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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON

2 TUESDAY, May 12, 2020 ON PAGE 160]

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4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. WELCOME TO THE
5 REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY MAY 12TH, 2020. OUR MEETING
7 TODAY IS BEING HELD REMOTELY DUE TO THE CURRENT PUBLIC HEALTH
8 CRISIS TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF ALL. I WILL NOW TAKE ROLL CALL
9 TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC AND RESPOND WHEN
10 YOUR NAME IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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12 **SUP. SOLIS:** PRESENT.

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

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

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

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21 **SUP. HAHN:** HERE.

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23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SACHI HAMAI, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

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25 **C.E.O. HAMAI:** PRESENT.

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

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4 **ATTORNEY:** PRESENT.

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6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE
7 BOARD?

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9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** PRESENT.

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11 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, WE WILL
12 BE TAKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENTS DURING TODAY'S MEETING.
13 WE WILL ALSO READ THE NAMES AND POSITIONS OF THOSE WHO
14 SUBMITTED WRITTEN COMMENTS ON ITEMS HELD BY SUPERVISORS. THE
15 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD RECEIVED OVER 400 WRITTEN PUBLIC
16 COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S MEETING, AND, AS THOSE WRITTEN COMMENTS
17 WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF THEM WERE AVAILABLE TO THE SUPERVISORS
18 FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION CONSISTENT WITH THE BROWN ACT
19 REQUIREMENTS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS
20 THROUGHOUT THE MEETING. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL
21 THE AGENDA.

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23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
24 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 2. THIS THE
25 AGENDA FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. ON

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1 PAGE 4 CONSENT CALENDAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1-8, ON
2 ITEM 1, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE
3 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 3, SUPERVISOR KUEHL WOULD LIKE TO
4 AMEND DIRECTIVE 2 TO INCLUDE ALL TENANCIES IN THE COUNTY AND
5 DIRECTIVE 3B TO EXTEND THE MORATORIUM ON EVICTIONS TO
6 RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL TENANTS, RESPECTIVELY, WHO ARE
7 AFFECTED BY COVID-19 AND LOCATED IN UNINCORPORATED COUNTY
8 CITIES WHOSE LOCAL EVICTION MORATORIA DO NOT EXTEND TO THE
9 TYPE OF TENANCY. ALSO ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS
10 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THERE'S AN AMENDMENT FOR THIS ITEM
11 AVAILABLE ONLINE. ON ITEM 4, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT
12 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS 6, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT
13 THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED
14 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 9, SUPERVISOR HAHN
15 REQUESTED THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE AS
16 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 15, SUPERVISOR
17 SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
18 THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
19 AGENDA. ON ITEM 17, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON
20 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEMS 16, I'M SORRY, ON PAGE 16,
21 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS. ITEMS 19-53. ON ITEM 19, SUPERVISOR
22 BARGER REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JULY 21ST, 2020, AS
23 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 20, THE CHIEF
24 EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO OCTOBER
25 27TH, 2020, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM 37, THE

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1 INSPECTOR GENERAL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED JUNE
2 9TH 2020 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON PAGE 34, THIS
3 INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE
4 POSTED MORE THAN IS 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS
5 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 51A, SUPERVISOR
6 RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 51B,
7 SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM
8 RELATES TO 51G AND 51H. ON ITEM 51G IS AN ORDINANCE FOR
9 INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 8 CONSUMER PROTECTION
10 BUSINESS AND WAGE REGULATION BY ADDING A CHAPTER ESTABLISHING
11 A RIGHT OF RECALL FOR JANITORIAL MAINTENANCE SECURITY SERVICE
12 AND HOSPITALITY WORKERS WHO ARE LAID OFF AS A RESULT OF COVID-
13 19 PANDEMIC PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS. ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR
14 HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM RELATES TO
15 ITEM 51B AND 51H. ON ITEM 51H IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION
16 AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 8 CONSUMER PROTECTION BUSINESS AND
17 WAGE REGULATION BY ADDING A CHAPTER AND ESTABLISHING LEGAL
18 PROTECTION FOR WORKERS TO BE RETAINED WHEN CERTAIN SPECIFIED
19 BUSINESSES CHANGE OWNERSHIP OR CONTROL. ON ITEM 51H,
20 SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM
21 RELATES TO 51B AND 51G. A REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCES AND ITEMS
22 TO BE REFERRED BACK ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WITH THAT, WE'RE GOING TO TAKE
2 PUBLIC COMMENT -- I'M SORRY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN,
3 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ALSO ON PAGE 34, NOTICES OF CLOSED
6 SESSION, ITEMS CS1 AND CS2, ARE ADDITIONS AS INDICATED ON THE
7 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 37, ITEMS CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS
8 MEETINGS FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION AND ACTION BY THE BOARD. I'M
9 SORRY, A1, ITEM A1, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR
10 BARGER REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO THE MOTION IS
11 AVAILABLE ONLINE. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA,
12 MADAM CHAIR.

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14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW TAKE PUBLIC
15 COMMENTS. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN
16 INFORMATION THAT WAS ALSO PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA.

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18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA, MEMBERS OF THE
19 PUBLIC WISHING TO OFFER PUBLIC COMMENT SHOULD CALL 844-921-
20 6355 AND USE THE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 9823598. TO REPEAT,
21 PLEASE CALL 844-291-6355 AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER
22 9823598.

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER. PLEASE
2 EXPLAIN OUR SPEAKING RULES TO THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
3 ARE CALLING IN TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CALLING IN, WHEN
6 IT IS YOUR TURN TO SPEAK, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND WHICH
7 AGENDA ITEM YOU WISH TO SPEAK ON. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE TO SPEAK
8 ON ONE AGENDA ITEM AND TWO MINUTES TO SPEAK ON TWO OR MORE
9 AGENDA ITEMS. IN ADDITION, THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE
10 BOARD WITH GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE PROVIDED ONE
11 ADDITIONAL MINUTE, FOR A MAXIMUM TOTAL OF THREE MINUTES PER
12 PERSON FOR ALL AGENDA ITEMS INCLUDING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
13 WE WILL ALLOCATE UP TO 60 MINUTES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ALL OF
14 THE ITEMS. IF THERE ARE NO SPEAKERS WAITING BEFORE 60 MINUTES
15 HAVE ELAPSED, WE WILL CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT. WE WILL CONTINUE
16 TO ACCEPT ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING THE
17 MEETING, WHICH WILL BE PART OF THE RECORD. WHEN SPEAKING ON
18 THE AGENDA ITEM, YOU MUST BE ON TOPIC. OUR GOAL IS TO GET
19 THROUGH AS MANY SPEAKERS AS WE CAN. IF YOU ARE NOT SPEAKING ON
20 TOPIC, OR IF WE CANNOT TELL IF YOU ARE SPEAKING ON AN AGENDA
21 ITEM, YOU WILL GET ONE WARNING FROM COUNTY COUNSEL OR THE
22 CHAIR. IF YOU DO NOT IMMEDIATELY OR CLEARLY GET ON TOPIC, OR
23 IF YOU STRAY OFF TOPIC AGAIN, YOU WILL FORFEIT THE REST OF
24 YOUR TIME, AND THE CHAIR WILL MOVE TO THE NEXT SPEAKER. PLEASE
25 NOTE THAT IF YOU ARE ALSO LISTENING TO THE BOARD MEETING ON A

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1 COMPUTER OR SPEAKER PHONE, YOU WILL NEED TO TURN DOWN THE
2 VOLUME ON THOSE DEVICES AS SOON AS THE MODERATOR CALLS ON YOU.
3 IF YOU DO NOT TURN DOWN THE VOLUME, THERE WILL BE AN ECHO. MR.
4 MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE OUR FIRST SPEAKER PLEASE.

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6 **MODERATOR:** ABSOLUTELY. AND AS A REMINDER, FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS,
7 PLEASE DO PRESS 1 THEN 0 AT THIS TIME. WE DO NEED YOU TO PRESS
8 1 THEN 0 TO PLACE YOUR LINE IN QUEUE. WE DO HAVE PARTICIPANTS
9 THAT ARE NOW QUEUING UP WITH THAT PROMPT. PLEASE DO STAND BY,
10 WE WILL REPEAT THAT PROMPT SO WE CAN GET YOU INTO QUEUE AT
11 THIS POINT. 1 THEN 0. 1 THEN 0. AND THE FIRST PARTICIPANT WILL
12 BE GABRIELLE SIWERT WITH UNITED PARENTS AND STUDENTS. PLEASE
13 GO AHEAD.

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15 **GABRIELLE SIWERT:** GOOD MORNING. HELLO, THIS IS GABRIELLE
16 SIWERT.

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18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WHAT AGENDA ITEM ARE YOU SPEAKING ON?

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20 **GABRIELLE SIWERT:** AGENDA ITEMS NUMBER 54, GENERAL PUBLIC
21 COMMENT.

22

23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GO AHEAD. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE, PLEASE.

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1 **GABRIELLE SIWERT:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS
2 GABRIELLE SIWERT. I'M A COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR WITH
3 UNITED PARENTS AND STUDENTS, WHICH IS A NONPROFIT THAT WORKS
4 WITH PARENTS AND STUDENTS ALL OVER LOS ANGELES, SERVING OVER
5 10,000 FAMILIES. AND I'M SUBMITTING PUBLIC COMMENT THIS
6 MORNING ON BEHALF OF THE DOZENS OF MOTHERS, FATHERS,
7 GRANDPARENTS, AND STUDENTS THAT I HAVE TALKED TO OVER THE PAST
8 FEW WEEKS. WE HAVE BEEN MAKING CALLS TO PEOPLE AND DOING
9 OUTREACH TO CONNECT THEM WITH DIFFERENT RESOURCES THAT THEY
10 NEED. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I HAVE BEEN HEARING OVER AND
11 OVER AGAIN IS JUST THE NEED FOR MORE FOOD SECURITY IN LOS
12 ANGELES. THIS HAS ALREADY BEEN A PROBLEM BEFORE THE PANDEMIC
13 EVEN STARTED WITH 1 IN 5 RESIDENTS UNSURE OF WHERE THEIR NEXT
14 MEAL WOULD COME FROM BEFORE COVID-19 EVEN HIT US. SO NOW WHEN
15 I SPEAK WITH THESE PEOPLE, THERE IS JUST SUCH A CONCERN FOR
16 WHERE THESE MEALS ARE GOING TO COME FROM, AND ESPECIALLY FOR
17 STUDENTS WHO ARE STILL TRYING TO GO TO SCHOOL AND MAKE SURE
18 THAT THEY CAN DO DISTANCE LEARNING AND THEN MANY THINGS THAT
19 ARE DIFFICULT DURING THIS TIME.

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21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
22 GO TO THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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1 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU, WE WILL GO DIRECTLY TO THE LINE -- WE
2 WILL GO RIGHT NOW TO THE LINE OF JOHN NELSON. JOHN NELSON, YOU
3 HAVE A LINE THAT IS OPEN RIGHT NOW.

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5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SPEAKER, WHAT ITEM ARE YOU --

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7 **MODERATOR:** AND JOHN, TAKE YOURSELF OFF MUTE, IF YOU ARE ON
8 MUTE, JOHN. JOHN, WE HAVE YOUR LIVE. PLEASE GO AHEAD. STATE
9 THE AGENDA THAT YOU WILL BE SPEAKING ON. SPEAKER, THAT LINE
10 DISCONNECTED. WE WILL MOVE ON TO SPARKY ABRAHAM WITH BET
11 TZEDEK LEGAL SERVICES. PLEASE GO AHEAD. YOU HAVE A LIVE LINE.

12

13 **SPARKY ABRAHAM:** GOOD MORNING. GOOD MORNING, BOARD. I'M
14 SPEAKING ON ITEM NUMBER 15, PLEASE. MY NAME IS SPARKY ABRAHAM.
15 I'M A STAFF ATTORNEY WITH REAL ESTATE FRAUD AT BET TZEDEK
16 LEGAL SERVICES. I WORK MAINLY WITH OUT ELDER JUSTICE TEAM AND
17 WITH OUR IMPACT TEAM. I'M CALLING IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION
18 THAT YOU DIRECT A REPORT BACK ON BOTH A DEFERMENT AND
19 SUSPENSION OF THE P.A.C.E. PROGRAM DURING THE CRISIS. I WANT
20 TO EMPHASIZE THAT FOR DEFERMENT, MANY OF OUR CLIENTS WHO ARE
21 SENIORS ARE RELYING ON FAMILIES' FINANCIAL SUPPORT DURING
22 THIS TIME, AND MANY OF THEIR FAMILIES HAVE BEEN FURLOUGHED OR
23 LOST JOBS DUE TO THE CRISIS, MEANING THAT A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE
24 FACING THE POSSIBILITY OF FORECLOSURE DUE TO THEIR P.A.C.E.
25 OBLIGATIONS, AND I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO EMPHASIZE, IN TERMS OF

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1 SUSPENDING THE PROGRAM, THAT THE P.A.C.E. PROGRAM DOES REQUIRE
2 AT-HOME VISITS, OFTENTIMES TO SENIOR CITIZENS FROM CONTRACTORS
3 AND STRANGERS, PUTTING LOTS OF PEOPLE AT INCREASED RISK OF
4 INFECTION. SO I WOULD LIKE TO VOICE BET TZEDEK'S STRONG
5 SUPPORT OF BOTH DEFERMENT OF OBLIGATIONS AND ALSO SUSPENSION
6 OF P.A.C.E. PROGRAM DURING THIS EMERGENCY. THANK YOU.

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8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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10 **MODERATOR:** AND NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF STEPHANIE CAROL.
11 PLEASE GO AHEAD.

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13 **STEPHANIE CAROL:** THANK YOU TO THE BOARD.

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15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WHAT ITEM ARE YOU SPEAKING ON, MA'AM?

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17 **STEPHANIE CAROL:** I'M CALLING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 15, ON BEHALF
18 OF PUBLIC COUNSEL. WE ESPECIALLY, AS IT CONCERNS THE P.A.C.E.
19 PROGRAM, WE HEARD YESTERDAY THE COUNTY HAS DECIDED TO
20 DISCONTINUE ITS OWN P.A.C.E. PROGRAM. AND WHILE WE APPLAUD
21 THAT MOVE, THERE ARE STILL THOUSANDS OF HOME OWNERS WITH
22 P.A.C.E. LOANS ON THEIR HOMES IN L.A. COUNTY, MANY OFTEN
23 PROCURED BY FRAUD, AND MANY WITH (INDISCERNIBLE) THESE PEOPLE
24 CANNOT AFFORD AND COULD NEVER AFFORD TO PAY THOSE LOANS. OUR
25 CLIENTS OFTEN COME TO US WHEN THEY HAVE SPEND THROUGH THEIR

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1 LIVE SAVINGS. THEY'VE TAKEN ALL THEIR FAMILY RESOURCES, COME
2 OUT OF RETIREMENT, OR TAKEN SECOND OR EVEN THIRD JOBS TO PAY
3 THESE INTERESTED HIGH LOANS. IN THE CURRENT CRISIS, ALL THOSE
4 INCOME SOURCES HAVE DRIED UP, AND THAT MEANS OUR CLIENTS,
5 ALMOST ALL OF WHOM HAVE MORTGAGES, WILL END UP IN FORECLOSURE.
6 IT IS NOT ENOUGH TO FORGIVE TAX PAYMENTS. IF THOSE ARE NOT
7 DEFERRED, OUR CLIENTS' MORTGAGE COMPANIES WILL STEP IN AND PAY
8 THOSE TAXES AND FORECLOSE. WE ENTREAT THE BOARD TO SUPPORT
9 THIS MOTION AND DO ALL IT CAN TO ASSIST HOMEOWNERS WHO HAVE
10 FALLEN VICTIM TO P.A.C.E. THANK YOU.

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12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. NEXT ITEM, PLEASE. NEXT
13 SPEAKER.

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15 **MODERATOR:** AND NEXT, WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF LISA MARQUEZ.
16 PLEASE GO AHEAD AND STATE THE ITEMS THAT YOU WILL BE SPEAKING
17 ON.

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19 **LISA MARQUEZ:** YES, ITEM 3 AND 15. ITEM 3 FIRST. I AM AGAINST
20 THIS AGENDA ITEM. WE HAVE BEEN PROVIDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO
21 RENTERS IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR 40 YEARS. WE HAVE PUT OUR LIFE
22 SAVINGS AND DEVOTION INTO OUR RENTERS. THIS WOULD BE A
23 DETRIMENT TO US. I DON'T WANT TO EXPLAIN TO MY 94-YEAR-OLD
24 MOTHER, WHO IS IN AN ASSISTED LIVING ON LOCKDOWN, THAT HER
25 ENTIRE LIFE'S WORK HAS BEEN DEFEATED BY THESE AGENDA ITEMS BY

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1 THESE CONSIDERATIONS. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON 15. I THINK
2 THIS IS A VIOLATION OF OUR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS. MY PARENTS
3 CAME TO THIS COUNTRY OVER 60 YEARS AGO AS IMMIGRANTS, AND THEY
4 WORK SIX DAYS A WEEK, EVERY WEEK, SAVING EVERYTHING FOR THEIR
5 PROPERTY. THEY ARE BED AND BOARDER BUILDINGS THAT HAVE
6 PROVIDED AVAILABILITY HOUSING TO TENANTS FOR OVER 40 YEARS,
7 MANY YEARS NEVER RAISING RENTS ON THE TENANTS, ESTABLISHING
8 GOOD RELATIONSHIPS. NOW I DON'T WANT TO EXPLAIN TO MY 94-YEAR-
9 OLD MOTHER THAT HER LIFE'S WORK COULD POSSIBLY BE TAKEN AWAY
10 FROM HER, THE BED AND BOARDER BUILDINGS SHE OWNS BE FORCED TO
11 BE SOLD. I AM THE SURVIVING CHILD, AND I AM MANAGING MY
12 PARENT'S AFFAIRS AND THEIR BUSINESS AFFAIRS. AND THIS IS --
13 THIS IS A VIOLATION OF OUR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS, WHAT MY
14 PARENTS CAME TO THIS GREAT COUNTRY FOR. AND TO CONSIDER AGENDA
15 ITEM 15, THAT LEAVES THESE PROPERTIES BE TAKEN FROM US. IT IS
16 JUST -- IT IS VERY UNFAIR TO PLACE THIS ENTIRE BURDEN ON THE
17 LANDLORDS--

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19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YOUR TIME IS UP. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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21 **MODERATOR:** AND NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF NATALIE GODINEZ
22 OF HEALTH GRAPHIC. PLEASE STATE THE ITEMS YOU WILL BE SPEAKING
23 ON, AND ALSO, IF YOU WILL BE SPEAKING ON PUBLIC COMMENTS.
24 PLEASE GO AHEAD.

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1 **NATALIE GODINEZ:** HELLO, MY NAME IS NATALIE GODINEZ. I AM
2 CALLING ON SUPPORT OF THE HEALTHY L.A. PLATFORM FROM HEALTH
3 GRAPHICS. WE SUPPORT ITEM 15. WE SUPPORT COMPREHENSIVE RELEASE
4 FOR LOW-INCOME HOMEOWNERS, FOR GOOD MOM AND POP LANDLORDS, AND
5 FOR TENANTS. THIS WILL HELP US PREPARE FOR THE DISRUPTION IN
6 THE HOUSING MARKET THAT WILL CAUSE A LOT OF PAIN AND A LOT OF
7 PROBLEMS FOR THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES, ESPECIALLY LOW-INCOME
8 PEOPLE. AND WE ALSO WOULD LIKE THAT THE ITEMS PASSES ALL
9 TOGETHER BECAUSE THE ITEM CALLED FOR REPORT BACKS THAT WILL
10 HELP THE BOARD PLAN TO ADDRESS THIS DIFFERENTLY. AND THEN THIS
11 WILL HELP US NOT BE TREATED THE SAME WAY AS WE WERE TREATED IN
12 THE 2008 HOUSING COLLAPSE. THANK YOU.

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14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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16 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF RABIA SAN, ESPERANZA
17 COMMUNITY HOUSING CORPORATION. PLEASE STATE THE ITEMS THAT YOU
18 WILL BE SPEAKING ON AND ALSO IF YOU'LL BE SPEAKING ON PUBLIC
19 COMMENTS. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

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21 **RABIA SAN:** YES, I'M SPEAKING TO ITEM NUMBER 15. I DO WORK
22 ALONGSIDE THE COMMUNITIES OF SOUTH CENTRAL LOS ANGELES, AND
23 WHAT WE SEE IS MOST OF OUR TENANTS AND, INDEED, MOST OF OUR
24 RESIDENTS IN THE AREA, THEY ARE LOW-WAGE WORKERS WHO WILL FIND
25 THEMSELVES WITHOUT A JOB OR STRUGGLING TO PAY RENT, TO PAY

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1 THEIR BASIC NEEDS AND KEEP A ROOF OVER THEIR HEAD, AND IN
2 SORT, BECAUSE OF THIS PANDEMIC, THEY ARE BEARING AN INORDINATE
3 AMOUNT OF THE BURDEN OF THE ECONOMIC FALLOUT AND NOW ARE
4 FACING A WHOLE NEW DISPLACEMENT THREAT BECAUSE OF THIS
5 PANDEMIC. THE FACT IS, TO HAVE A JUST ECONOMIC RECOVERY, WE
6 CANNOT LEAVE THIS COMMUNITY BEHIND. WE CANNOT HAVE A REPEAT OF
7 THE RESPONSE TO THE 2008 COLLAPSE THAT LEAD TO THE
8 HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING CRISIS BEFORE THIS PANDEMIC AND
9 THAT'S INTENSIFYING NOW. THEREFORE, WE SUPPORT COMPREHENSIVE
10 RELIEF FOR LOW-INCOME HOMEOWNERS, FOR GOOD MOM AND POP
11 LANDLORDS, AND TENANTS. IT'S ALL NEED TO ENSURE THAT JUSTICE
12 (INDISCERNIBLE) RECOVERY. AND TO DO THIS, WE NEED ALL OF ITEM
13 15 TO BE PASSED AND TO BE PASSED TOGETHER, NOT SPLIT APART. IT
14 IS A MOTION THAT IS RADICAL AND (INDISCERNIBLE) IN THAT IT
15 PROVIDES THAT COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH THAT WE'VE ALWAYS NEEDED,
16 CALLING FOR REPORT BACKS ON VARIOUS CONNECTED PARTS --

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18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YOUR TIME IS UP. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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20 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. WE WILL GO DIRECTLY TO THE LINE OF TANIA
21 LOVE, HOMEOWNER, DISTRICT 5. PLEASE STATE THE ITEMS YOU WILL
22 BE SPEAKING ON AND ALSO ON ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS.

23

24 **TANIA LOVE:** GOOD MORNING, I AM SPEAKING ON PART FOUR OF ITEM
25 15. I AM A HOMEOWNER IN DISTRICT 5, AND I HAVE A P.A.C.E. LOAN

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1 ON MY PROPERTY THAT HAS CAUSED ME TO HAVE AN ADDITIONAL 400,
2 EXCUSE ME, \$4,884 TO MY ANNUAL PROPERTY TAX BILL SINCE 2016. I
3 WAS ALREADY STRUGGLING WITH IT, AND NOW WITH THE PANDEMIC, I
4 HAVE NO WAY TO PAY ANYTHING RIGHT NOW BECAUSE CURRENTLY I AM
5 UNEMPLOYED. I AM REALLY WORRIED ABOUT THE ABILITY TO CONTINUE
6 MAKING MY PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS AND TO KEEP MY HOME. I URGE
7 SUPERVISOR BARGER AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SUPPORT PART
8 4 OF ITEM 15, THANK YOU.

9

10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

11

12 **MODERATOR:** AND NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF BRADY COLLINS,
13 WITH THE KOREATOWN IMMIGRANTS WORKERS ALLIANCE. PLEASE STATE
14 THE ITEMS YOU WILL BE SPEAKING ON AND ALSO PUBLIC COMMENTS.

15

16 **BRADY COLLINS:** ITEMS 3, 4, 6, 7, 15, AND 51B.

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

19

20 **BRADY COLLINS:** YES, I AM A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 2 AND WORK
21 WITH THE IMMIGRANT KOREATOWN WORKERS ALLIANCE, WHICH IS ALSO
22 PART OF THE HEALTHY L.A. COALITION. I'M CALLING TO ASK YOU TO
23 SUPPORT ALL OF THESE ITEMS 3, 4, 6, 7, ALL OF 15, AND 51B.
24 PASSING JUST ONE OF THESE IS NOT ENOUGH. ADDRESSING THE
25 PANDEMIC REQUIRES A MULTI-PRONG STRATEGY BECAUSE OF THE WAY

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1 THAT ALL OF THESE ISSUES INTERSECT. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT
2 THIS CRISIS DOES NOT EXACERBATE THE EXISTING UNDEREMPLOYMENT,
3 HOUSING, AND HOMELESSNESS CRISES. WE ALSO NEED TO RECOGNIZE
4 THAT L.A. COUNTY'S LOW-WAGE WORKERS AND RENTERS ARE THE
5 BACKBONE OF OUR ECONOMY. I SUPPORT THE HEALTHY L.A. PLATFORM
6 AND URGE YOU ALL TO AS WELL, WHICH MEANS DEFENDING TENANTS'
7 RIGHTS TO REMAIN IN A HEALTHY HOME AND WORKERS' RIGHTS TO GET
8 THEIR JOBS BACK. IT MEANS ENSURING THOSE EXPERIENCING
9 HOMELESSNESS ARE INCLUDED IN OUR RECOVERY EFFORTS, AND IT
10 MEANS THE COUNTY LEVERAGES ITS POSITION AS A CLIENT OF BIG
11 BANKS AND ONLY DOES BUSINESS WITH THOSE THAT WORK WITH
12 HOMEOWNERS TO PASS RENT RELEASE. I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE
13 HEALTHY L.A. PLATFORM AND PASS THESE MEASURES SO WE CAN TRULY
14 RECOVER FROM THIS PANDEMIC. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND
15 YOUR LEADERSHIP.

16
17 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18
19 **MODERATOR:** AND NEXT, WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF MICHAEL
20 RACONELLI, CHATEAU MARMONT. PLEASE STATE THE ITEMS THAT YOU
21 WILL BE SPEAKING ON AND ALSO THE PUBLIC COMMENTS. PLEASE GO
22 AHEAD.

23
24 **MICHAEL RACONELLI:** HI THERE, I AM SPEAKING ON 51B, G, AND H. I
25 WAS TERMINATED FROM MY HOTEL JOB, THE CHATEAU MARMONT, BACK IN

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1 MARCH ALONG WITH 200 OF MY CO-WORKERS. I AM STILL STRUGGLING
2 TO PAY RENT. I HAVE FAMILY BACK IN CHICAGO. MY MOTHER IS
3 DISABLED AFTER A KIDNEY TRANSPLANT. I HELP SUPPORT HER. MY
4 SISTER IS A SINGLE MOTHER OF TWO CHILDREN. I HELP HER AS WELL.
5 I HAVE A LOT OF CO-WORKERS THAT WORKED FOR 30 OR 40 YEARS THAT
6 ARE ALSO STRUGGLING TO MAKE ENDS MEET. AND WE FOUGHT TO HAVE
7 THE ORDINANCES PASSED FOR WORKER RIGHT OF RECALL AND RETENTION
8 IN L.A. CITY RECENTLY. ALL 15 OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS
9 UNANIMOUSLY VOTED FOR IT. AND I JUST WANTED TO CALL AND HOPE
10 THAT YOU WOULD SUPPORT THESE ORDINANCES TO APPLY TO ALL OF
11 L.A. COUNTY AND ITS 10 MILLION RESIDENTS TO AFFORD THE SAME
12 PROTECTION TO THEM AS WELL. THANK YOU.

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

15

16 **MODERATOR:** AND NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF LUN PLANBECK
17 WITH SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR PLANNING AND THE
18 ENVIRONMENT. PLEASE STATE THE ITEMS YOU WILL BE SPEAKING ON
19 AND IF YOU ARE SPEAKING ON PUBLIC COMMENTS. GO AHEAD.

20

21 **LUN PLAMBECK:** ITEM 36, THE MISSION VILLAGE FINAL MAP APPROVAL
22 OF NEWHALL RANCH PROJECT AND PUBLIC COMMENT. ITEM 36 FIRST. IT
23 SOUNDED LIKE YOU HAVE ALREADY APPROVED THIS BEFORE PUBLIC
24 COMMENTS WERE ALLOWED TO BE MADE. AND WE HAVE OPPOSED THIS
25 PROJECT FOR A REALLY LONG TIME AS YOU KNOW. WE ARE VERY

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1 CONCERNED ABOUT THE SUFFICIENCY OF THE WATER SUPPLY OUT HERE.
2 WE HAD ALMOST 40 PERCENT OF OUR WELLS CLOSE DOWN DUE TO
3 P.F.A.S. POLLUTION, AND NOT TO LOOK AT THE WATER SUPPLY AGAIN,
4 OR DO A WATER SUPPLY ASSESSMENT, AND CONTINUE TO APPROVE THESE
5 MASSIVE PROJECTS IS JUST UNCONSCIONABLE. WE DEPEND ON OUR
6 GROUNDWATER FOR ABOUT 50 PERCENT OF OUR WATER SUPPLY, WHICH
7 MEANS WITHOUT THAT MANY WELLS CLOSED DOWN, WE HAVE 28 PERCENT
8 OF OUR WATER SUPPLY IS BEING IMPACTED. AND NOW I WANT TO SPEAK
9 ON PUBLIC COMMENT. THE WAY YOU ARE DOING THIS IS NOT
10 SUFFICIENT TO MEET THE BROWN ACT. MANY OF US HAVE REALLY
11 SERIOUS CONCERNS. WE HAVE INFORMATION TO BRING TO THE BOARD
12 THAT IS LEGITIMATE AND TO THE POINT OF WHAT WE ARE TALKING
13 ABOUT AND THINGS THEY ARE -- THEY ARE THINGS THAT YOU WOULDN'T
14 KNOW. THERE IS NO WAY FOR US TO EVEN KNOW IF YOU ARE READING
15 OUR COMMENTS BECAUSE YOU DON'T DISCUSS ANY OF THE MATTERS.
16 WHEN I FIRST STARTED BEING INVOLVED IN ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES IN
17 THE LATE '90S AND EARLY 2000S, YOU USED TO HAVE TWO BOARD
18 MEETINGS A WEEK, AND I WOULD SUGGEST THAT YOU GO BACK TO THAT,
19 SO YOU HAVE SUFFICIENT TIME TO LISTEN TO THE PUBLIC, TOO. AND
20 ALSO, I WOULD WANT TO SUGGEST THAT YOU CONVENE A COMMITTEE, OR
21 SOMETHING, OF PEOPLE THAT MAKE PUBLIC COMMENTS, AND SEE IF WE
22 CAN FIND A WAY TOGETHER THAT WOULD BE MORE OBSERVANT OF THE
23 BROWN ACT AND REALLY BE ABLE TO BRING YOU THINGS AGAIN. IT
24 USED TO BE THAT WHEN WE CAME DOWN AND MADE THE EFFORT TO COME

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1 TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING, WE COULD ACTUALLY SPEAK
2 TO THE BOARD AND HAVE ADEQUATE TIME.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED, THANK YOU. AND A
5 POINT FOR CLARIFICATION, ON CONSENT ITEMS, THE BOARD HAS NOT
6 TAKEN A VOTE ON IT. WE ARE LISTENING TO PUBLIC COMMENT FIRST,
7 AND THEN WE WILL TAKE THE VOTE ON THE CONSENT ITEMS. ALSO,
8 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS IS ONLINE AS WELL. NEXT SPEAKER,
9 PLEASE.

10

11 **MODERATOR:** AND NEXT SPEAKER WILL GO TO THE LINE OF JOHNA
12 BRESLAW. PLEASE STATE THE ITEMS YOU WILL BE SPEAKING ON AND IF
13 YOU WILL BE SPEAKING ON PUBLIC COMMENTS. PLEASE GO AHEAD. AND
14 JOHNA MAY HAVE TAKEN HERSELF OUT OF QUEUE. WE WILL MOVE TO THE
15 LINE OF SUSAN PARTOVI. PLEASE GO AHEAD AND STATE THE ITEMS YOU
16 WILL BE SPEAKING ON.

17

18 **SUSAN PARTOVI:** HI, I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON ITEM NUMBER 4. MY
19 NAME IS DR. SUSAN PARTOVI. I AM THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR FOR
20 HOMELESS HEALTHCARE LOS ANGELES. I HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THE
21 HOMELESS POPULATION FOR ABOUT 16 YEARS. AND I CONTINUE TO DO
22 STREET MEDICINE TODAY. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I HAVE BEEN
23 SAYING, WHETHER I WRITE AN ARTICLE ABOUT IT, OR AM BEING
24 INTERVIEWED ABOUT IT, IS THAT THE KEY TO CURING THE HOMELESS
25 SITUATION, IN THE LONG-RUN, IS PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING.

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1 IT IS TAKING TOO LONG. AND SO WHAT'S HAPPENING IS THAT WE ARE
2 LOSING ESPECIALLY OUR VULNERABLE PEOPLE, EITHER THROUGH DEATH
3 OR THROUGH INCARCERATION, OR NEAR-DEATH, AND THEY ARE PUT INTO
4 NURSING HOMES. SO I HAVE MULTIPLE EXAMPLES OF THAT. AND SO THE
5 ANSWER, REALLY, ESPECIALLY FOR OUR VULNERABLE PEOPLE THAT WE
6 ARE PUTTING PEOPLE INTO TIER-ONE HOUSING BECAUSE THEY ARE --

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YOUR TIME IS UP. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

9

10 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU, DOCTOR. AND OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL GO THE
11 LINE OF JOSEPH MAIZLISH. PLEASE STATE THE ITEMS YOU WILL BE
12 SPEAKING ON AND ALSO YOUR PUBLIC COMMENTS. PLEASE GO AHEAD.
13 AND JOSEPH, YOU HAVE A LIVE LINE. JOSEPH MAIZLISH: HELLO?

14

15 **MODERATOR:** GO AHEAD, SIR. STATE THE ITEMS THAT YOU'LL BE
16 SPEAKING ON. YOU DO HAVE A LIVE LINE.

17

18 **JOSEPH MAIZLISH:** YES, YES. WELL I JUST SAID. I'LL REPEAT IT.
19 51A, 51B, AND A PUBLIC COMMENT, A GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
20 HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME? OKAY, THANK YOU. ON 51A,
21 CONGRATULATIONS, REALLY, ON THE BOARD'S CONSIDERING THIS. IT
22 MAY ACTUALLY HAVE THE EFFECT OF ACCELERATING THE ALTERNATIVES
23 TO INCARCERATION THAT WAS -- THAT HAS BEEN WORKED ON AND THAT
24 THE BOARD HAS SUPPORTED THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF. AND THESE
25 THINGS FIT TOGETHER, JUST LIKE THIS FITS WITH THE JUDICIAL

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1 COUNSEL PILOT PROGRAM. THERE IS SOME SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES
2 HERE, TOO, MENTIONING NEGOTIATION, POSSIBLY NEGOTIATION OF
3 CASE OUTCOMES DURING THE PERIOD OF RELEASE. THAT IS PRETTY
4 IMPORTANT, AND IT CAN ACTUALLY HELP RESTORE A RIGHT TO TRIAL
5 BECAUSE PEOPLE WHO ARE ON RELEASE IN THESE PROGRAMS WILL HAVE
6 BETTER OPPORTUNITY. THEY WON'T BE UNDER THE PRESSURES OF BEING
7 IN CUSTODY. AND SO THAT MAY ACTUALLY GET US WHAT IT SAYS IN
8 THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ABOUT THE RIGHT TO TRIAL. SO
9 CONGRATULATIONS ON CONSIDERING THIS, AND I HOPE TO WATCH IT GO
10 FORWARD SUCCESSFULLY. AND ON 51B, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THIS
11 MEASURE INCLUDE SOME STUDY OF HOW TO APPLY THIS IN OTHER
12 INDUSTRIES BESIDES THE JANITORIAL AND THAT KIND OF SERVICES,
13 WHICH ARE MENTIONED EXPLICITLY, BUT REALLY EVERY WORKER NEEDS
14 TO HAVE SOME RIGHT OF RESTORATION TO EMPLOYMENT WHEN THE
15 BUSINESS SITUATION CHANGES. AND THAT WOULD ACTUALLY REMOVE A
16 LOT OF STRESS FOR PEOPLE, BOTH EMPLOYED AND UNEMPLOYED, AND
17 REALLY HELP THE ATMOSPHERE IN THE COUNTY THAT IS RELATED TO
18 WORK AND ALL THE PEOPLE WHO ARE DEPENDENT ON WORK FOR THEIR
19 LIVELIHOODS. MY GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS I WOULD LIKE THE
20 BOARD TO CONSIDER STILL FURTHER IMPROVEMENTS IN THE PUBLIC
21 COMMENT AND THE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN THE DEVELOPMENT,
22 ACTUALLY, OF PROPOSALS AND MEASURES. AND THE BOARD DOES NOT
23 HAVE ITS COMBINED LEGISLATURE AND EXECUTIVE -- IT DOESN'T HAVE
24 HEARINGS ON SOME OF THE SPECIFIC, AND SOME OF THE MAJOR
25 ISSUES, ALTHOUGH THEY MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD A COUPLE OF

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1 TIMES, BUT I WOULD SUGGEST CONSIDERING LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS,
2 LIKE MOST LOCALITIES DO, AND ALL THE STATES DO, AND THE
3 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DOES, HEARINGS ON SEVERAL RELATED ITEMS,
4 AND SO THE PUBLIC COULD WATCH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THOSE, HAVE
5 MORE NOTICE, EARLIER NOTICE, AND I THINK PUT IN MORE
6 PRODUCTIVE AND USEFUL COMMENTS. SO I WOULD LIKE THAT TO BE
7 CONSIDERED. I KNOW IT WILL BE A CHANGE IN THE WAY YOU HAVE
8 BEEN WORKING, BUT THIS WILL ALLOW FOR BETTER COLLABORATION AND
9 PROBABLY BETTER IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MEASURES THAT ARE
10 ADOPTED AND LESS ALIENATION BETWEEN THE BOARD AND THE PUBLIC
11 OF THE COUNTY. I HAVE WRITTEN THAT IN AS A WRITTEN COMMENT,
12 ALSO, AND I HOPE TO WATCH HOW THAT IS CONSIDERED.

