELT THAT THE BUREAUCRACY THAT IS THERE HAS NOT BEEN
17 FLEXIBLE ENOUGH TO MOVE AND CHANGE AND ADAPT TO EVERYTHING WE
18 BEGAN SEEING AND LEARNING. AND THE FACT THAT THE HOMELESS
19 COUNT WENT UP LAST YEAR WAS A DEVASTATING KICK IN THE STOMACH,
20 I THINK, TO ALL OF US. AND WE KNOW WE WERE HOUSING PEOPLE, AND
21 YET THEN WE FOUND OUT MORE PEOPLE WERE FALLING INTO
22 HOMELESSNESS. AND WE WEREN'T EVEN TREADING WATER; WE WERE
23 DROWNING. AND AGAIN, I JUST NEVER FELT LIKE THE CURRENT
24 STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION OF L.A.H.S.A. HAS BEEN ABLE TO ADAPT
25 QUICK ENOUGH, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE. AND AGAIN, I THINK THREE

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1 YEARS IN IS THE EXACT RIGHT TIME THAT WE SHOULD LOOK AT THIS.
2 WE CAN'T WAIT TILL WE'RE, YOU KNOW, YEAR EIGHT OR NINE. WE OWE
3 A LOT TO THE VOTERS. WE OWE A LOT TO OUR CONSTITUENTS. WE OWE
4 A LOT TO THOSE WHO ARE FINDING THEMSELVES HOMELESS. WE ARE,
5 AFTER ALL, THE SAFETY NET. WE ARE HERE TO KEEP PEOPLE FROM
6 FALLING THROUGH THE CRACKS, AND YET IT SEEMS LIKE MORE AND
7 MORE ARE DOING JUST THAT. I'VE FOUND THAT I SOMETIMES BYPASS
8 L.A.H.S.A. TO FIND A SOLUTION IN ONE OF MY COMMUNITIES,
9 BECAUSE I JUST CAN'T GET IT DONE THROUGH THEM. YOU KNOW, OR GO
10 TO SACHI. IN WHITTIER, WE HAD AN ENCAMPMENT THERE OF 60
11 PEOPLE. I JUST COULDN'T GET THE HELP I NEEDED, SO WE JUST WENT
12 AND GOT THE MOTEL DOWN THE STREET, AND WE RENTED 60 ROOMS AND
13 GOT THOSE PEOPLE INTO A MOTEL THAT NIGHT, THOSE THAT WANTED TO
14 GO. [APPLAUSE.] AND THAT'S THE KIND OF FEELING I WANT. I MEAN,
15 I KNOW THERE'S A WAITING LIST, AND I KNOW THERE'S THE
16 COORDINATED ENTRY SYSTEM, BUT IT JUST DOESN'T FEEL LIKE, YOU
17 KNOW, AT A CERTAIN TIME, WE ARE ABLE TO GET PEOPLE THE HELP
18 THAT THEY NEED. I WAS VERY SAD AND A LITTLE ANGRY THAT
19 L.A.H.S.A., ALONG WITH OUR HOUSING AUTHORITY AND THE CITY
20 HOUSING AUTHORITY, HAD TO SEND MONEY BACK TO H.U.D. FOR UNUSED
21 VOUCHERS. AND THAT JUST, AGAIN, IT'S SYSTEMATIC THAT
22 SOMETHING'S NOT WORKING LIKE IT NEEDS TO. WE ONLY HAVE TEN
23 YEARS WITH THIS INCREDIBLE GENEROSITY OF THE SALES-TAX PAYERS.
24 AND THEN, YOU KNOW, I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN. I
25 DON'T KNOW IF THE VOTERS WOULD AGREE TO DO THIS AGAIN IF THEY

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1 DON'T BEGIN TO SEE REAL, REAL RESULTS. AND I KNOW SUPERVISOR
2 RIDLEY-THOMAS DIDN'T WANT TO BE PRESCRIPTIVE IN THIS, BUT I DO
3 HOPE THAT WE, AS WE ARE REVIEWING THEIR STRUCTURE, THAT WE
4 LOOK-- I MEAN, I HAVE BEEN HEARING PEOPLE WHO SAY THINGS LIKE,
5 "I THINK WE SHOULD BREAK UP L.A.H.S.A. WE SHOULD FORM TWO
6 ENTITIES: ONE THAT SERVES THE CITY OF L.A., AND THEN ONE THAT
7 SERVES THE REST OF THE COUNTY." I'VE HEARD FROM MANY OF MY
8 COMMUNITIES THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO LOOK AT A SUB-REGIONAL
9 SYSTEM, WITH A SEPARATE HOMELESS SERVICE AGENCY CREATED FOR
10 L.A. CITY, BUT THE SOUTH BAY, THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, THE
11 GATEWAY AREA, THE WEST SIDE, AND THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, AGAIN,
12 BEING SEPARATE. IF WE KEEP THE STRUCTURE THE WAY IT IS, I HOPE
13 THAT WE LOOK AT THINGS LIKE, YOU KNOW, HOW METRO IS GOVERNED,
14 WHERE THERE'S MORE REGIONAL REPRESENTATION. AND I THINK WE
15 COULD ADD DIRECTORS OF PUBLIC HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, HEALTH
16 SERVICES. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT GOVERNING BODY, IN MY
17 OPINION, BE MORE REPRESENTATIVE, LARGER. I DON'T THINK LARGER
18 IS ALWAYS BETTER, BUT IN THIS CASE, I THINK IT WOULD BRING
19 MORE REPRESENTATION FROM THOSE COMMUNITIES WHO ARE FEELING
20 LEFT OUT. AND I KNOW WE NEED TO GET THE CITY'S AGREEMENT AND
21 H.U.D.'S AGREEMENT FOR ANYTHING WE DO TO CHANGE THE STRUCTURE,
22 BECAUSE OF COURSE THIS IS A SETTLEMENT OF A LAWSUIT. BUT I DO
23 THINK OUR COUNTY IS GOING TO APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT WE'RE
24 LOOKING AT THIS SERIOUSLY. WE'RE LOOKING AT IDEAS TO MAKE IT
25 BETTER, TO IMPROVE IT. IT IS AN ENORMOUS TASK THAT WE'VE GIVEN

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1 L.A.H.S.A., I WILL BE THE FIRST TO ADMIT. ENORMOUS. I'M NOT
2 SURE ANYBODY REALLY UNDERSTOOD THE COMPLEXITY OF THIS PROBLEM.
3 BUT I DO THINK IT IS INCUMBENT UPON US TO CONTINUE TO LOOK AT
4 IT, AND IMPROVE IT, AND MAKE IT BETTER. WE ALWAYS TALK ABOUT
5 HOW WE'RE THE MODEL, AND THE REST OF THE COUNTRY LOOKS TO US
6 FOR THAT PROGRESSIVE, INNOVATIVE, SOLUTION-MINDED MODEL. AND I
7 HOPE THAT WE COME BACK WITH SOME IDEAS TO MAKE IT BETTER.
8 THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

11

12 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. SOMETIMES I'M
13 REALLY STRUCK BY HOW FORTUNATE I AM-- I'M JUST GOING TO SPEAK
14 FOR MYSELF AT THIS MOMENT-- IN MY LIFE, BECAUSE I REALLY LIKE
15 THE FOUR PEOPLE THAT I SERVE WITH. I LIKE THE WAY THEY THINK
16 ABOUT THINGS. I LIKE THE WAY THEY COMBINE HEART AND HEAD, AND
17 REALLY STRUGGLE WITH WHAT THE ANSWERS SHOULD BE. WHEN WE DON'T
18 AGREE, WE DON'T AGREE, AND WE, YOU KNOW, TELL EACH OTHER, AND
19 THEN WE WORK IT THROUGH, OR WE GO 3 TO 2, OR 4 TO 1, OR
20 WHATEVER. I MEAN, THAT'S WHAT A BODY DOES. I SUPPORT THIS LOOK
21 AT L.A.H.S.A. I APPRECIATE HAVING MORE PRESENTATIONS FROM
22 THEM, JUST SORT OF LOOKING AT WHAT IT DOES. I ACTUALLY HAVE
23 BEEN VERY, VERY IMPRESSED AND PLEASED WITH THE LAUNCH OF THE
24 HOUSING CENTRAL COMMAND. IT'S THE KIND OF THING WE'VE BEEN
25 TALKING ABOUT, BECAUSE IT IS A REALLY COMPLEX SYSTEM OF

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1 PROVIDING SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. AND SOMETIMES WE LOOK AT THE
2 COMPLEXITY AND WE AREN'T ABLE TO GET AT ANY KIND OF
3 EFFICIENCY. TO SOME EXTENT, THOUGH, THAT IS MY CONCERN ABOUT
4 OUR THINKING ABOUT GOVERNANCE. THERE'S A COUPLE OF THINGS THAT
5 OCCURRED AS I WAS LISTENING TO MY COLLEAGUES. ONE IS,
6 GOVERNANCE IS NOT, IN MY OPINION, AT FAULT HERE, THE WAY
7 L.A.H.S.A.'S BOARD IS STRUCTURED, FOR THE GROWTH IN
8 HOMELESSNESS, FOR INSTANCE. I DON'T KNOW WHETHER HAVING IT BE
9 LARGER OR SMALLER, HAVING MORE KINDS OF PEOPLE ON IT OR FEWER
10 KINDS OF PEOPLE, WOULD ACTUALLY HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR
11 RESPONSE TO HOMELESSNESS. THE MONEY-- IT WASN'T EXACTLY
12 RETURNED, IT'S JUST THAT WE DIDN'T USE IT-- WAS 2017 MONEY.
13 AND I THINK, AS MANY OF YOU HAVE SAID, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT
14 HAPPENED, ESPECIALLY WHEN MEASURE H WAS PASSED, IS ALL OF A
15 SUDDEN THIS MONEY STARTED COMING IN, AND WE HAD NOT BUILT THE
16 CAPACITY. L.A.H.S.A. HAD NOT BUILT THE CAPACITY. AND PEOPLE
17 SAY, "WHY NOT?" AND PART OF IT IS BECAUSE YOU CAN'T BUILD
18 CAPACITY WITHOUT MONEY. IT IS ADDING PEOPLE TO DO IT. I DO
19 APPRECIATE-- IT'S A FUNNY THING. WE'VE HAD TWO CONFLICTING
20 STREAMS OF CONVERSATION HERE ABOUT GOVERNANCE. ON THE ONE
21 HAND, PEOPLE HAVE SAID, "IT'S PROBABLY NOT A GOOD IDEA JUST TO
22 HAVE L.A. CITY AND L.A. COUNTY. THERE PROBABLY OUGHT TO BE
23 OTHER CITIES." AND THAT WOULD, OF COURSE, RAISE THE QUESTION
24 OF REPRESENTATION, BECAUSE WE WOULDN'T LOOK AT 88
25 REPRESENTATIVES FROM CITIES. SOME OF THEM ARE DOING SOMETHING

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1 ABOUT HOMELESSNESS, SOME OF THEM ARE NOT. PERHAPS WE MIGHT
2 REQUIRE THAT THEY BE DOING SOMETHING BEFORE THEY COULD SERVE
3 ON THE BOARD. I DON'T KNOW. NOT BAD, HUH? ON THE OTHER HAND, I
4 HEAR PEOPLE SAYING, "OH, BUT THE COUNTY IS THE BIG DOG, IN
5 TERMS OF PUTTING IN THE MONEY, AND THEREFORE WE OUGHT TO BE
6 ABLE TO HAVE MORE OF A COUNTYWIDE APPROACH." I LOVE MY CITIES,
7 BUT THEY DO NOT NECESSARILY HAVE A COUNTYWIDE APPROACH. THEY
8 ARE THINKING ABOUT THEIR OWN GOVERNANCE. SO, AS WE LOOK AT
9 WHAT'S REPORTED BACK AND THINKING ABOUT GOVERNANCE, I WANT US
10 TO BE-- AND WE WILL BE-- COGNIZANT THAT THERE ARE SORT OF
11 COMPETING THREADS HERE THAT WE MIGHT WANT TO THINK ABOUT. I
12 HAVE LOVED-- AND I'LL TELL YOU, WHEN I GO OTHER PLACES IN THE
13 STATE, THEY ALSO LOVE THE IDEA THAT THE CITY AND THE COUNTY
14 DECIDED TO WORK TOGETHER. EVERYBODY WANTS THAT TO BE THE CASE,
15 SO THAT THERE WILL NOT BE THE KIND OF SPLINTERING THAT YOU'VE
16 SEEN. IT'S ALSO INTERESTING TO ME, WE DID AN OBITUARY A COUPLE
17 WEEKS AGO FOR A MAN WHO HAD BEEN INVOLVED IN PUTTING TOGETHER
18 A HOMELESS PROGRAM IN L.A. COUNTY IN THE EARLY 80S. AND THE
19 FACT THAT THIS HAS BEEN AN ISSUE FOR L.A. COUNTY FOR ALL THAT
20 TIME ALSO, I THINK, SHOULD REMIND US THAT WE ARE NOT, AS
21 SEVERAL OF YOU SAID, CAPABLE OF SOLVING THIS PROBLEM ALONE. I
22 DIDN'T EVEN HEAR THE WORD "HOMELESS" UNTIL AFTER RONALD REAGAN
23 WAS ELECTED IN 1980, AND I WAS ON THE BOARD OF THE OCEAN PARK
24 COMMUNITY CENTER. WE WERE HAVING A LOT TO DO WITH HOMELESSNESS
25 ON THE WEST SIDE, AND SEEING MORE AND MORE-- A REAL JUMP, A

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1 REAL GROWTH. SO I'M HOPING FOR SEVERAL THINGS IN THIS REPORT-
2 BACK. I LIKE THE CITY-COUNTY PARTNERSHIP. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE
3 THAT RESPECTED AND MAINTAINED IN A REALLY MEANINGFUL WAY. ONE
4 OF THE THINGS THAT HASN'T BEEN MENTIONED IS THAT THE L.A. CITY
5 COUNCIL IS NOT HAPPY NOT TO BE REPRESENTED, BUT ONLY TO HAVE
6 THE MAYOR APPOINT. AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT WOULD MEAN, BUT
7 IT MAY BE SOMETHING THAT WE WANT TO THINK ABOUT. ON METRO, FOR
8 INSTANCE, THE MAYOR APPOINTS COUNCIL MEMBERS AS HIS
9 REPRESENTATIVES, AND SOMETIMES THAT HELPS. SO EVEN WITHIN THE
10 CITY OF L.A., WHICH IS 40 PERCENT OF THE COUNTY, THERE ARE
11 QUESTIONS ABOUT WHO'S GOING TO SIT THERE. BUT MY FINAL POINT
12 IS, I DON'T BELIEVE THE GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE IS THE "IT" OF IT
13 HERE. I DON'T MIND LOOKING AT A DIFFERENT GOVERNANCE
14 STRUCTURE, BUT I DON'T CARE WHAT WE DO WITH THAT BOARD, IT IS
15 NOT THE CENTRAL THING THAT WILL SOLVE HOMELESSNESS. WITHOUT
16 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S HELP-- AND I'M HOPING THAT WE WILL
17 GET SOME HELP IN 2021-- WE ARE NOT ABLE TO BUILD THE HOUSING.
18 WE ARE NOT ABLE TO BUILD A SHELTER. WE JUST CAN'T DO IT BY
19 OURSELVES. WITHOUT THE STATE'S HELP, WE CANNOT KEEP PEOPLE
20 FROM FALLING INTO HOMELESSNESS, AS HARD AS WE TRY. WE'RE
21 STANDING UNDER THE BRIDGE, CATCHING PEOPLE FALLING OFF. WE ARE
22 NOT UP ON THE BRIDGE, ABLE TO HELP THEM NOT JUMP... OR BE
23 PUSHED. SURPRISINGLY, A GROWING AND SIGNIFICANT PERCENTAGE OF
24 THE HOMELESS POPULATION ARE WORKING. THEY GO TO WORK EVERY
25 DAY. THIS IS NOT ONLY THE MENTAL HEALTH OR THE ELDERLY OR THE

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1 FAMILIES OR WHATEVER. THESE ARE PEOPLE, YOU WOULD SAY, REGULAR
2 PEOPLE. REGULAR WORKING PEOPLE. THEY SIMPLY CAN'T AFFORD A
3 PLACE TO LIVE ANYMORE FOR WHAT THEY MAKE. WE'RE DOING WELL, I
4 THINK, WITH MINIMUM WAGE. WE'VE BEEN DOING OUR PART. BUT
5 THAT'S AN ISSUE, AS WELL. SO I WANT TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES,
6 BECAUSE AS MUCH AS WE ARE FRUSTRATED, WE DO TRY TO FIGURE OUT
7 WHAT TO DO. MY MAIN POINT IS, IN ADDITION TO GETTING THIS
8 REPORT-BACK ON THE STRUCTURE OF ITS GOVERNANCE, I THINK WE
9 NEED A SOMEWHAT LARGER LOOK AT CAPACITY IN THOSE THAT WE ARE
10 ASKING TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM: L.A.H.S.A. ITSELF, THE HOMELESS
11 INITIATIVE, ALL OF-- YOU KNOW, THE NONPROFITS, ET CETERA. YOU
12 CAN'T JUST GET AN INFUSION OF MONEY AND SUDDENLY KNOW WHAT TO
13 DO WITH IT RIGHT AWAY. CAPACITY BUILDING, LEADERSHIP BUILDING,
14 THE KINDS OF THINGS THAT WE NEED TO GET IT DONE. THE MONEY IS
15 GETTING TO THE STREET, BUT WE WILL DO MORE. THANK YOU VERY
16 MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

17
18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'VE GOT TWO SPEAKERS
19 THAT HAVE BEEN INVITED, BUT I JUST WANT TO SAY-- YOU KNOW, AND
20 I APPRECIATE THE HISTORICAL FROM A POLICYMAKER'S STANDPOINT,
21 AS IT RELATES TO THE CITY VERSUS THE COUNTY. BUT THE J.P.A.--
22 AND I THINK IF YOU LOOK BACK AT ARTICLES, THERE WERE ISSUES
23 FROM DAY ONE. AND TO YOUR POINT, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, IT WAS
24 ABOUT LEADERSHIP, NOT ABOUT THE MAKEUP OF THE BOARD. SO I
25 COMPLETELY AGREE WITH THAT. BUT WHEN I HEAR THE NUMBER 470

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1 MILLION, I CRINGE, BECAUSE I CAN TELL YOU-- AND SUPERVISOR
2 SOLIS AND I HAVE BEEN TO THE C.O.G.S AND TO OUR CITIES OUT IN
3 THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY-- THEY ARE ASKING WHERE THE MONEY IS.
4 THEY'RE NOT FEELING IT. AND, YOU KNOW, L.A.H.S.A. IS NOT GOING
5 TO CHANGE THAT, EITHER. I THINK THAT WE, AS A BOARD, HAVE
6 STEPPED UP AND SAID WE NEED TO DO A BETTER JOB OF
7 COMMUNICATING. AND, IN FACT, WE BROUGHT IN A MOTION TO FAST-
8 TRACK MONEY OUT TO THOSE CITIES SO THAT THEY COULDN'T SAY THAT
9 THEY WERE NOT RECEIVING THE FUNDING TO DO SOME OF THE OUTREACH
10 AND SOME OF THE THINGS THEY NEEDED. BUT THERE'S ONE THING I
11 WANT TO SAY, AND IT IS NOT MEANT TO BE A SLAM, BUT I THINK IT
12 IS A FACT: THIS IS NOT ABOUT MONEY ANYMORE. THIS IS ABOUT
13 LEADERSHIP, AND HOW ARE WE, AS A BOARD AND WORKING WITH THE
14 CITY, GOING TO-- AND THAT'S WHY I STARTED OFF SAYING THIS IS
15 AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO LOOK AT L.A.H.S.A., BECAUSE WE'VE HAD
16 AUDITS THAT HAVE SHOWN THAT THERE HAS BEEN SOME FISCAL... NOT
17 EVEN IRREGULARITIES, BUT LACK OF PAYING THE PROVIDERS IN A
18 TIMELY FASHION. SO WE, THIS COUNTY, STEPPED UP AND BASICALLY
19 BACKFILLED TO MAKE SURE THAT THE CASHFLOW WOULD BE THERE, SO
20 THAT WE COULD MAKE SURE THAT THE PROVIDERS ARE GETTING PAID IN
21 A TIMELY FASHION. SO, HISTORICALLY, THE AUDITS HAVE SHOWN
22 THAT, STRUCTURALLY, THIS AGENCY HAS BEEN STRUGGLING. AND TO GO
23 FROM 100 TO, WHAT, 500 AND SOME-ODD EMPLOYEES, THAT LARGE OF
24 GROWTH, EVEN FOR A COMPANY, THEY WOULD FACE CHALLENGES. THAT
25 IS A HUGE GROWTH SPURT OVER A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME. SO I'M

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1 NOT-- YOU KNOW, PLEASE UNDERSTAND THAT MY FRUSTRATION IS MORE
2 ABOUT THE FACT THAT THE NUMBERS GO UP, AND, YOU KNOW, PEOPLE
3 ARE GOING TO LOOK TO US AND SAY, "L.A.H.S.A. NEEDS TO FIX IT."
4 I AGREE WITH YOU. I THINK WE NEED TO BE FAIR AND HONEST ABOUT
5 WHAT THE EXPECTATION FOR L.A.H.S.A. IS GOING TO BE. BUT AS FAR
6 AS REPRESENTATION GOES, IF IT IS A COUNTYWIDE APPROACH, IT HAS
7 TO REFLECT THE COUNTYWIDE BOARD, AND I DON'T KNOW IF IT IS
8 M.T.A. I DON'T KNOW. I DON'T EVEN KNOW IF IT'S PRINCIPALS
9 SITTING ON IT, BECAUSE THIS IS A CRISIS. THIS IS A
10 HUMANITARIAN CRISIS THAT THIS COUNTY IS FACING. I DON'T KNOW.
11 I TRIED TO BE AS OPEN WITH SUPERVISOR SOLIS AS POSSIBLE WHEN
12 WE PUT THIS MOTION TOGETHER, SO THAT WE DIDN'T-- WE GAVE
13 PARAMETERS, BUT WE DIDN'T PRECONCEIVE AND SAY, "THIS IS WHAT
14 IT NEEDS TO BE." SO I COMPLETELY AGREE WITH YOU, SUPERVISOR
15 KUEHL, IN TERMS OF, YOU KNOW, THE EXPECTATIONS AND THE
16 GOVERNANCE AND ALL THAT. BUT I THINK THIS IS A HEALTHY
17 DIALOGUE, AND QUITE FRANKLY I THINK THE OUTCOME IS GOING TO BE
18 SO MUCH BETTER BECAUSE OF IT. SO WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I'M JUST GOING TO BE VERY BRIEF. YOU KNOW,
21 L.A.H.S.A. HAS STEPPED IN, IN MANY WAYS, SOME POSITIVE AND
22 SOME... I THINK I NEED TO WANT MORE FROM THEM, I GUESS. SO
23 THAT'S ONE OF THE CONCERNS AS WE MOVE FORWARD, THAT WE LOOK AT
24 EQUITABLE RESOURCES, THE DISTRIBUTION. AND I WILL GIVE CREDIT
25 TO THE COUNTY, BECAUSE THROUGH OUR C.E.O.'S OFFICE, FOR MANY

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1 YEARS, IF NOT DECADES, THERE WAS NOTHING, LITERALLY, IN TERMS
2 OF A STABLE WINTER SHELTER FOR THE LAST 30 YEARS. THEY HAD
3 ROTATING CHURCHES. 10 DAYS. I'M SORRY, THAT DOESN'T GET IT. I
4 LOVE THEM, THAT'S GREAT, BUT THAT'S NOT WHAT WE'RE AT IN THIS
5 PLACE IN TIME. NOW WE'RE USING OUR OWN RESOURCES-- OUR PARK, A
6 GYMNASIUM-- AND PEOPLE THERE ARE UPSET BECAUSE WE ARE USING IT
7 FOR THREE MONTHS, 24 HOURS. AND IT HAS BEEN FILLED. 70 COTS TO
8 100 COTS. PEOPLE ARE COMING IN, AND PEOPLE ARE WORKING. IT'S
9 VERY TRUE, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. THERE ARE, I'D SAY, A GOOD 25
10 PERCENT WORK, AND THEN WE HAVE ANOTHER POPULATION THAT HAS
11 TREMENDOUS MENTAL AND ADDICTION, AND THEN YOU HAVE A WHOLE
12 GROUP THAT IS JUST HOMELESS CHRONICALLY: WIDOWS, ELDERLY
13 WOMEN, AND MEN. AND WE'RE TRYING TO GET THEM INTO OUR
14 SERVICES, OUR HEALTHCARE SERVICES, THAT ARE IMMEDIATELY
15 ADJACENT TO THE FACILITY. AND THAT IS GOOD, BECAUSE WE'RE
16 TRIAGING. WE'RE DOING THE RIGHT THING THERE. BUT IT WASN'T
17 REALLY L.A.H.S.A.; IT WAS OUR C.E.O. SO I'M SAYING I CAN'T
18 AFFORD TO WAIT FOR L.A.H.S.A., BECAUSE EVERYONE THINKS THAT
19 THAT'S WHO YOU POINT TO. BUT WE'RE BEING CREATIVE HERE, AND I
20 WANT TO SAY I WANT TO GIVE CREDIT WHERE IT IS DESERVED, BUT I
21 THINK WE NEED TO DO MORE. I DON'T THINK OUR STAFFS HAVE THE
22 TIME TO BE THE NAVIGATORS TO DO ALL OF THIS. IT TAKES A LOT
23 OF TIME. I'VE HEARD OTHER BOARD OFFICES SAY THAT, TOO, TO FIND
24 A LOCATION. OUR STAFFS ARE HAVING TO DO ALL OF THAT. AND I'M
25 THINKING... WE DON'T MIND, BUT THAT ISN'T WHAT WE SIGNED UP

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1 FOR, NECESSARILY, IN TERMS OF HOW L.A.H.S.A.'S FUNCTIONING,
2 AND WHAT OUR ROLES ARE. MAYBE WE'RE GOING INTO NEW TERRITORY,
3 WHICH I AGREE. AND I WANT TO JUST TRY TO FIGURE THAT OUT. SO,
4 AS WE MOVE FORWARD, IN THE NEXT 10 YEARS, OR WHATEVER IT MIGHT
5 BE, THAT WE HAVE SOME GUIDES, SOME STANDARDS, AND THAT WE KNOW
6 WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT, AND TRY TO WORK WITH THAT. SO THAT'S
7 ALL, AND I APPRECIATE ALL THE COMMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE BY
8 ALL OF YOU, THE BOARD MEMBERS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
11 THOMAS? AND THEN, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, IF YOU COULD
12 INVITE-- OR ACTUALLY, I'LL JUST SAY, SARAH DUSSEAUT, IF YOU
13 CAN COME UP AND SPEAK? GO AHEAD, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

14

15 **SUP. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT IS WORTH SAYING THAT THIS IS
16 SIMPLY A DIFFERENT POINT IN TIME. AND IT WARRANTS A DIFFERENT
17 ENDS, AND THE CONTEXT IS NOT WHAT IT WAS BEFORE. JUST THINK
18 ABOUT IT. TENSION, LITIGATION, BROUGHT L.A.H.S.A. INTO BEING.
19 FAST FORWARD TO WHERE WE ARE IN 2017. THE CITY AND THE COUNTY
20 ISSUE THEIR RESPECTIVE HOMELESS PLANS ON THE SAME DAY AS THE
21 MEASURE OF COMMUNICATING THAT WE ARE BOUND AND DETERMINED TO
22 BE COLLABORATIVE. DIFFERENT SET OF DYNAMICS, DIFFERENT POINT
23 IN TIME, VERY DIFFERENT REALITY, NOT JUST FROM A POLICY
24 PERSPECTIVE, BUT FROM A FISCAL PERSPECTIVE. ALL OF THAT
25 DIFFERENCE SEEMS TO SUGGEST THAT WE HAVE TO DO SOMETHING

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1 DIFFERENT, IN TERMS OF ASSESSING THE STRUCTURE, ITS AGILITY,
2 ITS ALIGNMENT WITH OUR CURRENT REALITIES. REALLY IMPORTANT. I
3 CURRENTLY REPRESENT 10 OF THE 15 CITIES, 10 OF THE 15 COUNCIL
4 DISTRICTS IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, ON THIS BOARD. YET, IT
5 IS REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE RECOGNIZE THAT TODAY REALLY ISN'T
6 YESTERDAY, IN TERMS OF THIS HOMELESS CRISIS. THE
7 INFRASTRUCTURE THAT HAS BEEN BUILT, AIMED AT THE CRISIS, IS
8 SUBSTANTIAL, AND THE ENVY OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS THROUGHOUT
9 THE STATE AND THE NATION. I KNOW THIS FROM VERY DIRECT
10 COMMUNICATIONS IN THE CAPACITY ON THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL. BUT
11 BEYOND THAT, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE RECOGNIZE THAT WE SHOULD
12 LEVERAGE ALL OF THE GOODWILL, ALL OF THE EXPECTATION THAT THE
13 PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTY HAVE LAID AT OUR FEET, TO SAY THAT THIS
14 IS AN UNACCEPTABLE SET OF CIRCUMSTANCES. WE'VE AFFORDED YOU
15 THE RESOURCES TO ADDRESS IT. DO WHAT YOU ARE SUPPOSED TO DO.
16 AND I BELIEVE, NOW, DIFFERENT FROM THEN. WE HAVE A MUCH MORE
17 CONSTRUCTIVE CONVERSATION THAN WAS THE CASE IN 1993. MUCH MORE
18 COLLABORATIVE, MUCH MORE FORWARD-LOOKING, MUCH MORE ENDOWED.
19 TO THE EXTENT THAT THAT IS THE CASE, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT OUR
20 STRUCTURES, OUR INITIATIVES, OUR ORGANIZATIONS, AND SO FORTH,
21 SHOULD, IN EFFECT, COMPORT WITH OUR CURRENT REALITY, RATHER
22 THAN ANYTHING OF THE PAST. WE HAVE TO BE INFORMED BY WHAT WE
23 HAVE DONE, AND DO BETTER GOING FORWARD. MADAM CHAIR?

