



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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1 **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON**

2 **TUESDAY, AUGUST 31, 2021, ON PAGE 224]**

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5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE, AND WELCOME TO THE

6 REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF

7 SUPERVISORS, WHICH IS BEING HELD REMOTELY. TODAY IS TUESDAY,

8 AUGUST THE THIRTY-FIRST, 2021, AND PLEASE NOTE THAT SUPERVISOR

9 KUEHL WILL NOT BE IN ATTENDANCE TODAY. I WILL NOW TAKE ROLL

10 CALL TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MIC AND RESPOND

11 WHEN YOUR NAME IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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13 **SUP. MITCHELL:** GOOD MORNING. PRESENT.

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15 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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17 **SUP. HAHN:** GOOD MORNING. PRESENT.

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19 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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21 **SUP. BARGER:** I AM HERE. GOOD MORNING.

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23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** WELCOME BACK. FESIA DAVENPORT, CHIEF

24 EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

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1 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** PRESENT.

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3 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA, COUNTY COUNSEL?

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5 **RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA:** HERE.

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7 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE
8 BOARD?

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

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12 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. BEFORE WE BEGIN, MEMBERS, I'D LIKE
13 TO START TODAY'S MEETING WITH A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THE
14 VICTIMS OF THE ATTACKS IN KABUL, INCLUDING AT LEAST 13 UNITED
15 STATES SERVICE MEMBERS WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES FOR OTHERS, AND
16 ALMOST 200 AFGHAN CIVILIANS WHO WERE BRUTALLY KILLED. I WOULD
17 LIKE TO READ THE INDIVIDUAL NAMES OF THE SERVICE MEMBERS THAT
18 WERE TAKEN FROM US. NAVY CORPSMAN MAXTON W SOVIAK; ARMY STAFF
19 SERGEANT RYAN C. KNAUSS; MARINE CORPS STAFF SERGEANT DARIN T.
20 HOOVER, JR.; MARINE CORPS SERGEANT JOHANNY ROSARIO PICHARDO;
21 MARINE CORPS SERGEANT NICOLE L. GEE; MARINE CORPS CORPORAL
22 HUNTER LOPEZ; MARINE CORPS CORPORAL DAEGAN W. PAGE; MARINE
23 CORPS CORPORAL HUMBERTO A. SANCHEZ; MARINE CORPS LANCE
24 CORPORAL DAVID L. ESPINOZA; MARINE CORPS LANCE CORPORAL JARED
25 M. SCHMITZ; MARINE CORPS LANCE CORPORAL RYLEE J. MCCOLLUM;

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1 MARINE CORPS LANCE CORPORAL DYLAN R. MEROLA; MARINE CORPS
2 LANCE CORPORAL KAREEM M. NIKOUI. MAY THEIR FAMILIES AND
3 COMMUNITIES FIND THE PURPOSE TO MOVE FORWARD DURING THIS TIME
4 OF GRIEF. WE WILL NOW TAKE A MOMENT OF SILENCE. [MOMENT OF
5 SILENCE.]

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7 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, ALL, AND THANK YOU TO THE PUBLIC
8 AND TO MY COLLEAGUES. NOW, MEMBERS, I WOULD LIKE TO LEAD US IN
9 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. PLEASE STAND IF YOU CAN, AND,
10 COLLEAGUES, PLEASE UNMUTE YOUR MICS AND JOIN ME. READY, BEGIN.
11 I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF
12 AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS: ONE NATION
13 UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.

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15 **SUP. HAHN:** SOMEDAY.

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17 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MEMBERS. NOW, MOVING ON TO ITEM
18 THREE, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, WE WILL BE TAKING
19 TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENTS SEPARATELY FOR OUR REGULAR AGENDA
20 ITEMS, AND PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS, DURING TODAY'S MEETING. THE
21 EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD RECEIVED OVER 1,500 WRITTEN
22 PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S MEETING, AND AS THOSE WRITTEN
23 COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF THEM WERE AVAILABLE TO THE
24 SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION, CONSISTENT WITH THE BROWN
25 ACT REQUIREMENTS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE WRITTEN PUBLIC

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1 COMMENTS THROUGHOUT THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE
2 OFFICIAL RECORD. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
3 AGENDA.

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5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
6 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PATE TWO, SET MATTER,
7 10:30 A.M. ITEM S-1 IS A DISCUSSION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER
8 RELATED TO C.O.V.I.D.-19. THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR
9 DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 2, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE LOS ANGELES
10 COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. ITEM 1-D IS AN ADDITION, AS
11 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 3, PUBLIC
12 HEARING ITEMS ONE THROUGH EIGHT. ON ITEM EIGHT, THE DIRECTOR
13 OF REGIONAL PLANNING REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE TAKEN OFF
14 CALENDAR, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THE REMAINING
15 ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR HEARING. ON PAGE SEVEN, CONSENT
16 CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS NINE THROUGH 23. ON ITEM
17 NINE, THIS INCLUDES AN ADDITION, AS INDICATED ON THE
18 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM TEN, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS
19 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 17, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS
20 THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE, AS INDICATED ON
21 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 18, SUPERVISOR BARGER
22 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS
23 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM [INAUDIBLE],
24 SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT ITEM BE HELD. THIS INCLUDES A
25 REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 15,

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1 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 24 THROUGH 47. ON ITEM 24, THE
2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
3 TO SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2021, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON
4 PAGE 25, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA,
5 WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE
6 MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 45
7 SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 45-F,
8 SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO
9 WEEKS TO WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2021. THE REQUEST FOR
10 ITEMS TO BE TAKEN OFF CALENDAR, REFERRED BACK, OR CONTINUED,
11 THROUGH 45-H, ARE BEFORE YOU.

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13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY
14 MYSELF, TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS. THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

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16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ON PAGE 26, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION. ON
17 PAGE 27, SEPARATE MATTER. THIS ITEM RELATES TO ITEM 25. ON
18 ITEM 49, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WOULD LIKE HER VOTE TO BE
19 RECORDED AS NO. ON PAGE 28, NOTICE OF CLOSED SESSION. THAT
20 COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR.