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YOUR TIME IS UP, THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER,
15 PLEASE.

16

17 **MODERATOR:** AND NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF ELSA SANCHEZ.
18 SAY THE ITEM AND IF YOU HAVE PUBLIC COMMENTS. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

19

20 **ELSA SANCHEZ:** HI, ELSA SANCHEZ WITH ITEM 15 AND PUBLIC
21 COMMENT. LIKE I SAID, MY NAME IS ELSA SANCHEZ. MY FATHER IS
22 ELDERLY. HE'S A MONOLINGUAL SPANISH SPEAKER HOMEOWNER WHO
23 LIVES IN DISTRICT 2, AND WE ARE IN SUPPORT OF PART FOUR OF
24 ITEM 15, DEFERRING THE P.A.C.E. TAXES BU AT LEAST 12 MONTHS.
25 MY FATHER HAS A COUNTY P.A.C.E. LIEN ON HIS HOME THAT HAS

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1 INCREASED HIS ANNUAL TAXES BY \$4,600 SINCE 2017. THE ONLY
2 REASON MY FATHER PARTICIPATED IN THE PROGRAM WAS BECAUSE HE
3 WAS LIED TO ABOUT HOW MUCH IT WOULD COST. NOW HE HAS BEEN
4 FORCED TO POSTPONE HIS RETIREMENT. HE IS 69, AND HE KEEPS
5 WORKING 6 DAYS A WEEK IN A PHYSICALLY DEMANDING DANGEROUS JOB
6 TO PAY HIS P.A.C.E. TAXES ON HIS HOME. DUE TO THE VIRUS, I
7 HAVE BEEN OUT OF WORK SINCE MARCH 20, AND I AM UNABLE TO HELP
8 HIM FINANCIALLY. I STRONGLY URGE SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND
9 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SUPPORT 4 ON ITEM 15 AND DEFER THE
10 P.A.C.E. TAXES BY AT LEAST A YEAR, THANK YOU.

11

12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. AND ONCE AGAIN AS A REMINDER, PLEASE DO
15 PRESS 1 THEN 0. YOU WILL BE ASKED TO STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS
16 THAT YOU WILL BE SPEAKING ON AND ALSO ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS. AT
17 THIS TIME, WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF VERONICA TOLEDO. PLEASE
18 GO AHEAD.

19

20 **VERONICA TOLEDO:** THIS IS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. MY NAME IS
21 VERONICA TOLEDO, AND I'M THE ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF UNITED
22 PARENTS AND STUDENTS, WHICH, AS GABBY SAID EARLIER, IS A
23 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT SERVES OVER 10,000 FAMILIES IN
24 L.A. COUNTY. OUR ORGANIZATION, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE L.A.
25 FOOD POLICY COUNSEL, AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION, COMMUNITY

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1 HEALTH COUNSEL, PARENT RESOLUTION, EDUCATORS FOR EXCELLENCE,
2 INCLUSIVE ACTION, AND HAVEN NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES, STRONGLY
3 URGE THE COUNTY TO, TOGETHER WITH PHILANTHROPIC PARTNERS,
4 DEVELOP A \$5 MILLION FUND TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY GROCERY
5 VOUCHERS FOR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS THAT
6 HAVE BEEN FINANCIALLY IMPACTED BY COVID, INCLUDING THOSE NOT
7 CURRENTLY BEING SERVED BY TRADITIONAL D.P.S.S. PROGRAMS. A
8 POLL RELEASED BY EDUCATION TRUST WEST, RECENTLY FOUND THAT 41
9 PERCENT OF L.A. PARENTS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN HAVE SKIPPED OR
10 REDUCED THEIR OWN MEALS DUE TO FOOD INSECURITY CAUSED BY
11 COVID. FOR EXAMPLE, ONE PARENT LIVING IN EAST L.A. TOLD ME SHE
12 HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO RESTRICT THE FAMILY'S FOOD INTAKE
13 THROUGHOUT THE DAY TO BE SURE THEY CAN GET THROUGH THE WEEK.
14 THIS IS A MATTER OF LIFE AND DEATH FOR THOUSANDS, AND THE TIME
15 IS NOW FOR THE BOARD TO ACT. THANK YOU.

16

17 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18

19 **MODERATOR:** AND NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF APRIL SIMS.

20 PLEASE GO AHEAD. SAY THE AGENDA ITEMS AND IF PUBLIC COMMENTS.

21

22 **APRIL SIMS:** GREAT MORNING. I'M CALLING REGARDING THE PROPOSED
23 CLOSURE OF THE MARINA DEL REY SHERIFF'S STATION. I AM
24 REPRESENTING SIMPLY WHOLESOME, WHICH A BUSINESS ENTITY THAT'S
25 BEEN AN ANCHOR AT THE INTERSECTION OF SOCCER AND OVERHILL FOR

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1 OVER 35 YEARS. MY FAMILY HAS ALSO RESIDED IN THIS COMMUNITY
2 SINCE 1973. I, AND WE, IMPORE THE COUNTY SUPERVISORS NOT TO
3 CLOSE THE MARINA DEL REY SHERIFF'S STATION. THIS STATION
4 PROVIDES AN ABSOLUTELY -- IT PROVIDES A NEED FOR PUBLIC
5 SAFETY, FOR OUR BUSINESS, OUR CUSTOMERS, OUR STAFF OF OVER 34
6 SOULS, AND OUR COMMUNITY. WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST AND ASK THAT
7 THE BOARD AND SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT LOOK FOR (INDISCERIBLE) AND
8 CUTS ACROSS THE BOARD TO FAIRLY AND EQUITABLY HAVE ALL
9 CITIZENS ABSORB THE REDUCED FUNDING. THANKS IN ADVANCE FOR
10 YOUR CAREFUL AND THOUGHTFUL CONSIDERATION.

11

12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

13

14 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF ERIC PREVEN. PLEASE
15 GO AHEAD, SAY THE AGENDA ITEMS IF AND PUBLIC COMMENTS. MR.
16 PREVEN, YOU HAVE A LIVE LINE.

17

18 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT IS ERIC PREVEN FROM STUDIO CITY. AND I'LL
19 SPEAK ON, TO MAKE IT SIMPLE, ALL OF THE ITEMS. I WILL DO MY
20 BEST, AND OBVIOUSLY A GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT FOR THE TOTAL
21 THREE MINUTES. SO FOR STARTERS, YOU KNOW, I APPLAUD THE BOARD
22 FOR COMING TO THEIR SENSES AND AT LEAST INVITING THE PUBLIC TO
23 PARTICIPATE IN A LIMITED WAY. I THINK AS LYNN PLAMBECK, JOE
24 MAIZLISH, AND OTHERS HAVE MENTIONED, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT YOU
25 REACH OUT TO THE PUBLIC AND COME UP WITH A GO-FORWARD THAT

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1 INCLUDES PUBLIC INPUT. AS LYNN MENTIONED, THERE ARE -- THERE
2 WERE TWO MEETINGS A WEEK IN THE PAST. AND WE ARE NOW FEATURING
3 BUDGET TIME. BUDGET TIME IS A TIME OF EXTRAORDINARY IMPORTANCE
4 IN COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND ALSO CITY GOVERNMENT BECAUSE THERE
5 ARE SO MANY DECISIONS THAT HAVE TO BE MADE, AND IN THIS POST-
6 COVID NIGHTMARE, WHICH CAN BE DESCRIBED AS A VERY GRIM AND
7 BLEAK AREA --

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WHAT ITEM ARE YOU SPEAKING ON?

10

11 **ERIC PREVEN:** WELL, I WAS SPEAKING ABOUT, I MEAN, I WAS
12 SPEAKING ABOUT THE BUDGET WHICH IS, YOU KNOW, INCLUDED IN MY
13 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, I SUPPOSE, BUT I CAN GO TO MARINA DEL
14 REY, ITEM 27-12-R, WHICH A COUNTY PARCEL THAT IS BEING FLIPPED
15 BY A COUPLE OF L.L.C.S FOR \$273 MILLION IS THE PRICE TAG. NOW,
16 THE COUNTY, WHO OWNS THIS LAND, IS ONLY GOING TO SEE \$13
17 MILLION OF THAT. NOW, HOW IS THAT POSSIBLE, IF WE ARE THE
18 OWNERS IN SUCH A BIG TRANSACTION IS TAKING PLACE? IT IS VERY A
19 GOOD QUESTION. NOW THIS IS IN THE MARINA, WHERE THE SHERIFF
20 AND THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAVE BEEN QUIBBLING WITH
21 ONE ANOTHER, AND THEY ARE ALLEGING THERE'S A \$400 MILLION
22 SHORTFALL, AND THE SHERIFF IS GOING TO HAVE TO SHUT THE MARINA
23 DEL REY SHERIFF'S STATION DOWN IN ALTADENA. THIS IS REALLY
24 BECOMING TIRESOME, THE WAY THERE SEEMS TO BE A LACK OF
25 COOPERATION BETWEEN THE BOARD AND THE SHERIFF. I THINK IT IS

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1 REALLY HURTING THE GO-FORWARD. ITEM 51F IS, IF YOU CAN BELIEVE
2 IT, AN INCREASE BY \$13.6 MILLION, WE ARE GOING TO JACK UP, TO
3 \$26 MILLION TOTAL, THE VOTING SOLUTIONS FOR ALL PEOPLE TALLY
4 SYSTEM. THIS WAS THE DEBACLE, AND IT IS ALSO A SOURCE THAT
5 ROLLED OUT DURING OUR LAST ELECTION PERIOD, WHERE WE HAVE
6 HORRIBLE -- IT WAS ECLIPSED BY THE COVID STORY. BUT NOW, I
7 THOUGHT THE GOVERNOR'S ANNOUNCED WE'RE DOING EVERYTHING VOTE
8 BY MAIL, SO THIS CONTRACT OUGHT TO BE CHECKED. I DON'T
9 UNDERSTAND WHY WE WOULD BE DOING THAT RIGHT NOW. IT MAKES NO
10 SENSE TO ME. AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO MENTION THE P.A.C.E.
11 LIENS AND LOANS ISSUE, THE COUNTY SHOULD REALLY CONSIDER THESE
12 PEOPLE ARE BEING STRANGLED BY THE NET THAT'S INTENDING TO HELP
13 THEM. AND THAT IS NOT ACCEPTABLE IN ANY WAY. AND I WOULD ALSO
14 LIKE TO KNOW, JUST BECAUSE I MENTIONED IT A MINUTE AGO, THE
15 VOTER SOLUTIONS FOR ALL, WHY IS THERE SO LITTLE INFORMATION
16 ABOUT DIGITAL FOUNDRY, THE COMPANY THAT ALLEGEDLY IS GOING TO
17 BENEFIT BY ALL THIS. ALSO YOU HAVE AN R.F.P. GOING OUT FOR JOB
18 ORDER CONTRACTS. ONCE AGAIN, I JUST ADVISE YOU THESE ARE
19 CONTRACTS THAT HARD TO BID ON ANYWAY BECAUSE OF THE
20 COMPLICATED GORDIAN GROUP'S TENTACLES, BUT THIS IS GOING TO BE
21 ANOTHER ROLL OVER OF \$35 MILLION OF CONTRACTS TO THE SAME
22 USUAL CUSTOMERS.

23
24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YOUR TIME IS UP, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

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1 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU, OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL GO THE LINE OF
2 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ONCE AGAIN, SAY THE AGENDA ITEMS AND IF
3 YOU HAVE PUBLIC COMMENTS. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

4

5 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, ON ITEM 11, I
6 THINK IT IS A VERY GOOD PLAN. I THINK IT WILL BE BETTER IF WE
7 KNOW MORE ABOUT IT JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT ANY (INDISCERNIBLE)
8 ARE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION. AND ON ITEM 16, I AM IN FAVOR OF
9 RATIFYING THE EXECUTIVE ORDER. THE FACT THE LITIGATION HAS
10 BEEN (INDISCERNIBLE) ETC., AND SO ON. IT IS DEPRESSING THAT, WE
11 HAVE TO PROTECT THE HOMELESS IN THE STREET. AND THEN ON ITEM
12 29, I AM TOTALLY IN FAVOR OF THAT PROJECT. THE SOONER IT IS
13 DONE, THE BETTER IT WILL BE FOR EVERYBODY. WE REALLY NEED THAT
14 MEDICAL CAMPUS IN (INDISCERNIBLE). THANK YOU SO MUCH.

15

16 **MODERATOR:** AND NEXT WE WILL GO TO BRIANNA JORDAN. SAY THE
17 AGENDA ITEMS AND IF PUBLIC COMMENTS. AND THAT PERSON MAY HAVE
18 TAKEN THEMSELF OUT OF QUEUE. SO AT THIS TIME, WE WILL MOVE TO
19 JAMIE GARCIA. JAIMIE GARCIA, GO AHEAD AT THIS TIME AND SAY THE
20 AGENDA ITEMS AND IF PUBLIC COMMENTS.

21

22 **JAIMIE:** GOOD MORNING, JAIMIE GARCIA, HOSPICE ASSOCIATION OF
23 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, AND I'M SPEAKING REGARDING ITEM 51B. THE
24 HOSPICE ASSOCIATION, ON BEHALF OF OVER 90 HOSPITALS AND HEALTH
25 SYSTEMS, IS PLEASE FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE INPUT ON THE

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1 RIGHT OF RECALL AND WORKER RETENTION (INDISCERBIBLE). AND I AM
2 SPEAKING TO REQUEST A FULL EXEMPTION OF ALL HOSPITALS,
3 REGARDLESS OF THE TAX STATUS. AS READ IN THE THE EMPLOYER
4 DEFINITION IN THE ORDINANCE EXEMPTS GOVERNMENT AND NONPROFIT
5 ENTITIES. IT EXCLUDES LESSER OWNED HOSPITALS THAT SERVE THE
6 FRONTLINE PROTECTING COUNTY RESIDENTS EACH AND EVERY DAY.
7 THESE COMMUNITY-BASED PROVIDERS OFTEN ARE LOCATED IN
8 UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES, SUCH AS EAST LOS ANGELES AND SERVE A
9 HIGH VOLUME OF LOW-INCOME AND NON-INSURED PATIENTS. MANY OF
10 THESE FACILITIES ARE ALSO CLASSIFIED AS DISH FACILITIES. THEY
11 ARE BOUND BY THE SAME FEDERAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS, AS WELL AS
12 STATE REGULATIONS, AS NONPROFIT AND PUBLIC HOSPITALS. THEY ARE
13 PROVEN TO BE ESSENTIAL PROVIDERS AS WE CONTINUE WITH THE COVID
14 PANDEMIC, AND THEY SHOULD RECEIVE THE SAME EXEMPTION AS
15 NONPROFIT ENTITIES. SO IN CLOSING, I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THE
16 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS EXTEND THE EXEMPTION TO ALL HOSPITALS AND
17 OUR CLINICS, REGARDLESS OF TAX STATUS, GIVEN THEIR SHARED
18 RESPONSIBILITIES TO THEIR LOCAL COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU VERY
19 MUCH.

20
21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

22
23 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF, WE HAVE A JAMIE
24 GARCIA THAT JUST FINISHED. ONE MOMENT, WE WILL GO ON TO JONAH
25 BRESLAU, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

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1

2 **JONAH BRESLAU:** DO YOU HEAR ME?

3

4 **MODERATOR:** YES, AND SAY THE AGENDA ITEM AND IF PUBLIC
5 COMMENTS.

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7 **JONAH BRESLAU:** YES, I HAVE PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ALSO ON 51B, G,
8 AND H. MY NAME IS JONAH BRESLAU. I'M CALLING -- I USED TO BE
9 A HOSPITALITY WORKER MYSELF. AND I THINK IT IS REALLY
10 IMPORTANT IN THIS TIME THAT WE PASS STRONG PROTECTIONS FOR
11 WORKERS IN THE HOSPITALITY AND BUILDING SERVICES INDUSTRIES. I
12 AM CALLING TO SUPPORT PERMANENT AND RETROACTIVE WORKER
13 RETENTION AND RIGHT OF RECALL POLICIES FOR THESE WORKERS.
14 SINCE MARCH, TENS OF THOUSANDS OF ANGELENOS HAVE LOST THEIR
15 JOBS IN THESE INDUSTRIES, AND WHEN THESE INDUSTRIES REHIRE,
16 THEY SHOULD ABSOLUTELY GIVE THESE WORKERS THEIR JOBS BACK.
17 THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND PLEASE ADOPT THESE ORDINANCES
18 TODAY. THANK YOU.

19

20 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. AND ONCE AGAIN, AS A REMINDER, IF YOU
21 WISH FOR ANY TYPE OF COMMENTS, PLEASE DO PRESS 1 THEN 0 AT
22 THIS TIME. AND NEXT, WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF ERICA COPELAND.
23 SAY THE AGENDA ITEMS AND IF PUBLIC COMMENTS.

24

25 **ERICA COPELAND:** HELLO?

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1

2 **MODERATOR:** YOU HAVE A LIVE LINE. GO AHEAD.

3

4 **ERICA COPELAND:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS ERICA COPELAND, AND I'M
5 SPEAKING ON ITEM 54, GENERAL COMMENT. I AM A RESIDENT OF
6 DISTRICT 2, AND I WORK AS A COMMUNITY ORGANIZER WITH UNITED
7 PARENTS AND STUDENTS, WORKING PRIMARILY WITH FAMILIES IN SOUTH
8 LOS ANGELES, MANY OF WHOM HAVE BEEN HIT HARD BY THE COVID
9 CRISIS. MANY FAMILIES HAVE LOST JOBS, AND THEY ALSO HAVE
10 CHILDREN TO CARE FOR AROUND THE CLOCK DUE TO SCHOOL CLOSURES.
11 SO FAMILIES NOT ONLY WORRY ABOUT PAYING FOR BILLS, BUT ALSO A
12 MORE PRIMAL NEED WHICH IS HUNGER. ONE SINGLE MOTHER THAT I
13 SPOKE WITH IS HOMELESS, LIVING IN HER CAR. HER MOTHER HELPS
14 HER BY ALLOWING HER TWO CHILDREN TO SLEEP INSIDE HER HOUSE AT
15 NIGHT SO AT LEAST THEY STAY SAFE. AND HER FOOD STAMPS HAVE
16 BEEN CUT TO A MEAGER SUM. SO WERE IT NOT FOR HER MOTHER, SHE
17 DOESN'T KNOW HOW SHE WOULD FEED HER CHILDREN. SO IN THIS
18 LIGHT, I ENCOURAGE THE COUNTY BOARD TO DEVELOP A \$5 MILLION
19 FUND TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY GROCERY VOUCHERS, PARTICULARLY FOR
20 LOW-INCOME FAMILIES THAT HAVE BEEN HARD HIT BY COVID IN THE
21 UNINCORPORATED AREAS. PLEASE ACT NOW, OUR FAMILIES CANNOT
22 AFFORD TO WAIT. THANK YOU.

23

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1 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU, NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF JOHN
2 NELSON. SAY THE AGENDA ITEMS AND IF PUBLIC COMMENTS. PLEASE GO
3 AHEAD.

4

5 **JOHN NELSON:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. THIS IS ITEM 54, GENERAL
6 PUBLIC COMMENT. I WANT TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS FOR PROTECTING
7 OUR HEALTH DURING THIS DIFFICULT TIME. MY COMMENT IS REGARDING
8 THE RESUMPTION OF RACING AT SANTA ANITA. GOVERNOR NEWSOM AND
9 THE C.H.R.B. HAS ALREADY ALLOWED HORSE RACING TO CONTINUE IN
10 THE STATE, AND I THINK THAT THIS COUNTY NEEDS TO GET RACING
11 GOING TO AVOID A HUMANITARIAN CRISIS. THERE ARE 7-800 PEOPLE
12 THAT LIVE BACK THERE THAT DON'T REALLY HAVE A VOICE. IF 7-800
13 PEOPLE FROM OUR COUNTY, WHICH HAS THE MOST COVID CASES, ARE
14 DISPLACED TO OTHER COUNTIES AND OTHER PLACES, THAT IS A
15 HUMANITARIAN AND A HEALTH CRISIS. WE NEED TO RESUME HORSE
16 RACING AS ALLOWED BY THE GOVERNOR. AND ALSO THE COUNTY IS
17 MISSING OUT ON A LOT OF REVENUE BECAUSE THERE ARE NOT MANY
18 RACETRACKS RUNNING RIGHT NOW. IF SANTA ANITA, IF AND WHEN,
19 RESUMES, THERE WILL BE A WINDFALL OF SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNTS OF
20 MONEY THAT WILL BE TAX REVENUE FOR THE COUNTY AT THIS
21 DIFFICULT TIME. SO ONCE AGAIN, THANK YOU SO MUCH TO ALL THE
22 COUNTY OFFICIALS AND WORKERS FOR DOING SUCH A GREAT JOB DURING
23 THIS DIFFICULT TIME. HAVE A GREAT DAY.

24

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1 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. NEXT, WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF ROBERTO
2 GUZMAN. SAY THE AGENDA ITEMS AND IF PUBLIC COMMENTS.

3

4 **ROBERTO GUZMAN:** ITEM 54.

5

6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

7

8 **ROBERTO GUZMAN:** YES, MY NAME IS ROBERTO GUZMAN, AND I'M A
9 COMMUNITY ORGANIZER FOR UNITED PARENTS AND STUDENTS. AND I AM
10 URGING THE BOARD TO DEVELOP A \$5 MILLION FUND TO PROVIDE
11 EMERGENCY GROCERY VOUCHERS FOR LOW INCOME FAMILIES IN
12 UNINCORPORATED AREAS. THIS IS DUE TO THE HUNDREDS OF CALLS
13 THAT I'VE MADE TO FAMILIES DURING THIS PANDEMIC, AND MANY OF
14 THEM ARE TELLING ME THEY HAVE TO CHOOSE BETWEEN PAYING BILLS,
15 RENT, AND/OR BUYING FOOD FOR THEIR FAMILIES. I THINK OUR BOARD
16 AND OUR ORGANIZATIONS WORKING FOR FAMILIES SHOULD DO BETTER,
17 AND WE DEFINITELY CAN DO BETTER. PLEASE DEVELOP THIS \$5
18 MILLION FUND TO HELP THESE FAMILIES AND OUR RESIDENTS. THANK
19 YOU.

20

21 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. NEXT, WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF BRIANNA
22 JORDAN, PLEASE GO AHEAD, SAY THE AGENDA ITEMS AND IF PUBLIC
23 COMMENTS.

24

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1 **BRIANNA JORDAN:** YES, GOOD MORNING, ITEM 54, GENERAL PUBLIC
2 COMMENT. SO, LIKE YOU SAID, MY NAME IS BRIANNA JORDAN. I'M A
3 YOUTH ORGANIZER WITH UNITED PARENTS AND STUDENTS, AND I WORK
4 WITH PARENTS STUDENTS ACROSS THE COUNTY, INCLUDING
5 UNINCORPORATED AREAS. OUR ORGANIZATION, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
6 SEVERAL OTHERS, STRONGLY URGES THE COUNTY TO LEVERAGE PRIVATE-
7 PUBLIC RELATIONSHIPS TO DEVELOP A \$5 MILLION FUND TO PROVIDE
8 EMERGENCY VOUCHERS GROCERY STORE VOUCHERS FOR LOW INCOME
9 FAMILIES IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS. I WORK MANY STUDENTS WHO'VE
10 SHARED STORIES OF HOW COVID-19 HAS IMPACTED THEIR COMMUNITY.
11 FOR EXAMPLE, ONE STUDENT SHARED HOW THE TAP WATER IN THEIR
12 COMMUNITY HAS BEEN (INDISCERNIBLE) SO SOMETIMES IT IS NOT
13 SUITABLE FOR DRINKING, THEREFORE, THEY SPEND A SIGNIFICANT
14 AMOUNT OF MONEY ON BOTTLED WATER FOR THE FAMILY AND ALSO HAVE
15 TO GO TO SEVERAL STORES TO EVEN FIND MORE WATER IN STOCK.
16 ANOTHER STUDENT IN SOUTH CENTRAL L.A. SHARED THAT SHE LIVES IN
17 A HOUSEHOLD OF TWO FAMILIES WITH 11 PEOPLE LIVING IN THE
18 HOUSEHOLD. AND BECAUSE OF COVID-19, NONE OF THE ADULTS,
19 INCLUDING HERSELF, ARE ABLE TO WORK ANYMORE. AND THEY NEED TO
20 FIND SUPPORT IMMEDIATELY TO BE ABLE TO SURVIVE. THIS PLAN
21 WOULD OFFER VERY SIGNIFICANT AND NECESSARY RELIEF FOR
22 THOUSANDS OF FAMILIES ACROSS THE COUNTY. AND WE URGE YOU --
23
24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME IS UP. NEXT SPEAKER,
25 PLEASE.

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1

2 **MODERATOR:** AND THANK YOU, NEXT WE WILL GO TO SCARLET DE LEON.
3 PLEASE SAY YOUR AGENDA ITEM AND IF PUBLIC COMMENTS. MISS
4 SCARLET, YOU MAY HAVE TAKEN YOURSELF OUT OF QUEUE. ONE MOMENT.
5 WE WILL GO DIRECTLY TO THE LINE OF JEREMY PANUC. PLEASE GO
6 AHEAD AND SAY YOUR AGENDA ITEM AND IF PUBLIC COMMENTS.

7

8 **JEREMY PANUC:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING TO THE BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JEREMY PANUC, AND I'M A CONSTITUENT
10 LIVING IN KOREATOWN. I'M IN THE DISTRICT OF MARK RIDLEY-
11 THOMAS. I'M ALSO A VOLUNTEER AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZER WITH THE
12 DEMOCRATIC SOCIALISTS OF AMERICA-LOS ANGELES. I WOULD LIKE TO
13 COMMENT ON TENANT, HOMEOWNER, AND SMALL BUSINESS PROTECTIONS.
14 THAT WOULD BE ITEMS NUMBER 3, 6, 7, AND 15. SO I DO STRONGLY
15 SUPPORT THE HEALTH L.A. PLATFORM. I AM WORRIED THAT THIS
16 HEALTH CRISIS WILL BECOME A LONG TERM EVICTION AND ECONOMIC
17 CRISIS. I URGE YOU TO DEFEND MY RIGHT AND MY NEIGHBOR'S RIGHTS
18 TO A HEALTHY SAFE HOME AND PROTECT OUR BUSINESSES. WE MUST
19 EXTEND THE EVICTION MORATORIUM AND ISSUE RENT FORGIVENESS FOR
20 ALL TENANTS AND SUPPORT MOTIONS FOR ANTI-HARASSMENT AND
21 TENANTS' PRIVATE RIGHT OF ACTION. AS A PREVIOUS KEY WITNESS IN
22 A LAWSUIT ALLEGING A REAL ESTATE FIRM HERE IN LOS ANGELES
23 PRESSURED LATINO AND DISABLED TENANTS TO LEAVE ITS RENT
24 CONTROLLED KOREATOWN BUILDINGS SO THAT IT COULD RAISE THE
25 RENT, AND OF A GROUP THAT PAID MILLIONS TO SETTLE THAT SUIT, I

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1 AM GENUINELY AFRAID THAT WITHOUT STRONGER PROTECTIONS, WE ARE
2 LEAVING MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY AT GREAT RISK OF SIMILAR
3 DANGERS BY PREDATORY COMPANIES THAT ARE TRYING TO TAKE
4 ADVANTAGE OF THIS CRISIS. I DO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND
5 YOUR LEADERSHIP.

6

7 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU, WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF LOUIS MORENO.
8 SAY THE AGENDA ITEMS AND IF PUBLIC COMMENTS. GOOD MORNING. YOU
9 HAVE A LIVE LINE. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

10

11 **LOUIS MORENO:** OKAY, MY NAME IS LOUIS MORENO. I AM SPEAKING TO
12 51H -- (SPEAKER FAR FROM MIC). I LIVE IN -- (SPEAKER FAR FROM
13 MIC) I CARE FOR MY FAMILY. I HAVE TO HELP MY SON WHO IS IN
14 COLLEGE. (INDISCERIBLE) THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU.

15

16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

17

18 **MODERATOR:** WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF GEORGE BUZZETTI. SAY THE
19 AGENDA ITEMS AND IF PUBLIC COMMENT AT THIS TIME.

20

21 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** ITEMS 19, 37, AND PUBLIC COMMENT.

22

23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

24

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1 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** OKAY. ON 19, I POINTED OUT TO YOU FOR THE
2 LAST YEAR AND A HALF THAT YOU ARE SPENDING 5 TO \$700,000 PER
3 HOMELESS UNIT, AND I GAVE YOU A BID FROM GIANT CONTAINERS FOR
4 \$65,000 EACH, AND I HAVE THEM DOWN TO \$40,000 NOW. YOU BRAG
5 ABOUT HOUSING 3362 PEOPLE OVER 6 YEARS FOR \$1.7 BILLION. AND
6 WHEN I HIT PHIL ANSELL WITH THAT, PHIL ANSELL RUNS OUT OF THE
7 ROOM AND DOWN THE HALL. WHY ARE YOU CONTINUING TO PUT PEOPLE
8 OUT INSTEAD OF ACTUALLY PUTTING PEOPLE IN HOUSING AND STOPPING
9 THIS MADNESS? NONE OF THE SHERIFF AND THE O.I.G. YOU ALL WELL
10 KNOW MY WORK WITH SHERIFF BOGGIN, DIRECTOR OF POLICY FOR THE
11 CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY OF CALIFORNIA, WITH (INDISERNIBLE)
12 FOR 8 YEARS. NOT A BILL GOT PASSED IN CALIFORNIA WITHOUT OUR
13 WORK. EVERY TIME THE SHERIFF NEEDED SOMEBODY THERE AT THE
14 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WE SHOWED UP. DO YOU REMEMBER? DO YOU
15 REMEMBER ME SHUTTING DOWN YOUR JAIL? SHUTTING DOWN MEASURE J
16 FOR \$300 BILLION. AND NOW YOU ARE RUNNING YOUR ILLEGAL BOARD
17 MEETINGS AND THE PUBLIC COMMENT, OKAY? DO YOU NOT HAVE LETTERS
18 FROM ME ON CEASE AND DESIST AND NULL AND VOID? HAS THE 30 DAYS
19 NOT PASSED ON THE FIRST ONE, NOW WE ARE GOING TO THE D.A.
20 BECAUSE YOU REFUSE TO RESPOND TO ANY PUBLIC INFORMATION
21 REQUEST OR LEGAL SUBMISSION TO YOU AT ALL. YOU ARE RUNNING A
22 LAWLESS MEETING AS YOU ARE RIGHT NOW AND HAVE BEEN. YOU HAVE
23 THE LETTER FROM ME YESTERDAY ON YOUR TRYING TO RUN AN ILLEGAL
24 BUDGET MEETING TOMORROW WITH NO MATERIAL. PUBLIC, GO UP AND
25 LOOK AT THE AGENDA THAT DOESN'T EXIST AND GO TO ATTACHMENTS.

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1 AM I NOT CORRECT, BOARD? SO WE ARE GOING TO FIND OUT HOW
2 CROOKED THIS WHOLE PLACE REALLY IS, DO YOU HEAR ME, PEOPLE?
3 YOU ARE COMMITTING CRIMES. UNDER 549 53.3, YOU CAN'T ASK OUR
4 NAME TO SPEAK. YOU HAVE BEEN BREAKING THE LAW FOR YEARS. WE
5 ARE GOING TO HOLD YOU ACCOUNTABLE, AND WE ARE GOING TO FIND
6 OUT HOW CROOKED THIS PLACE IS BECAUSE YOU PEOPLE ARE NOT
7 LIBERAL NOR ARE YOU PROGRESSIVE. YOU ARE TRUMPSTERS. YOU ARE
8 ACTIONS SHOW IT BY THE WAY YOU ARE RUNNING THESE MEETINGS.
9 BEVERLY HILLS HAS RUN MEETINGS WITH PHONE-IN CALLS FOR 15
10 YEARS, PEOPLE. EVEN THE SUPREME COURT WAS ABLE TO DO IT. YOU
11 ARE A BUNCH OF LOSERS. AND IT IS TIME YOU ARE HELD ACCOUNTABLE
12 TO THE LAW.

13

14 **MODERATOR:** YOUR TIME IS UP. WE WILL MOVE DIRECTLY TO THE LINE
15 OF PATRICIA --

16

17 **GEORGE BUZZETTI:** NOT YET TIME, HEY BUD? THAT'S A PRO.

18

19 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU, AND WE WILL NEXT WE WILL MOVE TO
20 PATRICIA RUSSELL. PATRICIA RUSSELL, PLEASE GO AHEAD. SAY THE
21 AGENDA ITEM AND IF PUBLIC COMMENTS.

22

23 **PATRICIA RUSSELL:** ITEM 15 AND TWO OTHERS REGARDING TENANTS AND
24 LANDLORDS. [OVERLAPPING AUDIO]. CAN SOMEBODY HEAR ME? IS THIS
25 WORKING?

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1

2 **MODERATOR:** WE CAN HEAR YOU. THERE IS BACKGROUND NOISE, MS.
3 RUSSELL. PLEASE DO CONTINUE.

4

5 **PATRICIA RUSSELL:** THAT'S NOT MY BACKGROUND. I DON'T KNOW WHOSE
6 BACKGROUND IT IS. CAN YOU MUTE YOUR PHONE BECAUSE IT IS NOT
7 FAIR TO ME? THANK YOU. I JUST WANT THE BOARD TO CONSIDER MOM
8 AND POP LANDLORDS. RIGHT NOW, I'M LOSING HALF MY INCOME. I AM
9 NOT ABLE TO PAY MY MORTGAGE. AND I RUN THE RISK OF LOSING MY
10 ONLY INCOME AND BECOMING HOMELESS MYSELF. I AM HAVING A HARD
11 TIME EVEN HAVING ENOUGH FOR FOOD. AND I -- [OVERLAPPING AUDIO]
12 -- AS WELL BECAUSE OTHER WE COULD GO UNDER. WE ARE A NOT A
13 CORPORATION. WE ARE NOT ALL BAD PEOPLE. YOU KNOW WHAT I'M
14 SAYING? WE'RE GOOD PEOPLE. AND I HOPE THAT WE CAN GET SOME
15 HELP SOON BECAUSE IT IS CAUSING A GREAT DEAL OF EMOTIONAL
16 STRESS FOR A LOT OF MOM AND POP LANDLORDS WHO ARE NOT GETTING
17 RENT RIGHT NOW. THANK YOU.

18

19 **MODERATOR:** AND THANK YOU. AT THIS POINT, IF YOU ARE WISH ANY
20 PUBLIC COMMENTS OR STATING YOUR AGENDA ITEMS, PLEASE PRESS 1
21 THEN 0, WE WILL PLACE YOUR LINE INTO QUEUE. SO YOU WILL NEED
22 TO PRESS 1 THEN 0, AND AT THAT TIME WE WILL ASK YOU WHEN WE
23 INTRODUCE YOU TO SAY THE AGENDA ITEMS AND ANY PUBLIC IF
24 COMMENTS. AT THIS TIME, WE WILL GO DIRECTLY TO THE LINE OF
25 VERONICA SHARUQ, AND ONCE AGAIN, SAY THE AGENDA ITEMS AND IF

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1 PUBLIC COMMENTS, AND BE ADVISED, WE HAVE A TIME CONSTRAINT ON
2 YOUR COMMENTS.

3

4 **VERONICA SHARUQ:** HI, I'M TALKING ON ITEM NUMBER 3. I WANTED TO
5 SAY THAT I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE HEALTHY L.A. PLATFORM, AND I
6 AM URGING YOU ALL TO DEFEND MY RIGHTS TO A HEALTHY AND SAFE
7 HOME AND EXTEND THE EVICTION MORATORIUM, AND ISSUE RENT
8 FORGIVENESS FOR ALL TENANTS AND SUPPORT MOTIONS OF ANTI-
9 HARASSMENT AND TENANTS' PRIVATE RIGHT OF ACTION. I WORK AS A
10 HAIRDRESSER, AND I AM GOING TO BE ONE OF THE LAST GROUPS TO BE
11 ABLE TO GO BACK TO WORK. NOT ONLY THAT BUT MY PARTNER HAS ALSO
12 HAD HIS INCOME REDUCED BY HALF. HE IS WORKING FROM HOME, AND
13 AS OF JUNE, WE OWE MORE THAN \$4,200 OF RENT. WHILE MY
14 INTENTION IS TO PAY BACK ALL THAT MONEY, I DON'T KNOW HOW LONG
15 IT IS GOING TO REPAY OR WHEN WE WILL HAVE AN ECONOMICALLY
16 STABLE ECONOMY FOR ME TO BE ABLE TO GO BACK TO WORK TO BE ABLE
17 TO MAKE SOME MONEY FOR A LIVING WAGE. THE SMALL BUSINESSES IN
18 MY NEIGHBORHOOD ALSO NEED PROTECTION, AND TO EXTEND THE
19 MORATORIUM FOR SIX MONTHS WOULD BE GOOD, BUT FOR 12 MONTHS IS
20 EVEN BETTER. IT IS HARD FOR THEM TO PAY BACK THE RENT, TOO.
21 THANK YOU FOR LISTENING.

