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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1                   **THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

2                   **TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2020, 9:30 AM**

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5   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT, GOOD MORNING EVERYONE. WELCOME  
6 TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
7 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, APRIL 14TH, 2020. OUR  
8 MEETING TODAY IS BEING HELD REMOTELY DUE TO THE CURRENT PUBLIC  
9 HEALTH CRISIS TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF ALL PEOPLE. I WILL NOW  
10 TAKE ROLL CALL TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC  
11 AND RESPOND WHEN YOUR NAME IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

12  
13   **SUP. SOLIS:** HERE.

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15   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? SUPERVISOR  
16 RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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18   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'M HERE.

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20   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL? SUPERVISOR KUEHL? IS  
21 THAT A YES?

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23   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** CHAIR, I THINK WE HAVE BEEN MUTED  
24 REMOTELY. THAT IS WHAT IS GOING ON.

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1    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, I SEE, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, YOU ARE  
2    UNMUTED RIGHT NOW. I WILL COME BACK TO YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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4    **SUP. HAHN:** I'M HERE.

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6    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WE WILL TRY TO REACH OUT TO SUPERVISOR  
7    KUEHL TO FIND OUT IF HER CONNECTION IS NOT -- SO, I'M GOING TO  
8    ACKNOWLEDGE, CONSISTENT WITH GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20  
9    CALLING FOR LOCAL LEGISLATIVE BODIES TO ALLOW MEMBERS OF THE  
10    PUBLIC TO OBSERVE AND ADDRESS THE MEETING TELEPHONICALLY OR  
11    OTHERWISE ELECTRONICALLY, THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD  
12    RECEIVED OVER 200 WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S MEETING.  
13    AS THOSE WRITTEN COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF THEM WERE  
14    AVAILABLE TO SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION, CONSISTENT  
15    WITH THE BROWN ACT REQUIREMENT THAT PUBLIC COMMENT BE RECEIVED  
16    BEFORE THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION OF THE AGENDA ITEMS. AND AS  
17    WE HAVE AGENDA ITEMS, WE WILL -- I WILL READ OFF THE NAMES OF  
18    THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE SUBMITTED PUBLIC COMMENT AND LET  
19    YOU KNOW WHAT THEIR POSITION IS REGARDING THEIR SUBMISSION. I  
20    WOULD ALSO LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE, IS SACHI HAMAI ON?

21

22    **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** YES, I'M HERE.

23

24    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** MARY WICKHAM, COUNTY COUNSEL?

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1 **ATTORNEY:** PRESENT.

2

3 **SUP. KUEHL:** CELIA ZAVALA?

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5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HERE.

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7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AND AGAIN, SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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9 **SUP. KUEHL:** I'M HERE.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, VERY GOOD. SO WE WILL BEGIN WITH THE  
12 EXECUTIVE OFFICER READING THE AGENDA. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER,  
13 WILL YOU PLEASE READ THE AGENDA.

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF  
16 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA BEGIN ON PAGE 2 WITH A SET MATTER.  
17 ON ITEM S1, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS  
18 ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JUNE 2ND, 2020. ON ITEM 3D, SUPERVISOR  
19 RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM  
20 RELATES TO ITEM 10. THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON  
21 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 4D, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS  
22 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM RELATES TO ITEM 17. ON PAGE  
23 10, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE  
24 DISTRICT. ON PAGE 11, CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
25 ITEMS 1-19, ON ITEM 5, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-

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1 THOMAS REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. AND ON THIS ITEM, IT  
2 INCLUDES A REVISION AND AN AMENDMENT AS INDICATED ON THE  
3 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 6, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT  
4 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 8, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS  
5 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 10, SUPERVISOR  
6 RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM  
7 RELATES TO ITEM 3D, AND THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED  
8 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 17, SUPERVISOR HAHN  
9 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM RELATES TO ITEM 4D.  
10 ON PAGE 24, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 22-44, ON ITEM 21,  
11 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE TAKEN OFF  
12 CALENDAR. ON ITEM 22, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS  
13 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO MAY 26, 2020. ON ITEM 28, SUPERVISOR  
14 SOLIS REQUESTED THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO MAY 26, 2020. ON  
15 ITEM 40, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THIS BE CONTINUED TO MAY  
16 26, 2020. ON PAGE 40, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO  
17 THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF  
18 THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM  
19 42A, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON  
20 ITEM 42B, SUPERVISOR HAHN WOULD LIKE TO AMEND HER MOTION UNDER  
21 DIRECTIVE NUMBER 2 TO ADD THAT HOTELS WITH MORE THAN 25 ROOMS  
22 MUST AGREE TO PURSUE AN AVAILABLE FEDERAL AND STATE STIMULUS.  
23 THE REVISED MOTION IS AVAILABLE ONLINE. ON ITEM 42F, THIS IS  
24 AN INTERIM URGENCY ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE  
25 TITLE 11 HEALTH AND SAFETY WHICH ESTABLISHED SANITARY

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1 PRACTICES AND WORKPLACE SAFETY PROTECTION FOR RETAIL, GROCERY,  
2 AND DRUG STORES PREMISES, PROVIDES FOR THE SUPPLY OF  
3 PROTECTIVE FACE COVERING, SANITIZING, AND TO ASSIST VULNERABLE  
4 CUSTOMERS AND WORK IN RESPONSIVE TO THE PANDEMIC COVID-19  
5 PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS. THE REMAINING ITEMS THROUGH 42F ARE  
6 BEFORE YOU

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THAT WILL BE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS,  
9 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. WITHOUT OBJECTION TO APPROVE  
10 THESE ITEMS WITH THE EXCEPTIONS AS NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE  
11 OFFICER, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ON PAGE 41, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION,  
14 ITEM 45 IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE  
15 TITLE 5 PERSONNEL AND TITLE 6 SALARIES BY ADDING, DELETING,  
16 AND/OR CHANGING CERTAIN EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATIONS AND NUMBER OF  
17 ORDINANCE POSITION IN VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS. ON PAGE 42, PUBLIC  
18 HEARING, ON ITEM 46, THE DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING  
19 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JUNE 23, 2020. THAT  
20 COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. MADAM CHAIR

21

22 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, WE WILL BEGIN WITH ITEM 3D  
23 WHICH RELATES TO ITEM 10, THEN WE WILL MOVE TO ITEM 4D WHICH  
24 ALSO RELATES TO ITEM 17, FOLLOWED BY ITEM 5 THEN ITEM 6 AND 8,  
25 AND THEN FINISHING WITH ITEM 42A. SO WITH THAT, ITEM 3D WHICH

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1 RELATES TO ITEM 10 WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,  
2 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC IF YOU WISH  
3 TO MAKE REMARKS.

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR AND GOOD MORNING. I  
6 HELD THIS ITEM TO CALL TO THE ATTENTION A FEW CHANGES. IT'S  
7 BEEN UPDATED TO CLARIFY THAT L.A.C.D.A. AND THE C.E.O. SHOULD  
8 CONSULT WITH THE LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES AUTHORITY TO  
9 DETERMINE THE MOST APPROPRIATE USE OF THE COUNTY'S ALLOCATION  
10 OF EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANTS. ADDITIONALLY, THIS WORK SHOULD  
11 BE DONE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE SO THAT WE CAN GET THOSE  
12 DOLLARS OUT IN SHORT ORDER. THE MOTION ALSO SEEKS TO REPORT  
13 BACK FROM STAFF ON POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCES FOR THE COUNTY'S  
14 EVICTION DEFENSE PROGRAM, AND EDITS HAVE BEEN MADE TO  
15 EMPHASIZE THAT THE FOCUS SHOULD BE ON S.B.2 AND OTHER  
16 APPROPRIATE FUNDING SOURCES. I APPRECIATE THAT SUPERVISOR HAHN  
17 AND SOLIS HAVE SOUGHT TO EXPLORE OPPORTUNITIES TO CREATE AN  
18 EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM THROUGH AGENDA ITEM 4D,  
19 AND I TRUST ALL WILL SEE THIS AS A COMPLIMENTARY EFFORT.  
20 UPDATED VERSIONS WERE PROVIDED TO THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR  
21 EVERYONE'S CONSIDERATION. MADAM CHAIR, THANK YOU FOR THE TIME  
22 TO OFFER THESE CLARIFICATIONS.

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24 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOU WANTED TO  
25 MAKE A COMMENT AND ASK A QUESTION?

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2 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES! I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR  
3 INTRODUCING THE MOTION, AND I DID HAVE QUESTIONS FOR EMILIO,  
4 IF HE IS PRESENT, TO TAKE SOME QUESTIONS I HAVE, JUST TWO  
5 QUESTIONS.

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7 **EMILIO SALAS:** YES, HI SUPERVISOR, I'M HERE.

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS:** OKAY, GREAT. THANK YOU. I HAD TWO QUESTIONS, HOW  
10 ARE THE E.S.G. FUNDS FROM H.U.D. ALLOCATED TO THE DIFFERENT  
11 JURISDICTIONS, AND WHAT ELIGIBLE USES ARE APPROPRIATE, AND ARE  
12 THERE ANY GEOGRAPHIC RESTRICTIONS ON WHERE THE FUNDING CAN BE  
13 USED, GIVEN THAT OTHER CITIES MAY BE RECEIVING THEIR OWN  
14 ALLOCATION? THAT IS ONE QUESTION, IF YOU CAN GO ON THAT ONE  
15 FIRST.

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17 **EMILIO SALAS:** AND I'M JOINED HERE BY LINDA JENKINS, THE  
18 ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF OUR C.E.D. THAT ADMINISTERS OUR E.S.G.  
19 FUNDS, AND SHE CAN RESPOND TO THAT QUESTION. LINDA JENKINS:  
20 OKAY, I WILL TRY TO RESPOND TO ALL OF THOSE QUESTIONS. SO DO  
21 WE RECEIVE THE FUNDING BASED ON THE SAME C.D.B.G. FORMULA  
22 THAT'S ON THE E.S.G. AND SO THE JURISDICTIONS THAT WILL  
23 RECEIVE THEM ARE THE SAME THAT RECEIVE THE C.D.B.G., GENERALLY  
24 SPEAKING. THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES WILL BE RECEIVING AN  
25 ALLOCATION. THE COUNTY RECEIVES ITS ALLOCATION BASED ON THE 48

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1 PARTICIPATING CITIES AND THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE  
2 COUNTY. AND SO THERE ARE OTHER JURISDICTIONS WITHIN THE COUNTY  
3 THAT ARE RECEIVING E.S.G., PASADENA, POMONA, I BELIEVE, EL  
4 MONTE. SO THERE ARE OTHER JURISDICTIONS RECEIVING. THE WAY  
5 THAT THE FUNDS CAN BE USED IS FOR EMERGENCY SHELTER, STREET  
6 OUTREACH, AND ALSO HOMELESS PREVENTION, AND THEN THERE'S A  
7 CERTAIN AMOUNT THAT IS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE AND H.M.I.S., WHICH  
8 IS REQUIRED. AND THAT'S MAINLY IT FOR NOW.

9

10 **SUP. SOLIS:** OKAY, GREAT. THANK YOU. I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY  
11 THAT. THEN MY SECOND QUESTION, HOW ARE S.B.2 FUNDS FROM THE  
12 STATE ALLOCATED TO THE VARIOUS JURISDICTIONS AGAIN? WHO IS  
13 ELIGIBLE, AND WHAT ARE THE RESTRICTIONS ON THAT?

14

15 **EMILIO SALAS:** OKAY SUPERVISOR, IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE  
16 SAME FORMULA IS USED. THE SAME C.D.B.G. FORMULA IS USED FOR  
17 THOSE PARTICULAR FUNDS, AND THERE IS AN APPLICATION PROCESS,  
18 WHICH WE HAVE BEEN TASKED WITH APPLYING FOR THOSE FUNDS ON  
19 BEHALF OF THE COUNTY, AND I BELIEVE THAT IS TO THE TUNE OF \$11  
20 MILLION AVAILABLE IN THE FIRST ROUND. AND THAT'S DUE BY JULY  
21 27TH.

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23 **SUP. SOLIS:** OKAY.

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1   **EMILIO SALAS:** AND IN TERMS OF THE ELIGIBLE ACTIVITY, THERE'S A  
2   BROAD RANGE OF ACTIVITIES SPECIFIC TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

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4   **SUP. SOLIS:** OKAY, ARE THERE ANY RESTRICTIONS THEN ON  
5   GEOGRAPHIC IN TERMS OF CITIES THAT -- WHERE THE FUNDING CAN BE  
6   USED?

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8   **EMILIO SALAS:** IT IS PRIMARILY FOR THE SAME JURISDICTIONS THAT  
9   WE USE FOR THE C.D.B.G. FUNDING FORMULA, SO THE 48  
10   PARTICIPATING CITIES AND UNINCORPORATED AREAS.

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12   **SUP. SOLIS:** OKAY, GREAT. THAT WAS ALL I WANTED, JUST  
13   CLARIFYING INFORMATION ABOUT THESE TWO SOURCES OF FUNDING.  
14   THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU.

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16   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I WANT TO  
17   THANK YOU, MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION IN. THE  
18   C.A.R.E. ACTS IS AN INITIAL LIFE LIFELINE TO STATES AND  
19   GOVERNMENTS TO ASSIST IN THIS CRISIS. AND I KNOW OVER THE LAST  
20   2 WEEKS, I HAVE HAD BUSINESSES REACH OUT TO OUR OFFICE THAT  
21   TRULY ARE TRYING TO NAVIGATE AND FIGURE OUT HOW THEY ARE GOING  
22   TO SURVIVE DURING THIS CRISIS. I KNOW THE GOAL IS TO GET THE  
23   MONEY IN AND OUT THE DOOR QUICKLY, AND WE, AT THE LOCAL LEVEL,  
24   HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO THAT, WORKING WITH INCREDIBLE  
25   PARTNERS AT THE STATE LEVEL, TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE ENSURING

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1 THAT OUR BUSINESSES HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO APPLY AND ACTUALLY  
2 GET THE FUNDING. AND I KNOW THAT THEY ARE LOOKING AT A PHASE  
3 THREE. THERE IS NO QUESTION IN MY MIND WHEN I HEAR ON THE NEWS  
4 THAT THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT THE FACT THAT THE MONEY SHOULD BE  
5 ALLOCATED BY THURSDAY, WHICH TELLS ME THAT THE NEED FAR  
6 EXCEEDS WHAT WASHINGTON IS SENDING. SO IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US  
7 TO TRULY REPRESENT OUR L.A. COUNTY CONSTITUENCY AND MAKE SURE  
8 THAT WE DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO GET THIS MONEY OUT AS QUICKLY  
9 AS POSSIBLE SO THAT OUR ECONOMY CAN GET BACK TO WHERE IT WAS  
10 PRIOR TO THIS COVID-19 CRISIS. SO I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE  
11 MOTION, AND I THINK THIS IS A GOOD START, AND I WANT TO THANK  
12 OUR DEPARTMENTS WHO HAVE ALL BEEN INCREDIBLY INSTRUMENTAL IN  
13 BRINGING TOGETHER AND COLLABORATING TO MAKE SURE THAT WE, IN  
14 FACT, HAVE ALL THE TOOLS NECESSARY TO ASSIST. SO THANK YOU  
15 VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU  
16 WANTED TO MAKE A COMMENT?

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18 **SUP. HAHN:** YES. AND FIRST OF ALL, I JUST WANT TO MAKE A  
19 COMMENT. I GUESS I'M HEARING THAT PEOPLE THAT ARE TRYING TO  
20 DIAL IN TO OUR MEETING ARE HAVING A DIFFICULT TIME. SO I JUST  
21 WANTED TO MAKE SURE -- AND I KNOW THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE IS  
22 WORKING ON THIS, BUT I JUST WANTED TO LET EVERYBODY KNOW THAT  
23 PEOPLE THAT ARE TRYING TO DIAL IN ARE NOT BEING ABLE TO DO  
24 THAT AT THIS POINT. BUT I DID WANT TO --

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1    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WE WILL LOOK INTO THAT, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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3    **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY, GOOD. I DID WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
4    THOMAS FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD AND MAKING THE CHANGES  
5    THAT I KNOW WE WERE TALKING TO YOU ABOUT AS WELL. AND I THINK  
6    IT IS IMPORTANT FOR EVERYBODY TO KNOW THAT IT IS NOW GOING TO  
7    BE OUR L.A. COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY THAT WILL SERVE AS  
8    THE AGENT OF THE COUNTY FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE  
9    C.A.R.E.S. ACT FUNDS. AND I THINK -- I AGREE WITH ALL MY  
10   COLLEAGUES TODAY BECAUSE I THINK ALL OF US WANT TO MAKE SURE  
11   THAT THIS MONEY THAT'S COMING TO US WILL GET TO THE PEOPLE AND  
12   TO THE BUSINESSES THAT MOST NEED IT. I THINK THAT'S ALWAYS AN  
13   ISSUE IN TIMES OF CRISIS AND, YOU KNOW, UPHEAVAL THAT WE MAKE  
14   SURE THAT THE PEOPLE THAT NEED IT THE MOST REALLY DO GET IT,  
15   AND I'M PLEASED TO SAY THAT I KNOW THAT IS ALL OF OUR  
16   INTENTION, AND THAT'S WHERE WE'RE GOING WITH THIS. AND, AS  
17   SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS SAID, THAT FIRST ROUND OF C.A.R.E.S.  
18   ACT MONEY, WHICH WAS ABOUT \$13 MILLION, WAS DIVIDED AMONG ALL  
19   THE DISTRICTS. AND I KNOW IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT, WE'VE USED  
20   OURS FOR A RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE  
21   THAT PEOPLE WHO NEED TO BE PAYING THEIR RENT CAN PAY THEIR  
22   RENT. AND WE KNOW THAT THESE ADDITIONAL FUNDS THAT WILL BE  
23   COMING, MAYBE ROUND TWO, MAYBE ROUND THREE, MAYBE ROUND FOUR,  
24   WILL ALSO GO TO THOSE WHO MOST NEED IT. SO THANK YOU FOR THAT.  
25   AND I THINK IT'S GOOD, TOO, BECAUSE I THINK WE CAN LEVERAGE

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1 THESE DOLLARS. I KNOW LATER WE'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT A RENTAL  
2 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM COUNTY-WIDE USING C.A.R.E.S. MONEY, BUT  
3 IT'S -- I THINK WE CAN LEVERAGE THAT, AND WE'RE HOPING THAT WE  
4 CAN GET SOME MORE PRIVATE FUNDING AND PHILANTHROPY INVOLVED SO  
5 THAT WE CONTINUE TO GET MONEY TO THOSE WHO NEED IT THE MOST.  
6 WE'RE -- OUR ECONOMY HAS CERTAINLY BEEN COMPLETELY CAPSIZED  
7 DURING THIS PANDEMIC. AND EVERYTHING WE COULD DO TO HELP, I  
8 THINK WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED BY THE RESIDENTS OF LOS  
9 ANGELES COUNTY. SO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. I  
10 APPRECIATE YOUR WORK ON THIS.

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12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND WE HAVE FIXED THE SITUATION  
13 ON THE PHONES, AND THEN JUST TO REMINDER THAT PEOPLE CAN ALSO,  
14 VIA WEBSITE, WATCH OR LISTEN TO THE BOARD MEETING, BUT THE  
15 PHONE HAS BEEN FIXED, SUPERVISOR HAHN. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-  
16 THOMAS, DO YOU HAVE ANY CLOSING STATEMENTS?

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAM CHAIR, I THINK WE ARE GOOD. I  
19 APPRECIATE THE FEEDBACK AND THE INPUT OF ALL BOARD MEMBERS AND  
20 KNOW THAT WE SHARE THE CONCERN THAT WE NEED TO MOVE AS QUICKLY  
21 AND AS EFFECTIVELY AS POSSIBLE, AND I WOULD SIMPLY URGE A  
22 UNANIMOUS VOTE. THANK YOU

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24 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, AND NOW, I WOULD LIKE TO JUST  
25 READ FOR THE RECORD, THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS SUBMITTED

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1 COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS 3D AND 10, THE FOLLOWING SUBMITTED IN  
2 FAVOR, JOSEPH MAIZLISCH, ARTURO CASTRO, JR., JAQUELINE  
3 BURBANK, LORI CHANDLER, CHRISTINA IGLES, ALEJANDRO MONETGURO,  
4 BEN NICHOLSON, LAURA MORALES GARCIA, TRINIDAD RUIZ, REBECCA  
5 QUINTY, SUSAN HUNTER, MEGAN YU, NICKY JACKSON, CHRISTOPHER  
6 WILLIAMS, SHAUN BROADBENT, GEORGE BUZZETTI, KEVIN RODRIGUEZ,  
7 ANDY SEYMOUR, LINSAY NOLAN, THERESA GONZALEZ, AVERY DANIELS,  
8 LIZZETTE ARIAS, JASON FARMER, ANGELA LOGAN, ELSA TUNG, WARREN  
9 NERTOLI, PATRICK RANGE MCDONALD, ALL SUBMITTED COMMENTS IN  
10 FAVOR. OPPOSED, KAY JACKSON SUBMITTED SOMETHING, AND THEN  
11 OTHER WAS ERIC PREVEN. I JUST WANTED TO READ THAT FOR THE  
12 RECORD TO LET PEOPLE KNOW THESE WERE SUBMITTED AND WERE TAKEN  
13 INTO CONSIDERATION BY ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRIOR TO THIS VOTE. SO  
14 WITH THAT, WE HAVE A MOTION BEFORE US AS AMENDED, MOVED BY  
15 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO  
16 APPROVE THESE ITEMS. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS  
17 VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. ALL RIGHT. NOW WE WILL MOVE ON  
18 TO ITEMS 4D AND 17, EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE COVID-  
19 19 IMPACTED FAMILIES. ARE THERE ANY SUPERVISORS THAT WOULD  
20 LIKE TO MAKE REMARKS. IF SO, PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC AND BEGIN  
21 SPEAKING.