21
22 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW TAKE PUBLIC COMMENTS
23 FOR ALL AGENDA ITEMS, EXCLUDING PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS 1 THROUGH
24 7. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN
25 INFORMATION THAT WAS ALSO PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA, AND EXPLAINS

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1 THE SPEAKING RULES TO THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE
2 CALLING IN TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA, MEMBERS OF THE
5 PUBLIC WISHING TO OFFER PUBLIC COMMENT SHOULD CALL (877) 226-
6 8163, AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 133-6503. TO REPEAT:
7 PLEASE CALL (877) 226-8163, AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER
8 133-6503. DO NOT CALL THAT NUMBER IF YOU ONLY WANT TO LISTEN
9 TO THE MEETING. TO LISTEN ONLY, PLEASE CALL (877) 873-8017 AND
10 FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS. TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CALLING IN,
11 WHEN IT IS YOUR TURN TO SPEAK, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND
12 WHICH AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH TO SPEAK ON. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE
13 TO SPEAK ON ONE AGENDA ITEM, OR TWO MINUTES TO SPEAK ON TWO OR
14 MORE AGENDA ITEMS. IN ADDITION, THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO
15 ADDRESS THE BOARD WITH GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE PROVIDED
16 ONE ADDITIONAL MINUTE, FOR A MAXIMUM TOTAL UP TO THREE
17 MINUTES. WE WILL ALLOCATE UP TO 60 MINUTES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
18 ON ALL OF THE ITEMS, EXCLUDING THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS. IF
19 THERE ARE NO SPEAKERS WAITING BEFORE 60 MINUTES HAVE ELAPSED,
20 WE WILL CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT. WE WILL CONTINUE TO ACCEPT ALL
21 WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING THE MEETING, WHICH WILL
22 BECOME PART OF THE RECORD. WHEN SPEAKING ON THE AGENDA ITEMS,
23 YOU MUST BE ON TOPIC. OUR GOAL IS TO GET THROUGH AS MANY
24 SPEAKERS AS WE CAN. IF YOU'RE NOT SPEAKING ON A TOPIC, OR IF
25 WE CANNOT TELL IF YOU'RE SPEAKING ON AN AGENDA ITEM, YOU WILL

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1 GET ONE WARNING FROM COUNTY COUNSEL OR THE CHAIR. IF YOU DO
2 NOT IMMEDIATELY OR CLEARLY GET ON TOPIC, OR IF YOU STRAY OFF
3 TOPIC AGAIN, YOU WILL FORFEIT THE REST OF YOUR TIME, AND THE
4 CHAIR WILL MOVE TO THE NEXT SPEAKER. PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU ARE
5 ALSO LISTENING TO THE BOARD MEETING ON A COMPUTER OR
6 SPEAKERPHONE, YOU WILL NEED TO TURN DOWN THE VOLUME ON THOSE
7 DEVICES AS SOON AS THE MODERATOR CALLS ON YOU. IF YOU DO NOT
8 TURN DOWN THE VOLUME, THERE WILL BE AN ECHO. MODERATOR, MAY WE
9 HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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11 **MODERATOR:** AS A REMINDER, TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, IF YOU HAVE
12 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 AT THIS TIME. DO
13 NOT PRESS 1 AND 0 A SECOND TIME, OR YOU WILL BE REMOVED FROM
14 THE QUEUE.

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16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW HEAR THE SPANISH
17 INTERPRETATION OF THIS REMINDER. [INSTRUCTIONS IN SPANISH.]

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19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER,
20 PLEASE?

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22 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ELLEN GEESEY. PLEASE STATE
23 THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
24 YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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1 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. MY NAME IS ELLEN GEESEY. I'M A RESIDENT OF
2 DISTRICT FIVE, AND I AM SPEAKING TODAY ON AGENDA ITEMS 18, 19,
3 34, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. FOR AGENDA ITEMS 18 AND 34, I
4 WOULD LIKE TO STATE MY SUPPORT, WITH ON 18, THE CAVEAT THAT
5 THE BOARD FOLLOW THE CHANGES, AND ADOPT THOSE CHANGES BEFORE
6 ADOPTING THE RECOMMENDATION. INSTEAD OF FILLING SEATS IN THE
7 BUREAU OF VICTIM SERVICES, THE BOARD SHOULD BE INVESTING THOSE
8 FUNDS INTO COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES FOR SURVIVORS. ANY VICTIM
9 SERVICES REPRESENTATIVES SHOULD BE PEOPLE WITH LIVED
10 EXPERIENCE, WHO ARE SURVIVORS OF HARM, THEMSELVES. BOTH
11 PROBATION AND THE V.A. OFFICE HAVE PROVEN TO BE INEFFICIENT IN
12 DISSEMINATING FUNDS TO SURVIVORS. AND THE A.B. 109 FUNDING FOR
13 SURVIVORS SHOULD BE IN CONJUNCTION WITH PRETRIAL SERVICES, TO
14 SUPPORT SURVIVORS THROUGH THE PRETRIAL PROCESS. WITH REGARDS
15 TO AGENDA ITEM 19, I SUPPORT THIS, AND THE UNITED STATES
16 INVOLVEMENT IN AFGHANISTAN DESTABILIZED THE REGION FOR 20
17 YEARS. NOW, THE WITHDRAWAL OF AMERICAN TROOPS, BOTH POORLY
18 PLANNED AND EXECUTED, AND THE TALIBAN SUBSEQUENT TAKEOVER, HAS
19 PUT MILLIONS OF AFGHANS' LIVES AT RISK, PARTICULARLY U.S.
20 ALLIED AFGHANS, AND THOSE AT RISK BECAUSE OF GENDER IDENTITY
21 OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION. AS THE NATION RESPONSIBLE FOR
22 DESTABILIZING AFGHANISTAN FOR DECADES THROUGH MILITARY
23 OCCUPATION AND IMPERIALISM, WE HAVE AN EQUAL RESPONSIBILITY TO
24 EXTEND HELP TO AFGHANS AT RISK BECAUSE OF IT. THE COUNTY MUST
25 TAKE THE STEPS OUTLINED IN THIS MOTION TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF

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1 INCOMING AFGHANS. THE AFGHAN REFUGEE TASK FORCE MUST
2 COORDINATE COUNTY RESOURCES AND FUND COMMUNITY-BASED
3 ORGANIZATIONS AND IMMIGRANT LEGAL AID GROUPS, SUCH AS
4 IMMIGRANT DEFENDERS, TRANSLATING COALITION, AND THE NEWLY
5 FORMED L.A. IMMIGRANT LEGAL DEFENSE FUND, TO PROVIDE SERVICES
6 TO INCOMING AFGHANS. THIS MOTION WOULD SEND A LETTER TO THE
7 U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE, ANNOUNCING THE AFGHAN REFUGEE TASK
8 FORCE, AND HOW IT WILL STAND READY TO WORK WITH THE FEDERAL
9 GOVERNMENT. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE COUNTY TO LOBBY FOR
10 FURTHER EVACUATION AND HUMANITARIAN RELIEF. CURRENTLY, TENS OF
11 THOUSANDS OF AFGHANS ARE TRAPPED AT KABUL AIRPORT, TRYING TO
12 FLEE THE CRISIS, AND THE U.S. IS SITTING IDLY BY, EVEN AFTER
13 BLOCKING REFUGEES FROM ENTERING THE AIRPORT. THE U.S. SHOULD
14 WAIVE VISA FILING FEES FOR AFGHANS, REMOVE CAPS AND
15 LIMITATIONS FOR INCOMING AFGHAN REFUGEES, EXPAND ELIGIBILITY
16 FOR S.I.V.S OR VISAS, AND PROVIDE HUMANITARIAN RELIEF TO THOSE
17 TRAPPED AT KABUL AIRPORT, AND THOSE SHELTERING IN PLACE IN
18 AFGHANISTAN. IF THE COUNTY IS TO WORK WITH THE FEDERAL
19 GOVERNMENT, WE MUST ADVOCATE FOR WHAT IS RIGHT. I WOULD LIKE
20 TO ALSO ADD THE SEVERAL THOUSAND GREEN CARDS THAT WERE SET
21 ASIDE FOR THE TRANSLATORS AND THEIR FAMILIES, WHO HAVE STILL
22 NOT BEEN GIVEN SHELTER HERE.

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24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
25 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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2 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER COMES FROM THE LINE GENEVIEVE
3 CLAVREUL. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
4 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC
5 COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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7 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
8 THIS IS DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I AM ON S-1. AGAIN, THIS ITEM
9 NEEDS TO BE KIND OF MODIFIED, AND SO ON. ON 19, I AM IN FAVOR
10 OF SUPPORTING THE REFUGEES, ESPECIALLY AMERICANS. ON 24, I AM
11 CONCERNED IT WAS POSTPONED AGAIN. IT WILL BE EXTREMELY
12 IMPORTANT TO KNOW WHAT THE PRIORITY OF THE BOARD IS. ON 25, I
13 AM IN FAVOR OF THE BLUE RIBBON STAFFING. AND ALSO, ITEM 29, ON
14 MARY WICKHAM BE ASSIGNED TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY, WITH THE
15 BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION, THAT WOULD BE GREAT. AND 34, THE
16 REPORT INFORMS THE INSPECTOR GENERAL SHOULD NOT BE RECEIVE AND
17 FILE. IT SHOULD BE BE DEALT WITH PUBLICLY. ANYWAY, WHEN ARE
18 YOU GOING TO REOPEN THE BOARD TO HUMAN BEINGS, SO WE CAN SEE
19 EACH OTHER AGAIN, AND HAVE MORE IMPACT ON WHAT IS GOING ON?
20 PLEASE REOPEN TO THE PUBLIC. THANK YOU. HAVE A GOOD WEEK. BYE.

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

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24 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER COMES FROM THE LINE OF SAMANTHA
25 MATTHEWS. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE

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1 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
2 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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4 **SAMANTHA MATTHEWS:** GREAT, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS SAMANTHA
5 MATTHEWS, FROM THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS,
6 AND I AM COMMENTING ON ITEM 25 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I
7 WANTED TO THANK SUPERVISORS BARGER AND SOLIS, AND COUNTY
8 STAFF, FOR THE CONTINUED WORK ON ESTABLISHING THE BLUE RIBBON
9 COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS. WE APPLAUD THIS EFFORT TO BRING
10 USEFUL STAKEHOLDERS FROM ACROSS THE COUNTY TO THE TABLE, TO
11 ENSURE AN IDEAL GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE IS IN PLACE TO ADDRESS
12 THE COUNTYWIDE HOMELESSNESS CRISIS. SO IT IS GREAT TO SEE THE
13 STAFFING PLAN ON THE AGENDA TODAY, AND WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD
14 TO THE FIRST MEETING TAKING PLACE IN SEPTEMBER. AND THANK YOU
15 AGAIN FOR TAKING THE TIME TO TRULY BRING TOGETHER, PROVIDE
16 REPRESENTATION OF, AND PROVIDE A VOICE FOR THE DIVERSE
17 PERSPECTIVES OF THE 88 CITIES IN THE COUNTY. TOGETHER, WE CAN
18 STRENGTHEN OUR HOMELESS SERVICES SYSTEM, AND MAKE CONTINUED
19 PROGRESS ON THE BIGGEST CHALLENGE WE FACE. THANK YOU SO MUCH
20 FOR YOUR TIME.

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22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
23 PLEASE?