22

23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

24

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1 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF SCARLET DE LEON. SAY
2 THE AGENDA TIME AND IF PUBLIC COMMENTS.

3

4 **SCARLETT DE LEON:** HI, AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 15 AND THEN PUBLIC
5 COMMENT. SCARLETT DE LEON, AM WITH ACT L.A. AND HEALTHY L.A.
6 FIRST, I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER
7 LEADERSHIP ON THIS ITEM. THIS ITEM PURSUES LOCAL, STATE, AND
8 FEDERAL ACTION, ALL OF WHICH ARE NEEDED. WE URGE YOU TO PLEASE
9 PASS ALL OF THE ITEM NUMBER 15, WHICH WILL HELP THE BOARD
10 AVOID THE FORECLOSURE DISASTER CAUSED BY THE 2008 GREAT
11 RECESSION, WHICH LED TO A LOSS OF ACROSS COMMUNITIES OF COLOR
12 AND LOW-WAGE EARNING COMMUNITIES. CITIES AND FAMILIES THAT FOR
13 YEARS HAVE SERIOUS DISABILITIES. ITEM 15 IS INTENDED TO
14 PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE RELIEF FOR LOW INCOME HOMEOWNERS, FOR
15 SMALL LANDLORDS, AND FOR TENANTS THAT THE COUNTY MUST PURSUE
16 TO AVOID HOUSEHOLDS OF BOTH RENTERS AND HOMEOWNERS BEING
17 DISPLACED AND EVEN MORE PEOPLE LIVING IN OVERCROWDED
18 CONDITIONS OR EVEN ON THE STREETS. THANKS, AND FOR PUBLIC
19 COMMENT, I JUST WANT TO SAY ACT L.A. ALSO SUPPORTS ITEM NUMBER
20 3, 4, 6, 7, AND 51B ON THE AGENDA. THANK YOU.

21

22 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. AND THEN NEXT, WE WILL GO TO AARON TAXI.
23 SAY THE AGENDA ITEMS AND PUBLIC IF COMMENTS. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

24

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1 **SUP. HAHN:** THIS IS SUPERVISOR HAHN. CAN I SAY SOMETHING? [
2 MULTIPLE PEOPLE TALKING].

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SPEAKER, CAN YOU HOLD ON, PLEASE. HOLD HIS
5 TIME.

6

7 **SUP. HAHN:** THIS IS SUPERVISOR HAHN. SOMEBODY IS NOT MUTED. I
8 FEEL LIKE IT IS IN THE COUNTY FAMILY BECAUSE IT IS REALLY
9 DISRUPTIVE, AND I'M HAVING A HARD TIME HEARING THE PUBLIC
10 COMMENT.

11

12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, WE ARE ALL MUTED HERE IN
13 THE COUNTY. WE HAVE ALL OF OUR LINES MUTED. SO WE WILL LOOK
14 INTO IT FURTHER.

15

16 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH, I AM SEEING ONE LINE THAT IS NOT MUTED.

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** AND THAT IS YOURS RIGHT NOW, SUPERVISOR,
19 AND OURS, ALSO. SPEAKER, GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

20

21 **AARON TAXI:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THIS IS AARON TAXI WITH THE
22 BUILDINGS OWNERS AND MANAGERS ASSOCIATION OF GREATER LOS
23 ANGELES. ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, WE REPRESENT OVER 135
24 MILLION SQUARE FEET OF COMMERCIAL OFFICE SPACE IN L.A. COUNTY,
25 AND OUR MEMBERS CONTRIBUTE AN ESTIMATED \$3.5 BILLION A YEAR TO

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1 CALIFORNIA'S ECONOMY. AS WE LOOK TO BEGIN REOPENING OUR
2 COUNTY, WE ARE COMMITTED TO REOPENING OUR OFFICE BUILDINGS IN
3 A SAFE AND SANITARY WAY. AND WE ARE ALSO COMMITTED TO WORKING
4 WITH TENANTS WHEREVER POSSIBLE TO HELP THEM NAVIGATE THESE
5 UNPRECEDENTED TIMES. THIS INCLUDES NEGOTIATING GENERAL RENT
6 DEFERRAL PLANS, AGAIN WHENEVER POSSIBLE, WITH BUSINESSES WHO
7 HAVE HIT SPEED BUMPS DURING THIS EMERGENCY. THAT IS ALSO WHY
8 WE HAVE PROVIDED NUMEROUS WEBINARS AND RESOURCES TO OUR
9 MEMBERS ON REOPENING AND NEGOTIATING DEFERRALS. WE WANT TO BE
10 PART OF THIS SOLUTION WHEREVER POSSIBLE, AND ALL OF THESE
11 ISSUES, WE ARE COMMITTED TO WORKING COLLABORATIVELY WITH THE
12 BOARD IN THE MONTHS AHEAD. OUR WORKING IN GOOD FAITH WITH ALL
13 STAKEHOLDERS, THOUGH, SHOULD NOT COME DISPROPORTIONATELY TO
14 CRIPPLE OUR OWN BUSINESS. THAT LEADS ME TO AGENDA ITEM 3. WE
15 APPRECIATE THE INTENTIONS HERE, BUT WE HAVE HAD SOME MEMBERS
16 WHOSE RENTAL INCOME HAS DROPPED 70 OR MORE PERCENT. WE ARE
17 ULTIMATELY CONCERNED ABOUT THIS AND ASK FOR A DELAY IN PASSING
18 THIS AGENDA ITEM BEFORE A MORE THOROUGH STUDY IS DONE. WE ARE
19 BUSINESSES, TOO, AND THIS ALL IMPACTS OUR ABILITY TO PAY OUR
20 MORTGAGES.

21
22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME IS UP. NEXT SPEAKER,
23 PLEASE.

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1 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU, OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL GO DIRECTLY TO THE
2 LINE OF JARED GONZALES. SAY THE AGENDA ITEM AND IF PUBLIC
3 COMMENTS AT THIS TIME.

4

5 **JARED GONZALEZ:** YES, I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEM 3.
6 HELLO, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. I HOPE YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES
7 ARE SAFE AND HEALTHY. I REPRESENT WESTERN MANUFACTURED HOUSING
8 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION. IT'S A NONPROFIT TRADE ASSOCIATION THAT
9 REPRESENTS MOBILE HOME PARK OWNERS AND OPERATORS THROUGHOUT
10 CALIFORNIA. W.M.A. CURRENTLY OPPOSES ITEM 3 ON THE AGENDA.
11 THERE IS NO QUESTION THIS PANDEMIC HAS CREATED INSTABILITY FOR
12 MANY. PARK OWNERS HAVE ANSWERED THE CALL TO DO THE RIGHT THINK
13 DURING THIS CRISIS. THEY WORK DIRECTLY WITH RESIDENTS WHO ARE
14 IMPACTED BY THE CORONAVIRUS. WE HAVE DEMONSTRATED COMPASSION.
15 NO ONE WILL BE EVICTED FROM A W.A. MEMBER PARK DURING THIS
16 PANDEMIC. THE EMERGENCY MORATORIUM SHOULD NOT BE AUTOMATICALLY
17 EXTENDED ANOTHER THREE MONTHS TO AUGUST 31. RATHER, IT SHOULD
18 BE REVIEWED PERHAPS ON A MONTH BY MONTH BASIS TO ENSURE A MORE
19 MEASURED AND THOUGHTFUL APPROACH. THIS PANDEMIC IMPACTS
20 EVERYONE. AS PROVIDERS FROM AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING SOLUTION,
21 RENT DEBT SHOULD NOT BE MADE HARDER TO OBTAIN WHEN THIS
22 PASSES. AND THAT'S WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF RENT BECOMES UNSECURED
23 DEBT. WE ARE ALL FINDING A WAY --

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME IS UP. NEXT SPEAKER,
2 PLEASE.

3

4 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU, AND NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF
5 ARMANDO FLORES. SAY THE AGENDA ITEM AND IF PUBLIC COMMENT.
6 PLEASE GO AHEAD.

7

8 **ARMANDO FLORES:** GOOD MORNING, ARMANDO FLORES WITH THE VALLEY
9 AND MISSION COMICS ASSOCIATION, SPEAKING ON 51G AND 51H, AS
10 WELL AS ITEM 3, AND 6, AND ITEM 7. FOR ITEMS 51G AND 51H, WE
11 WOULD URGE YOU TO REMOVE THE LANGUAGE ON REBUTTABLE
12 PRESUMPTION AND ALSO URGE YOU TO REMOVE THE LANGUAGE ON
13 PUNITIVE DAMAGES. THE REBUTTABLE PRESUMPTION PROVISION SHIFTS
14 THE BURDEN TO THE EMPLOYER. NOW AN EMPLOYER WOULD NEED TO
15 PROVE THEY TERMINATED A WORKER FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION,
16 REQUIRING THEM TO GO TO COURT, AND SHOULD THE COURT DETERMINE
17 A WORKER WAS TERMINATED NON-DISCIPLINARY ACTION, AN EMPLOYER
18 WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING PUNITIVE DAMAGES. AND THOSE
19 ADDED COSTS AT THIS TIME, DURING A PANDEMIC, IS JUST GOING TO
20 DRIVE BUSINESSES INTO THE GROUND. AND IN ITEMS 3 AND 6, WE
21 OPPOSE EXTENDING THE MORATORIUM AND ALSO HAVE CONCERNS WITH
22 IMPLEMENTING A PRIVATE RIGHT OF ACTION WHICH IS, AGAIN, GOING
23 TO RESULT IN LITIGATION AND JUST MAKE THESE MORE EXPENSIVE FOR
24 BUSINESSES. AND ITEM NUMBER 7, WE ARE CONCERNED THAT THIS IS
25 GOING TO PUSH BANKS TO DISCLOSE THEIR PLANS AND EITHER JUST

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1 CREATE A PUBLIC LIST TO SHAME BANKS TO FORCED COMPLIANCE AND
2 CONSTITUTE A MAJOR GOVERNMENT OVERREACH. SO WE APPRECIATE YOUR
3 TIME. WE JUST HOPE THAT DURING THIS TIME WHEN BUSINESSES ARE
4 STRUGGLING THAT WE JUST DON'T MAKE THINGS MORE DIFFICULT, AND
5 WE FOCUS ON RECOVERY FOR THESE BUSINESSES, THANK YOU.

6

7 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF SARAH
8 WOLFUNG. PLEASE SAY THE AGENDA ITEM AND IF PUBLIC COMMENTS.
9 PLEASE GO AHEAD.

10

11 **SARAH WOLFUNG:** ITEM 51G-H. MY NAME IS SARAH WOLFUNG, AND I AM
12 CALLING ON BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUSINESS
13 FEDERATION, ALSO KNOWN AS BIZFED. WE ARE AN ALLIANCE OF OVER
14 190 BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENTING 400,000 EMPLOYERS FOR
15 3,500,000 EMPLOYEES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE CALLING
16 BECAUSE WE REMAIN OPPOSED TO THE RIGHT TO RECALL AND WORKER
17 RETENTION ORDINANCES. WHILE THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY APPLAUDS
18 THE SUPERVISORS' LEADERSHIP DURING THIS TIME, WE ARE AFRAID
19 THAT THE ATTEMPTED SOLUTION WON'T HELP THE SITUATION NOW OR
20 WHEN THE CRISIS IS BEHIND US. BUSINESSES ARE STRUGGLING TO
21 SURVIVE AND DOING THEIR BEST TO ADAPT UNDER UNPRECEDENTED
22 CIRCUMSTANCES. WHEN THIS CRISIS IS OVER, IT SHOULD BE UP TO
23 THEM TO FIGURE OUT HOW BEST TO RETIRE AND REBUILD THEIR
24 BUSINESSES. SINCE THE L.A. TIMES AND THE CALIFORNIA NEWS GROUP
25 EDITORIAL BOARDS RELEASED THEIR OPPOSITION TO THE RIGHT TO

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1 RECALL ORDINANCE, ONE OF THE PROVISIONS PROPOSED BY THE CITY
2 OF LOS ANGELES, TO QUOTE THE L.A. TIMES, "THE GOVERNMENT HAS
3 AN INTEREST IN EMPLOYERS GETTING BACK TO BUSINESS AS QUICKLY
4 AND AS EASILY AS POSSIBLE. IT IS BEST TO HELP THEM DO IT
5 RATHER THAN IMPOSE BURDENSOME RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR HOW TO
6 DO IT." THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION OF OUR COMMENTS. AND
7 REMEMBER --

8

9 **MODERATOR:** AND THANK YOU. NEXT, WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF
10 PATRICIA BRUNO. SAY THE AGENDA ITEMS AND IF PUBLIC COMMENT AT
11 THIS TIME.

12

13 **PATRICIA BRUNO:** YES AGENDA ITEMS 51G, 51B, AND 51H, AND PUBLIC
14 COMMENT. THANK YOU.

15

16 **MODERATOR:** GO AHEAD.

17

18 **PATRICIA BRUNO:** OKAY, THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME THE
19 OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS YOU. MY NAME IS PATRICIA BRUNO, AND I
20 AM REPRESENTING THE LOS ANGELES AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,
21 WHICH WE REPRESENT OVER 1,400 BUSINESSES IN THE LOS ANGELES
22 AREA. THIS IS ALREADY AN INCREDIBLY DIFFICULT TIME FOR SMALL
23 AND MEDIUM-SIZED BUSINESSES THAT ARE TRYING TO DESPERATELY
24 KEEP THEIR DOORS OPEN. THE BUSINESSES REQUIRE MAXIMUM
25 FLEXIBILITY. WE NEED TO EMPOWER BUSINESSES TO CONTINUE

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1 OPERATIONS AND EMPLOY ANGELENOS DURING THIS UNPRECEDENTED
2 CRISIS, NOT ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS THAT WILL LEAD TO BUSINESS
3 CLOSURES. THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY IS COMMITTED TO PARTNERING
4 WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO DEVELOP POLICIES THAT WILL
5 ENSURE OUR EMPLOYEES ARE PROTECTED AND CAN COME OUT OF THIS
6 CRISIS FINANCIALLY SOUND. BUT THIS MUST BE A COLLABORATIVE
7 CONVERSATION. IN REGARD TO RIGHT OF RECALL AND WORKER
8 RETENTION ORDINANCES, THEY CAN HAVE REALLY DETRIMENTAL IMPACTS
9 ON THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY BY ESTABLISHING REBUTTABLE
10 PRESUMPTION. IF AN EMPLOYEE IS LAID OFF, EMPLOYERS WILL SPEND
11 ANYWHERE BETWEEN 45,000 TO 50,000 TO DEFEND THEMSELVES IN
12 COURT. HAVING PUNITIVE DAMAGES PROVISIONS IS ALSO VERY
13 CONCERNING. THIS WILL EXPONENTIALLY INCREASE THE RISK OF AN
14 EMPLOYER BY TURNING A SMALL CLAIM INTO A 6 FIGURE OR 7 FIGURE
15 CLAIM. THERE MUST BE AN ALSO CLEAR EXEMPTION FOR COLLECTIVE
16 BARGAINING AGREEMENTS. EMPLOYERS SPEND YEARS FINALIZING THEIR
17 AGREEMENTS WITH LABOR AND THEIR EMPLOYEES. THE C.B.A.S
18 REPRESENT THE PRIORITIES OF THE EMPLOYEES AND LABOR. THIS
19 ORDINANCE WILL UNDO AND UNRAVEL THESE C.B.A.S IF THEY ARE NOT
20 CURRENTLY EXEMPTED AND PROTECTED. HAVING TO LAY OFF EMPLOYEES
21 IS NEVER AN EASY DECISION, BUT SHOULD THAT -- THAT SHOULD BE
22 AT THE DISCRETION OF THE BUSINESS WHO IS DESPERATELY TRYING TO
23 REMAIN OPEN AND SURVIVE THE CRISIS. THE REALITIES OF POST-
24 COVID-19 APPROACHES OF BUSINESS IS CHANGING INCREDIBLY
25 UNCLEAR. ADDING ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS AT THIS TIME WHEN THESE

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1 BUSINESSES ARE LOOKING TO REMAIN CLOSED OR OPERATE IN
2 UNCERTAIN TIMES WILL COMPLETELY DECIMATE THE BUSINESS MODEL
3 AND LEAD TO THE LOSS OF THOUSANDS MORE JOBS IN OUR REGION.
4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME IS UP. NEXT SPEAKER,
6 PLEASE.
7

8 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF DANIEL
9 GAINS. SAY THE AGENDA ITEM AND IF PUBLIC COMMENTS.
10

11 **DANIEL GAINS:** HI, THERE, CAN YOU HEAR ME?
12

13 **MODERATOR:** WE CAN HEAR YO. PLEASE GO AHEAD, SAY YOUR AGENDA
14 ITEMS AND IF PUBLIC COMMENT.
15

16 **DANIEL GAINS:** I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON ITEM NUMBER 4 AND
17 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. MY NAME IS DANIEL GAINS. I AM A CASE
18 MANAGER AT HOMELESS HEALTHCARE LOS ANGELES. I WORK WITH PEOPLE
19 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, AND I AM CALLING -- I STRONGLY
20 SUPPORT THE HEALTHY L.A. PLATFORM. AND INTERIM HOUSING IS
21 REALLY THE KEY HERE TO SAVING OUR MOST VULNERABLE PEOPLE
22 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS WHILE THEY WAIT FOR PERMANENT
23 HOUSING. THIS REALLY SHOULD HAVE BEEN HAPPENING FROM THE GET-
24 GO, BUT NOW WE ARE DOING IT WITH COVID WITH PROJECT ROOM KEY,
25 WHICH IS GOOD FOR THOSE WHO QUALIFY FOR IT, BUT ROUGH SLEEPERS

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1 ARE 10 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO DIE BEFORE COVID. SO WE REALLY
2 NEED TO ENSURE THAT EVERYONE IS OFF THE STREETS WHILE WAITING
3 FOR THEIR PERMANENT HOUSING. AND SO THIS RECOVERY, WE ARE
4 REALLY GOING TO NEED TO INCLUDE THE VOICES OF THOSE WHO HAVE
5 LIVED THIS EXPERIENCE, COALITIONS LIKE SERVICES NOT SWEEPS,
6 GENTLEMEN IN AN EQUITABLE RECOVERY PLAN, AND WE NEED TO USE
7 ALL THE TOOLS AT OUR DISPOSAL TO HOUSE THEM, INCLUDING
8 IDENTIFYING VACANT LAND AND PROPERTIES THAT CAN BE REPURPOSED,
9 PUTTING THOSE WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE ON THE TASK FORCE FOR
10 RECOVERY, AND UTILIZING HOTELS THAT HAVE SPACE BUT CHOOSE NOT
11 TO PARTICIPATE IN PROJECT ROOM KEY.

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME IS UP. NEXT SPEAKER,
14 PLEASE.

15

16 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. AND ONCE AGAIN, TO PLACE YOUR LINE INTO
17 QUEUE, YOU WILL NEED TO PRESS 1 THEN 0. AT THAT TIME, WE WILL
18 ASK YOU TO STATE YOUR AGENDA ITEM AND IF PUBLIC COMMENTS. WE
19 WILL GO DIRECTLY TO THE LINE OF LYRIC KELCAR. PLEASE GO AHEAD
20 AND, AT THIS TIME, SAY THE AGENDA ITEMS AND IF PUBLIC
21 COMMENTS.

22

23 **LYRIC KELCAR:** HI, I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON ITEMS 3, 4, 6, 7,
24 15, AND 51B WITH EMPHASIS ON 6 AND 15. SO, GOOD MORNING, MY
25 NAME IS LYRIC KELCAR. I WORK IN AN ORGANIZATION CALLED

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1 INCLUSIVE ACTION FOR THE CITY. WE ARE A MEMBER ORGANIZATION OF
2 HEALTHY L.A. AND SUPPORT THE WHOLE HEALTHY L.A. PLATFORM. WE
3 ARE A COMMERCIAL PROPERTY LANDLORD ON THE EAST SIDE OF LOS
4 ANGELES. AND AS A LANDLORD, WE ARE DOING WHAT WE CAN TO HELP
5 OUR TENANTS, INCLUDING THE DEFERRAL OF RENT PAYMENTS, BUT NOT
6 EVERYONE IS DOING THAT. WE NEED TO BE SEEKING CASH ASSISTANCE
7 FOR TENANTS AND GENERAL DEBT RELIEF LIKE CANCELING RENT AND
8 MORTGAGES. BUT IN THE MEANTIME, WE NEED TO BE PROTECTING SMALL
9 BUSINESSES BY HAVING MORE TIME TO PAY BACK THEIR RENT. I
10 SINCERELY APPRECIATE THE WORK OF SUPERVISORS HAHN AND RIDLEY-
11 THOMAS IN PUTTING FORWARD COMMERCIAL TENANT PROTECTIONS BUT
12 ENCOURAGE YOU TO GO FURTHER. I WANT TO ILLUSTRATE SOME
13 SCENARIOS FOR CONSIDERATION. IF A COMMERCIAL TENANT IS UNABLE
14 TO PAY RENT FOR TWO MONTHS AND WOULD ONLY HAVE THREE MONTHS TO
15 PAY BACK, AND THEY ARE MAKING EQUAL BACK RENT PAYMENTS, THEY
16 ARE LOOKING AT A 66 PERCENT INCREASE IN MONTHLY RENT FOR THREE
17 MONTHS. IF THIS IS EXTENDED TO 6 MONTHS, IT EQUATES TO A 33
18 PERCENT INCREASE, BUT ALLOWING FOR 12 MONTHS OF PAID TIME
19 WOULD LEAD TO A 16 PERCENT INCREASE, WHICH IS STILL LARGE AND
20 WOULD DEEPLY IMPACT SMALL BUSINESSES BUT LESS BURDENSOME THAN
21 THE 33 PERCENT INCREASE. ALL BUSINESSES SHOULD BE GIVEN 12
22 MONTHS OR LONGER TO PAY BACK RENT AND ESPECIALLY THOSE WITH
23 LESS THAN 100 PEOPLE. AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF PAYBACK TIME IS
24 CRUCIAL FOR KEEPING SMALL BUSINESSES AFLOAT AT THIS VERY
25 PRECARIOUS TIME. AS A LANDLORD, WE WANT TO BE HELPING AND

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1 PROTECTING THESE BUSINESSES THAT SERVE THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS.
2 AND AN EXTENDED BACK PAY TIME IS THE LEAST WE CAN DO. NOW I
3 WOULD LIKE TO MOVE TO ITEM 15. I DEEPLY APPRECIATE THE WORK OF
4 SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO PUT FORWARD A BOLD INITIATIVE TO HELP
5 FAMILIES AND HOUSEHOLDS HARDEST HIT BY THE PANDEMIC. ALL OF
6 ITEM 15 MUST BE PASSED TO ENSURE THAT COMMUNITIES MOST
7 AFFECTED BY THE CRISIS COME OUT ON THE OTHER SIDE WITHOUT
8 BEING SADDLED IN DEBT. THIS ITEM INCLUDES AN IMPORTANT
9 OPPORTUNITY FOR TENANTS TO PURCHASE THE PROPERTY IN WHICH THEY
10 LIVE. THIS IDEA CAPTURED IN SECTION 6 IS A KEY POLICY THAT
11 WILL ENSURE THAT EVEN IN ONE OF THE MOST TUMULTUOUS ECONOMIES
12 EVER EXPERIENCED, TENANTS HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE
13 THEIR HOME AND KEEP HOUSING PERMANENTLY AFFORDABLE. THESE
14 CONCEPTS WILL NOT ONLY SUPPORT TENANTS THEMSELVES BUT ALSO
15 ENCOURAGE THE PRESERVATION OF COMMUNITIES WHO WERE PILLAGED BY
16 REAL ESTATE SPECULATORS AFTER THE RECESSION IN 2008.

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME IS UP, THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, OUR TIME FOR PUBLIC SPEAKERS
21 HAS ENDED. I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL THAT CALLED IN TO SPEAK. IF
22 YOU WERE UNABLE TO PROVIDE YOUR COMMENTS, YOU MAY STILL SUBMIT
23 WRITTEN COMMENTS AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA. WE WILL CONTINUE
24 TO ACCEPT ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING THE MEETING

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1 WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE RECORD. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
2 PLEASE INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEMS ON WHICH WE WILL BE VOTING.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU, 1D,
5 2D, 3D, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 10-14, 16-18, 21-36, 38-50, 51C, 51D,
6 51E, AND 51F. WITH THAT, I WILL TAKE ROLL CALL. SUPERVISOR
7 SOLIS?

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
12 THOMAS?

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

15

16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AYE. SUPERVISOR
17 KUEHL?

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

20

21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

22

23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** AYE.

24

25 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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1

2 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AYE.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARER, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-
5 0.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD, WE ARE GOING TO -- TODAY, WE
8 WILL BEGIN WITH ITEMS 3, 4, FOLLOWED BY ITEM 6, ITEM 15, AND
9 THEN ITEM 51A, RELATED TO ITEMS 51B, 51G, AND 51H, AS WELL AS
10 A1. SO WE WILL BEGIN WITH ITEM NUMBER 3, WHICH WAS HELD BY ME,
11 ACTUALLY. I DON'T KNOW IF EITHER SUPERVISOR SOLIS OR
12 SUPERVISOR KUEHL WANT TO SAY ANYTHING, BUT I WILL MAKE REALLY
13 QUICK REMARKS. I WANT TO THANK YOU BOTH FOR YOUR CONTINUED
14 LEADERSHIP ON THESE CRITICAL MEASURES TO PROTECT COUNTY
15 RESIDENTS DURING THIS EMERGENCY. WE ALL UNDERSTAND THIS
16 EMERGENCY IS EVER-EVOLVING, AND THAT, AS WE CONTINUE UNDER THE
17 CURRENT PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER, THAT STAYING AT HOME IS CRUCIAL
18 AS WE FLATTEN THE CURVE, AND WE'VE SEEN THAT FIRSTHAND. MY
19 OFFICE CONTINUES TO RECEIVE DOZENS AND DOZENS OF CALLS AND
20 EMAILS FROM RESIDENTS THAT TRULY ARE STRUGGLING TO PAY THEIR
21 BILLS AND PUT FOOD ON THE TABLE AS WE'VE HEARD FROM PUBLIC
22 COMMENTS TODAY. THEY ARE CONCERNED THEY MAY NOT HAVE JOBS TO
23 RETURN TO. BUSINESSES ARE QUESTIONING WHETHER THEY WILL BE
24 ABLE TO REBOUND AFTER THE CLOSURES ARE LIFTED. THE COUNTY HAS
25 BEEN WORKING ON IMPLEMENTATION OF A RENTAL ASSISTANCE

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1 PROGRAM, AND I SUPPORT THESE TYPE OF SOLUTIONS THAT HELP
2 PROVIDE THE NEEDED RELIEF FOR TENANTS. BUT I WOULD ALSO LIKE
3 TO TAKE NOTE THAT I HOPE THESE REPORT BACKS ALSO TAKE INTO
4 CONSIDERATION THE FINANCIAL BURDENS PLACED ON LANDLORDS AS
5 WELL. WE SHOULD BE THINKING OF COMPREHENSIVE SOLUTIONS THAT
6 ADDRESS THE ISSUES FACED BY INDIVIDUALS AT EVERY SINGLE LEVEL
7 OF THE HOUSING CHAIN. WE NEED HAVE A CLEAR AND CONCISE POLICY
8 IN PLACE THAT WILL PROVIDE PROTECTION FOR OUR CONSTITUENTS IN
9 NEED, AND WE SHOULD CONTINUE TO IDENTIFY OTHER STEPS THAT THE
10 COUNTY CAN TAKE TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT. AND WITH THAT,
11 I WOULD ASK A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT ON THIS. AND I UNDERSTAND
12 SUPERVISOR HAHN ALSO WANTS TO DO THAT WITH ME, THAT THE BOARD
13 OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO EXECUTE AN AMENDED
14 REINSTATED EXECUTIVE ORDER THAT INCORPORATES THE FOLLOWING
15 PROVISION, EXTEND THE MORATORIUM UNTIL JUNE 30TH, 2020 AND
16 REEVALUATE EVERY 30 DAYS TO PROVIDE FURTHER EXTENSIONS. WITH
17 THAT, I WOULD ASK FOR THAT AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED.
18 SUPERVISOR HAHN AND THEN SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

19
20 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU. DID YOU WANT TO HAVE TO HAVE THE
21 COAUTHOR SPEAK BEFORE ME, MADAM CHAIR?

22
23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YES, GO AHEAD, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, I WAS
24 DOING IT IN THE ORDER OF WHICH I GOT, BUT SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** I THOUGHT YOU WERE DOING IT IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER.
2 I WAS CERTAINLY GOING TO BE OBEDIENT. HOWEVER, I WOULD
3 INDICATE THOUGH YOU SAID YOU WERE PROPOSING THE AMENDMENT AS A
4 FRIENDLY AMENDMENT, AND I ACCEPT THAT IT IS A FRIENDLY
5 AMENDMENT BUT CANNOT ACCEPT THE AMENDMENT, AND I WILL TELL YOU
6 WHY. THIS EVICTION MORATORIUM, WHICH WE IN OUR LAST MEETING
7 EXTENDED TO THE ENTIRE COUNTY, IS ONE OF THE MAJOR TOOLS
8 REALLY IN THE COUNTY FOR KEEPING US HEALTHY BECAUSE THOSE WHO
9 CAN BE EVICTED, OF COURSE, WILL BE OUT ON THE STREET BECAUSE
10 THE REASON THEY ARE EVICTED IS THEY COULDN'T PAY THEIR RENT
11 AND THEY ARE OUT OF WORK. I HAVE ASKED DR. FERRER, WHENEVER
12 YOU SAY IT IS CORRECT TIME, MADAM CHAIR, TO SPEAK TO WHY
13 AUGUST 31ST WAS A CORRECT DATE FOR US TO CHOOSE TO EXTEND THE
14 MORATORIUM. IT IS BASED ON GUIDANCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF
15 PUBLIC HEALTH BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT MANY, MANY ANGELENOS WILL
16 REALLY NOT BE ABLE TO RETURN TO WORK. AND WITHOUT JOBS, OF
17 COURSE, THE RESIDENTS CAN'T PAY RENT. WE'VE HEARD OVER AND
18 OVER AGAIN, INCLUDING TODAY IN OUR PUBLIC TESTIMONY, IT SEEKS
19 JUST TO ENSURE A BASIC LEVEL OF PROTECTIONS ACROSS THE COUNTY.
20 SOME OF THE CITIES MAY ALREADY HAVE PROTECTION FOR COMMERCIAL
21 TENANTS BUT NOT RESIDENTIAL TENANTS. SOME CITIES DO THE
22 OPPOSITE. WE WANT TO MAKE IT AS UNIFORM AS POSSIBLE AND ASK
23 COUNTY COUNSEL TO REPORT BACK ON ADDITIONAL IDEAS TO
24 STRENGTHEN PROTECTIONS ACROSS THE COUNTY. I WANTED TO CALL
25 EVERYONE'S ATTENTION TO AN ARTICLE THAT WAS PUBLISHED IN THE

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1 NEW YORKER JUST TODAY ABOUT WHY EVICTION PROTECTION IS AN
2 IMPORTANT PART OF PUBLIC HEALTH. I AM SURE YOU ARE AWARE OF
3 ALL OF THE MANY MILLIONS OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE FILED FOR
4 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, THOUGH IT DOESN'T HAPPEN AS QUICKLY AS
5 IT SHOULD WHEN YOU FILE. EVERYBODY IS REALLY HURTING. I KNOW
6 THAT LANDLORDS ARE HURTING AS WELL. I KNOW THAT WE ARE GOING
7 TO THE BANKS TO DEFER MORTGAGE PAYMENTS, BUT THERE ARE
8 HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF TENANTS, HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS IF NOT
9 MILLIONS OF TENANTS IN THE COUNTY, AND WE CANNOT REALLY AT
10 THIS POINT AFFORD TO LET THEM TO BE EVICTED. SO I UNDERSTAND
11 THE IMPULSE FOR THE AMENDMENT, BUT I WOULD ASK MY COLLEAGUES
12 TO RESIST THIS AMENDMENT. AND THE NECESSITY OF KEEPING PEOPLE
13 AND THEIR LIVING SITUATION AT LEAST OVER THE NEXT THREE MONTHS
14 IS SO CRITICAL. SO I WOULD ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR OUR THREE-
15 MONTH EXTENSION. WE ARE IN DIRE TIMES. AND I THINK THIS
16 STRIKES BALANCE. HAVING TO COME BACK EVERY MONTH WOULD CREATE
17 AMAZING ANXIETY IN AN ALREADY ANXIOUS GROUP OF PEOPLE. THINK
18 ABOUT BEING A TENANT AND NOT KNOWING IF THE NEXT MONTH YOU
19 WILL BE EVICTED, AND THE NEXT MONTH YOU WILL BE EVICTED, AND
20 THE NEXT MONTH YOU WILL BE EVICTED, AND THAT I THINK IS THE
21 PROBLEM WITH TAKING THIS ONE MONTH AT A TIME AND WAITING TO
22 SEE IF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL EXTEND FOR 30 MORE DAYS,
23 OR 30 MORE DAYS, OR 30 MORE DAYS. I REALLY BELIEVE THAT THIS
24 THREE MONTHS WILL GO BY AS FAST AS THE PAST THREE MONTHS HAVE

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1 GONE BY, AND WE NEED THESE PROTECTIONS. THANK YOU, MADAM
2 CHAIR.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN?

5

6 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU BOTH TO MY
7 COLLEAGUES, SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SOLIS, FOR THIS MOTION IN THE
8 BEGINNING. I MEAN, I AGREE WITH EVERYTHING YOU ARE SAYING,
9 SUPERVISOR KUEHL. WE KNOW THERE ARE, YOU KNOW, MILLIONS OF
10 TENANTS WHO ARE PART OF THIS, YOU KNOW, ARE THE VICTIM OF THIS
11 GLOBAL PANDEMIC. WE KNOW THAT MANY OF THESE WORKING FAMILIES
12 WHO WERE ALREADY HAVING A TOUGH TIME PAYING THEIR RENT ARE NOT
13 GOING TO BE ABLE TO DO IT RIGHT NOW. SO I TOTALLY SUPPORT THE
14 EVICTION MORATORIUM, AND I SUPPORT EXTENDING IT. AND WE ARE
15 LOOKING AT THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS EQUATION ON THIS VERY
16 AGENDA, ACTUALLY. WE ARE LOOKING TO GIVE SOME RELIEF TO OUR
17 LANDLORDS. I'VE GOT A MOTION CALLED RESPONSIBLE BANKING THAT
18 LOOKS AT WAYS THAT WE CAN, YOU KNOW, REALLY ENCOURAGE OUR
19 BANKS TO PROVIDE MORTGAGE RELIEF BECAUSE THERE ARE TWO SIDES
20 OF THE EQUATION TO EVERY RENTAL PROPERTY, CERTAINLY IT IS
21 THOSE THAT ARE LIVING THERE AND ARE REQUIRED TO PAY THEIR
22 RENT, AND IT'S ALSO THE OTHER EQUATION IS THE LANDLORDS, AND
23 MANY OF THEM HAVE MORTGAGES THEY ARE TRYING TO MAKE ON THIS
24 PROPERTY SO THAT PEOPLE CAN CONTINUE TO LIVE THERE. SO IT IS
25 SORT OF A -- IT IS AN EQUAL EQUATION THAT WE HAVE TO LOOK AT

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1 BOTH SIDES, BUT THESE ARE -- THIS EVICTION MORATORIUM IS A
2 GOOD POLICY. IT WITH MAKE SURE WE ARE NOT ALLOWING PEOPLE TO
3 BE THROWN OUT RIGHT NOW AND JUST ADDING TO THIS HORRIBLE
4 SITUATION, BUT I DO AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER THAT WE
5 SHOULD LOOK AT THIS ON A MONTH-TO-MONTH BASIS. OUR REOPENING,
6 OUR RECOVERY, IT IS REALLY IN FLUX. WE WILL LOOK AT PUBLIC
7 HEALTH DATA, BUT WE ARE ALSO GOING TO BE LOOKING AT THE
8 ECONOMIC DATA THAT WE'RE SEEING, AND WE DON'T REALLY KNOW HOW
9 IT IS ALL GOING TO PLAY OUT, BUT I THINK THIS DOESN'T -- IN NO
10 WAY TAKE AWAY THE EVICTION MORATORIUM, BUT IT JUST SAYS, LET'S
11 TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT IT IN JUNE, IN JULY, IN AUGUST, AND SEE IF
12 WE'RE MAKING ANY PROGRESS. AND I THINK THAT'S GOOD FOR US TO
13 DO THAT EXERCISE, FRANKLY, WHILE ENSURING OUR RENTERS THAT
14 THEY'VE GOT THIS PROTECTION. IT ALSO GIVES OUR LANDLORDS A
15 LITTLE BIT OF LIGHT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL AS WELL, AND I
16 THINK THAT IS REALLY THE BALANCE AND THE COMPROMISE. IN FACT,
17 I THINK BY US DOING THIS ON A MONTHLY BASIS, WE MAY VERY WELL
18 LOOK AT, YOU KNOW, IN JULY WE MAY SAY, YOU KNOW WHAT, WE'RE
19 NOT READY TO END IT IN AUGUST. WE MIGHT NEED TO EXTEND IT TO
20 SEPTEMBER. SO I THINK IT IS AN IMPORTANT EXERCISE THAT WE DO
21 THAT WE LOOK AT THIS MONTH TO MONTH, AND CLEARLY, RIGHT NOW,
22 WE CAME UP TO THE EDGE BY EXTENDING IT ANOTHER THREE MONTHS.
23 SO I DON'T THINK IT HURTS THIS EQUATION AT ALL TO DO IT MONTH
24 TO MONTH. I THINK THAT GIVES BOTH SIDES, SORT OF, A BETTER
25 ROAD MAP AS WE GO FORWARD. SO THE OTHER THING I JUST WANTED TO

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1 ADD IS I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR LANDLORDS AND OUR
2 TENANTS ARE AWARE OF THESE NEW POLICIES AND THAT OUR
3 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS IS REALLY
4 LAUNCHING AN AGGRESSIVE PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN ON WHAT WE
5 ARE DOING HERE TODAY. SO THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
10 KUEHL FOR AUTHORIZING THE MOTION, AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK HER
11 FOR THE ABILITY OVER THE PREVIOUS YEARS TO WORK ON SIMILAR
12 MOTIONS AND PROTECTIONS FOR OUR TENANTS. AND UNDER THE
13 EVICTION MORATORIUM, I AM PLEASED TO BE A COAUTHOR ON THIS
14 PARTICULAR MOTION. I KNOW WE HAVE A LOT MORE WORK TO DO, AND
15 OBVIOUSLY OUR TENANTS ARE SUFFERING EXTREME PAIN RIGHT NOW. I
16 KNOW THAT THE LOSS OF JOB AND WAGES IS JUST ADDING TO MORE
17 FRUSTRATION AND EVEN IN SOME CASES DURESS THAT I HAVE NEVER
18 SEEN IN MY LIFE TIME, EVEN COMPARED TO 2008 AND 2009. I KNOW
19 WE HAVE TO DO SOMETHING QUICKLY. I THINK THIS IS A GOOD
20 APPROACH TO MOVE IN THAT DIRECTION, AND I KNOW THAT THERE ARE
21 OTHER CITIES THAT MAY NOT HAVE A STRONG MORATORIUM PROTECTIONS
22 IN PLACE. SO THIS WILL HELP TO PROVIDE, I THINK, THAT
23 PROTECTION AND LEADERSHIP. I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO D.C.B.A.
24 FOR THEIR WORK AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR INTRODUCING THE
25 MOTION. THANK YOU.