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23 **SUP. HAHN:** THIS IS SUPERVISOR HAHN. AND I WANTED TO THANK  
24 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR COAUTHORING THIS MOTION WITH ME. IN THIS  
25 MOTION BEFORE US, WE'RE PROPOSING THE CREATION OF AN EMERGENCY

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1 RENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO TRY AND PREVENT FAMILIES FROM  
2 FALLING INTO POVERTY AND EVENTUALLY HOMELESSNESS BECAUSE OF  
3 THIS COVID-19 CRISIS. THIS BOARD HAS TAKEN STEPS ALREADY TO  
4 PROVIDE RELIEF TO RENTERS WHO'VE LOST JOBS AND LOST INCOME  
5 OVER THE PAST WEEK, AND WE PUT INTO PLACE AN EVICTION  
6 MORATORIUM AND INSTITUTED A TEMPORARY RENT FREEZE. BUT EVEN  
7 THOUGH RENTERS IMPACTED BY COVID-19 WON'T BE EVICTED FOR NOT  
8 PAYING THEIR RENT, THEY WILL STILL HAVE TO PAY BACK THE RENT  
9 THEY OWE IN THE MONTHS AFTER THE CRISIS. THERE'S A FEW  
10 LANDLORDS OUT THERE THAT, I THINK, ARE PERMANENTLY WAIVING  
11 SOME RENTS FOR THEIR TENANTS, BUT I DON'T THINK THAT IS THE  
12 NORM. AND PAYING BACK YOUR RENT COULD BE AN IMPOSSIBLE  
13 FINANCIAL HURDLE FOR MANY OF OUR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES, WHO,  
14 FRANKLY, WERE ALREADY STRUGGLING TO MAKE ENDS MEET BEFORE THIS  
15 CRISIS EVEN HIT. IT IS ALSO NOT FAIR TO PLACE MUCH OF THE  
16 ECONOMIC BURDEN OF THIS CRISIS ON THE LANDLORDS OUT THERE.  
17 MANY OF THEM OBVIOUSLY STILL HAVE MORTGAGES TO PAY ON THESE  
18 VERY PROPERTIES WHERE THEIR TENANTS ARE LIVING. AND THEY USED  
19 THIS MONTHLY INCOME TO HELP PAY THESE MORTGAGES. SO THIS  
20 EMERGENCY RENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM THAT WE'RE PROPOSING WOULD  
21 PROVIDE UP TO A THOUSAND DOLLARS PER MONTH TO RENTERS WHO'VE  
22 HAD THEIR INCOMES SEVERELY IMPACTED BY THIS CRISIS, THIS  
23 COVID-19 CRISIS, SO THAT THEY CAN PAY THEIR RENT. SO IT IS  
24 GOING TO HELP THE TENANTS, AND IT IS ALSO GOING TO HELP THE  
25 LANDLORDS. THERE ARE MILLIONS OF PEOPLE IN L.A. COUNTY WHO

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1 HAVE BEEN IMPACTED OBVIOUSLY BY THIS CRISIS. THE NUMBER OF  
2 PEOPLE WE ARE GOING TO HELP AND THE LEVEL AT WHICH WE ARE  
3 GOING TO BE ABLE TO HELP THEM WILL DEPEND ON THE AMOUNT OF  
4 FUNDING THAT WE CAN DEDICATE TO THIS PROGRAM. I'M PROPOSING  
5 THAT WE USE THE FUNDING THAT WE EXPECT TO RECEIVE FROM THE  
6 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN THE SECOND ROUND OF FUNDING FROM THE  
7 C.A.R.E.S., WHICH STANDS FOR CORONAVIRUS AID RELIEF AND  
8 ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT, TO ESTABLISH THIS PROGRAM. AND, AS I  
9 SAID EARLIER, I THINK WE CAN LEVERAGE THESE DOLLARS AND SEEK  
10 PHILANTHROPIC AND PRIVATE FUNDING TO MAKE THIS FUND LARGER SO  
11 THAT WE CAN HELP EVEN MORE PEOPLE. THERE'S A HUGE NEED FOR  
12 THIS NOW, AND AS SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS SAID ON THE EARLIER  
13 ITEM, THE SOONER WE CAN DO THIS, THE SOONER WE CAN GET AHEAD  
14 OF ALL OF THIS, THE BETTER WE'LL BE. THANK YOU, AND AGAIN  
15 THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR COAUTHORING THIS.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AND THEN WE  
18 WILL HAVE SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AND THEN I WOULD LIKE TO SAY A FEW  
19 COMMENTS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR, AND I WANT TO THANK  
22 SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR WORKING WITH OUR OFFICE AND WITH US ON  
23 THIS ITEM. AS WE WELL KNOW, THE MAJORITY OF L.A. COUNTY COUNTY  
24 RENTERS, ABOUT 57 PERCENT, ARE RENT BURDENED, AND NEARLY 1/3  
25 OF RESIDENTS ARE CONSIDERED SEVERELY RENT BURDENED, MEANING

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1 THEY SPEND MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OF THEIR HOUSEHOLD INCOME ON  
2 RENT. AND WE'VE HEARD THAT TIME AND TIME AGAIN AT OUR BOARD  
3 MEETINGS. AND NOW I THINK BECAUSE OF THE COVID VIRUS, WE HAVE  
4 TO DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO KEEP PEOPLE IN THEIR HOMES. I KNOW  
5 THIS WILL HELP THOSE LOW AND MODERATE IMPACTED FAMILIES THAT  
6 ARE EXPERIENCING THIS FINANCIAL UNCERTAINTY RIGHT NOW AND THAT  
7 IS DESTABILIZING THEIR HOUSEHOLDS. I AM VERY MUCH SUPPORTIVE  
8 OF THIS. I KNOW THIS IS A REPORT BACK. I ALSO KNOW THAT THIS  
9 WILL DIRECT THE D.C.B.A., L.A.C.D.A., AND C.E.O., AND  
10 INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS TO SECURE ADDITIONAL C.A.R.E.S.  
11 ACT FUNDING TO SEEK LEVERAGE WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND  
12 PHILANTHROPIC FUNDING. SO I REALLY THINK THAT'S SOMETHING THAT  
13 IS A GOOD CAVEAT HERE. AND I ALSO WANT TO MENTION THAT THIS  
14 MOTION WILL WORK IN CONCERT WITH THE MOTION I INTRODUCED AND  
15 WAS COAUTHORED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL THAT EXPANDS THE TENANT  
16 PROTECTIONS DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS. I WANT TO THANK ALL  
17 THOSE INVOLVED IN THIS EFFORT, AND THANK YOU AGAIN TO  
18 SUPERVISOR HAHN. THANK YOU.

19  
20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

21  
22 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR  
23 HAHN AND SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION. SUPERVISOR SOLIS  
24 POINTED OUT HOW GREAT A PERCENTAGE OF OUR RENTERS ARE RENT  
25 BURDENED, MEANING THEY'RE PROBABLY ONE PAYCHECK AWAY FROM

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1 HOMELESSNESS, AND WE ALWAYS SAW THIS AID TO RENTERS AS A WAY  
2 TO PREVENTING HOMELESSNESS, BUT I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO  
3 POINT OUT AS WELL THAT LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS ONE OF THE  
4 LOWEST HOMEOWNERS RATES IN THE ENTIRE UNITED STATES. AND OVER  
5 55 PERCENT OF THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THE COUNTY ARE RENTERS.  
6 SO THIS HAS AN ENORMOUS IMPACT ON OUR RESIDENTS. I WOULD GUESS  
7 THAT MORE OF OUR RENTERS WOULD BE CONSIDERED RENT BURDENED NOW  
8 BECAUSE OF HAVING LOST THEIR JOBS OR HAVING TO GO ON  
9 UNEMPLOYMENT, AND IT IS REALLY CRITICAL THAT WE HELP. AS  
10 SUPERVISOR HAHN POINTED OUT, THIS IS ALSO A WAY TO HELP OUR  
11 LANDLORDS BECAUSE, ALTHOUGH WE ARE SAYING PLEASE DO NOT EVICT  
12 THESE FAMILIES IN THIS TIME WHEN EVERYONE IS REQUIRED TO STAY  
13 AT HOME, WHICH MEANS IT IS GOOD FOR THEM TO HAVE A HOME, AT  
14 THE SAME TIME, WE WANT TO SEE IF WE CAN HELP THEM. AND SO THIS  
15 MOTION IS VERY IMPORTANT, AND I STRONGLY SUPPORT IT. THANK  
16 YOU, MADAM CHAIR

17

18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. YOU KNOW, I  
19 HAVE TO SAY THANK YOU FOR THIS MOTION. I REALLY, YOU KNOW,  
20 JUST IN WATCHING THE NUMBERS AS IT IS COMING OUT OF THE STATE  
21 OF CALIFORNIA SHOWING A 370 PERCENT INCREASE IN UNEMPLOYMENT  
22 INSURANCE CLAIMS FROM THE PREVIOUS WEEK, JUMPING FROM 186,000  
23 TO 880,000, THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT WHEN WE LOOK, AND  
24 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND I HAVE TALKED ABOUT THIS, WHEN WE LOOK AT  
25 THE MEALS BEING PROVIDED IN PUBLIC, ESPECIALLY WITH SENIORS

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1 HAS JUMPED 70 PERCENT FROM FEBRUARY TO MARCH, PANTRY SERVICES  
2 FROM COMMUNITY AND SENIOR CENTERS HAS JUMPED 200 PERCENT. AND  
3 MANY OF US HAVE SEEN THE LONG LINES AT OUR FOOD PANTRIES OF  
4 PEOPLE WAITING TO GET FOOD. CAL FRESH, THE STATE'S FOOD  
5 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, HAS SEEN AN INCREASE OF 40 PERCENT IN  
6 MARCH OF 2020, WHICH POINTS TO THE FACT THAT WE HAVE DONE A  
7 REALLY GOOD JOB OF OUTREACH AND EDUCATING PEOPLE ABOUT WHAT IS  
8 AVAILABLE, BUT IT JUST TELLS YOU WHAT THE NEED IS. 68,685  
9 APPLICATIONS WERE RECEIVED IN MARCH. SO WE KNOW THAT PEOPLE  
10 OUT THERE ARE STRUGGLING, AND THEY SHOULDN'T HAVE TO CHOOSE  
11 BETWEEN PUTTING FOOD ON THEIR TABLE OR PAYING THEIR RENT. WE  
12 NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT, IN L.A. COUNTY, WHICH ALREADY WE KNOW  
13 HAS RENT BURDENED AS IT RELATES TO JUST THE OVERALL COST OF  
14 RENT, THIS IS TRULY A CHALLENGE. AND WE ALSO KNOW, WE ARE  
15 SENSITIVE TO THE FACT THAT THERE ARE SMALL LANDLORDS WHO  
16 CANNOT GO AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME WITHOUT THE INCOME, AND  
17 SO IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO LOOK ACROSS THE BOARD, MAKE SURE  
18 WE UTILIZE ANY RESOURCES AVAILABLE BOTH AT THE FEDERAL AND THE  
19 STATE TO QUICKLY PUT THE FUNDING TO USE WHERE THE --  
20 (INDISCERNIBLE) -- I SUPPORT THIS MOTION. I APPRECIATE THE  
21 FACT THAT WE ARE LOOKING AT IT HOLISTICALLY AS IT RELATES TO  
22 THE IMPACT IT IS GOING TO HAVE ON THE CONSTITUENTS IN L.A.  
23 COUNTY, AND I'M JUST PLEASED TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION.  
24 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, DO YOU WANT TO SAY ANYTHING?

25

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEAH, I WANT TO ASSOCIATE MYSELF WITH THE  
2    REMARKS JUST MADE, MADAM CHAIR, AND THE COAUTHORS HAVE BROUGHT  
3    FORTH AN ITEM THAT IT IS VERY, VERY CLEAR THAT EMERGENCY  
4    RENTAL ASSISTANCE HAS NEVER BEEN MORE PERVASIVELY NEEDED, AND  
5    AN EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OF ANY SORT IS A GREAT  
6    WAY OF SUPPORTING FAMILIES WHILE ALSO SUPPORTING THE PROPERTY  
7    OWNERS WHO MAY BE CONCERNED ABOUT ISSUES AS OMINOUS AS  
8    FORECLOSURE, PARTICULARLY THOSE WHO ARE MOM-AND-POP ENTITIES.  
9    I THINK OUR BLOCK GRANT RESOURCES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR SUCH USE TO  
10    HELP INDIVIDUALS. I CERTAINLY PLAN TO SEEK THAT AS AN  
11    ALTERNATIVE FOR USE IN THE SECOND DISTRICT TO QUICKLY SET UP A  
12    PROGRAM TO SERVE THE CONSTITUENTS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS.  
13    AND I HOPE THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES TO SCALE UP THIS EFFORT,  
14    MADAM CHAIR, AND COLLEAGUES. AND I WILL CERTAINLY BE LOOKING  
15    FORWARD TO FUTURE DISCUSSIONS THAT CAUSE US TO COLLECTIVELY  
16    HAVE A GREATER IMPACT AS IS BEING COMMUNICATED BY THE MOTION  
17    BY SUPERVISORS HAHN AND SOLIS. MADAM CHAIR.

18

19    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. I'M GOING TO READ OUT THE  
20    FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS SUBMITTED COMMENTS ON ITEM AGENDA 4D AND  
21    17, ALL REGISTERED SUPPORT, AND IT WAS 38. THE FOLLOWING  
22    REGISTERED SUPPORT VIA ELECTRONIC NICOLE GORDON, BENJAMIN YU,  
23    VIA GOODES, NATALIE LIVAS, JAVIER KELLY, FRANCES IGERE, AMELIA  
24    DENSICK, WILLIAM JAMES, AUGUST TOWNLEY, CARRY MELINDRES, SUSAN  
25    HUNTER, LAURA P. MORALES GARCIA, ARTURO CASTRO, JR., SOFIA

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1 ABAD, JACUAR BURBANK, LAURI CHANDLER, BEN NICHOLSON, CHRISTINA  
2 IGLESIAS, TRINIDAD RUIZ, JOAQUIN HERNANDEZ SOLIS, MADDOX  
3 MORAN, WILLIAM BIGBY, NADE KELLER, WESLEY RUETTMAN, MILES YUM,  
4 OWEN BERMAN, KIMBRY MONAHAN, ORLA GORAN, MICKEY JACKSON,  
5 CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS, ANDREA CORALES, THERESA GONZALEZ, AVERY  
6 DANIELS, LIZZETTE ARES, ANGELA LOGAN, JASON FARMER, LAUREN  
7 NATOLI, AND PATRICK RANGE MCDONALD. ALL SUBMITTED FOR THE  
8 RECORD AND WAS TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION ON ITEM 4D AND 17. SO,  
9 WITH THAT, WE HAVE THIS ITEM BEFORE US, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR  
10 HAHN, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS. IF  
11 THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE  
12 ORDER. NOW, WE MOVE ON TO ITEM 5, ENSURING COLLECTION OF FULL  
13 RACIAL AND ETHNIC DATA OF COVID-19 PATIENTS THROUGHOUT LOS  
14 ANGELES COUNTY. IT WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND RIDLEY-  
15 THOMAS. WE WILL BEGIN WITH SUPERVISOR SOLIS

16

17 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU  
18 FOR COAUTHORING THE MOTION. WHILE WE KNOW COVID-19 CASES ARE  
19 OCCURRING IN ALL AGE GROUPS AND HARMING EVEN THOSE WITHOUT  
20 UNDERLYING MEDICAL CONDITIONS, THERE'S A SPECIFIC SEGMENT OF  
21 OUR POPULATION THAT ARE AT HIGHER RISK. FOR EXAMPLE, OLDER  
22 ADULTS AND THOSE WITH COMPROMISED IMMUNE SYSTEMS ARE AT RISK  
23 FOR SEVERE ILLNESS AND DEATH FROM THE VIRUS. TO SEE THE FULL  
24 PICTURE OF HOW THE VIRUS IS IMPACTING OUR COMMUNITIES, WE NEED  
25 TO HAVE A BETTER, ACCURATE, AND COMPLETE DATA, GIVING US THE

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1 INFORMED INFORMATION ABOUT WHO IS BEING IMPACTED.

2 UNFORTUNATELY, VERY FEW STATES ARE RELEASING DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

3 ON THE COVID-19 CASES AND FATALITIES, AND WITHOUT AN ACCURATE

4 REPRESENTATION OF COVID-19'S IMPACT ACROSS DEMOGRAPHIC GROUPS,

5 WE WILL FAIL TO IDENTIFY AND FILL EXISTING HEALTH GAPS WE KNOW

6 EXIST. RACIAL AND ETHNIC DATA, AS YOU KNOW, ARE NEEDED TO

7 ADDRESS HEALTH DISPARITIES AND HELP ENSURE RESOURCES ARE

8 DISTRIBUTED EQUITABLY IN HIGH NEED AREAS, AND AS OF YESTERDAY,

9 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH IDENTIFIED 9,420 POSITIVE

10 CASES OF COVID-19 ACROSS L.A. COUNTY AND A TOTAL OF 320

11 DEATHS. RACE AND ETHNICITY ARE SO FAR AVAILABLE FOR 82 PERCENT

12 OF THOSE WHO DIED. 33 PERCENT OF DEATHS OCCURRED AMONG LATINX

13 RESIDENTS, 33 PERCENT AMONG WHITE RESIDENTS, 18 PERCENT AMONG

14 ASIAN RESIDENTS, AND 14 PERCENT AMONG AFRICAN-AMERICAN

15 RESIDENTS, AND 2 PERCENT AMONG RESIDENTS IDENTIFYING WITH

16 OTHER RACES. AND AS WE KNOW, BLACK RESIDENTS COMPRISE OF 9

17 PERCENT OF L.A. COUNTY'S POPULATION, YET 14 PERCENT OF THE

18 COVID RELATED DEATHS ARE IN THIS SEGMENT. THIS PRELIMINARY

19 DATA INDICATES THAT AFRICAN-AMERICANS HAVE A HIGHER RATE OF

20 DEATH FROM COVID THAN ANY OTHER RACE, RACIAL AND ETHNIC

21 MINORITY. THE COMMUNITY IS BEARING THE BRUNT OF THIS PAIN, AND

22 THERE IS STILL A LOT MORE FOR US TO LEARN ABOUT THE VIRUS AND

23 THE INEQUITY THAT IS SO ALARMING TO MANY OF US. CO-MORBIDITIES

24 SUCH AS DIABETES, HARD DISEASE, ASTHMA, HYPERTENSION, PLACE

25 INDIVIDUALS IN THE HIGHEST RISK CATEGORY. WE KNOW THAT. AND WE

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1 KNOW THAT THESE UNDERLYING CONDITIONS TAKE DISPROPORTIONATE  
2 TOLL ON LATINOS, AFRICAN-AMERICANS, NATIVE AMERICANS AND  
3 ALASKA NATIVES, AND MANY COMMUNITIES OF COLOR THAT LIVE BELOW  
4 THE POVERTY LINE. MOREOVER, OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES ARE ALSO  
5 NOT ABLE TO SHELTER IN PLACE. MANY IMMIGRANTS HAVE LOW WAGE  
6 JOBS AND PUT THEM AT RISK. THEY DON'T HAVE OPPORTUNITIES IN  
7 MANY WAYS TO TELEWORK OR TELECOMMUTE, AND THAT IS WHY I  
8 BELIEVE THIS IS A CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUE. THE FACT THAT MANY  
9 COMMUNITIES OF COLOR FARE POORLY IN HEALTH OUTCOMES AND ARE  
10 THEREFORE MORE SUSCEPTIBLE TO COVID IS NOT AN ACCIDENT. WE  
11 KNOW THAT THIS HAS HAPPENED FOR MANY, MANY DECADES. SO I WANT  
12 TO UNDERSTAND IT AND SUPPORT WHAT SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, IN  
13 TERMS OF HIS AMENDMENTS, I DO AGREE WE NEED TO COLLECT  
14 RELEVANT DEMOGRAPHIC DATA INCLUDING RACE AND ETHNICITY ACROSS  
15 ALL TESTING SITES, INCLUDING DATA FROM PATIENTS REQUESTING A  
16 TESTING APPOINTMENT VIA 211 AND THE ONLINE COUNTY PORTAL AND  
17 ALL THE RESEARCH EFFORTS UNDERWAY THAT'S RELATED TO COVID-19,  
18 INCLUDING SEROLOGICAL TESTING. AND THESE PROTOCOLS I BELIEVE  
19 WILL ASSIST OUR DEPARTMENT IN GATHERING ALL THE NECESSARY  
20 INFORMATION TO PROVIDE THE MOST APPROPRIATE SERVICES TO OUR  
21 CONSTITUENTS, BUT I DID HOWEVER HAVE A QUESTION TO DR. BARBARA  
22 FERRER ON THE TIMELINE OF THE REPORT BACK FOR THE MOTION. AND  
23 I KNOW THAT WE PROPOSED DIFFERENT TIMELINES. SO I WANTED TO  
24 ASK DR. FERRER HOW LONG DOES THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
25 NEED TO PRODUCE THE DATA. IS DR. FERRER AVAILABLE?