24
25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AGREED. WELCOME, SARAH.

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2 **SARAH DUSSEAUT:** HI. THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME HERE TODAY. I
3 REALLY ENJOYED LISTENING TO YOUR COMMENTS, AND LEARNED A LOT.
4 I THINK THIS IS A REALLY TOUGH ISSUE, AND I THINK IT'S REALLY
5 IMPORTANT THAT WE RESPECT SOME OF THE AMAZING, HEROIC WORK
6 THAT'S GOING ON, WHILE AT THE SAME TIME HOLD OURSELVES
7 ACCOUNTABLE TO DO MORE. ALL OF YOU HAVE PRESENTED YOUR DESIRE,
8 AND YOU'VE LAID OUT DIFFERENT PLANS AROUND DATA-BASED
9 ACCOUNTABILITY TO URGENTLY ADDRESS THIS HUMANITARIAN CRISIS.
10 AND I THINK THAT THIS MOTION ADDRESSES THAT IN TWO WAYS,
11 LOOKING AT BOTH THE SHORT-TERM OPPORTUNITIES THAT L.A.H.S.A.'S
12 STAFF HAS ADVANCED THROUGH THE HOUSING CENTRAL COMMAND, AND
13 THEN LOOKING AT THE LONG-TERM OPPORTUNITIES, WHICH IS TAKING A
14 HARD LOOK, ASKING HARD QUESTIONS AROUND GOVERNANCE, AND THAT
15 INCLUDES MORE THAN L.A.H.S.A. I DO WANT TO MAKE SURE IT IS
16 CLEAR, THIS IS A HOMELESS SERVICES SYSTEM, AND WE HAVE ALSO
17 MORE THAN JUST THE L.A.H.S.A. COMMISSION. THERE'S A C.O.C.
18 BOARD. THERE ARE ALL SORTS OF OTHER BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND
19 POLICY GROUPS THAT ARE WORKING ON THIS ISSUE, AND THINKING
20 ABOUT HOW THAT PLAYS INTO ACCOUNTABILITY, TRANSPARENCY, AND
21 DRIVING THE RESULTS THAT ALL OF YOU WANT. EACH OF YOU HAVE PUT
22 FORTH REALLY BOLD INITIATIVES, RECENTLY, AROUND REFORM ON
23 INCARCERATION, REFORM AROUND THE STATE INITIATIVES, REFORM ON
24 GETTING HOUSING PROJECTS BUILT QUICKLY, REFORM FOR YOUTH,
25 REFORM ON ENCAMPMENT TO HOME, AND ALL OF THOSE REFORMS ARE

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1 GOING TO NEED STATE-OF-THE-ART STRUCTURE TO BE EFFECTIVE, AND
2 EVERYONE IS GOING TO BE DEMANDING BOTH ACCOUNTABILITY AND
3 TRANSPARENCY. SO I GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORTS HERE. I
4 LOOK FORWARD TO THE REPORT-BACKS, WHICH SOUND LIKE THEY'LL BE
5 COMING FAST AND FURIOUS. IN TERMS OF THE COMMISSION, WE HAVE
6 DEVELOPED AN AD-HOC COMMITTEE WHERE WE'RE GOING TO BE TRYING
7 TO CONTRIBUTE TO THIS CONVERSATION, AND CREATE INDEPENDENT
8 RELATIONSHIPS WITH ACADEMICS AND OTHER EXPERTS TO PROVIDE EVEN
9 MORE FODDER FOR DISCUSSION. SO OUR HOPE IS THAT THIS ISN'T
10 PRESCRIPTIVE, THAT WE DON'T HAVE ALL OF THE ANSWERS, BUT THAT
11 WE'RE OPEN TO HAVING REALLY TOUGH CONVERSATIONS IN ORDER TO DO
12 BETTER. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SO WITH THAT, MADAM
15 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU CALL UP PEOPLE THAT HAVE SIGNED UP
16 TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM?

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. [CALLING NAMES.]
19 PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

20

21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** AND WHILE THEY'RE GETTING READY, I
22 JUST HAVE TO SAY PUBLICLY, SARAH DUSSEAUT, THANK YOU. I KNOW
23 THAT SUPERVISOR SOLIS APPOINTED YOU. YOU WERE THE CHAIR OF
24 L.A.H.S.A., BUT YOU HAVE REPRESENTED EVERYBODY. I MEAN, YOU
25 HAVE BEEN VERY COLLABORATIVE AS IT RELATES TO THIS. SO I WANT

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1 TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK, AND GOOD APPOINTMENT, SUPERVISOR
2 SOLIS. YEAH, OKAY. FIRST SPEAKER.

3

4 **CLARA KARGER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M CLARA KARGER, WITH CENTRAL
5 CITY ASSOCIATION. WE REPRESENT A BROAD COALITION OF
6 ORGANIZATIONS COMMITTED TO INCREASING THE VIBRANCY OF DOWNTOWN
7 L.A. DOWNTOWN IS HOME TO THE LARGEST UNSHELTERED POPULATION IN
8 THE NATION, SO A COMMITMENT TO A MORE VIBRANT AND INCLUSIVE
9 DOWNTOWN FOR ALL IS INHERENTLY A COMMITMENT TO ADDRESSING THE
10 COMPLEX NATURE OF HOMELESSNESS. WE ARE HERE IN STRONG SUPPORT
11 OF SUPERVISORS BARGER AND SOLIS'S MOTION TO REVISIT
12 L.A.H.S.A.'S STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION. L.A.H.S.A. DELIVERS
13 FUNDING AND COORDINATES ESSENTIAL SERVICES AND PROGRAMS IN THE
14 REGION. WE'RE EAGER TO SEE THE AGENCY EQUIPPED WITH THE
15 AUTONOMY AND AGILITY NECESSARY TO PREVENT AND ADDRESS
16 HOMELESSNESS IN ITS MANY FORMS. WE'RE PLEASED TO SEE THAT THE
17 COUNTY, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CITY OF L.A. AND THE
18 L.A.H.S.A. COMMISSION ITSELF, RETHINK EFFICACY, TRANSPARENCY,
19 AND ULTIMATELY THE OUTCOME FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE ANGELINOS.
20 THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU
23 ARE DOING WITH C.C.A. NEXT SPEAKER?

24

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1 **REDCHIEF HUNT:** YEAH, THE REDCHIEF HUNT. MY NAME IS [INAUDIBLE]
2 UP THERE. I WANT TO CORRECT THAT. BUT ANYWAYS, WHAT I HEAR
3 FROM YOU GUYS IS THAT YOU GUYS REALLY WANT TO STOP ALL THE
4 [EXPLETIVE], AND COME ON AND BE TRANSPARENT WITH THE PEOPLE. I
5 FEEL JANICE HAHN'S FRUSTRATION WHEN YOU HAVE TO GO OUT AND YOU
6 CAN'T GET NOTHING DONE INWARDS. THIS HAS BEEN THE BIGGEST
7 PROBLEM. I WANT TO START WITH HERE. THIS YOUNG LADY OVER HERE
8 THAT IS HOMELESS, WE NEED TO GET A HOMELESS COORDINATOR TO GO
9 HELP HER RIGHT HERE, YOU KNOW, AND WE NEED TO RESPECT THAT.
10 SO, MADAM CHAIR, IF YOU CAN BEFORE THE DAY IS UP, I NEED
11 SOMEBODY TO COME OUT HERE AND SPEAK WITH THIS YOUNG LADY, AND
12 GET HER HOUSING. SHE HAS BEEN NOT HOUSED FOR ABOUT THE LAST
13 THREE YEARS. IT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY. WE, AS A TEAM,
14 EVERYBODY, WHATEVER I HAVE NEEDED WHEN I CAME DOWN HERE, YOU
15 GUYS HAVE PROVIDED. SO LET'S START HERE IN OUR OWN BACKYARD.
16 LET'S GET HER HOUSING, AND LET'S HAVE A HOMELESS COORDINATOR
17 COME WORK WITH HER. LET'S START RIGHT HERE IN OUR OWN
18 BACKYARD. MS. HAHN, I FEEL YOUR FRUSTRATION, BECAUSE I'M THERE
19 AND I SEE EVERYBODY THERE. I WAS OVER AT THE POLICE
20 COMMISSION, AND THEY'RE GOING AROUND ARRESTING PEOPLE INSTEAD
21 OF GETTING THEM VOUCHERS. IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE. WE NEED
22 TO WORK AS A TEAM, CITY AND COUNTY AS INDIVIDUALS, AND LET'S
23 WORK TOGETHER. IT IS EVERYBODY'S PROBLEM. IT IS NOT YOUR
24 PROBLEM, IT IS EVERYBODY'S PROBLEM THAT IS HOMELESS. THANK
25 YOU, AND I AM THE REDCHIEF HUNT. THANK YOU.

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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

3

4 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM STUDIO CITY, AND
5 OBVIOUSLY THIS IS A ROBUST BACKSLAPPING OPERATION. I DON'T
6 WANT ANYBODY TO GET HURT IN THE BACKSLAPPING AND THE SELF-
7 CONGRATULATION. OBVIOUSLY, WE'RE TRYING TO IMPROVE THE
8 SITUATION, BUT TO BE GIVEN LOTS OF EXPLICIT EXAMPLES. LIKE,
9 FOR EXAMPLE, THE MEASURE H. I SEE MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS HAS EXITED
10 AFTER HIS GUST. THE MEASURE H OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE IS POPULATED
11 BY YOUR AUDITOR CONTROLLER. THE H.H.H. COMMITTEE DOES NOT EVEN
12 MAKE RECORDED MEETING MINUTES AVAILABLE, SO THAT PEOPLE WHO
13 CAN'T GET THERE AT 2:00 P.M. ON A WEDNESDAY MORNING, OR 1:00
14 P.M. ON A WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, CAN'T PARTICIPATE. SO THIS IS
15 NOT A GREAT KIND OF OUTREACH MODEL. AND THAT'S EASY. THAT'S
16 LOW-HANGING FRUIT. AND BY HIDING, ENDLESSLY, THE... I DON'T
17 WANT TO CALL IT MALFEASANCE, BECAUSE IT'S REALLY LIKE
18 INCOMPETENCE. GUYS LIKE PHIL ANSELL, WHO COME UP AND TALK IN
19 CIRCLES, SO THAT YOUR OWN COMMISSIONERS CAN'T EVEN UNDERSTAND
20 WHAT THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT. AND WHAT HAPPENED TO THE GREAT
21 PETER LYNN? AND SARAH IS TERRIFIC, BUT SARAH POINTS OUT THAT
22 WE'RE ALL TRYING-- WE'VE GOT NINE DIFFERENT OVERSIGHT BOARDS.
23 IT IS NOT BEING MANAGED RIGHT BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF
24 SUPERVISORS, OBVIOUSLY, BECAUSE YOU ARE SPENDING TOO MUCH TIME
25 CONGRATULATING YOURSELVES OVER VARIOUS THINGS. AND I WOULD

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1 ALSO SAY THAT THE MAYOR SHOULD REALLY BE RESPONSIBLE. AND THE
2 PUBLIC REACHES OUT, VERY SIMPLY, TO MEG BARCLAY AND HER STAFF
3 AT THE MAYOR'S OFFICE. WHEN SHE BRAGS THAT WE ARE MOVING
4 AROUND 2,700 TONS OF SANITATION, BE SPECIFIC, AND WHAT
5 OUTREACH WAGES ARE BEING PAID TO THE 2,750 OUTREACH WORKERS
6 THAT SHE TOUTS ARE OUT THERE DOING THE WORK? BECAUSE WE DON'T
7 FEEL IT IN THE CITY, AND WE WANT THIS SOLVED.

8

9 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

10

11 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** IT IS TIME TO VOTE THESE CORRUPTED,
12 FREELOADING, BUM SOCIALIST AND COMMUNIST DEMOCRATS, AND ALSO
13 THE R.I.N.O. REPUBLICANS, OUT.

14

15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** CAN YOU PLEASE--?

16

17 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** YES. THEY CREATED THIS MORBID MONSTER OF
18 POVERTY, HOMELESSNESS, CRIMES, DRUGS, AND GANG EPIDEMIC-- A
19 HOLOCAUST. AND L.A.H.S.A., AND ERIC GARCETTI, AND MIKE FEUER,
20 AND THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BELONG IN PRISON. YOU ARE
21 TOO BUSY CENSORING US AND THROWING US OUT, BUT YET THEY DON'T
22 WANT TO GET TO THE ROOT OF THE PROBLEM OF HOMELESSNESS. I
23 WOULD RECOMMEND, AND I ASK WITH ALL RESPECT TO OUR HONORABLE
24 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, HONORABLE BEN CARSON, SECRETARY OF H.U.D.,
25 AND THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION, TO NOT SEND ANY MONEY TO THE

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1 COUNTY OR CITY, EVEN THOUGH I COULD BENEFIT AND GET HOUSED. DO
2 NOT SEND ANY MONEY TO LOS ANGELES, BECAUSE THEY WILL SQUANDER
3 THE MONEY. PLEASE DO NOT. UNLESS YOU HAVE HANDS-ON WITH A
4 TRUMP ADMINISTRATION STAFF, FROM INCEPTION TO ENDING, CAN YOU
5 HELP PUT US IN A HOME.

6

7 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED.
8 THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER. THANK YOU. THAT IS YOUR-- ONE MORE
9 WARNING AND YOU ARE GOING TO BE ESCORTED OUT. NEXT SPEAKER.

10

11 **MIKE GREENSPAN:** MIKE GREENSPAN. ANYBODY BUT WESSON. OH, BY THE
12 WAY, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HOMELESSNESS? HERB WESSON AND COUNCIL
13 MEMBER GIL CEDILLO HAVE A PROPOSAL, AND THE CITY OF L.A. IS ON
14 RECORD WITH THE HOMELESS ISSUE. THEY WANT TO RAISE YOUR STATE
15 INCOME TAX. YEAH, THAT ONE SAILED THROUGH THE COUNCIL QUICKLY.
16 THEY SNUCK IT THROUGH THE HOUSING COMMITTEE. WE ALMOST DIDN'T
17 GET A CHANCE TO SPEAK. NOW, I NOTICED WE HAVE AN INTERIM
18 DIRECTOR OF L.A.H.S.A., BECAUSE OBVIOUSLY THE OTHER ONE GOT
19 RIDDEN OUT ON A RAIL, OR THERE WAS SOME CONTROVERSY. AND THEN
20 THIS PHIL ANSELL GUY WITH L.A.H.S.A. HAPPENS TO DRIVE A SILVER
21 PHANTOM ROLLS ROYCE. BOY, THAT REALLY HELPS OUT A LOT OF
22 HOMELESS PEOPLE, ROLLS ROYCES. I MEAN, SHOULDN'T PEOPLE BE
23 PUTTING THAT MONEY INTO THE ACTUAL PROGRAM? GOLLY, WHAT IS
24 THIS WORLD COMING TO? I'M AGREEING WITH JANICE HAHN. YES, WE

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1 ARE ALWAYS GOING TO HAVE HOMELESSNESS. YOU'RE RIGHT, JANICE.

2 AND ANYBODY BUT WESSON, STILL. THANKS.

3

4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.

7 IT'S INTERESTING TO HEAR THAT YOU DISCUSSED ALL THE SCENARIOS,

8 BUT YOU LEFT OUT THE LANDING AT PLYMOUTH ROCK IN 1624. THAT,

9 TOO, WAS A DIFFERENT POINT IN TIME. AND YOU ALSO LEFT OUT YOUR

10 BROTHER'S, WHEN HE WAS MAYOR, HIS HOMELESS PLAN IN 2001, MS.

11 HAHN. BUT RECHARGING YOUR LASER-LIKE FOCUS, IS THERE ANY DATA

12 AVAILABLE REGARDING THE NUMBER OF ENROLLEES IN HEALTH NET, THE

13 STATE'S OVERSIGHT PROGRAM FOR THE OBAMACARE FUNDS THAT THEY

14 RECEIVE FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT? THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT,

15 BECAUSE ANY DATA AVAILABLE ON THE NUMBER OF ENROLLEES, YOU

16 REMEMBER YOU HAD A BIG PUSH TO HAVE PEOPLE ENROLLED FROM THE

17 HOMELESS COUNT? ANY DATA ON THE AMOUNT OF MONEY RECEIVED FROM

18 HEALTH NET THROUGH THE STATE. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S HEALTH

19 PLAN, ANY DATA AT ALL? WE HAVE HEARD DIFFERENT SCENARIOS ABOUT

20 ALL THE HOMELESS PEOPLE, BUT WE DON'T HAVE ANY IDEA WHERE ALL

21 THAT MONEY WENT, AND HOW MUCH MONEY CAME IN. COULD YOU PLEASE

22 EXPLAIN THAT IN ONE OF YOUR UPDATES?

23

24 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

25

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1 **PATRICIA MCALLISTER:** PATRICIA MCALLISTER. BASED ON THE LAST
2 HOMELESS COUNT, AND IT'S NO SECRET, THAT MOST OF THE HOMELESS
3 ARE AFRICAN-AMERICAN. SO THAT IS WHY THERE IS NO EMERGENCY
4 GOING ON. MOST OF THEM ARE AFRICAN AMERICANS. L.A.H.S.A. HAS
5 BEEN EXPOSED TO GIVING AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO THE ILLEGAL ALIEN
6 HISPANICS, LATINOS, ASIANS, AND FILIPINOS. AS A MATTER OF
7 FACT, I DID A FREEDOM-OF-INFORMATION REQUEST, AND I GOT THE
8 NUMBER OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING THAT HAS BEEN GIVEN OUT, AND
9 THOUSANDS WERE GIVEN OUT TO THESE ILLEGAL ALIENS, AND A
10 HANDFUL TO AFRICAN AMERICANS. WELL, THREE WEEKS LATER, THE
11 DIRECTOR OF L.A.H.S.A. RESIGNED. HIS NAME WAS PETER LYNN. SO I
12 BELIEVE I HELPED HIM LOSE HIS JOB, WHICH I'M GLAD I DID THAT.
13 WE HAVE NO TIME FOR RACISM IN THIS SITUATION. I WANT MY PEOPLE
14 OFF THE STREET, AND I WOULD LIKE THE JEWS TO STOP COMING UP
15 HERE TO THIS PODIUM, CALLING ME AND MY PEOPLE THE "N" WORD. IT
16 IS VERY DISRESPECTFUL, AND I WILL START EXPOSING WHO THEY ARE.
17 AS PRESIDENT TRUMP SAID IN DECEMBER OF 2019, WHEN HE SPOKE IN
18 FRONT OF THE ISRAELI AMERICAN COUNCIL SUMMIT, HE SAID, "A LOT
19 OF YOU ARE IN THE REAL-ESTATE BUSINESS, BECAUSE I KNOW YOU
20 VERY WELL. YOU ARE BRUTAL KILLERS." THAT'S WHAT THE PRESIDENT
21 TOLD THEM. OKAY, THEY CLAIM HE WAS BEING ANTI-SEMITIC, AS THEY
22 ALWAYS DO. ANY TRUTH ABOUT THEM IS ANTI-SEMITIC. WE WANT THE
23 JEWS TO GET THEIR HANDS OUT OF THIS REAL ESTATE. WE WANT THIS
24 ILLEGAL ALIENS. WE WANT YOU DEMOCRATS. EVERYBODY UP HERE IS A
25 DEMOCRAT. AND DON'T VOTE FOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. HE HAS BEEN

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1 ON THIS BOARD 18 YEARS, AND LOOK AT HOW MANY BLACK FOLKS ARE
2 ON THE STREET: 30,000 TO 40,000. DON'T VOTE FOR HIM EVER
3 AGAIN.

4

5 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

6

7 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF
8 SUPERVISORS. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU KNOW, I WAS WITH A
9 PERSON EARLY ON, WHO WAS VERY CONCERNED HOW L.A.H.S.A. WAS
10 FUNCTIONING. I SUBMITTED A QUALITY ASSURANCE POINT OF VIEW,
11 AND I ALWAYS SHOULD DEAL FROM NOW TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. IT
12 TOOK A MONTH AND A HALF FOR MR. ANSELL AND PEOPLE FROM
13 L.A.H.S.A. TO EVEN LOOK AT IT. AND THE ISSUE YOU BROUGHT
14 TODAY, NONE OF THEM ARE GOING TO BE DEALT WITH UNTIL YOU TRULY
15 HAVE A QUALITY ASSURANCE TEAM WHO ANSWERS DIRECTLY TO THE
16 BOARD, NOT TO ANYBODY ELSE, AND TO MAKE SURE YOU GET THE RIGHT
17 ANSWER. AS OF LAST WEEK, L.A.H.S.A. WAS SENDING A NOTE THAT,
18 "OH, WE ARE GOING TO BE HAVING A TRAINING MEETING, SO THE
19 PLACE WILL BE CLOSED." THAT IS ABSURD. THEY DO THAT FOR EVERY
20 VACATION. THEY DO THAT EVERY TIME THEY HAVE TRAINING. THOSE
21 PEOPLE NEED TO EITHER LOSE THEIR JOB OR CHANGE THEIR BEHAVIOR.
22 AND FOR ME, TWO YEARS FOR MR. ANSELL, "OH, WE HAVE A RED
23 TEAM." A RED TEAM IS NOT A QUALITY ASSURANCE TEAM. AND THAT'S
24 ONE THING YOU HAVE BEEN FAILING ALL THE TIME. I HAVE GONE TO
25 ALMOST EVERY COMMISSION MEETING OF L.A.H.S.A., AND LET ME TELL

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1 YOU, YOU ARE NOT GOING TO GET AN ANSWER JUST LOOKING AT THEM.

2 THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THAT IS OUR FINAL

5 SPEAKER. I THINK WE'VE ALL HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO WEIGH IN ON

6 THIS, SO I WILL MOVE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS SECONDED. WITHOUT

7 OBJECTION, IT WILL BE A UNANIMOUS VOTE ON THIS ITEM. THANK

8 YOU. THE NEXT ITEM UP IS 39-A, A REPORT ON THE ROLE OF TISSUE

9 AND ORGAN PROCUREMENT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL EXAMINER

10 CORONER. THAT WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANTED TO JUST

13 BRING OUR ATTENTION TO THIS ISSUE. I KNOW, AS OF LATE, AS BEEN

14 REPORTED, AGAIN, IN THE LOCAL PAPER HERE, L.A. TIMES, HAS

15 RAISED SOME CONCERNS ABOUT HOW THE ORGAN AND TISSUE

16 PROCUREMENT INDUSTRY OPERATES, AND THAT WE ARE GETTING A

17 REPORT-BACK TODAY, OR WE HAVE RECEIVED A REPORT, SUGGESTING

18 THAT THE INDUSTRY AND OUR DEPARTMENT, OUR MEDICAL EXAMINER-

19 CORONER'S PRACTICES IN REGARD TO ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION, IN

20 THE ARTICLE, HE SAYS IT MAY INTERFERE WITH THE INTEGRITY AND

21 COMPLETENESS OF INVESTIGATIONS OF THE CAUSES AND MANNER OF

22 DEATH BY OUR MEDICAL EXAMINER'S CORONER OFFICE. ACCORDING TO

23 THESE ARTICLES, THIS IS A NATIONWIDE CONCERN. WHILE ORGAN AND

24 TISSUE DONATIONS ARE A HUGE IMPORTANT PART OF OUR HEALTHCARE

25 SYSTEM, I WANT TO BE SURE THAT THE INTEGRITY OF OUR

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1 INVESTIGATIONS RELATED TO UNTIMELY OR UNEXPECTED DEATHS ARE
2 ALIGNED WITH NATIONAL BEST PRACTICES. AND BECAUSE OF THESE
3 CONCERNS, WE HAVE ASKED THE COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE MEDICAL
4 EXAMINER, OUR CORONER, DR. LUCAS, TO DO AN IN-DEPTH ANALYSIS
5 OF THE CASES RAISED, AS WELL AS LOOK INTO GENERAL PRACTICES
6 AND POLICIES OF THE DEPARTMENT, TO ENSURE THAT THE KIND OF
7 INTERFERENCE THAT THE ARTICLE POINTS OUT IN THE L.A. TIMES IS
8 NOT A PROBLEM IN OUR COUNTY. THE BOARD HAS TAKEN CONSIDERABLE
9 STEPS TO INCREASE THE ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY OF OUR
10 PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENTS AND IN OUR HEALTH DEPARTMENTS.
11 MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER'S OFFICE STANDS AT AN INTERESTING
12 POSITION THAT STRADDLES BOTH OF THESE AREAS. TODAY I WANTED TO
13 ASK DR. LUCAS AND OUR COUNTY COUNSEL TO SHARE THE RESULTS OF
14 THEIR ANALYSIS. SO, IF YOU MIGHT, DOCTOR, GO AHEAD. I'M
15 CHAIRING, MOMENTARILY.