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2 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, SEEING -- BARBARA FERRER, WOULD YOU
3 LIKE TO SPEAK?

4

5 **DR. FERRER:** YES, THANK YOU. THIS IS BARBARA. I'M THE DIRECTOR
6 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. I JUST WANTED TO NOTE
7 THAT, YOU KNOW, BASED ON ALL OF THE DATA THAT WE'RE LOOKING
8 AT, AND I AGREE 100 PERCENT THAT IS THIS IS A REALLY GOOD
9 OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE TO BE DRIVEN BY THE DATA, WE KNOW,
10 WITH ALL CERTAINTY, THAT WE WOULD BE EXTENDING HEALTH OFFICER
11 ORDERS FOR THE NEXT THREE MONTHS. THERE'S NO WAY, YOU KNOW,
12 UNLESS THERE IS A DRAMATIC CHANGE IN, SORT OF, THIS VIRUS AND
13 THE TOOLS THAT WE HAVE AT HAND TO ACTUALLY FIGHT AGAINST THIS
14 VIRUS, THERE IS NO WAY THAT WE COULD, IN FACT, SEE US NOT
15 NEEDING TO CONTINUE WITH A SET OF RESTRICTIONS. I MEAN, OUR
16 HOPE ALWAYS IS THAT WE ARE ABLE, BY USING THE DATA, TO BE ABLE
17 TO LIFT RESTRICTIONS SLOWLY OVER THE NEXT THREE MONTHS. BUT I
18 KNOW THAT, YOU KNOW, WITHOUT GOOD THERAPEUTIC MEDICINES THAT
19 ARE WIDELY AVAILABLE AND WIDELY EFFECTIVE, WITHOUT A
20 VACCINATION, AND WITHOUT THE KIND OF, SORT OF, HOME TESTING,
21 RAPID TEST KITS THAT WOULD LET EVERY SINGLE PERSON TEST
22 THEMSELVES EVERY SINGLE DAY, WHAT IS LEFT ARE, IN FACT, THE
23 RESTRICTIONS ON -- THAT FORM THE BIGGEST PART OF OUR COMMUNITY
24 MITIGATION EFFORTS AND THE CONTACT TRACING THAT WE DO TO MAKE
25 SURE THAT WE ARE ABLE TO ISOLATE AND QUARANTINE PEOPLE AS

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1 APPROPRIATE. SO, YOU KNOW, I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT, AS
2 I HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH EVERYONE, THAT, FROM A PUBLIC HEALTH
3 PERSPECTIVE, IT IS AN UNFORTUNATE PART OF THIS PANDEMIC IS
4 THAT IT IS SO LONG-LASTING, AND WE ARE WORKING ON CREATING
5 DASHBOARDS SO WE REALLY CAN LOOK WITH A LOT OF FREQUENCY AT
6 WHAT ARE THE MEASURES THAT ALLOWS US TO HAVE CONFIDENCE THAT
7 ALL OF THE WORK WE ARE DOING TOGETHER MOVES US FORWARD IN THIS
8 RECOVERY PHASE, BUT I DO THINK RECOVERY WILL BE MONTHS LONG
9 BASED ON THE TOOLS THAT WE HAVE AT HAND TODAY.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KUEHL, YOU WANT TO
12 MAKE SOME COMMENTS IN CLOSING?

13

14 **SUP. KUEHL:** YES, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I THINK
15 THAT IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO FOLLOW THE GUIDELINES OF OUR
16 PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT. THEY HAVE INDICATED THAT THERE, AS
17 DR. FERRER JUST SAID, THERE IS NO WAY THIS IS GOING TO BE OVER
18 BY THE END OF JUNE. A LOT OF PEOPLE WILL STILL NOT BE BACK TO
19 WORK, NOT BE ALLOWED TO GO BACK TO WORK, BE ENCOURAGED NOT TO
20 GO BACK TO WORK. IT IS STILL AT THE HEIGHT OF THE PANDEMIC FOR
21 US. I BELIEVE THAT IF YOU WILL INSIST ON THIS AMENDMENT, THAT
22 I HOPE THAT MY COLLEAGUES MOST RESPECTFULLY, MADAM CHAIR, WILL
23 VOTE DOWN THE AMENDMENT BECAUSE THE ANXIETY PRODUCED BY GOING
24 MONTH TO MONTH, NOT ONLY FOR THE TENANTS WHO ARE ALREADY AT
25 THE HEIGHT OF ANXIETY ABOUT BEING OUT OF WORK, ABOUT SCHOOLING

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1 THEIR CHILDREN AT HOME, ABOUT TRYING TO KEEP HEALTHY, BUT ALSO
2 FOR LANDLORDS, MANY OF WHOM SPOKE TO ME PERSONALLY ABOUT HOW
3 THEY DON'T LIKE THREE MONTH EXTENSIONS, BUT THEY LIKE THE
4 CERTAINTY OF IT. THEY DON'T LIKE TO HAVE TO WORRY EVERY MONTH
5 IS THIS GOING ON, OR NOT GOING ON. AND ALSO, I'M NOT REALLY
6 CERTAIN HOW IT HELPS US TO EVICT PEOPLE. YOU GIVE SOMEONE A
7 NOTICE. YOU ARE TRYING GET THEM OUT. THERE IS A LOT OF
8 UPSETNESS IN THE FAMILY, AND STILL, IT WOULD BE AUGUST 31ST. I
9 MEAN, IT IS MUCH BETTER TO BE CERTAIN. SO I WOULD ASK YOU TO
10 RECONSIDER THE AMENDMENT AND BE WITH US ON EXTENDING THIS JUST
11 THREE MONTHS. THE APARTMENT OWNERS NEED THE CERTAINTY. THE
12 TENANTS NEED THE CERTAINTY. THE HEALTH DIRECTIVES REALLY
13 INDICATE THAT THIS IS THE BEST WAY TO GO, AND I ASK FOR A VOTE
14 OF NO ON THE AMENDMENT AND AN AYE VOTE ON THE ORIGINAL
15 PROPOSAL. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WITH THAT, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
18 READ THE NAMES OF THOSE WHO SUBMITTED TESTIMONY IN THIS ITEM.

19

20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS SUBMITTED
21 COMMENTS IN FAVOR RON RECK, ALICIA HANCOCK, ROBIN, ASHLEY
22 THOMAS, KEZIA WADE, HANNAH HICKSON, ADA RAMIREZ, ERICA BRISS,
23 CHARLES KU, NATALIE BURKE, KRISTIE LEASE, CHRISTOPHER WONG,
24 BRYNN RASMUSSEN, COLLEEN EVANSON, ALICIA NESS, AND ANGEL M.
25 CASTILLE, ALEXANDER FIERO CLARK, JOSEPH OCONN, JOHN KEARN,

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1 NIKKI JACKSON, DAVID LIVIDIS, NANCY LYSA, JUDITH EVA CHARNEY,
2 FANNY ORTIZ, RABIA SIM, ESME GERMAINE, AMY WONG, NATOLI
3 LAUREN, HANNAH MURPHY, ALEXIS NUNEZ, SALLYANN NAVA, GREG
4 SPEIGEL, DIANE PRADO, HARRIS CORNSTEIN, SAMANTHA HONOWITZ,
5 DIANE VALENCIA, MATT WAIT, ERIN L. TIMMON, ELSA TUNG, JOE
6 DONLON, PILAR SHAVO, STEFANIE CAROL, STEPHANIE HERSCH,
7 MICHELLE HILL, JESHO YANG, JASMINE JOHNSON, HENRY PEREZ,
8 JENNIFER MALSONADO, SERGIO VARGEZ, LAURA RAYMON, ALLANA HOLT,
9 JANICE YU, LIRADONA LETTI, STANYISLOV SHETMAN, ZACHARIA
10 FLORES, MAYARITA PERRY, CHRISTIAN CARDINEZ, LAURA RAYMON,
11 JEREMY PANOC. THE FOLLOWING SUBMITTED UNDER OPPOSE CINDY
12 MCONHEY, LARRY RUBENSTEIN, ALFRED SOMAC, RITA OSS, GEORGE
13 MATSUA, MASTIS CODAVERDIAN, REBECCA LAVITSKY, STANISLOV SETOV,
14 DAVID CORNBLUFF, DAVID FLORES, BRUCE RUPOLE, LANNIT LANNIT,
15 SUSAN BLACE, BRETT JOHNSON, CRAIG RULU, JOSE CONJARIAN, DANIEL
16 POYOR, LISA HALEBIAN, SALINE, JAMES HYATT, LIZEO ESTRADA,
17 NATALIA ADOMIAN, SHARONA SAYNOV, NELSON MATHESON, CAROL
18 FRANCIS SAWYZE, DANIELLE LIMAR PEREZ, TAMMY WARNER, PHILLIP
19 SUTTON, LAURA OHASO, DAVID LANZER, DAVID BERNKMAN, MARK
20 BURGER, LAVONEE YANKABARIAN, JOHN RUSSNER, ANUSH ZACHARIAN,
21 GAVORK VOSCONIAN. AND THE FOLLOWING SUBMITTED UNDER OTHER
22 ANDREAS STINT, HORACE H. HEIGHT, J. JORDAN, HOWARD STEENWICK,
23 SUSAN ANDERSON, JIM BARRYMAN, NATALIE VEKICH, SANDY SANCHEZ,
24 DAVID FLEMMING TRACY HERNANDEZ, AND NATALIA. THANK YOU.

25

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL
2 YOU PLEASE READ WHAT WE ARE GOING TO BE VOTING ON.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SO THE FIRST ITEM, ITEM 3, IS THE ITEM
5 AMENDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER AND SUPERVISOR HAHN TO EXTEND THE
6 MORATORIUM UNTIL JUNE 30, 2020 AND REEVALUATE IT EVERY 30
7 DAYS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
12 THOMAS?

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO.

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16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, NO. SUPERVISOR
17 KUEHL?

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19 **SUP. KUEHL:** NO.

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21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, NO. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

22

23 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

24

25 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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1

2 SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: AYE.

3

4 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 3-

5 2. ON ITEM 3, ON THE REMAINING MOTIONS, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

6

7 SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

8

9 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-

10 THOMAS?

11

12 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: AYE.

13

14 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AYE. SUPERVISOR

15 KUEHL?

16

17 SUP. KUEHL: AYE.

18

19 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

20

21 SUP. HAHN: AYE.

22

23 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

24

25 SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: AYE.

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2 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-
3 0.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, NOW WE WILL MOVE ON TO ITEM
6 NUMBER 4, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SUPERVISOR
7 KUEHL?

8

9 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. SORRY, I AM JUST TRYING TO
10 CALL UP ALL OF THESE COMMENTS IN MY PHONE. THE COVID-19 CRISIS
11 HAS COLLIDED HEAD-ON WITH OUR ONGOING HOMELESS CRISIS AND IT
12 ACTUALLY THREATENS TO REVERSE THE REALLY NOTABLE PROGRESS
13 WE'VE MADE SINCE ADOPTION OF THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE. WE KNOW
14 THAT PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS ARE AT EXTRAORDINARILY
15 HIGH RISK FROM COVID-19, AND THAT THE VIRUS IS MUCH MORE
16 DANGEROUS TO THEM BECAUSE OF UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITIONS
17 EXACERBATED BY HOMELESSNESS. WE'VE ALSO SEEN THE STATISTICS
18 ABOUT THE DISPARITY BASED ON RACE, BASED ON POVERTY, AND WE
19 CAN SEE SO MANY COMMUNITIES HARD-HIT BY THIS. THE STATE
20 RESPONDED VERY QUICKLY AND CREATED PROJECT ROOM KEY, AND
21 CALIFORNIA WAS THE FIRST STATE THIN COUNTRY APPROVED FOR
22 F.E.M.A. REIMBURSEMENT TO BRING PEOPLE EXPERIENCING
23 HOMELESSNESS WHO WERE 65 YEARS OR OLDER OR WITH AN UNDERLYING
24 HEALTH CONDITION INSIDE DURING THIS PANDEMIC. THIS COUNTY
25 ACTED QUICKLY WITH COMMITMENT AND INVENTIVENESS. LOCAL CITED

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1 JOINED US BY IDENTIFYING PROJECT ROOM KEY SITES AND EXPANDING
2 THEIR HYGIENE STATIONS. THE CITY OF THE L.A. ALONE REALLY
3 STEPPED UP AND IS HELPING 1,000 PEOPLE GET OFF THE STREETS,
4 BEEN A GREAT PARTNER FOR PEOPLE GET MEDICAL CARE AS WELL AS
5 TESTING OUT TO PEOPLE STILL ON THE STREETS. THE RESULT? WE
6 HAVE DONE TWO YEARS OF WORK IN JUST TWO MONTHS. IT SHOWS THAT
7 WE CAN DO IT. AND IT IS A HUGE ACCOMPLISHMENT. NEARLY 5,000 OF
8 OUR ELDERLY, FRAIL, AND SICKEST HOMELESS NEIGHBORS HAVE THE
9 SAFETY OF A ROOF OVER THEIR HEADS TODAY. NOW, WE NEED TO
10 CONTINUE TO ACT WITH THAT SAME KIND OF COMMITMENT AND THAT
11 SAME KIND OF INVENTIVENESS BECAUSE AS WE BEGIN TO CONTAIN THIS
12 CRISIS, IF THOSE 5,000 ELDERLY AND ILL MEN AND WOMEN ARE JUST
13 RELEASED RIGHT BACK OUT ON TO THE STREETS, MANY OF THEM WILL
14 UNDOUBTEDLY DIE. WE MUST ENSURE THAT THOSE WHO TODAY HAVE
15 TEMPORARY HOUSING BECAUSE WE WERE DETERMINED TO MAKE IT HAPPEN
16 HAVE A PATH TO PERMANENT HOUSING. THAT IS WHY I AM ASKING
17 L.A.H.S.A. TO LEAD OUR EFFORTS TO DEVELOP A HOMELESS COVID-19
18 RECOVERY PLAN TO GO WITH ALL THE OTHER GREAT RECOVERY PLANS WE
19 ARE TRYING TO WORK ON. AND I WANT TO SEE A BOLD PLAN THAT DOES
20 TWO THINGS, TO PROVIDE CONTINUED HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR
21 EVERYONE WE'VE TEMPORARILY SHELTERED IN RESPONSE TO THE CRISIS
22 AND ENSURE THOUSANDS OF NEW PEOPLE DO NOT FALL INTO
23 HOMELESSNESS BECAUSE OF THE COVID-19 ECONOMIC CRISIS. I AM
24 SURE THERE ARE SKEPTICS LISTENING WHO THINK IT CANNOT BE DONE,
25 BUT THEY ARE THE SAME PEOPLE WHO DIDN'T BELIEVE WE COULD HOUSE

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1 5,000 PEOPLE IN SIX WEEKS. WE CAN DO IT, AND WE HAVE ASSETS TO
2 LOOK TO IN ORDER TO START, CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDS, MEASURE H
3 HOUSING RESOURCES, PHILANTHROPIC PARTNERS LINING UP TO HELP.
4 IF WE DRAFT A BOLD PLAN AND COMMIT TO IT, I BELIEVE THAT THE
5 STATE AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WILL JOIN US AS WELL.
6 COLLEAGUES, THIS CRISIS IS THE GREATEST CHALLENGE MANY OF US
7 WILL FACE IN OUR CAREERS. I'M ASKING YOU ALL TO BE BOLD. I AM
8 DEEPLY GRATEFUL TO MY COAUTHOR, SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS,
9 AND I HOPE YOU SUPPORT THIS EFFORT. AND MADAM CHAIR, WHEN IT'S
10 APPROPRIATE, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK HEIDI MARSTON, INTERIM
11 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT L.A.H.S.A., TO BE ALLOWED TO SPEAK TO
12 THIS, AS WELL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, DO
15 YOU WANT TO SAY ANYTHING?

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND
18 THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. TODAY'S
19 MOTION, I BELIEVE, COMPLEMENTS THE MOTION THAT SUPERVISOR HAHN
20 AND I PUT FORWARD ON APRIL 14TH TO ADVANCE A LOCAL
21 COMPREHENSIVE CRISIS RESPONSE TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS. THAT
22 MOTION, AS YOU WILL RECALL, DIRECTED STAFF TO DEVELOP POST-
23 PANDEMIC HOUSING PLANS FOR THOSE AGED 65 AND OLDER. NOW TODAY,
24 MADAM CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES, THIS MOTION SEEKS TO EXPAND THE
25 POST-PANDEMIC OBJECTIVES TO ALL THOSE HOUSED THROUGH PROJECT

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1 ROOM KEY, INCLUDING THOSE YOUNGER THAN 65 YEARS AND WHO HAVE
2 CHRONIC HEALTH CONDITIONS. AND I BELIEVE THIS IS WHOLLY
3 APPROPRIATE. PARDON ME, L.A.H.S.A. TELLS US, ON AVERAGE, THE
4 PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN BROUGHT INSIDE AS A PROTECTIVE MEASURE
5 ARE AGED 54 YEARS. THAT'S CONTRARY TO THE INITIAL REPORTING
6 AND CONCERN AND FOCUS OF THOSE THAT WERE 65 AND ABOVE, BUT
7 TAKE NOTE, 54 YEARS IS THE AVERAGE. I THINK THIS IS IN LINE
8 WITH WHAT WE'VE LEARNED FROM OUR PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT,
9 WHICH IS VALIDATING NATIONAL STUDIES AND SHOWED THAT THE
10 HEALTH CONDITIONS OF UNSHELTERED HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS RESEMBLE
11 PERSONS WHO ARE AT LEAST 15 TO 20 YEARS OLDER. THAT'S HOW
12 HARSH HOMELESSNESS IS. IN THE MIDST OF THIS GLOBAL PANDEMIC,
13 I'M SURE WE ALL UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT THE COUNTY HAS
14 ACTIVATED AN UNPRECEDENTED PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP WITH
15 CITIES, WITH PRIVATE HOTEL OWNERS, PUBLIC-SECTOR HEALTHCARE
16 STAFF. A SHOUT OUT TO OUR WORKFORCE AND TO DISASTER SERVICE,
17 OR WORKER VOLUNTEERS, AND UNPRECEDENTED LEVEL OF VOLUNTEERISM,
18 DISPLAYING ITSELF IN THAT FORM OF CIVIC ENGAGEMENT. LOOK AT
19 THE COMMUNITY-BASED NONPROFIT SERVICE PROVIDERS. THEY ARE
20 SHOWING UP, AND THEY ARE SHOWING OUT, AND IT IS A GOOD THING.
21 NOW WE ARE CURRENTLY HOUSING ALMOST 1800 VULNERABLE RESIDENTS
22 IN 23 HOTEL SITES ACROSS THE REGION, AND I THINK THAT IS A
23 REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT, AND WE ARE NOT YET DONE. AND SO, MADAM
24 CHAIR, AND MEMBERS, THIS CRISIS WITHIN A CRISIS PROMPTED BOLD
25 ACTION TO PROTECT VULNERABLE ELDERLY RESIDENTS, PRESERVE THE

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1 PUBLIC HEALTH, AND PROVIDE INCOME TO HOTEL OWNERS. WE CALL IT
2 A WIN-WIN. SUSTAINING THESE SERVICES WILL REQUIRE POLITICAL
3 WILL AND SUSTAINED REVENUE FROM LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL
4 SOURCES. SO THERE COULD BE NO TRUER TEST OF OUR VALUES THAN
5 THIS COLLECTIVE EFFORT TO BRING OUR MOST VULNERABLE INSIDE AND
6 STAY RESOLUTE IN OUR DETERMINATION TO CONNECT THEM TO LONG-
7 TERM, STABLE HOUSING. IT SEEMS TO ME, AS A WORTHY GOAL, A
8 WORTHY PURSUIT, MADAM CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES. I COMMIT MYSELF TO
9 JOINING THAT EFFORT WITH YOU AS WE PUSH TOWARD A HIGHER
10 QUALITY OF LIFE TO THOSE THAT ARE YET HOMELESS. MADAM CHAIR.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I ALSO WANT TO COMMEND
15 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION
16 FORWARD, ALSO WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TO THANK OUR COUNTY
17 DEPARTMENTS AND ALSO WANT TO THANK L.A.H.S.A. OUR C.E.O.
18 HOMELESS INITIATIVE, D.M.H., D.H.S., OFFICE OF DIVERSION AND
19 REENTRY, D.P.H., AND THE SHERIFF'S H.O.S.T. TEAMS, AND L.A.
20 COUNTY FIRE FOR THE MANY SUPPORT SERVICES THAT THEY HAVE
21 PROVIDED TO THE INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE CURRENTLY HOUSED UNDER
22 THIS PROGRAM. IT IS, WITHOUT A DOUBT, ONE OF THE MOST
23 IMPORTANT ITEMS I THINK ON OUR AGENDA TODAY, AND I REALLY WANT
24 TO GIVE A SHOUT OUT TO GOVERNOR NEWSOM FOR HIS EFFORTS IN
25 CREATING PROJECT ROOM KEY. IT HAS BEEN GREAT WORKING WITH HIS

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1 STAFF AND WITH SOME OF OUR CITIES AND WITH THE PRIVATE MOTEL
2 AND HOTEL OWNERS IN OUR DISTRICT. AND I WANT TO SAY, WHILE
3 THIS IS A TOUGH SITUATION FOR US, SOMETIMES THE CRISIS
4 PRESENTS OPPORTUNITY, AND THAT IS WHAT I SEE IN THIS PROGRAM.
5 AND I DO BELIEVE WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO HELP PROVIDE
6 ASSISTANCE TO PEOPLE OVER 65 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER AND PEOPLE
7 WHO HAVE UNDERLYING MEDICAL CONDITIONS. THAT'S WHAT THIS IS
8 ABOUT, THE PREVENTION OF MORE COVID-19 SPREAD, BUT ALSO MAKING
9 SURE THAT WE ARE TAKING CARE OF THOSE HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS,
10 AND THAT NUMBER, I BELIEVE, THE COUNT, WE ARE AWAITING THE
11 2020 HOMELESS COUNT NOW, AND I KNOW THE LAST COUNT OF 2019 WAS
12 44,000 INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN L.A. COUNTY AT
13 ANY GIVEN TIME. 8,800 ARE FAMILY MEMBERS, 3,900 ARE VETERANS,
14 8,900 ARE YOUTH YOUNGER THAN THE AGE OF 24, AND MORE THAN
15 5,200 SENIORS ARE AGE 62 AND OVER, AND OVER 18,000 HAPPEN TO
16 BE WOMEN. AT THE SAME TIME THAT WE TRYING TO DEVELOP
17 AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND HOUSING SOLUTIONS, WE KNOW THAT IT
18 TAKES A LOT OF TIME. IT DOESN'T MEAN THAT WE'RE GOING TO GIVE
19 UP AND NOT FOCUS ON THAT, BUT RIGHT NOW IS A TIME TO MOVE
20 EXPEDITIOUSLY. SO WE KNOW WE CAN HELP OUR CITIES THROUGH ALSO
21 PROVIDING THIS TYPE OF SUPPORT, AND THANK GOODNESS FOR
22 F.E.M.A. AND THE THE GOVERNOR TO HELPING TO PROVIDE, THROUGH
23 F.E.M.A., 75 PERCENT OF THAT FUNDING, AND THEN, OBVIOUSLY, THE
24 STATE AND THE COUNTY ARE PICKING UP THE REMAINDER. THIS IS ONE
25 OF THE BEST PROJECTS THAT I HAVE SEEN UNDERTAKEN. IT IS HARD,

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1 THOUGH. I WOULD ASK THAT WE, AS A BOARD, ALSO AGREE THAT WE
2 HAVE TO COORDINATE WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES ON A HOMELESS
3 COVID-19 RECOVERY PLAN BUT ALSO INCLUDE ALL THE OTHER 87
4 CITIES AND ESPECIALLY THOSE THAT ARE COOPERATING WITH THE
5 STATE AND THE COUNTY RIGHT NOW, AND A FEW OF THEM, JUST TO
6 NAME, ARE EL MONTE, MONTEREY PARK, AND POMONA. AND I WANT TO
7 THANK THEM FOR STEPPING UP TO THIS CHALLENGE. SO I STRONGLY
8 SUPPORT THIS MOTION AND HOPE THAT WE WILL FURTHER OUR OUTREACH
9 TO INCLUDE THE OTHER CITIES AND MOVE THEM ALONG AS WELL. THANK
10 YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SUPERVISOR
13 HAHN?

14

15 **SUP. HAHN:** YES, MADAM CHAIR. THANKS SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,
16 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, FOR INTRODUCING THIS MOTION. HOLD ON. AND AS
17 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS SAID, THIS IS GREAT, BECAUSE IT
18 REALLY BUILDS ON THE MOTION THAT YOU AND I DID, SUPERVISOR
19 RIDLEY-THOMAS, A FEW WEEKS AGO WHEN WE BEGAN TO LOOK INTO
20 HOUSING OPTIONS FOR OUR HOMELESS SENIOR CITIZENS, MANY OF WHOM
21 WHO ARE IN OUR CARE DUE TO PROJECT ROOM KEY. AND THE STATS
22 THAT SAY WE HAVE TAKEN OVER 1,500 PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS AND
23 INTO A ROOM ARE REALLY ENCOURAGING. AND AS YOU ALL KNOW, MANY
24 OF THESE ARE OUR SENIOR CITIZENS. THEY ARE 65 AND OLDER, AND
25 IF THEY GOT INFECTED, THEY WOULD DEFINITELY PROBABLY GO TO THE

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1 HOSPITAL, AND THEY COULD VERY WELL LOSE THEIR LIFE. AND I JUST
2 WANT TO SAY I AM PROUD OF OUR COUNTY STAFF, L.A.H.S.A., OUR
3 HOMELESS PROVIDERS, THAT HAVE REALLY BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN
4 SETTING UP PROJECT ROOM KEY. IT WAS A GREAT VISION OF OUR
5 GOVERNOR TO COME UP WITH THIS IDEA, BUT IT HAS REALLY FALLEN
6 ON OUR COUNTY TO DO THE REALLY HEAVY LIFTING IN TERMS OF
7 NEGOTIATING THE ROOMS AND REALLY WORKING AND L.A.H.S.A.
8 WORKING TO IDENTIFY THE FOLKS THAT GET THEM INTO A ROOM. AND I
9 WILL TELL YOU, IT IS ONE OF THE FASTEST MOVING PROGRAMS I
10 THINK HAVE EVER EXPERIENCED SINCE I BEGAN WORKING FOR THE
11 COUNTY. IT'S GONE REALLY WARP SPEED, SO FAST THAT OUR BIG
12 PUSHBACK SOMETIMES HAS BEEN FROM OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND
13 CITIES THAT DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WAS HAPPENING BECAUSE IT HAPPENED
14 SO FAST, BUT I AM IN FAVOR OF HOW FAST WE HAVE BEEN DOING IT
15 BECAUSE I THINK IT MAKES COMPLETE SENSE, AS SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
16 THOMAS SAID, TO HELP THESE STRUGGLING HOTEL AND MOTEL OWNERS
17 WHO ALSO, BY THE WAY, ARE THE ONES THAT WOULD BE EMPLOYING
18 JANITORIAL STAFF, HOUSEKEEPERS, KEEPING PEOPLE EMPLOYED, BUT
19 IT HAS AN END DATE. IT IS TECHNICALLY FOR THREE MONTHS. SO
20 THIS MOTION REALLY IS ANOTHER BIG, HEAVY LIFT TO FIGURE OUT
21 WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO AT THE END OF THESE THREE MONTHS TO
22 MAKE SURE THAT THESE FOLKS HAVE INTERIM HOUSING, PERMANENT
23 HOUSING, AND ANYTHING ELSE TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY DON'T END UP
24 BACK ON THE STREET. NOBODY WANTS THAT. I DO LIKE THAT THIS
25 MOTION DIRECTS OUR LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT TO REALLY

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1 PLEAD FOR HELP FROM SACRAMENTO AND D.C. WE NEED MORE RESOURCES
2 AS WE UNDER TAKE THIS. THIS IS A HUGE UNDERTAKING. IT IS GOING
3 TO TAKE A LOT OF RESOURCES, BUT THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS
4 UP, A LOT OF WORK, AND I AM SO GRATEFUL AND READY TO HELP IN
5 ANY WAY I CAN. THANKS, MADAM CHAIR.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO THANK
8 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION
9 FORWARD. PRE-COVID-19, THE COUNTY HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN A
10 LAWSUIT, AND POST COVID-19, I HAVE GOTTEN TO KNOW JUDGE CARTER
11 WHO HAS BEEN VERY INSTRUMENTAL IN ENSURING THAT THE ISSUES AS
12 IT RELATES TO THOSE THAT ARE MOST VULNERABLE RIGHT NOW ON THE
13 STREETS ARE GETTING SHELTER, AND THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT WE
14 ALL RECOGNIZE THAT THIS IS A CHALLENGE, BUT, GIVEN HOW QUICKLY
15 WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO GET THE MOTELS, I AM PROUD OF SANTA
16 CLARITA, PALMDALE, LANCASTER, IN MY DISTRICT THAT HAVE STOOD
17 TALL, AND WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO HOUSE THOSE PEOPLE. IT SHOWS ME
18 THAT WE CAN MOVE MOUNTAINS WHEN WE HAVE TO. AND AS WE LOOK
19 TOWARDS RECOVERY ACROSS A VARIETY OF SECTORS, IT IS CRITICAL
20 WE ACT WITH INTENTION TO IDENTIFY STRUCTURES AND RESOURCES FOR
21 THOSE THAT ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AND THOSE AT RISK OF
22 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN THIS NEW REALITY. THERE ARE THREE
23 PRIMARY CONCERNS HERE, HOW DO WE KEEP THE PEOPLE WE HAVE
24 GOTTEN INTO HOUSING THROUGH EFFORTS LIKE PROJECT ROOM KEY IN
25 SOME FORM OF HOUSING. SO ONCE IT DISAPPEARS, WE NEED TO ENSURE

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1 THAT WE HAVE A CONTINUITY ENSURING THEY ARE STAYING HOUSED.
2 HOW DO WE ENSURE OUR SUPPORTIVE SERVICES SYSTEM WHICH HAS
3 WORKED SO HARD TO MOUNT THIS EMERGENCY RESPONSE EFFORT TO ADD
4 EVEN MORE CAPACITY TO KEEP OUR MOMENTUM STRONG? AND LAST, HOW
5 DO WE PREVENT A NEW INFLOW OF HOMELESSNESS, GIVEN THE ECONOMIC
6 CHALLENGES THAT WE ARE NOW FACING, MOVING FORWARD? I AM PROUD
7 OF THE EFFORTS OF THIS BOARD TO SAFELY AND STEADILY, REOPENING
8 PARTS OF THIS ECONOMY. I UNDERSTAND HOW CRITICAL THIS MOVEMENT
9 IS FOR ALL RESIDENT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, BUT ESSENTIALLY THE
10 SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS, MOM AND POP LANDLORDS, THE INDIVIDUALS
11 AND FAMILIES WHO ARE JUST ONE PAYCHECK AWAY FROM FALLING INTO
12 HOMELESSNESS. AND IN ADDITION TO SUPPORTING THESE RESIDENTS,
13 WE MUST ALL MAKE SURE TO SUPPORT OUR MOST VULNERABLE WHO
14 REMAIN IN TEMPORARY HOUSING OR ARE STILL ON THE STREETS. I AM
15 PROUD TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION, WHICH WILL CAPITALIZE ON THE
16 UNPRECEDENTED EFFORTS WE HAVE ALREADY MADE TO TEMPORARILY
17 HOUSE OUR MOST VULNERABLE AND ENSURE LONG TERM STABILITY FOR
18 OUR HOMELESS SERVICE SYSTEM. I DO WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THE
19 GROUP OF KEY STAKEHOLDERS THAT WILL BE CONVENED TO DEVELOP THE
20 COVID-19 RECOVERY PLAN INCLUDES A FOCUS ON ALL OF OUR CITIES.
21 ENGAGING WITH THE CALIFORNIA CONTRACT CITIES ASSOCIATION AND
22 THE LEAGUE OF CITIES WOULD BE CRITICAL TO ESTABLISHING A PLAN
23 FOR RECOVERY AND LONG-TERM RESILIENCE FOR ALL RESIDENTS
24 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. I WANT TO NOTE THAT WE'VE DONE
25 SOMETHING INCREDIBLE HERE. WE'VE HOUSED MORE PEOPLE MORE

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1 QUICKLY THAN WE EVER HAVE BEFORE. WE CANNOT LET THOSE PEOPLE
2 FALL BACK INTO HOMELESSNESS, AND WE CANNOT LOSE THIS MOMENTUM
3 THAT WE'VE BUILT. I DO HAVE ONE QUESTION, THOUGH, REGARDING
4 OUR ADVOCACY EFFORTS. AND SACHI, HOW DO WE ENSURE THAT THE
5 THIRD DIRECTIVE HERE ALLOWS US TO WORK IN ALIGNMENT WITH OTHER
6 ADVOCACY EFFORTS THAT THE COUNTY WILL MAKE TO REBUILD THE
7 REGION, ESPECIALLY WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT?

8

9 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER. AND YES, IN
10 TERMS OF TRYING TO LOOK FORWARD, I THINK, AS EVERYBODY KNOWS,
11 WE ARE ON AN ECONOMIC DOWNTURN. HOWEVER, A BIT OF GOOD NEWS,
12 AS WE WERE SITTING HERE, WE JUST RECEIVED THE C.A.R.E.S. ACT
13 FOUR LANGUAGE THAT WILL BE TAKEN UP BY THE HOUSE OF FRIDAY.
14 AND IT APPEARS THAT THERE IS ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE
15 COUNTIES, AS WELL AS THE CITIES. AND I AM HOPEFUL, AS WE MOVE
16 FORWARD, THAT IF THIS SHOULD PASS AND WE ARE ABLE TO GET
17 ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THAT WE
18 WOULD ALSO BE MINDFUL IN TRYING TO LOOK TOWARDS BACKFILLING
19 SOME OF OUR REVENUE LOSS, WHICH INCLUDES THE MEASURE H LOSS
20 AND WOULD BE HELPFUL AS WE TRY AND WORK ON THE TRANSITION FOR
21 PROJECT ROOM KEY.

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, VERY GOOD. SO I FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT
24 WE NEED EXPLICIT MENTIONED SUPPORT FOR THOSE EXPERIENCING OR
25 ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS, SO I WANT TO MAKE SURE WE ARE

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1 COORDINATING THOSE EFFORT, AND I WOULD ASK THAT ONCE YOU FLESH
2 OUT THAT LANGUAGE, AND I DON'T KNOW IF COUNTY COUNSEL CAN
3 WEIGH IN, WE DO AN URGENCY MEASURE TO SEND A FIVE SIG
4 SUPPORTING LANGUAGE THAT DOES THAT, OR WHATEVER IS NEEDED, TO
5 MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE STRONGLY ADVOCATING TOWARD GETTING THAT
6 PASSED.