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2 **DR. FERRER:** I AM. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES. DR. FERRER: OH, GOOD. OKAY, SORRY. I WANT TO  
5 REALLY APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR YOUR MOTION, SUPERVISOR  
6 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR THE AMENDMENTS THAT YOU'RE PROPOSING.  
7 YOU KNOW, WE CARE DEEPLY ABOUT THIS ISSUE AND ARE, YOU KNOW,  
8 REALLY HONORED TO BE WORKING FOR A BOARD THAT HAS, YOU KNOW,  
9 DEEPLY CARED ABOUT ADDRESSING ISSUES RELATING TO INEQUITIES. I  
10 THINK, AS WITH MOST OF THE HEALTH DATA THAT WE COLLECT, WE SEE  
11 DISPROPORTIONALITY ACROSS THE BOARD WHERE AFRICAN-AMERICAN  
12 COMMUNITIES, LATINX COMMUNITIES, NATIVE HAWAIIANS, NATIVE  
13 ALASKANS, AMERICAN INDIANS, THE L.G.B.T.Q. COMMUNITY. WE HAVE  
14 A LOT OF DISPROPORTIONALITY, AND WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT  
15 WHEN WE ARE ADDRESSING A PANDEMIC, WE ARE NOT ALLOWING THE  
16 DISPROPORTIONALITY TO ONCE AGAIN SORT OF INEVITABLY LEAD TO  
17 POORER HEALTH OUTCOMES AMONGST THOSE LEAST ABLE TO HAVE THE  
18 RESOURCES NEEDED TO PROTECT THEMSELVES. SO I APPRECIATE  
19 THIS. WE HAVE BEEN WORKING FOR THE LAST FEW WEEKS ON TRYING TO  
20 REALLY SEE IF WE CAN GATHER BETTER INFORMATION AROUND RACE AND  
21 ETHNICITY AND ALSO ON POVERTY LEVELS THAT AFFECT, YOU KNOW, IN  
22 THE THREE PRIMARY AREAS WHERE WE'RE ABLE TO TRACK AT THIS  
23 POINT. YOU KNOW, ONE IS AROUND TESTING. THE OTHER IS AROUND  
24 HOSPITALIZATIONS. AND THE THIRD IS AROUND MORTALITY. WE'VE HAD  
25 VERY LITTLE SUCCESS ON GATHERING ACCURATE INFORMATION AROUND

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1 TESTING. IT WILL REMAIN A SIGNIFICANT LIFT FOR US TO REALLY  
2 CREATE A, SORT OF, BACK-END SYSTEM THAT COLLECTS THIS DATA  
3 APPROPRIATELY. ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT HAPPENED IS, AS SOON AS  
4 TESTING WAS DISCONNECTED FROM A PROVIDER, THE LABS DON'T  
5 COLLECT INFORMATION OFTEN ON RACE AND ETHNICITY. WE ACTUALLY  
6 HAVE PROBLEMS WITH THE LABS GIVING US INACCURATE INFORMATION  
7 ON HOW TO CONTACT PATIENTS. SO WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK THERE,  
8 PARTICULARLY WITH THE NEWER COMMERCIAL LABS THAT HAVE COME ON  
9 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE ABLE TO ACTUALLY UNDERSTAND WHO HAS  
10 ACCESS TO TESTING. THE BEST WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO DO TO DATE ON  
11 TESTING HAS BEEN AROUND LOOKING AT ZIP CODE DATA AND REALLY --  
12 (INDISCERNIBLE) -- THAT UNFORTUNATELY TESTING IS MORE LIKELY  
13 TO HAPPEN FOR PEOPLE WHO LIVE WITH -- [MIC INTERFERENCE] --  
14 THAN IT IS LIKELY TO HAPPEN FOR PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN LESS  
15 RESOURCED COMMUNITIES, COMMUNITIES WITH HIGHER LEVELS OF  
16 POVERTY. I WANT TO THANK DR. KAZAN AND HIS ENTIRE TEAM FOR  
17 HELPING TO FIGURE OUT HOW WE VERY QUICKLY RAMP UP TESTING IN  
18 SOME OF THOSE COMMUNITIES, BUT I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT  
19 OUR BEST BET TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE HAVE THE EASIEST WAY  
20 POSSIBLE TO GET TESTED IS TO ACTUALLY GO AHEAD AND MAKE SURE  
21 THAT WE'RE WORKING WITH TRUSTED PROVIDERS IN OUR COMMUNITIES.  
22 MANY OF OUR RESIDENTS HAVE PROVIDERS THAT THEY TRUST, AND WE  
23 NEED TO MAKE SURE WE ARE BUILDING ON THEIR CAPACITY OR  
24 ALLOWING THEM TO HAVE CAPACITY FOR TESTING. AND I WANT TO  
25 THANK SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR ALL OF HER LEADERSHIP AROUND

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1 MAKING SURE THAT WE'RE EXPANDING OUR TESTING CAPACITY TO  
2 ADDRESS ISSUES OF DISPROPORTIONALITY AND ACCESS. BUT THE DATA,  
3 COLLECTING GOOD DATA IS AT THE HEART AND SOUL OF REALLY  
4 UNDERSTANDING WHAT IS GOING ON, WHICH IS WHY I APPRECIATE -- I  
5 APPRECIATE THIS MEASURE. I DO THINK IT MIGHT TAKE US A COUPLE  
6 OF WEEKS TO GET BACK TO YOU WITH A MEANINGFUL REPORT ABOUT  
7 WHAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO LEARN AS OPPOSED TO JUST A REPORT  
8 ABOUT HOW WE ARE GOING TO GO ABOUT TRYING TO IMPROVE THE DATA  
9 COLLECTION IN THESE THREE PARTICULAR AREAS. BUT I'M HAPPY,  
10 AGAIN, TO TAKE DIRECTION. WE WILL DO THE BEST WE POSSIBLY CAN  
11 FOR YOU. I JUST -- I JUST WANT YOU TO NOTE, HEAVY LIFTS, ALSO  
12 ON HOSPITALIZATION DATA, WE'RE USING ENCOUNTER DATA TO  
13 ACTUALLY GET REAL-TIME DATA ON WHO IS POSITIVE IN THE  
14 HOSPITAL. THAT IS OFTEN NOT LINKED TO THEIR MEDICAL RECORD  
15 DATA, WHICH IS WHERE WE GET THE RACE AND ETHNICITY DATA. SO,  
16 WE'RE TRYING REALLY HARD TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE NOT, YOU  
17 KNOW, WE'RE NOT -- WE'RE NOT USING THE DIFFICULTY OF GETTING  
18 DATA AS AN EXCUSE FOR BETTER UNDERSTANDING THE ISSUE. SO I  
19 APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP. WE WANT TO DO A BETTER JOB HERE. I  
20 THINK WE COULD GIVE YOU A MEANINGFUL REPORT BACK IN 14 DAYS,  
21 BUT I'M HAPPY TO GIVE A REPORT BACK AT WHATEVER TIMEFRAME YOU  
22 WOULD LIKE ME TO.

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS:** SO DR. FERRER, SO 14 DAYS SOUNDS -- AND I  
25 UNDERSTAND THE COMPLICATIONS BECAUSE IT HAS BEEN DIFFICULT

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1 WHEN I'VE ASKED YOU ABOUT THE DATA AND WHAT KIND OF MECHANISM  
2 TO OBTAIN IT, HOW DIFFICULT THAT'S BEEN AND HOW WE DON'T  
3 REALLY PULL ALL THE LEVERS WITH A LOT OF THE PRIVATE  
4 INSTITUTIONS AND TESTING GROUPS THAT ARE OUT THERE. SO I KNOW  
5 THAT SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS HAS AN AMENDMENT FOR SEVEN DAYS,  
6 BUT I DO BELIEVE IF WE DO WANT TO GET A GOOD QUALITY SAMPLE  
7 THAT WE SHOULD PUSH FOR THE 14 DAYS. SO I AGREE WITH YOU ON  
8 THAT, IF THAT IS AMENABLE TO THE MEMBERS AND TO SUPERVISOR  
9 RIDLEY-THOMAS THAT I REALLY DO BELIEVE WE'VE GOT TO GET THE  
10 BEST DATA WE CAN BECAUSE WE ARE ONE OF THE LARGEST COUNTIES  
11 IN THE COUNTRY, AND I DO THINK -- WE KNOW WHAT WE HAVE TO DO,  
12 AND THIS WILL HELP US GAUGE THE DIRECTION AND THE COURSE THAT  
13 WE HAVE TO TAKE TO PIVOT SO THAT WE CAN MAKE SURE THAT OUR  
14 COMMUNITY ISSUES ARE ADDRESSED THOROUGHLY. SO, DR. FERRER,  
15 THANK YOU FOR THAT. I KNOW YOU ARE DOING A LOT AND YOUR STAFF  
16 HAS, AND I REALLY TRULY APPRECIATE THE LEVEL OF SUPPORT THAT  
17 YOU HAVE ALREADY PLACED ON THIS ISSUE BECAUSE YOU HAVE BEEN AT  
18 IT SINCE DAY ONE, AND THIS IS CERTAINLY SOMETHING THAT ALL OF  
19 US DEEPLY, DEEPLY CARE ABOUT. THANK YOU

20

21 **DR. FERRER:** JUST ONE OTHER THING I FORGOT TO ADD IS THAT WE  
22 DID ISSUE A HEALTH OFFICER ORDER ON THIS MORE THAN TWO WEEKS  
23 AGO, ORDERING FOLKS TO REPORT DATA TO US AND ACCURATE DATA. WE  
24 SENT A LETTER OUT TO ALL THE HOSPITAL C.E.O.S YESTERDAY  
25 REMINDING THEM OF THE OBLIGATION, REMINDING THEM OF THE

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1    FIELDS OF THE DATA THAT WE NEED TO COLLECT AND, YOU KNOW, THE  
2    SYSTEMS THAT ARE IN PLACE FOR THEM TO GIVE US A DAILY UPDATE  
3    WITH THE INFORMATION WE ARE REQUESTING. SO I APPRECIATE ALL  
4    THE SUPPORT. I THINK IT HELPS -- I KNOW IT HELPS HAVING THE  
5    SUPERVISORS ALSO JOIN IN THIS REQUEST AND THAT WE'VE BEEN ABLE  
6    REALLY LOOK AT THIS ISSUE THROUGH AN EQUITY LENS. AND I'M  
7    SORRY, SUPERVISOR BARGER, BUT I FORGOT TO MENTION THANK YOU  
8    FOR BEING THE COAUTHOR OF THE MOTION. I'M NOT REALLY SITTING  
9    WHERE I NORMALLY SIT, SO I DON'T HAVE MY NOTES. SO I TOTALLY  
10  APOLOGIZE.

11

12  **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAM CHAIR --

13

14  **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND THEN I WILL  
15  SPEAK AND THEN SUPERVISOR HAHN AND THEN SUPERVISOR KUEHL WOULD  
16  LIKE TO SAY SOME REMARKS. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

17

18  **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND TO THE AUTHOR  
19  OF THE MOTION, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, ALONG WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER.  
20  THE URGENCY OF THE MATTER IS WHAT DROVE THE AMENDMENT. 30 DAYS  
21  STRUCK ME AS JUST ENTIRELY TOO LONG BECAUSE SO MANY THINGS ARE  
22  HAPPENING, AND WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO MOVE IN REAL-TIME SO THAT  
23  WE ARE NOT BEHIND THE EIGHT BALL IN TERMS OF THE PUBLIC  
24  PERCEPTION ACROSS THE NATION IN TERMS OF HOW DATA SHOULD BE  
25  MOVING. I'M PLEASED THAT THE AUTHORS ARE PREPARED TO ACCEPT AN

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1 AMENDMENT THAT MOVES IT TO TWO WEEKS RATHER THAN FOUR WEEKS.  
2 THAT'S MORE REASONABLE. I'M PLEASED THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF  
3 PUBLIC HEALTH IS PREPARED TO STEP UP ITS GAME IN TERMS OF  
4 MOVING THE DATA FORWARD. I KNOW THAT ALL OF US ARE WORKING  
5 VERY HARD ON THE MOST UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES. DR. FERRER MAKES  
6 A POINT THAT SHE IS NOT AT HER DESK WHERE SHE USUALLY WOULD BE  
7 TO PUT HER HANDS ON THINGS TO BE ABLE TO COMMENT ON. I WOULD  
8 JUST SIMPLY SAY THAT THAT'S TRUE FOR ALL OF US, BOTH LITERALLY  
9 AND FIGURATIVELY. WE ARE NOT AT OUR DESK. WE DO WANT TO  
10 ACKNOWLEDGE THE RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS, THE FIRE DEPARTMENT,  
11 THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
12 SERVICES, WHO HAVE COME TOGETHER IN A COLLABORATIVE WITH OTHER  
13 ENTITIES TO EFFECTIVELY MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE THE MOBILE  
14 TESTING SITES, THOSE THAT ARE EMBEDDED IN COMMUNITIES AS WELL,  
15 AND TO INSIST THAT THIS DEMOGRAPHIC DATA MUST BE COLLECTED. IF  
16 IT IS NOT, WE ARE NOT DOING OUR BEST WORK. IF IT IS NOT, WE  
17 CANNOT TACKLE THIS VIRUS IN THE WAY THAT SQUARES WITH EQUITY.  
18 BUT MORE FUNDAMENTALLY, IT DOESN'T SQUARE WITH THE QUALITY OF  
19 PATIENT CARE BECAUSE WE DON'T KNOW WHO MOST NEEDS OUR  
20 INTERVENTIONS AND SUPPORTS WITHOUT IT. AND SO I THINK IT IS  
21 REALLY IMPORTANT, NOT FOR ANY GIVEN ETHNIC GROUP ALONE, BUT  
22 ACROSS THE BOARD. WE NEED TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE  
23 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BECAUSE WE SEND A SIGNIFICANT SIGNAL IN  
24 TERMS OF THE QUALITY OF WHAT WE DO AND THE WAY WE COLLECT IT.  
25 AND NOW, SOME OF THE DATA THAT WAS INITIALLY REPORTED WAS

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1 PRELIMINARY. WE KNOW THAT THE DATA, FRANKLY, IS STILL  
2 PRELIMINARY BECAUSE ALL OF THE DATA SETS ARE NOT COMPLETE, BUT  
3 THE MORE WE LEARN, THE BETTER IT IS WE CAN DO THE WORK THAT WE  
4 NEED TO DO. BUT I WOULD CAUTION ANY CONCLUSIONS TO BE  
5 DEFINITELY DRAWN AT THIS POINT IN TIME UNTIL WE HAVE MORE  
6 COMPLETE DATA. ANY PROFILES THAT SPEAK TO ETHNICITY AND THE  
7 LIKE, THEY'VE ALREADY SHIFTED. IF YOU LOOK AT THE AFRICAN-  
8 AMERICAN SECTOR, IT WAS 17 AT THE INITIAL DATA, NOW IT IS 14.  
9 INITIALLY, THE LATINO DATA SET WAS 28, NOW IT IS 33. AND SO I  
10 THINK WE NEED TO GET TO A PLACE WHERE WE CAN TALK ABOUT THIS  
11 WITH MORE CONFIDENCE IN TERMS OF THE COMPLETE INFORMATION,  
12 ALTHOUGH IT CONTINUES TO EVOLVE. THE SAME IS TRUE OF OTHER  
13 SEGMENTS OF THE POPULATION. AND THERE IS A NEED FOR US TO BE  
14 AS CLEAR AND AS FORTHRIGHT AND AS TIMELY AS POSSIBLE. I THINK  
15 THE MOTION AND THE AMENDMENTS WILL GET US THERE, AND I WISH TO  
16 THANK THE RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE INVOLVED TO GET US  
17 TO THE POINT. THE OFFICE OF THE C.E.O. HAS INTIMATELY  
18 CONNECTED AND TRIED TO BE SUPPORTIVE IN GUIDING THE EFFORT  
19 FROM ITS VANTAGE POINT. MADAM PRESIDENT, THANK YOU FOR THE  
20 OPPORTUNITY. MADAM CHAIR, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE  
21 HEARD. I'M PREPARED TO SUPPORT THE MOTION AS IT IS AMENDED

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I ALSO WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR  
24 SOLIS FOR LETTING ME COAUTHOR THIS MOTION. THERE'S NO QUESTION  
25 THAT WE, AS A BOARD, HAVE ALWAYS MADE A PRIORITY OF ACCESS TO

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1 HEALTHCARE, AND WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE NUMBERS AS IT RELATES TO  
2 THOSE WHO THIS DEADLY VIRUS HAS ATTACKED AND ACTUALLY TAKEN  
3 THE LIVES OF, THERE HAVE BEEN UNDERLYING CONDITIONS, BUT WE  
4 ALSO KNOW THAT THERE'S BEEN A DISPARITY IN TERMS OF WHO IS  
5 IMPACTED BY THIS, AND I HAVE TO BELIEVE THAT WHEN YOU LOOK AT  
6 PROGRAMS THAT THIS COUNTY HAS WORKED ON LIKE THE BLACK INFANT  
7 MORTALITY SERVICES THAT WE PROVIDE, AND I KNOW UP IN THE  
8 ANTELOPE VALLEY, ONE OF THE GREATEST CONCERNS WAS WHEN THAT  
9 MONEY GOT CUT BECAUSE, IN FACT, THE NEED HAS GONE UP, AND WE  
10 KNOW THAT WE HAVE TO PROVIDE ACCESS IN AREAS THAT OTHERWISE  
11 ARE NOT GETTING IT FOR THOSE THAT ARE DISPROPORTIONATELY  
12 IMPACTED BY THE LACK OF ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE. AND WE KNOW THAT  
13 THE UNDERLYING CONDITIONS ARE THINGS LIKE ASTHMA, DIABETES,  
14 HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE, TO NAME A FEW. SO THERE'S NO QUESTION  
15 THAT THIS CRISIS HAS HIGHLIGHTED WHAT I BELIEVE WE, AS A  
16 BOARD, HAVE ALWAYS STRUGGLED WITH AND THAT IS ENSURING THAT WE  
17 ARE PROVIDING QUALITY HEALTHCARE TO EVERYBODY, ESPECIALLY  
18 THOSE THAT ARE IMPACTED UNDER THE -- THAT ARE IMPACTED AS IT  
19 RELATES TO SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS. AND SO I THINK THIS IS GOING  
20 TO PROVIDE US WITH A GLIMPSE INTO WHERE WE NEED TO FOCUS ON  
21 PROVIDING RESOURCES, AND SO I WELCOME THE AMENDMENT,  
22 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. I BELIEVE WE ARE ALL IN THIS  
23 TOGETHER, AND I WANT TO THANK DR. FERRER BECAUSE I KNOW IN THE  
24 BEGINNING WHEN THE PRESS STARTED TO ASK THE QUESTION REGARDING  
25 WHO IS IMPACTED, AND WE STARTED LOOKING AT THE NUMBERS, IT WAS

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1 CLEAR TO US THAT THERE -- THAT THIS COVID-19 WAS IMPACTING  
2 MINORITIES FAR MORE THAN ANY OTHER POPULATION. SO I THINK THAT  
3 WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY NOW TO ADDRESS THIS THROUGH THESE  
4 MOTIONS, AND I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO ANALYZING THE RACE,  
5 ETHNIC, AND DEMOGRAPHIC DATA SO THAT WE CAN DEVELOP WITH  
6 PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH APPROACHES THAT ARE REALLY GOING TO  
7 FURTHER ASSIST OUR COUNTY RESIDENTS WITH THE CRITICAL HEALTH  
8 INTERVENTIONS AND ESSENTIAL EDUCATION CAMPAIGNS THAT WE NEED  
9 TO BUILD UPON. BECAUSE IT IS NOT WHAT WE ARE NOT ALREADY  
10 DOING, WE ARE GOING TO BUILD UPON AND DO MORE OUTREACH. AND  
11 WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU WOULD LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS?

12

13 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR. FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU TO  
14 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND YOURSELF FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION  
15 FORWARD. AND I'M SO GLAD WE'RE DOING THIS, AND I KNOW THIS IS  
16 DEFINITELY -- ONCE WE BEGAN TO UNDERSTAND, AS YOU SAID, MADAM  
17 CHAIR, THAT THIS VIRUS WAS IMPACTING SOME OF OUR COMMUNITIES  
18 MUCH MORE THAN OTHERS, WE KNOW THAT WE HAVE TO CHANGE A LITTLE  
19 BIT OF HOW WE'RE VIEWING THIS. AND I KNOW OUR REPORTING OF OUR  
20 CASES HAS BEEN PRIMARILY FOCUSED ON AGE AND PREVIOUS HEALTH  
21 CONDITIONS, AND HONESTLY A LOT OF THAT IS BASED ON WHERE THE  
22 TESTING IS BEING CONDUCTED. SO, YEAH, I THINK WE HAVE BEEN  
23 NAIVE TO THINK THAT THAT GAVE US A GREAT PICTURE OF, KIND OF,  
24 WHAT WAS HAPPENING. AND, BY THE WAY, YOU KNOW, IT'S CLEAR TO  
25 ME THAT, WHEN WE TALK ABOUT PEOPLE WITH UNDERLYING HEALTH

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1 CONDITIONS, MOST OF OUR MINORITY COMMUNITIES HAVE THE  
2 UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITION OF ASTHMA, OF RESPIRATORY  
3 DISEASES, CANCER, AS A RESULT OF AIR POLLUTION. AND WE KNOW  
4 THAT BECAUSE OF ACTUALLY CARGO-RELATED AIR POLLUTION, MANY OF  
5 OUR COMMUNITIES SUFFER A MUCH HIGHER RATE OF ASTHMA AND  
6 RESPIRATORY DISEASES. SO IT'S FAIR TO SAY THAT ALMOST ALL OF  
7 OUR RESIDENTS IN SOME OF THESE COMMUNITIES THAT ARE IMPACTED  
8 BY TRUCK TRAFFIC AND SHIP POLLUTION, THAT THEY HAVE UNDERLYING  
9 HEALTH CONDITIONS TO START WITH. AND I'VE HEARD A LOT OF MY  
10 ELECTED OFFICIALS OUT IN MY SOUTHEAST CITIES HAVE BEEN  
11 CONCERNED THAT HIGHER NUMBERS OF THOSE INFECTED IN THEIR  
12 CITIES WERE HAPPENING BUT NOT BEING REPORTED, AND MAINLY  
13 BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T HAVE A TESTING SITE. SO IT IS GOOD TO KNOW  
14 WE'RE GOING TO START A TESTING SITE IN BELLFLOWER NEXT WEEK.  
15 AND I THINK THAT WILL BE GOOD. WHAT I'M WONDERING, AND THE TWO  
16 WEEKS IS GOOD FOR US TO GET THIS REPORT BACK ON THE DATA, BUT  
17 I'M CONCERNED THAT WE'RE GOING TO LOSE TWO WEEKS IN COLLECTING  
18 SOME OF THAT DATA, PARTICULARLY AT OUR CURRENT TESTING SITES.  
19 AND I KNOW WE HAVE SOME INFORMATION AND QUESTIONS THAT WE ASK  
20 WHEN PEOPLE GET TESTED, BUT I'M WONDERING, DR. FERRER, IF SOME  
21 OF THE BACK-END QUESTIONS AND DATA THAT YOU HOPE TO GET, I  
22 DON'T KNOW, AFTER IT'S GONE TO THE LAB, OR WE GET A BETTER  
23 PICTURE FROM HOSPITALS, ARE THERE ADDED QUESTIONS THAT WE  
24 COULD ADD NOW ON THE RESERVATION PORTAL WHEN PEOPLE MAKE THEIR  
25 RESERVATIONS TO GET TESTED AT OUR CURRENT SITE SO THAT WE

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1 DON'T LOSE TWO WEEKS? IS THERE ANY OF THAT INFORMATION THAT  
2 YOU'RE TRYING TO GET ON THE BACK-END THAT WE CAN IMMEDIATELY  
3 PUT ON THE QUESTION FOR THE RESERVATIONS NOW?