16

17 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE BOARD. THANK
18 YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. JON LUCAS, CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER-
19 CORONER. SITTING NEXT TO ME IS BRIAN CHU, OUR COUNTY COUNSEL.
20 I JUST WANTED TO START TO THE ENTIRE BOARD, JUST TO OFFER AN
21 APOLOGY FOR THE WAY THIS INFORMATION HAS COME FORWARD, AND THE
22 TOPIC HAS KIND OF COME UP. BUT I ALSO WANT TO SAY THANK YOU
23 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT THIS IN THIS SETTING, AND THE
24 OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS IT. SO, I HAVE A PRESENTATION TO SORT
25 OF TALK ABOUT SOME OF THE ISSUES, MAYBE CLARIFY SOME OF THE

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1 TOPICS AROUND THIS, AND THEN WE CAN TALK MORE AS WE SEE FIT.
2 AS YOU MENTIONED, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, IN OCTOBER, YOU BROUGHT A
3 MOTION FORWARD AND THE BOARD PASSED THAT, TO LOOK AT THE
4 CONCERNS ABOUT DEATH INVESTIGATIONS DONE BY OUR OFFICE, AND
5 WHETHER OR NOT THEY WERE COMPROMISED BY TISSUE OR ORGAN
6 DONATION. AND WE WERE INSTRUCTED TO REPORT BACK ON THE ROLE OF
7 TISSUE/ORGAN PROCUREMENT IN THE COUNTY, THE LAWS, POLICIES,
8 AND PRACTICES GOVERNING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THESE
9 ORGANIZATIONS AND OUR DEPARTMENT, AND A PLAN FOR IMPROVEMENT.
10 SO, KIND OF THE BIG PICTURE: DONATIONS SAVE LIVES. I JUST KIND
11 OF WANT TO GET THAT OUT THERE. THE FIRST HUMAN-TO-HUMAN KIDNEY
12 TRANSPLANT WAS IN 1936, AND IT REMAINED LARGELY EXPERIMENTAL
13 FOR THE NEXT 30 YEARS OR SO. AND IN THE 70S UNTIL NOW, IT HAS
14 REALLY GROWN QUITE A BIT. IT'S IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THE
15 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION. WE WILL TALK
16 ABOUT THAT IN THE NEXT SLIDE. AND I ALSO WANTED TO MENTION
17 THAT THE DONATIONS THAT ARE GATHERED HERE IN THE COUNTY, OR
18 RECOVERED IN THE COUNTY, DO PREFERENTIALLY STAY IN THE COUNTY.
19 SO IT IS REALLY A PROGRAM IN OUR COMMUNITY THAT SERVES OUR
20 COMMUNITY. THERE WE GO. THE TWO TERMS, ORGAN AND TISSUE, ARE
21 USED TOGETHER QUITE FREQUENTLY, BUT THEY ARE VERY DIFFERENT.
22 ORGANS ARE THINGS LIKE THE HEART, THE LIVER, THE LUNGS, THE
23 KIDNEYS. THEY HAVE A HIGH NEED FOR BLOOD FLOW, AND THEREFORE
24 THE TIMING AND THE COORDINATION DURING THE DONATION PROCESS IS
25 EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. IN ADDITION, THE DONATION MUST OCCUR IN

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1 THE HOSPITAL. THE ORGAN MUST BE MATCHED TO A RECIPIENT, AND
2 REQUIRES SURGICAL TEAMS BE COORDINATED ON BOTH ENDS. THE
3 DONORS HAVE TO SUBMIT TO A BATTERY OF TESTS TO MAKE SURE THEY
4 ARE COMPATIBLE WITH THE RECIPIENT, AND UNFORTUNATELY THERE ARE
5 CURRENTLY LONG WAIT TIMES. TISSUES, ON THE OTHER, HAND HAVE A
6 LOWER NEED FOR BLOOD FLOW. THESE ARE THINGS LIKE CORNEAS,
7 TENDONS, SKIN, BONE, AND HEART VALVES. THESE CAN BE TAKEN IN
8 THE HOSPITAL OR AT OUR FACILITY, AND MANY CAN BE RECOVERED UP
9 TO 24 HOURS AFTER THE DEATH. AFTER PROCESSING, THEY ARE
10 DISTRIBUTED TO SURGEONS FOR TRANSPLANT, AS NEEDED. I WANT TO
11 POINT OUT, SKIN IS USED PRIMARILY FOR BURNS, ABDOMINAL HERNIA
12 REPAIRS, AND POST-CANCER BREAST RECONSTRUCTION. CORNEAS
13 RESTORE SIGHT; TENDONS, FOLLOWING AN INJURY, CAN RESTORE
14 FUNCTION TO A LIMB; BONE CAN BE USED FOR GRAFTING AND REPAIR
15 FOLLOWING AN INJURY OR DISEASE; AND HEART VALVES SIMPLY CAN
16 SAVE A LIFE. I WANT TO MENTION JUST BRIEFLY, ACCORDING TO
17 ONELEGACY, THERE WAS SOME DISCUSSION AROUND THE POSSIBLE USE
18 FOR COSMETICS AND SKIN. AND ACCORDING TO ONE LEGACY, GREATER
19 THAN 99 PERCENT OF SKIN IS USED FOR NON-COSMETIC PURPOSES, OR
20 LESS THAN 1 PERCENT OF SKIN IS USED FOR COSMETIC PURPOSES. AND
21 NOTABLY, CALIFORNIA LAW DOES REQUIRE THE AUTHORIZING PARTY--
22 SAY, THE FAMILY OR THE PERSON, THE DONOR THEMSELVES, DURING
23 LIFE-- TO RESTRICT COSMETIC PURPOSES. THE PROCUREMENT
24 ORGANIZATIONS-- JUST LIKE THERE'S ORGAN AND TISSUE, THERE'S
25 ACTUALLY ORGAN PROCUREMENT AND TISSUE PROCUREMENT

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1 ORGANIZATIONS. HERE IN OUR COUNTY, WE CURRENTLY HAVE A
2 CONTRACT WITH ONELEGACY WHICH DOES BOTH ORGAN AND TISSUE. THEY
3 ARE NONPROFITS. ON THE ORGAN SIDE, THE ORGAN PROCUREMENT
4 ORGANIZATION IS A FEDERALLY DESIGNATED AGENCY BY THE
5 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. AND AGAIN, ONELEGACY
6 IS THE EXCLUSIVE DESIGNATED O.P.O. THE COUNTY DOESN'T HAVE A
7 CHOICE IN THAT MATTER. ON THE OTHER HAND, ON TISSUE, THE
8 COUNTY DOESN'T HAVE ANY CONTROL OVER THE DESIGNATION FOR
9 TISSUE, BUT WE DO REQUEST COMPETITIVE BIDS FOR THAT. AND THE
10 LAST ONE WAS IN 2012. ONELEGACY AND TWO OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AT
11 THAT TIME HAD APPLIED, AND ONELEGACY PREVAILED AS THE MOST
12 QUALIFIED, AND WE ARE CURRENTLY PREPARING FOR ANOTHER BIDDING
13 PROCESS AT THE END OF THIS CALENDAR YEAR.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** DOCTOR, ARE THERE MANY COMPETITORS IN THIS
16 FIELD, JUST TO KIND OF UNDERSTAND HOW THIS WORKS?

17

18 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** YEAH. SO, FOR ORGAN PROCUREMENT
19 ORGANIZATIONS, I-- AGAIN, THOSE ARE FEDERALLY DESIGNATED. I
20 DON'T KNOW THE NUMBERS OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD. I KNOW IT'S
21 LESS THAN 100, NATIONALLY. I THINK IT'S MORE THAN 50. ON THE
22 TISSUE SIDE, I REALLY DON'T HAVE A SENSE OF HOW MANY
23 ORGANIZATIONS ARE OUT THERE. ALL I COULD SAY IS THAT THERE'S
24 THREE THAT APPLIED LAST TIME. BUT I DON'T KNOW. I DON'T HAVE A
25 SENSE OF THE MARKET.

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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** SO, JUST AS AN EXAMPLE, ONELEGACY, SOMEONE
3 NEEDS A CORNEA. THEY'RE CONTACTED BY A HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION,
4 OR HOW DOES THAT WORK? HOW DOES ONE IDENTIFY-- YOU KNOW, GET
5 INVOLVED-- WITH THE MEDICAL ASPECT OF IT?

6

7 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** RIGHT. SO, I'M GOING TO TALK BRIEFLY
8 ABOUT THAT IN ANOTHER SLIDE, IF YOU WANT TO JUST-- FOLLOWING
9 THE NEXT SLIDE. I'LL JUST MENTION THAT THERE'S ACCREDITATIONS
10 THAT ONELEGACY GOES THROUGH. THEY ARE CERTIFIED BY F.D.A. AND
11 IMPORTANTLY, THE COUNTY DOES NOT PROFIT FROM ORGAN AND TISSUE
12 DONATION. WE HAVE NO INCENTIVIZATION TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF
13 ORGANS AND TISSUES. WE ARE NOT PAID. WE ARE ONLY REIMBURSED
14 FOR COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH CONSULTATION THAT WE PROVIDE, AND
15 OTHER JUST SIMPLE IMPACT ON THE COUNTY, IN TERMS OF SPACE AND
16 TIME. THE LEGISLATURE ALSO RECOGNIZES THE IMPORTANCE OF OUR
17 INVOLVEMENT IN THE DONATION PROCESS. HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE
18 REQUIRES THAT WE SHALL COOPERATE WITH PROCUREMENT
19 ORGANIZATIONS TO MAXIMIZE RECOVERY. THE GOVERNMENT CODE
20 AUTHORIZES US TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS. O.P.O.S ARE REQUIRED
21 TO PROVIDE US WITH RELEVANT INFORMATION ABOUT AN
22 INVESTIGATION, WITHOUT PREJUDICING THE AUTOPSY OR THE DEATH
23 INVESTIGATION. AND WE WERE AUTHORIZED TO RESTRICT DONATIONS IF
24 WE FEEL THAT THEY WILL INTERFERE WITH OUR INVESTIGATIONS. SO
25 WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO DO THAT. A LITTLE PERSPECTIVE HERE. EVERY

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1 YEAR IN L.A. COUNTY IS ABOUT 60,000 DEATHS OF ALL CAUSES--
2 OLD, YOUNG, EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN. WE INVESTIGATE ABOUT 17
3 PERCENT, 10,000 A YEAR. SO WE DO ABOUT 1 IN 6 OF THE DEATHS IN
4 THE COUNTY. OF OUR CASES, 5 PERCENT ARE DONORS, AND THEY'RE A
5 MIXTURE OF TISSUE, ORGAN, OR BOTH TISSUE AND ORGAN. SO THAT
6 JUST KIND OF GIVES YOU A LITTLE PERSPECTIVE ON THE DONORS THAT
7 COME FROM OUR OFFICE. IT'S AFFECTING ABOUT 5 PERCENT OF OUR
8 CASES. HOWEVER, NOW, DESPITE THE FACT THAT WE INVESTIGATE 1 IN
9 6, OR 17 PERCENT OF THE DEATHS IN THE COUNTY, 42 PERCENT OF
10 THE TISSUE DONORS IN THE COUNTY COME THROUGH CASES THAT WE
11 HAVE INVESTIGATED. AND 62 PERCENT OF ORGAN DONORS ARE CASES
12 THAT WE INVESTIGATE. SO THIS JUST UNDERSCORES THE SORT OF
13 IMPORTANCE OF OUR RELATIONSHIP, BECAUSE WE HAVE SUCH A
14 DISPROPORTIONATE NUMBER OF DONORS THAT WE INVESTIGATE. THIS
15 ACTUALLY MAKES SENSE, BECAUSE THE TYPES OF DEATHS THAT WE
16 INVESTIGATE ARE SUDDEN AND UNEXPECTED, TEND TO BE YOUNGER
17 INDIVIDUALS, PREVIOUSLY HEALTHY, SO THEY'RE MORE SUITABLE FOR
18 DONATION. SO, A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE PROCESS. JUST OVERALL, I
19 WANT TO SAY THAT WE HAVE WORKED, AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK,
20 WITH ONELEGACY, OR ANY OTHER O.P.O. OR TISSUE PROCUREMENT
21 ORGANIZATION AS NECESSARY, TO MAKE SURE THE PROCESS CONTINUES
22 TO RUN SMOOTHLY, AND THE NEEDS OF OUR INVESTIGATIONS ARE MET.
23 WHEN A DONATION-- WELL, IN THE FIRST STEP, ONELEGACY MAKES A
24 DETERMINATION OF SUITABILITY OF A PARTICULAR DONOR. WHEN A
25 DEATH OCCURS, THEY LOOK INTO IT. THEY DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT

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1 THERE IS SUITABILITY. AND THIS CAN HAPPEN IN THE HOSPITAL, OR
2 IT CAN HAPPEN AT OUR FACILITY IF AN INDIVIDUAL COMES TO OUR
3 PLACE. NOW, IF THEY COME TO OUR PLACE, THEY'RE NOT AN ORGAN
4 DONOR. ORGANS ARE ONLY IN THE HOSPITAL. THEN, ONELEGACY MUST
5 FOLLOW A PREEEXISTING DECLARATION OF DONATION BY THE DONOR
6 WHILE THEY WERE ALIVE, AND/OR TISSUE. AND IF THE DECEDENT IS
7 NOT REGISTERED, THEY HAVE TO FIND NEXT OF KIN TO PROVIDE
8 CONSENT. AFTER THAT, THEN A THIRD LAYER OCCURS, AND THAT'S US.
9 WE PROVIDE AUTHORIZATION FOR DONATION. WE PROVIDE A SECOND
10 SORT OF FILTER, IF YOU WILL, DETERMINING WHETHER OR NOT WE
11 THINK ANY PARTS OF THE DONATION WILL INTERFERE WITH OUR
12 INVESTIGATION. SO IT'S NOT A BLANKET YES OR NO. IT'S JUST YES
13 TO THIS OR NO TO THAT. AN ORGAN OR TISSUE ONLY GETS DONATED IF
14 A PERSON IS SUITABLE, THE NEXT OF KIN OR THE DECEDENT HAS
15 AGREED TO THAT TISSUE OR ORGAN, AND WE HAVE AUTHORIZED THAT
16 TISSUE OR ORGAN. SO ALL THREE THINGS HAVE TO HAPPEN. WE SAY NO
17 TO EVERYTHING, NOTHING GETS DONATED. EVEN UNDER THE ABSOLUTE
18 BEST CIRCUMSTANCES, WE CANNOT FIND A DETERMINATION, THE CAUSE
19 OF DEATH, IN SOME OF OUR CASES. AND WE LOOKED AT THIS OVER
20 ABOUT A THREE-YEAR PERIOD. WE HAD 27,900 CASES. ABOUT TWO OF
21 THOSE HAD WHAT WE CALL UNDETERMINED. CIRCUMSTANCES, THE
22 FINDINGS WE COULD NOT-- WE HAD EVERYTHING, WE JUST COULDN'T
23 FIND OUT WHY THE PERSON DIED. THIS IS SORT OF THE NATURE OF
24 THE BUSINESS WE DO. THERE'S LIMITATIONS. WE COMPARED THAT TO
25 THE UNDETERMINED RATE IN THE DONOR CASES OVER THE SAME PERIOD

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1 OF TIME, AND WE FOUND A VERY SIMILAR UNDETERMINED RATE. SO
2 THIS JUST DOES NOT, IN MY OPINION, SUPPORT THE ARGUMENT THAT
3 ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION SIGNIFICANTLY NEGATIVELY IMPACTS OUR
4 ABILITY TO MAKE DETERMINATIONS, BECAUSE WE'RE SEEING THE SAME
5 SORT OF UNDETERMINED RATE IN BOTH OR ALL OF OUR CASES, AS
6 COMPARED TO DONATION CASES. AND THIS IS WHAT WE PLAN TO DO, OR
7 THIS IS SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE ARE PLANNING TO DO. WE HAVE
8 HAD-- WELL, I SHOULD SAY, SINCE TAKING THE ROLE OF CHIEF
9 MEDICAL EXAMINER IN 2017, HALFWAY THROUGH '17, ORGAN AND
10 TISSUE DONATION PRACTICES HAVE BEEN A PRIORITY. AND I HAVE
11 WANTED TO LOOK AT TIGHTENING OUR STANDARDS AND PROTOCOLS. WE
12 TAKE THIS ISSUE VERY SERIOUSLY, AND HAVE BEEN AND WILL
13 CONTINUE TO TAKE STEPS TO IMPROVE OUR OPERATIONAL PRACTICES,
14 AS WE DO WITH ALL ASPECTS. IN PARTICULAR, WE HAVE REGULAR
15 MEETINGS WITH ONELEGACY, QUARTERLY-- BUSINESS MEETINGS TO
16 IDENTIFY ISSUES THAT MAY COME UP, REVIEW PROTOCOLS, REVIEW
17 POLICIES, AND ALSO ADDRESS CONCERNS RAISED BY STAFF. WE ARE
18 COMMITTED TO CONTINUING TO PROVIDE STAFF A VIABLE MEANS FOR
19 VOICING THEIR OBSERVATIONS AND CONCERNS ABOUT TISSUE AND ORGAN
20 DONATION PROCESSES. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR
21 OPERATION, AND WE JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT IS STILL
22 FUNCTIONING AT THE BEST POSSIBLE LEVEL, AND WE'RE GETTING THAT
23 INFORMATION BACK. WE'RE REQUIRING PHOTOGRAPHIC DOCUMENTATION
24 BY ONELEGACY OF INDIVIDUALS PRIOR TO DONATION, SO WE CAN SEE
25 THEM IN THE PRE-DONOR STATE. THIS IS AN EXCEPTIONALLY USEFUL

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1 PIECE OF EVIDENCE FOR US, ALLOWING FOR PERMANENT DOCUMENTATION
2 OF THE PRE-RECOVERY STATE OF THE DECEDENT. THIS IS NOT ON THE
3 SLIDE, BUT I'M ALSO MEETING WITH OUR MEDICAL STAFF TO REVISIT
4 SOME STANDARDS AROUND DONATION THRESHOLDS.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** MEETING WITH, DID YOU SAY, YOUR MEDICAL
7 STAFF?

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9 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** MY MEDICAL STAFF, YES. MY PROFESSIONAL
10 STAFF. AND FINALLY, YOU KNOW, I BELIEVE ONCE WE'VE BEEN
11 WORKING ON THIS FOR A WHILE, OUR CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, OUR
12 I.T. SYSTEMS, WE ANTICIPATE ONCE THAT'S IMPLEMENTED, IT WILL
13 ALSO ADD SOME ABILITY TO SORT OF TRACK AND KEEP TRACK OF THESE
14 THINGS A LITTLE BIT BETTER. WE THINK IT WILL ADD VALUE TO THIS
15 PROCESS. SO, IN CLOSING HERE, I JUST WANT TO SAY THANKS AGAIN
16 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ON THIS, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO
17 ANY QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE, OR COMMENTS.

18

19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, DR. LUCAS. I KNOW THIS HAS BEEN A
20 CONCERN, OBVIOUSLY, TO MANY PEOPLE AND TO SOME OF US ON THE
21 BOARD, AND I KNOW THAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT SOME
22 RECOMMENDATIONS TO IMPROVE OVERSIGHT AND COLLABORATION, WHICH
23 IS GOOD. AND I'M GLAD YOU CLARIFIED THAT WE DON'T HAVE A
24 FINANCIAL INCENTIVE IN THIS, BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S SOMEWHAT
25 MISLEADING IN WHAT'S BEING REPORTED TO THE PUBLIC. SO THAT, I

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1 THINK, IS VERY IMPORTANT. BUT I'M ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT OUR OWN
2 INVESTIGATORS WHO HAVE RAISED ISSUES, AND YOUR OWN STAFF,
3 REGARDING CONCERNS SURROUNDING ORGAN AND TISSUE, YOU KNOW, THE
4 PROCUREMENT AND THE PRACTICES. SO YOU COULD MAYBE ELABORATE A
5 LITTLE BIT MORE ON WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO THERE TO TIGHTEN
6 THAT UP.

7

8 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** SURE. SO, THE COMPLAINTS OR CONCERNS
9 THAT WERE MENTIONED IN THE REPORTING, THE DOCUMENTS THAT WE
10 HAD THE ABILITY TO REVIEW TALKED ABOUT A VARIETY OF PROBLEMS,
11 INCLUDING SOME WHAT I THINK ARE RELATIVELY INNOCUOUS THINGS,
12 BUT IMPORTANT, LIKE MISSING PAPERWORK OR STAFF IN ONE WRONG
13 AREA. THIS IS WHY WE HAVE REGULAR MEETINGS WITH ONELEGACY, TO
14 SORT OF MEET THESE THINGS, MEET THESE CONCERNS AS THEY COME
15 UP. THE TIMEFRAME OVER WHICH THESE CONCERNS WERE RAISED IS
16 ABOUT 17 OR 18 YEARS. 17 OR 18 YEARS. IN THAT TIME, WE
17 INVESTIGATED ABOUT 150,000 CASES, AND PROBABLY HAD ABOUT 6,000
18 OR 7,000 DONORS. SO I'M NOT TRYING TO AT ALL MINIMIZE THE
19 VALIDITY OF THE COMPLAINTS. I'M JUST TRYING TO SAY THAT WE
20 RECOGNIZE THAT THESE CONCERNS, EVEN IF THEY WERE AN INDIVIDUAL
21 CASE IN EACH ONE, THEY REPRESENT A PRETTY SMALL NUMBER OF
22 CASES OVER A LONG PERIOD OF TIME. SO FOR ME, MY PERSPECTIVE,
23 BEING SORT OF A NEWER PERSON HERE, IS TO STAND UP OUR SYSTEMS
24 THAT WE HAVE. AND ACTUALLY, A LOT OF THE EMPLOYEES THAT WERE
25 IN THOSE COMPLAINTS ACTUALLY DON'T EVEN WORK FOR THE COUNTY

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1 ANYMORE. THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF TURNOVER. WE'VE GOTTEN A LOT OF
2 POSITIONS, THANKS TO YOUR BOARD, SO WE'VE GOT A LOT OF NEW
3 STAFF. AND SO GOING FORWARD, FOR ME, IT'S, LET'S MAKE SURE WE
4 HAVE A ROBUST METHOD, SO THAT STAFF CAN FIND THESE ISSUES THAT
5 WILL COME UP. I MEAN, WE DO STRIVE FOR PERFECTION, BUT WE KNOW
6 THESE THINGS ARE GOING TO HAPPEN, AND THAT WE CAN MITIGATE
7 THEM ON A REGULAR BASIS. THAT, TO ME, IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE,
8 MOST SORT OF LONGSTANDING THING. NOW, I RESPECT ALL OF THE
9 CONCERNS THAT WERE RAISED IN THE PAST. THEY DON'T SEEM TO HAVE
10 A SUPER-COMMON THEME OR SOMETHING WE CAN REALLY DRILL INTO,
11 ESPECIALLY IF THEY'RE EIGHT OR TEN YEARS OLD.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** COULD I ASK YOU A QUESTION? SO, THE ARTICLE
14 THAT WAS WRITTEN, THERE WAS DISCLOSURE THAT SOME INDIVIDUAL
15 WAS-- THERE WAS STILL AN ACTIVE, I GUESS, INVESTIGATION
16 ONGOING, AND THEY FOUND THAT THERE WAS A BULLET OR SOMETHING
17 THAT WAS REMOVED, AND THAT SOMEHOW DISRUPTED THEIR
18 INVESTIGATION. WHAT YEAR DID THAT HAPPEN? DO YOU KNOW?

19

20 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** THAT WAS... I HAVE THAT. WAS THAT 2010?
21 '10. 2010. AND HONESTLY, NOT TO GET TOO MUCH INTO THE DETAILS,
22 BUT THERE WAS INFORMATION, MEDICALLY, ABOUT WHERE THE BULLET
23 WAS. I MEAN, IN THE END, IT DIDN'T HAVE AN EFFECT ON THE CASE.
24 BUT I UNDERSTAND THE CONCERNS LEADING UP TO THE CASE.

25

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THE MANNER, I GUESS. BUT THAT WAS SOME TIME
2 AGO?

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4 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** IT WAS SOME TIME AGO.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** WELL, YEAH. 10 YEARS AGO, SO OKAY.

7

8 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** BUT I STILL RECOGNIZE THE FACT THAT
9 THAT OCCURRED, AND WE WANT TO MITIGATE THAT, GOING FORWARD. SO
10 BY HAVING REGULAR MEETINGS, TALKING WITH OUR STAFF, MAKING
11 SURE--

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THAT SOUNDED LIKE ONE OF THE MORE EGREGIOUS.
14 THE OTHER ONE HAD TO DO WITH THE BUMPER-- WITH THE TISSUE,
15 WITH THE SKIN. AND THAT, IF YOU COULD JUST MAYBE TELL US A
16 LITTLE BIT ABOUT THAT? WHAT COULD HAVE BEEN DONE DIFFERENTLY?

17

18 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** SO, I MEAN, IN THAT CASE, I DID STATE
19 THAT PHOTOGRAPHS WOULD HAVE BEEN MUCH BETTER. IT WOULD HAVE
20 BEEN BETTER IF WE HAD PHOTOGRAPHS PRIOR TO THE RECOVERY. WE
21 DID HAVE X-RAYS, WHICH COULD HAVE BEEN USED TO ESTIMATE BUMPER
22 HEIGHT, OR THE FRACTURES IN THAT CASE, SO ALL INFORMATION
23 WASN'T LOST. THERE ARE WAYS TO WORK AROUND, OR EVEN
24 TRIANGULATE INFORMATION, TO FILL IN THE GAPS. THAT BEING SAID,
25 I THINK THAT BY IMPLEMENTING PRE-RECOVERY PHOTOGRAPHS ON ALL

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1 CASES, THAT CASE IN PARTICULAR WOULD HAVE NOT BEEN-- IT
2 PROBABLY WOULDN'T HAVE RAISED A CONCERN IN THAT CASE, EVEN
3 THOUGH I THINK WE PROBABLY COULD HAVE GOTTEN THE INFORMATION
4 ANYWAYS. SUP. HILDA SOLIS: OKAY. ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

5

6 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU, DR. LUCAS. IT'S ALL VERY
7 INTERESTING, AND CERTAINLY A SUBJECT THAT MOST OF US KNOW VERY
8 LITTLE ABOUT. AND I THINK THAT'S PARTLY WHY THE MEDIA PROBABLY
9 SOMETIMES FINDS THESE STORIES NEWSWORTHY, BECAUSE THE PUBLIC
10 HAS KIND OF AN INTERESTING INTEREST IN THINGS LIKE THIS. IT'S
11 KIND OF A WORLD THAT PEOPLE SORT OF KNOW ABOUT, BUT NOT
12 REALLY. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD.
13 YOU ASKED SOME OF THE THINGS I WAS CONCERNED ABOUT, BUT JUST
14 TO-- YOU KNOW, AND YOU PROBABLY TALKED ABOUT THIS, AND I WAS
15 LISTENING, BUT JUST ONE MORE TIME. SO, THERE ARE LAWS THAT
16 REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER TO
17 COOPERATE IN THE TISSUE AND ORGAN DONATION PROCESS, AND THERE
18 ARE VARIOUS FEDERAL REGULATIONS ABOUT THIS PROCESS. HOW MUCH
19 AUTHORITY DO YOU HAVE OVER MAKING ANY CHANGES TO THE PROCESS?
20 COULD YOU, OR EVEN WOULD YOU, WANT TO HAVE JUST KIND OF A
21 BLANKET POLICY TO NOT ALLOW ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATIONS FOR
22 CASES THAT ARE BEING INVESTIGATED AS HOMICIDES? IS THAT
23 SOMETHING YOU WOULD WANT TO DO, OR COULD DO, OR DOES THE LAW
24 PROHIBIT YOU FROM DOING THAT?