7

8 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** ABSOLUTELY, AND COUNTY COUNSEL IS HERE
9 RIGHT NOW, AND SO THEY ARE TAKING NOTE OF THAT. I THINK WE ARE
10 POURING THROUGH THE LANGUAGE. THERE'S QUITE A FEW LINE ITEMS
11 THAT ARE INCLUDED IN THE BILL LANGUAGE, BUT WE WILL WORK WITH
12 ALL OF YOUR OFFICES.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, AND NOW HEIDI, WOULD YOU LIKE
15 TO SAY SOMETHING WITH L.A.H.S.A.?

16

17 **HEIDI MARSTON:** GOOD MORNING, THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME. IT IS NO
18 QUESTION THAT HOMELESSNESS WAS A CRISIS PRIOR TO COVID-19, AND
19 THE PANDEMIC HAS FURTHER COMPOUNDED THAT ISSUE. OUR SYSTEM HAS
20 WORKED AROUND THE CLOCK, AS YOU ALL HAVE MENTIONED, TO BUILD
21 THIS CAPACITY TO ENSURE THAT OUR UNSHELTERED NEIGHBORS HAVE
22 ACCESS TO HYGIENE, FOOD, TESTING. WE HAVE EXTENDED THE WINDER
23 SHELTER PROGRAMS AND SUSTAINED OUR CAPACITY, AND AT THE SAME
24 TIME HAVE SET UP OVER A THOUSAND NEW SHELTER BEDS AS WELL AS
25 2,300 HOTEL ROOMS ACROSS 24 SITES AND 100 TRAILERS THAT NOW

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1 OPEN ACROSS THE COUNTY. WE'VE MADE TREMENDOUS PROGRESS,
2 RAPIDLY GETTING PEOPLE INSIDE, AND I THINK IF THERE IS ONE
3 THING THAT WE ALL AGREE ON, IT IS THAT WE CANNOT GO BACK TO
4 THE STATUS QUO. WE KNOW THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND ECONOMIC CRISES
5 CREATED BY COVID-19 DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACT PEOPLE
6 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AS WELL AS COMMUNITIES OF COLOR AND
7 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITIONS. OUR
8 HOMELESS SYSTEM HAS SIGNIFICANT RESOURCE CONSTRAINTS, AND WE
9 HAD THAT PRIOR TO COVID-19. WE KNOW THIS CRISIS WILL BE LONG
10 LASTING, AND WE KNOW THE LONGER THE CRISIS LASTS, THE HARDER
11 IT WILL BE FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AND THOSE WITH
12 LOW-INCOME OR EXTREMELY LOW-INCOME TO MEET THEIR BASIC NEEDS.
13 TO ENSURE THAT OUR HOMELESS RESPONSE SYSTEM IS POSITIONED TO
14 SAVE AS MANY LIVES AS POSSIBLE AND IS POISED TO ADDRESS LONG
15 TERM IMPACTS OF COVID-19, WE NEED TO ESTABLISH A RESPONSE
16 FRAMEWORK THAT DRIVES PROGRESS AND PREPARES US FOR FUTURE
17 EMERGENCIES AND CRISES AS WELL. THE NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON
18 HOMELESSNESS PUT FORWARD 5 KEY FOCAL POINTS FOR COMMUNITIES TO
19 CONSIDER WHEN DEVELOPING THE COVID-19 RECOVERY PLAN IN THE
20 SHORT TERM, THE MID TERM, AND THE LONG TERM. THOSE FOCAL
21 POINTS ARE PREVENTION AND DIVERSION, UNSHELTERED HOMELESSNESS,
22 SHELTER, HOUSING, AND STRENGTHENING SYSTEMS FOR THE FUTURE.
23 L.A.H.S.A., IN COLLABORATION WITH THE CITY AND COUNTY
24 PARTNERS, WILL DEVELOP THE FRAMEWORK RESPONSE WITHIN THE
25 CONTEXT OF THESE 5 STRATEGIES AND HARNESS THE MOMENTUM WE'VE

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1 ALREADY BUILT TO DRIVE RESULTS THAT WILL GIVE OUR MOST
2 VULNERABLE NEIGHBORS A PLACE THEY CAN CALL HOME. THANK YOU FOR
3 LETTING ME SPEAK, AND WE ARE EAGER TO GET TO WORK ON THIS.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MARY WICKHAM, DID YOU WANT TO
6 SAY SOMETHING.

7

8 **ATTORNEY:** SUPERVISOR, JUST TO CLARIFY, IF YOU ARE ASKING -- IF
9 YOU ARE PRESENTING TO THE BOARD THE REQUEST FOR 5 SIGNATURE
10 LETTER TO SUPPORT WHAT'S GOING ON IN WASHINGTON D.C. FOR THE
11 C.A.R.E.S. ACT FOUR, YOU MAY WANT TO MOVE THAT, AND WE NEED A
12 SECOND.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS SECONDED.

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS:** SECOND.

17

18 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. WE'LL GET THAT
19 TOGETHER.

20

21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SEEING NO REQUESTS FOR ANYONE ELSE TO
22 SPEAK, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU READ OFF THE NAMES
23 OF THOSE THAT HAVE SIGNED UP ON THIS ITEM.

24

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING SUBMITTED COMMENTS IN FAVOR
2 KEISHA WADE, ASHLEY THOMAS, ROBIN, JUAN GARZA, SANDRA ARMENTA,
3 HANNAH HICKSON, ERICA BRISS, AMY TANENBAUM, BRYNN RASMUSSEN,
4 JOHN KEARN, ALEXANDRA FIERO CLARK, ANGEL CASTILLO, ANDY
5 SEYMOUR, ALISON HENRY, ESME GERMAINE, AMY WONG, LAUREN
6 NARTOLI, HANNAH MURPHY, CELIA NAVA, ALEXIS NUNEZ, GREGG
7 SPEIGEL, DON CIDER, DIANE PRADO, SANDRA BURNT, RON COLLINS,
8 LEX RAMEN, JILL SHOOK, ALISON HURST, SAMANTHA HONOWITZ, JEFF
9 KATZ, PILAR SHAVO, JESHO YANG, JANICE YU, ERIN L. TEMMIN,
10 NATALIA VEDCIC, SERGIO VARGAS, LAURA RAYMON, RON COLLINS,
11 ALANNA HOLT, SHY DEMAS, WALDO GONZALEZ, LYRADONA LETTI,
12 STANISLAV SHETTMAN, MAYA RITA PERRY, LAURA RAYMON, HASSAN
13 ZUMIGA. THE FOLLOWING SUBMITTED UNDER OPPOSED SUSAN BLACE. AND
14 THE FOLLOWING SUBMITTED UNDER OTHER MATT WAIT AND ERICA
15 HUDSON. THAT'S ALL, MADAM CHAIR.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, ITEM 4 AS AMENDED IS BEFORE US.
18 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU TAKE THE ROLL.

19

20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 4 AS AMENDED, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

21

22 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

23

24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
25 THOMAS?

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1

2 SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS: AYE.

3

4 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AYE. SUPERVISOR
5 KUEHL?

6

7 SUP. KUEHL: AYE.

8

9 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

10

11 SUP. HAHN: AYE.

12

13 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

14

15 SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: AYE.

16

17 CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-
18 0.

19

20 SUP. BARGER, CHAIR: THANK YOU, NOW WE MOVE TO ITEM NUMBER 6,
21 TENANT PROTECTIONS DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS. IT IS HELD BY
22 SUPERVISOR HAHN. PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC TO MAKE REMARKS.

23

24 SUP. HAHN: THANKS, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
25 RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR COAUTHORING THIS. OKAY, SO THIS MOTION DOES

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1 A COUPLE THINGS TO IMPROVE OUR EVICTION MORATORIUM, I THINK.
2 THE FIRST ONE IS THAT IT INSTRUCTS OUR DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER
3 AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS TO PROVIDE A LIST OF DOCUMENTS THAT
4 BUSINESSES CAN USE TO SHOW THAT THEY HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY
5 COVID-19 AND THEREFORE CAN'T PAY THEIR RENT. THESE DOCUMENTS
6 MIGHT INCLUDE GROSS RECEIPTS OR BANK STATEMENTS BEFORE AND
7 DURING COVID-19. THE SECOND THING THIS MOTION DOES IS THAT IT
8 WILL EXCLUDE BUSINESSES THAT ARE MULTINATIONAL, PUBLICLY-
9 TRADED, OR HAVE MORE THAN 100 EMPLOYEES. THIS WILL ENSURE
10 THESE EMERGENCY TENANT PROTECTIONS ARE NOT EXPLOITED BY BIG
11 BUSINESSES WHO CAN AFFORD TO PAY THEIR RENT. WE KNOW, AS WE'VE
12 TALKED EARLIER IN THIS MEETING, THAT THE EVICTION MORATORIUM
13 IS MEANT TO KEEP FAMILIES AT HOME, KEEP SMALL BUSINESSES
14 AFLOAT, AND IT IS NOT MEANT TO BENEFIT BIG BUSINESSES WHO
15 DON'T NEED THE HELP. I THINK THESE ARE COMMON-SENSE UPDATES TO
16 OUR EVICTION MORATORIUM AND THAT THEY ENSURE THAT THE BENEFITS
17 ARE FOR THOSE THE TENANTS THAT REALLY NEED THEM. THANK YOU,
18 MADAM CHAIR.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, WOULD
21 YOU LIKE TO SAY ANYTHING?

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WOULD LIKE TO
24 ACKNOWLEDGE THE TREMENDOUS TEAM AT THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER
25 AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND COUNTY COUNSEL WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING

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1 ON OUR EFFORTS TO SUPPORT BOTH RENTERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS.
2 SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOUR LEADERSHIP AND ATTENTIVENESS ON THIS
3 SUBJECT IS WELL-DOCUMENTED, AND I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT AND THANK
4 YOU FOR THE PARTNERSHIP HERE. THE ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF THIS
5 CRISIS THREATEN TO BE JUST AS PROFOUND AS THE PUBLIC HEALTH
6 IMPACTS. SO I THINK IT IS REASONABLE TO SAY THAT DURING THESE
7 UNPRECEDENTED TIMES, WE MUST DO OUR PART TO SUPPORT THE SMALL
8 BUSINESSES THAT ARE THE BACKBONE OF OUR ECONOMY, ESPECIALLY
9 THOSE THAT HAVE BEEN SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACTED WITH THE LOSS OF
10 INCOME OR IMPACTED IN TERMS OF PERSONNEL DUE TO COVID-19, AND
11 THESE STORIES ARE ALL TOO FREQUENT AND EQUALLY HEART-
12 WRENCHING. THE MEDIAN ANNUAL REVENUE FOR L.A. COUNTY
13 BUSINESSES WITH UP TO 100 EMPLOYEES IS APPROXIMATELY \$109,000.
14 THAT IS NOT A LOT OF CHANGE TO SPARE BY SOME STANDARDS, AND BY
15 OTHER STANDARDS, IT COULD VERY WELL BE ARGUED THAT IT IS. LET
16 ME JUST BE AS CLEAR AS I CAN. THIS CAN EASILY BE A ZERO-SUM
17 GAME WITH NEITHER RENTERS OR MORTGAGE HOLDERS HAVING THE
18 RESOURCES NEEDED TO PREVENT FORECLOSURE IN THE MONTHS TO COME.
19 SO THE BANKING INDUSTRY NEEDS TO OPERATE WITH IMMEDIACY AND
20 RESOURCEFULNESS SO THAT WE, AS A COMMUNITY, TOGETHER, IN OTHER
21 WORDS, CAN WEATHER THIS VERY, VERY, VERY, VERY, TRYING STORM.
22 I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION OF THIS
23 MOTION. I WISH TO SAY THAT I BELIEVE WE WILL PROVIDE NEEDED
24 CLARITY IN THIS MOTION AND EASE OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
25 EXECUTIVE ORDER. MADAM CHAIR?

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1

2 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I ALSO WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
3 HAHN AND RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR YOUR EFFORTS TO ENSURE THAT THE
4 COUNTY IS PROACTIVELY WORKING ON SOLUTIONS FOR THOSE MOST
5 IMPACTED DURING THIS CRISIS. OUR SMALL BUSINESSES, WHICH MAKE
6 UP THE HEART OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S INCREDIBLE ECONOMIC
7 ENGINE ARE HURTING RIGHT NOW, AND MANY ARE FACING A REALITY OF
8 HAVING TO CLOSE THEIR DOORS PERMANENTLY. A RECENT SURVEY
9 PUBLISHED BY MAIN STREET AMERICA, A NETWORK OF MORE THAN 1600
10 COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS COMPRISING 300,000 SMALL BUSINESSES,
11 SHOWED THAT ALMOST 2/3 OF THE ENTREPRENEURS SAID THEY MAY HAVE
12 TO SHUT FOREVER IF BUSINESS DISRUPTION CONTINUES AT THE
13 CURRENT RATE FOR UP TO 5 MONTHS. MORE THAN 30 PERCENT ARE AT
14 RISK IF THE STATUS QUO PERSISTS FOR TWO MONTHS, ACCORDING TO
15 SURVEY, WHICH POLLED IN EXCESS OF 5,800 SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS.
16 AT A TIME WHEN RESOURCES ARE LIMITED, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE
17 FOCUS OUR EFFORTS TO HELP THE MOST VULNERABLE POPULATIONS AND
18 THOSE MOST IN NEED OF OUR SUPPORT. I REALLY DO BELIEVE THAT WE
19 HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY HERE TO PROVIDE HOPE TO MANY RIGHT NOW
20 THAT ARE FEELING HOPELESS, AND I BELIEVE THIS MOTION WILL
21 PROVIDE SOME SORT OF SUPPORT FOR INDIVIDUALS THAT NOT SURE IF
22 THEY'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO SURVIVE. I APPRECIATE THIS MOTION,
23 AND I BELIEVE THE TIMING IS RIGHT, AND WE NEED TO LET PEOPLE
24 KNOW THAT WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER. SO, WITH THAT,
25 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS?

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1

2 **SUP. SOLIS:** MADAM CHAIR, NOT AT THIS TIME. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SEEING NO ONE ELSE IS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK,
5 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CAN YOU READ OFF THE NAMES OF THOSE
6 THAT HAVE SUBMITTED WRITTEN TESTIMONY.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS SUBMITTED
9 COMMENTS IN FAVOR ALICIA HANCOCK, ROBIN, ASHLEY THOMAS, ADA
10 RAMIREZ, ERICA BRISS, CHARLES SU, NATALIE BURKE, KRISTIE
11 LEASE, COLLEEN EVANSON, JOSEPH OCHCON, BRIAN RASMUSSEN, J.
12 JORDAN, JOHN KEARN, ALEXANDER FRIERO CLARK, ALICIA NEST, ANGEL
13 M. CASTILLO, SANDY ORTIZ, ANDY SEYMOUR, JUDITH EVA CHARNEY,
14 DAVID LEVETTIS, NIKKI JACKSON, NANCY LIZA, ESME GERMAINE, AMY
15 WONG, MARA NATOLI, HANNAH MURPHY, ALEXIS NUNEZ, CELIA NAVA,
16 GREGG SPEIGEL, DIANNE PADO, HARRIS CORNSTEIN, SAMANTHA
17 HONOWITZ, DIANE VALENCIA, MATT WAIT, ELSA MAY TONG, JOE
18 DONLON, PILAR SHAVO, TRICIA WONG, DAVID LANZER, JENNIFER
19 MALTINADO, LAURA RAYMON, ALANNA HOLT, JANICE YU, STANSILAV
20 SHETTMAN, ZACHARIA FLORES, MAYARITA PERRY, CHRISTIAN CARDINEZ,
21 LAURA RAYMON, JEREMY PANOC, CRIMINA TELDERON, STEPHANIE
22 SOLANO, HASSAN ZUNIGA, LUPE SANCHEZ. AND THE FOLLOWING UNDER
23 OPPOSE CINDY MCCOHEY. AND THE FOLLOWING UNDER OTHER ANDREAS
24 STINT, ANNATALIA VEDCIC. THAT IS ALL, MADAM CHAIR.

25

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SO WE HAVE THIS ITEM BEFORE US.

2 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU PLEASE --

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 6 IS BEFORE US. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

5

6 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-

9 THOMAS?

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AYE. SUPERVISOR

14 KUEHL?

15

16 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

19

20 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

21

22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

23

24 **SUPERVISOR BARGER, CHAIR:** AYE.

25

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-
2 0.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. NOW WE MOVE ON TO ITEM 15,
5 EMERGENCY RENTAL AND MORTGAGE RELIEF, WHICH WAS HELD BY
6 SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL:** ARE YOU CALLING ON ME, MADAM CHAIR?

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YES, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, I'M SORR. YES, YOU
11 HELD IT.

12

13 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. I DIDN'T KNOW WHETHER YOU
14 WANTED SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO PRESENT FIRST, WHICH I WOULD BE
15 HAPPY TO DEFER FOR WHATEVER YOU THINK IS BEST.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I WILL LEAVE THAT --

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS:** I THINK SUPERVISOR KUEHL SHOULD PRESENT HER
20 AMENDMENTS, AND THEN I WILL SPEAK, THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, I AM NOT PRESENTING AMENDMENTS. I'M
25 ASKING TO BE RECORDED IN TERMS OF A CERTAIN KIND OF VOTE.

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1 THERE'S A LOT IN THIS MOTION, AND A LOT OF IT IS VERY GOOD.
2 THERE ARE TWO SECTIONS THAT GAVE ME SOME HEARTBURN. I
3 CERTAINLY WANTED TO INDICATE THAT I SIMPLY TO ASK THE MOTION
4 TO BE BIFURCATED WHEN WE VOTE. DIRECTIVE ONE, THOUGH IT HAS
5 BEEN AMENDED, STILL DOES INCLUDE THE CONCEPT OF A RENT
6 FORGIVENESS PROGRAM. AND I KNOW THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF TALK
7 TODAY, AND EVERYONE KNOWS I AM PRETTY SUPPORTIVE OF TENANTS,
8 BUT I DON'T FEEL COMFORTABLE ASKING THE STATE OR FEDERAL
9 GOVERNMENT TO FORGIVE RENT BY OUR TENANTS, WHICH MEANS THEY
10 WOULD NOT HAVE TO PAY IT. I KNOW THERE ARE SOME PROGRAMS
11 PROPOSED WHERE THE STATE PAY BE PICKING UP RENT FOR WHILE AND
12 THEN LETTING TENANTS PAY THEM BACK, BUT UNTIL SUCH A THING IS
13 IN PLACE, I DON'T KNOW THAT THAT IS WHAT THIS MEANS. SO I
14 WOULD ASK -- I ASK TO HAVE IT BIFURCATED AND CANNOT SUPPORT
15 THE FIRST DIRECTIVE. THE ONLY OTHER DIRECTIVE I HAD ISSUE WITH
16 WAS DIRECTIVE FOUR, WHICH HAD TO DO WITH, THOUGH IT IS A
17 REPORT BACK, I WANTED TO INDICATE MY DEEP CONCERN WITH THE
18 CONCEPT OF DEFERRING THE COLLECTION OF PROPERTY TAXES. AGAIN,
19 I UNDERSTAND WHY PEOPLE ARE SAYING, OH MY GOD, I'M NOT
20 WORKING, HOW AM I GOING TO PAY MY PROPERTY TAXES, THOUGH THE
21 FINAL DEADLINE FOR THE NEXT PAYMENT IS DECEMBER 10TH. I THINK
22 IT IS FRANKLY IRRESPONSIBLE TO DEFER THE COLLECTION OF
23 PROPERTY TAXES WHEN THE COUNTY IS CALLED UPON TO BE SUPPORTING
24 SO MUCH MORE THESE DAYS THAN WE HAVE EVER DONE. OUR WORK IS
25 CENTRAL AND CRITICAL TO RECOVERY FROM THIS AND RESPONSE TO

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1 THIS PANDEMIC. AND IT IS THE COLLECTION OF PROPERTY TAX ON A
2 TIMELY BASIS THAT ALLOWS US TO HAVE THE KIND OF CASH FLOW THAT
3 ALLOWS OUR WORKERS TO KEEP BEING IN THE FIELD, TO KEEP
4 PROVIDING THE HELP AND ASSISTANCE THAT THEY DO, AND I JUST
5 DON'T THINK IT IS A GOOD IDEA. EVEN THOUGH IT IS A REPORT BACK
6 AND I WOULD EXPECT THE TREASURER WOULD SAY THE SAME THING, I
7 SIMPLY WANT TO SAY THAT I CAN'T SUPPORT IT AND WONDER IF
8 DIRECTIVE FOUR COULD BE BIFURCATED ITSELF SO THAT I MIGHT VOTE
9 AGAINST ASKING FOR THE DEFERRAL OF PROPERTY TAX. BUT, AT THE
10 SAME TIME, SUPPORT ENDING P.A.C.E. LOANS, WHICH I THINK IS A
11 REALLY GOOD IDEA. SO THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, THOSE ARE MY TWO
12 CONCERNS.

13
14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I KNOW SUPERVISOR SOLIS IS
15 GOING TO SPEAK, BUT I JUST WANTED TO OFFER AN AMENDMENT TO
16 ITEM NUMBER ONE. INSTEAD OF -- I WOULD ASK THAT THE LANGUAGE
17 CHANGE FROM MORTGAGE FORGIVENESS TO MORTGAGE RELIEF. THE
18 PROGRAMS FOR RESIDENTS IMPACTED BY COVID-19 TO ENSURE THAT WE
19 ARE LEVERAGING ALL AVAILABLE STATE AND FEDERAL RESOURCES TO
20 SUPPORT PROPERTY OWNERS AND RENTERS THROUGH THE END OF THE
21 SAFER AT HOME ORDERS, AND I WOULD ASK THAT THAT BE JUST ON
22 THAT ONE DIRECTIVE. I WOULD ASK FOR THAT AMENDMENT TO BE
23 CONSIDERED. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** MADAM CHAIR, BEFORE YOU GO ON, IF YOU ARE GOING TO
2 OFFER THAT AMENDMENT, WOULD YOU OBJECT TO THE WORD RELIEF FOR
3 RENT AS WELL?

4

5 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** RELIEF --

6

7 **SUP. KUEHL:** YEAH BECAUSE IT'S --

8

9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY -- IT IS RENT AND MORTGAGE
10 RELIEF, YES, ABSOLUTELY. YES, THAT IS INCLUDED. RENT AND
11 MORTGAGE RELIEF. AND I BELIEVE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER HAS THEM.
12 SHE WILL READ IT IN IT'S ENTIRETY, BUT IT DOES INCLUDE THAT,
13 SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

14

15 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** YES. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I AM FINE WITH THAT
20 AMENDMENT. SO IF YOU NEED A SECOND ON IT, I AM HAPPY TO SECOND
21 THAT. I KNOW IT IS A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT, AND I APPRECIATE
22 THAT. IF I MIGHT, THANK YOU MEMBERS AND THE PUBLIC. YOU KNOW,
23 WE'VE RECEIVED COMMUNICATIONS FROM I BELIEVE THIS MORNING AS
24 WELL AS CORRESPONDENCE THAT WAS SENT TO OUR OFFICES FROM THE
25 HEALTHY L.A. COALITION, WHICH, AS YOU KNOW, MAKES UP ABOUT 300

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1 COMMUNITY ADVOCATES IN SUPPORT OF ALL THE MOTION DIRECTIVES
2 INCLUDED IN ITEM 15, BUT AS WE'VE HEARD DURING PUBLIC
3 COMMENTS, OUR ADVOCATES, AND EVEN SOME HOMEOWNERS, SUPPORT
4 LOOKING INTO THE P.A.C.E. PROGRAMS. AND THIS ISN'T THE FIRST
5 TIME. I RECALL 5 YEARS BACK WHEN SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WAS
6 BRINGING SOME THESE CONCERNS TO US, AND NOW WE KNOW WE'VE
7 HEARD CONSECUTIVELY FOR MANY OF OUR RESIDENTS THAT HAVE
8 PARTICIPATED IN THE PROGRAM. I KNOW WE'VE HAD MANY INDIVIDUALS
9 FROM MY DISTRICT IN POMONA, IN EAST L.A., AND IN THE
10 UNINCORPORATED AREAS THAT HAVE HAD GRAVE CONCERNS WITH SOME OF
11 THE PROGRAM, THIS PROGRAM IN PARTICULAR, BUT I KNOW THAT AT
12 THIS TIME WE ALSO HEARD FROM WITNESSES THAT SPOKE TO US THAT
13 SAID THAT THIS IS SOMEWHAT UNBEARABLE FOR SOME THEIR ELDERLY
14 PARENTS TO BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN, AND MANY OF THEIR SIBLINGS WHO
15 PROVIDE THEM WITH THAT SUPPORT ARE NOW UNEMPLOYED. THAT IS MY
16 INTENT, TO LOOK AT HOW WE CAN BETTER PROVIDE SUPPORTIVE RELIEF
17 FOR THESE INDIVIDUALS, THESE HOMEOWNERS, IN FACT, THAT HAVE
18 DONE NOTHING, I BELIEVE, THROUGH NO FAULT OF THEIR OWN AND ARE
19 NOW IN THIS PREDICAMENT. SO I DO BELIEVE THAT THE APPROACHES
20 THAT ARE PRESENTED HERE AND THE STRATEGIES CAN BE VERY
21 EFFECTIVE IN HELPING THE COUNTY MOVE TOWARDS PROVIDING THE
22 KIND OF SUPPORT PROPOSALS, COMPREHENSIVE RENT AND MORTGAGE
23 RELIEF. I AM OPEN TO THAT AMENDMENT AS WAS PRESENTED BY THE
24 CHAIR. AND DIRECTIVE 4, IF I MIGHT, JUST ASK FOR A REPORT BACK
25 FOR A DEFERRAL OF PROPERTY TAXES AND P.A.C.E. TAX ASSESSMENT.

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1 SO IT'S NOT AS THOUGH WE ARE MOVING ON IT. WE ARE ASKING FOR A
2 REPORT, AND I CANNOT REMEMBER HOW FAR BACK IN HISTORY WHEN
3 SOMEBODY ASKED FOR A REPORT, THAT IT IS SOMEHOW NOT VOTED
4 UPON. SO I WAS REALLY TAKEN ABACK WHEN I HEARD THAT FROM MY
5 STAFF AND WASN'T CLEAR WHY, BUT I KNOW THAT THINGS HAPPEN, BUT
6 I AM OPEN TO WORKING WITH EVERYBODY BECAUSE I THINK THIS IS A
7 REALLY IMPORTANT EFFORT ON OUR PART. AND I KNOW THIS ISN'T THE
8 FIRST TIME THAT WE ARE GOING THROUGH THIS ECONOMIC DOWNTURN.
9 IT JUST HAPPENED 13 YEARS AGO, NOT TOO FAR OFF, AND NOW WE ARE
10 IN A PREDICAMENT WHERE WE NEED TO PROVIDE FEDERAL RENT AND
11 MORTGAGE RELIEF TO OUR RESIDENTS, AND WE NEED TO QUICKLY MOVE
12 THAT ALONG. SO I AM OPEN TO DOING ALL THAT WE CAN TO MAKE SURE
13 THAT WE REACH OUT TO OUR ENTIRE COUNTY, MAKING SURE WE PROVIDE
14 SUPPORT FOR PROPOSALS THAT ARE COMING EVEN OUT OF SACRAMENTO
15 AS WE SPEAK TODAY. I BELIEVE THE SENATE, SENATOR ATKINS AND
16 SOME OF HER COLLEAGUES, ARE GOING TO BE PUTTING FORTH AN
17 EFFORT TO CREATE A \$25 BILLION ECONOMIC RECOVERY FUND BY
18 ISSUING LONG TERM VOUCHERS TO THOSE WILLING TO PREPAY THEIR
19 FUTURE STATE INCOME TAXES. SO YOU CAN SEE, AND PROVIDING RENT
20 RELIEF. SO PEOPLE ARE MOVING IN THIS DIRECTION, AND I THINK IT
21 IS INCUMBENT UPON THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO DO THE
22 SAME. I WOULD SAY THAT THE APPROACHES THAT WE'RE UNDERTAKING
23 HERE ARE MANY, AND WE ARE GOING TO NEED TO BE ABLE TO DO MORE
24 TO ALSO CREATE SOCIAL MEDIA AWARENESS AND ALSO TO PREVENT ANY
25 FURTHER FRAUD AND PREDATORY PRACTICES. THOSE ARE ESSENTIAL FOR

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1 VULNERABLE POPULATIONS, AND MOREOVER THE MOTION HERE EXPLORES
2 CREATING A REFERRAL NETWORK OF SERVICE PROVIDERS THAT WILL
3 HELP INFORM CONSUMERS ABOUT ESTATE PLANNING WITH THE GOAL OF
4 PRESERVING NEIGHBORHOOD PROPERTIES. AND WE UNDERSTAND THAT
5 EVEN WITH THESE EFFORTS, THERE WILL BE PROPERTY OWNERS WHO
6 WILL DEFAULT OR OTHERWISE TRANSITION OWNERSHIP AS A RESULT OF
7 COVID-19 TO OTHER ENTITIES, BUT WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE PUT IN
8 PLACE POLICIES SO HOMES ARE NOT BOUGHT BY SPECULATORS AND WHO
9 WILL WORSEN AND CREATE A MARKET THAT WILL BE UNBEARABLE FOR
10 MANY OF OUR RESIDENTS. THEREFORE, AS YOU KNOW, MY MOTION WILL
11 EXPLORE CREATING AN OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY
12 OWNERS, BEFORE A NOTICE OF DEFAULT ON THE PROPERTY IS ISSUED,
13 TO BE ABLE TO SELL THEIR PROPERTY TO EITHER AN EXISTING
14 TENANT, COMMUNITY LAND TRUST, OR A NONPROFIT OR COMMUNITY
15 MISSION DRIVEN ENTITY, ALL WITH THE GOAL, AS YOU KNOW, TO
16 PRESERVE THESE PROPERTIES FOR CONSERVATION TO PERMANENT
17 AFFORDABLE HOUSING. I LOOK FORWARD TO CREATING A FIRST RIGHT
18 TO PURCHASE POLICY TO PREVENT LARGE SCALE CORPORATE PURCHASE
19 OF THESE PROPERTIES, SOME OF WHICH I KNOW MY COLLEAGUES HAVE
20 ADVOCATED IN THE PAST, PARTICULARLY SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR BEING
21 OUTSPOKEN ON THIS ISSUE. THANK YOU FOR ALWAYS DOING THAT AND
22 REMINDING US HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO KEEP OUR HOUSING STOCK
23 AVAILABLE TO OUR RESIDENTS. AND LASTLY, I WANT TO THANK THE
24 GOVERNOR FOR HIS RECENT ANNOUNCEMENT THAT WE WILL MAKE
25 AVAILABLE \$125 MILLION IN STATE DISASTER RELIEF FUNDS TO HELP

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1 OUR UNDOCUMENTED INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES WHO HAVE BEEN
2 EXCLUDED FROM THE FEDERAL STIMULUS AND BENEFIT PROGRAMS. AND
3 THAT IS NOT TO SAY THAT THEY HAVEN'T PAID TAXES. THEY PAY
4 SALES TAX. MANY OF THEM PAY PROPERTY TAX, AND MANY OF THEM DO
5 PAY FEDERAL INCOME TAX, AND WE SHOULD BE TAKING ACCOUNT FOR
6 THAT. SO WITH THAT, MADAM CHAIR, I WOULD ASK THAT YOU CONSIDER
7 SUPPORTING THIS MOTION. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, DO I HAVE ANYONE ELSE THAT
10 WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM? MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT
11 HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS? WILL YOU PLEASE READ THE
12 NAMES.

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS SUBMITTED
15 COMMENTS IN FAVOR ALICIA HANCOCK, ROBIN, ASHLEY THOMAS,
16 KEISHA WADE, ADA RAMIREZ, ERICA BRISS, CHARLES SU, NATALIE
17 BURKE, KRISTIE LEASE, COLLEEN EVANSON, JOSEPH OCON, BRIAN
18 RASUMUSSEN, JOHN KEARN, ALEXANDER FIERO CLARK, ALICIA NEST,
19 ANGEL M. CASTILLO, CHRISTOPHER WONG, FANNY ORTIZ, JUDITH EVA
20 CHARNEY, DAVID LEVITTUS, ALEXANDRA SIL, NIKKI JACKSON, NANCY
21 LIZA, RABIA SIM, ESME GERMAINE, GREEK KIM, AMY WONG, EDGAR
22 COMPAS, LAURA NATOLI, HANNAH MURPHY, ALEX NUNEZ, CELIA NAVA,
23 GREGG SPEIGEL, MARIANA MAGANYA, DIANNE PRADO, HARRIS
24 CORNSTEIN, DAVID RICARDO ABOOD, ANNA MARIE COVGIANO, JUDE
25 SHIN, SAMANATHA HONOWITZ, DIANE VALENCIA, MATT WAIT, RUDY

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1 ESPINOZA, JOE DONLON, TONYA LOVE, PILAR SHAVO, STEPHANIE
2 CAROL, JESHO YANG, DANIEL RODRIGUEZ, JENNIFER MALTINADO, LAURA
3 RAYMON, RUDY ESPINOZA, SAMMY ORTIZ, ALANNA HOLT, JANICE YU,
4 NISHA CASHAP, LYRIDONA LETTI, STANISLAV SHETTMAN, ZACHARIA
5 FLORES, ELSA SANCHEZ, JOSHEPH VILLALA, SPARKY ABRAHAM,
6 CHRISTIAN CARDINEZ, LAURA RAYMON, JEREMY PANOC, CARMINA
7 CALDERON, STEPHANIE SOLANO, HASSAN ZUNIGA, LUCA SANCHEZ. THE
8 FOLLOWING SUBMITTED UNDER OPPOSE LARRY RUBENSTEIN, ALFRED
9 SOMAC, RITA OSS, GEORGE MATSURA, MESSUS CODAVERDIAN, STANISLAV
10 SEDOV, DAVID CORNBLETH, DAVID FLORES, BRUCE RUPER, LANITT
11 LANITT, SUSAN BLACE, BRETT JOHNSON, CRAIG RUNI, HUSIK
12 NEGARIAN, DANIEL POYOR, JUSTIN GOLD, JOHN VINCENTI, LISA
13 HALEVIAN, JAMES HYATT, SHARONA SENOFF, NATALIE ADOMIAN, LIZEEL
14 ESTRADA, SALINE, NELSON MATHESON, CAEL FRANCES SWAYZE, TAMMY
15 WARNER, LAURA OLHASO, DAVID BRENEMAN, MARK BURGER, YVONNE
16 YANGABARIAN, JOHN RUTHNER, ANUSH ZACHARIAN, LANIT JANET,
17 GAVORIC VOLSKONIAN. THOSE SUBMITTED UNDER OTHER HORACE H.
18 HEIGHT, J. JORDAN, HOWARD STEENWICK, JIM BARRYMAN, LORI GAITH,
19 NATALIA VEDCIC, AND JONATHAN JAGER.

20

21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KUEHL, YOU ASKED TO
22 SPEAK AGAIN? SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

23

24 **SUP. KUEHL:** I HAD TO REOPEN MY PHONE. I BELIEVE YOU SAID,
25 MADAM CHAIR, THAT WE WERE GOING TO HEAR THE LANGUAGE OF THE

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1 AMENDMENT TO NUMBER 1, AND THEN I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK AGAIN
2 ABOUT NUMBER 4.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY. I SUBMITTED THE LANGUAGE, AND THE
5 LANGUAGE THAT I ASKED FOR THE AMENDMENT WOULD READ THAT DIRECT
6 THE C.E.O., LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL
7 RELATIONS BRANCH, WASHINGTON AND SACRAMENTO TO ADVOCATES TO
8 SEND A FIVE SIGNATURE LETTER TO THE FEDERAL AND STATE
9 LEGISLATIVE LEADERSHIP IN SUPPORT OF A LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL
10 PROVIDING A COMPREHENSIVE RENT AND MORTGAGE RELIEF PROGRAM FOR
11 RESIDENTS IMPACTED BY COVID-19 TO ENSURE THAT --

12

13 **ATTORNEY:** SUPERVISOR? THIS IS MARY WICKHAM FROM COUNTY
14 COUNSEL, IT'S TO SEND A LETTER.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY, SEND A LETTER. YOU ARE CORRECT
17 IT WAS STRICKEN OUT. SEND A LETTER AND THAT IT --
18 COMPREHENSIVE RENT AND MORTGAGE RELIEF PROGRAMS FOR RESIDENTS
19 IMPACTED BY COVID-19 TO ENSURE WE ARE LEVERAGING ALL AVAILABLE
20 STATE AND FEDERAL RESOURCES TO SUPPORT PROPERTY OWNERS AND
21 RENTERS THROUGH THE END OF THE SAFER AT HOME ORDER. THAT IS MY
22 AMENDMENT.