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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF NATHAN
2 IGNACIO. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
3 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
4 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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6 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, AND GOOD MORNING. I AM COMMENTING ON AGENDA
7 ITEM 1, THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER, TO OPPOSE. SO, FOR THOSE NOT
8 AWARE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS MANDATED VACCINATION FOR
9 COUNTY WORKERS, AND IS SEEKING TO EXPAND THAT MANDATE. NOW,
10 THE FACT THAT THE SUPERVISORS HAVE DEFINITELY WORKED HARD TO
11 GET PEOPLE THE ACCESS TO VACCINES, OR THAT THEY HAVE SUPPORTED
12 POLICIES THAT THEY BELIEVE WILL KEEP PEOPLE SAFE, IS NOT THE
13 PROBLEM. THOSE ARE GOOD THINGS. THE PROBLEM IS THAT THEY TREAT
14 US LIKE CHILDREN, EMPLOYEES, AND PEASANTS. THEY BRIBE PEOPLE
15 WITH TAXPAYER-FUNDED GIVEAWAYS AND JUNK FOOD TO GET THE
16 VACCINE, SO THEIR PRIORITY DOES NOT SEEM TO BE FISCAL
17 RESPONSIBILITY, OR HEALTH, OR SCIENCE. AS SUCH, WHILE I
18 SUPPORT THE AVAILABILITY OF VACCINES, I OPPOSE THE CURRENT AND
19 PROPOSED MANDATES. AND I WANT TO POINT OUT THAT ELECTED
20 OFFICIALS DON'T CARE ABOUT SCIENCE, OR ABOUT THE LIMITS TO
21 THEIR OWN POWER. THEY DON'T CARE ABOUT LEARNING FROM THEIR
22 MISTAKES, AS EVIDENCED BY L.A. COUNTY HAVING SOME OF THE
23 STRICTEST MEASURES IN THE COUNTRY TO COMBAT C.O.V.I.D.-19, YET
24 STILL HAVING NO END IN SIGHT. THESE ELECTED OFFICIALS AND ALL

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1 OTHERS ONLY CARE ABOUT ONE THING, AND IT IS GETTING AND
2 STAYING ELECTED.

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4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
5 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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7 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

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9 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF CARLOS
10 MONTES. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
11 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
12 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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14 **CARLOS MONTES:** YES, GOOD MORNING. REGULAR PUBLIC COMMENT, AND
15 MOTION NUMBER 22. MY NAME IS CARLOS MONTES. I LIVE IN BOYLE
16 HEIGHTS. I'M WITH COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANIZATION, C.S.O. I
17 WANT TO FIRST COMMEND SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR MAKING THE
18 MOTION TO COMMEMORATE THE NATIONAL CHICANO MORATORIUM. I AM AN
19 ACTIVIST FROM THE CHICANO MORATORIUM DAYS. MYSELF AND A LARGE
20 NUMBER OF BROWN BERETS COMMUNITY GROUPS HAD THE FIRST CHICANO
21 MORATORIUM DECEMBER 20, 1969, FROM BOYLE HEIGHTS, EAST L.A.,
22 TO PROTEST THE HIGH CASUALTY RATE OF THE YOUNG MEN IN VIETNAM.
23 SEVERAL OF THE YOUNG MEN THAT I GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL WITH
24 WERE SENT TO VIETNAM, RECRUITED BY THE MARINES, AND CAME BACK
25 TRAUMATIZED, AND DIED OF DRUG OVERDOSES, OR CAME BACK IN

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1 COFFINS. SO, EVERY FIVE, TEN, 15 YEARS, WE COMMEMORATE THE
2 CHICANO MORATORIUM. BUT WE ALSO SAY THAT THE STRUGGLE
3 CONTINUES. WE OPPOSE CURRENT U.S. WARS, LIKE AFGHANISTAN AND
4 IRAQ, BUT WE ALSO RAISE THE ISSUE OF-- AND I WANT TO THANK
5 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY TO EXPOSE AND
6 DENOUNCE THE L.A. SHERIFF'S KILLINGS OF OUR YOUNG MEN THAT
7 CONTINUES TODAY, HERE IN EAST L.A. SO THIS SUNDAY, WE UNITED
8 WITH HUNDREDS OF YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN, TEENAGERS, HIGH SCHOOL
9 STUDENTS, TO COMMEMORATE AND SAY, "THE STRUGGLE CONTINUES." WE
10 CALL IT THE CHICANX MORATORIUM. WE HAD A BIG RALLY AND A MARCH
11 IN EAST L.A. WE HAD CONGRESSWOMAN MAXINE WATERS COME OUT IN
12 SOLIDARITY FOR BLACK AND BROWN SOLIDARITY, AND WE HAD HOPED
13 THAT HILDA SOLIS HAD JOINED US. BUT THIS IS A NEW GENERATION
14 OF YOUNG ACTIVISTS. THEY ARE CARRYING ON THE LEGACY OF THE
15 CHICANO MORATORIUM. THIS IS THE PROTEST AGAINST [INAUDIBLE]
16 AND RACISM. THIS IS NOT A NOSTALGIA REMINISCING OF WHAT PEOPLE
17 DID 50 YEARS AGO, OR 51 YEARS AGO. THIS IS AN ONGOING
18 STRUGGLE. SO I URGE ALL THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO PLEASE
19 VOTE FOR MOTION AGENDA NO. 22. AND, OF COURSE, I SUPPORT,
20 ALSO, AGENDA NO. 19, BECAUSE THE U.S. INVASION AND OCCUPATION-
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23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
24 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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1 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. AND AS A REMINDER, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,
2 IF YOU DO WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 AT
3 THIS TIME. DO NOT PRESS 1 AND 0 A SECOND TIME, OR YOU WILL BE
4 REMOVED FROM THE QUEUE. OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT WILL BE LUIS
5 VENTUEZ. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
6 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
7 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. I AM ADDRESSING AGENDA TOPIC NO. 22. I DO
10 SUPPORT IN FAVOR OF COMMEMORATING THE CHICANO MORATORIUM,
11 BECAUSE THE DEMANDS OF 50 YEARS AGO ARE STILL RELEVANT TODAY,
12 WHEN OUR PEOPLE ARE STILL GETTING KILLED BY THE SHERIFFS AND
13 THE L.A.P.D., SO IT IS IMPORTANT TO HIGHLIGHT THIS DAY, IN
14 ORDER FOR OUR FOLKS IN EAST L.A. AND NEIGHBORING AREAS TO KNOW
15 ABOUT THIS HISTORY AND THE ONGOING STRUGGLE AGAINST POLICE
16 BRUTALITY AND RACIAL INEQUALITY, ALONG WITH INADEQUATE
17 EDUCATION THAT IS IN OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS, AND WE WANT BETTER
18 FUNDING FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND AGAINST THE WARS WHERE THE U.S.
19 INVADES. THANK YOU.