25

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1 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** WE'VE ASKED THAT QUESTION, AND TOLD
2 THAT WE DO HAVE THE LEGAL AUTHORITY TO DO THAT. I ALSO THINK
3 IT'S ACTUALLY NOT AN UNREASONABLE QUESTION TO ASK, TO CREATE
4 SORT OF A BLANKET POLICY FOR HOMICIDES. BUT I WOULD SAY, WITH
5 RESPECT, IT'S MY RECOMMENDATION THAT WE LEAVE DONATION
6 DECISIONS TO SORT OF THE PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL DISCRETION
7 SPACE. AND NOT ONLY DO I BELIEVE THAT IT'S WITHIN REASON TO DO
8 SO, BECAUSE ALL MY STAFF IS DEDICATED AND HARDWORKING, AND MY
9 PHYSICIAN STAFF IN PARTICULAR ARE QUALIFIED TO AND CAPABLE OF
10 MAKING THOSE DECISIONS. AND NOT DOING THAT ACTUALLY WOULD--
11 MAYBE IT'S NOT A LOT OF CASES, BUT IT WOULD UNNECESSARILY
12 RESTRICT OTHERWISE VIABLE, VALUABLE LIFESAVING ORGANS FROM
13 THOSE THAT NEED THEM. SO I DON'T BELIEVE-- ALSO, I DON'T
14 BELIEVE IT WOULD ELIMINATE THE POTENTIAL FOR CRITICISM,
15 BECAUSE SAY A PERSON'S ON LIFE SUPPORT, AND THEY HAVE HEAD
16 INJURIES THAT WE KNOW IT WAS AN ASSAULT, BUT THEIR KIDNEYS AND
17 THEIR LIVER ARE PERFECTLY FINE. AND THEY'VE MATCHED TO A
18 DONOR, BUT SUDDENLY WE HAVE A POLICY THAT SAYS, "NO, YOU
19 CAN'T-- WE'RE NOT GOING TO DO THAT." SO IT JUST PUTS US ON THE
20 OTHER SIDE OF THE PENDULUM. I THINK I WOULD AVOID PUTTING
21 POLICY ON THESE ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION DECISIONS. I THINK
22 THEY BELONG IN THE PROFESSIONAL PHYSICIAN SPACE.

23

24 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AND AGAIN, I KNOW NOTHING ABOUT ANYTHING,
25 BUT ARE THERE CERTAIN ORGANS AND TISSUES THAT CAN BE DONATED

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1 THAT DON'T IMPACT A PARTICULAR KIND OF INVESTIGATION, OR IS IT
2 ALL OR NOTHING?

3

4 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** NO, NO. YOU CAN PICK AND CHOOSE,
5 DEPENDING ON THE CASE. SO IF THERE'S AN ABDOMINAL INJURY, BUT
6 MAYBE THE HEART IS A GOOD DONATION, THEY WOULD HAVE A MATCH. I
7 MEAN, THAT CAN HAPPEN. BUT WE SAY NOTHING IN THE ABDOMEN,
8 BECAUSE WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE SEE EVERYTHING.

9

10 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** I SEE.

11

12 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** SO WE CAN MAKE THOSE CHOICES.

13

14 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** RIGHT. AND WHAT IS THE TIME LIMIT? IS IT
15 DAYS, WEEKS, THAT IT MATTERS TO DONATE ORGANS AND TISSUES? AND
16 IS THAT PART OF THE AGREEMENT WITH ONELEGACY, OR IS THAT PART
17 OF THE LAW? WHAT IS THAT?

18

19 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** ONELEGACY HAS A-- CERTAIN TISSUES HAVE
20 A TIMEOUT. THEY'RE JUST NOT-- THEY START TO CHANGE AFTER 24
21 HOURS, SO THEY HAVE SOME LIMITS. I THINK SOME ARE 12 HOURS,
22 SOME ARE 24 HOURS AFTER DEATH. ORGANS, ON THE OTHER HAND, ARE--
23 - YOU KNOW, IF SOMEBODY'S BRAIN-DEAD, THAT'S WHY THEY HAVE TO
24 STAY IN THE HOSPITAL. AND THEY STAY THERE UNTIL THEY'VE GOT A
25 MATCH. THEY'RE BASICALLY WAITING. SO THAT'S DOWN TO THE

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1 MINUTE. AND THAT'S THOSE SITUATIONS WHAT I THINK A LOT OF
2 PEOPLE THINK OF, IN TERMS OF ORGAN DONATION, WHICH IS THE
3 HELICOPTER FLYING IT AND SURGICAL TEAMS WAITING, AND THAT'S
4 THE SCENARIO FOR ORGANS. IT'S MUCH MORE TIGHTLY--

5

6 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** AND I KNOW YOU'VE SAID THIS AGAIN, BUT IT
7 BEARS REPEATING THAT, FOR INSTANCE, YOU DON'T ALLOW FOR
8 DONATIONS WITHOUT THE FAMILY'S CONSENT. BUT I'M WONDERING: IF
9 THERE WAS THIS TIME LIMIT, AND SOMEONE WAS WAITING, AND THIS
10 WAS A MATCH, IS THERE A DILEMMA, OR YOU JUST ABSOLUTELY--
11 UNLESS YOU HAVE THE CONSENT, YOU DON'T DO IT?

12

13 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** I BELIEVE WE HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO
14 PROVIDE CONSENT IF NEXT OF KIN IS NOT IDENTIFIED WITHIN A
15 REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME.

16

17 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** OKAY. SO IF YOU CAN'T FIND THEM OR THEY
18 DON'T RESPOND, YOU CAN GO AHEAD AND MAKE THIS?

19

20 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** WE HAVE THE LEGAL AUTHORITY TO DO THAT.

21

22 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** WELL, I APPRECIATE THIS. AND SUPERVISOR
23 SOLIS TALKED ABOUT THE STAFF, BECAUSE I THINK ONE OF THE
24 CONCERNING THINGS FOR ME WAS, OF COURSE, THE DEPARTMENT WAS
25 SAYING ONE THING, AND THEN A FEW EMPLOYEES WERE SAYING

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1 SOMETHING ELSE, AND OF COURSE THAT'S TROUBLING TO US, AND WE
2 WANT TO KNOW. BUT I FEEL LIKE YOU'VE ANSWERED THAT. AND I
3 DON'T WANT TO-- IN THIS WHOLE DISCUSSION, LET'S NOT LOSE THE
4 IMPORTANCE OF ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATIONS. IT'S ABSOLUTELY
5 CRITICAL. IT SAVES LIVES, IT PROMOTES LIFE, IT LENGTHENS LIFE
6 IT GIVES HOPE, AND IT'S SUCH AN INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT THING.
7 AND I HATE TO LOSE THAT IN THE MIDST OF WHAT WE'RE TALKING
8 ABOUT. BUT I APPRECIATE YOUR DILIGENCE AND YOUR DEDICATION AND
9 YOUR INTEGRITY ON THIS ISSUE. WE APPRECIATE IT A LOT.

10

11 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SEEING NO OTHER BOARD
14 MEMBERS HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
15 WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL UP THOSE THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON
16 THIS ITEM?

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE
19 COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME: [CALLING NAMES.]

20

21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** FIRST SPEAKER?

22

23 **PATRICIA MCALLISTER:** I'M PATRICIA MCALLISTER. TISSUE AND ORGAN
24 HARVESTING. THIS IS WHAT I CALL IT. THERE'S REALLY SOME PROOF
25 THAT THE AFRICAN AMERICANS, THE REASON WHY SO MANY ARE ON THE

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1 STREET, SOME OF THEM ARE BEING KIDNAPPED AND THEIR ORGANS ARE
2 BEING HARVESTED. PEOPLE LIVING NEXT TO EACH OTHER FOR THREE
3 AND FOUR YEARS, AND ALL OF A SUDDEN THEY WAKE UP, THEY NEVER
4 SEE THE NEIGHBOR NEXT TO THEM AGAIN, EVER IN LIFE. THEY'RE
5 BEING KIDNAPPED. THAT'S NO SECRET. ALSO, PRESIDENT TRUMP IS
6 TRYING TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE HOMELESS SITUATION HERE IN
7 CALIFORNIA, AND HE WANTS TO BUILD SOME INTERNMENT CAMPS FOR
8 THE HOMELESS. WELL, THE DEMOCRATS ARE SCREAMING. THEY DON'T
9 WANT IT. THEY DON'T WANT AFRICAN AMERICANS OFF THE STREET AND
10 GOING INTO CAMPS AND GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS SO THAT THEY CAN
11 HAVE SHELTER. YOU KNOW WHY THEY DON'T WANT IT? THEY WON'T BE
12 ABLE TO STEAL THOSE BODIES AND GET THOSE ORGANS ANYMORE. SO,
13 SEE, THERE'S A REASON WHY BLACK PEOPLE ARE ON THE STREET. WE
14 JUST DIDN'T GET OUT THERE, OKAY? MY PEOPLE ARE OUT THERE
15 BECAUSE IT WAS DESIGNED THAT WAY. AND IF YOU THINK YOU'RE
16 GOING TO KEEP STEALING OUR ORGANS, YOU BETTER THINK TWICE.

17

18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

19

20 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM STUDIO CITY, AND THANKS TO
21 THE TIMES FOR SETTING THE BOARD'S AGENDA. I LOVE THAT THIS IS
22 A SUPPLEMENTAL CLARIFICATION FOR THE SUPERVISORS. TRANSPLANTS
23 ARE SO IMPORTANT. TODAY IN LOS ANGELES, WE ARE EXPERIENCING AN
24 EFFORT TO TRANSPLANT MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS OVER AT C.D. 10, AND
25 TAKE MR. WESSON AND GRAFT HIM ONTO S.D. 2. IT'S A TOUGH

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1 PROCEDURE BECAUSE WHAT PEOPLE ARE REALIZING IS THAT THERE'S A
2 COMPATIBILITY IN TERMS OF THE WILLINGNESS TO KEEP IT ALL THE
3 SAME, AND DO ALL THE SAME KINDS OF ROUTINES, BUT THERE'S A
4 CONCERN ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT IT'S CONSISTENT WITH THE
5 "EVERYONE OUT OF OFFICE" WHO HAVE BEEN SITTING ON TOP OF YEARS
6 AND DECADES OF A KIND OF DISENFRANCHISEMENT RIGHT HERE IN LOS
7 ANGELES. IT'S NOT ABOUT REPUBLICANS VERSUS DEMOCRATS. EVERYONE
8 KNOWS I'M A DEMOCRAT. IT'S ABOUT PEOPLE WHO ARE VOCALLY
9 OPPOSED TO WHAT THE COUNTY AND THE CITY ARE DOING. SPEAKING UP
10 IS ABSOLUTELY FORBIDDEN BY THESE TWO BODIES. THAT'S WHY-- AND
11 CONGRATULATIONS, SUPERVISOR BARGER, ON THE DRACONIAN RULE
12 CHANGE, AND MOVING THE PODIUM FOR A NICER HEADSHOT OF
13 YOURSELVES DURING THE LENGTHY SELF-CONGRATULATION PERIOD PRIOR
14 TO THE CLOSED SESSION.

15

16 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME IS UP, THANK
17 GOODNESS. NEXT SPEAKER?

18

19 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS KIMBERLY PAYNE, AND I AM A
20 DONOR GRANDMOTHER. NINE YEARS AGO, MY DAUGHTER'S BOYFRIEND--
21 NOT MY GRANDSON'S FATHER, BUT MY DAUGHTER'S BOYFRIEND-- BEAT
22 MY GRANDSON TO DEATH 22 TIMES IN THE HEAD. ON THE DAY THAT HE
23 WAS PRONOUNCED BRAIN-DEAD, MY DAUGHTER AND HIS FATHER BOTH
24 SAID YES TO ORGAN DONATION. NOT MUCH LONGER AFTER THAT
25 DECISION, LAW ENFORCEMENT APPROACHED THE BABY'S FATHER,

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1 TELLING HIM THAT ORGAN DONATION WAS GOING TO IMPEDE THE
2 INVESTIGATION. THANKFULLY, MY GRANDSON'S FATHER APPROACHED
3 ONELEGACY AND HAD MANY QUESTIONS, AND ONELEGACY GOT THEM IN
4 CONTACT WITH THE MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE, AND THE MEDICAL
5 EXAMINER ASSURED HIM THAT NOTHING WOULD IMPEDE ANY
6 INVESTIGATION. MY GRANDSON WOULD GO ON TO SAVE FOUR LIVES WITH
7 HIS HEART, HIS LIVER, AND BOTH KIDNEYS, INCLUDING A TWO-YEAR-
8 OLD LITTLE GIRL AND A 21-YEAR-OLD COLLEGE STUDENT AND A 63-
9 YEAR-OLD GRANDMOTHER. THE TWO-YEAR-OLD IS GOING TO BE 10 THIS
10 YEAR. AND WHEN THE JURY GOT THE CASE, LATE AFTERNOON BEFORE
11 LUNCHTIME THE NEXT DAY, THEY CAME BACK WITH A GUILTY VERDICT.

12

13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR THAT.
14 NEXT SPEAKER?

15

16 **MIKE GREENSPAN:** MIKE GREENSPAN. ANYBODY BUT WESSON. NOW, ONE
17 OF YOUR EMPLOYEES-- WE ALL-- I FORGOT HIS NAME. I DON'T KNOW
18 HIS NAME, BUT WE ALL MENTIONED HE WAS MOVING TO ATLANTA. METRO
19 ATLANTA. AND WHY DO I MENTION IT? BECAUSE HE'S GOING TO GET A
20 GEORGIA DRIVER'S LICENSE. WHAT DOES THAT GOT TO DO WITH THIS?
21 THEY HAVE A SYSTEM IN GEORGIA. IF YOU FILL OUT AN ORGAN DONOR
22 FORM AT THE TIME YOU APPLY FOR THE DRIVER'S LICENSE, THEY GIVE
23 YOU A DISCOUNT. NOW, WE HAVE HAD PEOPLE HERE THAT HAVE BEEN IN
24 THE LEGISLATURE. THEY COULD HAVE PASSED THAT KIND OF LAW. THEY
25 DIDN'T. GEORGIA'S BEEN IN THE BUSINESS OF STATEHOOD ALL THE

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1 WAY BACK TO COLONIES, SO THEY DO HAVE AN INKLING OF HOW TO RUN
2 A STATE. AND IF THEY CAN DO IT, WHY CAN'T WE HAVE A SYSTEM
3 WHERE YOU GET A DISCOUNT ON YOUR DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR AN ORGAN
4 DONOR CARD? A LOT OF PEOPLE WOULD PROBABLY TAKE ADVANTAGE OF
5 IT, AND WE COULD GET A LOT MORE ORGAN DONATIONS. AND I STILL
6 SAY, ANYBODY BUT WESSON. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

9

10 **LAVINIA BROOKS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS LAVINIA BROOKS. I
11 AM A 58-YEAR-OLD AFRICAN-AMERICAN WOMAN, AND I AM ALSO A HEART
12 TRANSPLANT RECIPIENT. IN 2004, I WAS DIAGNOSED WITH CONGESTIVE
13 HEART FAILURE. AND AS YOU MAY KNOW, EVERY 37 SECONDS IN THE
14 UNITED STATES, SOMEONE DIES FROM CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE. SO I
15 SUFFERED WITH CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE FOR 10 YEARS. I WAS IN
16 AND OUT OF THE HOSPITAL AT LEAST 40 TIMES. AND IT WAS VERY
17 DEVASTATING, NOT ONLY FOR MYSELF, BUT FOR MY FAMILY AND MY
18 FRIENDS, AS WELL. AND IN 2014, I BECAME CRITICALLY ILL WHEN MY
19 HEART FUNCTION WAS ONLY 12 PERCENT, AND I WAS RUSHED TO THE
20 HOSPITAL. AND I WAS TOLD THAT I COULD NEVER LEAVE UNTIL THERE
21 WAS A HEART AVAILABLE FOR ME. SO I WAITED IN THE HOSPITAL AT
22 KECK U.S.C. FOR SIX MONTHS AND 23 DAYS IN THE I.C.U. AND
23 BECAUSE A 20-YEAR-OLD YOUNG MAN SAID YES TO ORGAN DONATION, I
24 AM ALIVE TODAY. [APPLAUSE.]

25

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1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** YAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU. THANK
2 YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER?

3

4 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** BUT WE HAVE TO KNOW WHAT TYPE OF BODY PARTS
5 WE'RE DONATING HERE. SO I SAY, ANYBODY THAT DONATES CERTAIN
6 BODY PARTS SHOULD GET A LARGE GIFT CARD TO STARBUCKS OR YOUR
7 CHOICE OF SUPERMARKET. BUT IF YOU GIVE LITTLE BODY PARTS, YOU
8 SHOULD BE GETTING A STARBUCKS CARD OR A RALPH SHOPPING CARD.
9 BUT THE PROBLEM THAT JANICE HAHN HAS IS SHE WANTS TO KNOW IF
10 YOU PROMISE TO DONATE IT AND YOU GET THE CARD, AND LATER YOU
11 PULL BACK, CAN THE COUNTY GET BACK THEIR GIFT CARD? AND YOU
12 HAVE TO LOOK INTO THE MOTION. AND EVERYBODY'S VERY CONCERNED
13 ABOUT IT, BECAUSE WE HAVE TO INCENTIVIZE. WE HAVE TO GET
14 PEOPLE TO GIVE AS MANY BODY PARTS AS POSSIBLE, ESPECIALLY IF
15 THEY'RE POOR, SO WE CAN KEEP THESE RICH WHITE PEOPLE ALIVE
16 LONGER AND LONGER AND LONGER, SO THEY CAN BUY MORE AND MORE
17 CAMPAIGNS, AND BUY MORE AND MORE SEATS OF POWER.

18

19 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WELCOME, MR. MONE.

20

21 **THOMAS MONE:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MY NAME IS THOMAS MONE. I'M
22 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF ONELEGACY, THE ORGAN, EYE, AND
23 TISSUE RECOVERY PROGRAM, AND WE VERY MUCH APPRECIATE THE
24 COUNTY'S LOOKING INTO THIS ISSUE AS IT WAS BROUGHT UP, BECAUSE
25 ORGAN, EYE, AND TISSUE DONATION DEPENDS UPON PUBLIC TRUST, AND

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1 PUBLIC TRUST DEPENDS UPON TRANSPARENCY. ONELEGACY CHOSE TO BE
2 VERY TRANSPARENT WITH THE REPORTER ON THIS CASE AND, FOR OVER
3 A YEAR AND A HALF, SHOWED THE OPERATIONS AND REVIEWED DOZENS
4 OF CASES THAT WERE BROUGHT TO US-- AS WAS NOTED, OVER 18 YEARS
5 OF CASES-- AND DID NOT FIND A SINGLE CASE IN WHICH THERE WAS A
6 RECOVERY WITHOUT-- OF A CORONER'S CASE WITHOUT PRIOR RELEASE
7 FROM THE CORONER, IN THIS COUNTY OR ANY OF THE OTHER SIX
8 COUNTIES THAT WE SERVE, AND NOT A SINGLE CASE IN WHICH ANY OF
9 THE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINERS REPORTED THEY WERE UNABLE TO
10 DETERMINE THE CAUSE OF DEATH BECAUSE OF DONATION. SO WE ARE
11 VERY, VERY PLEASED TO ACTUALLY HAVE HAD THE CHANCE TO VALIDATE
12 THAT AND SHARE THAT WITH YOU TODAY. THERE WERE A COUPLE OF
13 QUESTIONS THAT CAME UP. THERE ARE 58 ORGAN PROCUREMENT
14 ORGANIZATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES, AND IN ALMOST EVERY AREA,
15 THEY'RE THE PRIMARY TISSUE RECOVERY PROGRAM, AS WELL. BUT
16 AGAIN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

17
18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR
19 WORK. NEXT SPEAKER?

20
21 **REDCHIEF HUNT:** YES, THE REDCHIEF HUNT. I DO SUPPORT THIS
22 ISSUE, AND ANY TIME YOU CAN KEEP ANYBODY ALIVE-- YOU HEARD THE
23 TESTIMONY FROM THE LADY. ANY TIME YOU CAN KEEP ANYBODY ALIVE,
24 THAT'S A GREAT THING. THAT'S WHAT THE UNITED STATES IS BUILT
25 ON: HELPING EACH OTHER, AND THINGS LIKE THAT. SO I DO SUPPORT

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1 THIS MOTION. THANK YOU, JANICE HAHN, AND KEEP UP THE GOOD
2 WORK, YOU GUYS. REDCHIEF HUNT.

3

4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER?

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
7 SO, IS THERE A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN-- WE HEARD A DIFFERENCE
8 BETWEEN ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATIONS. IS THERE A DIFFERENCE
9 BETWEEN LEGAL DONATIONS AND ILLEGAL DONATIONS? I UNDERSTAND
10 THE COUNTY DOESN'T MAKE ANY PROFIT FROM THIS, OR GET PAYMENT,
11 BUT ONELEGACY MUST MAKE SOME MONEY SOMEWHERE. THEY'RE NOT
12 DOING THIS FOR THE GOODNESS OUT OF THEIR HEART, BECAUSE IT'S
13 BEEN DONATED. THEY HAVE NO HEART. IS THIS A NONPROFIT SET UP
14 BY THE CORONER'S OFFICE? ARE THEY IN SOME KIND OF
15 COLLABORATION, WHERE THERE'S A NONPROFIT THAT IS INVOLVED IN
16 THIS? BECAUSE ONELEGACY WOULD TURN AROUND AND SELL THE ORGAN
17 PARTS TO A HOSPITAL FOR SOMEBODY TO USE THEM, BECAUSE NOBODY
18 IS DOING THIS FOR FREE. AND AGAIN, IS THERE HEALTH INSURANCE
19 INVOLVED IN THIS? IS AFFORDABLE CARE ACT INVOLVED IN THIS? IT
20 WOULD BE INTERESTING TO LOOK INTO THAT.

21

22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. DR.
23 CLAVREUL?

24

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1 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. DR. GENEVIEVE
2 CLAVREUL. I AM VERY GLAD THAT YOU BROUGHT THAT ITEM, BECAUSE
3 THE ARTICLE IN THE PAPER WAS NOT VERY CLEAR ABOUT WHAT WAS
4 REALLY GOING ON. AND I THINK, REALLY, TO FIND OUT THAT THE
5 CORONER WAS NOT DOING IT FOR PROFIT, AND NOT GETTING ANY
6 REMUNERATION FOR THIS, IS VERY IMPORTANT. AND HAVING BEEN A
7 NURSE AND WORKED A LOT WITH TRANSPLANTS, I AM A VERY STRONG
8 SUPPORTER OF THAT, AND THANK YOU FOR DOING IT, AND SO ON.

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THOSE ALL OUR
11 SPEAKERS? ANY CLOSING REMARKS, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I WANT TO THANK DR. LUCAS FOR HIS
14 PRESENTATION, AND I KNOW THAT IT'S BEEN A CHALLENGE TO DEAL
15 WITH THIS ISSUE, BUT I AM HAPPY THAT YOU'RE TAKING THE RIGHT
16 APPROACH AND THE ROAD TO A BETTER WAY OF COMMUNICATING WITH
17 YOUR STAFF, AS WELL AS WITH THE PUBLIC. SO I APPRECIATE YOUR
18 WORK, AND HAVE ADMIRERD THE CHANGES THAT YOU'VE MADE SINCE
19 YOU'VE ARRIVED. SO THANK YOU.

20

21 **DR. JONATHAN R. LUCAS:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. ITEM 39-A IS BEFORE US.
24 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO
25 RECEIVE AND FILE THIS. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS

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1 VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. WE HAVE NO SPECIALS TODAY, SO WE
2 ARE GOING TO GO ON TO PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE
3 BOARD. AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO HEAR FROM
4 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD
5 ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS HELD BY THE SUPERVISORS. DUE TO THE
6 NUMBER OF SPEAKERS, DEPENDING UPON WHO IT IS, WE ARE GOING TO
7 LIMIT IT TO, IF YOU SIGNED UP FOR ONE ITEM, YOU WILL BE GIVEN
8 ONE MINUTE. FOR TWO OR MORE ITEMS, YOU WILL BE GIVEN TWO
9 MINUTES. WITH THAT, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THOSE
10 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THE ITEMS AND
11 THE ITEMS HELD.

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WOULD THE
14 FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR
15 NAME: [READING NAMES] HAVE REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON
16 ITEM 33. JOSEPH MAIZLISH ON ITEMS 5, 11, 20, AND 33. SHEILA
17 PINKEL ON ITEMS 11 AND 33. INES CHESSUM ON ITEM 36. DR.
18 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL ON ITEMS 10, 11, 13, 16, 19, AND 20. HARVEY
19 EDER ON ITEM 13. PATRICIA MCALLISTER ON ITEMS 7, 10, 11, 13,
20 18, 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28, AND 33. ERIC PREVEN ON ITEMS 1-P,
21 2-P, 1, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 17, 18, 19, 21, 24, 27, 28, 30,
22 37. ARNOLD SACHS ON ITEMS 5, 12, 13, AND 23. ANTONIA RAMIREZ,
23 ALL REMAINING ITEMS. WAYNE SPINDLER ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS.
24 MICHAEL GREENSPAN, ALL REMAINING ITEMS. AND REDCHIEF HUNT ON
25 ALL REMAINING ITEMS.

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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. FIRST
3 SPEAKER? WELCOME.

4

5 **ETHAN VAN BUREN:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ETHAN VAN BUREN,
6 AND I'M A STUDENT AT U.C.L.A. LAW SCHOOL. I'M HERE TODAY
7 ASKING THE BOARD TO REJECT THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR ANY
8 PRETRIAL PILOT PROGRAM THAT USES RISK ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENTS.
9 MY COMMENT TODAY IS BASED ON MY RESEARCH FOR AND EXPERIENCE
10 WITH A LEGAL CLINIC FOCUSED ON BAIL, AND REPRESENTING
11 INDIVIDUALS IN BAIL HEARINGS. DURING MY TIME IN THE CLINIC, I
12 HAVE REPRESENTED AND GOT TO KNOW A 50-YEAR-OLD MAN FROM
13 COMPTON, WHO WAS ACCUSED OF A FELONY. A RISK ASSESSMENT
14 INSTRUMENT WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY HAVE RECOMMENDED THAT THIS
15 MAN BE DETAINED PRETRIAL, DUE TO THE SEVERITY OF THE CHARGE,
16 AS WELL AS HIS CRIMINAL HISTORY FROM MANY YEARS PRIOR.
17 INSTEAD, WE WERE ABLE TO ARGUE FOR A REDUCED BAIL AMOUNT,
18 WHICH THE BAIL PROJECT THEN PAID. HE RETURNED FOR HIS COURT
19 DATE, AS THE VAST MAJORITY OF PEOPLE RELEASED PRETRIAL DO, AND
20 ALL OF THE CHARGES AGAINST HIM WERE DISMISSED. A RISK
21 ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENT WOULD HAVE ENSURED THAT THIS MAN STAYED
22 IN JAIL FOR MONTHS ON MERITLESS CHARGES. AND AS HE HAD
23 PREVIOUSLY ENCOUNTERED HOMELESSNESS, THIS AMOUNT OF DISRUPTION
24 IN HIS LIFE WOULD LIKELY HAVE COST HIM HIS EMPLOYMENT AND HIS
25 JOB, FURTHER DESTABILIZING HIS LIFE. THANK YOU.