4

5 **DR. FERRER:** MY UNDERSTANDING, AND I AM PRETTY POSITIVE IT  
6 ALREADY HAPPENED, IS THAT THE RACE/ETHNICITY FIELDS HAVE  
7 ALREADY BEEN ADDED TO THE APPLICATION FORM. SO WE WILL GET IT  
8 ON A MOVE-FORWARD BASIS FOR EVERYBODY WHO IS SIGNING UP AT  
9 BOTH THE CITY AND THE COUNTY DRIVE-THROUGH SITES. SO, YES, WE  
10 MADE THAT CORRECTION LAST WEEK. MY UNDERSTANDING IS I THINK I  
11 -- I THINK WE CHECKED ON FRIDAY, AND IT WAS IN THERE. SO YOU  
12 ARE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. WE DON'T NEED TO WAIT TO FIX EVERYTHING  
13

14 **SUP. HAHN:** RIGHT, I CAN SEE HOW -- YEAH. I CAN SEE -- YOU  
15 KNOW, YEAH. I CAN SEE HOW WE CAN WAIT FOR THE REPORT BACK, BUT  
16 I THINK WE SHOULDN'T LOSE TWO WEEKS IN CAPTURING THIS  
17 INFORMATION. AND IF THERE'S ANY OTHER, BESIDES RACE AND  
18 ETHNICITY AND AGE, IF THERE'S ANYTHING ELSE THAT YOU'RE HOPING  
19 TO GET ON THE BACK-END THAT MIGHT PAINT A BETTER PICTURE, IF  
20 WE COULD ADD THAT ON THE FRONT-END TO QUESTIONS WHEN PEOPLE  
21 SIGN UP TO BE TESTED

22

23 **DR. FERRER:** YEAH, I THINK IT IS A GREAT SUGGESTION. THE ONE  
24 QUESTION WE ARE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO BEST ADD IS ON  
25 OCCUPATION BECAUSE WE THINK THAT IS GOING TO BE IMPORTANT

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1 INFORMATION TO HAVE AS WE THINK ABOUT RE-OPENING AND RELAXING  
2 SOME OF OUR DISTANCING REQUIREMENTS. I THINK WE'RE GOING TO  
3 NEED TO REALLY BETTER UNDERSTAND THE DISTRIBUTION OF POSITIVE  
4 CASES BY OCCUPATION. WE COLLECT SOME REALLY GOOD INFORMATION,  
5 AND I KNOW SOME OF YOU HEARD YESTERDAY, ON HEALTHCARE WORKERS  
6 AS A WORKFORCE, BUT I'M VERY INTERESTED IN WHAT HAPPENS WITH  
7 PEOPLE WHO ARE ESSENTIAL WORKERS AND WHO ARE WORKING AT  
8 GROCERY STORES, OR ESSENTIAL WORKERS AND OUR CHILDCARE  
9 PROVIDERS. I MEAN WE HAVE OTHER PLACES WHERE WE KNOW THAT  
10 THERE'S EXPOSURES, AND WE WOULD LIKE TO BETTER UNDERSTAND  
11 THAT. SO WE'RE JUST TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT THAT FIELD WOULD  
12 LOOK LIKE, BUT I APPRECIATE YOUR WILLINGNESS TO HAVE US, YOU  
13 KNOW, DIG IN DEEPER ON WHAT YOU CAN DO ON THE APPLICATION  
14 FORMS AND THE KIND OF INFORMATION WE OUGHT TO COLLECT. SO  
15 THANK YOU FOR YOUR GUIDANCE ON THAT

16

17 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WILL END BY SAYING I  
18 THINK THAT IS, AGAIN, WE CAN WAIT TWO WEEKS FOR THE REPORT,  
19 BUT I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD LOSE ANY TIME, PARTICULARLY AT THE  
20 SITES THAT WE HAVE CONTROL OVER, THAT PEOPLE ARE GOING ONTO  
21 THE CITY'S WEBPAGE OR TO THE COUNTY'S TO MAKE RESERVATIONS  
22 BECAUSE IT SEEMS TO ME IF PEOPLE ARE GETTING TESTED OTHER WAYS  
23 THROUGH THEIR OWN DOCTOR, THROUGH THEIR HOSPITALS, THEN IT IS  
24 MORE ON THE BACK-END THAT WE GET THE INFORMATION FROM THE LAB,  
25 OR THE HOSPITAL, OR THE DOCTOR, BUT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE

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1 CONTROL, AND I THINK WE SHOULD PUT THOSE QUESTIONS ON. IF  
2 PEOPLE ANSWER THEM, GREAT. IF THEY DON'T, YOU KNOW, OKAY, BUT  
3 AT LEAST WE HAVE TRIED TO GET THAT INFORMATION UP FRONT. THANK  
4 YOU, MADAM CHAIR

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, AND BEFORE -- SUPERVISOR KUEHL  
7 WANTS TO SPEAK, BUT I JUST WANT TO SAY, SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU  
8 MENTIONED THE TESTING, AND I THINK THAT HIGHLIGHTS WHAT I WAS  
9 SAYING ABOUT ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE BECAUSE WHEN DR. KAZAN WAS  
10 LOOKING TO ROLL OUT TESTING SIDES BECAUSE WE HAD NOTHING IN  
11 PLACE, WE LOOKED AT EXISTING PROVIDERS, WHETHER IT BE  
12 F.Q.H.C.S, HEALTH HOSPITALS, AND ALL. AND WE LOOKED AT AREAS  
13 WHERE THERE PARTNERSHIPS AVAILABLE, AND I THINK WHAT YOU SEE  
14 NOW IS WHERE THERE ARE GAPS, AND THAT IS ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE,  
15 AND I THINK ONE OF THE OUTCOMES OF THIS STUDY IS GOING TO SHOW  
16 US THAT WE HAVE TO LOOK AND CONCENTRATE IN AREAS THAT, QUITE  
17 FRANKLY, DON'T HAVE TESTING SITES BECAUSE THERE WERE NO  
18 PARTNERS AVAILABLE TO PROVIDE THE TESTING SITE CAPABILITIES.  
19 SO, WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

20

21 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THAT LEADS DIRECTLY INTO A  
22 COUPLE OF POINTS I WANTED TO MAKE IN ADDITION TO THOSE ALREADY  
23 MADE, AND I THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND YOURSELF FOR THIS  
24 MOTION AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR HIS ADDITIONS. REALLY,  
25 WE'RE LOOKING AHEAD TO WHAT PEOPLE ARE BEGINNING TO CALL

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1 RECOVERY. AND THE QUESTION IS WHAT LESSONS CAN WE LEARN FROM  
2 WHAT WE'RE DOING. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO COLLECT RACIAL AND  
3 ETHNIC DEMOGRAPHIC DATA, BUT I THINK WE WILL NOT BE SURPRISED  
4 AT HOW SECURELY IT'S FASTENED TO THE NOTION OF POVERTY, THAT  
5 IF YOU ARE IMPOVERISHED IN L.A. COUNTY, YOU HAVE LESS ACCESS  
6 TO HEALTHCARE AND, THEREFORE, LESS ACCESS TO TESTING, BUT NOT  
7 TO EMERGENT SITUATIONS. AND MAYBE WE WILL BE ABLE TO LOOK IN  
8 THE FUTURE TO HOW WE CAN BETTER SERVE THOSE COMMUNITIES.  
9 SECONDLY, SUPERVISOR HAHN BROUGHT UP THE ISSUE OF  
10 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE WHICH LEADS TO THESE UNDERLYING  
11 CONDITIONS, MANY OF WHICH ARE AFFECTING BREATHING, WHICH IS A  
12 BIG PART OF MAKING PEOPLE VULNERABLE TO THIS VIRUS. THIRDLY, I  
13 THINK THE QUESTION IS, ONCE WE COLLECT THIS DATA, WHAT DO WE  
14 DO WITH IT. AND THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE ANSWERED IN TERMS OF,  
15 NOT ONLY HEALTHCARE, BUT I THINK TARGETED COMMUNICATION  
16 BECAUSE I KNOW IN OUR MICROCOMMUNITIES, OFTEN THERE ARE RUMORS  
17 THAT RUN RAMPANT, AND I DON'T KNOW IF WE HAVE REALLY TAKEN  
18 ADVANTAGE TO MUCH MORE LOCALIZED AND SEGMENTED AREAS OF  
19 COMMUNICATION TO OUR COMMUNITIES, AND I THINK IT WILL BE  
20 IMPORTANT TO TAKE A LOOK AT THAT. WHAT MESSAGES, WHAT TRUSTED  
21 MESSENGERS, AND WHAT TRUSTED AREAS OF MESSAGE CAN WE USE FOR  
22 THESE VERY POPULATIONS? THE LAST THING I WANTED TO SAY IS  
23 THAT, IN THE L.G.B.T.Q. COMMUNITY, THERE HAS BEEN SOME REAL  
24 CONCERN ABOUT THE FACT THAT WE HAVE, SORT OF, ANECDOTAL DATA  
25 ABOUT A GREATER IMPACT, BUT REALLY NOTHING TO RELY ON. I DO

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1 NOT SEEK TO ADD ANYTHING ABOUT THAT TO THIS MOTION BECAUSE I  
2 THINK THAT WILL BE A DIFFERENT CONSIDERATION AND ONE THAT WE  
3 MAY WANT TO LOOK AT SEPARATELY. I KNOW I'M VERY CONCERNED  
4 ABOUT THE SEPARATE UNITS IN OUR JAILS THAT ARE REALLY CROWDED,  
5 AND WE WANT TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT WHETHER THEY  
6 ARE ABLE TO PRACTICE BETTER HEALTH APPROACHES AND DISTANCING  
7 AND, YOU KNOW, WHAT WE DO IN ADDITION TO GETTING PEOPLE OUT OF  
8 OUR JAILS. SO AGAIN, THANK YOU. WITH THOSE CONSIDERATIONS IN  
9 MIND FOR THE FUTURE, I'D CERTAINLY STRONGLY SUPPORT THIS  
10 CURRENT MOTION AND THE REVISIONS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, WOULD YOU  
13 LIKE TO MAKE ANY CLOSING COMMENTS?

14

15 **SUP. SOLIS:** REALLY JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO ALL THE BOARD  
16 MEMBERS BECAUSE EVERYONE HAS MADE SOME VERY SIGNIFICANT  
17 DISCUSSION AND ITEMS THAT OBVIOUSLY WE KNOW WE HAVE TO MOVE  
18 FORWARD IN REALLY OBTAINING THE BEST INFORMATION, AND  
19 OBVIOUSLY IT IS IN THAT SPIRIT THAT I PUT THIS MOTION FORWARD  
20 AND I THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR WORKING WITH US, AND I  
21 APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK OF SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, KUEHL,  
22 JANICE. WE ALL AGREE THAT WE HAVE MUCH MORE WORK TO DO, AND  
23 THIS WILL CERTAINLY HELP US WHEN THERE IS A NEXT PANDEMIC OR  
24 DISASTER. AND I THINK WE LEARN. WE LEARN SO MUCH WHEN WE DO AN  
25 ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATE AND THEN UNDERSTAND WHERE WE NEED TO

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1 PIVOT NEXT. SO THANK YOU. WITH THAT, I'M HAPPY TO ACCEPT THE  
2 REVISED AMENDMENTS AND ALSO LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR SUPPORT ON  
3 THIS, MADAM CHAIR, AND THE MEMBERS. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SO, BEFORE WE VOTE, I'D LIKE TO  
6 REFLECT THAT THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS SUBMITTED COMMENTS ON  
7 AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 5, ALL SUBMITTED COMMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE  
8 MOTION AND THAT IS JOSEPH MAIZLISH, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL,  
9 REBECCA QUINTE, AND GEORGE BUZZETTI. THOSE ARE THE FOUR THAT  
10 SUBMITTED ON THIS ITEM. SO, WITH THAT, ITEM 5 AS AMENDED BY  
11 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND RIDLEY-THOMAS IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY  
12 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY MYSELF TO APPROVE THIS ITEM AS  
13 AMENDED. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT  
14 WILL BE THE ORDER. THANK YOU. NOW WE WILL GO ON TO ITEM NUMBER  
15 6, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. IT IS SUPPORTING  
16 INCARCERATED YOUTH'S TRANSITION BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY.  
17 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE OPENING COMMENTS?

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES BRIEFLY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THIS IS A  
20 VERY IMPORTANT ITEM. I THINK THAT MANY OF US HAVE TIME AND  
21 TIME AGAIN UNDERSTOOD THE VALUE OF REALLY HELPING OUR YOUNG  
22 PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE THAT ARE IN NEED OF RE-  
23 ENTRY SERVICES. THERE'S SO MANY CHALLENGES THAT WE FACE,  
24 INCLUDING THOSE YOUTH THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN OUR CARE. AND I'M  
25 HAPPY THAT THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE,

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1 COMMONLY REFERRED TO D.J.J., DETAINS YOUTH UP TO 25 YEARS OF  
2 AGE WHO ARE SENTENCED THROUGH THE JUVENILE COURTS AND FOUND  
3 NOT SUITABLE FOR CONFINEMENT IN OUR COUNTY FACILITIES. AND AS  
4 YOU KNOW L.A. COUNTY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR NEARLY 25 PERCENT OF  
5 THE YOUTH WHO ARE IN OUR FACILITIES, AND SIDE-WIDE, WHICH  
6 MEANS THAT THESE YOUNG PEOPLE RETURN TO OUR COUNTY ON RELEASE.  
7 AND WHILE D.J.J. IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING SERVICES AND  
8 PROGRAMMING, SOMETIMES THOSE PROGRAMS ARE LACKING. AND IT HAS  
9 BEEN BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION, I KNOW TO THIS BOARD AS WELL,  
10 THAT IF WE DON'T MAKE IMPROVEMENTS, WE ARE GOING TO SEE THAT  
11 RECIDIVISM RATE COME BACK. AND THAT'S WHAT WE WANT TO TRY TO  
12 ALLAY, THAT WE DON'T GET THERE, THAT WE REALLY HELP TO ADDRESS  
13 THE GAPS IN MENTAL HEALTHCARE, EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT,  
14 TRAINING, AND SUPPORTS THAT ARE VERY MUCH NEEDED FOR THIS  
15 COMMUNITY. AND I'M HAPPY THAT WE'RE WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP  
16 THROUGH THIS MOTION WITH THE FEDERAL AMERICORPS FUNDING THAT  
17 WAS ESTABLISHED SOME THREE YEARS AGO TO HELP PROVIDE  
18 EMPLOYMENT FOR THESE YOUNG PEOPLE, BUT TO DO IT WITH OUR  
19 PARTNERS. AND I'M REALLY HAPPY THAT OUR C.E.O. WAS VERY MUCH  
20 ENGAGED, HER OFFICE, ON THIS EFFORT, AND IT IS JUST A  
21 CONTINUANCE OF OUR EFFORTS TO PARTNER AGAIN WITH THE COUNTY'S  
22 MY BROTHER'S KEEPER INITIATIVE, WHICH WE STARTED SOME YEARS  
23 AGO. I THINK IT HAS BEEN A GREAT SUCCESS FOR US AS WE MOVE  
24 FORWARD, AND I DEFINITELY WANTED TO THANK ALL OF OUR COMMUNITY  
25 PARTNERS WHO WILL ALSO HELP TO PARTICIPATE AND SERVE AS

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1 MENTORS AND THOSE NAVIGATORS FOR THESE YOUNG PEOPLE, IF I  
2 COULD JUST NAME THEM, THE ANTIRECIDIVISM COALITION, THE INSIDE  
3 OUT RIDERS, BREAKING THROUGH BARRIERS TO SUCCESS, HEALING  
4 URBAN BARRIOS, DEFY VENTURES, BOYLE HEIGHTS ARTS CONSERVATORY,  
5 THE AMITY FOUNDATION, THE CHILDREN'S DEFENSE FUND OF  
6 CALIFORNIA, THE SOCIAL JUSTICE LEARNING INSTITUTE, AMAD, AND  
7 CENTRO C.H.A. AGAIN, I JUST WANT TO THANK ALL OF OUR  
8 STAKEHOLDERS AND ESPECIALLY WORKING ALONGSIDE WITH OUR YOUTH  
9 DIVERSION AND DEVELOPMENT UNIT OF OUR OFFICE OF DIVERSION AND  
10 RE-ENTRY, WHICH IS REALLY IN A UNIQUE POSITION TO HELP US  
11 ADMINISTER AND MOVE THIS EFFORT FORWARD. SO I WANT TO THANK  
12 ALL OUR PARTNERS, AND I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD MEMBERS AS  
13 WELL BECAUSE THIS HAS BEEN SOMETHING THAT I THINK THERE IS A  
14 TRUE FONDNESS AND REAL EFFORT TO TRY TO MAKE THE LIVES OF OUR  
15 YOUNG PEOPLE THAT ARE IN OUR CARE MUCH BETTER, AND NOW IS ONE  
16 OF THOSE TIMES TO STEP UP, ESPECIALLY WITH THE COVID PANDEMIC.  
17 SO I WOULD ASK RESPECTFULLY FOR YOUR SUPPORT ON THIS MOTION.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. JUST FOR THE RECORD, WE'RE  
20 STILL EXPERIENCING INTERMITTENT ISSUES WITH THE PHONE LINES.  
21 AND WE ARE POINTING ATTENDEES TO THE WEB AND CABLE. I JUST  
22 WANT TO LET YOU KNOW THAT. I KNOW SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU HAD  
23 EXPRESSED IT EARLY ON IN THE MEETING. SO WE ARE STILL  
24 STRUGGLING WITH THAT. IT GOES IN AND OUT. I DON'T SEE ANY  
25 OTHER SUPERVISORS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP OR WISH TO SPEAK ON THIS

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1 ITEM. SO, WITH THAT, ITEM 6 IS BEFORE US. MOVED, WELL, BEFORE  
2 I DO THAT, I'M SORRY. I HAVE TWO INDIVIDUALS THAT SIGNED UP TO  
3 SPEAK, OR THAT, I'M SORRY, THAT SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY  
4 TESTIMONIES IN FAVOR OF ITEM 6, AND THAT IS JOSEPH MAIZLISH  
5 AND ERIC PREVEN. AGAIN, THOSE TWO SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD,  
6 AND WE ALL HAD ACCESS TO THOSE COMMENTS. SO, WITH THAT, ITEM 6  
7 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY  
8 SUPERVISOR KUEHL TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. IF THERE ARE NO  
9 OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. NOW,  
10 WE ARE GOING TO MOVE ON TO ITEM NUMBER 8, PILOTING A  
11 COMPREHENSIVE RESPONSE CRISIS TO ENSURE POST-COVID-19 HOUSING  
12 FOR HOMELESS OLDER ADULTS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SUPERVISOR  
13 RIDLEY-THOMAS, PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC, AND YOU MAY MAKE  
14 OPENING REMARKS

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. WE  
17 ARE ALL IN TREMENDOUS DEBT OF GRATITUDE TO INCREDIBLE COUNTY  
18 EMPLOYEES, OUR DISASTER SERVICE WORKERS, AS WE HAVE COME TO  
19 CALL THEM, AND OUR COMMITTED NON-PROFIT PARTNERS WHO ARE  
20 STANDING UP SITES TO SERVICE THOSE AT RISK OR SEEK -- OR ARE  
21 EITHER SICK WITH THE CORONAVIRUS. AND WHILE THIS IS  
22 UNPRECEDENTED, SUPERVISOR HAHN AND I HAVE ADVANCED THIS MOTION  
23 BECAUSE WE BELIEVE WE MUST BE SEVERAL STEPS AHEAD AS WE MOUNT,  
24 NOT JUST A COMPREHENSIVE, BUT A SUSTAINED CRISIS RESPONSE TO  
25 KEEP THE HOMELESS THAT ARE COMING INDOORS HOUSED FOR THE LONG-

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1 TERM. MADAM CHAIR, COLLEAGUES, WE DON'T WANT TO HAVE ADDRESSED  
2 A PART OF THIS CRISIS WITHIN A CRISIS ONLY TO COME OUT OF THE  
3 CRISIS AND FACE YET ANOTHER CRISIS. AND WE HAVE A LOT OF TOOLS  
4 IN OUR ARSENAL WHICH NEED TO BE STRATEGICALLY PRIORITIZED.  
5 THIS INCLUDES HOUSING VOUCHERS AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING UNITS  
6 THAT ARE COMING ONLINE WITH MEASURE H, AS WELL AS PROPOSITION  
7 H.H.H. FUNDING, AS WELL AS THE RAPID REHOUSING SLOTS, AND V.A.  
8 RESOURCES. THE STATE HAS STEPPED UP, AS YOU WELL KNOW, BUT IT  
9 IS TIME TO HAVE REAL CONVERSATIONS, NOT WHEN THE DISASTER  
10 FUNDING RUNS OUT, AND WE NEED TO LEVERAGE EVERY TOOL, I  
11 REPEAT, EVERY TOOL WE HAVE AT OUR DISPOSAL, AND WE WILL NEED  
12 SUSTAINED LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL REVENUE FOR SUSTAINING THE  
13 OUTCOMES THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO POINT TO. SO, MADAM CHAIR,  
14 GIVEN THE URGENCY OF THIS ISSUE, I'D LIKE TO AMEND THE INITIAL  
15 REPORT BACK TO 30 DAYS AND THE SUBSEQUENT REPORT BACK TO  
16 HAPPEN IN 45 DAYS. AND I WILL LEAVE IT AT THAT RIGHT NOW.  
17 THERE MAY BE OTHERS THAT WISH TO BE HEARD, MADAM CHAIR, BUT I  
18 WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER WHO IS TAKING  
19 THE LEAD IN THIS EFFORT TO BE AFFORDED AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE  
20 HEARD AND THEN CIRCLE BACK TO THE BALANCE OF THE MEMBERS OF  
21 THE BOARD ON THE ITEM AT HAND. MADAM CHAIR

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, I  
24 ACTUALLY GOING TO ASK IF WE COULD ACCELERATE THAT. SO I  
25 APPRECIATE YOU AMENDING IT TO REFLECT 30 DAYS. I KNOW OVER THE

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1 LAST FEW WEEKS, I HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH JUDGE CARTER WHO  
2 IS VERY ENGAGED AS IT RELATES TO WHAT WE'RE DOING IN THE  
3 COUNTY AND, BY THE WAY, HAS BEEN VERY COMPLIMENTARY OF THE  
4 FACT THAT WE ARE COLLABORATING WITH NOT ONLY L.A. CITY, BUT  
5 ALL THE CITIES, AND THAT WE HAVE PUT THIS AS AN URGENCY. NO  
6 DOUBT COVID-19 HAS ACCELERATED THIS PROCESS, BUT HE HAS BEEN  
7 VERY IMPRESSED WITH THE COLLABORATION AMONGST ALL OF OUR  
8 COUNTY PARTNERS. BUT THE SENSE OF URGENCY IS THERE, SO I  
9 APPRECIATE THAT AMENDMENT.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU WANTED TO MAKE A  
14 COMMENT?