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21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
22 PLEASE?

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24 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF KEN
25 BEHZADI. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE

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1 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
2 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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4 **KEN BEHZADI:** THANK YOU. YES, I'D LIKE TO MAKE A GENERAL PUBLIC
5 COMMENT ON THE INDOOR MASK MANDATE POLICY. MY NAME IS KEN
6 BEHZADI. I AM AN ATTORNEY. I AM MAKING A MOTION FOR THE L.A.
7 COUNTY SUPERVISORS AND THE HEALTH OFFICER TO TERMINATE THE
8 INDOOR MASK MANDATE POLICY. YOU MAY ALL BE IMMUNE FROM THE
9 C.O.V.I.D., BUT YOU ARE NOT IMMUNE FROM THE LAW. I INTEND TO
10 TAKE LEGAL ACTION AGAINST ALL OF YOU FOR FRAUD ON THE PUBLIC,
11 BY ALLOWING THIS LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY, WHICH HAS NO GROUNDS,
12 NO EVIDENCE, TO SHOW ANY EMERGENCY CONDITION, BEYOND THE
13 CONTROL OF THE SERVICES AND FACILITIES OF THIS COUNTY, NOR
14 SHORTAGE OF P.P.E., MEDICINE, SHORTAGE OF EQUIPMENT,
15 FACILITIES, OR ANY EVIDENCE OF REQUEST FOR HELP FROM ANY OTHER
16 COUNTIES. ARE YOU AWARE THAT UNLESS YOU TERMINATE THIS LOCAL
17 HEALTH EMERGENCY BY VOTE, YOU ARE BREAKING THE LAW? YOU ARE
18 REQUIRED TO DO SO BY CALIFORNIA EMERGENCY SERVICES ACT,
19 CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE 8630-D, AND HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE
20 101080. YOU CANNOT ALLOW THIS TO STAY. IT MUST BE TERMINATED
21 AT THE EARLIEST STATE POSSIBLE, WHICH IS NOW. YOU WORK FOR THE
22 PUBLIC, AND THE PUBLIC DEMANDS THAT YOU TERMINATE THE INDOOR
23 MASK MANDATE FORTHWITH.

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
2 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

3

4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF BRIAN
5 SHERIDAN. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
6 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
7 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

8

9 **BRIAN SHERIDAN:** HELLO. MY NAME BRIAN SHERIDAN. I AM WITH THE
10 COALITION FOR CLEAN AIR, AND I JUST WANTED TO THANK
11 SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND SOLIS FOR AGENDA ITEM NO. 10, CLEAN
12 AIR DAY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. YOU KNOW, CALIFORNIA CLEAN AIR
13 DAY HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR-- THIS IS ITS FOURTH YEAR, AND IT'S
14 BEEN AN INCREDIBLY POWERFUL WAY OF GETTING PEOPLE TO TAKE
15 ACTION FOR CLEAN AIR. IN FACT, WHEN PEOPLE TAKE THE CLEAN AIR
16 PLEDGE, 97% OF THEM ACTUALLY FOLLOW THROUGH. AND SO, HERE IN
17 THE MOST POLLUTED, UNFORTUNATELY, COUNTY IN, REALLY, THE
18 UNITED STATES. IT IS INCUMBENT UPON ALL OF US TO TAKE ACTION
19 FOR CLEAN AIR. AND SO I JUST WANT TO THANK, AGAIN, SUPERVISORS
20 MITCHELL AND SOLIS, AND ALSO SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR HER
21 AMENDMENTS IN SUPPORT OF CALIFORNIA CLEAN AIR DAY, WHICH IS
22 OCTOBER 6TH, 2021. AND I HOPE THAT ALL OF US COME TOGETHER FOR
23 A COMMON CAUSE OF CLEAN AIR IN LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU, ALL.

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
2 PLEASE?

3

4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF ROY
5 HUMPHREYS. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
6 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
7 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. I WANT TO SPEAK ON ITEMS 19, 25, AND 30 THROUGH
10 33, AND GENERAL COMMENT. AND FIRST OF ALL, ON THE AFGHANS, THE
11 PRIOR PERSON SPEAKING ABOUT THE AFGHANS AND SO FORTH, IT IS A
12 VERY LAUDATORY COMMENT, BUT IT IS NOT ROOTED IN THE REALITY.
13 WE HAVE NO MONEY TO DEAL WITH THE PRESENT SITUATION AND THE
14 CATASTROPHE AT THE SOUTHERN BORDER, LET ALONE TAKE CARE OF
15 ANYTHING ELSE, ALTHOUGH WE DO HAVE DUTIES AND
16 RESPONSIBILITIES. AND THERE'S NOT ENOUGH MONEY FOR WIDENING
17 [INAUDIBLE] ROAD, HERE IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS. AND YOU WANT TO
18 TALK ABOUT MONEY? AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CANNOT CONTINUE
19 TO PRINT MONEY THAT THEY DON'T HAVE, AND THE LONG-TERM IMPACT
20 OF THAT IS JUST HUGE. ON ITEMS 30 THROUGH 33, IF THERE IS ANY
21 LEGACY I.T.-- THAT IS, INFORMATION SERVICES, INTELLIGENCE
22 COMPUTERS-- WITHIN LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN THE YEAR OF 2021, ALL
23 OF THOSE DEPARTMENT HEADS SHOULD BE TERMINATED IMMEDIATELY,
24 WITH PREJUDICE. AND AS TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, WE NOTE
25 FROM GLENN GILLETTE THAT POWER OVER FELLOW MAN IS THE