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1

2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

3

4 **IVETTE ALE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE BOARD. MY NAME IS IVETTE
5 ALE. I'M THE SENIOR POLICY LEAD WITH DIGNITY AND POWER NOW,
6 AND WITH THE JUSTICE L.A. COALITION. J.L.A. HAS REPEATEDLY
7 ADDRESSED THE THREAT OF SENATE BILL 10 IN LOS ANGELES,
8 INCLUDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RACIST ALGORITHMS, AND THE
9 INCREASED POWER AND FUNDING TO PROBATIONS, AND IT'S THAT
10 FUNDING THAT I WANT TO ADDRESS TODAY. IT TOOK COURAGE FROM
11 THIS BOARD TO HOLD THE L.A. COUNTY PROBATIONS DEPARTMENT
12 ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR MANY FAILURES, AND IT WILL TAKE COURAGE
13 TO REJECT FUNDING FROM THE STATE THAT YOU KNOW WILL HARM LOS
14 ANGELES COUNTY. BY ACCEPTING THIS FUNDING AND ALLOCATING 15.6
15 MILLION TO THE PROBATIONS DEPARTMENT, YOU ARE LEGITIMIZING A
16 PROCESS THAT, IF REJECTED, CALLS FOR BOTH THE GRASSROOTS AND
17 COUNTY LEADERSHIP TO ALLOW L.A. COUNTY WITH THE FLEXIBILITY TO
18 DECIDE WHAT PRETRIAL REFORM WILL LOOK LIKE IN OUR COUNTY. I
19 ENCOURAGE YOU TO UPHOLD THE DEVELOPING LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S
20 MODEL FOR PRETRIAL RELEASE MOTION AUTHORED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL
21 AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS, THAT WAS PASSED A YEAR AGO, AND NO
22 MOVEMENT HAS HAPPENED ON THAT MOTION. PLEASE CREATE A
23 DIFFERENT PRETRIAL PILOT PROGRAM SO WE CAN HAVE A COMPARATIVE
24 ANALYSIS. THANK YOU.

25

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1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

2

3 **MARIE MAZZONE:** MARIE MAZZONE, WITH BAN THE A.R.C. AND JUSTICE
4 L.A. THE PRETRIAL LANDSCAPE HAS CHANGED MARKEDLY SINCE THE
5 PASSAGE OF THE EXTREMELY FLAWED S.B. 10. RECENT STUDIES AND
6 ACTIONS HAVE EXPOSED THE INHERENT BIAS OF RISK ASSESSMENT
7 TOOLS, AND THE FAILURES OF THE L.A. PROBATION DEPARTMENT. WE
8 MUST NOT PROCEED WITH THIS OUTMODED PILOT, ESPECIALLY WITH THE
9 ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION FINAL REPORT BEING PRESENTED
10 NEXT MONTH. OUR DEDICATED A.T.I. WORKGROUP HAS SPENT THE LAST
11 YEAR DEVELOPING RECOMMENDATIONS AND IMPLEMENTATION PLANS FOR A
12 RANGE OF JUSTICE ISSUES, INCLUDING PRETRIAL JUSTICE REFORM.
13 NOW IS THE OPPORTUNE TIME FOR MONIES TO BE GIVEN INSTEAD TO
14 THE PRETRIAL PILOT THAT WAS PROPOSED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS A
15 YEAR AGO, A PILOT THAT WOULD BE DESIGNED TO REFLECT THE
16 RECOMMENDATIONS OF OUR FORWARD-THINKING A.T.I. WORKGROUP. WE
17 NEED TO CONDUCT A PILOT THAT DEMONSTRATES THE BENEFITS OF
18 COMMUNITY-BASED PRETRIAL SERVICES THAT WILL OPERATE TO
19 PRESERVE THE PRESUMPTION OF INNOCENCE. A JUSTICE SYSTEM THAT
20 DOES NOT UPHOLD THE PRESUMPTION OF INNOCENCE FOR ALL ITS
21 CITIZENS IS NOT A JUST SYSTEM.

22

23 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME IS UP. NEXT
24 SPEAKER?

25

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM STUDIO CITY, AND
2 TAKING A LOOK AT ITEM 16, WHICH IS A COMPREHENSIVE REQUEST FOR
3 APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS. AND AS I GLANCED THROUGH, I NOTE A
4 NUMBER OF ITEMS. A BUNCH OF REGISTRAR-RECORDER, LIKE UP TO \$20
5 MILLION, WE'RE SHOVING INTO HIS GROUP FOR THIS UPCOMING
6 ELECTION, WHICH IS VERY INTERESTING-- THE V.S.A, OR WHATEVER
7 IT'S CALLED. I ALSO NOTE NUMBER 29, INSIDE THE PARKS AND REC,
8 IS GETTING ANOTHER \$89,000 FOR THE NORWALK GOLF COURSE, THAT
9 WAS FUNDED TO AN ENORMOUS SUM BY SUPERVISOR KNABE BEFORE
10 JANICE HAHN TOOK OVER. SO IT JUST GOES TO SHOW YOU THAT ONCE
11 YOU LEAVE COUNTY SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE, YOU DON'T NECESSARILY
12 LEAVE. YOU GET YOUR HANDS RIGHT IN THERE. YOU STICK AROUND,
13 AND YOU CAN CONTINUE TO JUICE IT FOR WHATEVER IT'S WORTH. NOW,
14 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS GETTING SOMETHING CALLED LIVE FIRE
15 TRAINING. NOW, I'M HOPING THAT REFERS TO FIRES, AS OPPOSED TO
16 FIRING THE WEAPONS, BUT I DON'T REALLY KNOW. IT'S A LOT OF
17 MONEY. IT'S ABOUT \$10 MILLION. COUNTYWIDE, THERE IS A TRANSFER
18 OF \$11 MILLION FROM THE NONDEPARTMENTAL SPECIAL ACCOUNTS
19 BUDGET INTO VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS, TO FUND BOARD-APPROVED
20 INCREASES AND SALARIES AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS. SO THAT'S JUST
21 \$11 MILLION FOR SOME RANDOM-- THOUGH NOT EXPLAINED-- RAISES,
22 WHICH MAKES SENSE. BUT WE HAVE TO FACE THE REALITY THAT WE
23 PARTED WITH COUNTY PROTOCOL BY WAIVING AN ENTIRE DAY OF FEES
24 LAST YEAR-- SUPERVISOR HAHN WILL REMEMBER THE PAINFUL CHAPTER--
25 - TO HONOR GEORGE BUSH, YOU KNOW, WHO DIED, WHICH IS

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1 OBVIOUSLY-- PEOPLE WANT TO HONOR PEOPLE WHEN THEY DIE, AND WE
2 WANT TO SALVAGE ANY ORGANS WE CAN. ALL OF IT IS GREAT, BUT WE
3 DON'T WANT TO BE SPENDING MONEY IN A POLITICAL WAY, OR IN A
4 WAY THAT MAKES US FEEL LIKE WE'RE DOING SOMETHING THAT'S NOT
5 TOTALLY-- ESPECIALLY WHEN WE HAVE SO MANY COMPELLING NEEDS
6 THAT ARE... YOU KNOW, I MEAN THEY'RE COMPOUNDING. I FEEL A
7 LITTLE BIT SYMPATHETIC FOR THIS BOARD. THE CIVIC ART POLICY
8 HAS RESULTED, GIVEN ALL THOSE GIANT NUMBERS, IN A \$112,000
9 PAYOUT TO A BUNCH OF LITTLE GROUPS. THE HIGHEST IS 23,000 FOR
10 THE HALL OF RECORDS SEVENTH-FLOOR RENOVATION. BAD.

11

12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

13

14 **JOHN MATHEWS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M
15 ADDRESSING ITEM NUMBER 33. MY NAME IS JOHN MATHEWS. I'M A
16 LAWYER WITH THE JUSTICE COLLABORATIVE AND A FORMER FEDERAL
17 PROSECUTOR, SO I'VE SEEN FIRSTHAND THE ROLE OF PROBATION
18 OFFICERS IN PRETRIAL DETENTION. I STAND WITH THE COMMUNITY,
19 AND I URGE YOU TO DO THE SAME AND REJECT THE \$15.6 MILLION
20 GRANT ALLOCATION TO THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT FOR A PILOT
21 PROGRAM TO IMPLEMENT ALGORITHM-BASED RISK ASSESSMENT TOOLS FOR
22 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COURT'S PRETRIAL SYSTEM. PROBATION-LIKE
23 SUPERVISION AND SURVEILLANCE ARE INAPPROPRIATE FOR
24 PRESUMPTIVELY INNOCENT PEOPLE IN THE PRETRIAL PHASE OF THEIR
25 CASES. MOREOVER, RISK ASSESSMENTS ARE DANGEROUS. I'M A

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1 GRADUATE OF HARVARD LAW SCHOOL, AND I ASK THAT YOU TAKE A
2 CLOSE LOOK AT EXPERT ANALYSIS OF COLIN DOYLE, FROM THE
3 CRIMINAL JUSTICE POLICY PROGRAM OF THAT ESTEEMED INSTITUTION.
4 THE REPORT THAT HE SENT TO THE BOARD IS ENTITLED "TECHNICAL
5 FLAWS OF PRETRIAL RISK ASSESSMENTS RAISE GRAVE CONCERNS." WE
6 ASK YOU TO REJECT THIS HARMFUL PILOT PROGRAM AND INSTEAD
7 EXPLORE A COMMUNITY-BASED ALTERNATIVE TO PRETRIAL REFORM.
8 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

9

10 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

11

12 **KRISTAN HULING:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR AND BOARD OF
13 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS KRISTAN HULING, AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF
14 OF SERVICE EMPLOYEES INTERNATIONAL UNION LOCAL 721, AND WE
15 REPRESENT COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO WORK WITHIN THE CRIMINAL
16 JUSTICE SYSTEM. AS A WORKERS' ORGANIZATION THAT IS DEDICATED
17 TO SOCIAL AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE, WE SEE THE BENEFITS OF
18 TRANSITIONING TO AN ASSESSMENT SYSTEM, AND ONE THAT IS
19 DESIGNED TO PROTECT DUE PROCESS, SUPPORT EQUAL ACCESS TO
20 JUSTICE, AND THE PROTECTION OF PUBLIC SAFETY. WITH THE PASSAGE
21 OF S.B. 36, AUTHORED BY SENATOR HERTZBERG, DATA IS MANDATED TO
22 BE COLLECTED TO ENSURE THAT SYSTEMS AND TOOLS IN PLACE ARE NOT
23 BIASED OR DISCRIMINATORY. IT IS FOR THESE REASONS THAT WE
24 SUPPORT THE ACTION TO ACCEPT THE GRANT FOR PRETRIAL RELEASE
25 PILOT PROGRAM. THANK YOU.

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1

2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

3

4 **SHEILA PINKEL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
5 IS SHEILA PINKEL. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEMS 11 AND 33. FOR ITEM
6 11, I OPPOSE THIS ITEM. VIDEO TESTIMONY OF THE DEFENDANT IS NO
7 REPLACEMENT FOR IN-PERSON, IN-COURT EXPERIENCE OF THE
8 DEFENDANT WITH THE JUDGE, OR INVALUABLE DIALOGUE WITH HIS OR
9 HER ATTORNEY. VIDEO TESTIMONY IS AN EROSION OF THE POTENTIAL
10 FOR THE DEFENDANT TO ADEQUATELY REPRESENT HIM OR HERSELF. USE
11 OF VIDEO AT MIRA LOMA JAIL WAS PLANNED TO REPLACE IN-PERSON
12 VISITATION BETWEEN AN INCARCERATED AND THEIR LOVED ONES. THIS
13 ESCALATION OF THE USE OF VIDEO IN JAILS INTERRUPTS INVALUABLE
14 PERSON-TO-PERSON EXCHANGE, AND THE DEFENSE OF THE ACCUSED. FOR
15 ITEM 33, I'M OPPOSED, ALSO, TO THIS ITEM. IN THE UNITED
16 STATES, ALL PEOPLE ARE CONSIDERED INNOCENT UNTIL PROVEN
17 GUILTY. THUS, PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN ACCUSED OF A NONVIOLENT
18 OFFENSE SHOULD NOT BE PLACED UNDER THE OVERSIGHT OF PROBATION,
19 ESPECIALLY IF IT USES THE ARNOLD RISK ASSESSMENT TOOL, WHICH
20 IS BIASED AGAINST POOR AND NONWHITE PEOPLE. CITIES OF SAN
21 FRANCISCO AND NEW YORK, FOR OVER 40 YEARS, HAVE SHIFTED
22 PRETRIAL OVERSIGHT TO COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, WITH A
23 90-PERCENT-PLUS TRIAL REPORT RATE. I URGE THE COUNTY BOARD OF
24 SUPERVISORS TO REJECT THIS GRANT THAT CHALLENGES THE CIVIL
25 RIGHTS OF INNOCENT PEOPLE.

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1

2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER? WELCOME.

3

4 **MARK-ANTHONY CLAYTON-JOHNSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS.

5 MARK-ANTHONY CLAYTON-JOHNSON, FRONTLINE WELLNESS NETWORK AND

6 JUSTICE L.A. REGARDING ITEM 33, OBVIOUSLY, WE ARE IN

7 OPPOSITION TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF THIS MONEY FOR THESE

8 ASSESSMENTS, AND I THINK PART OF THE REASON IS WE'RE ASKING

9 YOU TO BE CONSISTENT: CONSISTENT WITH THE MOMENTUM THAT WAS

10 PRODUCED VIA THE A.T.I. PROCESS, WHICH ASKED AND REALLY IS

11 RECOMMENDING THAT WE LOOK AT A PRETRIAL SYSTEM THAT IS FOCUSED

12 ON NEEDS, THAT IS FOCUSED ON MEETING FOLKS' NEEDS, AND THAT IS

13 HOUSED USING ASSESSMENTS THAT ARE HOUSED OUTSIDE OF LAW

14 ENFORCEMENT. THAT IS THE PROCESS THAT WE LANDED ON. THAT'S THE

15 RECOMMENDATION THAT WE LANDED ON. THE SUPERIOR COURT APPLIED

16 FOR THIS MONEY, AND INSTEAD IS GOING TO BE USING THE C.C.A.T.

17 ASSESSMENT. IT SHOULD BE KNOWN THAT THE CENTER FOR COURT

18 INNOVATIONS, WHICH DEVELOPED THE C.C.A.T. ASSESSMENT, MADE

19 CLEAR THAT IT MAY NOT ACTUALLY BE POSSIBLE TO RULE OUT RACIAL

20 DISPARITIES WHEN USING THESE ASSESSMENTS, INCLUDING THE

21 C.C.A.T. ITSELF. AND SO HOW DO WE BE CONSISTENT WITH AN A.T.I.

22 PROCESS THAT PRIORITIZED RACIAL EQUITY, WHILE FUNDING \$15

23 MILLION FOR AN ASSESSMENT PROCESS THAT CANNOT BE CORRECTED?

24

25 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

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1

2 **JACK MORRIS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JACK MORRIS. I WORK AS
3 A REENTRY LEAD COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER, FORMALLY INCARCERATED
4 FOR 40 YEARS. I OPPOSE 33. PROVIDING FUNDS TO A SYSTEM
5 PREDICATED ON THE PREMISE OF CONTINUED INCARCERATION WITHOUT A
6 CONVICTION DOES NOT SERVE THE COMMUNITY. PROVIDING COMMUNITY-
7 BASED ORGANIZATIONS WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONTACT COMMUNITY
8 MEMBERS OF COURT DATES IS MORE IN LINE WITH THE ALTERNATIVES
9 TO INCARCERATION PROGRAM BEING IMPLEMENTED, OR CONSIDERED.
10 THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

13

14 **REV. REGGIE BUNCH:** MY NAME IS REVEREND REGGIE BUNCH, WITH
15 DIGNITY AND POWER NOW. I STAND HERE IN OPPOSITION OF THE
16 MOTION NUMBER 33. WE CAME SO FAR WITH THE A.T.I. PROCESS.
17 THERE WAS EVEN A RACIAL TOOL USED TO TRY TO POINT OUT ANY TYPE
18 OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION THAT THE A.T.I. PROCESS WOULD
19 PRODUCE, AND RISK ASSESSMENTS ULTIMATELY WOULD GENERATE AND
20 PERPETUATE MORE BLACK AND BROWN FOLKS IN OUR JAIL SYSTEM. AND
21 WE DID NOT COME THIS FAR FOR THE STATE TO GIVE US THIS MONEY
22 TO JUST TAKE AWAY ALL THIS WORK THAT WE'VE BEEN DOING FOR A
23 WHOLE ENTIRE YEAR. AND THIS WORK TOOK THE WORK OF FORMERLY
24 INCARCERATED FOLKS AND INCARCERATED PEOPLE, WHO SPOKE
25 SPECIFICALLY TO THIS ISSUE, AND I THOUGHT YOU ALL HEARD THEM.

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1 I THOUGHT YOU HEARD THEM CLEARLY. PLEASE REJECT THIS MOTION,
2 AND LET'S LET THE A.T.I. PROCESS WORK. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

5

6 **PATRICIA MCALLISTER:** PATRICIA MCALLISTER. UNDER THE COUNTY,
7 THE SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES HAVE BEEN DIRECTED TO DISCRIMINATE
8 AGAINST AFRICAN AMERICANS IN THE HOUSING PROGRAMS AND OTHER
9 SERVICES. WHEN AFRICAN AMERICANS GO TO ANY OF THESE SOCIAL
10 SERVICE AGENCIES, THEY ARE REFERRED TO SKID ROW. SEE, WE
11 DIDN'T GET 20,000 DOWN THERE-- PEOPLE DON'T SEE THE HOMELESS
12 INSIDE THE SHELTERS. THERE ARE PROBABLY ABOUT 10,000 WITH
13 CHILDREN. THEY WERE REFERRED TO SKID ROW. IF YOU INTERVIEW AND
14 ASK THEM, THEY'LL TELL YOU THAT THEY WERE SENT TO SKID ROW.
15 AFRICAN AMERICANS ARE SENT THERE BY THE THOUSANDS. WHEN THE
16 WOMEN ARE RELEASED FROM THESE JAILS, WOMEN AND MEN, AFRICAN
17 AMERICANS, THEY ARE SENT TO SKID ROW. THAT'S HOW THEY GOT DOWN
18 THERE. MANY OF THEM ARE NOT DRUG ADDICTS. P.A.T.H. OKAY? THE
19 P.A.T.H. PROGRAM, THE HOME PROGRAM. THE HOME PROGRAM, I GET A
20 REPORT FROM THEM EVERY YEAR. THOUSANDS OF VACANCIES.
21 THOUSANDS. THEY'RE SITTING ON THE MONEY, FOLKS, AND THEY'RE
22 SITTING ON THE HOUSING. THE ONLY WAY WE CAN GET RID OF THIS
23 HOMELESS PROBLEM THAT WE HAVE IS TO GET THESE ILLEGAL ALIENS
24 OUT OF OUR HOUSING. SEE, THEY DON'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE 5
25 MILLION ILLEGAL ALIENS THEY SMUGGLED INTO LOS ANGELES ALONE.

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1 YOU WILL NOT FIND AN ENCAMPMENT WITH ILLEGAL ALIENS IN IT THAT
2 DON'T SPEAK ENGLISH. SO THE QUESTION IS, WHERE ARE THEY?
3 THEY'RE IN OUR HOUSING. I WANT YOU TO THINK. NOW, THE
4 TRANSPORTATION, OUR CITY TRANSPORTATION, IS DOWN. PEOPLE ARE
5 NOT RIDING THE BUS. YOU KNOW WHY? THE ILLEGAL ALIENS HAVE THE
6 JOB. THEY'RE BUYING CARS. THE AFRICAN AMERICANS ARE ON THE
7 STREET. THAT'S WHY THE TRANSPORTATION IS DOWN. OKAY? NOW,
8 HERE'S ANOTHER THING: DRIVE-BY SHOOTINGS? THOSE ARE NOTHING
9 BUT ORGAN HARVESTING SHOOTINGS. THE NURSE IN CHICAGO SAID ALL
10 THOSE BLACK MEN AND WOMEN BEING SHOT, AND CHILDREN BEING SHOT,
11 THEY'RE BEING SHOT IN THE HEAD. AND WHEN THEY COME INTO THE
12 EMERGENCY ROOM, THEIR ORGANS ARE GONE. SO WE NEED TO KNOW
13 WHAT'S GOING ON. [INAUDIBLE], YOU ARE DEVILS FROM HELL.

14

15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

16

17 **SHAKEER RAHMAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SHAKEER RAHMAN. I'M
18 SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE BAIL PROJECT, A NATIONAL NONPROFIT
19 THAT PROVIDES FREE BAIL ASSISTANCE TO THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE
20 EVERY YEAR. WE PROVIDE BAIL ASSISTANCE, AND WE PROVIDE
21 COMMUNITY-BASED SUPPORT TO HELP PEOPLE BOUNCE BACK AFTER AN
22 ARREST AND RETURN TO COURT. I'M OPPOSING ITEM 33 FOR TWO
23 REASONS. FIRST, PROBATION SHOULD HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH
24 PRETRIAL. PROBATION'S ROLE IS SUPERVISING PEOPLE AS PART OF A
25 PUNISHMENT FOR A CONVICTION. THIS IS THE WRONG INSTITUTION TO

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1 PUT IN CHARGE OF PRETRIAL RELEASE, WHERE THE GOAL IS TO
2 PROVIDE PEOPLE THE SUPPORT THAT THEY NEED TO BOUNCE BACK AFTER
3 AN ARREST AND COME BACK TO COURT, NOT PUNISHING THEM, NOT
4 SUPERVISING THEM. PUTTING PRETRIAL IN THE HANDS OF PROBATION
5 WILL SET PEOPLE UP TO FAIL. THE COUNTY SHOULD INSTEAD BE
6 BUILDING UP COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS THAT HELP PEOPLE WITH THE
7 SUPPORT THEY NEED AFTER AN ARREST. SECOND, WE OPPOSE ITEM 33
8 BECAUSE OF THE USE OF RISK ASSESSMENTS. FOR THE REASONS THAT
9 OTHERS HAVE BEEN SHARING TODAY, THESE TOOLS ARE RACIALLY
10 BIASED. THEY CAN'T PREDICT ANYTHING ACCURATELY, AND THEY'LL
11 END UP HELPING AUTOMATE MASS INCARCERATION. AT A TIME WHEN SO
12 MANY OTHER CITIES AND STATES AROUND THE COUNTRY ARE
13 RECOGNIZING--

14

15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. DO YOU WANT TO SUBMIT
16 IN WRITING, AND WE'LL ENTER IT INTO THE RECORD?

17

18 **SHAKEER RAHMAN:** SURE. LET ME JUST FINISH THE SENTENCE. YEAH,
19 THAT IT WILL BE A STEP BACKWARD TO ACCEPT THESE TOOLS.

20

21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

22

23 **MIKE GREENSPAN:** MIKE GREENSPAN. I GOT TWO MINUTES. MIKE
24 GREENSPAN. ORANGE BOWL CHAMP FLORIDA GATOR. YOU SEE L.A.? I
25 DON'T. OKAY. NOW, LET'S GO LOOK AT ONE OF MY FAVORITE WORDS IN

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1 POLITICS IN L.A. COUNTY: TRANSFER. YES, ITEM 24. WE'RE
2 TRANSFERRING-- WELL, WHAT'S \$10 MILLION AMONGST A FEW
3 POLITICIANS? WE'RE TRANSFERRING SOMETHING. PUBLIC WORKS
4 HEADQUARTERS BUILDING, LANDSCAPE RENOVATION PROJECT. AND THE
5 MONEY IS COMING FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL
6 DISTRICT FUND. AFTER ALL, WHEN WE TALK ABOUT TRANSFERRING, AND
7 I TALK ABOUT TRANSFERRING THAT U.C.L.A. FOOTBALL BUDGET INTO
8 HOMELESS SUPPORT SERVICES, \$10 MILLION BUYS THREE YEARS'
9 CONTRACT OF LOSING FOR U.C.L.A. HEAD COACH CHIP KELLY. THAT'S
10 RIGHT, \$10 MILLION GETS MORE-- AS I SAY, OVER THREE YEARS OF
11 LOSING. NOW, WE TALK ABOUT ITEMS 7 AND 8. THE LATE JOHN WALSH
12 ALWAYS SAID SNITCHES GET STITCHES, BUT I'M NOT GOING TO GO
13 THAT DIRECTION. I'M JUST GOING TO GO WITH THE FACT THAT HERE
14 WE'VE GOT OLD 2016, 2018 REWARD OFFERS. PEOPLE HAVEN'T COME
15 FORWARD. I THINK THE LAST TIME BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE COUNTY
16 THAT A REWARD WAS PAID, JANICE HAHN WAS ON CITY COUNCIL. AND I
17 THINK, PERHAPS, MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS WAS ON CITY COUNCIL, TOO,
18 BECAUSE I REMEMBER THE TIME SEEING IT ON T.V., PAUL KORETZ WAS
19 KIND OF DOING AN IN-YOUR-FACE TO JOHN WALSH, BECAUSE THEY HAD
20 ONE PAYOUT. AND THEY OFFER \$50,000. AND I THINK ONE HAPPENED
21 IN A WHITE NEIGHBORHOOD. BUT THAT WAS ABOUT IT, FOLKS. SO, I
22 KNOW THIS THING FEELS GOOD TO OFFER THESE REWARDS, BUT LET'S
23 BE HONEST: THEY DON'T GET PAID. I WILL COMPLIMENT YOU FOLKS.
24 YOU'VE GOT SOME GREAT L.S.D. I DON'T SEE THE REWARDS GETTING
25 PAID, BUT OBVIOUSLY, WHEN YOU'RE ON L.S.D., YOU HALLUCINATE

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1 AND SEE THINGS THAT DON'T HAPPEN. AND REMEMBER, FOLKS, ANYBODY
2 BUT WESSON FOR SUPERVISOR. HE SUCKS.