23

24 **SUP. KUEHL:** IN THAT CASE, I DON'T KNOW WHETHER A 5 SIGNATURE
25 LETTER WOULD BE MORE APPROPRIATE OR DESIRABLE, OR IF IT IS

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1 BETTER JUST TO GO THROUGH OUR ADVOCATES. I BELIEVE IT WAS MY
2 OWN CONCERN ABOUT THE RENT FORGIVENESS THAT LED US TO AMEND
3 FROM A 5 SIG TO JUST A LETTER. NOW, I DON'T KNOW WHERE
4 EVERYBODY ELSE IS. SO LET ME JUST SAY THAT, WITH THE
5 AMENDMENT, I AM OKAY ON DIRECTIVE 1, BUT ON DIRECTIVE 4, I
6 KNOW THAT SUPERVISOR SOLIS INDICATED SHE WAS KIND OF SURPRISED
7 THAT SOMEONE WOULD OBJECT TO A REPORT BACK, BUT, OF COURSE,
8 SOMETIMES YOU GET SURPRISES IN THE MIDDLE OF A MEETING, LIKE I
9 DID ON ITEM 3. SO FOR DIRECTIVE 4, I STILL DON'T WANT TO GIVE
10 THE IMPRESSION THAT IT IS A GOOD IDEA EVEN TO THINK ABOUT
11 DEFERRING THE COLLECTION OF PROPERTY TAXES. I FEEL VERY
12 STRONGLY ABOUT IT AND THEREFORE WOULD ASK THAT DIRECTIVE 4 BE
13 BIFURCATED. I AM HAPPY TO VOTE YES ON THE P.A.C.E. ISSUES, BUT
14 I CANNOT SUPPORT EVEN ASKING FOR A REPORT BACK ON DEFERRING
15 THE COLLECTION OF PROPERTY TAXES. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, ANY COMMENTS
18 BEFORE WE TAKE THE ROLL BECAUSE I DON'T BELIEVE THERE'S A
19 SECOND ON BIFURCATING?

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS:** NO, MADAM CHAIR, JUST GO ON.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THERE IS A SECOND, MADAM CHAIR.

24

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WE WILL TAKE A VOTE ON BIFURCATING THE
2 MOTION ON ITEM FOUR.

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** IT IS JUST TO BIFURCATE DIRECTIVE FOUR.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SO THERE'S A SECOND TO BIFURCATE. MADAM
7 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU TAKE A ROLL ON WHETHER OR NOT TO
8 BIFURCATE SECTION FOUR?

9

10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WE ARE GOING TO TAKE A ROLL ON SECONDING
11 TO BIFURCATE ITEM FOUR. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS:** NO.

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, NO. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
16 THOMAS?

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

19

20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AYE. SUPERVISOR
21 KUEHL?

22

23 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

24

25 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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1

2 **SUP. HAHN:** I'M GOING TO ABSTAIN ON THAT ONE.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ABSTAIN. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

5

6 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** NO.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** NO. FAILS TO PASS. 2-2, WITH ONE

9 ABSTENTION.

10

11 **SUP. KUEHL:** YOU KNOW I HAVE TO SAY. I AM REALLY SURPRISED. WE

12 HAVE NEVER, EVER SAID TO A MEMBER THAT YOU CANNOT VOTE

13 SEPARATELY ON A PIECE, AND EVERY ONE OF YOU HAS ASKED FOR IT.

14 I'M NOT SURE I UNDERSTAND THIS.

15

16 **ATTORNEY:** EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WHAT IS THE TALLY OF THE VOTES?

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** IT IS 2-2, 2 NOES, 2 AYES, AND ONE

19 ABSTENTION.

20

21 **ATTORNEY:** I DON'T THINK IT CARRIES, THEN.

22

23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** IT DID NOT CARRY.

24

25 **ATTORNEY:** IT DID NOT, CORRECT.

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1

2 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE MOTION FAILS TO CARRY.

3

4 **ATTORNEY:** ALL RIGHT.

5

6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** TO BIFURCATE.

7

8 **ATTORNEY:** TO BIFURCATE.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU TAKE
11 THE VOTE FOR THE MOTION, AS AMENDED.

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SO THE REMAINING ITEMS AS AMENDED ARE
14 BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
19 THOMAS? SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AYE. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

20

21 **SUP. KUEHL:** I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT WE ARE VOTING ON, IS IT
22 THE ENTIRE THING TAKEN TOGETHER, SO I HAVE TO VOTE NO IF I'M
23 AGAINST TWO THINGS?

24

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SO YEAH, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE THE
2 DIRECTIVES ITEM 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, AND 8, AND 4. AND 1 IS GOING TO
3 BE AS AMENDED.

4

5 **SUP. KUEHL:** WELL, IF I AM NOT ALLOWED TO VOTE THE WAY I WISH
6 ON ONE PIECE ON ONE DIRECTIVE, THEN I AM FORCED BY THE BOARD
7 TO VOTE NO ON THE WHOLE THING. SO, NO.

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, NO. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

10

11 **SUP. HAHN:** YES.

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AYE.

16

17 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. 4 TO 1.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. SO NOW WE MOVE ON TO ITEM 51A,
20 ESTABLISHING A COUNTY-WIDE PROGRAM TO REDUCE SUPPORTS FAILURE
21 TO APPEAR RATE, AND IT WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.
22 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** HELLO, MADAM CHAIR.

25

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** HELLO, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

2

3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AT THE URGENCY OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, I
4 THINK WE'LL ALL AGREE HAS CAUSED THE BOARD AND THE COUNTY'S
5 JUSTICE DEPARTMENTS TO MAKE UNPRECEDENTED EFFORTS TO
6 SIGNIFICANTLY AND QUICKLY REFORM ITS APPROACH TO CRIMINAL
7 JUSTICE. AND WHILE THERE IS MUCH TO BE DONE, I THINK IT IS
8 FAIR TO SAY IT IS A GOOD THING. THIS HAS INCLUDED THE SAFE
9 RELEASE OF AS MANY AS 5,000 INMATES FROM THE COUNTY JAILS.
10 IMPORTANTLY, MADAM CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES, MANY OF THOSE
11 RECENTLY RELEASED INDIVIDUALS HAVE COURT DATES COMING UP AS
12 FAR AS JUNE, AND ADDITIONAL STEPS MUST BE TAKEN TO ENSURE THAT
13 THE COUNTY MAINTAINS ITS PROGRESS AND PREVENTS FURTHER SPREAD
14 OF COVID-19. THIS PILOT PROGRAM THAT'S BEING PROPOSED IN THE
15 MOTION HERE WILL UTILIZE TECHNOLOGY AND TEXT REMINDERS TO HELP
16 ENSURE THAT DEFENDANTS APPEAR IN COURT AND AVOID THE VARIOUS
17 CONSEQUENCES OF FAILING TO APPEAR, INCLUDING AMONG OTHER
18 THINGS, BEING RETURNED TO JAIL. MIGHT I SAY THIS IS ABOUT
19 ACCOUNTABILITY, IN THE TRUEST SENSE OF THE WORD. THIS
20 COMMONSENSE APPROACH SHOULD MAKE COURTROOMS AND COURTHOUSES
21 SAFER AND KEEP THE JAIL POPULATION DOWN IN AN EFFORT TO AGAIN
22 PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 WHILE ULTIMATELY PRODUCING
23 BETTER OUTCOMES FOR JUSTICE-INVOLVED INDIVIDUALS. THE PUBLIC
24 DEFENDER, MADAM CHAIR, RICARDO GARCIA, HAS BEEN CHAMPIONING
25 THIS IDEA FOR A PILOT. AND I WOULD NOW LIKE TO INVITE HIM TO

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1 SAY A FEW WORDS ON THE SUBJECT AT HAND WITH YOUR PERMISSION,
2 THANK YOU.

3

4 **RICARDO GARCIA:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, CAN YOU
5 HEAR ME?

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES, WE CAN.

8

9 **RICARDO GARCIA:** GOOD MORNING, AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
10 RIDLEY-THOMAS, AND ACTUALLY FOR THIS ENTIRE BOARD. YOUR
11 LEADERSHIP TO ASSURE THAT INDIGENT ACCUSED HAVE A VOICE AND
12 OPPORTUNITY TO STAY OUT OF JAIL WHILE THEY CONFRONT AND
13 ADDRESS THEIR CASES. LAST YEAR, A.T.I. PLAN ASKED US TO
14 RECONCEPTUALIZE THE JUSTICE SYSTEM WITHIN THE LARGER PUBLIC
15 HEALTH FRAMEWORK. THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC FORCED THE JUSTICE
16 SYSTEM TO NOT JUST RECONCEPTUALIZE THE SYSTEM, BUT TO TRULY
17 EMBRACE PUBLIC HEALTH AND CARE-FIRST, JAILS LAST, AS OUR NEW
18 REALITY. IN A PARADIGM SHIFT, IT WILL HELP KEEP ALL ANGELENOS
19 HEALTHY, JUST AS STAKEHOLDERS WORK TOGETHER TO SAFELY REDUCE
20 THE JAIL POPULATION AND HELP SLOW THE SPREAD OF COVID-19
21 AMONGST THE MEN AND WOMEN IN CUSTODY. THIS MOTION WILL GIVE
22 DEPUTY PUBLIC OFFENDERS A VALUABLE TOOL IN PROTECTING THE PRE-
23 TRIAL RIGHTS OF OUR CLIENTS WHO ARE OUT OF CUSTODY AND GET
24 THEM BACK TO COURT ON TIME. THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT FACING
25 ACQUISITIONS WHILE IN JAIL PLACES THE ACCUSED IN A CLEAR

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1 DISADVANTAGE AND TURNS THE PRESUMPTION OF INNOCENCE ON ITS
2 HEAD. WE KNOW THAT FORCING THE STATE TO PROVE ITS CASE AGAINST
3 A FREE PERSON RESULTS IN A BETTER AND MORE EQUITABLE
4 DISPOSITION AND RESULTS FOR THE ACCUSED. BEING ABLE TO REACH
5 OUR CLIENTS AND NOTIFY THEM ABOUT FUTURE COURT DATES WILL
6 UNDOUBTEDLY REDUCE FAILURES TO APPEAR WHICH WILL REDUCE THE
7 NUMBER OF ARRESTS AND ULTIMATELY PREVENT FILLING THE JAILS
8 WITH PEOPLE WHO ARE THERE BECAUSE THEY ARE POOR AND CANNOT PAY
9 BAIL. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK.

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11 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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13 **SUP. HAHN:** THANKS, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANKS, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
14 THOMAS FOR THIS MOTION. IT IS REALLY A COMMON SENSE MOTION AND
15 BIG SHOUT OUT TO OUR PUBLIC DEFENDER, RICARDO GARCIA. YOU'VE
16 DONE SUCH AMAZING WORK BEFORE THIS HAPPENED, BUT NOW YOU'RE
17 WORKING OVERTIME TO MAKE SURE THAT, YOU KNOW, YOU CAN MAKE
18 SURE THAT OUR MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS STILL HAVE THEIR
19 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS IN THE MIDST OF THIS NEW NORMAL. AND I
20 LOVE THE COMMON SENSE SOLUTION ABOUT SENDING TEXT MESSAGES,
21 REMINDERS ABOUT UPCOMING COURT DATES. IT SEEMS SO SIMPLE, I'M
22 REALLY SURPRISED WE AREN'T ALREADY DOING THIS. I THINK ALL OF
23 US IN OUR LIVES, TEXT MESSAGES REMIND US TO DO ALMOST
24 EVERYTHING. WE ALL GET TEXT REMINDERS FOR EVERYTHING THAT
25 WE'RE INVOLVED IN. WE GET TEXT REMINDERS ABOUT FRIEND'S

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1 BIRTHDAYS. I MEAN WE JUST ARE REMINDED ALL THE TIME THROUGH
2 TEXTS. SO THIS MAKES SENSE PARTICULARLY FOR THE THOUSANDS OF
3 PEOPLE WHO WOULD NORMALLY BE IN JAIL AWAITING TRIAL BUT ARE
4 NOW GOING TO BE HOME AWAITING THEIR COURT DATES BECAUSE WE
5 HAVE GOTTEN ZERO BAIL FOR ALL NON-VIOLENT AND NON-SERIOUS
6 OFFENSES. I THINK THIS IS ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE SOLUTIONS THAT
7 L.A. COUNTY IS GOING TO BE A MODEL FOR THE REST OF THE
8 COUNTRY, AND IF THIS IS SUCCESSFUL, IT COULD REALLY GIVE US
9 MORE IMPETUS FOR LAYING GROUNDWORK FOR MORE PERMANENT BAIL
10 REFORM TO MAKE SURE THAT WE KEEP PEOPLE FROM BEING LOCKED UP
11 IN PRE-TRIAL WHEN THEY REALLY DON'T NEED TO BE. SO GOOD IDEA,
12 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD.
13 I SUPPORT IT 100 PERCENT AND THANKS AGAIN, RICARDO GARCIA, FOR
14 THE WORK YOU DO EVERY SINGLE DAY. THANKS, MADAM CHAIR.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. DO I HAVE ANY OTHER PEOPLE THAT
17 WANT TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM? WITH THAT, MADAM EXECUTIVE
18 OFFICER, WOULD YOU PLEASE READ THE NAMES OF THOSE THAT
19 SUBMITTED WRITTEN TESTIMONY.

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21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, MADAM CHAIR. WE HAVE ONE INDIVIDUAL
22 WHO SUBMITTED COMMENTS IN FAVOR, AND THAT IS JOSEPH MAIZLISH.

23

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WITH THAT, HEARING NO OTHER -- MADAM
2 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL ON THIS
3 MOTION.

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5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE ITEM BEFORE YOU IS ITEM 51A,
6 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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8 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

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10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
11 THOMAS?

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AYE. SUPERVISOR
16 KUEHL?

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18 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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22 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

23

24 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AYE.

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-
2 0.

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4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NOW WE WILL MOVE ON TO ITEM 51-
5 B, WHICH IS INCLUDED WITH 51-G AND 51-H, ALL RELATED ITEMS,
6 WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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8 **SUP. HAHN:** THANKS, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANKS, SUPERVISOR SOLIS
9 FOR JOINING ME ON THIS MOTION. SO AT OUR LAST MEETING, WE
10 UNANIMOUSLY PASSED THE SUPPLEMENTAL PAID SICK LEAVE FOR
11 EMPLOYEES AT LARGE COMPANIES THAT HAD TO TAKE TIME OFF FOR
12 REASONS RELATED TO THIS PANDEMIC, AND TODAY WE HAVE TWO MORE
13 ORDINANCES BEFORE US THAT WILL ENSURE THAT WORKERS WHO ARE IN
14 THE JANITORIAL, MAINTENANCE, SECURITY SERVICE, AND HOSPITALITY
15 INDUSTRIES THAT WORK IN OUR UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF L.A.
16 COUNTY, WHO ARE LAID OFF DUE TO THE PANDEMIC, HAVE THE FIRST
17 RIGHT OF RECALL TO THEIR JOBS. AND THAT ENSURES THAT THEY WILL
18 GET TO KEEP THEIR JOBS IN THE EVENT THE BUSINESS THEY WORK
19 GETS SOLD BECAUSE OF THE PANDEMIC. AND I THINK THESE ADDED
20 PROTECTIONS GIVE OUR WORKERS WHO HAVE BUILT CAREERS AND
21 LIVELIHOODS IN INDUSTRIES THAT HAVE ABSOLUTELY BEEN DECIMATED
22 BY THIS PANDEMIC, GIVES THEM THE PEACE OF MIND THAT AS THESE
23 BUSINESSES START TO COME BACK, THEIR JOBS WILL STILL BE THERE
24 FOR THEM. AND AS WITH THE PAID SICK LEAVE ORDINANCE WE PASSED,
25 IF THE BUSINESS HAS A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT IN

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1 PLACE, THEN THEY WOULD BE EXEMPT FOR THIS. WE ALLOW WORKERS 5
2 DAYS TO RESPOND TO A RECALL NOTICE. AND THAT WAS A BIT OF A
3 COMPROMISE. ORIGINALLY, WE WANTED TEN DAYS, BUT THERE WERE
4 THOSE WHO WANTED 24 HOURS. AND WE COMPROMISED, AND WE ARE
5 GOING TO GIVE 5 DAYS FOR PEOPLE TO RESPOND TO A NOTICE, BUT
6 I'M SURE PEOPLE ARE REALLY WAITING FOR THOSE NOTICES TO
7 APPEAR, AND I'M SURE THEY'RE GOING TO REPLY QUICKLY IF THEY
8 KNOW THEY'RE GOING TO GET BACK TO WORK. I WANT TO MAKE IT
9 CLEAR THAT THESE ORDINANCES LEAVE IT TO THE BUSINESSES AS TO
10 WHAT JOBS THEY NEED TO BRING BACK AND THE TIMING FOR THAT AND
11 OFFER THOSE JOBS TO THE EMPLOYEES THAT MEET THE JOB
12 DESCRIPTION THEY NEED. IF THEY NEED A DISH WASHER AND A HOTEL
13 CLERK, FOR EXAMPLE, THEY AREN'T EXPECTED TO BRING BACK ANOTHER
14 TYPE OF EMPLOYEE SIMPLY BECAUSE OF SENIORITY. AND WE TALKED A
15 LOT ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT THESE SHOULD EXPIRE. I BELIEVE THEY
16 SHOULDN'T EXPIRE, THAT THEY WILL BE EVERGREEN ORDINANCES, AND
17 I KNOW AGAIN, A LOT OF DEBATE AND A LOT OF DISCUSSION, WE'VE
18 MET WITH BUSINESSES GROUPS, WITH CHAMBERS, AS WELL AS THOSE
19 WHO REPRESENT WORKERS HERE IN THE COUNTY AND WE TALKED A LOT
20 ABOUT WHAT THE CITY OF L.A. HAS BEEN DOING AND LONG BEACH AND
21 WE REALLY LIKE TO, IF , WE CAN, BE CONSISTENT WITH THEM. SO I
22 DIDN'T THINK PUTTING THE EXPIRATION DATE ON THESE ORDINANCES
23 MADE SENSE. WE HAVE AN UNEMPLOYMENT RATE THAT'S 14.5 PERCENT
24 NATIONALLY. SOME THINK IT WILL REACH 20 PERCENT. AND MOST
25 EXPERTS SAY WE WILL TAKE A VERY LONG TIME TO RECOVER FROM

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1 THAT, IF AT ALL. SO GIVEN THAT KIND OF UNCERTAINTY, I DON'T
2 THINK IT MAKES SENSE FOR THESE WORKER PROTECTIONS TO END ON AN
3 ARBITRARY DATE, BUT I THINK WE SHOULD ASSESS THE ORDINANCES
4 AFTER THEY HAVE TAKEN EFFECT. AND SO PART OF THIS IS THE
5 REQUIREMENT THAT OUR C.E.O. REPORT BACK TO US IN TWO YEARS ON
6 THE ORDINANCES, MARCH OF 2022, AND SEE IF THEY HAVE BEEN
7 IMPACTFUL. I HAVE READ AND HEARD, AS I KNOW ALL OF YOU HAVE,
8 MANY, MANY STORIES OF HOTEL EMPLOYEES LOSING THEIR JOBS
9 BECAUSE OUR HOTELS ARE MOSTLY EMPTY. I WAS INFORMED THAT OF
10 32,000 HOTEL WORKERS, ONLY 500 OF THEM ARE STILL WORKING. AND
11 THAT MAY CHANGE ANY DAY. EMPLOYEES IN THE OTHER INDUSTRIES
12 THAT THIS ORDINANCE WOULD APPLY TO ARE FACING THE SAME GRIM
13 REALITY OF THEIR JOBS DISAPPEARING LITERALLY OVER NIGHT. SO I
14 THINK PASSING THIS SENDS A GOOD MESSAGE TO THESE WORKERS THAT
15 WE SEE THEM, WE HEAR THEM. WE ARE ALL GETTING TIRED OF HEARING
16 WE ARE IN THIS TOGETHER, BUT WE REALLY ARE, AND I THINK THIS
17 ORDINANCE SAYS THAT IN A BIG WAY. SO I HOPE I CAN GET THE
18 SUPPORT OF MY COLLEAGUES ON THIS MOTION. THANK YOU, MADAM
19 CHAIR.

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21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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23 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU,
24 SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR AUTHORIZING THE MOTION AND INVITING ME TO
25 SERVE AS YOUR COAUTHOR. THIS PANDEMIC HAS HIGHLIGHTED THE NEED

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1 TO STRENGTHEN PROTECTIONS FOR OUR WORKFORCE, PARTICULARLY
2 THOSE ON THE FRONTLINES. AND BY ADOPTING THESE PERMANENT RIGHT
3 OF RECALL AND WORKER RETENTION POLICIES, WE ENSURE THAT PEOPLE
4 HAVE JOBS TO COME BACK TO ONCE IT IS SAFE TO GO BACK TO WORK.
5 L.A. COUNTY HOTELS AND BUILDING SERVICE COMPANIES HAVE LAID
6 OFF TENS OF THOUSANDS OF LOYAL WORKERS IN PAST FEW MONTHS.
7 SOMETIMES FIRING PEOPLE WHO HAVE WORKED THERE FOR DECADES, AND
8 I AM NOT TALKING ONE OR TWO DECADES BUT SOME AS LONG AS 30
9 YEARS WITH NO SEVERANCE. CALIFORNIA, AS YOU MAY KNOW, IS
10 EXPECTED TO BE AMONG THE HARDEST HIT STATES. ACCORDING TO THE
11 ECONOMIC POLICY INSTITUTE, CALIFORNIA IS ON TRACK TO SHED OVER
12 600,000 JOBS BY SUMMERTIME WITH HIGH CONCENTRATIONS IN
13 LEISURE, HOSPITALITY, AND THE RETAIL INDUSTRIES. AS YOU KNOW,
14 WORKERS IN THESE INDUSTRIES ARE OVERWHELMINGLY PEOPLE OF COLOR
15 WHO ARE ALREADY SEVERELY IMPACTED BY THE PANDEMIC. 30 YEARS
16 AGO, SOME OF YOU MIGHT REMEMBER, S.E.I.U. LAUNCHED THE JUSTICE
17 FOR JANITORS CAMPAIGN, CALLING FOR IMPROVED WAGES AND BETTER
18 WORKING CONDITIONS, ACTUALLY REPRESENTING LARGELY IMMIGRANTS
19 AND PEOPLE OF COLOR AND MANY WOMEN. ALMOST 15 YEARS AGO, IN
20 2006, THE HISTORIC CENTURY BOULEVARD CAMPAIGN WAS LAUNCHED TO
21 IMPROVE WORKING CONDITIONS AND COMPENSATION FOR HOTEL
22 HOUSEKEEPERS. THE CENTURY BOULEVARD CAMPAIGN FOR A LIVING WAGE
23 HELPED LEAD LOS ANGELES CITY AND HOSPITALITY LIVING INTO A
24 BETTER POLICY, A WAGE POLICY, THAT WAS THEN SET TO SET THE
25 STAGE FOR A CITY-WIDE AND COUNTY-WIDE LIVING WAGE POLICY AS

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1 RECENT AS 2016. THE POLICIES TO DATE FURTHER ASSURE LAID OFF
2 WORKERS THAT THEY WILL BE RETIRED AFTER THE CRISIS AND
3 RETAINED EVEN IF THEIR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT CHANGES OWNERSHIP.
4 THIS MOTION AND URGENCY ORDINANCES ADDRESS THIS NEED BY
5 PROVIDING ADDITIONAL PROTECTIONS FOR OUR WORKERS TO ENSURE
6 THAT THEY CAN FEED THEIR FAMILIES AND KEEP THEMSELVES SAFE IF
7 THEY ARE IMPACTED BY COVID-19. AT OUR LAST BOARD MEETING, WE
8 APPROVED A REQUIREMENT THAT EMPLOYERS WITH PVER 500 EMPLOYEES
9 NATIONALLY AND ARE LOCATED WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF
10 THE COUNTY WOULD PROVIDE 80 HOURS OF PAID SUPPLEMENTAL SICK
11 LEAVE FOR FULL TIME WORKERS AND UP TO TWO WEEKS FOR PART TIME
12 EMPLOYEES FOR COVID-19 REASONS. TOGETHER, ALL OF THESE
13 ORDINANCES WILL PROVIDE THE PROTECTION TO OUR HARDWORKING
14 EMPLOYEE AND THEIR FAMILIES. MOST OF ALL, I'M REMINDED THAT
15 RECENTLY WHILE WE HAVE BEEN PROVIDING FOOD BANKING SERVICES
16 AROUND THE COUNTY, MANY OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE ARRIVED
17 WITH THEIR FAMILIES, WERE RECENTLY LAID OFF FROM THE HOTEL AND
18 RESTAURANT INDUSTRY. I CANNOT FORGET THAT PICTURE IN MY MIND.
19 I KNOW THAT WE HAVE TO PROVIDE RELIEF AND SOME SUPPORT FOR
20 THESE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE GIVEN US SO MUCH. SO I ASK MY
21 COLLEAGUES TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

22
23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** MADAM CHAIR, I SUPPORT THESE THREE ORDINANCES, BUT
2 I HAVE A QUESTION TO THE AUTHORS. BASED ON SENIORITY TO BRING
3 PEOPLE BACK, WHICH I THINK IS APPROPRIATE, BUT I WAS THINKING
4 THAT OCCASIONALLY AND MAYBE MORE THAN OCCASIONALLY, THE PERSON
5 WITH SENIORITY IS ALSO A PERSON WHO MAY BE OLDER THAN SOME OF
6 THE WORKERS, AND AFTER I WATCHED WHAT HAPPENED AT TESLA WHERE
7 ELON MUSK DIDN'T REALLY MUCH CARE WHETHER HE IS PUTTING HIS
8 WORKERS AT RISK, HE TOLD THEM TO COME BACK, THE FLIP SIDE OF
9 THIS KIND OF WORRIES ME. AND I WONDER IF THERE IS A SENIOR
10 WORKER, AND THE EMPLOYER SAYS, YOU CAN RETURN TO WORK UNDER
11 THIS ORDINANCE, AND YOU HAVE 5 DAYS TO LET ME KNOW, IF THE
12 SENIOR WORKER IS STILL WORRIED ABOUT HER HEALTH AND HER
13 FAMILY'S HEALTH OR HAS RESPONSIBILITIES AND HAS SICK LEAVE
14 STILL TO USE, COULD SHE SAY I WOULD LIKE TO USE UP MY SICK
15 LEAVE AND COME BACK TO WORK LATER AND STILL HOLD HER PLACE?

16

17 **SUP. HAHN:** THAT IS AN EXCELLENT QUESTION. I THINK THE ANSWER
18 IS YES.

19

20 **SUP. SOLIS:** I AGREE, SUPERVISOR HAHN. I THINK THAT IS REALLY
21 CRITICAL. IT IS IMPORTANT.

22

23 **SUP. KUEHL:** BECAUSE THERE IS NO LANGUAGE. I MEAN I DON'T
24 REALLY EVEN HAVE AN AMENDMENT, BUT I WAS THINKING ABOUT IT
25 AFTER I WATCHED ALL THESE FOLKS BEING FORCED TO GO BACK TO

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1 WORK, WHICH IS THE FLIP SIDE. SO I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT FOR
2 US --

3

4 **SUP. HAHN:** YOU ARE RIGHT, YEAH. AND THAT WAS OUR INTENT. SO IF
5 WE NEED TO GET SOME LANGUAGE IN THERE, GOOD CATCH, SUPERVISOR
6 KUEHL, WE CAN DO THAT.

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU. I DO SUPPORT THESE, THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY. CAN I JUST ASK A QUESTION TO THE
11 COUNTY COUNSEL?

12

13 **ATTORNEY:** I DO THINK, AS CURRENTLY DRAFTED, THAT ISSUE WAS NOT
14 ADDRESSED. SO THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL
15 LANGUAGE.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** CORRECT. AND WE WILL PROVIDE THAT AND PRESENT IT.

18

19 **ATTORNEY:** BEFORE THE VOTE?

20

21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** WHO WILL PROVIDE IT? WHO JUST SAID WE WILL
22 PROVIDE IT?

23

24 **ATTORNEY:** COUNTY COUNSEL.

25

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY. CAN I ASK SOME QUESTIONS BEFORE JUST
2 TO GET CLARIFICATION? AS IT RELATES TO THE TO PUNITIVE
3 DAMAGES, I AM TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHAT IS THE IMPACT OF
4 INCLUDING THAT IN THE ORDINANCE, GIVEN THE BUSINESSES LOSSES
5 OCCURRING RIGHT NOW. I JUST WANT TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THAT MEANS
6 TO A BUSINESS AS IT RELATES TO INCLUDING THAT LANGUAGE. COUNTY
7 COUNSEL?

8

9 **ATTORNEY:** SO THIS IS NICOLE SPEAKING, AND THAT LANGUAGE
10 REFERENCED IN THE PUNITIVE DAMAGES IS ONLY INCLUDED IN THE
11 RIGHT OF RECALL ORDINANCE, AND BEFORE ANY WORKER FILES ANY
12 ACTION IN A COURT OF LAW, THEY MUST FIRST GIVE THE EMPLOYER A
13 15 DAY OPPORTUNITY TO CURE. ONCE THAT TIME IS EXHAUSTED, THEN
14 ALL OF THE LANGUAGE RELATING TO PUNITIVE DAMAGES IS JUST
15 ANOTHER AVAILABLE REMEDY TO THAT WORKER IN ADDITION TO OTHER
16 ACTUAL DAMAGES, BUT THAT WORKER WOULD NEED TO PROVE UP IN
17 THEIR COURT ACTION THAT THEY ARE ENTITLED TO PUNITIVE DAMAGES
18 TO THE LEVEL REQUIRED IN CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE 32-94, WHICH IS
19 A VERY HIGH STANDARD.

20

21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AND THEN I GUESS TO THE AUTHORS, IS THERE
22 A REASON WHY THE INFRASTRUCTURE, TELECOMMUNICATIONS, EDUCATION
23 INSTITUTIONS, AND TEMPORARY WORKERS WERE NOT EXEMPTED FROM THE
24 TWO ORDINANCES, AND WHAT YOUR THOUGHT PROCESS WAS BECAUSE

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1 THESE WERE ISSUES THAT WERE BROUGHT BY THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY?

2 AND I JUST WANT TO UNDERSTAND. DOES THAT MEAN NO?

3

4 **SUP. HAHN:** HONESTLY, I DON'T KNOW IF SUPERVISOR SOLIS HAS ANY

5 COMMENTS ON THIS. WE WANTED TO FOCUS, I THINK, MAINLY --

6

7 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** I'M JUST ASKING.

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS:** WE WANTED TO FOCUS ON MAINTENANCE WORKER,

10 JANITORIAL, FOLKS THAT ARE MOST EXPOSED. SO THEY REALLY THE

11 FOLKS THAT ARE THE ONES MOSTLY IMPACTED RIGHT NOW, AND THAT IS

12 WHAT OUR INTENT WAS.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** GOT IT. GOT IT. AND THEN, SUPERVISOR HAHN,

15 YOU TALKED ABOUT THE SUNSET CLAUSE. AND MY ONLY CONCERN IS

16 THIS ORDINANCE WILL ENCOURAGE BUSINESSES POSSIBLY TO DECLARE

17 BANKRUPTCY RATHER THAN TO SELL OR REORGANIZE, AND I WANT TO

18 KNOW TO COUNTY COUNSEL, IF THAT WERE TO HAPPEN, WHAT WOULD THE

19 IMPACT BE ON THE WORKERS IF THEY DECIDED TO DECLARE

20 BANKRUPTCY? WOULD THEY BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR THESE EMPLOYEES?

21

22 **ATTORNEY:** IT IS UNCLEAR AT THIS TIME. WE COULD INCLUDE THAT IN

23 A REPORT BACK.

24

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THAT IS MY CONCERN BECAUSE WHAT I'M
2 HEARING IS THE BUSINESSES ARE SAYING THAT THEY ARE LOOKING AT
3 THEIR OPTIONS AS IT RELATES TO ANYTHING THAT IS DONE THAT
4 WOULD IMPACT THEIR BUSINESS IN ORDER TO AND THEN POSSIBLY TO
5 REORGANIZE DOWN THE LINE. I DON'T KNOW, BUT THOSE ARE MY
6 CONCERNS, AND WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU SAID THAT THERE
7 WAS A COMPROMISE SO IT WENT FROM 10 TO 5. WHO WAS THE
8 COMPROMISE -- WHO WAS COMPROMISING ON THAT?

9

10 **SUP. HAHN:** I JUST THINK A LOT OF THE BUSINESS GROUPS HAD
11 BROUGHT CONCERNS ABOUT THE 10 DAY, AND BASICALLY THE IDEA WAS,
12 BOY, WHEN THEY ARE READY TO REOPEN, THEY ARE READY TO REOPEN.
13 IF THEY HAD TO WAIT 10 DAYS TO HEAR BACK FROM THOSE THAT WERE
14 PROTECTED UNDER THIS ORDINANCE, IT IS TOO LONG. AND SO, THEY
15 WANTED 24 HOURS. LET'S GIVE PEOPLE 24 HOURS. IF THEY DON'T
16 RESPOND, WE WILL MOVE ON TO THE NEXT PERSON. AND SO WE JUST --
17 WE FELT LIKE 5 DAYS WAS A GOOD IN BETWEEN THOSE TWO.

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS:** THAT'S ALSO WHAT I HEARD AS WELL, FIVE WAS KIND OF
20 THE COMPROMISE, 10 WAS MAYBE A BIT, AND ANYTHING LESS THAN
21 THAT WASN'T AGREEABLE. SO FIVE WAS KIND OF WHERE WE THOUGHT IT
22 WAS A GOOD MEDIUM.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SO I WOULD ASK, AND I AM SENSING FROM THE
25 ANSWERS IT IS PROBABLY NOT GOING TO BE ACCEPTED, BUT A

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1 FRIENDLY AMENDMENT THAT WOULD ASK THAT THAT 5 DAYS BE 2 DAYS,
2 OR I WOULD EVEN GO -- WELL, I THINK 2 DAYS IS REASONABLE. AND
3 REGARDING NUMBER TWO, REMOVE THE LANGUAGE RELATED TO PUNITIVE
4 DAMAGE FOR LAID OFF WORKERS WHO BRING IN ACTION. AND I WOULD
5 ASK THAT THE SUNSET DATE BE TO DECEMBER 31ST, 2020 OR AT THE
6 END OF THE SAFER AT HOME ORDER OR EVEN EXTEND 30 DAYS BEYOND
7 THE SAFER AT HOME ORDER IN ORDER TO PROTECT THOSE EMPLOYEES
8 THAT -- OR BUSINESSES THAT ARE SLOWLY COMING BACK UP AND
9 WORKING. SO I WOULD ASK THAT THAT BE CONSIDERED AS AN
10 AMENDMENT.

11

12 **SUP. HAHN:** I LOVE YOU DEARLY, MADAM CHAIR, BUT I DON'T THINK I
13 CAN ACCEPT THOSE AMENDMENTS.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** I DIDN'T THINK SO. I JUST WANTED TO GO ON
16 THE RECORD STATING THAT I HAVE THOSE CONCERNS, AND I WANTED TO
17 AMEND IT TO ADDRESS THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY WHO IS SAYING THAT
18 SOME OF THE ACTIONS BEING TAKEN ARE GOING TO BE DETRIMENTAL TO
19 BUSINESS IN L.A. COUNTY, BUT I UNDERSTAND THAT.

20

21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** AMENDMENTS FAILED DUE TO LACK OF SECOND.

22

23 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SO WITH THAT, DOES ANYONE ELSE WANT TO
24 TALK ON THAT? AND THEN I ALSO ON THE AMENDMENT 51H, SINCE WE
25 ARE TAKING IT, I KNOW THAT THE PUNITIVE DAMAGE AND THE SUNSET

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1 DATE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED ON THAT EITHER, SO I JUST WANT TO GO
2 ON THE RECORD FOR SAYING THAT I HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THAT AS
3 WELL.

4

5 **ATTORNEY:** MADAM CHAIR, THIS IS MARY WICKHAM FROM COUNTY
6 COUNSEL. AS TO THE ISSUE RAISED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, ONE
7 OPTION FOR THE BEARD TO ADDRESS THAT ISSUE IS TO AMEND THE
8 MOTION TO SEEK A REPORT BACK FROM COUNTY COUNSEL WITHIN 14
9 DAYS AS TO THAT ISSUE. AND THEN, DEPENDING ON THE REPORT BACK,
10 THE BOARD COULD AMEND THE ORDINANCE AT A LATER TIME TO ADDRESS
11 IT.

12

13 **SUP. KUEHL:** I WOULD MOVE SUCH AN AMENDMENT IF THAT IS
14 ACCEPTABLE.

15

16 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH, I WOULD SECOND THAT, AND I WOULD ACCEPT THAT
17 AMENDMENT. BUT WE STILL MOVE FORWARD AND VOTE ON THIS THING,
18 BUT IT WOULD BE AS AMENDED, AND THEN IT WOULD BE THE REPORT
19 BACK IN 14 DAYS.

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21 **ATTORNEY:** CORRECT.

22

23 **SUP. HAHN:** IT WOULDN'T HOLD UP THE ORDINANCE, NECESSARILY.

24

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, SO SEEING THAT NO ONE REQUESTED TO
2 SPEAK, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU PLEASE READ IN THE
3 NAMES OF THOSE THAT SIGNED UP -- OR SUBMITTED WRITTEN
4 TESTIMONY ON THIS ITEM.