15

16 **SUP. HAHN:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU, AND I'M  
17 REALLY PROUD TO COAUTHOR THIS WITH SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.  
18 AND, YOU KNOW, THERE'S SO MANY HORRIBLE THINGS ABOUT THIS  
19 VIRUS, UNSPEAKABLE TRAGEDIES AS IT RELATES TO THIS VIRUS, BUT  
20 IF THERE WAS ONE LITTLE SILVER LINING ABOUT THIS PANDEMIC, I  
21 THINK IT HAS CAUSED US TO LOOK AT HOMELESSNESS LIKE THE  
22 EMERGENCY AND DISASTER THAT IT REALLY IS. AND I KNOW  
23 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS HAS BEEN SAYING THIS FOR A WHILE, AND  
24 I KNOW I HAVE, LIKE, LET'S TREAT THIS HOMELESSNESS CRISIS LIKE  
25 WE WOULD A FLOOD, A FIRE, OR ANY OTHER NATURAL DISASTER. AND I

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1 THINK THAT'S WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW, AND I WANTED TO GIVE A  
2 SHOUT-OUT TO OUR GOVERNOR, GOVERNOR NEWSOM, FOR PROJECT ROOM  
3 KEY, WHICH SEEKS TO MASTER LEASE HUNDREDS OF HOTEL AND MOTEL  
4 ROOMS ACROSS THE STATE FOR THIS VULNERABLE POPULATION. AND  
5 AGAIN, WE WERE BEGINNING TO DO THAT IN THE COUNTY. WE WERE  
6 BEGINNING TO EXPLORE THE IDEA OF MASTER LEASES FOR OUR  
7 HOMELESS POPULATION, AND I JUST THINK THIS PANDEMIC HAS  
8 ACCELERATED ALL OF OUR EFFORTS TO, AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE, GET  
9 OUR HOMELESS PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS AND INTO A SAFE, WARM,  
10 ENVIRONMENT WHERE WE CAN REALLY BEGIN HELPING THEM AND  
11 PROVIDING THE CASE WORK THAT THEY NEED TO, TO MOVE ON WITH  
12 THEIR LIVES. BUT SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS IS RIGHT. WHAT NEXT?  
13 WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THIS? IT IS HARD FOR US TO EVEN COMPREHEND  
14 WHAT IT IS GOING TO BE LIKE AFTER THIS. IT IS VERY HARD TO  
15 KNOW WHAT THAT LIGHT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL IS DURING THIS  
16 PANDEMIC. BUT IT IS SO APPROPRIATE THAT WE THINK NOW, WHAT  
17 WILL HAPPEN AFTER THIS PANDEMIC IS OVER, WHAT DO WE DO WITH  
18 ALL THOSE THAT WE HAVE BROUGHT INSIDE TO KEEP THEM FROM  
19 GETTING THE VIRUS. AND THAT'S WHAT THIS IS GOING TO DO, AND I  
20 REALLY APPRECIATE THE C.E.O., L.A.H.S.A., ALL OF OUR COUNTY  
21 DEPARTMENTS WHO ARE WORKING TO PROVIDE LONG-TERM HOUSING  
22 OPTIONS TO THE HOMELESS. AND WE'RE FOCUSING ON SENIORS RIGHT  
23 NOW, 65 AND OVER, THAT WE'RE CARING FOR DURING THIS CRISIS AND  
24 WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO THEM. SO I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT, AND I  
25 LIKE THAT THIS PROGRAM IS WORKING TO BRING ALL INDIVIDUALS

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1 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS WHO ARE 65 AND OLDER INTO HOUSING.  
2 AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU ARE EXACTLY RIGHT. YOU KNOW,  
3 WE CAN'T JUST TALK ABOUT ENDING HOMELESSNESS DURING THIS  
4 CRISIS. WE REALLY HAVE TO LOOK AT HOMELESSNESS AS THE  
5 CONTINUING CRISIS THAT WE HAVE BEEN FACED WITH. UNBEKNOWNST TO  
6 ANY OF US, WE HAD NO IDEA THAT WE WERE GOING TO HAVE THIS  
7 PANDEMIC, BUT WE DO KNOW THAT WE HAVE HOMELESSNESS, AND WE DO  
8 KNOW THE REAL CHALLENGES THAT PEOPLE HAVE WHO ARE LIVING ON  
9 OUR STREET. SO I SUPPORT THIS. I HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET  
10 WITH JUDGE CARTER YESTERDAY. I WANTED TO SHOW HIM OUR COUNTY  
11 SHELTER IN SAN PEDRO, AND IT SEEMS LIKE A LIFETIME AGO WHEN WE  
12 HAD THAT BOARD PRESENTATION WHERE I SHOWED ALL OF YOU HOW ALL  
13 OF OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS CAME TOGETHER IN SIX WEEKS TO REHAB  
14 AN EMPTY COUNTY BUILDING INTO A 40-BED SHELTER. IT IS NOW FULL  
15 TO CAPACITY, WITH A WAITING LIST. AND I AGREE, SUPERVISOR  
16 BARGER, HE IS IMPRESSED WITH WHAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO DO IN  
17 THE COUNTY AND HOW WE WORK WITH ALL OF OUR PARTNERS TO DO  
18 EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO BRING THOSE WHO ARE ON THE STREETS  
19 INSIDE. BUT THIS MOTION IS SO PERFECT. IT IS OUR WHAT'S NEXT,  
20 WHAT HAPPENS LATER, HOW DO WE -- HOW DO WE CONTINUE TO HELP  
21 THOSE WHO NEED OUR HELP. SO THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK  
22 YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I SEE THAT NO ONE ELSE SIGNED  
25 UP, BUT I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT ONE THING THAT I HAVE TALKED

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1 TO PEOPLE ABOUT. IT IS AMAZING HOW WE CAN MOVE MOUNTAINS THE  
2 WAY WE HAVE IN HOUSING INDIVIDUALS IN HOTELS AND MOTELS, AND I  
3 KNOW I CAN SPEAK FROM MY DISTRICT. WE'VE HAD NO PUSH BACK  
4 WHATSOEVER FROM ANY OF OUR COMMUNITIES AS IT RELATES TO THE  
5 LEASES FOR THESE MOTELS AND HOTELS, WHICH TELLS ME WHERE  
6 THERE'S A WILL, THERE'S A WAY. AND I'M REALLY PROUD, I THINK  
7 SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU SAID IT OF THE STATE AND THE COUNTY FOR  
8 WHAT WE'VE DONE IN THE SHORT PERIOD OF TIME. AND SO WITH EVERY  
9 DARK CLOUD, THERE'S A SILVER LINING, AND I REALLY DO BELIEVE  
10 THIS JUST REALLY HEIGHTENS WHAT WE CAN DO TOGETHER. AND I'M  
11 REALLY PROUD OF THAT. AND I'M PROUD TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION. SO  
12 WE HAVE ON THIS ITEM NUMBER 8, WE DO -- WELL, GO AHEAD,  
13 SUPERVISORS RIDLEY-THOMAS?

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEAH, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HEARD ME EARLIER  
16 WHEN I SAID THE C.E.O. HAD SOME REMARKS IN TERMS OF --

17

18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OH, I'M SORRY. I'M SORRY, I DIDN'T. C.E.O.  
19 SACHI?

20

21 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** HI, I'M ON, THANK YOU. THANK YOU,  
22 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR THIS MOTION.  
23 AS WE CONTINUE TO ADD ON ADDITIONAL HOTEL AND MOTEL ROOMS, I  
24 THINK IT IS IMPORTANT, AS ALL OF YOU HAVE INDICATED, THAT ONCE  
25 THE PANDEMIC IS OVER, KIND OF WHAT IS THE NEXT STEP TO ENSURE

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1 THAT WE CONTINUE TO PROVIDE A ROOF OVER EVERYONE'S HEADS. AND  
2 SO, WITH THAT, I KNOW THIS MOTION IS SPECIFIC TO JUST THE  
3 SENIORS, BUT PLEASE DO KNOW THAT OUR TEAM HAS ALREADY BEEN  
4 WORKING ON SOME PLANS TO START TO MOBILIZE IN THAT EFFORT OF  
5 TAKING THE NEXT STEP. AND, AS WE CONTINUE THROUGH THE PANDEMIC  
6 AND BRINGING ON THE MORE AND MORE HOTEL, MOTEL ROOMS, WE ARE  
7 ALSO TRYING TO WORK THROUGH WHAT THE TRANSITION PLAN WILL BE.  
8 AND I THINK, OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS, WE WILL START TO SHOW  
9 THAT WITH ALL OF YOUR OFFICES. BUT FOR TODAY'S MEETING ON THIS  
10 ITEM, PHIL ANSELL IS ALSO ON, AND HE CAN SPEAK SPECIFICALLY TO  
11 THE SENIORS. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, WOULD YOU LIKE  
14 PHIL ANSELL TO SAY ANYTHING?

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES, JUST THE SPECIFICS OF THE EFFORT  
17 BEFORE US, I THINK, WOULD BE WORTH OUR HEARING, MADAM CHAIR.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, MR. ANSELL, ARE YOU ON?

20

21 **PHIL ANSELL:** YES, I AM. CAN YOU HEAR ME? THANK YOU VERY MUCH,  
22 SUPERVISORS. IN JANUARY, THE BOARD APPROVED A MOTION THAT,  
23 AMONG OTHER THINGS, DIRECTED THE C.E.O. TO CONVENE A GROUP OF  
24 CORE PARTNERS FROM L.A.H.S.A., D.H.S., D.M.H., AND OTHERS TO  
25 DEVELOP A FRAMEWORK FOR GUARANTEEING SHELTER OR HOUSING FOR

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1 ALL PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN A PARTICULAR  
2 POPULATION WHO DESIRE SHELTER OR HOUSING. AND WE REPORTED BACK  
3 IN LATE MARCH WITH A RECOMMENDATION THAT IF IT'S THE BOARD'S  
4 DESIRE TO MOVE FORWARD, WITH SUCH AN APPROACH, THAT WE TARGET  
5 PEOPLE 65 AND OVER. AS HAS BEEN MENTIONED, OF COURSE, WITH  
6 PROJECT ROOM KEY, WE ARE FOCUSED ON PEOPLE EXPERIENCING  
7 HOMELESSNESS WHO ARE EITHER OVER 65 AND/OR HAVE A CHRONIC  
8 HEALTH CONDITION WHICH MAKES THEM PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE IN  
9 THE EVENT THAT THEY CONTRACT COVID-19. SO IN THIS CONTEXT,  
10 THIS MOTION REALLY HAS A TWO-STEP FOCUS. FIRST, IT DIRECTS A  
11 FOCUS AND THIS IS THE INITIAL REPORT BACK WHICH WILL NOW BE IN  
12 30 DAYS ON ENABLING THOSE PEOPLE OVER 65 WHO ARE BROUGHT INTO  
13 OUR HOTEL OR MOTEL THROUGH PROBLEM ROOM KEY TO EXIT THE HOTEL  
14 OR MOTEL THROUGH EITHER ALTERNATIVE INTERIM HOUSING OR,  
15 IDEALLY, THROUGH PERMANENT HOUSING, AND WE WILL ADDRESS THAT  
16 AS PART OF THE OVERALL APPROACH WHICH SACHI REFERENCED TO DO  
17 EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO ENSURE THAT EVERYONE BROUGHT INDOORS  
18 THROUGH PROJECT ROOM KEY EXITS TO EITHER TO INTERIM OR  
19 PERMANENT HOUSING. THEN SECONDLY, TODAY'S ITEM NUMBER 8  
20 DIRECTS US TO REPORT BACK ON AN INTERIM BASIS IN 45 DAYS WITH  
21 A FINAL REPORT THEREAFTER ON AN APPROACH THAT WOULD GUARANTEE  
22 SHELTER OR HOUSING FOR EVERY PERSON OVER 65 EXPERIENCING  
23 HOMELESSNESS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHO DESIRES SHELTER OR  
24 HOUSING. AND THAT WILL, OF COURSE, BUILD ON THE WORK THAT WE  
25 WILL DO WITH SENIORS BROUGHT INDOORS THROUGH PROJECT ROOM KEY.

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1 FINALLY, I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE THAT IN ANTICIPATION OF THE  
2 BOARD'S APPROVAL OF TODAY'S MOTION, WE HAVE ALREADY REACHED  
3 OUT TO PROFESSOR DENNIS CALHEIN, ONE OF, IF NOT THE, LEADING  
4 HOMELESS RESEARCHERS IN THE UNITED STATES WHO HAS PREVIOUSLY  
5 COMPLETED A GROUNDBREAKING REPORT ON OLDER ADULT HOMELESSNESS  
6 FOCUSED ON LOS ANGELES AND TWO OTHER COMMUNITIES, AND WE  
7 INTEND TO CONTRACT WITH PROFESSOR CALHEIN TO WORK AS A  
8 CONSULTANT TO SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE VARIOUS REPORTS  
9 IN RESPONSE TO TODAY'S MOTION.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY. PHIL ANSELL, YOU SAID 45 DAYS. I  
12 THINK THE SUPERVISOR SAID 30

13

14 **PHIL ANSELL:** I BELIEVE THAT THE INITIAL REPORT BACK IS 30  
15 DAYS. THAT IS WITH RESPECT TO --

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** GOT IT, OKAY.

18

19 **PHIL ANSELL:** SENIORS INDOOR THROUGH PROJECT ROOM KEY. THE 45  
20 DAY INTERIM REPORT IS WITH RESPECT TO THE BROADER POPULATION  
21 OF PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS WHO ARE OVER 65.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** TO YOUR POINT, MADAM CHAIR, ORIGINALLY IT  
24 WAS 45 DAYS. WE CUT IT TO 30. THAT IS WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED,  
25 AND THE LATTER PART WAS 90 DAYS, WHICH WE ARE NOW SUGGESTING

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1 OR RECOMMENDING IT BE 45. AND SO THE URGENCY OF THE MATTER  
2 PERVADES THE ENTIRE DISCUSSION, AND I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT  
3 YOU WERE ON THE SAME WAVELENGTH WITH YOUR EARLIER REMARKS. WE  
4 JUST NEED TO MOVE AND MOVE WITH ALL EFFORT AND URGENCY  
5 POSSIBLE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU HAD A  
8 QUESTION?

9

10 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WAS JUST A LITTLE  
11 CONFUSED ON PHIL'S SPEAKING ABOUT THIS LEADING EXPERT THAT  
12 WE'RE GOING TO HIRE AS A CONSULTANT TO HELP US DO THIS. IS  
13 THAT PART OF THIS, THAT WE'RE HIRING A CONSULTANT TO IMPLEMENT  
14 THIS MOTION? I WASN'T CLEAR ON THE CONCEPT OF HIRING YET  
15 ANOTHER CONSULTANT.

16

17 **PHIL ANSELL:** YES, THANK YOU SUPERVISOR. WE'VE CONCLUDED THAT  
18 PROFESSOR CALHEIN WILL BE HELPFUL, NOT PRIMARILY IN RELATION  
19 TO THE INITIAL RESPONSE WITH RESPECT TO PEOPLE INDOORS  
20 THROUGH PROJECT ROOM KEY, BUT RATHER IN TERMS OF AN ONGOING  
21 EFFORT THAT WE WOULD IMPLEMENT TO TRY TO ELIMINATE  
22 HOMELESSNESS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AMONG PEOPLE OVER 65. WE  
23 HAVE CONCLUDED THAT HIS EXPERTISE WOULD BE EXTREMELY HELPFUL  
24 IN BOTH ESTIMATING IN FLOW AND OUT FLOW FOR OLDER ADULTS WITH  
25 HOMELESSNESS AND ALSO DRILLING INTO THE VARIOUS FUNDING

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1 SOURCES, PARTICULARLY MEDICAID, THAT CAN BE BROUGHT TO BEAR IN  
2 ASSISTING THIS POPULATION. AS I MENTIONED, HE HAS COMPLETED A  
3 GROUNDBREAKING ANALYSIS THAT RELATES DIRECTLY TO THIS ISSUE. I  
4 CAN ASSURE YOU THAT ENGAGING PROFESSOR CALHEIN WILL EXPEDITE  
5 OUR ABILITY TO RESPOND, NOT SLOW IT DOWN.

6

7 **SUP. HAHN:** WELL, I MEAN, I'M NOT CONVINCED, BUT I DON'T KNOW  
8 WHO MADE THIS DECISION OR HOW WE EVALUATED THIS OR WAS THIS AN  
9 R.F.P. OR WHOSE MONEY IS PAYING FOR THIS CONSULTANT. THIS WAS  
10 NEW NEWS TO ME. I JUST HAD NOT HEARD THIS AND DID NOT KNOW HOW  
11 WE MAKE THESE DECISIONS ON HIRING MORE CONSULTANTS.

12

13 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** I ACTUALLY THINK THAT'S A GOOD QUESTION,  
14 AND I WOULD ASK MR. ANSELL TO PROVIDE HOW THAT IS BEING PAID  
15 FOR AND HOW YOU MADE THAT SELECTION.