3

4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

5

6 **JOSEPH MAIZLISH:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JOE MAIZLISH. I
7 CAME HERE KIND OF NEUTRAL ABOUT 33, WANTING TO EMPHASIZE JUST
8 ONE POINT. WHETHER IT'S A NEW DIGITAL SYSTEM OF RISK
9 ASSESSMENT, AN ALGORITHM, OR WHETHER IT'S THE SEAT OF THE
10 PANTS, NOT-DEFINED ALGORITHM THAT'S IN USE NOW, I THINK WHAT
11 WE NEED TO HAVE IS A MAJOR DISCUSSION, INCLUDING RESEARCH AND
12 COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT. WHAT JUSTIFIES DETENTION OF A PERSON?
13 THE EXTREME DEPRIVATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS? WHAT JUSTIFIES IT? OR
14 WHAT OBLIGATES, ACTUALLY, THE COMMUNITY TO DETAIN SOME PEOPLE?
15 I KNOW THEIR ANSWER TO THAT, AND I KNOW THERE'S SOME YES AND
16 NOS, BUT THAT SHOULD BE DISCUSSED. WHAT I'VE HEARD HERE ABOUT
17 NUMBER 33 AND THE QUESTIONABLE HISTORY OF ALGORITHMS IS THAT I
18 THINK BEFORE YOU BUY ONE, WHICH IS WHAT YOU'RE DOING, ALTHOUGH
19 SOMEBODY ELSE, THE STATE, IS PAYING FOR IT, THAT YOU EXPLORE
20 IT AND LOOK INTO THIS RESEARCH, AND SEE WHAT WILL YOU ACTUALLY
21 BE DOING? MAYBE THEY CAN BE IMPROVED. I DON'T KNOW WHAT KIND
22 OF A SYSTEM. I'M ALSO APPREHENSIVE ABOUT THE ENTRY OF VIDEO
23 INTO EVEN THE ARRAIGNMENT PROCESS. WHAT'S THAT GOING TO MEAN
24 FOR THE CONTACT OF A DEFENDANT AND THEIR ATTORNEY, IF IT'S AN
25 APPOINTED ATTORNEY? OR IF THEY ACTUALLY ENGAGE AN ATTORNEY

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1 EARLIER THAN ARRAIGNMENT, WELL, WAIT A MINUTE. THE PEOPLE WHO
2 CAN'T AFFORD TO ENGAGE AN ATTORNEY BEFORE ARRAIGNMENT, THEY
3 DON'T HAVE THE ADVANTAGE OF THAT. THEY SHOULD BE SUPPLIED AN
4 OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE REPRESENTATION AT ANY STAGE WHERE SOMEBODY
5 WITH MONEY COULD OBTAIN IT. THAT'S THE POINT. ON NUMBERS 5 AND
6 20, ABOUT LABOR RIGHTS, EDUCATION ABOUT WAGE LAWS, AND ABOUT
7 EXPLORING THE GRAND PARK, LET'S REMEMBER THAT ANY MOVES YOU
8 CAN MAKE IN THE DIRECTION OF STRENGTHENING WORKERS' RIGHTS AND
9 CONDITIONS DEALS WITH THE HOMELESSNESS AND EVERYTHING ELSE.
10 LIKE WAS MENTIONED TODAY, 25 PERCENT OF THE HOMELESS ARE
11 WORKING.

12

13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER.
14 MR. SACHS?

15

16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
17 GRAND PARK. IT IS A PUBLIC SPACE, IS IT NOT? DOES IT FALL
18 UNDER THE ORDINANCE OF NOISE ORDINANCES FROM THE CITY OF LOS
19 ANGELES? IT'S NOT A STADIUM, NOR IS IT A FOOTBALL ARENA.
20 SUPERVISOR HAHN, I WISH YOU WOULD LOOK INTO THE DOG PARK. DON
21 KNABE HAD A DOG PARK NAMED AFTER HIM. I THINK HE DESERVES A
22 LITTLE BETTER. NO MATTER WHAT HE DID AS A SUPERVISOR, HE STILL
23 CUT HIS TEETH AT THE DISASTER IN CERRITOS. I THINK HE DESERVES
24 A LITTLE BETTER THAN THAT. I THINK YOU MIGHT AGREE WITH THAT.
25 NUMBER 13 IS A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM. YOU HAVE FUNDS

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1 THAT YOU ALLOCATED FOR REDONDO BEACH. AND I'M THINKING THAT
2 YOU COULD USE THOSE FUNDS FOR THIS ITEM TO REHABILITATE HOTELS
3 AND MOTELS. YOU KNOW, YOU HAD A C.C.A. THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN
4 USED FOR THE UTILITY WIRES IN REDONDO BEACH. AND YOU ALSO
5 HAVE-- I UNDERSTAND THAT DR. THOMAS MENTIONED THAT THE COUNTY
6 HAS GOTTEN INTO AN INVESTMENT IN BIOSCIENCE AT HARBOR U.C.L.A.
7 WHY NOT, INSTEAD OF INVESTING IN BIOSCIENCE AT HARBOR
8 U.C.L.A., USE THAT FUNDING TO INVEST IN THIS PROJECT, ALSO?
9 IT'S A PERSONAL INVESTMENT, BY THE WAY. AND WHY DOES THE
10 SUPERVISOR HAVE THE COUNTY FUNDS IN A PERSONAL INVESTMENT?
11 IT'S REALLY KIND OF STRANGE HOW YOU OPERATE YOUR COUNTY,
12 SOMETIMES. AND THEN ITEM 13, THE HOT AIR, THE WINDS FROM
13 FIRES. YOU KNOW, I WAS AT THE ROSE BOWL. IT WAS PRETTY FUNNY.
14 NOT THE ROSE BOWL, THE PARADE. AND A SHERIFF MENTIONED THAT HE
15 LIVED IN SANTA CLARITA. AND SO I WAS THINKING ABOUT THAT.
16 SOMETHING ABOUT A FIRE AND HIS HOUSE BURNING DOWN. AND I THINK
17 HE'S CONCERNED ABOUT THAT. HOT WIND IS LIKE A BAD INVASION OF-
18 -

19

20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. SACHS. YOUR TIME IS
21 EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER?

22

23 **JAMES NELSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JAMES NELSON. I'M
24 WITH DIGNITY AND POWER NOW, AND JUSTICE L.A. MY COLLEAGUES
25 HAVE ADDRESSED OUR CONCERNS WITH THE APPROVAL OF THIS PRETRIAL

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1 PILOT, WHICH RESOURCES THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT EXPANSION TO
2 IMPLEMENTATION OF RACIAL BIAS, RISK ASSESSMENT, AND CONDITIONS
3 OF RELEASE THAT WOULD ENCOURAGE THE PROBATION-TO-JAIL
4 PIPELINE. WHAT I'M HERE TO URGE YOU TO DO TODAY IS TO MOVE
5 FORWARD WITH YOUR MANDATE FROM THE MOTION DEVELOPMENT LOS
6 ANGELES COUNTY MODELS PRETRIAL RELEASE AUTHORIZED BY
7 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS, THAT ALLOWS THE COUNTY
8 TO EXPLORE VARIOUS TYPES OF PRETRIAL PILOTS, AND DOESN'T
9 PIGEONHOLE LOS ANGELES INTO A PRETRIAL PILOT. I UNDERSTAND THE
10 NEED FOR THE COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND ITS
11 DEPARTMENT AND THE JUDGES TO MOVE FORWARD. IF YOU ARE VOTING
12 TO APPROVE THIS PILOT TO PROVE TO THE JUDGES THAT THE COUNTY
13 IS WILLING TO COLLABORATE WITH THEM, I HOPE IT IS A TWO-WAY
14 STREET.

15

16 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

17

18 **JAMES NELSON:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER?

21

22 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** YEAH. SO, THOROUGHLY, YES. THE LATE DON KNABE,
23 HE SHOULD HAVE A DOG PARK NAMED AFTER HIM. HE WAS A DOG. WE
24 ALL KNOW IT. EVERY TIME I SAW HIM, I KEPT GOING [BARKS], AND
25 HE'D GO LIKE THIS: "STOP YELLING AT ME, WAYNE." I'D SAY,

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1 "THAT'S RIGHT." BEST THING THAT HAPPENED WITH THE FOURTH
2 DISTRICT WAS GETTING RID OF DON KNABE AND PUTTING JANICE HAHN
3 IN THERE. YOU GO DOWN TO MARINA DEL REY, THE TRAFFIC MOVES
4 AGAIN AT VIA MARINA AND ADMIRALTY WAY. ALL OF THOSE
5 OBSTRUCTIONS ARE GONE. SHE'S EVEN BUILDING A NEW LIBRARY, ALL
6 THE WAY BY THE OCEAN. YES, THAT'S RIGHT. THAT'S WHAT JANICE
7 HAHN'S TRYING TO DO. THE 20 YEARS OF DESTRUCTION OF "DOG PARK"
8 DON KNABE. YES. WE'RE GOING TO GET RID OF IT. SO, YES. HE'S A
9 DOG. AND NAME DOGS AFTER DON KNABE. AND THE LITTLE PLACE YOU
10 PUT THE POOP, YOU SHOULD PUT THAT AS DON'S POOP ZONE, BECAUSE
11 THAT'S WHAT HE SHOULD BE. NOW, YOU GET THE ALGORITHMS, YOU
12 DON'T WANT NO ALGORITHMS. ALGORITHMS IS MATH. NONE OF YOU HERE
13 KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT MATH. NONE OF YOU KNOWS HOW TO DO AN
14 ALGORITHM. SO YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO PUT ME IN CHARGE WITH AN
15 OUTSIDE CONTRACT TO MAKE YOUR BAIL ALGORITHM. I'LL MAKE YOU
16 ONE. BUT YOU KNOW WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN WITH THAT, RIGHT?
17 THAT'S RIGHT. EVERY PERSON WHO'S BLACK IS GOING TO GET OUT
18 IMMEDIATELY WITH MY ALGORITHM, BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT REPARATIONS
19 IS, AND IT'S TIME WE START DOING IT. WE DON'T WANT ALGORITHMS.
20 WE DON'T WANT ALL THIS CRAP. WE WANT TO GET THESE PEOPLE
21 HOUSING. WE WANT TO GET THESE PEOPLE JOBS. WE WANT TO GET
22 THESE PEOPLE HEALTHCARE. WE DON'T WANT THEM IN JAIL. THAT'S
23 WHY YOU GOT SKID ROW THE WAY IT IS. BUT YOU GOT TO KEEP DOING
24 THIS ALGORITHM GARBAGE, AND ALL OF THESE FANCY THINGS. SO, I
25 WENT UP TO VENTURA COUNTY TODAY, AND THEY SAID, "L.A. COUNTY?"

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1

2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

3

4 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** I WANT TO SO MUCH-- NUMBER 4. I WANT TO THANK

5 THE WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS WHO HAVE HELPED THE HOMELESS WOMEN

6 WITH CLOTHING SUPPLIES, FOOD, DRY BLANKETS, DUFFEL BAGS,

7 TENTS, ON A WEEKLY, MONTHLY, AND HOLIDAYS, AND YEARLY BASIS.

8 THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS. AND

9 NUMBER 10: HIRE UNITED STATES MILITARY VETERANS, WHETHER

10 UNUNIFORMED OR UNIFORMED, OR ACTIVE OR INACTIVE. GOD KNOWS THE

11 COUNTY NEEDS TO UPGRADE ITS MISERABLE AND TARNISHED IMAGE. WE

12 NEED PEOPLE WITH ETHICS, PROFESSIONALISM, AND HIGH STANDARDS.

13 NUMBER 11. THAT IS, STOP REWARDING THE CRIMINALS, AND BUILD

14 MORE JAILS. PUT ALL JUDGES, COMMISSIONERS, AND ATTORNEYS WHO

15 ARE LENIENT WITH CRIMINAL PREDATORS, PUT THEM ALL AND THEIR

16 FAMILIES OUT ON THE STREETS WITH NO CELL PHONES AND NO

17 PROTECTIONS. THAT'S WHY WE HAVE RAMPANT CRIMES. NUMBER 13:

18 SHOULD THESE MOTELS BE USED FOR SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, DON'T

19 HOUSE JUNKIES, CRIMINALS, AND GANGBANGERS IN THESE MOTELS WITH

20 NON-JUNKIES, NON-CRIMINALS, AND NON-GANGBANGERS. MAKE THESE

21 HOMES HABITABLE, SAFE, VIBRANT, CLEAN, SECURE, DECENT,

22 PRIVATE, LOCK-PROOF, AND FREEDOM-FRIENDLY. DON'T ALLOW THESE

23 MOTELS TO BECOME BREEDING GROUNDS OF ALL CRIMES. AND NUMBER

24 18: PLEASE, I URGE AND BEG THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, AND

25 PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP, AND SECRETARY OF H.U.D., BEN CARSON,

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1 NOT TO GIVE ANY MONEY TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
2 SUPERVISORS OR LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL. THEY DO NOT KNOW HOW
3 TO ADMINISTER MONEY FOR THE HOMELESS OR OUR MILITARY VETERANS.
4 THE MONEY HAS AND IS SQUANDERED. ONE, IT GOES UNLAWFULLY TO
5 SUBSIDIZE CRIMINAL MONOPOLIES; TWO, TO PAY OFF LAWSUITS; AND
6 THREE, FOR THEIR GALA EVENTS. STOP FUNDING THE CITY. AND
7 NUMBER 19: COULD YOU GIVE US A FLOWCHART, LAYOUT, AND MORE
8 SPECIFIC EXPOUND ON THE PROCESS DEVELOPMENTS, FROM BEGINNING
9 TO END? AND LAST IS, COULD WE PUT ALL THE CRIMINAL HOMELESS
10 [EXPLETIVE] ON A LEASH? GOD BLESS AMERICA, AND GOD BLESS--

11

12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

13

14 **DOLORES CANALES:** HI. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DOLORES
15 CANALES. I'M WITH THE BAIL PROJECT, AND ALSO WE'RE A MEMBER OF
16 THE COALITION JUSTICE L.A. I JUST WOULD LIKE TO OPPOSE 33, AND
17 I AM IN AGREEMENT WITH ALL THE STATEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE
18 IN OPPOSITION TO 33. IT'S BEEN A LONG DAY, SO I'M NOT GOING TO
19 REITERATE THOSE SAME STATEMENTS. I AM ALSO A VOTING MEMBER OF
20 ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION, AND CO-CHAIR TO THE AD-HOC
21 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETINGS THAT HAVE BEEN TAKING PLACE, AND
22 I FEEL TO PASS THIS WITHOUT THE FINAL RECOMMENDATION AND
23 REVIEWING THAT WOULD BE CONTRADICTIVE TO ALL THE WORK THAT
24 WE'VE PUT FORTH THUS FAR WITH THE ALTERNATIVES TO

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1 INCARCERATION WORK GROUPS. SO I OPPOSE 33. THANK YOU VERY
2 MUCH. HAVE A GREAT DAY.

3

4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

5

6 **REDCHIEF HUNT:** GOOD AFTERNOON. REDCHIEF HUNT. I WANT TO THANK
7 YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR FOLLOWING THE LAW. WE ARE SUPPOSED TO BE
8 LAWMAKERS, NOT LAWBREAKERS. YOU KNOW, WHAT I SEEN TODAY IS A
9 GREAT DEAL OF EXPRESSION, AND IT WAS DONE RIGHT. HERE IS MY
10 THEORY: EVERYBODY COUNTS WITH THE HOMELESS PEOPLE. ALTHOUGH WE
11 MAY AGREE TO DISAGREE, EVERYBODY COUNTS. AND THIS IS THE GREAT
12 THING ABOUT THE UNITED STATES, AND THE GREAT THING ABOUT LOS
13 ANGELES. LIKE I SAID, I WAS TRYING TO FIND YOUR HOMELESS
14 COORDINATOR, MADAM CHAIR, BUT NOBODY DIRECTED ME TO HER. SEE,
15 WE HAVE TO PUT OUR PERSONAL FEELINGS BEHIND US AND GO AHEAD
16 AND GET THESE PEOPLE HOUSED, SO THEY WON'T BE HURTING IN THE
17 INSIDE. BECAUSE UNTIL YOU FEEL-- IF YOU'VE EVER BEEN HOMELESS,
18 THEN YOU KNOW HOW IT FEELS. SO I'M TALKING ABOUT, IF I WERE
19 YOU, THAT WE NEED TO GET THESE PEOPLE HOUSED, NO MATTER WHAT
20 THEIR OPINIONS ARE, AND THINGS LIKE THAT. SO, I'M STILL
21 LOOKING FOR YOUR HOMELESS COORDINATOR, SO THAT I CAN GO AHEAD
22 AND ADDRESS THIS ISSUE. IT HAS BEEN GOING ON TOO LONG. SO
23 LET'S ALL WORK TOGETHER-- WE, AS A TEAM. WE CAN GET THINGS
24 DONE. AND YOU GUYS SEE THAT YOU GUYS ARE FRUSTRATED WITH THE
25 PEOPLE THAT ARE SUPPOSED TO BE DOING IT, THAT YOU GUYS HIRED.

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1 SO LET'S HAVE SOME TRANSPARENCY IN THIS COURT, AND THINGS LIKE
2 THAT, AND LET'S GET THINGS DONE. I DON'T COME DOWN HERE TO
3 MESS AROUND, AND I DON'T COME DOWN TO GIVE YOU GUYS NO HARD
4 TIME. MY TIME IS VERY IMPORTANT. BUT I LIKE TO SEE PEOPLE GET
5 HELP, AND THINGS LIKE THAT, AND I THINK THAT'S WHAT YOU GUYS
6 HAVE BEEN VOTED INTO OFFICE FOR, IS TO HELP THE PEOPLE. SO
7 LET'S SAY, WE THE PEOPLE, THIS IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH. I WANT
8 TO GIVE HONOR AND THANKS TO KENNETH HAHN AND MARTIN LUTHER
9 KING FOR OPENING MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL, IN HONOR OF
10 BLACK HISTORY MONTH. THANK YOU. THE REDCHIEF HUNT.

11

12 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. DR. CLAVREUL. I AM
15 JUST IN FAVOR OF ITEM 10, TO IMPROVE THE HIRING PROCESS, BUT I
16 HAVE VERY MIXED FEELINGS, BECAUSE WHEN I KNOW THAT YOU HAVE A
17 HEAD FOR D.H.S. WITH NO APPROPRIATE CREDENTIALS OR ANY
18 ADVERTISING, VIOLATING ALL THE STATE LAWS, AND SO ON. BUT FOR
19 THE REST OF THE PEOPLE, I REALLY WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO IMPROVE
20 THE HIRING PROCESS. ON ITEM 11, ESTABLISHING A VIDEO
21 ARRAIGNMENT, I AM GLAD THAT YOU HAVE A TALK WITH THE PUBLIC
22 DEFENDER, AND SO ON, TO MAKE A TRIAL EFFECT, BECAUSE I THINK
23 IT IS IMPORTANT. BUT, YOU KNOW, I HAD ONLY ONE MINUTE, SO I
24 DON'T WANT TO SPEAK OVER MY TIME.

25

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1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU, DR. CLAVREUL.
2 THAT IS ALL THE SPEAKERS. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU
3 INDICATE WHAT ITEMS THE BOARD WILL BE VOTING ON?

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS BEFORE YOU ARE ITEMS
6 1-D, 2-D, 3-D, 5-D, 1-P, 2-P, 1, 2, 4, 5, 7 THROUGH 13, 15
7 THROUGH 30, 32 THROUGH 38 ARE BEFORE YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL,
10 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
11 NOW WE WILL GO TO GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. THIS IS AN
12 OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON
13 ITEMS OF INTEREST THAT ARE WITHIN THE SUBJECT MATTER
14 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU
15 PLEASE READ THE NAMES?

16

17 **SPEAKER:** WOULD THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD
18 WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU: [READING
19 NAMES.] PLEASE COME FORWARD.

20

21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. FIRST SPEAKER? PLEASE
22 STEP UP TO THE MIC. THANK YOU.

23

24 **MIKE GREENSPAN:** MIKE GREENSPAN. ANYONE BUT WESSON. AFTER ALL,
25 WE'VE GOT AN ELECTION COMING UP ON MARCH 3. AND OUR FRIEND

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1 HERB WESSON-- YEAH, HE'S THE PREACHER PUSHING LIQUOR. JUST GO
2 DRIVE DOWN SUNSET BOULEVARD. IT'S A VERY CONTROVERSIAL TARGET:
3 5500 SUNSET. YES, THE CITY OF L.A. MANAGED TO JAM IT DOWN
4 THEIR THROATS, THE NEIGHBORHOOD OPPONENTS OF IT. AND TARGET,
5 THEY WENT JUDGE-SHOPPING AND GOT A JUDGE IN THEIR FAVOR. BUT
6 WHAT HAPPENED LAST SUMMER IN THE CITY OF L.A., HERB WESSON, A
7 PREACHER PUSHING LIQUOR, WENT AT IT AGAIN. THERE'S A FULL
8 LIQUOR LICENSE OVER THERE AT TARGET, AT 5500 SUNSET. NOT
9 ENOUGH LIQUOR LICENSES AROUND, SO WE ALWAYS NEED A GOOD
10 PREACHER PUSHING LIQUOR. AND SINCE I DROPPED OUT OF JEWISH
11 SUNDAY SCHOOL THREE TIMES, I ALWAYS LIKE TO USE IT AS A BULLY
12 PULPIT TO LET IT BE KNOWN THAT WE SHOULDN'T BE PUSHING LIQUOR.
13 I MEAN, AFTER ALL, DIDN'T JESUS TURN THE WATER INTO WINE? WHY
14 DO WE HAVE TO HAVE PREACHERS PUSHING LIQUOR? AND YOUR BRUINS
15 SUCK.

16

17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

18

19 **IAN JAMESON:** HI. MY NAME IS IAN JAMESON. TWO THINGS. TWO OF
20 THE SUPERVISORS, JANICE HAHN AND SHEILA KUEHL, ENDORSED
21 KATHRYN BARGER FOR REELECTION. THESE ARE DEMOCRATS ENDORSING
22 AN ANTI-IMMIGRANT FASCIST TO BE REELECTED TO THE BOARD. SHAME
23 ON YOU. SECOND OF ALL, 4 OF THE 5 SUPERVISORS-- IN FACT, ALL
24 OF THE SUPERVISORS UP HERE-- ENDORSED JACKIE LACEY FOR
25 REELECTION, THE PATRON SAINT OF KILLER COPS, WHO HAS NOT

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1 PROSECUTED ONE KILLER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL SINCE SHE CAME
2 INTO OFFICE IN 2012. THIS BEGS THE QUESTION, ARE ALL OF THE
3 WOMEN IN FRONT OF ME SOCIOPATHS? SHE IS HATED BY BLACK LIVES
4 MATTER. SHE IS HATED BY ALL PROGRESSIVE ORGANIZATIONS. I
5 CANNOT IMAGINE WHAT WAS GOING THROUGH YOUR-- I MEAN, I KNOW
6 WHAT WAS GOING THROUGH BARGER'S HEAD. I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE
7 HELL THREE DEMOCRATS ARE DOING ENDORSING SOMEBODY LIKE JACKIE
8 LACEY. ALL OF YOU NEED TO BE VOTED OUT OF OFFICE, MOST
9 ESPECIALLY THE SOCIOPATHIC, ANTI-IMMIGRANT, [EXPLETIVE] CHAIR.
10 AND PLEASE VOTE FOR DARRYL PARK FOR DISTRICT 5. THANK YOU SO
11 MUCH.

12

13 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR OPINION. NEXT
14 SPEAKER.

15

16 **LARRY LAVEN:** HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS LARRY
17 LAVEN. I'M FROM ENCINO. THE INSULT. EVERY NOW AND THEN, WHEN
18 ATTENDING THESE MEETINGS, I HEAR THE WORD "ANGELINO," A WORD
19 THAT I CONSIDER TO BE A RACIAL INSULT, AN INSULT EQUIVALENT TO
20 REFERRING TO MEXICANS AS THE FOOD THEY EAT, OR CALLING BLACK
21 AMERICANS A DEROGATORY WORD REPRESENTING THEIR RACE. MAKE NO
22 MISTAKE ABOUT IT, I AM NO DIRTY, FILTHY, STINKING ANGELINO. I
23 AM ONE OF THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES, ONE OF THE GOOD PEOPLE OF
24 LOS ANGELES, AND DESERVE TO BE RESPECTED, NOT INSULTED. THANK
25 YOU.

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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

3

4 **ANTHONY HAYES, JR.:** YES. MY NAME IS ANTHONY HAYES, JR., AND
5 TUPAC SHAKUR IS MY COUSIN. AND FOR THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW WHO
6 TUPAC IS, HE WAS BORN AN INMATE, WHICH MEANS HE WAS A VICTIM
7 OF FALSE INCARCERATION. AND AS SOON AS HE WAS BORN, HE WAS
8 SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN UNDER THE MEDICARE INSURANCE. I KNOW
9 THIS IS USUALLY ABOUT THE PEOPLE WHO ARE HOMELESS THAT ARE ON
10 MEDICARE. MY COUSIN TUPAC WAS BORN, HE WAS HOMELESS. HE WAS
11 SUPPOSED TO BE UNDER THE MEDICARE INSURANCE. AND WHEN YOU'RE
12 BORN IN JAIL, YOU ARE GOING TO SUFFER FROM MALNUTRITION. OKAY?
13 SO RIGHT NOW, I'M GOING TO FAST-FORWARD. MY SON IS A VICTIM OF
14 HUMAN TRAFFICKING BY YOUR EMPLOYEES. I SAID THIS LAST TUESDAY.
15 I FILED A CLAIM WITH THE BOARD. I FILED A SMALL CLAIMS AT THE
16 COURTHOUSE. AND NO ONE APPEARED IN COURT. SO YOU CANNOT RULE
17 IN FAVOR OF DEFENDANTS WHEN THEY DO NOT APPEAR IN COURT. THAT
18 INCLUDES THE COUNTY. SO I WANT MY \$10,000. I WANT MY SON TO BE
19 RETURNED TO ME. HERE'S A PICTURE OF MY SON. HIS NAME'S
20 ANTONIO.

21

22 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER? THANK
23 YOU.

24

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1 **REDCHIEF HUNT:** YES, I AM THE REDCHIEF HUNT. I WANT TO GIVE
2 THANKS TO JANICE HAHN, WHO HAS BEEN WITH ME SINCE 2004. I
3 THINK THIS IS A VERY GOOD MONTH TO RIGHTFULLY RESPECT ALL THE
4 BLACK LEADERS THAT CAME THROUGH THIS HALL: SUPERVISOR BYRD, A
5 LOT OF OTHER GOOD DIGNITARIES THAT CAME THROUGH THIS HALL.
6 NATE HOLLIAN WAS HERE THE OTHER DAY. I WANT TO RIGHTFULLY
7 RESPECT HIM. BUT AGAIN, THIS IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH. I WOULD
8 LIKE TO SEE THE COUNTY DO SOMETHING FOR ALL THE CONSTITUENTS
9 FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH, AND HAVE A BLACK HISTORY PARTY IN
10 HONOR OF THOSE PEOPLE WHO WAS DIGNITARIES DOWN HERE, AND
11 THINGS LIKE THAT. AND KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK, YOU GUYS. LIKE I
12 SAID, WE ARE LAWMAKERS, NOT LAWBREAKERS. AND ONCE YOU GET
13 THAT, YOU KNOW, YOU CAN RESPECT EVERYBODY'S OPINION. I STILL
14 NEED A HOMELESS COORDINATOR FOR THE LADY OUT HERE. THE
15 REDCHIEF HUNT.