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1 PRIMORDIAL AND GREATEST SINGLE DRIVING URGE OF ALL MANKIND,
2 VIRTUALLY, FROM WOMB TO TOMB, AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
3 SEIZING POWER BY CREATING AND MAINTAINING THE LARGEST WELFARE
4 STATE OF TOTAL DEPENDENCY, WITH NO INCENTIVE TO LEAVE THAT
5 STATE, A LA 1984, IS THE DEMISE OF AMERICA AND CALIFORNIA. WE
6 PRAY THAT, AFTER MIDTERMS AND THE REMOVAL OF NEWSOM AND
7 GASCON, THE GANG OF FOUR WILL BE NO MORE, ALONG WITH A
8 CRIMINAL SANCTUARY STATE. THE FAILURE OF THE SUPERVISORS TO
9 COME TO PUBLIC MEETINGS, PREPARED TO ADDRESS SALIENT ISSUES--
10 I.E. MEN'S JAIL REPLACEMENT AND STATUTE MEASURE J, WHICH HAS
11 BEEN DECLARED UNCONSTITUTIONAL-- JUST GOES TO THE LACK OF
12 EFFICACY OF OUR COUNTY GOVERNMENT. BUT WHEN ALL ELSE FAILS, WE
13 CAN BUILD ANOTHER MILLION-DOLLAR DOG PARK. THANK YOU.

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
16 PLEASE?

17

18 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF DAWN
19 BERRY. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
20 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
21 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS DAWN, AND I AM COMMENTING ON AGENDA 1,
24 AND I GUESS IT WOULD BE A PUBLIC COMMENT. I AM AGAINST ANY AND
25 ALL HEALTH MANDATES THAT REQUIRE BEING FORCED TO TAKE AN

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1 INJECTION THAT CONTAINS A FAIR AMOUNT OF POISONS, SUCH AS
2 MR.N.A. GRAPHENE OXIDE, AND THE SPIKE PROTEINS WHICH ARE
3 CAUSING BLOOD CLOTS. YOU HAVE DATA THAT SHOWS THAT THE ANIMAL
4 TRIALS, THE ANIMALS HAVE BEEN KILLED. OR NOT KILLED, BUT THEY
5 HAVE BEEN KILLED BY THIS INJECTION. AND THE HUMANS THAT HAVE
6 BEEN TRICKED INTO TAKING IT, THERE IS DATA SHOWING THAT
7 THOUSANDS OF THEM HAVE DIED, AND HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF THEM
8 HAVE HAD EXTREMELY BAD SIDE EFFECTS. AND EVERYBODY IS
9 SUPPRESSING THIS INFORMATION, AND YOU ARE WANTING TO FORCE IT
10 ON EVERYBODY, AND I AM SO AGAINST THAT. MY BODY, MY CHOICE,
11 RIGHT? YOU GUYS ARE ALL PRO-CHOICE. WELL, EVERYBODY SHOULD
12 HAVE A CHOICE. WE ARE AMERICANS. WE ARE CITIZENS. WE ARE NOT
13 YOUR GUINEA PIGS, WE ARE NOT YOUR CHILDREN, AND YOU NEED TO
14 TREAT US AS SUCH, BECAUSE YOU WORK FOR US. WE DON'T WORK FOR
15 YOU. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT. THANK YOU.

16
17 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
18 PLEASE?

19
20 **MODERATOR:** AND AGAIN, AS A REMINDER, IF YOU WISH TO ADDRESS
21 THE BOARD, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1
22 THEN 0 AT THIS TIME. DO NOT PRESS 1 AND 0 A SECOND TIME, OR
23 YOU WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE QUEUE. OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME
24 FROM THE LINE OF ERIC PREVEN. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA

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1 ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS
2 ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

3

4 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. I WILL DO BOTH. I WILL ADDRESS ON
5 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT AND ON SEVERAL ITEMS, INCLUDING 49 AND
6 9, AND SEVERAL. SO I WILL JUST GET TO IT QUICKLY, OKAY? SO,
7 FIRST OF ALL, THANKS FOR FINALLY COMING BACK TO WORK. I THINK
8 IT IS IMPORTANT TO HOLD REGULAR MEETINGS, NOT SPECIAL MEETINGS
9 THAT ARE CLOSED. AND I'VE LOOKED AT THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR
10 GENERAL'S REPORT, WHICH, YOU KNOW, IS AS GOOD A REASON NOT TO
11 HAVE A BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS AS ANY OTHER. I
12 MEAN, WHAT A WASTE OF... FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU FOR REPORTING
13 THAT THERE HAVE BEEN 258 COMMENDATIONS FOR THE SHERIFF'S
14 DEPARTMENT-- THIS IS GREAT NEWS-- OVER THE PERIOD, AND 196
15 PERSONNEL COMPLAINTS. THAT'S CERTAINLY EASY TO PACKAGE UP AND
16 MAKE SENSE OF. BUT GUESS WHAT? THERE HAVE ONLY BEEN 65 SERVICE
17 COMPLAINTS, SO THIS MEANS THE PLUMBING AND THE WIRING MUST BE
18 IMPROVED. I MEAN, IT IS JUST NOT WHAT WE NEED. AND WHAT I DID
19 DEFINE IN THERE, ALSO, IS THAT YOU ARE STILL USING TASERS IN
20 CUSTODY, AFTER THE DUPREE CASE, WHICH COST US \$4.25 MILLION
21 AND AN ENORMOUS RANCHO BILL, WHERE WE, IN AN INHUMANE MANNER,
22 TASED A CHAP OFF AN UPPER BUNK AND BROKE HIS BACK. SO LET'S
23 NOT DO THAT. I DON'T THINK TASERS ARE THE ANSWER, FOLKS. AND I
24 NOTICE SHEILA'S NOT HERE. I WONDER WHAT THAT IS ABOUT. BUT
25 PUTTING IN MARY WICKHAM, AS YOU'RE PROPOSING AN ITEM 49, TO