16

17 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** YOU KNOW WHAT, SUPERVISOR BARGER, THANK  
18 YOU, AND SUPERVISOR HAHN, THANK YOU. I WILL MEET WITH PHIL  
19 OFFLINE, AND WE WILL PROVIDE YOUR BOARD WITH AN UPDATE AFTER  
20 THIS MEETING TODAY. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ANY OTHER COMMENTS? ALL RIGHT.  
23 WITH THAT, THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS SUBMITTED COMMENTS ON  
24 ITEM NUMBER 8, AND ALL WERE IN FAVOR AMY WANG, OLIVIA GRACE  
25 GLEASON, DELIA BROWN, CANDACE SAY, JESSICA CRAVEN, CINDY GATE,

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1 EMILY SKEEN, ELIZA HARRIS, REBECCA WIKER, ARMANDO GARCIA,  
2 ANDREA TATTERSFIELD, ALEJANDRA AGERE, HEATHER BOOTH, ALANA  
3 HOLT, NICOLE GERLWEILER, VALERIE ABAKER, CARINA SOTO, CARRY  
4 MELENDRES, SOMI JUN, PASHA HILL, MARINA MENDOZA, JOSEPH  
5 MAIZLISH, MARY LESLEY, AUDREY GEORGE, ISABELLE BARBERA,  
6 MADELINE MOORE, LAURA COLAM, JULIA CORBER, ARTURO CASTRO, JR.,  
7 JACQUELINE BURBANK, LAURI CHANDLER, CHRISTINA YGLERES,  
8 ALEJANDRO MONTEGURO, BEN NICHOLSON, LAURA P. MORALES GARCIA,  
9 TRINIDAD RUIZ, MEGAN YU, SUSAN HUNTER, WESLEY RUTLIN, ESME  
10 GERMAN SNOW CHOCAT TORRES, JAMES KING, MICKEY JACKSON,  
11 CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS, ANDREA CORALES, SAGE SCANDLON PEREZ,  
12 LESLEY ASTRADA FLYNN, CASEY CAZER, LAUREN NATOLI, ROSS ZELAND,  
13 PATRICK RANGE MCDONALD, DELIA BERLITO, ANGELA LOGAN, GEORGE  
14 BUZZETTI, ERIC PREVEN, AND ZACK MARKS. ALL SUBMITTED IN FAVOR  
15 OF THIS MOTION. SO ITEM 8, AS AMENDED, IS BEFORE US, MOVED BY  
16 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO  
17 APPROVE THIS ITEM. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS  
18 VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. THANK YOU, COLLEAGUES. NOW WE'RE  
19 GOING TO MOVE ON TO ITEM 42A, EXPANSION OF TENANT PROTECTIONS  
20 DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS TO PRESERVE INCREASED HOUSING  
21 SECURITY AND STABILITY AND TO PREVENT FURTHER HOMELESSNESS.  
22 AND THAT ITEM ACTUALLY WAS HELD BY MYSELF SIMPLY TO BRING IN  
23 AN AMENDMENT TO THIS, AND I WILL JUST READ THE I THEREFORE  
24 MOVES ON THIS ITEM. THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REVISE  
25 EXECUTIVE ORDER TO TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS, 1) FOR

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1 COMMERCIAL TENANTS, INCLUDE A PROVISION FOR SELF CERTIFICATION  
2 FOR BUSINESSES WITH LESS THAN 10 EMPLOYEES, AND THEN I FURTHER  
3 MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INSTRUCT THE DEPARTMENT OF  
4 CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS TO 1) ESTABLISH A DEDICATED  
5 WEBPAGE TO DOCUMENT, MAINTAIN, AND PROVIDE THE LATEST  
6 INFORMATION REGARDING CITIES THAT HAVE EXISTING LOCAL EVICTION  
7 MORATORIUMS IN PLACE AND CITIES THAT IMPLEMENT LOCAL EVICTION  
8 MORATORIUM AFTER THE ADOPTION OF THESE ACTIONS AND WOULD BE  
9 EXEMPT FROM THE COUNTY'S MORATORIUM. THAT WOULD BE MY  
10 AMENDMENT, AND I KNOW THAT WE HAVE SUBMITTED THAT FOR EVERYONE  
11 TO REVIEW. SUPERVISOR -- I'M SORRY, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS:** YEAH. SUPERVISOR BARGER, I DON'T HAVE AN ISSUE  
14 WITH YOUR AMENDMENT. I THINK THAT'S FINE. I BELIEVE THAT IT IS  
15 APPROPRIATE, AND I UNDERSTAND SUPERVISOR HAHN HAS AN AMENDMENT  
16 AS WELL THAT I'M PREPARED TO ACCEPT AS WELL, IF SHE WANTS TO  
17 MENTION THAT OR READ IT IN.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO  
20 INTRODUCE THAT, AND THEN SUPERVISOR KUEHL HAS ASKED TO SPEAK.

21

22 **SUP. HAHN:** YES, THANK YOU. I JUST WANTED TO -- WELL, DO YOU  
23 WANT TO HAVE SUPERVISOR KUEHL SPEAK FIRST SINCE SHE IS  
24 COAUTHOR?

25

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1    **SUP. SOLIS:** IT DOESN'T MATTER.

2

3    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** IT IS UP TO YOU. I JUST THINK IF YOU PUT  
4    YOUR MOTION ON THE TABLE AND THEN SUPERVISOR KUEHL CAN  
5    RESPOND.

6

7    **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY. WELL, I -- OBVIOUSLY, THIS MOTION HELPS TO  
8    PROTECT THE INTERESTS OF OUR TENANTS. IT FREEZES RENT  
9    INCREASES TO RESIDENTIAL HOMES, MOBILE HOME PARK TENANTS, I  
10   APPRECIATE YOU ALL GETTING THAT IN THERE. LANDLORDS CANNOT  
11   EVICT TENANTS FOR UNREGISTERED PETS OR OTHER OCCUPANTS.  
12   LANDLORDS CAN ACCEPT PARTIAL RENT PAYMENTS IF TENANTS CAN  
13   MAKE SUCH A PAYMENT. THESE ARE ALL GOOD. BUT MY AMENDMENT  
14   SPEAKS TO A COUPLE OF ISSUES THAT WE NEED MORE CLARIFICATION  
15   ON. FIRST, ON THE SELF CERTIFICATION, CURRENTLY A TENANT CAN  
16   PROVIDE A NOTE, A TEXT, AN EMAIL TO THEIR LANDLORD OF THEIR  
17   INABILITY TO PAY RENT, AND I SUPPORT THAT. BUT I WANT TO  
18   EXPLORE AN OPTION TO CONSIDER A REVISION TO THE MORATORIUM  
19   WHERE THE SELF CERTIFICATION CAN BE PROVIDED IN GOOD FAITH  
20   WITH A REASONABLE BASIS. AND, SECONDLY, I THINK THAT THESE  
21   PROTECTIONS SHOULD NOT APPLY TO BUSINESSES THAT ARE  
22   MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS, ARE PUBLICLY TRADED, OR HAVE 500-  
23   PLUS EMPLOYEES. AND SO THE AMENDMENTS THAT I WOULD LIKE TO  
24   PROPOSE IS THAT I THEREFORE MOVE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
25   DIRECT COUNTY COUNSEL ALONG WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER

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1 AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS TO REPORT BACK IN 7 DAYS WITH A LEGAL  
2 ANALYSIS ON THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS. SELF CERTIFICATION SHOULD  
3 BE PROVIDED IN GOOD FAITH WITH A REASONABLE BASIS, AND THE  
4 RENT INCREASE AND THE DEFERRAL PAYMENT PROTECTION SHOULD NOT  
5 APPLY TO BUSINESSES THAT ARE MULTINATIONAL, PUBLICLY-TRADED,  
6 OR HAVE MORE THAN 500 EMPLOYEES. THAT'S WHAT I HOPE WE CAN  
7 CONSIDER.

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS:** YEAH, THIS IS SUPERVISOR SOLIS IF I MIGHT. I'M  
10 FINE WITH THIS, AND I'M HAPPY THAT WE'RE SUGGESTING THAT  
11 COUNTY COUNSEL TAKE A LOOK AT THIS, ALONG WITH THE CONSUMER  
12 AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS. I THINK THESE ARE VERY VALID POINTS, AND  
13 WE SHOULD LOOK AT WHAT OUR COUNSEL WOULD ADVISE. I DON'T HAVE  
14 PROBLEMS ACCEPTING THAT. I AM THE MAKER OF THE MOTION, AND I  
15 WANT TO FIRST THANK SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR JOINING ME ON THIS  
16 VERY IMPORTANT MOTION THAT I THINK IS GOING TO HELP EXTEND THE  
17 TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON EVICTIONS WHICH WE KNOW, WE HAVE BEEN  
18 TALKING ABOUT THAT ALL DAY NOW, ABOUT HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO  
19 TRY TO KEEP AS MANY PEOPLE IN THEIR HOMES AND PROVIDING THEM  
20 WITH THE IMPORTANT PROTECTIONS. SO I'M PLEASED TO ACCEPT THE  
21 AMENDMENTS AS PUT FORWARD, AND THE MOTION IN MY OPINION GOES  
22 EVEN FURTHER BECAUSE THE MORATORIUM ON EVICTIONS FOR NON  
23 PAYMENT OF SPACE AND RENT FOR MOBILE HOME OWNERS, AS STATED BY  
24 SUPERVISOR HAHN, THE EXTENSION OF REPAYMENT PERIOD FROM SIX  
25 MONTHS TO 12, ONE YEAR, A PROHIBITION FOR RENT INCREASES FOR

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1 UNITS SUBJECT TO RENT STABILIZATION IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS,  
2 AND THE RELAXING OF REQUIREMENTS FOR QUALIFYING FINANCIAL  
3 IMPACTS RELATED TO COVID-19. AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR  
4 BARGER ALSO FOR YOUR AMENDMENTS AND SUPERVISOR HAHN. SO WITH  
5 THAT, I WILL TURN IT OVER TO SUPERVISOR KUEHL. I BELIEVE SHE  
6 WANTED TO SPEAK ON THIS

7

8 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YES. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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10 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANKS VERY  
11 MUCH TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR PULLING THIS ALL TOGETHER. I AM  
12 VERY PLEASED TO COAUTHOR. THIS IS A VERY BIG MOVE FOR US. AS  
13 YOU KNOW, WE ASKED THIS TO BE DRAFTED AFTER RATIFYING AN  
14 EXECUTIVE ORDER ISSUED BY YOU, MADAM CHAIR, ON MARCH 19TH. AND  
15 I THINK PEOPLE KNOW THAT WE HAVE ENACTED SOME RENTERS'  
16 PROTECTIONS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS, BUT THIS MOTION,  
17 PERHAPS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IT DOES IS TO EXPAND IT TO  
18 ALL 88 CITIES UNLESS THEY HAVE ADOPTED SOMETHING EVEN  
19 STRONGER. THE REASON FOR THAT IS, AS YOU KNOW, 9 OUT OF EVERY  
20 10 PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY LIVES IN THE CITY, NOT IN THE  
21 UNINCORPORATED AREAS. SO EXPANDING THIS TEMPORARILY TO THE  
22 ENTIRE COUNTY REALLY WILL HELP US IN ORDER TO KEEP PEOPLE FROM  
23 FALLING INTO HOMELESSNESS FOR A SIMPLE INABILITY TO PAY RENT.  
24 I THINK EXTENDING THE REPAYMENT PERIOD IS ALSO VERY IMPORTANT  
25 BECAUSE THE NEW PROJECTIONS ARE SHOWING THAT WE COULD BE IN

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1 THIS TOGETHER FOR A BIT OF A LONG TIME, AND I THINK THAT IS AN  
2 IMPORTANT ASPECT. ALSO, EVERYBODY IS HAVING PEOPLE KIND OF  
3 HAVE TO STAY HOME WITH THEM AND MAYBE TAKE IN THEIR DAUGHTER'S  
4 DOG OR WHATEVER. SO THESE PROHIBITING EVICTIONS BASED ON  
5 ADDITIONAL TENANTS OR PETS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT. THE RENT  
6 FREEZE IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA IS ALSO VERY IMPORTANT. I  
7 THINK THE AMENDMENT BY THE CHAIR IN TERMS OF SELF  
8 CERTIFICATION IS GOOD, BUT I GUESS IF WE'RE ALLOWING IT ONLY  
9 FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE 10 EMPLOYEES OR LESS, I THINK PERHAPS WE  
10 SHOULD MAKE IT CLEAR THAT WE MEAN THE CHAIR'S AMENDMENT IS  
11 ONLY ABOUT BUSINESSES, WHICH MEANS THAT BUSINESSES THAT EMPLOY  
12 MORE THAN 10 PEOPLE WOULD HAVE TO SHOW SOME KIND OF PROOF. I  
13 THINK WE NEED SOME KIND OF CLARIFICATION ON THAT. THE SECOND  
14 THING IS, I'M KIND OF TROUBLED, SUPERVISOR HAHN, BY THE FIRST  
15 PART OF YOUR AMENDMENT BECAUSE IF YOU'RE SAYING THAT  
16 RESIDENTIAL TENANTS ALSO CANNOT CERTIFY UNLESS THEY SHOW GOOD  
17 FAITH AND A REASONABLE BASIS WOULD BE THE BASIS FOR, I THINK,  
18 AN AWFUL LOT OF LITIGATION THAT OUR TENANTS WILL NOT REALLY BE  
19 ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN BECAUSE THEY WILL BE REQUIRED TO SHOW  
20 THE REASONABLE BASIS. SO I KNOW IT IS A REPORT BACK, BUT I  
21 WOULD INDICATE THAT I THINK IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR COUNSEL IN  
22 GIVING THEIR LEGAL ANALYSIS TO SHOW HOW BURDENSOME IF, IN  
23 THEIR OPINION, IT WILL BE, ON THE RESIDENTIAL TENANTS NOT BE  
24 ABLE TO SELF CERTIFY, AND I THINK THAT, TO EXTENT, HAS THE  
25 POSSIBILITY OF UPENDING WHAT WE HAD IN MIND FOR ALLOWING

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1 PEOPLE TO SAY, YOU KNOW, I'M OUT OF WORK, I CAN'T DO THIS, OR  
2 WHATEVER. SO I THINK WE WANT TO LOOK AT THAT IN THE REPORT  
3 BACK SO THAT WE DON'T INADVERTENTLY PUT A REAL BURDEN ON OUR  
4 RESIDENTIAL TENANTS. SO WITH THAT, MADAM CHAIR, I THANK  
5 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AGAIN AND HOPE THAT THIS WILL HELP US TO KEEP  
6 PEOPLE IN THE HOMES THAT THEY ARE NOW REQUIRED TO STAY IN  
7 24/7. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, DO YOU HAVE  
10 ANY CLOSING COMMENTS?

11

12 **SUP. SOLIS:** JUST THANK YOU TO BOTH YOU AND SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR  
13 YOUR AMENDMENTS, AND I, TOO, LOOK FORWARD TO THE REPORT BACK  
14 FROM COUNTY COUNSEL ON THOSE ISSUES RAISED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL  
15 AND RESPECTFULLY REQUEST YOUR SUPPORT ON THE MOTION AS  
16 AMENDED. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. SO WITH THAT, THE FOLLOWING  
19 INDIVIDUALS SUBMITTED COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEM 42A. THE  
20 FOLLOWING SUBMITTED IN FAVOR NICOLE GORDON, CARRY MELENDRES,  
21 AMY PICKARD, JOSEPH MAIZLISH, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, NATALIE  
22 BURKE, ADAM MAYFIELD, REBECCA QUINTE, WESLEY RITMAN, ANNE  
23 HAWTHORNE, AND ZACHARY SCHLEGL. THE FOLLOWING SUBMITTED IN  
24 OPPOSITION BEVERLY KENWORTHY, MICHAEL J. CAPKINIS, FRED  
25 SMITH, KATHY TESSIER, TIM RILEY ON BEHALF OF DAVID O. LABINE,

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1 MARINA DEL REY LESSEES ASSOCIATION, AND ARTURO CASTRO. AND  
2 THEN THE FOLLOWING SUBMITTED COMMENTS THAT WERE NEITHER  
3 OPPOSED OR IN FAVOR OF MATT WILLIAMS, JENNIFER LOMAN,  
4 GRETCHEN KABAHI, AND ANNE JOD. SO WITH THAT, ITEM 42 AS  
5 AMENDED IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY  
6 SUPERVISOR KUEHL TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. IF THERE ARE NO  
7 OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. SO WE  
8 HAVE SPECIALS, ITEM 43. AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE  
9 TO HEAR FROM SUPERVISORS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE POSTED AGENDA TO  
10 BE PRESENTED OR REFERRED TO STAFF OR PLACED ON THE FUTURE  
11 AGENDA. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I BELIEVE YOU HAVE A READ-IN MOTION?

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, I DO, MADAM CHAIR, AND I WANT TO THANK YOU  
14 FOR JOINING ME AS COAUTHOR IN THIS. THIS IS RELATION TO FOSTER  
15 CARE. AS YOU KNOW, THIS MONTH OF APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE  
16 PREVENTION MONTH, AND THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC MAGNIFIES A NEED  
17 TO ENSURE CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN FOSTER CARE. YESTERDAY, AS YOU  
18 KNOW, GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM ANNOUNCED A SIGNIFICANT  
19 INVESTMENT, \$42 MILLION, TO PROTECT FOSTER YOUTH AND FAMILIES  
20 IMPACTED BY COVID-19. AND L.A. COUNTY, AS YOU KNOW, HAS THE  
21 LARGEST CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM IN THE COUNTRY, AND I DO BELIEVE  
22 WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO ADAPT TO THE CURRENT CRISIS AND  
23 LEVERAGE THE STATE FUNDING TO KEEP FAMILIES TOGETHER, SUPPORT  
24 OUR SOCIAL WORKERS, EXPAND HOTLINES AND ACCESS TECHNOLOGY, AND  
25 PROVIDE CONTINUED SERVICES TO OUR FOSTER YOUTH. AND TO THAT

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1    END, I'D LIKE TO READ IN THAT WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD  
2    OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY  
3    SERVICES IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE  
4    SERVICE INTEGRATION BRANCH, PARENTS' ANONYMOUS, IFOSTER, AND  
5    STAKEHOLDERS TO REPORT BACK IN ONE WEEK AND BIMONTHLY  
6    THEREAFTER WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN ON GOVERNOR NEWSOM'S  
7    INVESTMENT FOR YOUTH IN FOSTER CARE AND FAMILIES. SO THIS WILL  
8    BE BROUGHT UP AT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD. THANK YOU,  
9    MADAM CHAIR

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11   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. AND THANK  
12    YOU. THIS IS A POPULATION THAT   CLEARLY WE CANNOT FORGET.  
13    SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO BRING IN?

14

15   **SUP. HAHN:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THE CORONAVIRUS  
16    PANDEMIC HAS PRESENTED LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WITH THE UNIQUE  
17    CHALLENGE OF HOW TO CONDUCT BUSINESS IN AN OPEN, TRANSPARENT  
18    WAY WHILE STILL COMPLYING WITH THE RESTRICTIONS ON MOVEMENT  
19    AND PHYSICAL PROXIMITY THAT WE AVE ALL EMBRACED TO SLOW THE  
20    SPREAD OF THE VIRUS. WE MADE CHANGES TO OUR MEETING FORMAT  
21    THAT IN NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES WOULD NOT BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH  
22    THE BROWN ACT, IF NOT FOR THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER THAT  
23    ESSENTIALLY SOFTENED THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC TESTIMONY.  
24    FOR THIS MEETING AND THE LAST TIME THE BOARD MET, WE LIMITED  
25    PUBLIC COMMENT TO WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE ONLY, AND I AM

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1 PLEASED AT THE DIRECTION TODAY TOOK WITH US, AT THE VERY  
2 LEAST, READING OUT LOUD THE NAMES OF THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE  
3 SUBMITTED PUBLIC TESTIMONY. BUT I REMAIN CONCERNED, A LITTLE  
4 BIT, ABOUT THIS APPROACH IN OUR FUTURE MEETINGS, AND I BELIEVE  
5 THAT MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE ENTITLED TO OFFER THEIR  
6 TESTIMONY DIRECTLY TO OUR BOARD, AND GIVEN THE SIGNIFICANT  
7 TECHNOLOGY WE HAVE, WE SHOULD DETERMINE THE BEST WAY TO DO  
8 THAT IN THE SPIRIT OF THE TRANSPARENCY AND THE BROWN ACT. I  
9 THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INSTRUCT THE  
10 EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD WORKING IN CONSULTATION WITH  
11 COUNTY COUNSEL TO REPORT BACK IN TWO WEEKS WITH OPTIONS FOR  
12 ENHANCING PUBLIC ACCESS TO THE BOARD MEETINGS FOR THE DURATION  
13 OF THIS CRISIS, INCLUDING LIVE TESTIMONY, VIDEO CONFERENCING,  
14 AND ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. JUST FOR CLARIFICATION, THE  
17 VIDEO CONFERENCING INCLUDES VIDEO CAPACITY FOR ALL BOARD  
18 MEMBERS TO BE SEEN IF WE ARE GOING TO DO THAT, I'M ASSUMING.  
19 IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT?

20

21 **SUP. HAHN:** AGAIN, I JUST WOULD LIKE TO SEE WHAT OUR OPTIONS  
22 ARE.

23

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1    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SO, I HOPE THAT WILL BE CONSIDERED THAT  
2    ALL BOARD MEMBERS WILL HAVE VIDEO OPTIONS AS IT RELATES TO  
3    THAT INCLUDED IN THE REPORT BACK.

4

5    **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY, THANKS.

6

7    **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR SOLIS -- SUPERVISOR  
8    RIDLEY-THOMAS, DO YOU HAVE ANY SPECIALS?

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10   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I DO NOT, MADAM CHAIR.

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12   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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14   **SUP. KUEHL:** MADAM CHAIR.