16

17 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

18

19 **SHARI TINSLEY:** GOOD DAY. SHARI TINSLEY, KIDS' VOICES MATTER. I
20 HAVE ACCOMPANIED PARENTS TO STANLEY MOSK AND EDELMAN
21 DEPENDENCY COURTHOUSES, AND WITNESSED NOTICE OF RELATED CASES
22 ARE NOT BEING FILED, REGARDING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ORDERS OF
23 \$15,000 CUSTODY EVALUATION REPORT DATED MAY 2017, NOT FILED
24 AND SCANNED AS OF JANUARY 2020. IN-HOUSE JUDICIAL CASE
25 SUMMARIES DIFFER FROM PUBLIC CASE SUMMARIES, PROHIBITING

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1 FAMILY CODE 3020, ENSURING CHILD SAFETY. THESE SUPPRESSIONS
2 FAVOR ABUSIVE PARENTS, AND ARE POSSIBLE FACTORS OF CHILD
3 FATALITIES AND CHILD ABDUCTIONS IN THE COURTHOUSE. THE KIDS
4 NEED HELP NOW. THEIR VOICES NEED TO BE HEARD. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

7

8 **ANTONIA RAMIREZ:** THANK YOU. IT IS TIME AGAIN, LADIES AND
9 GENTLEMEN, TO VOTE THESE CORRUPTED, FREELOADING, BUM
10 SOCIALIST, COMMUNIST DEMOCRATS OUT, AND THE R.I.N.O.
11 REPUBLICANS OUT, AND THE SATANIC, ELITE, ZIONIST, JEW
12 BOLSHIEVIKS OUT. WHY? BECAUSE WE ARE LIVING IN A CESSPOOL
13 CREATED BY THESE [EXPLETIVE]. THIS MORBID MONSTER OF POVERTY,
14 HOMELESSNESS, CRIMES, DRUGS, AND GANG EPIDEMIC HOLOCAUST IS--
15 IT'S UNCONSCIONABLE. HOW DO YOU PUT PEOPLE ON THE STREETS AND
16 TAKE THEIR HOMES AND UPROOT THEIR LIVES, I ASK? THAT'S WHAT
17 HAPPENED TO ME. I'M NOT A JUNKIE. I HAD A HOME. MY PARENTS
18 WORK HARD FOR THE HOMES THAT I HAD. I NO LONGER HAVE IT. HOW
19 DO I END UP ON THE STREETS? WHO IS AFTER ME? WELL, I ENDED UP
20 ON THE STREETS BY DESIGN, AND I AM GOING TO FIND OUT WHO THE
21 HELL PUT ME THERE. BUT IN THE MEANTIME, I HURT FOR WOMEN WHO
22 ARE BEING HARASSED, ATTACKED, AND BEATEN, AND URINATED, AND
23 WITH A TOXIC, LOUD NOISE, AND-- [OFF-MIC COMMENTS.]

24

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1 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. THANK YOU.

2 NEXT SPEAKER.

3

4 **JOHN COPPLEMAN:** HELLO. MY NAME IS JOHN COPPLEMAN. I AM THE
5 PRESIDENT OF THE DEL AIRE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, AND I
6 WANTED TO SPEAK TO TWO THINGS. I WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU TO
7 JANICE HAHN AND HER ABLE STAFF FOR HER ONGOING HELP WITH AN
8 ISSUE ON TURNING AN ABANDONED RAILWAY IN EL SEGUNDO INTO WHAT
9 WE CALL THE GREENWAY TO L.A. THAT IS A CRUCIAL LINK BETWEEN
10 L.A.X. AND WESTCHESTER AND THE WEST SIDE AND THE SOUTH BAY.
11 IT'S AN ABSOLUTE-- IT IS NOT ONLY GOOD FOR OUR COMMUNITY, IT
12 IS GOOD FOR THE ENTIRE REGION. AND I WANT TO THANK HER AND HER
13 STAFF FOR HER SUPPORT IN THAT. AND I ALSO WANTED TO COME HERE
14 AND THANK MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR HIS WONDERFUL SUPPORT OF OUR
15 COMMUNITY DURING HIS TENURE, AND HIS STAFF, AND HIS ATTENTION
16 TO OUR COMMUNITY HAS JUST BEEN WONDERFUL. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

19

20 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** SO THAT'S IT. NO ON HERB WESSON! ANYBODY BUT
21 HERB WESSON! AND I KNOW WHAT WILL HAPPEN. I HAVE SEEN THE
22 FUTURE. HERB WESSON WILL FINISH THIRD IN THE PRIMARY, WITH
23 YOUR HELP. YES ON JAN PERRY! YES ON HOLLY MITCHELL! NO ON THE
24 CRIMINAL HERB WESSON. JANICE HAHN WOULD GET RIGHT UP HERE NOW
25 AND SUPPORT ME, BUT HE IS BLACKMAILING HER. WE'LL GET YOU

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1 THROUGH THIS, JANICE. WE WILL REDEEM YOU. YES. NOW, WHAT ABOUT
2 THIS MAN CALLING KATHRYN ALL THOSE PRETTY NAMES? WAS THERE A
3 WARNING, MADAM CHAIR? NO. WHY? YOU SAID YOU COULD NOT USE
4 PROFANITY. WELL, HE DID. WHY WAS THERE NO WARNING? BECAUSE
5 COUNTY COUNSEL KNOWS IT'S UNCONSTITUTIONAL, THAT'S WHY. SO GET
6 READY FOR JANICE HAHN VERSUS THE COUNTY!

7

8 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

9

10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS. SO, IT HAS
11 BEEN SINCE 2008, THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT FUNDS. WE HAVE NEVER,
12 EVER HEARD AN UPDATE FROM ANY BOARD MEMBERS ABOUT WHAT
13 HAPPENED WITH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT FUNDS. HOW ABOUT WITH
14 BRIDGE HOUSING, YOU DO SOME TEMPORARY SHELTERS AT THE V.A.
15 PROPERTY IN WEST L.A.? IT WOULD BE A PERFECT MATCH. OH, AND
16 THE GREEN LINE, 1994, IS WHEN IT FIRST OPENED UP, AND YOU'RE
17 NOW JUST GETTING-- YOU KNOW, IF YOU WENT OUT TO THE GETTY
18 CENTER, YOU COULD HAVE RIDDEN A TRAM. THE TRAM WOULD HAVE COST
19 APPROXIMATELY A BUCK 280, COMPARED TO WHAT THEY'RE SPENDING ON
20 THE GREEN LINE TO GET TO THE-- AND THEY'RE NOT EVEN GETTING TO
21 THE AIRPORT. OH, AND BLACK LIVES MATTER. A COUPLE OF WEEKS
22 AGO, YOU HAD IT ON THE AGENDA. DR. THOMAS VOTED TO LET THE
23 SHERIFFS KEEP THEIR PERSONAL FILES SECRET. JUST THE OPPOSITE
24 OF WHAT THE BLACK LIVES MATTER PEOPLE WANT. HOW IS THAT
25 POSSIBLE? DR. THOMAS--

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2 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME IS UP. THANK
3 YOU. THE BEST FOR LAST. OH, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE LANCASTER. WHY
4 DON'T YOU HOLD ON? WE'RE GOING TO DO LANCASTER FIRST. GO AHEAD
5 AND PUT LANCASTER UP.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** I'M TALKING ABOUT WATER PROBLEMS. MY WATER HAS BEEN
8 TURNED OFF FOR 18 MONTHS. AND I HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL FOR
9 DEHYDRATION, AND I BROUGHT PAPERWORK DOWN THERE TO THE OFFICE,
10 AND YOU GUYS COPIED IT, BUT THEY MISSED MY COPY. I NEVER GOT
11 IT BACK. IT WAS JULY THE 7TH, 2018, ASKING FOR \$40, AND I PAID
12 THE \$40. AND THEN TWO MONTHS LATER, HE WANTS \$50. AND I
13 REFUSED TO PAY IT, AND HE SHUT MY WATER OFF. AND UNDER STATE
14 LAW, IN SEPTEMBER THE 28TH, 2018, IT IS NOT RIGHT TO TURN
15 PEOPLE'S WATER OFF. AND I HAD MY BACK HURT, AND I'VE BEEN
16 GOING TO A CHIROPRACTOR, AND I GOT OVER \$3600 IN [INAUDIBLE].
17 IT IS CAUSING ME MONEY. AND THESE PEOPLE ARE LAUGHING, MAKING
18 FUN. EVERYTHING THEY SAID ABOUT ME IS A LIE, BECAUSE I WAS
19 CLEARED BY THE F.B.--

20

21 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED. THANK YOU.
22 I'M GOING TO HAVE SOMEONE FROM MY OFFICE REACH OUT TO YOU
23 AGAIN AND SEE HOW WE CAN ASSIST YOU. THANK YOU. DO WE HAVE
24 ANOTHER SPEAKER OUT THERE? OKAY. ALL RIGHT. IS THERE ANOTHER

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1 SPEAKER UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY? OKAY, GO AHEAD. THEY ARE
2 HAVING TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES. YOU'RE ON.

3

4 **JAMES ESSEX:** BEFORE IT MOVE AN INCH, STOP IT. BEFORE WATER
5 FREEZE AND BURST THE PIPES IN WINTER, DRAIN IT OFF. TAOIST
6 SAYING. ANOTHER GIFT FROM CHINA. I APPLAUD YOU FOR MAKING IT
7 REALLY OBVIOUS THAT WE SHOULDN'T BE TOO OVERWROUGHT BY WHAT'S
8 GOING ON WITH THIS PLAGUE. THAT IN ITSELF MAKES THE PLAGUE
9 WORSE. IT'S A MATTER OF MIND. I COME HERE AND I AM HEALED BY
10 YOUR PRESENCE, AND BY YOUR LOVE, AND THIS IS A GIFT FROM MY
11 HEART, IN HONOR OF THE CELEBRATION OF VALENTINE'S DAY. SO I
12 REALLY WANT TO SAY THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR GOOD WORK, AND
13 GIVE LOVE.

14

15 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THAT IS ALL THE PUBLIC
16 SPEAKERS, AND I CANNOT THINK OF A NICER WAY TO END PUBLIC
17 COMMENT THAN HEARING FROM YOU. SO THANK YOU. THANK YOU. ALL
18 RIGHT, NOW IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO HEAR ADJOURNMENTS, AND I
19 WILL BEGIN WITH MY ADJOURNMENTS. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
20 TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM L. CATON III. WILLIAM
21 CATON, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF PASADENA, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
22 OF 75. BILL WAS BORN IN PENNSYLVANIA, AND SPLIT HIS YOUTH
23 BETWEEN MASSACHUSETTS AND GEORGIA. HE GRADUATED FROM M.I.T.,
24 AND EARNED HIS M.D. AT U.S.C., GRADUATING IN 1971. BILL
25 COMPLETED HIS RESIDENCY AT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C., AND EVENTUALLY

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1 WENT TO SERVE AS A CHAIRMAN OF NEUROSURGERY AT HUNTINGTON
2 MEMORIAL HOSPITAL FOR 20 YEARS. HIS MANY YEARS OF SERVICE WERE
3 FINALLY RECOGNIZED WHEN HE RECEIVED THE 2020 DISTINGUISHED
4 SERVICE AWARD FROM THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF NEUROLOGICAL
5 SURGEONS. BILL WAS ALWAYS A FAMILY MAN, AND IS SURVIVED BY HIS
6 WIFE CATHY; HIS FOUR CHILDREN, JEN, BILL JR., ADAM, AND AMY;
7 AND SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
8 EDUARDO CORDERO. AND I THINK IT IS PROBABLY GOING TO BE ALL
9 MEMBERS. EDUARDO, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE 5TH DISTRICT,
10 RECENTLY PASSED AWAY. HE WORKED AT L.A. COUNTY PROBATION
11 DEPARTMENT FOR OVER 30 YEARS. HE STARTED AS A PROBATION
12 OFFICER AT CAMP PAIGE IN 1989, AND WAS EVENTUALLY PROMOTED TO
13 SUPERVISING DEPUTY PROBATION OFFICER. EDUARDO WAS ASSIGNED TO
14 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO A LEAD TASK FORCE TO REDUCE GANG
15 VIOLENCE. ASIDE FROM HIS WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT, EDUARDO
16 ALSO SERVED AS THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF
17 POLICE, LODGE #702, A MEMBER OF S.E.I.U. 702, AND VOLUNTEERED
18 IN VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE SHELLEY,
19 HIS DAUGHTER ASHLEY, AND HIS MANY FRIENDS WITHIN PROBATION AND
20 THE LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMUNITY. AND HE DID SO MUCH OUTSIDE OF
21 PROBATION, ESPECIALLY IN THE SCHOOLS, AND TRULY WILL BE
22 MISSED. AND HE HAD BEEN SICK, BUT YOU NEVER WOULD HAVE KNOWN
23 IT. HE CONTINUED TO WORK, AND JUST AN AMAZING MAN. ALSO, KYRON
24 MILLER. OR I'M SORRY, KYRON MILLARD, A LONGTIME PASADENA
25 EDUCATOR AND ALTADENA RESIDENT, WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY. HE

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1 WAS ASSISTANT HEAD OF SCHOOL AT CLAIREBOURN SCHOOL, AND
2 PREVIOUSLY WORKED FOR HIGH POINT ACADEMY AS A TEACHER AND HEAD
3 OF MIDDLE SCHOOL FOR MANY YEARS. HE HELD A BACHELOR'S DEGREE
4 IN MATHEMATICS, A MASTER'S DEGREE IN THEOLOGY, AND A MASTER'S
5 DEGREE IN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL LEADERSHIP FROM VANDERBILT. HE IS
6 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE TAMI, AND HIS DAUGHTER ANYA. THOSE ARE MY
7 ADJOURNMENTS. NOW, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
10 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF FRIEDA RAPOPORT CAPLAN.
11 FOOD INDUSTRY PIONEER AND LIFELONG ACTIVIST, FRIEDA RAPOPORT
12 CAPLAN DIED ON JANUARY 18TH, 2020. SHE WAS 96. SHE IS CREDITED
13 WITH CHANGING THE WAY AMERICANS EAT FRUITS AND VEGETABLES, BY
14 INTRODUCING UNUSUAL AND EXOTIC PRODUCE TO SUPERMARKETS. MS.
15 CAPLAN REVOLUTIONIZED THE PRODUCE INDUSTRY DURING HER 50-PLUS
16 YEAR CAREER. MS. CAPLAN ESTABLISHED PRODUCE SPECIALTIES INC.,
17 NOW FRIEDA'S SPECIALTY PRODUCE INC., AT THE LOS ANGELES
18 WHOLESALE PRODUCE MARKET IN 1962, BECOMING THE FIRST WOMAN TO
19 OWN AND OPERATE A U.S. PRODUCE BUSINESS. SHE DEVELOPED A
20 REPUTATION FOR BUYING AND SELLING NEW AND UNUSUAL PRODUCE
21 SPECIALTIES, LIKE KIWIS, MANGOES, HABANERO PEPPERS, SHITAKE
22 MUSHROOMS, AND TURMERIC, AND HUNDREDS OF OTHER FRUITS AND
23 VEGETABLES IN THE SUPERMARKET MAINSTREAM. WITH MORE THAN 100
24 EMPLOYEES, FRIEDA'S INC. TODAY IS THE NATION'S PREMIER
25 MARKETER AND DISTRIBUTOR OF SPECIALTY PRODUCE, SUPPLYING

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1 GROCERY RETAILERS AND FOOD SERVICE DISTRIBUTORS WITH MORE THAN
2 600 VARIETIES OF EXOTIC FRUITS, GOURMET VEGETABLES, AND UNIQUE
3 COMPANION ITEMS. THROUGHOUT HER LIFE, MS. CAPLAN WAS WIDELY
4 RECOGNIZED FOR HER ACCOMPLISHMENTS, RECEIVING THE LEGACY AWARD
5 IN 2012 FROM THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN BUSINESS
6 OWNERS, AND A LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FROM THE UNITED FRESH
7 PRODUCE ASSOCIATION. FURTHERMORE, IN 1970, SHE WAS THE FIRST
8 WOMAN TO RECEIVE THE PACKER NEWSPAPER'S PRODUCE MAN OF THE
9 YEAR AWARD, WHICH WAS SOON RENAMED THE PRODUCE MARKETER OF THE
10 YEAR. SHE WAS ALSO ACTIVE IN MANY LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS THAT
11 PROVIDE SUPPORT TO PEOPLE, REGARDLESS OF AGE, GENDER, RACE,
12 COLOR, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, OR FINANCIAL STATUS. SOME OF HER
13 FAVORITES WERE DRAMATIC RESULTS, TRUST WOMEN, AND WOMEN
14 AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE. SHE ALSO SUPPORTED THE AMERICAN CIVIL
15 LIBERTIES UNION, ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE, AND PLANNED
16 PARENTHOOD. MS. CAPLAN IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTERS KAREN AND
17 JACKIE, AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. MAY SHE REST IN PEACE. I MOVE
18 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LOUIS
19 GONZAGA ROYBAL. LOUIS GONZAGA ROYBAL, THE YOUNGEST BROTHER OF
20 THE LATE CONGRESSMAN EDWARD R. ROYBAL, PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY
21 ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2020. MR. ROYBAL WAS BORN ON FEBRUARY
22 6, 1928, AND WAS 91 YEARS OF AGE AT THE TIME OF HIS PASSING.
23 HE WAS BORN IN PECOS, NEW MEXICO, AND MOVED TO LOS ANGELES
24 WITH HIS FAMILY AS A YOUNG BOY. HE ATTENDED PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN
25 LOS ANGELES, SERVED IN THE U.S. ARMY DURING THE KOREAN

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1 CONFLICT, AND GRADUATED FROM U.C.L.A. IN 1957 WITH A DEGREE IN
2 ACCOUNTING. HE WORKED AT TRANSAMERICA INSURANCE COMPANY AS AN
3 ACCOUNTANT, AND WAS ONE OF THE FIRST LATINOS TO SERVE IN AN
4 EXECUTIVE POSITION AT THE CARRIER. HE WAS THE PATRIARCH OF THE
5 ROYBAL FAMILY AFTER ED'S PASSING, AND WAS AN AVID SUPPORTER OF
6 THE LUCILLE & EDWARD R. ROYBAL FOUNDATION. LOUIS IS SURVIVED
7 BY HIS ONLY REMAINING SIBLING, ELOISE ROYBAL WILDER, A HOST OF
8 NIECES AND NEPHEWS, AND MANY FRIENDS, INCLUDING HIS NIECE,
9 CONGRESSWOMAN LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD. HE WILL BE SORELY MISSED
10 BY ALL WHO HAVE CROSSED HIS PATH. AND LASTLY, I MOVE THAT WHEN
11 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DAVID PEREZ, FORMER
12 CITY OF INDUSTRY MAYOR. DAVID PEREZ PASSED AWAY LAST NIGHT
13 AFTER A LONG FIGHT WITH HIS ILLNESS. HE SERVED ON THE CITY
14 COUNCIL FOR 11 YEARS, AND IS SOMEONE I HAVE KNOWN FOR AT LEAST
15 THREE DECADES. DURING HIS TERM, MR. PEREZ HELPED GROW THE
16 CITY'S ECONOMY, AND BROUGHT MORE RETAIL AND MANUFACTURING
17 BUSINESSES TO THE CITY. HE WAS KNOWN AS A DEVOTED CIVIC LEADER
18 WHOSE POSITIVE VISION FOR HIS CITY EXTENDED WELL BEYOND HIS
19 TIME ON THE COUNCIL. IN ADDITION TO HIS SERVICE ON THE
20 COUNCIL, MR. PEREZ SERVED AS THE PRESIDENT OF THE EL MONTE
21 BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB, VOLUNTEERED FOR THE GABRIEL FOUNDATION,
22 AND FOUNDED THE INDUSTRY SHERIFF'S STATION YOUTH ACTIVITIES
23 LEAGUE. HE CARED ABOUT HIS COMMUNITY AND DID HIS BEST TO
24 IMPROVE IT. DAVID PEREZ IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, SHIRLEY, AND

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1 SEVERAL NEPHEWS AND NIECES. MAY HE REST IN PEACE. THANK YOU,
2 MADAM CHAIR.

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4 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
5 THOMAS?

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7 **SUP. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM
8 CHAIR. MAY I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
9 MEMORY OF ROLAND HOUSTON, A LONGTIME EDUCATOR IN THE LOS
10 ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. TAUGHT AT MANUAL ARTS HIGH
11 SCHOOL FOR MANY YEARS, STARTING IN THE EARLY 70S, LATE 60S.
12 LIVED IN [INAUDIBLE] PARK. ESTABLISHED HIMSELF AS A FORCE FOR
13 GOOD, MENTOR FOR MANY. ROLAND HOUSTON. MAY HE REST IN PEACE.
14 AND, MADAM CHAIR, MAY I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN, THAT WE
15 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ANA MARIA TORRES, THIS ON BEHALF OF
16 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND MYSELF. SHE WAS BORN ON JULY THE 26TH,
17 1926, IN THE BOYLE HEIGHTS COMMUNITY OF LOS ANGELES, AND
18 PASSED AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY ON FEBRUARY 1 OF THIS YEAR IN LOS
19 ANGELES. SHE WAS 93 YEARS OLD. MS. TORRES ATTENDED ST. MARY'S
20 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN BOYLE HEIGHTS, AND POMONA CONVENT HIGH
21 SCHOOL IN ALHAMBRA. AT THE AGE OF 14, SHE BEGAN HELPING HER
22 FATHER WITH THE FAMILY GROCERY MARKET, WHICH SERVED AS A
23 FOUNDATION FOR HER CAREER AS A SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSWOMAN. MS.
24 TORRES AND HER FAMILY RELOCATED TO JALISCO, MEXICO, IN 1943,
25 WHERE SHE LIVED UNTIL SHE RETURNED TO LOS ANGELES AFTER HER

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1 MARRIAGE TO IGNACIO TORRES, AND THAT WAS IN 1951. MS. TORRES
2 WORKED IN THE RETAIL AND GROCERY INDUSTRIES FOR MANY YEARS,
3 AND WAS A PROUD MEMBER OF THE UNITED FOOD AND COMMERCIAL
4 WORKERS' UNION. SHE AND HER HUSBAND SUBSEQUENTLY OPENED A
5 RESTAURANT, ANA'S TACO VILLA, IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, WHICH
6 WAS A GREAT SUCCESS FOR OVER 16 YEARS. SHE WAS A HARDWORKING
7 PERSON OF STRONG FAITH AND SPIRITUAL BELIEFS, AND WAS A
8 TREMENDOUS ROLE MODEL FOR HER CHILDREN AND HER GRANDCHILDREN.
9 IT WAS IN 1989 THAT MARIA WAS RECOGNIZED AS THE MEXICAN MOTHER
10 OF THE YEAR BY THE MEXICAN MOTHER OF THE YEAR ASSOCIATION,
11 FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE FRANCISCAN GUILD, AND WAS AN ACTIVE
12 BOARD MEMBER FOR MANY YEARS. THE HONOR IS BESTOWED UPON A
13 DESERVING MOTHER OF MEXICAN ORIGIN AND DESCENT FOR HER
14 DEDICATION TO HER FAMILY, HER CHURCH, AND HER COMMUNITY. SHE
15 WAS MARRIED TO IGNACIO FOR 60 YEARS, AND WAS PROUD TO RAISE
16 THREE COLLEGE-EDUCATED DAUGHTERS. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR
17 HER OUTGOING NATURE, AMBITION, AND HER DRIVE TO BE SUCCESSFUL,
18 HER LOVE OF POLITICS, HER FAITH, AND DEVOTION TO THE CATHOLIC
19 CHURCH, HER LOVE OF TRAVEL AND ADVENTURE, HER PRIDE IN BEING
20 OF MEXICAN-AMERICAN HERITAGE. SHE WAS AN EXTRAORDINARY DANCER
21 AT EACH OCCASION WHERE SHE CAME TO BE SUPPORTIVE OF MY
22 EFFORTS-- BIRTHDAY PARTIES AND THE LIKE-- SHE WAS OFTEN THE
23 FIRST TO BE ON THE DANCE FLOOR, ALL THE WAY UP UNTIL AGE 90
24 AND SOME. MS. TORRES IS SURVIVED BY HER THREE DAUGHTERS,
25 ELIZABETH, SUSAN, AND ANTOINETTE; THREE GRANDCHILDREN, ERIC,

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1 ANGELA, ISABELLA; THREE GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, ALEXIS, ERIC
2 JAMES, AND ANYA; AND HER SISTER, REBECCA RAMOS. MAY SHE REST
3 IN PEACE. MADAM CHAIR, GEORGE SANDER WOLFBERG. I OFFER THIS
4 ADJOURNMENT AT THE REQUEST OF THEIR FAMILY, ON BEHALF OF BOTH
5 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND MYSELF. GEORGE WOLFBERG WAS BORN APRIL
6 22, 1938, IN LOS ANGELES, AND HE PASSED AT HIS HOME IN SANTA
7 MONICA CANYON ON FEBRUARY 5TH OF 2020, AT THE AGE OF 81. HE
8 LIVED HIS ENTIRE LIFE IN LOS ANGELES, WHERE HE WAS A
9 COMPETITIVE ATHLETE AT LOS ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL. HE RECEIVED
10 HIS BACHELOR'S OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE FROM
11 U.C.L.A., AND A MASTER'S DEGREE IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION FROM
12 U.S.C. HIS PROFESSIONAL CAREER WAS DEDICATED ENTIRELY TO THE
13 CITY OF LOS ANGELES, WHERE I MET HIM. HE FIRST HAD A JOB AS A
14 LIFEGUARD AT A CITY POOL WHILE HE WAS ATTENDING HIGH SCHOOL
15 AND COLLEGE, AND WHEN HE RETIRED FROM THE CITY IN 1996, HE WAS
16 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST, THE HIGHEST NON-APPOINTED
17 POSITION IN CITY GOVERNMENT, WHERE HE LED THE STAFF IN THE
18 ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY OPERATIONS OF THE CITY. HE
19 CONSIDERED ONE OF HIS CAREER HIGHLIGHTS AS BEING THE
20 ARCHITECT, OVERSEER, AND ENFORCER OF LOS ANGELES'S SUCCESSFUL
21 DIVESTMENT FROM SOUTH AFRICA, UNDER APARTHEID. IT WAS
22 EXTRAORDINARY WHAT GEORGE DID, AND THE LEADERSHIP THAT HE
23 PROVIDED. IN ADDITION, HE PREPARED THE CITY'S BID TO WIN THE
24 1984 OLYMPICS, AND IS CREDITED WITH CREATING THE WOMEN'S
25 OLYMPIC CYCLING EVENT BY WRITING IT INTO THE BID THAT THE CITY

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1 WOULD PRESENT AS ITS EXHIBITION SPORT. HE PROUDLY SERVED AS
2 DIRECTOR OF THE FIRST YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAM, SPONSORED BY THE
3 CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE WATTS FRIENDSHIP SPORTS LEAGUE. HE
4 SERVED IN VARIOUS CAPACITIES IN A.Y.S.O. REGION 69, INCLUDING
5 REGISTRAR AND BOARD MEMBER, AND HE WAS A NATIONALLY RANKED
6 REFEREE, WHO WAS STILL REFEREEING GAMES AT THE AGE OF 80 YEARS
7 OLD. AFTER HIS RETIREMENT, HE CONTINUED TO SERVE THE CITY AS
8 THE DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH OF THE APPOINTED CHARTER REFORM
9 COMMISSION, WHICH CRAFTED THE NEW CITY CHARTER ENACTED IN
10 2000, CREATING THE CITYWIDE SYSTEM OF NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS TO
11 PROMOTE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND CITY GOVERNANCE. CARING
12 DEEPLY ABOUT HIS COMMUNITY, HE SERVED ON THE BOARDS OF THE
13 PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL AND MORE, AS WELL AS THE
14 SANTA MONICA CANYON CIVIC ASSOCIATION, WHERE HE SERVED AS
15 CHAIR, AS WELL AS IN MANY LEADERSHIP POSITIONS OF ALL OF THOSE
16 ORGANIZATIONS. SO, GEORGE WOLFBERG WAS A TRUE RENAISSANCE MAN.
17 HE ENJOYED MAKING POTTERY, LONGBOARD SURFING, GARDENING, AND
18 COOKING. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A PROUD BRUIN, A VETERAN WHO
19 SERVED WITH THE AIR NATIONAL GUARD, A RESPECTED SOCCER
20 REFEREE, A DEDICATED COMMUNITY ACTIVIST, A PASSIONATE
21 ENVIRONMENTALIST, AND A FRIEND AND MENTOR TO MANY RESIDENTS OF
22 HIS COMMUNITY AND COLLEAGUES AT THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. HE IS
23 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE DIANE, DAUGHTER ANYA MCCANN, SONS MICHAEL
24 AND DAVID, AND GRANDCHILDREN [INAUDIBLE], ALEX, JONAH, AVEDO,

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1 EXTENDED FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND COLLEAGUES WHO WILL MISS THE ONE
2 AND ONLY GEORGE SANDER WOLFBERG.