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1 SIT AT THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION, IS SUCH A ROBUST SLAP
2 ACROSS THE FACE OF THE PUBLIC, AFTER A TERRIBLE JOB AS COUNTY
3 COUNSEL, WHERE SHE PRESIDED OVER THE "SKIP" MILLER BARONDESS
4 L.L.T., OVERSTUFFING, LIKE A THANKSGIVING TURKEY. WHY DID WE
5 PAY FOR THE CHURCH LAWSUIT, WHERE WE BROUGHT A PUBLIC HEALTH
6 ACTION AGAINST THE CHURCH? WHY DID WE SPEND 900-AND-SOMETHING
7 THOUSAND DOLLARS WITH THIS FIRM, SKIP MILLER'S FIRM, AND NOT
8 REPORT IT IN THE L.A. TIMES? IT IS NICE THAT WE ARE PAYING THE
9 CHURCH \$400,000 IN SETTLEMENT. IT'S WEIRD, FRANKLY, AND THEN
10 THE STATE IS PAYING-- THIS COMES OUT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH
11 BUDGET. SO LET ME BE VERY CLEAR: WE HAVE A LOT OF UNMET PUBLIC
12 HEALTH NEEDS. TO BE SPENDING IT ON SKIP MILLER-- WHILE NO
13 DISRESPECT TO FESIA DAVENPORT, BUT AS THE C.E.O., I AM ASKING
14 YOU POLITELY TO DISCLOSE ALL THE MONEY PAID TO SKIP'S FIRM.
15 YOU ARE LEAVING OUT ALL OF THE ACTIVITIES, TELLING JUDGE
16 CARTER THAT YOU ARE ALL DOING A GREAT JOB WITH THE HOMELESS
17 CRISIS. HE CHARGES FOR THAT. YOU NEED TO TELL US HOW MUCH. AND
18 HE CHARGES TO TELL US TO GIVE SACHI HAMAI, YOUR B.F.F., \$1.5
19 MILLION AS SHE WALKS OUT THE DOOR. HE CHARGES FOR THAT. WE
20 NEED TO KNOW. YOU CAN'T SAY WE DON'T KNOW, BECAUSE YOU DO
21 KNOW. AND YOU'RE NOT TELLING US, WHICH IS TOTALLY
22 INAPPROPRIATE. I THOUGHT I WENT TO THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME
23 COURT. I HAD TO ASK. DIDN'T I GO TO THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME
24 COURT TO GET IT CLEARED, THAT LEGAL INVOICES FOR PRIVATE
25 FIRMS, FOR PUBLIC AGENCIES LIKE YOU ALL, HAVE TO BE DISCLOSED?

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1 AND, MR. CASTRO-SILVA, ARE YOU-- CAN SOMEBODY GET HIM A CUP OF
2 COFFEE? SERIOUSLY, THIS IS NOT A JOKE. AND I WILL SAY, IT IS
3 ALL ABOUT THE ENFORCEMENT AND EVERYTHING WE ALL DEAL WITH, BUT
4 IT IS SO INAPPROPRIATE IN THE LIGHT OF DAY.

5

6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
7 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

8

9 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF LINDA
10 SALDANA. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
11 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
12 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

13

14 **LINDA SALOMON SALDANA:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LINDA SALOMON
15 SALDANA. I AM COMMENTING ON AGENDA ITEM S-1, AND MAKING PUBLIC
16 COMMENT. I AM A BOARD OF TRUSTEE FOR THE DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL
17 BOARD DISTRICT. I WOULD LIKE TO BRING TO THE ATTENTION OF THE
18 BOARD THE HARDSHIP THAT THE L.A. COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH
19 DEPARTMENT'S ORDER TO QUARANTINE EXPOSED STUDENTS IS HAVING ON
20 OUR MOST VULNERABLE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES. EVERY OTHER COUNTY
21 IN CALIFORNIA FOLLOWS A CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
22 ORDER WHICH ALLOWS FOR EXPOSED CHILDREN, WHO ARE WEARING
23 MASKS, TO STAY IN SCHOOL AND GET TESTED MULTIPLE TIMES OVER
24 SEVERAL DAYS. THIS PREVENTS HEALTHY CHILDREN FROM GETTING SENT
25 HOME, DISRUPTING THEIR LEARNING, THEIR SCHEDULE, THEIR

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1 PARENTS' WORK. AND THOSE STUDENTS MOST AFFECTED ARE THE
2 STUDENTS WHOSE PARENTS CANNOT MISS WORK, AND ARE ALREADY
3 BEHIND AFTER A YEAR OF DISTANCE LEARNING. WE HAVE DISTRAUGHT
4 PARENTS COMPLAINING ABOUT THEIR CHILD HAVING TO STAY HOME
5 ALONE, NOT LEARNING, CHILDREN BEING ISOLATED, AND THEY ARE NOT
6 EVEN SICK. ALL WE WANT IS THE OPPORTUNITY TO FOLLOW THE HEALTH
7 ORDER FROM THE STATE, WHICH EVERYONE ELSE IN CALIFORNIA HAS
8 THE OPTION TO DO. L.A. COUNTY IS IN NO WORSE SHAPE THAN OTHER
9 COUNTIES IN CALIFORNIA. OUR STUDENTS HERE IN LOS ANGELES
10 COUNTY NEED A FAIR CHANCE AT THEIR EDUCATION, TO RECOVER AND
11 TO GET BACK THEIR SOCIAL EMOTIONAL HEALTH AFTER A YEAR OF
12 DISTANCE LEARNING. IT IS NOT FAIR THAT, RIGHT ON THE OTHER
13 SIDE OF THE 605, OR NORTH OF US, OR SOUTH OF US, THESE KIDS
14 ARE GETTING TO STAY IN SCHOOL, WHEN OURS ARE BEING SENT HOME
15 TO ISOLATE AND BE HOME ALONE. KIDS ARE SITTING IN CARS ALL DAY
16 WHILE PARENTS ARE INSIDE AT WORK. KIDS ARE HOME ALONE ALL DAY,
17 WHILE PARENTS ARE BUSY WORKING. THE WORLD HAS GONE BACK TO
18 WORK, AND THESE KIDS NEED TO BE IN A SAFE PLACE. PLEASE LEAVE
19 THEM WITH US. LET US TEST THEM, SO WE ONLY SEND SICK KIDS
20 HOME. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

21
22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
23 PLEASE?