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16   **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO WE HAVE THOSE ITEMS, SPECIALS  
17   BEFORE US. WE WILL NOW MOVE TO ADJOURNMENTS. AND I AM FIRST ON  
18   ADJOURNMENTS. SO I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF  
19   HELEN GOODMAN, A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF PASADENA, WHO RECENTLY  
20   PASSED AWAY ON MARCH 16TH AT THE AGE OF 82. SHE GAVE BACK TO  
21   HER COMMUNITY IN MANY WAYS, ONE OF THEM BEING HER INVOLVEMENT  
22   WITH MENTORING AND PARTNERSHIP FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT. SHE  
23   VOLUNTEERED WITH A PROGRAM PROVIDING PRESENTATIONS ADVICE AND  
24   ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS FOR EACH SENIOR STUDENT. SHE WAS A  
25   MEMBER OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY NATIONAL COUNSEL OF NEGRO

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1 WOMEN. SHE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF FRIENDSHIP CHURCH IN  
2 PASADENA, SERVING IN MANY DIFFERENT MINISTRIES. HELEN WAS A  
3 VALUED LEADER IN THE COMMUNITY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER  
4 DAUGHTERS, ANDREA AND SHEILA. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY  
5 OF JERRY LAWRENCE, A MARINE VETERAN WHO WAS A HOSPICE  
6 VOLUNTEER AND BROUGHT RECOGNITION TO DYING VETERANS, WHO DIED  
7 ON MARCH 23RD AT THE AGE OF 80. JERRY, AN ANTELOPE VALLEY  
8 RESIDENT, ORGANIZED VISITS TO DOZENS OF VETERANS THROUGH THE  
9 "YOU ARE NOT FORGOTTEN" PROGRAM. HE INNOVATED FOR VETERANS IN  
10 HOSPICE CARE. HE WAS DEEPLY INVOLVED IN OTHER PROGRAMS  
11 ASSISTING VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES, INCLUDING THE MARINE  
12 CORPS LEAGUE AND THE YOUNG MARINES. HE WAS BORN DECEMBER 7TH,  
13 1939, IN HUGO, OKLAHOMA AND JOINED THE UNITED STATES MARINE  
14 CORPS AFTER GRADUATION FROM HIGH SCHOOL. AFTER HIS DISCHARGE,  
15 HE WORKED IN THE OIL INDUSTRY, FIRST AS ROUGHNECK ON OIL RIGS,  
16 AND LATER IN SALES. AFTER HE MOVED TO CALIFORNIA, HE WORKED IN  
17 THE MASS TRANSIT INDUSTRY UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT. HE IS SURVIVED  
18 BY HIS SON, MATTHEW, DAUGHTER IN LAW, BETH, GRANDDAUGHTER,  
19 MEAGAN, AND IS LONGTIME LIFE PARTNER, DOROTHY "DOE" HAYS, AND  
20 HER FAMILY. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ROBERT MERRILL  
21 PARKER, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA, WHO PASSED AWAY  
22 AT THE AGE OF 77. HE ATTENDED MILITARY SCHOOL AND GRADUATED  
23 FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF OREGON WITH A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE WITH  
24 A SPECIALTY IN MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY. HE BEGAN HIS CAREER AS A  
25 LABORATORY TECHNOLOGIST AT KAISER PERMANENTE IN PANORAMA CITY

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1 BEFORE JOINING THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS. HE SERVED IN  
2 VIETNAM AND WAS PROMOTED TO LANCE CORPORAL. HE RETURNED TO THE  
3 LAB AFTER HIS MILITARY SERVICE AND HAD A 30 YEAR CAREER WITH  
4 KAISER PERMANENTE. HE PROUDLY CONTRIBUTED TO THE NEW TOWER AT  
5 KAISER PERMANENTE FOR THE NEW BLOOD BANK, WHICH IS NAMED IN  
6 HIS HONOR. AS A LAB SUPERVISOR, HE HAD A ROLE IN MODELING BY  
7 BECOMING UNIVERSAL BLOOD DONOR. HE DONATED BLOOD EVERY FEW  
8 MONTHS FOR MORE THAN 30 YEARS, TOTALING THOUSANDS OF PINTS AND  
9 SAVED NUMEROUS LIVES. BOB IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, THREE  
10 CHILDREN, AND HIS SISTER. ALSO A.C. WARNACK, A LONGTIME FORMER  
11 LANCASTER RESIDENT, WHO CO-FOUNDED A COMPANY THAT BECAME ONE  
12 OF THE TOP 5 CONTRACTORS FOR THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS,  
13 AND HE DIED MARCH 23RD AT THE AGE OF 91. IN 1959, A.C. CO-  
14 FOUNDED LANCASTER-BASED SANTA FE ENGINEERS, WHICH DEVELOPED  
15 NEARLY 500 MILITARY PROJECTS, HOSPITALS, AND POST OFFICES  
16 AROUND THE UNITED STATES. TO NAME A FEW, THE COMPANY BUILT  
17 RUNWAYS AND MISSILE TEST STANDS AT EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE,  
18 SPACE SHUTTLE PADS AT VANDENBERG AIR FORCE BASE, A SUBMARINE  
19 FACILITIES IN BREMERTON, WASHINGTON, AND CONCRETE IGLOOS ON  
20 JOHNSON ISLAND TO STORE AGENT ORANGE. BORN DECEMBER 6TH, HE  
21 TRAVELED TO CALIFORNIA BY HIMSELF FROM GEORGIA BY FREIGHT  
22 TRAIN AT YOUNG AGE OF 12. HE FINISHED HIGH SCHOOL AND JOINED  
23 THE U.S. NAVY. BESIDES RUNNING SANTA FE ENGINEERS, A.C.  
24 DEVELOPED THE ANTELOPE VALLEY COUNTY CLUB AND DESTINATION 0-8  
25 SHOPPING CENTER IN PALMDALE. HE WAS PART OF THE BIG BEAR

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1 AIRPORT TERMINAL, PART OWNER OF BIG BEAR AIRPORT TERMINAL,  
2 HELPED BUILD THE GOLDMINE SKI RESORT IN BIG BEAR, AND WAS ONE  
3 OF THE FOUNDERS OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY BANK. HE IS SURVIVED BY  
4 HIS WIFE -- A.C. AND HIS WIFE, SHAUGHNE, CREATED THE WARNACK  
5 FOUNDATION IN 2007. SURVIVORS INCLUDE HIS WIFE, SHAUGHNE, SON,  
6 ROBERT WARNACK, DAUGHTER, SUSAN PRESTERA, DAUGHTER, LU ANN  
7 GILLILAND, THREE GRANDCHILDREN, AND FOUR GREAT GRANDCHILDREN.  
8 THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS. NOW SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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10 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE  
11 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THE 320 INDIVIDUALS  
12 THAT LOST THEIR LIVES TO COVID HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I  
13 KNOW THAT ALL OF THE BOARD MEMBERS WOULD WANT TO JOIN IN THAT.  
14 I KNOW EVERY DAY, WHEN WE HAVE OUR PRESSER, WE GET A REPORT  
15 FROM DR. BARBARA FERRER REGARDING THOSE DEATHS, BUT THEY ARE  
16 NOT JUST NUMBERS. THEY ARE PEOPLE, AND THEY ARE FOLKS THAT WE  
17 REPRESENT. SO I WOULD BE HONORED IF EVERYONE WOULD JOIN IN ON  
18 THAT. AND THEN I ALSO WANT TO MOVE THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN  
19 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JACK AZUA. JACK AZUA PASSED  
20 AWAY ON FRIDAY APRIL 10TH AFTER A LONG ILLNESS. HE BATTLED  
21 COURAGEOUSLY. JACK HAD 18 YEARS OF COUNTY SERVICE WITH HIS  
22 MOST RECENT ASSIGNMENT AS SENIOR NETWORK SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATOR  
23 FOR THE ENTERPRISE OPERATIONS SECTION OF I.S.D. HE WAS A GREAT  
24 TEAM MEMBER WHO HAD MANY TALENTS, BOTH PROFESSIONALLY AND  
25 PERSONALLY. HE HAD A REAL GIFT OF WORDS THAT ALWAYS PROVIDED

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1 THOSE LISTENING FOR A GOOD LAUGH AND SMILE ON THEIR FACES. HE  
2 WAS KNOWN BY MANY AS BEING HELPFUL, CARING, PERSONABLE, AND AN  
3 OUTGOING INDIVIDUAL WHO ENJOYED THE OUTDOORS AND PHOTOGRAPHY.  
4 JACK IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, BARBARA, AND SON, MICHAEL  
5 FERDINAND. HE WILL BE MISSED BY MANY IN OUR COUNTY FAMILY. MY  
6 THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH HIM AND HIS FAMILY DURING THIS  
7 DIFFICULT TIME, THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KUEHL:** WOULD IT BE APPROPRIATE FOR ALL MEMBERS TO ADJOURN  
10 IN HIS MEMORY?

11

12 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, MA'AM, THANK YOU.

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14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WE WILL REFLECT ALL BOARD MEMBERS ON THAT  
15 LAST ADJOURNMENT. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS -- IS THAT ALL,  
16 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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18 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, MA'AM, THAT'S IT.

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20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN  
23 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOHN FRIERSON. MR.  
24 FRIERSON PASSED AWAY IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA EARLIER THIS  
25 MONTH. HE HAD A LONG AND IMPRESSIVE CAREER IN PUBLIC SERVICE.

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1 HE WAS A 26-YEAR VETERAN OF THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT  
2 AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HE, WORKING  
3 FOR THE L.A.P.D., SERVED AS A SENIOR TRAFFIC SUPERVISOR FOR  
4 SOME 17 YEARS. HE WAS ALSO ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY AND LOCAL  
5 GOVERNMENT, HE WAS APPOINTED TO THE LOS ANGELES TRANSPORTATION  
6 COMMISSION IN 2001 AND, DURING HIS TENURE, SERVED THERE AS  
7 VICE PRESIDENT. HE WAS ALSO APPOINTED TO THE CALIFORNIA BOXING  
8 COMMISSION AND WAS ALSO ELECTED AS CHAIRMAN OF THE CALIFORNIA  
9 STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION, MAKING HIM THE FIRST AFRICAN-  
10 AMERICAN TO BE SO HONORED. HE CARED DEEPLY ABOUT THIS  
11 COMMUNITY AND BECAME ACTIVE IN THE POLITICAL ARENA SO AS TO  
12 BECOME A VEHICLE TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THOSE AT  
13 THE GRASSROOTS LEVEL. HE SERVED AS AN EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER  
14 OF THE CALIFORNIA DEMOCRATIC PARTY AND A DELEGATE TO THE  
15 DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION FROM 1976 TO AND THROUGH 2000.  
16 MR. FRIERSON WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO PUBLIC  
17 SERVICE IN LOS ANGELES AND THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.  
18 HE WILL BE MISSED BY HIS FAMILY, HIS FRIENDS, HIS COLLEAGUES,  
19 WHO ARE TOO NUMEROUS TO MENTION. JOHN FRIERSON, MADAM CHAIR.  
20 MAY I NOW ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF IRENE HIRANO  
21 INOUE, BORN OCTOBER 7TH, 1948 HERE IN LOS ANGELES AND PASSED  
22 IN LOS ANGELES ON APRIL 7TH OF OBVIOUSLY THIS YEAR. SHE WAS 71  
23 YEARS OF AGE. SHE WAS, NOT ONLY A LEADER AND MENTOR IN THE  
24 JAPANESE-AMERICAN COMMUNITY, BUT TO MANY THROUGHOUT THE  
25 NATION. SHE WAS RAISED IN GARDENA, AND AFTER GRADUATING FROM

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1 GARDENA HIGH, SHE ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN  
2 CALIFORNIA WHERE SHE EARNED A BACHELOR'S AND MASTER'S DEGREE  
3 IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, AND THAT WAS IN 1972. HER ALMA  
4 MATTER HONORED HER IN 2016 WHEN U.S.C. STARTED A FUND NAMED  
5 AFTER IRENE TO SUPPORT RESEARCH INTO HOW LEADERS OF  
6 FOUNDATIONS ADDRESS SOCIETY'S MOST PRESSING PROBLEMS. IRENE  
7 WAS IN SERVICE TO OTHERS THROUGHOUT HER LIFE. SHE SERVED AS  
8 THE FOUNDING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF T.H.E. CENTER CLINIC FOR  
9 WOMEN, AND SHE DID THAT FOR SOME 13 YEARS, DEVELOPING AND  
10 DELIVERING HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES TO THE UNDERSERVED AND  
11 UNINSURED. AND IT WAS AT THAT TIME THAT I MET HER. IT WAS  
12 DURING THIS TIME, IN THE '70S, THAT A LOT OF ACTIVITY WAS  
13 GOING ON. SHE ENTHUSIASTICALLY JOINED THE BOARD OF THE  
14 SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE. SHE WENT ON TO  
15 BECOME THE FOUNDING PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF THE JAPANESE  
16 AMERICAN NATIONAL MUSEUM, WHERE SHE SERVED SOME 20 YEARS UNTIL  
17 2008. AND EVERY TIME WE GO TO THAT MUSEUM, WE NEED TO BE  
18 REMINDED OF THE FACT IT WAS IRENE HIRANO, THROUGH HER BLOOD,  
19 SWEAT, AND TEARS, WHO HELPED RAISE THE MONEY AND BUILT THAT  
20 FABULOUS MUSEUM THAT CONTRIBUTES TO THE CULTURAL DIVERSITY AND  
21 DEPTH OF LOS ANGELES AS WE KNOW AND APPRECIATE IT. SHE RAISED  
22 OVER \$65 MILLION DURING THAT TIME, DRIVING THAT CAPITAL  
23 CAMPAIGN AS WELL AS SUPPORTING PROGRAMS. STANDING THERE AT THE  
24 CORNER OF FIRST AND ALAMEDA, IT IS A TESTAMENT TO HER  
25 LEADERSHIP. SINCE 2008, SHE SERVED AS THE PRESIDENT OF U.S.-

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1 JAPAN COUNCIL, AN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION DESIGNED TO  
2 DEVELOP ECONOMIC, EDUCATIONAL, AND SOCIAL CONNECTIONS TO  
3 FOSTER RELATIONS AND GROWTH BETWEEN THE U.S. AND JAPAN. WELL,  
4 SO MUCH TO SAY ABOUT HER, JUST AN EXTRAORDINARY,  
5 EXTRAORDINARY INDIVIDUAL. SHE FOUGHT HARD AGAINST HER TERMINAL  
6 ILLNESS. SHE STOOD UP TO LEND HER TALENTS TO A RANGE OF  
7 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS. SHE CHAIRED THE SMITHSONIAN  
8 INSTITUTION'S ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN CENTER AND CHAIRED THE  
9 BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A NUMBER OF FOUNDATIONS, NOT THE LEAST  
10 OF WHICH WAS THE FORD FOUNDATION. AND IT IS JUST REALLY  
11 REMARKABLE THAT SHE HAS PASSED. SHE HAD UNIQUE SENSIBILITY AND  
12 SENSITIVITY IN RECOGNIZING THE COLLABORATIVE STRENGTH OF  
13 VARIOUS COMMUNITIES WORKING COLLECTIVELY ACROSS RACIAL LINES  
14 AND SHARING MUTUAL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES. EXCEPTIONALLY BRIGHT,  
15 ARTICULATE, AND GENUINELY CARING, AND KIND AS AN INDIVIDUAL.  
16 SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER COMMITMENT TO PUBLIC SERVICE  
17 AND AS A FIERCE ADVOCATE FOR ALL COMMUNITIES, A TRAILBLAZER.  
18 HER LEGACY WILL CONTINUE TO INFLUENCE MANY THROUGHOUT THE  
19 NATION AND THE WORLD. IRENE IS PREDECEASED BY HER HUSBAND,  
20 FORMER SENATOR DANIEL INOUE FROM THE STATE OF HAWAII, AND IS  
21 SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, JENNIFER, HER STEPSON, KEN, AND HER  
22 SISTER, PATRICIA. IRENE HIRANO. I WOULD ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS  
23 JOIN IN THAT ADJOURNMENT. AND FINALLY, MADAM CHAIR, MAY I ASK  
24 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BILL WITHERS, BORN WILLIAM  
25 HARRISON WITHERS, JR., ON JULY 4TH, 1938 IN SLAB FORK, WEST

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1 VIRGINIA AND PASSED ON MARCH 30TH HERE IN LOS ANGELES AT THE  
2 AGE OF 81. HE WAS A WELL-KNOWN SINGER, MANY OF US KNOW THAT,  
3 SONGWRITER, MUSICIAN. AS A TEENAGER, BILL WITHERS ENLISTED IN  
4 THE U.S. NAVY AND SERVED NINE YEARS. HE RELOCATED TO LOS  
5 ANGELES IN 1967 TO PURSUE A CAREER IN THE MUSIC INDUSTRY WHILE  
6 WORKING AS AN ASSEMBLER FOR AIRCRAFT COMPANIES DURING THE DAY.  
7 IN 1970, A COPY OF HIS DEMO TAPE MADE IT TO MUSIC EXECUTIVE  
8 CLARENCE AVANT, A.K.A. THE GODFATHER OF SOUL MUSIC. AND HE AND  
9 MR. BILL WITHERS GOT TOGETHER. AND BILL WAS SIGNED TO RECORD A  
10 CONTRACT WITH SUSSEX RECORDS. A YEAR LATER, HE RELEASED HIS  
11 FIRST ALBUM, "JUST AS I AM," WHICH INCLUDED THE HIT, "AIN'T NO  
12 SUNSHINE." IN 1972, MADAM CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES, BILL WITHERS  
13 WROTE AND RELEASED THE SONG, "LEAN ON ME," INSPIRED BY HIS  
14 CHILDHOOD IN WEST VIRGINIA AND FOR WHICH HE EARNED A GRAMMY  
15 AWARD IN ADDITION TO BEING COVERED BY MANY OTHER RECORDING  
16 ARTISTS. THE SONG WAS ALSO USED IN A FILM OF THE SAME NAME  
17 STARRING THE ONE AND ONLY MORGAN FREEMAN AND WAS PROMINENTLY  
18 FEATURED AT THE INAUGURATIONS OF FORMER PRESIDENT BILL CLINTON  
19 AND PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA. SO HIS MUSIC TRULY RESONATED  
20 ACROSS ALL GENERATIONS AND DEMOGRAPHICS DEMOGRAPHICS. SO WE  
21 LIFT HIM UP AS WE WOULD WITH ETTA JAMES AND JAMES BROWN AND  
22 B.B. KING. HE SIGNED WITH COLUMBIA RECORDS IN '75 AND WENT ON  
23 TO DO A SONG THAT MANY OF US KNOW AS THE EVER-POPULAR, "LOVELY  
24 DAY," THEN, WITH GROVER WASHINGTON, "JUST THE TWO OF US."" I  
25 KNOW YOU ALL CAN HEAR THOSE TUNES RIGHT NOW, AND IF I WERE UP

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1 TO IT, I WOULD HAVE A LITTLE BACKGROUND MUSIC FOR THE BENEFIT  
2 OF ALL LISTENING. HE WAS INDUCTED IN THE SONGWRITER'S HALL OF  
3 FAME IN 2005 AND THE ROCK AND ROLL HALL OF FAME IN 2015. BILL  
4 WITHERS WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS NUMEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO  
5 THE AMERICAN RHYTHM AND BLUES CATALOG, AS A THREE-TIME GRAMMY  
6 AWARD WINNER, FOR HIS UNIQUE ABILITY TO EXPRESS HIS SOUL  
7 THROUGH MUSIC, AND FOR HIS UNCANNY SENSE OF HUMOR. HE IS  
8 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 44 YEARS, MARCIA JOHNSON, HIS SON,  
9 TODD, HIS DAUGHTER, KORI, WHO HERSELF IS A SINGER AND  
10 PERFORMER, HIS EXTENDED FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND FANS THROUGHOUT  
11 THE WORLD, ALL OF WHOM WILL MISS BILL WITHERS MOST DEARLY.  
12 MADAM CHAIR, THAT CONCLUDES MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. I  
15 THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO SING SOME OF BILL WITHERS' SONGS FOR  
16 US.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** "AIN'T NO SUNSHINE WHEN SHE'S GONE."

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THERE YOU GO. THERE YOU GO. ALL RIGHT,  
21 SUPERVISOR HAHN? I'M SORRY, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. I'M SORRY.

22

23 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. THREE AFTER TWO AND BEFORE  
24 FOUR, AS THEY SAY. THANK YOU. I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN  
25 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOHN BELL, A LONGTIME MALIBU

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1 RESIDENT. HE WAS THE FIRST PRESIDENT OF THE MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL  
2 ATHLETIC BOOSTERS CLUB, PRESIDENT OF THE KIWANIS CLUB FOR TWO  
3 YEARS, AND WITH HIS FRIENDS CO-FOUNDED NIGHT TIME MEDIC, THE  
4 FIRST EMERGENCY ROOM IN MALIBU. HE WAS ALSO PRESIDENT ONE YEAR  
5 OF THE MALIBU BOARD WRITERS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,  
6 SANDY, AND HIS STEPSONS, BILLY AND JIMMY. AND I ASK THAT WHEN  
7 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ALLEN GARFIELD, AN  
8 IMMEDIATELY RECOGNIZABLE SUPPORTING PLAYER. HE BECAME A SCREEN  
9 MAINSTAY IN THE 1970S, APPEARING IN SUCH NOTABLE FILMS AS  
10 FRANCIS FORD COPPOLA'S "THE CONVERSATION," ROBERT ALTMAN'S,  
11 "NASHVILLE," MICHAEL RITCHE'S "THE CANDIDATE," AND RICHARD  
12 RUSH'S "THE STUNT MAN." ON TELEVISION, HE WAS SEEN ON EPISODES  
13 OF "THE BOB NEWHART SHOW," "CHICAGO HOPE," THE WEST WING," AND  
14 MANY, MANY OTHER SERIES. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SISTER, LOIS.  
15 AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF  
16 ALEXANDER LITVAK, WHO WAS BORN IN KIEV, CAME TO L.A. WHEN HE  
17 WAS 13. HE WAS AN ATTORNEY, TRULY LOVED THE PROFESSION AND  
18 THE PRACTICE OF LAW, A PROUD BRUIN. HE WAS VERY HAPPILY  
19 MARRIED TO THE LOVE OF HIS LIFE, JODY, FOR 35 YEARS, IS  
20 SURVIVED ALSO BY HIS CHILDREN, DAVID AND AUDREY. AND I ASK  
21 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DONALD  
22 LITVAK, WHO JOINED THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE IN 1954,  
23 RECEIVED AN HONORABLE DISCHARGE AFTER MANY YEARS OF SERVICE,  
24 AND THE SKILLS HE OBTAINED DURING THOSE YEARS WITH THE AIR  
25 FORCE, EVENTUALLY LED HIM TO A POSITION WITH AIR TRAFFIC