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4 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I WONDER IF MY COLLEAGUE WOULD ALLOW ME TO
5 SAY JUST ONE MORE THING ABOUT GEORGE.

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7 **SUP. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES, PLEASE. A WORD ABOUT GEORGE.

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9 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** HE LIVED IN SANTA MONICA CANYON, AND HE
10 LOVED THE PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY, AND THEY LOVED HIM
11 BACK. THEY GAVE HIM THE PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL'S
12 COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD. ANOTHER YEAR, HE WAS DECLARED CITIZEN
13 OF THE YEAR. HE WAS HONORED AS ONE OF THE PRIDE OF THE
14 PALISADES WINNERS, JUST THE EPITOME OF RESPONSIBLE LEADERSHIP
15 AFTER HIS RETIREMENT. HE LOVED THAT COMMUNITY, AND THEY LOVED
16 HIM. SO THANK YOU FOR ADJOURNING IN HIS MEMORY.

17

18 **SUP. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. NOT ENOUGH CAN BE SAID
19 ABOUT GEORGE. HE WAS A VERY EXCEPTIONAL HUMAN BEING. FINALLY,
20 MADAM CHAIR, I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM
21 VERNELL WOODS, SR., BORN DECEMBER 23RD, 1936, IN WASHINGTON,
22 D.C. HE PASSED IN HIS HOMETOWN ON FEBRUARY THE 3RD, AT THE AGE
23 OF 83. HE IS REGARDED AS THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN COLLEGE
24 FOOTBALL PLAYER, IN WHAT IS NOW KNOWN AS THE PAC-12
25 CONFERENCE, TO BREAK THE COLOR BARRIER AS QUARTERBACK IN 1957.

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1 RECRUITED TO THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BY AL
2 DAVIS, THE FUTURE OWNER AND COACH OF THE OAKLAND RAIDERS, WHO
3 WAS AN ASSISTANT COACH FOR THE TROJANS. HE PLAYED AT U.S.C.
4 FOR THREE SEASONS, AND WAS A CO-CAPTAIN AS A SENIOR. AFTER
5 GRADUATING, HE WAS UNDRAFTED AND BECAME A FREE AGENT, AND
6 ULTIMATELY SIGNED BY A LEGENDARY COACH, VINCE LOMBARDI, WITH
7 THE GREEN BAY PACKERS. HE PLAYED FOR THE PACKERS FROM 1960 TO
8 1971 AS A SAFETY, WHERE HE WAS ON THE TEAM THAT WON THE FIRST
9 TWO SUPER BOWL GAMES. DESPITE HIS SMALL STATURE AT 5'10" AND
10 180 POUNDS, HE WAS AN OUTSTANDING TACKLER AND LEAGUE LEADING
11 PUNT RETURNER. HE HAD 48 CAREER INTERCEPTIONS, INCLUDING A
12 LEAGUE-LEADING 9 IN 1962, AND WAS THE N.F.L.'S LEADING PUNT
13 RETURNER IN 1961. HE WAS INDUCTED INTO THE PRO FOOTBALL HALL
14 OF FAME IN 1989. WHEN HIS PLAYING CAREER ENDED, HE BECAME THE
15 HEAD COACH OF THE WORLD FOOTBALL LEAGUE'S PHILADELPHIA BELL IN
16 1975, AND BECAME THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN HEAD COACH IN THE
17 MODERN ERA OF PRO FOOTBALL. HE WAS AN ASSISTANT COACH WITH THE
18 SAN DIEGO CHARGERS, AND AFTER RETIRING FROM COACHING, HE
19 OPERATED HIS OWN CONSTRUCTION FIRM. IN RECOGNITION OF HIS
20 CONTRIBUTION TO THE GAME OF FOOTBALL, IT WAS IN 2012 THAT A
21 STREET IN WASHINGTON, D.C., WAS NAMED AFTER HIM: WILLIE WOOD
22 WAY. MR. WOOD WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR BREAKING THE COLOR
23 BARRIER AT BOTH THE COLLEGE AND PROFESSIONAL LEVELS, HIS
24 ATHLETICISM, HIS TENACITY, HIS COMPETITIVE SPIRIT, WILLINGNESS
25 TO WORK HARD, AND AS A TALENTED COACH WHO NURTURED AND

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1 INSPIRED FUTURE PLAYERS. MR. WOOD IS SURVIVED BY HIS TWO SONS,
2 WILLIE JUNIOR AND ANDRE; A DAUGHTER, LUANN; AND A SISTER.
3 ACKNOWLEDGE HIS PASSING IN MEMORY OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY
4 MONTH AND THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THOSE WHO ENDURED, EVEN IN THE
5 FACE OF RACIAL ANIMOSITY. MADAM CHAIR?

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7 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
8 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ELMO MAIDEN, WHO PASSED
9 AWAY ON FEBRUARY 2. IN 1942, HE ENLISTED IN THE ARMY AIR CORPS
10 AND BEGAN FLYING FIGHTER JETS AND B-17S. HE REMAINED ACTIVE IN
11 THE AIR FORCE RESERVES FROM THE END OF WORLD WAR II ALL THE
12 WAY TO 1979, INCLUDING WEEKLY CLASSES, ANNUAL TWO-WEEK TOURS
13 OF ACTIVE DUTY, AIR UNIVERSITY CORRESPONDENCE COURSES.
14 ULTIMATELY, HE WAS PROMOTED TO LIEUTENANT COLONEL. HE WAS ALSO
15 A MEMBER OF THE 8TH AIR FORCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, THE 2ND
16 AIR DIVISION (EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS), AND ATTENDED
17 WEEKLY MEETINGS AT WINGS OVER WENDY'S, A GROUP OF VETERAN
18 AIRPLANE AFICIONADOS SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN 2002. AND YES,
19 THEY DID MEET AT A WENDY'S. HE WAS ACTIVE IN LITTLE LEAGUE,
20 AND EVENTUALLY BECAME AN ALL-STAR MANAGER WITH THE CANOGA-
21 WINNETKA NATIONAL TEAM. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER NANCY,
22 AND HIS SONS TOM AND ERIC. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
23 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DAVID GOTTLIEB, WHO HAD A LONG
24 CAREER IN THE FILM INDUSTRY, MAKING FEATURE FILMS,
25 DOCUMENTARIES, AND AWARD-WINNING EDUCATIONAL VIDEOS. HE

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1 PURSUED HIS ENVIRONMENTAL INTEREST BY SERVING FOR 30 YEARS ON
2 THE RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT OF THE SANTA MONICA
3 MOUNTAINS BOARD OF DIRECTORS, AND MADE QUITE A NUMBER OF
4 VIDEOS ON CONSERVATION ISSUES. HE IS BEST KNOWN FOR HIS
5 DOCUMENTARY MADE AS A U.S.C. FILM STUDENT IN THE EARLY 70S,
6 ABOUT THE JONESTOWN CULT, CALLED "THE PEOPLE'S TEMPLE." HE'S
7 SURVIVED BY HIS SONS GABE AND JAMIE, AND HIS PARTNER ABIGAIL
8 BOK. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
9 MEMORY OF A REALLY FINE ACTOR, ORSON BEAN, WHO DIED ON
10 FEBRUARY 7TH AFTER BEING HIT BY TWO CARS WHILE CROSSING THE
11 STREET IN VENICE, IN A TERRIBLE ACCIDENT. HE WORKED
12 EXTENSIVELY IN TELEVISION, FILM, AND ON STAGE FOR MORE THAN 50
13 YEARS. HE WAS AN ENGAGING PRESENCE ON MANY 60S T.V. SHOWS,
14 INCLUDING "WHAT'S MY LINE?," "I'VE GOT A SECRET," "TO TELL THE
15 TRUTH," "THE ED SULLIVAN SHOW," AND THE TONIGHT SHOW." WHILE
16 HIS STAR WAS RISING IN THE 1950S, HE WAS BLACKLISTED, AND WENT
17 FROM BEING THAT YOUNG COMIC OF THE MOMENT AT C.B.S., TO NOT
18 BEING ABLE TO GET A JOB AT ALL. LATER IN HIS CAREER, HE
19 STARRED IN "DR. QUINN, MEDICINE WOMAN," "BEING JOHN
20 MALKOVICH," AND "DESPERATE HOUSEWIVES." WELL INTO HIS 80S, HE
21 STARRED IN STEVEN DRUKMAN'S "DEATH OF THE AUTHOR" AT THE
22 GEFFEN PLAYHOUSE IN 2014; AND IN 2016, HEADLINED HIS OWN SOLO
23 SHOW, "SAFE AT HOME: AN EVENING WITH ORSON BEAN," AT THE
24 PACIFIC RESIDENT THEATRE, ABOUT HIS 50 YEARS IN SHOW BUSINESS,
25 AND HIS DETERMINATION TO BE HAPPY. IT WAS REALLY TERRIBLE AND

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1 IRONIC THAT HE WAS CROSSING THE STREET TO SEE ANOTHER
2 PRODUCTION AT THE PACIFIC RESIDENT THEATRE, WHERE HE HAD
3 APPEARED, WHEN HE WAS HIT. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ALLEY
4 MILLS, AND HIS 4 CHILDREN. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
5 TODAY-- THIS IS GOING TO BE ACTORS DAY-- WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
6 OF ROBERT CONRAD, T.V. AND FILM ACTOR, WHO DIED ON FEBRUARY 8.
7 HE BECAME AN OVERNIGHT STAR WITH THE SERIES "HAWAIIAN EYE,"
8 WHICH DEBUTED IN 1959. HE ALSO STARRED IN THE HUGELY POPULAR
9 60S T.V. ACTION SERIES "THE WILD WILD WEST," IN WHICH HE DID A
10 LOT OF HIS OWN STUNTS. HE IS SURVIVED BY 5 CHILDREN FROM HIS
11 FIRST MARRIAGE, JOAN, SHANE, CHRISTIAN, CHRISTY, AND NANCY;
12 AND THREE CHILDREN FROM HIS SECOND MARRIAGE, KAJA, CAMILLE,
13 AND CHELSEA. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN
14 IN MEMORY OF KIRK DOUGLAS. IT IS SO INTERESTING. WHEN THEY SAY
15 THE GOOD DIE YOUNG, I DON'T THINK THEY MEAN AT A YOUNG AGE. I
16 THINK THEY MEAN, "NO MATTER HOW OLD, TOO SOON." BECAUSE HE WAS
17 103, AND IT STILL FELT TOO SOON. AN ICON OF THE HOLLYWOOD'S
18 GOLDEN AGE, HE ACTED IN MORE THAN 80 MOVIES BEFORE RETIRING
19 FROM FILMS IN 2004. HE QUITE FAMOUSLY REBELLED AGAINST THE
20 MCCARTHY ERA ESTABLISHMENT BY PRODUCING AND STARRING IN
21 "SPARTACUS," WHICH WAS WRITTEN BY DALTON TRUMBO, MAKING THE
22 ACTOR A HERO TO THOSE BLACKLISTED IN HOLLYWOOD, BECAUSE HE
23 INSISTED THAT DALTON TRUMBO BE LISTED-- NOT BLACKLISTED, BUT
24 LISTED AS THE AUTHOR OF THE FILM-- AND TRIGGERED THE
25 REACCEPTANCE OF A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO WERE SUSPECTED OF

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1 BEING COMMUNISTS. THE FILM BECAME UNIVERSAL'S BIGGEST
2 MONEYMAKER, AN ACHIEVEMENT THAT STOOD FOR A DECADE. HE WAS
3 NOMINATED THREE TIMES FOR BEST ACTOR BY THE ACADEMY OF MOTION
4 PICTURE ARTS AND SCIENCES, FOR THE FILMS "CHAMPION," "THE BAD
5 AND THE BEAUTIFUL," AND "LUST FOR LIFE," AND WAS THE RECIPIENT
6 OF AN HONORARY OSCAR IN 1996. HIS MANY HONORS INCLUDE THE
7 HIGHEST AWARD THAT CAN BE GIVEN TO A U.S. CIVILIAN, THE
8 PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL OF FREEDOM, BACK WHEN IT MEANT SOMETHING.
9 DURING THE JOHN F. KENNEDY AND LYNDON JOHNSON ERAS, HE TOURED
10 WIDELY FOR THE U.S. INFORMATION AGENCY AND THE U.S. STATE
11 DEPARTMENT AS A GOODWILL AMBASSADOR, AND WENT ON MISSIONS TO
12 SOUTH AMERICA, TO EUROPE, TO THE MIDDLE EAST, AND THE FAR
13 EAST. AMONG HIS PHILANTHROPIC EFFORTS, HE AND HIS WIFE ANNE
14 HELPED ESTABLISH HARRY'S HAVEN, AN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE UNIT AT
15 THE MOTION PICTURE AND TELEVISION FUND HOME IN WOODLAND HILLS,
16 WHICH IS NAMED AFTER HIS FATHER. HE AND ANNE ALSO DONATED
17 QUITE A NUMBER OF PLAYGROUNDS TO THE L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL
18 DISTRICT, AND EVERY TIME ONE OPENED, HE AND ANNE WOULD GO
19 THERE, AND HE WOULD MAKE A POINT OF SLIDING DOWN THE SLIDE, NO
20 MATTER HOW OLD HE WAS, TO SHOW WHAT IT WAS TO PLAY, NO MATTER
21 HOW OLD YOU WERE. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE ANNE, HIS SONS
22 MICHAEL, PETER, AND ERIC. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
23 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SAM HALPER. ATTORNEY AND
24 COMMUNITY LEADER, VETERAN OF THE KOREAN WAR, HE WAS A PARTNER
25 AT THE FIRM BARTMAN, BRAUN AND HALPER, AND LATER OPENED HIS

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1 OWN FIRM, PROVIDING CORPORATE AND ESTATE SERVICES FOR MANY
2 LEADING L.A. BUSINESSES AND FAMILIES. HE WAS ALSO ACTIVE IN A
3 LOT OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING CEDARS-SINAI
4 MEDICAL CENTER, WHERE HE WAS ON THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS. HE WAS
5 ESPECIALLY PROUD OF HIS EARLY AND ONGOING SUPPORT OF OPERATION
6 GRATITUDE, WHICH HAS PROVIDED MORE THAN 2 1/2 MILLION CARE
7 PACKAGES TO SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD. SAM WORKED
8 TO FULFILL THE CHARITABLE WISHES OF A FRIEND BY ESTABLISHING
9 THE CAROL MOSS FOUNDATION, SERVING AS ITS PRESIDENT AND THEN
10 TREASURER, GUIDING THE FOUNDATION'S VISION OF PROVIDING GRANTS
11 TO SUPPORT VETERANS AND ANIMAL CAUSES. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
12 WIFE RUTH, AND THEIR SONS BILL AND LOUIS. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN
13 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JAMES WILLIAM
14 BYATESA NAGENDA. HE DIED ON JANUARY 23RD, ONE OF THE FIRST
15 UGANDAN IMMIGRANTS IN LOS ANGELES. IN 1974, HE AND HIS WIFE
16 STARTED THEIR FIRST BUSINESS, ONE THAT BECAME FAMILIAR TO A
17 LOT OF PEOPLE, THE AFRICAN BAZAAR, WHERE THEY SOLD AN ECLECTIC
18 MIX OF IMPORTED GOODS WHICH ATTRACTED MUSICIANS AND ACTORS,
19 ANYONE INTERESTED IN UNIQUE ITEMS OF AFRICAN CULTURE. THIS
20 BEGAN WHAT WOULD COME TO DEFINE HIS LIFE AND LEGACY,
21 CULTIVATING FRIENDSHIPS AND CULTURAL CONNECTIONS FROM ALL OVER
22 THE GLOBE. IN 2007, HE CO-FOUNDED AFRICANS IN AMERICA, AN
23 ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO FURTHERING CULTURAL CONNECTIONS AND
24 EVENTS BETWEEN AFRICANS OUTSIDE AND INSIDE AFRICA. HE IS
25 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, RUTH; HIS THREE CHILDREN, TENDO,

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1 JJIIBWA, AND SANYU; AND HIS SISTERS AND BROTHER, JOHN, RUTH,
2 STEPHEN, AND JANE. AND FINALLY, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
3 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF HARRIET FRANK, JR., AN OSCAR-
4 NOMINATED SCREENWRITER WHO COLLABORATED WITH HER HUSBAND,
5 IRVING RAVETCH, ON MORE THAN A DOZEN FILM ADAPTATIONS,
6 INCLUDING THE ACADEMY AWARD-NOMINATED FILMS "HUD" AND "NORMA
7 RAE." SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER BROTHER. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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9 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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11 **SUP. JANICE HAHN:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE US TO ADJOURN TODAY IN
12 THE MEMORY OF WILLIAM "BILL" BARR, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
13 OF 73. HE WAS A LONGTIME TORRANCE RESIDENT AND BUSINESSMAN. HE
14 TOOK PRIDE IN HIS WORK AS A CARPENTER, AND WORKED WITH HIS
15 SON, DOING HOME SIDING FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS. BILL LOVED TO
16 BOWL AT THE PALOS VERDES BOWL, AND ENJOYED GOLFING AND A
17 LITTLE BIT OF GAMBLING. BUT MOST OF ALL, HE LOVED BEING WITH
18 HIS FAMILY. BILL IS SURVIVED BY HIS THREE SONS, DAVID, CLINT,
19 AND CHET, AND THEIR FAMILIES, HIS BELOVED PARTNER CHARLOTTE,
20 HIS SISTERS JUDY AND SUSIE, HIS BROTHER STEVE. HE'LL BE TRULY
21 MISSED. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN IN THE
22 MEMORY OF THOMAS NOBUYUKI SHIGEKUNI, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF
23 PALOS VERDES ESTATES, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 90. HE WAS
24 A GRADUATE OF PEPPERDINE, AND SERVED ON THEIR ALUMNI BOARD OF
25 DIRECTORS. AND WHILE RAISING HIS FAMILY AND OPERATING THE

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1 FAMILY BUSINESS, CENTROSE NURSERY, HE GRADUATED FROM U.S.C.
2 SCHOOL OF LAW AND OPENED HIS 45-YEAR TORRANCE LAW PRACTICE. HE
3 WAS THE FIRST JAPANESE AMERICAN APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR JERRY
4 BROWN TO THE STATE BOARD OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE. TOM PAVED
5 THE WAY FOR THE STATE'S CERTIFIED FARMER'S MARKET PROGRAM. HE
6 ALSO SERVED ON THE L.A. COUNTY ENERGY COMMISSION DURING THE
7 ENERGY CRISIS IN 2000. ACTIVE IN CIVIC ORGANIZATION, TOM WAS
8 THE PRESIDENT OF A.C.L.U.'S SOUTH BAY CHAPTER, THE DIRECTOR OF
9 THE TORRANCE ROTARY CLUB, AND WAS A TRUSTEE ON THE BOARD OF
10 THE SOUTH COAST BOTANIC GARDEN. AS A RESULT OF BEING AN
11 INTERNEE IN COLORADO'S AMACHE RELOCATION CENTER DURING WORLD
12 WAR II, HE WORKED TIRELESSLY TO EDUCATE FUTURE GENERATIONS
13 ABOUT THE FRAILTY OF OUR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS, ALWAYS WARNING
14 IT COULD HAPPEN AGAIN. HE SERVED AS INCORPORATING ATTORNEY FOR
15 THE AMACHE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE
16 RUTH, HIS DAUGHTERS VICKI, CINDY, AND LESLIE, AND FIVE
17 GRANDCHILDREN. AND I DON'T SEE IT IN MY REMARKS, BUT I DO
18 THINK I REMEMBER SEEING THAT HE ALSO ATTENDED THE REDONDO
19 BEACH CHURCH OF CHRIST FOR MANY YEARS, WHERE MY MOM ATTENDED
20 FOR MANY YEARS. HE WAS A FRIEND OF OUR FAMILY'S. I MOVE THAT
21 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MARCIAL
22 "ROD" RODRIGUEZ, FORMER MAYOR OF NORWALK, WHO PASSED AWAY AT
23 87. HE SERVED ON THE NORWALK CITY COUNCIL FROM 1982 TO 1990,
24 INCLUDING TWO MAYORAL TERMS IN 1985 AND 1988. HIS COMMITMENT
25 TO PUBLIC SERVICE EXTENDED BEYOND THE COMMUNITY, AS HE

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1 REPRESENTED NORWALK IN LARGER ORGANIZATIONS. HE SERVED AS A
2 MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES, HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
3 STEERING COMMITTEE, AND THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES
4 EMPLOYEE RELATIONS POLICY COMMITTEE, AS WELL AS PRESIDENT OF
5 THE HISPANIC ELECTED LOCAL OFFICIALS CAUCUS OF THE NATIONAL
6 LEAGUE OF CITIES, AND THE CALIFORNIA CONTRACT CITIES
7 ASSOCIATION. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN, PEGGY AND
8 MICHAEL, THREE GRANDCHILDREN, 7 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, AND THREE
9 GREAT-GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. I'D ALSO LIKE US TO ADJOURN IN THE
10 MEMORY OF KEVIN GANO, WHO WAS A LONGTIME DEPARTMENT HEAD AND
11 LEADER FOR THE CITY OF NORWALK. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
12 69. HE SERVED AS THE FIRST DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY
13 DEPARTMENT FROM MARCH 1989 TO APRIL 2005. IN 2018, HE CAME
14 BACK FROM RETIREMENT AND SERVED AS THE DEPUTY CITY MANAGER. HE
15 BECAME WELL RESPECTED AND PRAISED BY THE NORWALK COUNCIL
16 MEMBERS FOR HIS INTRODUCTION OF COMMUNITY POLICING, AND ITS
17 POSITIVE IMPACT IN CRIME REDUCTION. KEVIN FOUNDED THE PUBLIC
18 SAFETY DEPARTMENT DURING A TIME WHERE THE NORWALK
19 NEIGHBORHOODS HAD A LOT OF CRIME. HE ESTABLISHED COMMUNITY-
20 BASED POLICING WHICH RESULTED IN IMPROVED RESPONSE TIMES, AND
21 BROUGHT DOWN THE CRIME RATE. EVENTUALLY, IN THE EARLY 2000S,
22 THE F.B.I. RANKED NORWALK AMONG THE 20 SAFEST CITIES WITH
23 POPULATIONS OVER 100,000. HE ALSO ESTABLISHED PROGRAMS WITH
24 OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENTS THAT WOULD REDUCE CRIME AND ASSIST
25 FAMILIES WITH AT-RISK TEENS. EXAMPLES OF SOME OF THESE

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1 PROGRAMS INCLUDE CURFEW ENFORCEMENT, COMMUNITY PROBATION,
2 COMMUNITY SERVICE, STREET GANG INJUNCTION, FAMILY INTERVENTION
3 TEAM, AND MANY MORE. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE DARLENE,
4 CHILDREN JEANETTE AND KEVIN JR., AND TWO GRANDCHILDREN, AVA
5 AND ELLA. I'D ALSO LIKE US TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JOHN
6 ZEA, WHO WAS KNOWN TO ALL BY "JACK," AND HE LIVED HIS LIFE
7 THROUGH DETERMINATION, HARD WORK, AND DEDICATION. HE SERVED
8 OVER 8 YEARS IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE, AND THEN AS A
9 POLICE OFFICER IN THE MANHATTAN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT. IN
10 HIS LONG, DISTINGUISHED CAREER, HE ROSE TO THE RANK OF
11 SERGEANT, AND WAS SO PROUD TO WORK WITH HIS BROTHERS AND
12 SISTERS IN UNIFORM. JACK IS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS WIFE OF
13 38 YEARS, SANDY. HE IS SURVIVED BY TWO DAUGHTERS, LEE ANN AND
14 STEPHANIE; HIS GRANDCHILDREN, PAUL AND RICHELLE; AND HIS
15 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, ELLA, BLAKE, AND BEAU. AND I'D ALSO LIKE
16 US TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JEANINE KENNEDY, WHO WAS 82
17 WHEN SHE PASSED AWAY. SHE WAS A SAN PEDRO RESIDENT, AND SHE
18 WORKED AS A SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER'S ASSISTANT AT SAN PEDRO
19 HIGH SCHOOL FOR 20 YEARS. SHE WORKED BEYOND THE CLASSROOM WITH
20 STUDENTS, TEACHING THEM TO USE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, TAKING
21 THEM TO FOOTBALL GAMES, AND SHOWING THEM ALL THAT THEIR TOWN
22 HAD TO OFFER. JEANINE ENJOYED GIVING BACK TO HER COMMUNITY
23 THROUGH VOLUNTEERING WITH THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT,
24 AS WELL AS WITH THE CABRILLO MARINE AQUARIUM AND MARINE MAMMAL
25 CARE CENTER. SHE WAS A MEMBER OF THE CHURCH THAT I GO TO, THE

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1 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN SAN PEDRO. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER
2 SON GEORGE, HER DAUGHTER MELANIE, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN, AND FOUR
3 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. SHE WILL REALLY BE MISSED. AND I MOVE
4 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN TODAY IN THE MEMORY OF TIM
5 JONES, ALSO OF SAN PEDRO, WHO PASSED AWAY. HE WAS 72. HE
6 GRADUATED FROM PEPPERDINE AND SPENT HIS CAREER WORKING IN
7 MANUFACTURING MANAGEMENT, MOST NOTABLY IN THE FIELD OF
8 AEROSPACE. HE SERVED ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR BEACON
9 HOUSE, A RESIDENTIAL DRUG AND ALCOHOL PROGRAM FOR ADULT MEN IN
10 SAN PEDRO. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 47 YEARS, EVON;
11 DAUGHTERS ERIN AND DANIELLE; AND THREE GRANDCHILDREN, CADEN,
12 JUSTIN, AND NINA. THANK YOU.

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14 **SUP. KATHRYN BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THE ADJOURNMENTS ARE
15 BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY
16 SUPERVISOR HAHN. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO BE THE ORDER. BEFORE WE
17 ADJOURN, I WANT TO ADVISE THE PUBLIC THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING
18 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH, AT
19 1:00 P.M. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE MEETING BEGINS AT 1:00 P.M.
20 THIS MEETING IS ADJOURNED. [GAVEL.]

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CLOSED SESSION ITEMS FOR FEBRUARY 11, 2020

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5 CS-1. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT

6 (Government Code Section 54957 (b)(1))

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8 Consideration of firms to recruit for the position of Chief
9 Executive Officer. (20-1052)

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11 **No reportable action was taken.**

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14 CS-2. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT

15 (Government Code Section 54957 (b)(1))

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17 Consideration of candidate(s) for appointment to the position of
18 Acting Director of Parks and Recreation. (20-1130)

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20 **No reportable action was taken.**

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23 CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

24 (Government Code Section 54957.6)

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26 Agency designated representatives: Sachi A. Hamai, Chief
27 Executive Officer, and designated staff.

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29 Unrepresented employees (all). (13-4431)

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31 **No reportable action was taken.**

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