5

6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS SUBMITTED COMMENTS
7 ON AGENDA ITEM 51B, 51G, AND 51H. THOSE IN FAVOR JOHN ERIKSON,
8 JESSICA COWLEY, CELIA DURAY, COREY NISS, SARAH CARANO, EDGAR
9 ORTIZ, MIRANDA LAYBIG, MARISSA NUNCIO, KRISTIN SCHWARTZ,
10 ROSTEN WU, HAYLEY POTIKER, ALICIA HANCOCK, ASHLEY THOMAS,
11 ROBIN, KEISHA WADE, MICHAEL RACONELLI, CHRISTIAN CARDINAS,
12 HANNAH HICKSON, ERICA BRISS, BETHANY LEALL, JOSEPH MAIZLISH,
13 BRADY COLLINS, NISHA JOSHEY, KRISTIE LEASE, KELSEY COLLINS,
14 COLLEN EVANSON, ROSEMARIE JENKINS, ALEXANDER FIERO CLARK,
15 SCOTT AUSTIN, STEVEN SOLOMAN, ANGEL CASTILLO, CHELSEA TURKIOS,
16 MARY JACK, CAROL TOM, ANDY SEYMOUR, BETTY HUNG, ALEXANDRA SU,
17 DAVID LEVITTUS, RABIA SIM, KERON KIM, ESME GERMAINE, KWE KIM,
18 AMY WONG, WON YONG WANG, JENNIFER CASTRO, HANNAH MURPHY, GREGG
19 SPEIGEL, CELIA NAVA, YUN YOUNG PONG, DIANE PRADO, JANICE YU,
20 SERAN KERSHBAUM, DAVID RICARDO ABOOD, JUNE SHIN, ANDREA
21 GONZALEZ, YALINA ZELTZER, PILAR SHAVO, SAMANTHA HONOWITZ,
22 JESHO YANG, ALEXIX PEREZ, SERGIO VARGAS, LAURA RAYMON,
23 STANISLAV SHETTMAN, SANDY SANCHEZ, LAURA RAYMON, ANDRA MOSS,
24 SEFFIIE ZIN, HASSAN ZUNIGA, MARIA DEL ROSARITO MARTINEZ. AND
25 THE FOLLOWING SUBMITTED UNDER OPPOSE CHRISTINA BOSS, TODD

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1 JOHSON, KEYON ZARINMAN, ROBERT LAPSEY, CLARA CARTER, ARMANDO
2 FLORES. AND THE FOLLOWING SUBMITTED UNDER OTHER CARENJO
3 GOODWIN, BROOKE SAUNDERS, TOBY MARLARA, GABRIEL PRADO, DAN
4 STRUV, JAIMIE GARCIA, AND JACOB HERAGUE. THAT IS ALL THE
5 MEMBERS.

6

7 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU
8 PLEASE READ WHAT WE WILL BE VOTING ON.

9

10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** OKAY, ITEM 51B, 51G, 51H, WITH THE
11 AMENDMENTS FOR A REPORT BACK BY COUNTY COUNSEL IS BEFORE YOU.
12 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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14 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

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16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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18 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

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20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
21 THOMAS?

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

24

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AYE. SUPERVISOR
2 KUEHL?

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** ABSTAIN.

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14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, ABSTAIN. MOTION CARRIES
15 4-0 WITH ONE ABSTENTION.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, WITH THAT, THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH.

18 NOW WE ARE GOING TO MOVE ON TO ITEM A1, WHICH ARE ITEMS

19 CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS BOARD MEETINGS FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION

20 AND ACTION BY THE BOARD. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU HELD

21 A1.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I DID, MADAM CHAIR AND COLLEAGUES. I THINK

24 IT IS WELL KNOWN TO US AT THIS POINT THAT THE SHERIFF RECENTLY

25 ANNOUNCED PLANS TO CLOSE THE MARINA DEL REY AND ALTADENA

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1 STATIONS, AND THESE CLOSURES DIRECTLY AFFECT CONSTITUENTS IN
2 THREE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS. AND I THANK, MADAM CHAIR, FOR
3 COAUTHORING THIS MOTION WITH ME. IT IS UNCLEAR HOW AND WHY
4 THESE TWO STATIONS WERE SELECTED FOR CLOSURE AND HOW IT WILL
5 HELP BALANCE THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET. IT IS UNCLEAR, HOW AND WHY.
6 I SIMPLY WANT TO SAY THESE CHANGES WERE DONE WITHOUT ANY
7 APPROPRIATE ADVANCE INPUT OR NOTICE FROM THE COMMUNITIES THAT
8 WOULD BE IMPACTED AND WITHOUT PROPER ANALYSIS BY THE C.E.O. TO
9 VALIDATE BOTH THE POTENTIAL COST SAVINGS AND WHETHER PUBLIC
10 SAFETY WOULD BE IMPACTED. AND I GUESS I JUST SIMPLY HAVE TO
11 SAY THIS TYPE OF UNILATERAL AND UNFETTERED ACTION WHICH COULD
12 HAVE FAR-REACHING AND ABSOLUTELY UNNECESSARY AND UNANTICIPATED
13 IMPACTS ON SERVICES AND SHORT CHANGE THOSE COMMUNITIES OF THE
14 PUBLIC SAFETY THAT THEY SHOULD ENJOY AND HAVE A RIGHT TO LAY
15 CLAIM TO, THIS, BY ANY STANDARD OF MEASUREMENT, MADAM CHAIR,
16 IS HIGHLY PROBLEMATIC. THAT IS WHY I'M READING IN THIS MOTION
17 FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION TODAY AS FOLLOWS. THE SHERIFF SHOULD
18 ACHIEVE THE COST SAVINGS AND BUDGET CURTAILMENTS NEEDED TO
19 ADDRESS THE DEPARTMENT'S DEFICIT AND COUNTY'S REVENUE
20 SHORTFALL IN A MORE TRANSPARENT, MORE COLLABORATIVE, AND MIGHT
21 I ADD, A MORE DEMOCRATIC WAY WITHOUT JEOPARDIZING SERVICES TO
22 COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I THEREFORE
23 MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE SHERIFF TO
24 IMMEDIATELY CEASE EFFORTS TO CLOSE STATIONS AS ANNOUNCED ON
25 MAY 4TH, 2020 WITHOUT ANY COUNTY VETTING, WITHOUT VALIDATION,

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1 WITHOUT ANY ADVANCED NOTICE TO THE IMPACTED COMMUNITIES AND
2 THE RESPECTIVE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, AND WITHOUT
3 CONSIDERING THE IMPACT TO PUBLIC SAFETY. SECONDLY, THEN WE
4 WOULD DIRECT THE SHERIFF, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CHIEF
5 EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, TO IDENTIFY
6 APPROPRIATE BUDGET CURTAILMENTS THAT ARE PROPERLY VETTED AND
7 WILL HAVE LIMITED IMPACT ON PUBLIC SAFETY. I SUBMIT THAT FOR
8 OUR UNANIMOUS CONSIDERATION TODAY, MADAM CHAIR.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU,
11 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, FOR ALLOWING ME TO COAUTHOR THIS
12 MOTION WITH YOU. BOTH MY DOWNTOWN AND SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
13 OFFICE HAVE BEEN INUNDATED WITH CALLS AND EMAILS REGARDING THE
14 SHERIFF'S ANNOUNCEMENT THEY WOULD CLOSE THE ALTADENA AND THE
15 MARINA DEL REY STATIONS. I HAVE MADE IT CLEAR TO THEM THAT
16 THERE ARE OTHER OPTIONS THAT WERE PROVIDED, BUT THE SHERIFF
17 HAS REFUSED TO SIT DOWN AND DISCUSS BETTER WAYS TO ADDRESS THE
18 DEFICIT AS A RESULT OF OVERSPENDING IN THIS DEPARTMENT. AND I
19 PERSONALLY WAS ASTOUNDED THAT THIS ANNOUNCEMENT CAME TRULY OUT
20 OF NOWHERE DURING A TIME WHEN PEOPLE ALREADY ARE FULL OF
21 ANXIETY AS IT RELATES TO COVID-19 AND THE INSENSITIVITY
22 TOWARDS BRINGING THIS FORWARD WITH REALLY NO EXPLANATION OTHER
23 THAN THE BOARD IS MAKING ME DO THIS WHEN, IN FACT, IT IS QUITE
24 THE OPPOSITE. THIS BOARD HAS BEEN COMPLETELY SUPPORTIVE OF
25 SITTING DOWN AND WORKING ON WAYS TO PLUG THE FINANCIAL GAP

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1 THAT IS CURRENTLY IN PLACE IN THAT DEPARTMENT. AND RATHER THAN
2 DO THAT, THE NUMBER GROWS MORE. AND SO I TRULY BELIEVE THAT
3 THIS WAS DONE IN A WAY TO UNDERSCORE FOR THE SHERIFF THE FACT
4 THAT HE BELIEVES THAT HE HAS THE ABILITY WITHIN HIS OWN BUDGET
5 TO MAKE THIS DECISIONS, BUT WHAT I TELL MY CONSTITUENTS IS
6 THEY HAVE A VOICE, AND I WANT THEM TO USE THEIR VOICE, AND I
7 WILL STAND WITH THEM IN ENSURING THAT PUBLIC SAFETY,
8 ESPECIALLY THE FRONTLINE, IS NOT COMPROMISED AS RESULT OF
9 DECISIONS THAT ARE MADE IN THE DEAD OF DARK WITHOUT FULL
10 DISCUSSION AND TRANSPARENCY. SO I'M HONORED TO SUPPORT THIS, I
11 MEAN, TO COAUTHOR THIS MOTION AND SUPPORT IT AS WELL. SO WITH
12 THAT, SUPERVISOR HAHN, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPEAK?

13

14 **SUP. HAHN:** I WOULD, MADAM CHAIR, THANKS. AND THANK YOU,
15 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR YOUR
16 REMARKS AS WELL. AND I'M WITH YOU, RIGHT? I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW
17 THIS WAS COMING. THIS WAS ANNOUNCED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE, AND
18 I DON'T EVEN THINK ANYBODY AT THE STATION WAS AWARE OF THIS
19 ANNOUNCEMENT, AND I HAVE ALSO BEEN GETTING A LOT OF CALLS INTO
20 MY OFFICE ABOUT THE MARINA DEL REY STATION WHICH, BY THE WAY,
21 IS UNIQUE BECAUSE IT ACTUALLY ALSO ENCOMPASSES THE HARBOR
22 MASTER AS WELL AS ALL THE SHERIFF'S BOAT PATROL THAT IS OUT
23 THERE. AND PEOPLE ARE WONDERING HOW THIS WOULD IMPACT THAT.
24 THE HARBOR MASTER IS A VERY IMPORTANT DETAIL THAT REALLY ALL
25 THE CRAFTS AND ALL THE BOATERS IN MARINA DEL REY DEPEND ON TO

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1 KEEP ORDER, SO THIS CAME AS A BIG SURPRISE. AND I JUST REALLY
2 WANT, IF THE PUBLIC IS LISTENING, BECAUSE I'M SENSING THE
3 PUBLIC MIGHT SAY, GEE, YOU ARE TELLING THE SHERIFF TO MAKE
4 CUTS, AND THEN WHEN HE DOES MAKE THE CUTS, WE PUSH BACK. BUT I
5 WANT THEM TO KNOW THAT THIS IS NOT AT ALL HOW WE HAVE WANTED
6 TO DO THIS. WE'VE ASKED THE SHERIFF TO COME FORWARD WITH
7 HYPOTHETICAL CUTS AND HYPOTHETICAL SCENARIOS ON HOW THE BUDGET
8 DEFICIT WOULD BE REDUCED, THEN WE WOULD ALL TALK ABOUT IT, AND
9 THE C.E.O. WOULD BE INVOLVED IN SAYING, OKAY, THAT'S A GOOD
10 SUGGESTION, BUT WE HAVE BEEN LOOKING AT ANOTHER AREA WHERE YOU
11 COULD ALSO MAKE CUTS THAT WOULD EQUAL THE SAME AMOUNT OF MONEY
12 BUT MAY BE NOT BE AS IMPACTFUL TO OUR CONSTITUENTS. THESE
13 CURTAILMENTS HAVE BEEN HYPOTHETICAL UNTIL WE HAD A CHANCE TO
14 ACTUALLY VET THEM AND TALK ABOUT THEM. THE PRIORITY IS
15 CERTAINLY IDENTIFY WAYS TO REDUCE THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET BUT TO
16 DO IT IN A WAY THAT IS NOT GOING TO IMPACT PUBLIC SAFETY. AND
17 I THINK CLOSING STATIONS DOES JUST THAT. SO I AM HOPING, AND I
18 WANT TO GO ON RECORD SAYING THAT I THINK CLOSING STATIONS
19 SHOULD BE AN ABSOLUTE LAST RESORT. THERE ARE A LOT OF OTHER
20 THINGS THAT WE'VE ALREADY BEGUN TO IDENTIFY THAT WE THINK CAN
21 SAVE MONEY BUT WOULD NOT BE SO DRASTIC. SO THANK YOU FOR THIS
22 MOTION, AND I SAY IT EVERY TIME, AND I MEAN IT, I DO LOOK
23 FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE SHERIFF, COLLECTIVELY, TO FIND
24 WAYS TO DO WHAT EVERY OTHER DEPARTMENT IN THE COUNTY IS DOING
25 AND THAT IS COME UP WITH WAYS TO REDUCE THEIR BUDGETS AS WE

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1 COME THROUGH THIS PANDEMIC. SO THANK YOU FOR THIS, AND I AM
2 SUPPORTIVE OF THIS MOTION.

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4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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6 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU SUPERVISOR
7 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND BARGER FOR BRINGING THE MOTION BEFORE US. I
8 AGREE THAT CURTAILMENTS BY ALL OUR DEPARTMENTS SHOULD BE
9 VETTED BY THE C.E.O. AND THAT INCLUDES THE SHERIFF'S
10 DEPARTMENT, ESPECIALLY GIVEN THEIR EXISTING DEFICIT. AND IT IS
11 THE COUNTY'S LONGSTANDING PROCESS FOR THE C.E.O. TO REVIEW
12 CURTAILMENT SCENARIOS BEFORE SUBMITTED BY OUR DEPARTMENTS AND
13 PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH SOME RECOMMENDATIONS. THAT HASN'T
14 HAPPENED. THIS HELPS TO ENSURE THAT CURTAILMENTS ARE
15 COLLECTIVELY CONSIDERED SO THAT REDUCTIONS ARE PRIORITIZED TO
16 DO THE LEAST HARM TO CRITICAL SERVICES FOR OUR COMMUNITIES AND
17 OUR NEIGHBORS THAT WE SERVE AND THAT WE ALSO EMPLOY IN THESE
18 DIFFERENT PROGRAMS. IN ADDITION TO THE PATROL STATION
19 CLOSURES, THE SHERIFF ALSO IDENTIFIED SEVERAL OTHER PROGRAMS
20 THAT WOULD BE CUT BECAUSE OF -- BECAUSE THEY WERE UNDERFUNDED
21 OR UNFUNDED. ONE SUCH PROGRAM IS THE HOMELESS OUTREACH SERVICE
22 TEAMS, OR H.O.S.T., WHICH HAS INSTRUMENTAL DURING THE PANDEMIC
23 AND PROVEN VERY EFFECTIVE BY MAY OF US, KNOWING THAT THEY HAVE
24 BUILT TRUST BETWEEN OUR COMMUNITIES AND PEOPLE EXPERIENCING
25 HOMELESSNESS WITH OUR DEPARTMENTS. AND I KNOW THAT MANY OF YOU

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1 HERE HAVE WORKED ON THE BOARD TO MAKE AVAILABLE THROUGH AB109
2 FUNDING TO ESTABLISH THE H.O.S.T.S. AND THE BOARD APPROVED
3 \$6.6 MILLION TO FUND H.O.S.T. THROUGH THIS FISCAL YEAR. SO I
4 DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY ALL OF A SUDDEN THERE ARE POSITIONS THAT
5 ARE NOW BEING REMOVED. I WOULD URGE THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT TO
6 ALSO CONTINUE MAINTAINING THIS SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM. AND
7 ADDITIONALLY, I RELAYED TO THE SHERIFF MY DISPLEASURE IN A
8 RECENT LETTER I SENT LAST WEEK, MANY OF THE POSITIONS THAT HE
9 PROPOSED TO REASSIGN OR ELIMINATE THAT SPECIFICALLY SERVE THE
10 UNINCORPORATED AREAS IN MY OWN DISTRICT. AND, IN FACT, THESE
11 POSITIONS ARE FUNDED THROUGH MY DISCRETIONARY FUND, AND I WANT
12 TO MENTION SOME OF THEM. NEWSON'S ABATEMENT SERVICES IN EAST
13 LOS ANGELES, WHICH I HAVE FUNDED SINCE TAKING OFFICE, AND I AM
14 NOW PAYING \$476,000 ANNUALLY FOR, THE TOWN SHERIFFS THROUGH
15 OUR INDUSTRY STATION, WHICH I HAVE FUNDED SINCE 2018 TO SERVE
16 THE COMMUNITIES, UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF AVOCADO HEIGHTS,
17 BASSETT, AND VERLINDA, TO THE TUNE OF \$1 MILLION, AND IN
18 ADDITION TO THAT, THE PARK'S BUREAU, WHICH I FUNDED \$216
19 THOUSAND ANNUALLY FOR EARLY MORNING PATROLS AT OUR PARKS IN MY
20 DISTRICT, AS WELL AS \$47,000 FOR SECURITY SERVICES AT THE
21 BASSETT WOMEN'S SHELTER, AND THE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP BUREAU,
22 WHICH I FUNDED AT \$2.5 MILLION EACH YEAR FOR THE
23 UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF MY DISTRICT. I STRONGLY AGREE THAT THE
24 SHERIFF DEPARTMENT, LIKE ALL DEPARTMENTS, NEED TO BE REQUIRED
25 TO WORK WITH THE C.E.O. PRIOR TO IMPLEMENTING ANY

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1 CURTAILMENTS, AND THAT REVIEW SHOULD INCLUDE NOT ONLY THE
2 CLOSURE OF THE TWO STATIONS, BUT ALL THE PROPOSED CUTS PUT
3 FORTH BY THE SHERIFF, AND I BELIEVE THIS IS SOMETHING THAT IS
4 INCLUDED IN THE MOTION ON ITEM 2 DIRECT THE SHERIFF, IN
5 CONSULTATION WITH THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUDITOR-
6 CONTROLLER, TO IDENTIFY APPROPRIATE BUDGET CURTAILMENTS THAT
7 ARE PROPERLY VETTED AND WILL HAVE LIMITED IMPACT ON OUR PUBLIC
8 SAFETY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WITH THAT, SACHI HAMAI, WOULD
11 YOU LIKE TO SAY SOMETHING, PLEASE?

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
14 BOARD. YES, AS ALL OF YOU KNOW, WE HAVE ASKED EVERY DEPARTMENT
15 INCLUDING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO PUT TOGETHER A 10, 15,
16 20 PERCENT CURTAILMENT PACKAGE AND SUBMIT IT TO OUR OFFICE. WE
17 STARTED LAST WEEK, AND WE ARE CONTINUING THROUGH THE END OF
18 THIS WEEK TO GO THROUGH EVERY DEPARTMENTS' CURTAILMENT
19 PACKAGES. WE ARE PUTTING TOGETHER A COMPREHENSIVE LIST THAT WE
20 WILL BRING TO YOUR BOARD FOR CONSIDERATION ABOUT THE OVERALL
21 CURTAILMENTS THAT WILL MATCH THE APPROXIMATE \$1 BILLION
22 DEFICIT THAT WE ARE FACING NEXT YEAR. WITH RESPECT TO JUST THE
23 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, I WILL SAY IN HIS CURTAILMENT PACKAGE,
24 HE DOES NOT RECOMMEND CLOSING ANY STATIONS. THAT WAS NOT PART
25 OF IT. I WILL SAY HE DID RECOMMEND REDUCING THE NUMBER OF

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1 PATROL DEPUTIES, BUT THOSE PATROL DEPUTIES HE IS RECOMMENDING
2 FOR CURTAILMENT WERE POSITIONS THAT WE HAD ADDED SINCE 2015.
3 THERE'S A BASE NUMBER OF DEPUTIES THAT WERE ALREADY ASSIGNED
4 TO ALL UNINCORPORATED AREAS. THOSE WOULD STAY INTACT. WE HAD
5 ADDED, STARTING FROM 2015, ABOUT 85 ADDITIONAL PATROL DEPUTIES
6 IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA, AND ONE OF HIS RECOMMENDATIONS WAS
7 TO ELIMINATE THOSE POSITIONS. AGAIN, WE HAVEN'T MADE FINAL
8 DECISIONS. WE ARE LOOKING AT ALL OF THE PACKAGES, BUT THAT --
9 WITH THAT ONE RECOMMENDATION OF THE UNINCORPORATED AREA
10 PATROL, IT WOULD NOT CLOSE DOWN ANY OF THE STATIONS, AND AS A
11 MATTER OF FACT, FOR MARINA DEL REY, IF WE MOVE FORWARD WITH
12 HIS RECOMMENDATION JUST TO ELIMINATE ADDITIONAL PATROL
13 DEPUTIES SINCE 2015, HE WOULD STILL HAVE 38 PATROL DEPUTIES IN
14 THE ALTADENA STATION. HE WOULD STILL HAVE 26 DEPUTIES THAT
15 WOULD REMAIN. SO I AM NOT SURE WHY THE SHERIFF IS RECOMMENDING
16 FULL CLOSURE AT THIS POINT IN TIME BECAUSE THAT'S NOT WHAT HE
17 SUBMITTED IN HIS PACKAGE. WE CONTINUE TO LOOK AT OTHER AREAS.
18 I KNOW, SUPERVISOR SOLIS INDICATED THE H.O.S.T. TEAM AND OTHER
19 PROGRAMS. I THINK WE WILL HAVE TO CONTINUE TO GO THROUGH AND
20 DETERMINE HOW DEEP THE CURTAILMENTS ARE OVERALL FOR THE
21 COUNTY, BUT CERTAINLY WE WOULD BRING IT BACK TO YOUR BOARD FOR
22 CONSIDERATION, THANK YOU.

23

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SACHI. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
2 THOMAS, BEFORE THAT, SUPERVISOR KUEHL WOULD LIKE TO SAY
3 SOMETHING. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

4

5 **SUP. KUEHL:** MADAM CHAIR, WE HAVE ALSO HAD AN ONGOING ISSUE
6 RECENTLY WITH THE SHERIFF WHERE HE HAS IDENTIFIED SOME NEED
7 THAT CAME OUT OF HIS OWN HEAD, I THINK, TO SEND HIS DEPUTIES
8 TO THE HOMES OF CHILDREN WHO DID NOT LOG ON FOR EDUCATION WITH
9 L.A. UNIFIED AND OTHER DISTRICTS. AND HE SAID HE WAS DOING
10 THAT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
11 SERVICES, BUT AS DIRECTOR KEGO REPORTED, THERE WAS NO SUCH
12 PARTNERSHIP, AND INDEED D.C.F.S. HAS IT'S OWN SOCIAL WORKERS
13 IN CONTACT WITH THOSE CHILDREN AND DOES NOT WANT LAW
14 ENFORCEMENT TO BANGING ON PEOPLE DOORS ABOUT THIS. THE SHERIFF
15 ALSO INDICATED HE WAS WORKING WITH L.A.C.O.E. BUT DIRECTOR
16 DUARDO INDICATED THERE WAS NO SUCH PARTNERSHIP AND THEY DID
17 NOT WANT TO RELEASE ANY NAMES TO HIM OF CHILDREN BECAUSE MANY
18 TIMES THERE ARE REASONS WHY THEY CANNOT LOG ON. THEY DON'T
19 HAVE THE TECHNOLOGY OR THINGS THAT HAVE WRITTEN ABOUT IN THE
20 PAPER, AND THEY'RE TRYING TO FIX. SO PERHAPS THAT'S A GOOD
21 AREA FOR CURTAILMENT BECAUSE NO ONE WANTS THOSE DEPUTIES TO BE
22 BANGING ON PEOPLE'S DOORS, THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. IT JUST
2 SIMPLY FEELS LIKE TWO STATIONS HAVE BEEN TARGETED AND WITHOUT
3 EXPLANATION, WITHOUT CRITERIA, WITHOUT A RATIONALE, THAT ANY
4 MEMBER OF THIS BOARD, FOR EXAMPLE, IS AWARE OF. THE PRINCIPAL
5 PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FISCAL HEALTH OF THE COUNTY, WHICH
6 WOULD INCLUDE ALL DEPARTMENTS, THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS, THAT
7 IRRESPECTIVE OF WHETHER THE DEPARTMENT HEAD IS ELECTED OR NOT.
8 MIGHT I REMIND EVERYONE THAT THERE ARE TWO OTHER ELECTED
9 OFFICIALS WHO RUN DEPARTMENTS, SPECIFICALLY THE ASSESSOR AND
10 THE D.A. IT IS CURIOUS TO ME THAT WE HAVE A BACK-AND-FORTH
11 EXCHANGE WITH THOSE TWO OFFICES THAT IS DURING OUR BUDGET
12 DELIBERATION PROCESSES. THE C.E.O. WORKS WITH THE DESIGNATED
13 ENTITIES IN THOSE OFFICES, AND YET, TO IN SOME WAY HIDE BEHIND
14 VENEER OF AUTONOMY AS IT RELATES TO IMPOSING A POINT OF VIEW
15 ON THE BOARD IS AS REVEALING AS IT CAN POSSIBLY BE. I DO NOT
16 KNOW WHAT THE PEOPLE OF VIEW PARK, I DON'T NOT KNOW WHAT THE
17 PEOPLE OF WINDSOR HILLS, I DO NOT KNOW WHAT THE PEOPLE OF
18 LADERA HEIGHTS WOULD HAVE DONE TO EARN THE ANIMUS OF THE
19 SHERIFF IN SUCH A WAY THAT HE WOULD UNILATERALLY PROPOSE
20 SHUTTING DOWN THEIR PUBLIC SAFETY OPTION. I CAN TELL YOU THIS.
21 I NEVER SUBMIT TO THAT SORT OF INTIMIDATION. AND MADAM CHAIR,
22 I WOULD REJECT OUT OF HAND THE ADOPTION OF A BUDGET THAT WOULD
23 CLOSE ANY OF OUR SHERIFF STATIONS AT THIS POINT IN TIME
24 BECAUSE IT IS UNWARRANTED. IT IS UNTHOUGHTFUL. AND IT IS

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1 FUNDAMENTALLY UNACCEPTABLE. MADAM CHAIR, I RESPECTFULLY
2 REQUEST AN AYE VOTE ON THE ITEM BEFORE US.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** I WILL SECOND THAT. MADAM EXECUTIVE
5 OFFICER, WOULD YOU PLEASE --

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7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE ITEM BEFORE YOU IS ITEM A1. WE'RE
8 GOING TO CALL THE SPEAKERS.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY. SPEAKERS THAT HAVE SIGNED UP ON
11 ITEM A1, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SUBMITTED WRITTEN
12 TESTIMONY FOR THE RECORD.

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING SUBMITTED IN FAVOR, PARK
15 MOWERS, ZIVIA SWEENEY, LEE BAILEY. AND THE FOLLOWING SUBMITTED
16 UNDER OTHER, ANDREA LEAR, SHARON POWELL, AND RICARDO PEREZ.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. I APOLOGIZE. NOW, MADAM
19 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

20

21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE ITEM BEFORE YOU IS A1. SUPERVISOR
22 SOLIS?

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

25

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

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5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AYE. SUPERVISOR
6 KUEHL?

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

9

10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

11

12 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

15

16 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** AYE.

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18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-
19 0.

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21 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NOW, THERE ARE NO SPECIALS, AT
22 THIS TIME, SO WE WILL MOVE ON TO ADJOURNMENTS BEGIN WITH
23 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 2.

24

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. MAY I ASK THAT
2 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. KERRY
3 ENGLISH? DR. ENGLISH WAS BORN OCTOBER 2, 1945 IN JACKSONVILLE,
4 FLORIDA AND PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 27TH HERE IN LOS ANGELES AT
5 THE AGE OF 74. AS A YOUNG CHILD, HE RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES
6 WITH HIS FAMILY WHEN HIS FATHER ACCEPTED A JOB AS AN
7 AERONAUTICAL ENGINEER. AND DR. ENGLISH COMPLETED HIS
8 UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES AT WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN ST. LOUIS,
9 MISSOURI AND MOVED TO LOS ANGELES THEN TO ATTEND U.C.L.A.
10 SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, WHERE HE RECEIVED HIS DEGREE IN 1970. AND
11 UPON COMPLETION OF AN OVERSEAS FELLOWSHIP AND KING'S COLLEGE
12 IN LONDON, DR. ENGLISH RETURNED TO THE STATES FOR A THREE-YEAR
13 RESIDENCY IN THE PEDIATRIC UNIT AT HARBOR-U.C.L.A. MEDICAL
14 CENTER AND A TWO-YEAR CHILD DEVELOPMENT FELLOWSHIP AT THE YALE
15 CHILD STUDY CENTER IN NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT. IT WAS THEN IN
16 1976, HE SETTLED IN LOS ANGELES YET AGAIN AND JOINED THE
17 FACULTY OF THE CHARLES R. DREW UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND
18 SCIENCE, AND WHILE THERE, HE SERVED AS THE CHIEF OF THE CHILD
19 DEVELOPMENT DIVISION AND AS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF
20 PEDIATRICS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM AT THE KING/DREW MEDICAL CENTER.
21 HE LATER BECAME THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF THE M.L.K. PEDIATRIC
22 HUB WHERE HE PROVIDED CRITICAL MEDICAL EVALUATIONS FOR
23 CHILDREN. OVERALL, DR. ENGLISH PRACTICED PEDIATRICS FOR MORE
24 THAN 40 YEARS AND NEARLY ALL THAT TIME IN THE COMMUNITY OF
25 SOUTH LOS ANGELES. HE WAS A LONGTIME BOARD MEMBER OF

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1 ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS THE DREW CHILD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION,
2 AND S.H.I.E.L.D.S. FOR FAMILIES. DR. ENGLISH ALSO SERVED ON
3 SEVERAL LOCAL THEATER COMPANIES, INCLUDING THE 24TH STREET
4 THEATER, THE CORNERSTONE THEATER COMPANY, OJAI PLAYWRIGHTS
5 CONFERENCE, AND THE ROGUE MACHINE. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR
6 HIS YEARS OF LEADERSHIP AS A COMPASSIONATE PHYSICIAN AND AS A
7 DEVOTED THEATER PATRON AND SUPPORTER WHO SOMETIMES SAW MORE
8 THAN 5 SHOWS A WEEK. I THINK HE GOT YOU BEAT, SUPERVISOR
9 KUEHL. SO THEN DR. ENGLISH IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, OLGA, THE
10 FORMER INTERIM DIRECTOR OF THE THE FORD THEATRES, TWO SONS,
11 GAVIN AND MARK, AND DAUGHTER, JENA, TWO GRANDSONS, NOAH AND
12 PHAROAH, EXTENDED FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND FORMER COLLEAGUES WHO
13 ALL WILL MISS DR. KERRY ENGLISH MOST ASSUREDLY.

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15 **SUP. KUEHL:** I WOULD LIKE TO JOIN IF I MAY, ON THAT.

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. AND THEN THERE'S BARBARA J.
18 HOPPER, THE WIFE OF DR. CORN HOPPER. SHE WAS BORN ON JANUARY
19 19TH, 1939 IN MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN AND PASSED AWAY ON MARCH
20 26TH IN LOS ANGELES AT THE AGE OF 81 DUE TO COMPLICATIONS FROM
21 CORONAVIRUS. WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL, SHE EXCELLED IN HER
22 ACADEMICS AND WAS SELECTED AS AN AMBASSADOR TO REPRESENT THE
23 CITY OF MILWAUKEE ON A EUROPEAN TOUR FOR STUDENTS. SHE
24 ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN MADISON AND PURSUED A
25 DEGREE IN SOCIAL WORK. SHE MET HER FUTURE HUSBAND, AGAIN, DR.

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1 CORNELIUS HOPPER, OF RENOWN IN THE U.C. SYSTEM AS THE PROVOST
2 FOR HEALTH CAMPUSES ACROSS THE STATE, DR. HOPPER WAS, AND
3 THAT WAS WHILE HE WAS INTERNING AT MILWAUKEE COUNTY HOSPITAL.
4 THEY MARRIED IN 1964. AND WHEN MS. HOPPER'S FAMILY RELOCATED
5 TO TUSKEGEE, ALABAMA, SHE HELPED TO START THE TUSKEGEE
6 LABORATORY AND LEARNING CENTER, AN ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL FOR
7 CHILDREN AND OTHERS IN RESPONSE TO THE POOR QUALITY OF
8 EDUCATION IN MANY OF THOSE COMMUNITIES. THEREFORE, MS. HOPPER
9 BECAME A LICENSED REAL ESTATE AGENT AND STARTED HER OWN
10 COMPANY KNOWN AS NEW HORIZONS REALTY. SHE CONTINUED THAT WORK
11 WHEN HER FAMILY RELOCATED TO OAKLAND, AND OVER THE NEXT FOUR
12 DECADES, BECAME A TOP PRODUCING BAY AREA AGENT AT PRESTIGIOUS
13 FIRMS THROUGHOUT THAT REGION. SHE WAS ALSO PASSIONATE ABOUT
14 INSPIRING MINORITY YOUTH TO BECOME INTERESTED IN HEALTH
15 SCIENCES AND CREATED WORKSHOPS TO BRING THEM TOGETHER WITH
16 HEALTH PROFESSIONALS SO THEY COULD BE MENTORED IN CAREERS IN
17 THE MEDICAL FIELD. MS. HOPPER WAS A DEDICATED MEMBER OF THE
18 CHURCH BY THE SIDE OF THE ROAD, HER HOME CHURCH IN BERKELEY,
19 AND THE OAKLAND BAY AREA LINKS ENJOYED HER SUPPORT. SHE WAS A
20 FOUNDER OF THE CONTRA COSTA CHAPTER OF JACK AND JILL AND
21 SERVED AS THE AUXILIARY TO THE GOLDEN STATE MEDICAL
22 ASSOCIATION AND PRESIDENT OF THAT AUXILIARY AND TO THE SINKLER
23 MILLER MEDICAL ASSOCIATION. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER
24 STRONG FAITH, HER ENTREPRENEURIAL TALENTS, HER DEDICATION TO
25 YOUTH, AND HER LIFELONG LOVE FOR TRAVELING. SHE IS SURVIVED BY

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1 HER HUSBAND OF 55 YEARS, DR. CORNELIUS HOPPER, TRUSTEE
2 EMERITUS OF DREW UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE, DAUGHTER,
3 ADRIANE, TWO SONS, BRIAN AND MICHAEL, TWO GRANDCHILDREN,
4 ALIVIA AND DERRIAN, EXTENDED FAMILY, AND FRIENDS, ALL OF WHOM
5 WILL MISS HER DEARLY. AND I FINALLY WOULD LIKE TO ASK THAT WE
6 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ROBIN ROSS. SHE RECENTLY PASSED AWAY, AND
7 OUR CONDOLENCES GO OUT TO HER FAMILY. SHE WAS A MEMBER AND
8 HEAVILY INVOLVED IN --

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10 **SUP. HAHN:** (INDISCERNIBLE)

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12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** I WOULD LIKE AS WELL, PLEASE.

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14 **SUP. SOLIS:** I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO JOIN.

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16 **SUP. KUEHL:** ALL MEMBERS, PLEASE.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SHE WAS A MEMBER AND HEAVILY INVOLVED IN
19 THE ST. MARKS EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND SERVED ON THE BOARD FOR THE
20 CENTER FOR COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS, A SAN DIEGO-BASED
21 ORGANIZATION THAT WORKS TO END RELATIONSHIP AND SEXUAL
22 VIOLENCE. MS. ROSS IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, DR. ROBERT K.
23 ROSS, PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE CALIFORNIA
24 ENDOWMENT, AND WE EXTEND OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO THE
25 ENTIRETY OF THAT FAMILY, A NETWORK OF FRIENDS CLEAR ACROSS THE

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1 NATION, ALL OF WHOM WILL MISS ROBIN ROSS MOST ASSUREDLY. AND
2 THEN MADAM CHAIR, LILLAINA MADOLYN SPEESE, BORN IN JANUARY
3 1932 HERE IN LOS ANGELES, AND PASSED IN APRIL HERE IN LOS
4 ANGELES AT THE AGE OF 88. SHE WAS MARRIED TO PASTOR LLOYD C.
5 SPEESE FOR 47 YEARS, AND TOGETHER, THEY RAISED 5 CHILDREN. MS.
6 SPEESE WAS A 33 YEAR MEMBER OF THE OROVILLE UNIFIED SCHOOL
7 DISTRICT. SHE WAS A DEDICATED MEMBER AND PRESIDENT OF THAT
8 BOARD FOR 16 YEARS. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A WARRIOR, A
9 GREAT COOK, A COMMUNITY LEADER, AND A SERVANT, AND HER STRONG
10 FAITH CARRIED HER THROUGH. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN,
11 INCLUDING LORI GAY, PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD
12 HOUSING SERVICES OF L.A. COUNTY, HER EXTENDED FAMILY, AND
13 FRIENDS, ALL OF WHOM WILL MISS HER MOST ASSUREDLY. THANK YOU,
14 VERY KINDLY MADAM CHAIR. THAT CONCLUDES MY ADJOURNMENTS FOR
15 THE DAY.