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1 CONTROL, WHERE HE WAS PROMOTED TO A SUPERVISOR'S POSITION AT  
2 THE LONG BEACH TOWER FOR 25 YEARS. HE WAS THE CHIEF FINANCIAL  
3 OFFICER FOR THE SANTA MONICA HOMEOPATHIC PHARMACY, A FAMILY-  
4 OWNED AND OPERATED BUSINESS FOUNDED BY HIS PARENTS IN 1944, AN  
5 ACTIVE BUSINESS LEADER IN SANTA MONICA, AND A PILLAR OF THE  
6 COMMUNITY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS BROTHER, ROBERT, AND HIS SON,  
7 STEVEN. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN  
8 MEMORY OF HARRIET GLICKMAN. SHORTLY AFTER THE ASSASSINATION OF  
9 THE REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., SCHOOLTEACHER HARRIET  
10 GLICKMAN WROTE A LETTER TO CHARLES M. SCHULZ, URGING HIM TO  
11 USE HIS PLATFORM TO PROMOTE INCLUSION AND INTRODUCE A BLACK  
12 CHARACTER. BECAUSE OF HER LETTER, IN 1968, SCHULZ ADDED  
13 FRANKLIN ARMSTRONG, PEANUT'S FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHARACTER,  
14 TO HIS ENORMOUSLY POPULAR COMIC STRIP AS A WAY TO PROMOTE  
15 RACIAL EQUALITY. FROM 1982 UNTIL 1999, MS. GLICKMAN WAS THE  
16 DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA  
17 ASSOCIATION FOR PHILANTHROPY, NOW KNOWN AS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA  
18 GRANTMAKERS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, KATHERINE, AND  
19 HER SONS, PAUL AND SIMON. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN  
20 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A TRULY WONDERFUL WOMAN, MARCIA  
21 BURNAM, WHO DIED ON APRIL 1ST. SHE WAS PASSIONATE ABOUT  
22 JUSTICE, INTERFAITH AND INTERRACIAL UNDERSTANDING. SHE HEADED  
23 THE PORTRAITS OF AMERICAN WOMEN PANEL IN THE 1960S, SERVING AS  
24 WESTERN REGIONAL PRESIDENT AND THEN NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT,  
25 CAPPING THREE DECADES OF DEDICATION TO THE AMERICAN JEWISH

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1 COMMITTEE. SHE ALSO SERVED ON THE NATIONAL BOARD OF OVERSEERS  
2 OF HEBREW UNION COLLEGE WHERE SHE MENTORED MANY STUDENTS AT  
3 THE SCHOOL OF JEWISH COMMUNAL SERVICE. SHE WAS A  
4 GROUNDBREAKING LEADER IN INTERRELIGIOUS AFFAIRS, WORKING  
5 CLOSELY WITH THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES  
6 OVER SEVERAL DECADES AND WAS OUTSPOKEN VOICE AGAINST DOMESTIC  
7 VIOLENCE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, BETH, HER SONS,  
8 BRUCE AND TEWODRO. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE  
9 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RACHMIL HAKMAN, HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR, WHO  
10 DIED ON MARCH 22. HE ARRIVED AT AUSCHWITZ AT THE AGE OF 17. HE  
11 SURVIVED THE HORRORS OF THAT CONCENTRATION CAMP FOR THREE  
12 YEARS. AFTER THE WAR, HE RESETTLED IN INDIANAPOLIS, LATER  
13 MOVING TO L.A., WHERE HE CO-FOUNDED JERSEY MEAT PROVISION, A  
14 MEAT STORAGE COMPANY. HE VOLUNTEERED AT THE L.A. MUSEUM OF THE  
15 HOLOCAUST, SHARING HIS STORY WITH COUNTLESS COLLEGE STUDENTS  
16 AND TOUR GROUPS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, BARBARA, AND HIS  
17 DAUGHTER, DEBORAH. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE  
18 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DAVID WORKMAN, LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT  
19 JUDGE, WHO DIED ON MARCH 23RD. FOLLOWING LAW SCHOOL, DAVID  
20 CHOSE PUBLIC SERVICE BY ENLISTING IN THE U.S. MARINE CORPS  
21 WHERE, FOLLOWING OFFICER TRAINING SCHOOL IN QUANTICO, HE WAS  
22 COMMISSIONED AS A LIEUTENANT AND SPENT THE NEXT THREE YEARS IN  
23 ACTIVE DUTY PROSECUTING AND DEFENDING GENERAL AND SPECIAL  
24 COURTS MARTIAL. FROM 1966 TO '73, DAVID SERVED BY APPOINTMENT  
25 OF GOVERNORS PAT BROWN AND RONALD REAGAN ON THE PUEBLO DE LOS

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1 ANGELES STATE HISTORIC PARK COMMISSION, WHICH WAS RESPONSIBLE  
2 FOR RESTORING AND DEVELOPING THAT PLACE AS AN HISTORIC PARK,  
3 THE LAND IN AND AROUND THE PLAZA AT THE CENTER OF THE EARLY  
4 PUEBLO. DAVID WORKED TIRELESSLY IN THAT POST TO FIGHT EFFORTS  
5 TO COMMERCIALIZE THE PLAZA AND DISTORT ITS HISTORY.  
6 UNFULFILLED IN PRIVATE PRACTICE, HE BECAME A DEPUTY CITY  
7 ATTORNEY IN 1976, SPENT THE NEXT 5 YEARS TRYING CASES, AND  
8 THEN IN 1980, WAS ELECTED TO A MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGESHIP AND  
9 SPENT THE REST OF HIS CAREER ON THE BENCH, BECOMING A SUPERIOR  
10 COURT JUDGE IN 1982. AND I WANT TO JOIN SUPERVISOR HAHN WHEN  
11 SHE ADJOURNS IN MEMORY OF GARRY BOWIE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.  
12 THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, CAN I JOIN  
15 YOU ON THE DAVID WORKMAN, PLEASE?

16

17 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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21 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND I WAS PLEASED IN THE  
22 BEGINNING. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I'M GLAD YOU ASKED US ALL TO JOIN  
23 WITH YOU ON THE 320 SOULS WHO LOST THEIR LIFE BECAUSE OF  
24 COVID-19. SO THANK YOU FOR THAT ADJOURNMENT. AND I MOVE THAT  
25 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL JUST MENTIONED IT,

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1 SHE'S GOING TO BE JOINING ME IN ADJOURNING IN THE MEMORY OF  
2 GARRY BOWIE, WHO WAS ONLY 59 AND PASSED AWAY AFTER TESTING  
3 POSITIVE FOR COVID-19. HE WAS A BELOVED COMMUNITY LEADER WHO  
4 HELPED FIGHT H.I.V./A.I.D.S. IN THE GREATER LOS ANGELES AND  
5 LOS ANGELES AREA. GARRY WAS A MILITARY KID, WHOSE FAMILY MOVED  
6 FREQUENTLY. THEY EVENTUALLY SETTLED IN ORANGE COUNTY, BUT  
7 AFTER GRADUATING FROM FOUNTAIN VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL, GARRY  
8 DECIDED TO MOVE TO LONG BEACH. AND IN 1983, AT THE AGE OF 22,  
9 GARRY TESTED POSITIVE FOR H.I.V. AND AFTER SEEING MANY OF HIS  
10 FRIENDS DIE AND INSPIRED BY MAGIC JOHNSON, HE BEGAN OPENLY  
11 ADVOCATING FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH H.I.V./A.I.D.S. IN 2004,  
12 GARRY BECAME THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND FOUNDING BOARD MEMBER  
13 OF THE LONG BEACH A.I.D.S. FOUNDATION. HE RECEIVED MANY  
14 ACCOLADES AND AWARDS FOR HIS WORK IN THE COMMUNITY. GARRY  
15 BECAME A FIXTURE IN LONG BEACH, NOT ONLY AS A TIRELESS  
16 COMMUNITY ACTIVIST, BUT AS A SMALL BUSINESS OWNER. GARRY AND  
17 HIS HUSBAND, JEFF, OWNED TOTO'S REVENGE, A POPULAR BOUTIQUE  
18 STORE ALONG THE WELL-KNOWN BROADWAY CORRIDOR, WHERE THEY SOLD  
19 UNIQUE GIFTS. IN 2014, GARRY BECAME THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF  
20 BEING ALIVE IN WEST HOLLYWOOD, WHERE HE WORKED UNTIL HE FELL  
21 ILL. GARRY IS SURVIVED BY HIS HUSBAND, JEFF, MOTHER, TOMOYO,  
22 AND A WIDE CIRCLE OF FRIENDS WHO LOVED HIM DEARLY. AND I MOVE  
23 THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF ROBERT  
24 "BERT" MANLEY ARGO, JR. AND BERT PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 75  
25 AFTER TESTING POSITIVE FOR COVID-19. HE WAS A TRUE SOUTHERN

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1 GENTLEMEN AND A PROUD MEMBER OF THE SOUTH BAY COMMUNITY. IN  
2 HIS FREE TIME, HE HELPED DISADVANTAGED YOUTH THROUGH THE COURT  
3 APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES ORGANIZATION. HE LOVED FLYING HIS  
4 CESSNA 172 AIRCRAFT. HE KEPT ABREAST OF THE LATEST G.P.S.  
5 EQUIPMENT AND ENJOYED WORKING ON HIS PLANE WITH HIS FRIENDS AT  
6 SOUTH BAY AVIATION. A CAUTIONARY PILOT, HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE  
7 DEL AMO FLYERS AND ENJOYED THE OPPORTUNITY TO GATHER TOGETHER  
8 FOR OCCASIONAL FLY-INS. HE WAS ONE OF THE FEW MALE PRESIDENTS  
9 OF THE PENINSULA COUPLE'S CLUB AND HELD THAT POSITION WITH  
10 DIGNITY. HE AND HIS WIFE OF 44 YEARS, CAROL, ENJOYED  
11 TRAVELING, AND SOME OF HIS FAVORITE TRIPS WERE TO MADRID, NEW  
12 YORK CITY, AND ISTANBUL. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, CAROL,  
13 HIS DAUGHTER, MELANIE, GRANDDAUGHTER, MIKAELA, AND HIS SISTER,  
14 MONIE. AND I KNOW MY FRIEND, FORMER MAYOR OF RANCHO PALOS  
15 VERDES, SUSAN BROOKS, WAS VERY CLOSE TO BERT AND CAROL. AND  
16 WHILE SUSAN WAS IN THE HOSPITAL RECOVERING FROM THE  
17 CORONAVIRUS, SHE GOT THE NEWS THAT BERT WAS ON LIFE SUPPORT  
18 AND PROBABLY WOULDN'T MAKE IT. SO I KNOW SHE TOOK HIS DEATH  
19 VERY HARD AND IS VERY CLOSE TO HIS WIFE, CAROL. MAY HE REST IN  
20 PEACE. AND I ALSO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN  
21 THE MEMORY OF KLETE IKEMOTO, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE 52  
22 AFTER COMPLICATIONS WITH COVID-19. HE WAS BORN IN HARBOR CITY,  
23 BUT HE GREW UP IN THE CERRITOS AREA, AND HE GRADUATED FROM  
24 U.S.C.'S MARSHALL SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND PLAYED BASKETBALL FOR  
25 THE NISEI ATHLETIC UNION. HE WORKED FOR NEARLY 30 YEARS FOR

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1 CLARION, MOST RECENTLY AS DIRECTOR OF RETAIL SALES  
2 ADMINISTRATION PRIOR TO JOINING THE YAMAHA CORPORATION OF  
3 AMERICA LAST YEAR AS DIRECTOR OF FORECASTING AND INVENTORY  
4 MANAGEMENT IN BUENA PARK. HE VOLUNTEERED AS A MEMBER OF THE  
5 YONSEI BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION, AND FROM 2015 TO 2018, SERVED  
6 AS A BOARD MEMBER FOR NORWALK YOUTH SPORTS AT THE SOUTHEAST  
7 JAPANESE SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY CENTER. THE NORWALK COMMUNITY  
8 CENTER HAD BEEN PREPARING TO HONOR KLETE THIS YEAR AT THEIR  
9 ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER. HE WAS ALSO ACTIVE AT THE ORANGE COUNTY  
10 BUDDHIST CHURCH. KLETE AND HIS WIFE TEIKO WERE MARRIED FOR  
11 ALMOST 25 YEARS. THEY ENJOYED BASKETBALL, SNOWBOARDING,  
12 BIKING, AND ESPECIALLY SPENDING TIME WITH THEIR THREE  
13 DAUGHTERS. AS A FAMILY, THEY HAVE A SPECIAL FONDNESS FOR  
14 DISNEY THEME PARKS AND CRUISES. KLETE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,  
15 TEIKO, AND THEIR THREE DAUGHTERS, KATIE, KRIST, AND KELSEY. I  
16 ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY  
17 OF LARRY ROBERTSON, WHO ALSO PASSED AWAY. HE WAS 72, AND HE  
18 PASSED AWAY AFTER COMPLICATIONS FROM COVID-19. LARRY WAS A  
19 1965 SAN PEDRO HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE WHERE HE WAS WELL-KNOWN  
20 THROUGHOUT OUR COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY IN ALUMNI CIRCLES, WHERE  
21 HE REMAINED ACTIVE. AFTER HIGH SCHOOL, HE WENT ON TO GRADUATE  
22 FROM LOS ANGELES HARBOR COLLEGE AND SERVED IN THE ARMY  
23 RESERVES AT FORT MACARTHUR. HE WORKED FOR MANY YEARS AS THE  
24 PRESS SUPERVISOR FOR THE SAN PEDRO NEWS-PILOT, NO LONGER  
25 AROUND, AND THE TORRANCE DAILY BREEZE. HE LATER WENT ON TO

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1 WORK AT THE PORT OF LOS ANGELES CRUISE PORT TERMINAL. MY  
2 FRIEND, ANDREA, WAS WORKING WITH HIM THE LAST TIME AT THE  
3 CRUISE TERMINAL JUST ON MARCH 7TH, I BELIEVE. SO IT WAS A BIG  
4 SHOCK THAT LARRY PASSED AWAY SO SUDDENLY. HE IS SURVIVED BY  
5 HIS WIFE, FAYE, WHO BECAME ILL A FEW DAYS BEFORE LARRY REMAINS  
6 QUARANTINED IN THEIR HOME. WE PRAY FOR HER RECOVERY. AND I  
7 MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SAEED  
8 MUZAFAR ALI, WHO PASSED AWAY AT 72. SAEED WAS BORN IN INDIA  
9 AND WAS THE OLDEST SON OF THE FAMILY. IN HIS '20S, HE TRAVELED  
10 THE WORLD, THROUGH IRAN, HONG KONG, HAWAII, AND FINALLY TO  
11 CALIFORNIA ON A FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIP TO U.C.L.A., WHERE HE  
12 MET HIS WIFE, MARY. THEY REMAINED IN CALIFORNIA FOR 48 YEARS.  
13 THEY HAD THREE SONS, WELCOMED FOUR GRANDCHILDREN INTO THE  
14 WORLD AND LIVED A LIFE OF SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AND TO  
15 OTHERS. SAEED LOVED A GOOD LAUGH, ESPECIALLY IF IT INVOLVED A  
16 STORY OF WILE E. COYOTE OR BART SIMPSON. SAEED SERVED AS CHIEF  
17 OF STAFF TO COUNCILMEMBER RICHARD ALARCON WHEN I WAS ON THE  
18 CITY COUNCIL. I DON'T KNOW, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, IF YOU  
19 WERE THERE WHEN SAEED WORKED THE FLOOR OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR  
20 COUNCILMEMBER ALARCON. HE ALSO WORKED FOR SENATOR TONY MENDOZA  
21 AND RICHARD POLANCO. HE LATER SERVED AS CAMPAIGN ADVISOR FOR  
22 SEVERAL CANDIDATES. HE WAS A DEAR MAN AND ALWAYS HAD SUCH A  
23 NICE SPIRIT. MAY HE ALSO REST IN PEACE.

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1    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I WOULD LOVE TO JOIN YOU ON THAT, MADAM  
2    CHAIR.

3

4    **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. AND I ALSO  
5    MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF  
6    MARGARET CORINNE MARSHALL, WHO WAS 97 WHEN SHE PASSED AWAY.  
7    SHE WAS BORN IN TENNESSEE, THE YOUNGEST OF 5 BROTHERS AND  
8    SISTERS, AND AT THE AGE OF TWO, HER FAMILY MOVED HERE TO L.A.  
9    COUNTY. MARGARET GRADUATED FROM COMPTON HIGH SCHOOL AND BEGAN  
10   HER STUDIES AT COMPTON JUNIOR COLLEGE, WHERE SHE MET ALBERT  
11   LOUIS MARSHALL. THE TWO MARRIED IN 1941. A YEAR LATER, THEIR  
12   DAUGHTER, APRIL LYNN, WAS BORN. AND THEIR SON, DONALD GLENN,  
13   WAS BORN IN 1943. IN 1948, MARGARET AND ALBERT OPENED  
14   SUBURBAN'S PRINTER IN SOUTH GATE, WHERE THEY WORKED SIDE BY  
15   SIDE, AND FOLLOWING ALBERT'S PASSING IN 1971, SHE MOVED TO  
16   DOWNEY. AND TO SUPPORT HERSELF AFTER HER HUSBAND PASSED, SHE  
17   STARTED A SMALL BUT SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS BILLING PATIENT  
18   INSURANCE CLAIMS FOR SEVERAL DOCTORS. MARGARET WAS A DEDICATED  
19   SUPPORTER OF THE DOWNEY SYMPHONY FOR MANY YEARS. SHE IS  
20   SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, APRIL, HER SON, DONALD, AND SHE HAS  
21   THREE GRANDCHILDREN WHO WILL MISS HER. AND I ALSO MOVE THAT  
22   WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MICHAEL  
23   SHURLEY, WHO WAS 72 WHEN HE PASSED AWAY. HE WAS BORN IN L.A.  
24   HE ATTENDED CULVER CITY HIGH SCHOOL. HE PROUDLY SERVED OUR  
25   COUNTRY IN VIETNAM, AND HE BEGAN WORKING FOR THE GAS COMPANY

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1 IN 1969, WORKED HIS WAY UP TO BECOME DIRECTOR OF LABOR  
2 RELATIONS UNTIL HE RETIRED IN 2003. HE MARRIED HIS WIFE, LISA,  
3 AND THEY RAISED TWO SONS IN TORRANCE. HE LOVED TO SURF AND DID  
4 SO UNTIL THE AGE OF 70. HE ENJOYED A VERY ACTIVE AND SOCIAL  
5 LIFE, TRAVELING IN THE U.S. AND ABROAD. HE LOVED THE OCEAN AND  
6 VOLUNTEERED WITH THE JIMMY MILLER MEMORIAL FOUNDATION. AND HE  
7 SPENT MANY DAYS AT CAMP PENDLETON TEACHING VETERANS HOW TO  
8 SURF. HE ENJOYED BEING PART OF THE NOVA COMMUNITY CHURCH, THE  
9 OHANA GROUP OF SURFERS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS FROM HIS  
10 NEIGHBORHOOD AND BEYOND. MIKE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, LISA,  
11 SONS, JASON JON AND IAN MICHAEL, AND HIS FIVE GRANDCHILDREN.  
12 HE LIVED QUITE THE LIFE, AND HE MADE AN IMPACT ON SO MANY  
13 PEOPLE, PARTICULARLY HERE IN THE SOUTH BAY. MAY HE REST IN  
14 PEACE. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN  
15 THE MEMORY OF ALICIA JONES, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 60.  
16 SHE WAS A RESIDENT OF PARAMOUNT AND AN ACTIVE EMPLOYEE WITH  
17 OUR OWN I.S.D. DEPARTMENT. SHE WORKED AS AN INTERMEDIATE CLERK  
18 IN THE INTERNET DEVELOPMENT DIVISION. ALICIA SERVED IN OUR  
19 COUNTY FOR 41 YEARS, SHE AND WILL BE MISSED DEARLY. I WOULD  
20 HOPE THAT WE WOULD HAVE ALL MEMBERS ON ONE OF OUR MEMBERS OF  
21 OUR COUNTY FAMILY, ALICIA JONES. ANOTHER I.S.D. EMPLOYEE, ERIC  
22 ARMSTRONG, ALSO PASSED AWAY. AND I WOULD LIKE TO ADJOURN IN  
23 HIS MEMORY. HE WAS ONLY 60 WHEN HE PASSED. AND HE WAS A  
24 RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH. HE WORKED AS A TELECOM SYSTEMS  
25 CONSULTING ENGINEER AT I.S.D. HIS CONTRIBUTIONS AS THE LEAD

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1 WIRELESS ENGINEER, HIS WILLINGNESS TO ASSIST ALL CUSTOMERS,  
2 AND HIS AUTHENTICITY WERE APPRECIATED AND VALUED BY EVERYONE  
3 HE WORKED WITH. I ASK THAT WE ALL BE ON THIS ONE AS WELL. AND  
4 OUR POOR INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, THE NEXT ONE IS THE  
5 THIRD ONE THAT I HAVE, THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF STEVEN  
6 POWELL, WHO WAS ONLY 35, RESIDENT OF LOMITA AND WAS IN I.S.D.  
7 HE WORKED AS A COMPUTER OPERATIONS DUTY MANAGER. HIS  
8 DEDICATION AT WORK, LEADERSHIP, AND WILLINGNESS TO ASSIST HIS  
9 TEAMMATES WAS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED AND VALUED BY EVERYONE HE  
10 WORKED WITH. STEVEN SERVED OUR COUNTY FOR A TOTAL OF 30 --  
11 THAT CANNOT BE RIGHT, FOR MANY YEARS. HE WILL BE GREATLY  
12 MISSED. I KNOW I REACHED OUT TO SELWYN EARLIER BECAUSE ANY  
13 TIME ONE OF OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS HAS A LOSS IN THEIR  
14 DEPARTMENT, IT IS VERY DIFFICULT FOR EVERYBODY, BUT WE ARE ALL  
15 JOINING TOGETHER IN THIS SAD TIME. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.  
16 THAT WILL BE THE END OF MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SO THAT IS ALL THE  
19 ADJOURNMENTS, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY  
20 SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SORRY? OKAY, SO THAT -- ALL THE ADJOURNMENTS  
21 HAVE BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION TO A  
22 UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ACTION. SO NOW WE ARE GOING  
23 TO END THIS BOARD MEETING. PLEASE NOTE THE NEXT REGULAR  
24 MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BE HELD REMOTELY ON  
25 APRIL 28TH, 2020. AND THAT CONCLUDES TODAY'S MEETING. I WANT

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1 TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES AND THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE JOINED US FOR  
2 THIS BOARD MEETING. THE BOARD MEETING STANDS ADJOURNED. THANK  
3 YOU.

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2 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do  
3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los  
5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors April 14, 2020,  
6 were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my  
7 direction and supervision;

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

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

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this  
16 17th day of April 2020, for the County records to be used only  
17 for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts  
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