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

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20 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
21 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LYNN HARRELL. HE WAS A GRAMMY
22 WINNING CELLIST WHO DIED ON APRIL 27TH. OVER THE COURSE OF HIS
23 WIDE RANGING CAREER, HE PERFORMED AS A SOLOIST WITH JUST ABOUT
24 EVERY MAJOR ORCHESTRA IN THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE. HE WAS
25 WIDELY BELOVED AS A GENEROUS CHAMBER MUSIC COLLEAGUE, A

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1 RESPECTED TEACHER, AND A MUSICIAN'S MUSICIAN. HE AND HIS WIFE,
2 HELEN NIGHTENGALE, FOUNDED THE HEARTBEATS FOUNDATION, WHICH IS
3 A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT STRIVES TO HELP CHILDREN IN NEED
4 HARNESS THE POWER OF MUSIC TO BETTER COPE WITH AND RECOVER
5 FROM THE EXTREME CHALLENGES OF POVERTY AND CONFLICT. AMONG THE
6 INSTITUTIONS WHERE HE TAUGHT ARE LONDON'S ROYAL ACADEMY OF
7 MUSIC, THE CLEVELAND INSITUTE OF MUSIC, JULLIARD, THE U.S.C.'S
8 THORNTON SCHOOL OF MUSIC, AND RICE UNIVERSITY'S SHEPHERD
9 SCHOOL OF MUSIC. HE ALSO SERVED AS MUSIC DIRECTOR OF THE LOS
10 ANGELES PHILHARMONIC INSTITUTE, WHICH IS A SUMMER TRAINING
11 PROGRAM. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, HELEN. AND I MOVE THAT
12 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GIL SCHWARTZ,
13 C.B.S. EXECUTIVE WHO DIED ON MAY 2ND. HE HEADED C.B.S.'S
14 CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT FROM 1996 TO 2018 BUT ALSO
15 MOONLIGHTED AS A SUCCESSFUL HUMOR COLUMNIST AND AUTHOR WHO
16 WENT BY THE PSEUDONYM STANLEY BING. AND HIS COLUMNS AND BOOKS
17 PARODIED THE BUSINESS AND THE MEDIA WORLD IN WHICH HE WORKED.
18 HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS BROTHER, MICHAEL, HIS WIFE, LAURA, HIS
19 DAUGHTER, NINA, HIS SON, WILL, HIS STEPSON, KYLE, AND HIS
20 STEPDAUGHTER, RACHEL. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY,
21 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SAM LLOYD, WHO PLAYED A LAWYER, TED
22 BUCKLAND ON "SCRUBS" AND WAS A POPULAR RECURRING CHARACTER,
23 APPEARING IN ALMOST HALF OF THE SHOW'S EPISODES FROM 2001 TO
24 2009. HE ALSO HAD A RECURRING ROLE ON "DESPERATE HOUSEWIVES"
25 AS DR. ALBERT GOLDFINE, AND MADE NOTABLE APPEARANCES ON OTHER

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1 SHOWS, INCLUDING "MALCOLM IN THE MIDDLE," "THE WEST WING,"
2 "MODERN FAMILY," AND "SEINFELD." HIS MOVIE APPEARANCES
3 INCLUDED "GALAXY QUEST" AND "FLUBBER." AND HE WAS ALSO THE
4 NEPHEW OF "BACK TO THE FUTURE" STAR, CHRISTOPHER LLOYD. HE IS
5 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, VANESSA, AND HIS SON, WESTON. I MOVE
6 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SUZANNE
7 ASPATURIAN, WHO DIED ON APRIL 25TH. BORN IN VIENNA, SHE
8 EMIGRATED TO THE U.S. WITH HER FAMILY IN 1939, ESCAPING THE
9 HORRORS OF NAZI-OCCUPIED AUSTRIA. SHE ATTENDED HOLLYWOOD HIGH
10 SCHOOL AND U.C.L.A. RECEIVING HER B.A. IN INTERNATIONAL
11 RELATIONS. SHE WORKED AS AN ADMINISTRATOR AT THE V.A.
12 HOSPITAL, U.C.L.A. AND THE LOS ANGELES BUSINESS COUNCIL. SHE
13 IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, HEIDI, AND ALSO MS. ASPATURIAN
14 WAS THE MOTHER OF MY JUSTICE DEPUTY, NANCY ASPATURIAN, WHO
15 PREDECEASED HER. AND SO, SUZANNE IS ALSO, OF COURSE, SURVIVED
16 BY NANCY'S WIFE AND CHILDREN. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
17 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOEL ROGOSIN, EMMY AWARD
18 WINNING T.V. PRODUCER, WHO DIED ON APRIL 21ST. HIS THREE
19 DECADE T.V. PRODUCING CAREER INCLUDED THE 1980S CRIME FIGHTING
20 T.V. STAPLE "NIGHT RIDER" AND "MAGNUM P.I." INCLUSION WAS VERY
21 IMPORTANT TO HIM, AND HE ALWAYS ADVOCATED FOR REPRESENTATION
22 BY PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN ALL OF HIS SHOWS. HE ALSO
23 TAUGHT WRITING AT COLLEGES AND IN A PROGRAM FOR PRISONERS, AS
24 WELL AS AT A WRITER'S GUILD OF AMERICA DIVERSITY PROGRAM, AND
25 THE PERFORMING ARTS THEATER FOR THE HANDICAPPED. HE IS

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1 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, DEBORAH, AND THREE DAUGHTERS. AND I MOVE
2 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF PETER
3 HUNT, WHO ROSE TO PROMINENCE IN 1969 WHEN HE DIRECTED THE
4 INAUGURAL BROADWAY PRODUCTION OF "1776" WITH A CAST THAT
5 INCLUDED WILLIAM DANIELS AND BETTY BUCKLEY. THE SHOW LOGGED
6 MORE THAN 1,200 PERFORMANCES IN ITS THREE YEAR RUN, WON THREE
7 TONY AWARDS, INCLUDING BEST MUSICAL, BEST PERFORMANCE BY A
8 FEATURED ACTOR, AND BEST DIRECTOR. HUNT'S TELEVISION CREDITS
9 INCLUDE EPISODES OF "BAYWATCH," "TOUCHED BY AN ANGEL," AND
10 FOUR FEATURE ADAPTATIONS IN THE PEABODY AWARD WINNING MARK
11 TWAIN SERIES ON P.B.S., INCLUDING "THE ADVENTURES OF
12 HUCKLEBERRY FINN" AND "LIFE ON THE MISSISSIPPI." HE IS
13 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, BARBETTE, THEIR CHILDREN, MAX, DAISY,
14 AND AMY, AND HIS BROTHER, GEORGE. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
15 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JERRY STILLER, A GREAT
16 ACTOR, WONDERFUL COMEDIAN, WHO PASSED AWAY ON MAY 11TH JUST
17 YESTERDAY. TOGETHER WITH HIS WIFE, ANNE MEARA, THEY FORMED A
18 COMEDY TEAM STILLER AND MEARA, WHICH APPEARED ON MANY, MANY ON
19 T.V. SHOWS INCLUDING MORE THAN 30 TIMES ON "THE ED SULLIVAN
20 SHOW." THE COUPLE ALSO STARRED IN THEIR OWN SITCOM, "THE
21 STILER MEARA SHOW." HIS SIGNATURE ROLE CAME IN THE 1990S WHEN
22 HE PLAYED FRANK COSTANZA ON THE SHOW "SEINFELD." HIS
23 PERFORMANCE WON HIM AN AMERICAN COMEDY AWARD AS WELL AS AN
24 EMMY NOMINATION. AND NOT LONG AFTER HIS TIME ON "SEINFELD,"
25 ENDED HE TOOK A ROLE PLAYING ARTHUR SPOONER ON THE SHOW, "THE

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1 KING OF QUEENS." HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS TWO CHILDREN, BEN
2 STILLER AND AMY STILLER. AND FINALLY, I ASK THAT WHEN WE
3 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ETYL LEDER, WHO
4 SURVIVED AUSCHWITZ AND THE BERGEN-BELSEN CONCENTRATION CAMPS
5 STEALING FOOD TO FEED HERSELF AND OTHER PRISONERS. SHE WAS ONE
6 OF 60,000 PEOPLE WHO MARCHED BACK TO GERMANY FROM THE SOVIET
7 UNION IN WINTER WITHOUT ANY COATS, WITHOUT ANY SHOES. HER
8 STORY WAS ARCHIVED BY THE MUSEUM TOLERANCE IN LOS ANGELES, THE
9 HOLOCAUST MUSEUM IN WASHINGTON, AND THE U.S.C. SHOAH
10 FOUNDATION. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER THREE CHILDREN, REUBEN,
11 MIRIAM, AND GERALDINE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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13 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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15 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
16 TODAY, WE ADJOURN, AND THIS IS SAD FOR ME, THE HONORABLE JIM
17 EDWARDS, WHO IS A -- CURRENTLY HE WAS A COUNCILMEMBER IN
18 CERRITOS. HE WAS A FORMER MAYOR. JIM EDWARDS, HE PASSED AWAY
19 AT THE AGE 75. JIM SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY INCLUDING
20 A YEAR IN VIETNAM. HE WAS RETIRED FROM A 40 YEAR CAREER AS A
21 TEACHER AND ADMINISTRATOR IN THE A.B.C. UNIFIED SCHOOL
22 DISTRICT. HE WAS ELECTED TO THE CERRITOS CITY COUNCIL IN 2005,
23 2009, 2015, AND 2020, AND HE SERVED AS MAYOR TWICE. HE AND HIS
24 WIFE, CONNIE, JUST CELEBRATED THEIR 52ND WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
25 LAST YEAR. THEY'VE LIVED IN CERRITOS FOR MORE THAN 43 YEARS.

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1 HE WAS REMARKABLY DEDICATED. HE WAS AN INSPIRING LEADER WHO SO
2 LOVED SERVING THE CITY OF CERRITOS, AND HE WILL BE REMEMBERED
3 FOR HIS TIRELESS DEDICATION, HIS PROFESSIONALISM, AND HIS
4 CONCERN FOR THE COMMUNITY. HE WAS AT ALMOST EVERY EVENT
5 HAPPENING IN THE COMMUNITY. HE MADE SO MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO
6 MAKING THE CITY OF CERRITOS A BETTER PLACE, AND HE WILL BE
7 PROFOUNDLY MISSED. HE WAS FRIEND OF MINE, AND I CERTAINLY WILL
8 MISS HIM. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS DEAR WIFE, CONNIE, HIS SON,
9 SCOTT, DAUGHTER, STACY, SIX GRANDCHILDREN, AND ONE GREAT
10 GRANDSON. JIM EDWARDS, MAY HE REST IN PEACE. I ALSO MOVE THAT
11 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF THE
12 HONORABLE TOM CLARK, WHO WAS 93 WHEN HE JUST PASSED AWAY. HE
13 WAS A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH, GRADUATED FROM WILSON
14 HIGH SCHOOL DURING WORLD WAR II, AND HE JOINED THE ARMY. WHEN
15 HE RETURNED, HE ATTENDED LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE, AND THEN HE
16 EARNED HIS DEGREES AT U.C. BERKELEY. HE HAD A CAREER AS AN
17 OPTOMETRIST WHILE HE WAS WORKING AS AN ELECTED OFFICIAL. HE
18 WAS 30 YEARS ON THE CITY COUNCIL OF LONG BEACH, INCLUDING
19 SEVEN YEARS AS MAYOR, AND 16 YEARS ON THE LONG BEACH
20 COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES. HIS 46 YEARS OF ELECTED
21 PUBLIC SERVICE CONTINUES TO STAND AS THE LONGEST RECORD IN
22 LONG BEACH. AMONG HIS MANY ACCOMPLISHMENTS, TOM SERVED AS
23 MAYOR WHEN THE FORMER CITY HALL WAS DEDICATED IN 1976, AND IN
24 THAT SAME YEAR, HE WAS INDUCTED INTO THE L.B.C.C. HALL OF FAME
25 FOR COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP. IN 2007, HE WAS INDUCTED INTO THE

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1 L.B.C.C. HALL OF CHAMPIONS FOR TRACK AND FIELD. HE IS SURVIVED
2 BY HIS WIFE, RUTH, DAUGHTER, CAROL, HIS SONS, PAUL AND JIM,
3 AND TWO GRANDCHILDREN. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY,
4 WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF DONALD AMPTMAN, WHO WAS 89. HE
5 PASSED AWAY DUE TO COMPLICATIONS WITH COVID-19. HE WAS A U.S.
6 AIR FORCE VETERAN AND A MUSICIAN. HE PERFORMED WITH THE
7 MILITARY BAND AS WELL AS PROFESSIONALLY. HE WAS ALSO A RADIO
8 DISC JOCKEY IN THE '50S, '60S, AND '70S. HIS NEPHEW, AL LAY,
9 CALLED ME TO TELL ME ABOUT DON'S DEATH. AL IS ONE OF MY
10 APPOINTEES TO THE BEACH AND HARBOR COMMISSION. DON AND AL'S
11 FATHER WERE BEST FRIENDS, SO HE AND HIS SISTER, AIMEE, THOUGHT
12 OF DON AS THEIR UNCLE. AND HE REFERRED TO HIM AS UNCLE DON.
13 DON IS SURVIVED BY HIS SISTER, MONA, AND HIS "NIECE AND
14 NEPHEW," AIMEE AND AL. MAY HE REST IN PEACE. I MOVE THAT WE
15 ALSO ADJOURN TODAY IN THE MEMORY OF LOIS BRESTOFF. LOIS WAS
16 BORN IN NEW YORK, AND SHE LEARNED TO SEW ON BUTTONS AT THE AGE
17 OF THREE. AND LATER, SHE TOOK THAT LOVE OF BUTTONS AND
18 GRADUATED FROM THE SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY HERE IN
19 CALIFORNIA WITH A DEGREE IN CLOTHING AND TEXTILES. SHE TAUGHT
20 FOR STRETCH AND SEW FABRICS AND WAS AN EDUCATIONAL
21 REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE PELLON CORPORATION. SHE WAS A LONGTIME
22 MEMBER OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY QUILT ASSOCIATION AND WAS
23 ITS PRESIDENT FOR TWO YEARS. SHE WAS A MAJOR PLAYER IN OUR
24 QUILT GUILD, AND SHE HAD BOUNDLESS ENERGY AND WAS ALWAYS READY
25 TO HELP PEOPLE. MANY OF YOU MIGHT HAVE KNOWN HER. SHE WAS

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1 MARRIED TO NICK BRESTOFF, WHO IS A RETIRED ATTORNEY. SHE HAD
2 TWO SONS, DANIEL AND JONATHAN, AND EVEN WHEN SHE WAS PREGNANT
3 WITH JONATHAN, SHE EARNED A JURIS DOCTORATE DEGREE FROM LOYOLA
4 LAW SCHOOL HERE IN LOS ANGELES. NICK AND LOIS LATER FORMED
5 MOSKOWITZ, BRESTOFF, BLINDERMAN, AND WINSTON. BOTH NICK AND
6 LOIS DID SO MUCH, CONTRIBUTING TO S.T.E.M. EDUCATION. THEY
7 WORKED ON THE EARLY DEVELOPMENT OF THE DISCOVERY PAVILION,
8 WHICH BECAME THE DISCOVERY CUBE. NICK AND MY BROTHER, JUDGE
9 HAHN, MET WHEN THEY WERE BOTH ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEYS FOR THE
10 CITY OF L.A. AND NICK AND LOIS WORKED IN MANY CAMPAIGNS HERE
11 IN LOS ANGELES. THEY WORKED IN MY BROTHER'S CAMPAIGN WHEN HE
12 RAN FOR CITY CONTROLLER, CITY ATTORNEY. THEY WORKED IN RICK
13 TUTTLE FOR CITY COUNCIL. LOIS WORKED IN GIL GARCETTI FOR
14 DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S CAMPAIGN, YVONNE BURKE FOR CONGRESS AND
15 SUPEVISOR, AND THEY WORKED ON MY CAMPAIGN WHEN I RAN FOR L.A.
16 CITY COUNCIL. THEY WERE SO INVOLVED BOTH POLITICALLY, SOCIALLY
17 IN OUR TOWN, AND WE ARE REALLY GOING TO MISS HER, AND NICK IS
18 SAD TO HAVE LOST HER. SHE IS SURVIVED BY NICK, THEIR TWO
19 CHILDREN, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN, AND HER SISTER, MARILYN. I ALSO
20 MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
21 LANCE HUGHES, WHO WAS -- HE AND HIS FAMILY SETTLED IN SAN
22 PEDRO WHEN HE WAS YOUNG. HE ATTENDED SAN PEDRO HIGH SCHOOL AND
23 WENT ON TO GRADUATE WITH A BUSINESS DEGREE FROM LONG BEACH
24 STATE. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE ELKS CLUB OF SAN PEDRO. FOR MOST
25 OF HIS CHILDHOOD AND ADULthood, HE RESIDED HERE IN SAN PEDRO

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1 AND SOME OF THE OTHER BEACH CITIES, REDONDO, HERMOSA,
2 MANHATTAN. HE LOVED SURFING, SKIING, RUNNING, HIKING. HE HAD A
3 GREAT LOVE OF SPORTS CARS. I GOT TO KNOW LANCE BECAUSE HIS
4 MOTHER, ANN, AND LANCE'S STEPFATHER, DICK, LIVED A COUPLE
5 DOORS DOWN FROM ME IN SOUTH SHORES. AND I GOT TO KNOW LANCE
6 AND SAW HOW MUCH HE LOVED LIVING LIFE. LANCE IS SURVIVED BY
7 HIS BROTHERS, TOM HUGHES JR., TIM CRAIG, BILL CRAIG, HIS
8 SISTER, DIANA DE MARTI, AS WELL AS HIS LONGTIME GIRLFRIEND,
9 MARIANNE LOPEZ. LANCE WILL REALLY BE MISSED. I ALSO MOVE WHEN
10 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF CHARLES "CHUCK"
11 DAVIS. HE WAS A RESIDENT OF TORRANCE. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE
12 AGE OF 77. HE GRADUATED FROM UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO,
13 SERVED IN THE AIR FORCE FOR 20 YEARS, AND HE HAD MORE THAN 25
14 YEARS EXPERIENCE IN RADIO, TELEVISION, AND PRINT MEDIA. HE
15 HELD A CIVIL SERVICE T.V./MOTION PICTURE LIAISON SPECIALIST
16 POSITION FOR 21 YEARS. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,
17 KATHLEEN, THEIR TWO SONS, PAUL AND MARK, GRANDCHILDREN, LENNA
18 AND CHASE, AND HIS BROTHER, BILLY. I ALSO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN
19 IN THE MEMORY OF FRANK SCHAFER, WHO WAS A PALOS VERDES
20 ESTATES RESIDENT, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 93. HE WAS A
21 FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT OF FRANK SCHAFER PUBLICATIONS, A
22 LEADING EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS PUBLISHER, AND FOR 24 YEARS HE
23 WAS AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER FOR THE PALOS VERDES UNIFIED
24 SCHOOL DISTRICT. FRANK ALSO WORKED PART TIME FOR PEPPERDINE
25 UNIVERSITY, TEACHING GRADUATE COURSES. HE, WHEN HE TURNED 18,

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1 HE WAS CALLED UP FOR SERVICE IN THE ARMY, AND HE WAS SHIPPED
2 OUT TO EUROPE AS A PRIVATE. HE SERVED AS RADIO MAN FOR
3 INFANTRY UNIT AND THEN WAS PROMOTED TO CORPORAL AND
4 TRANSFERRED TO COUNTERINTELLIGENCE. HE WAS IN PARIS ON V.E.
5 DAY, AND HE WAS MOBBED BY A CELEBRATORY CROWD AND HOISTED HIGH
6 ON JOYOUS FRENCH SHOULDERS. FRANK WAS ALWAYS PROUD TO SERVED
7 THE COUNTRY HE LOVED. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, MARILYN, AND
8 THEIR FIVE SONS, 12 GRANDCHILDREN, AND ONE GREAT GRANDCHILD. I
9 ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY
10 OF JEANETTE BARAN, WHO ALSO A RESIDENT OF PALOS VERDES
11 ESTATES. SHE WAS 93 WHEN SHE PASSED AWAY. SHE ATTENDED THE
12 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, WHERE SHE WAS A MEMBER OF
13 ALPHA DELTA PI, THE KEY AND SCROLL CLUBS, AND DURING HER
14 SENIOR YEAR, SHE WAS VICE PRESIDENT OF THE STUDENT BODY,
15 GRADUATING PHI BETA KAPPA. SHE REMAINED A DECADES-LONG
16 VOLUNTEER FOR THE UNIVERSITY, EVEN SERVING AS PRESIDENT OF
17 TROJAN LEAGUE OF SOUTH BAY. U.S.C. HONORED HER TWICE, AWARDING
18 HER THE ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD AND THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE
19 AWARD. SHE AND HER HUSBAND RAISED THEIR FAMILY IN PALOS VERDES
20 ESTATES. AND SHE WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HER HUSBAND OF 69
21 YEARS, JOHN. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SON, JOHN, AND HER
22 DAUGHTER, LYNN, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN, AND FOUR GREAT
23 GRANDCHILDREN. AND I AM ALSO SAD TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
24 MARY SUTTON, WHO WAS 92 AND LIVED IN SAN PEDRO. MARY WAS THE
25 MOTHER OF MONA SUTTON. AND I SAW HER MANY TIMES. MONA WOULD

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1 BRING HER MOM. AND HER PARTNER, LESLIE, WAS ALWAYS THERE AT
2 TRANI'S, AND WE WOULD SEE THEM EATING TOGETHER. SHE ALWAYS
3 SMILING, LOVELY. MARY ALWAYS LIT UP THE ROOM, AND MONA WAS
4 SUCH A GOOD DAUGHTER TO ALL HER YEARS. SHE WAS PRECEDED IN
5 DEATH BY HER DAUGHTER, CATHY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY DAUGHTERS,
6 PATRICIA AND MONA, AND HER DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, LESLIE, THREE
7 GRANDCHILDREN, 10 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN, AND TWO GREAT-GREAT
8 GRANDCHILDREN. LAST ONE, I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
9 ROGER EMMETT RYAN, WHO WAS 97. AND HE PASSED AWAY IN CERRITOS.
10 HE WAS AN AERIAL GUNNER TRAINER IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AIR
11 FORCE IN WORLD WAR II. HE WAS HONORABLY DISCHARGED AFTER FOUR
12 YEARS AT THE RANK OF SERGEANT. HE HELD SEVERAL JOBS AFTER HIS
13 SERVICE AND FINALLY DEVELOPED HIS OWN TRUCKING COMPANY. IN
14 1957, HE DECIDED TO SELL HIS COMPANY AND MOVED TO FLORIDA.
15 THERE HE MET HIS WIFE, MET MARIAN. THEY MOVED TO L.A. IN 1960,
16 AND THE MAJORITY OF ROGER'S CAREER WAS SPENT IN THE AUTOMOBILE
17 SALES INDUSTRY. THEY MOVED TO CERRITOS IN 1968, BOUGHT A HOME,
18 RAISED THEIR TWO CHILDREN THERE. HIS PROUDEST ACHIEVEMENT IN
19 LIFE WAS HIS FAMILY. HE WAS A MEMBER OF ST. LINUS CHURCH IN
20 NORWALK, AND HE WAS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE CERRITOS LAWN AND
21 GARDEN CLUB. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS LOVING WIFE, MARIAN, HIS
22 TWO CHILDREN, SHAWN AND KATHY, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN, ONE GREAT
23 GRANDDAUGHTER, AND HIS SISTER, GERI RYAN. THAT'S ALL FOR ME,
24 MADAM CHAIR.

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1 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN. I MOVE THAT
2 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF JERRY BLOOM, A
3 LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
4 76. HE WAS BORN IN LOS ANGELES AND GRADUATED FROM WILLIAM S.
5 HART HIGH SCHOOL IN 1961. WHEN HE WAS 17, HE ENLISTED IN THE
6 U.S. NAVY. HE LATER BECAME AN ORDAINED MINISTER AND SERVED IN
7 THAT CAPACITY FOR 59 YEARS. SINCE 1996, HE SERVED IN THE
8 SALVATION ARMY IN ITS SOCIAL SERVICE ADULT DRUG AND ALCOHOL
9 REHABILITATION AND SPIRITUAL PROGRAMS. HE ACCEPTED AN
10 APPOINTMENT AS THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE SALVATION ARMY
11 SANTA CLARITA CORPS SIX YEARS AGO. HE EXPANDED ALL SERVICES
12 THROUGH HIS EFFECTIVE AND INSPIRATIONAL LEADERSHIP. JERRY IS
13 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, LAURA, SISTER, ANDREA, AND BROTHER,
14 RICHARD. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DIANE DUNCAN
15 CORNWELL, A RESIDENT OF PASADENA, WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT
16 THE AGE OF 81. SHE ATTENDED U.C.L.A. WHERE SHE MET HER
17 HUSBAND, MICHAEL A. CORNWELL. THEY MARRIED IN 1961 AND
18 CELEBRATED THEIR 59TH ANNIVERSARY BEFORE HER PASSING. DIANE
19 WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF MANY ORGANIZATIONS, SUCH AS THE
20 PASADENA ART ALLIANCE AND THE ARMORY CENTER FOR THE ARTS. SHE
21 SPENT DECADES AS A DOCENT AT L.A.C.M.A. AND WAS THE PRESIDENT
22 OF THE DOCENT COUNCIL IN THE EARLY 1980S. DIANE ALSO WORKED AS
23 THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR OF THE HAYNES FOUNDATION IN
24 DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES FOR 20 YEARS, UNTIL HER RETIREMENT IN
25 2007. DIANE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, MICHAEL, AND HER

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1 ELDEST DAUGHTER, MOLLY. AND WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, I
2 KNOW YOU'D LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS.

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4 **SUP. KUEHL:** IT MAKES YOU FEEL OLD WHEN PEOPLE YOU KNEW IN
5 COLLEGE PASS AWAY. AND I AM VERY SORRY FOR THAT. I KNEW DIANE
6 BECAUSE SHE WAS ONE OF THE ORIGINAL STUDENT MEMBERS OF A
7 PROJECT FROM THE UNIVERSITY RELIGIOUS CONFERENCE CALLED
8 PROJECT INDIA, WHEN I WAS WORKING THERE. A WONDERFUL YOUNG
9 WOMAN, AND I'M CERTAIN THROUGHOUT HER LIFE. SO I WOULD LIKE TO
10 JOIN YOU IF I MAY.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I ALSO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN
13 TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM MONTAMBLE, WHO FOR 32
14 YEARS WAS A FACULTY MEMBER, COACH, AND ADMINISTRATOR AT THE
15 ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE IN LANCASTER, AND DIED APRIL 25TH AT
16 THE AGE OF 89. BILL SERVED IN THE U.S. AIR FORCE AND EARNED A
17 BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION FROM NEW MEXICO A & M
18 COLLEGE AND A MASTER'S DEGREE IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION AT THE
19 UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA. IN 1957, BILL WAS HIRED AS HEAD COACH OF
20 THE BASKETBALL TEAM AT ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE. THE HIGH POINT
21 OF HIS COACHING CAREER CAME IN 1968 WHEN ANTELOPE VALLEY
22 COLLEGE WON THE STATE CONSOLATION CHAMPIONSHIP. IN 1972, BILL
23 WAS PROMOTED TO DEAN OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND WAS LATER NAMED
24 VICE PRESIDENT OF STUDENT ACTIVITIES. HE WORKED TIRELESSLY TO
25 RAISE MONEY FOR THE MARAUDER CLUB, BENEFITTING A.V.C.

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1 ATHLETICS. BILL IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER, SALLY JO,
2 STEPCHILDREN, CARYN, VALERIE, AND TIM, SEVERAL NIECES AND
3 NEPHEWS, AND NUMEROUS STEPGRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT
4 GRANDCHILDREN. AND LAST, WITH A HEAVY HEART, WE ADJOURN IN
5 MEMORY OF SARAH ZACHARIA, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF CANYON
6 COUNTRY, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 35. SARAH HAD RECENTLY
7 GIVEN BIRTH TO HER FIRST CHILD ON FEBRUARY 21ST, BUT SHORTLY
8 BEFORE THAT JOYFUL DAY, SHE WAS DIAGNOSED WITH STAGE FOUR
9 CANCER. SHE GREW UP IN SANTA CLARITA AND ATTENDED SANTA
10 CLARITA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL. SHE WORKED AT WILLIAM S. HART UNION
11 HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR OVER 10 YEARS WHERE SHE ASSISTED
12 SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS. SHE THEN WENT TO WORK AS AN OPERATING
13 ROOM CLERK AT OLIVE VIEW MEDICAL CENTER U.C.L.A. SHE IS
14 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, MICHAEL, HER DAUGHTER, SUNDAY, HER
15 PARENTS, FOUR SISTERS, AND MANY IN THE COUNTY FAMILY AS WELL.
16 WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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18 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
19 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BOBBY LEE VERDUGO.
20 BOBBY LEE VERDUGO WAS A LEADER IN 1968 HIGH SCHOOL WALK OUTS
21 IN THE EAST SIDE. HE PASSED AWAY FROM A HEART ATTACK ON FRIDAY
22 MAY THE 1ST OF THIS YEAR. HE WAS 69 YEARS OLD. BORN TO CHICANO
23 PARENTS IN LINCOLN HEIGHTS, BOBBY BECAME A KEY FIGURE IN THE
24 STUDENT LED EFFORT TO BRING EDUCATIONAL AND POLICY REFORMS TO
25 THE DISENFRANCHISED SCHOOLS ON THE EAST SIDE. AS A STUDENT AT

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1 LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL, BOBBY AND SEVERAL OF HIS LATINO
2 CLASSMATES FACED PHYSICAL PUNISHMENT FOR SPEAKING SPANISH IN
3 CLASS AND DISCRIMINATION FROM WHITE ADMINISTRATORS AND
4 TEACHERS. BOBBY OFTEN RECALLS STORIES OF BEING MISTREATED,
5 INCLUDING BEING PADDLED, OFTEN IN FRONT OF HIS PEERS, FOR
6 SPEAKING SPANISH IN CLASS. ON MARCH THE 6TH, 1968, BOBBY
7 DECIDED TO DO SOMETHING. HE WAS AMONG THE STUDENTS WHO LED A
8 WALK OUT IN PROTEST BECAUSE OF THESE INJUSTICES. THE LINCOLN
9 HIGH SCHOOL PROTEST WAS PART OF THE WALK OUTS THAT WEEK THAT
10 SAW THOUSANDS OF MOSTLY LATINO STUDENTS ACROSS THE EAST SIDE
11 LEAVING IN THE MIDDLE OF THE SCHOOL DAY. FORTUNATELY FOR BOBBY
12 AND HIS CLASSMATES, LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL WALK OUT WAS PEACEFUL.
13 AT OTHER SCHOOLS, POLICE CLASHED WITH STUDENTS, BRINGING
14 NATIONAL ATTENTION TO THE CAUSE. AFTER THE TORMENT DIED DOWN,
15 THE SCHOOL BOARD MET WITH STUDENTS WHO CALLED FOR
16 INCORPORATING BILINGUAL EDUCATION AND AN END TO CORPORAL
17 PUNISHMENT. IT WAS THE FIRST TIME LATINO STUDENTS IN LOS
18 ANGELES HAD SO FORCEFULLY AND COLLECTIVELY USED THEIR VOICES
19 TO DEMAND CHANGE. BOBBY WENT ON TO ATTEND U.C.L.A., BUT BEFORE
20 GRADUATING, HE MARRIED HIS HIGH SCHOOL SWEETHEART, YOLI RIOS
21 IN 1979, BECAME A DAD TO MARCEL AND MONICA, AND SETTLED INTO
22 A CAREER THAT SAW HIM WORK AS A BUS DISPATCHER, A LABOR
23 ADVOCATE, AND A COMMUNITY ORGANIZER. AT AGE 40, BOBBY DECIDED
24 TO ENROLL AT CAL STATE L.A. TO EARN A DEGREE THAT WOULD ALLOW
25 HIM TO BECOME A SOCIAL WORKER. AFTER GRADUATION, BOBBY SERVED

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1 AS A SENIOR PROGRAM TRAINING SPECIALIST AT THE NATIONAL
2 COMPADRES NETWORK. FROM 2007 TO 2010, HE SERVED AS A COMMUNITY
3 DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR AT BIENVENITOS FAMILY SERVICE AND WAS
4 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND COORDINATION OF THE S.P.A.
5 7 COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE. HE ALSO SERVED AS A LEAD ORGANIZER
6 OF THE OBAMA MOYAMAS 2008 EFFORT IN EAST L.A. THAT WAS
7 INSTRUMENTAL IN ELECTING PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA IN 2008. IN
8 HIS LATER YEARS, BOBBY SERVED AS A MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER AT
9 COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITY AND BECAME A FIGURE OF THE OFTEN
10 OVERLOOKED HISTORY OF THE MEXICAN AMERICAN CIVIL RIGHTS
11 MOVEMENT. HE IS PORTRAYED IN AND H.B.O. DOCUDRAMA "WALK OUT,
12 AND FEATURE IN CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED P.B.S. DOCUMENTARY,
13 "CHICANO, THE HISTORY OF THE MEXICAN AMERICAN CIVIL RIGHTS
14 MOVEMENT." HE WILL BE TRULY MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND MANY ON
15 THE EAST SIDE. NEXT, MADAM CHAIR, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN,
16 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MARY LOU NIBLOCK STACKHOUSE. MARY LOU
17 NIBLOCK STACKHOUSE OF ELKHART PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY AT THE
18 AGE OF 92 ON APRIL 30TH, 2020 AFTER CONTRACTING COVID-19.
19 TODAY, SHE WOULD HAVE BEEN 93 YEARS OF AGE. MARY LOU WAS BORN
20 ON MAY 12TH, 1927 IN ELKHART TO THE LATE WILLIAM AND FRANCIS
21 NORCROSS NIBLOCK. HER HUSBAND OF 67 YEARS, ROBERT ALLEN
22 STACKHOUSE, PRECEDED HER IN DEATH. HER SISTER, BROTHER, AND
23 STEPSISTER ALSO PRECEDED HER IN DEATH. SHE IS SURVIVED BY
24 THREE LOVING DAUGHTERS, 8 CHERISHED GRANDCHILDREN, INCLUDING
25 JOHNNY YODER, A GOOD FRIEND OF OURS, WHOSE PARTNER IS ANTHONY

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1 DUARTE, WHO I'M SURE SOME OF YOU KNOW ON THE LINE. HIS
2 PARTNER, JOHNNY YODER, IS A CONSTITUENT OF THE FIRST DISTRICT
3 AND CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER AT THE ART OF ACTING STUDIO LOS
4 ANGELES, AND 10 TREASURED GRANDCHILDREN. MARY LOU GRADUATED
5 FROM ELKHART HIGH SCHOOL IN 1945, PROUD ALUMNA WHO ALWAYS
6 LOOKED FORWARD TO HER HER REUNION. SHE MARRIED HER HIGH SCHOOL
7 SWEETHEART, ROBERT, ON DECEMBER 29TH, 1946. THEN THEY MOVED TO
8 WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA WHERE THEY HAD TWO OF THEIR THREE
9 DAUGHTERS. 1950, THEY RETURNED TO ELKHART WHERE THEY HAD THEIR
10 THIRD DAUGHTER. IT WAS JUST THREE MONTHS LATER WHEN THEY MOVED
11 TO CALIFORNIA WHERE THE STACKHOUSE FAMILY SPENT MORE THAN A
12 DECADE MAKING WONDERFUL MEMORIES AND LIFELONG FRIENDS. THEY
13 RETURNED TO ELKHART PERMANENTLY IN 1967. SHE DEVOTED MUCH OF
14 HER TIME THROUGHOUT HER LIFE TO SUPPORTING LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS
15 SUCH AS THE JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IN CULVER CITY WHERE
16 SHE HELPED START CLASSES FOR SPECIAL NEEDS ADULTS AND THE
17 DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION WILLIAM TUFTS CHAPTER, IN
18 WHICH SHE WAS PROUD -- SHE WAS A PROUD MEMBER FOR 50 YEARS.
19 SHE ALSO SERVED FOR 38 YEARS IN THE ELKHART GENERAL HOSPITAL
20 AUXILIARY WHERE SHE STARTED THE RED COATS PROGRAM AND WAS
21 PRESIDENT. SHE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF RIVERSIDE BOOK CLUB AND
22 A LONG TIME MEMBER OF SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN
23 ELKHART. TO HER MANY FRIENDS AND FAMILY, SHE WILL BE WIDELY
24 KNOWN AS THE HOSTESS WITH THE MOSTEST. SHE WILL ALWAYS BE

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1 REMEMBERED, LOVED, AND MISSED BECAUSE THERE IS NO ONE LIKE
2 MARY LOU STACKHOUSE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

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6 **SUP. HAHN:** SUPERVISOR, COULD I JOIN SUPERVISOR SOLIS ON THAT
7 ONE? THANKS. YES, JOHNNY'S GRANDMOTHER.

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9 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** OKAY, SO THANK YOU. WE WILL TAKE ALL THOSE
10 MOTIONS AND MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
11 HAHN. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT
12 WILL BE THE ACTION. SO THAT CONCLUDES TODAY'S MEETING. MADAM
13 EXECUTIVE OFFICER PLEASE READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
16 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
17 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-1, CONFERENCE
18 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, AND ITEM
19 CS-2, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATION, AS INDICATED ON
20 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.

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22 **SUP. BARGER, CHAIR:** SO WITH THAT, WE WILL GO INTO CLOSED
23 SESSION. THANK YOU.

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CLOSED SESSION ITEMS FOR MAY 12, 2020

CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

(Paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section
54956.9)

Significant exposure to litigation (one case). (20-2580)

No reportable action was taken.

CS-2. DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS (Government Code Section 54957)

Department Head performance evaluations. (11-1977)

No reportable action was taken.

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12 I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
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