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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF STELLA
2 CASILLAS. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
3 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
4 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** HI. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS STELLA CASILLAS. I AM A
7 KINDERGARTEN TEACHER, AND I AM COMMENTING ON AGENDA S-1,
8 PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER. I HAVE THREE GIRLS: A 7TH-GRADER, WHO IS
9 VACCINATED, AND TWIN 6TH-GRADERS, WHOSE ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO BE
10 VACCINATED. ONE OF THE TWINS WAS SENT HOME BECAUSE SHE WAS
11 EXPOSED. ON THE SECOND DAY OF BEING HOME, SHE GETS ONLINE
12 WORK, AND IT SAYS SHE HAS NOT TURNED IN ASSIGNMENTS, AND
13 RECEIVED ZERO POINTS. SHE WAS VERY FRUSTRATED AND UPSET. I HAD
14 TO CALL THE SCHOOL AND E-MAIL THE TEACHER. HER GRADE WAS
15 ADJUSTED, BUT MY DAUGHTER DID NOT NEED THE STRESS OF SEEING
16 ZERO, WHEN SHE WASN'T ALLOWED TO BE IN CLASS. JUST YESTERDAY,
17 I FINALLY HAD ALL THREE GIRLS BACK IN SCHOOL, AND I GET A CALL
18 THAT THE OTHER TWIN WAS EXPOSED AND MUST STAY HOME. THIS IS
19 RIDICULOUS. HOW ARE THEY SUPPOSED TO LEARN? HOW ARE THEY
20 SUPPOSED TO GET A PROPER EDUCATION? HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO
21 HAVE A SCHEDULE? I AM AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER. MY HUSBAND
22 IS A MANAGER. WE CAN'T CONTINUE TO TAKE TIME OFF. AND NEITHER
23 OF THESE GIRLS HAVE C.O.V.I.D. YOU ARE PUNISHING THEM FOR
24 BEING NEXT TO SOMEONE. YOU ARE PUNISHING THEM FOR BEING NEXT
25 TO SOMEONE WHILE THEY ARE WEARING MASKS.

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1

2 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
3 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

4

5 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF
6 VERONICA GUEVARA. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU
7 ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
8 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** HI. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS VERONICA GUEVARA. I WILL
11 BE COMMENTING ON S-1, PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER, TO CHANGE THE
12 EXPOSED QUARANTINE TO RULE AND MATCH THE STATE GUIDELINE. MY
13 SON, JACKSON, JUST ENTERED THIRD GRADE. HE WAS SENT HOME
14 BECAUSE THERE WAS NO SEATING CHART ON DAY ONE OF CLASS. HE WAS
15 SENT HOME FOR FIVE DAYS, EVEN THOUGH HE WAS TESTED NEGATIVE
16 FROM C.O.V.I.D. HE'S ALREADY BEEN AT HOME FOR A WHOLE YEAR.
17 NOW HE HAD TO STAY HOME FOR FIVE MORE DAYS. THIS ISN'T FAIR
18 THAT OUR KIDS ARE SUFFERING BECAUSE THEY HAVE BEEN EXPOSED,
19 BUT NOT HAVING THE VIRUS. SO WE'VE GOT TO TEST THE KIDS AT
20 SCHOOL. I CAN'T BE MISSING WORK. MY HUSBAND CAN'T, AS WELL. WE
21 ALSO HAVE A DAUGHTER THAT HAD TO STAY HOME TWO DAYS, BECAUSE
22 SHE WAS ALSO EXPOSED. IT IS JUST NOT FAIR FOR THESE KIDS. THEY
23 NEED TO BE AT SCHOOL WITH THEIR TEACHERS, WITH THEIR FRIENDS,
24 LEARNING THE PROPER WAY. THANK YOU.

25

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
2 PLEASE?

3

4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF LUCIA
5 PIERRE. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
6 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
7 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS LUCIA PIERRE. I AM A RESIDENT OF
10 SUPERVISOR BARGER'S DISTRICT, AND I AM SPEAKING ON AGENDA
11 ITEMS 18, 19, 34, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. ON 18, THIS
12 MOTION IS CALLED STRENGTHENING VICTIMS SERVICES IN LOS ANGELES
13 COUNTY, AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT THE IDEA OF STRENGTH, I
14 THINK, IS TOO OFTEN CONFUSED [AUDIO CUTS OUT] AND WHAT WE
15 REALLY NEED IS TO SUPPORT AND EXPAND COMMUNITY-BASED TRAUMA-
16 INFORMED SERVICES FOR SURVIVORS OF HARM, BECAUSE REAL STRENGTH
17 LIES IN THE KIND OF HEALING AND TRANSFORMATION THAT THE
18 CRIMINAL LEGAL SYSTEM IS INCAPABLE OF DELIVERING. SO I SUPPORT
19 THIS MOTION, AND I URGE THE BOARD TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING
20 CHANGES BEFORE ADOPTING THE RECOMMENDATION: INSTEAD OF FILLING
21 SEATS IN THE BUREAU OF VICTIM SERVICES, INVEST THOSE FUNDS
22 INTO COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES FOR SURVIVORS. BOTH PROBATION
23 AND THE D.A.'S OFFICE HAVE PROVEN TO BE INEFFICIENT IN
24 ACTUALLY DISSEMINATING RESTITUTION FUNDS TO SURVIVORS, SO THE
25 COUNTY NEEDS TO GO BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD AND DEVELOP A

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1 COMMUNITY-BASED MODEL FOR THAT DISBURSEMENT. AND A.B. 109
2 FUNDING FOR SURVIVORS SHOULD BE IN CONJUNCTION WITH PRETRIAL
3 SERVICES, TO SUPPORT SURVIVORS THROUGH THE PRETRIAL PROCESS.
4 FOR 19, I APPRECIATE THAT THE BOARD TOOK A MOMENT OF SILENCE
5 TO HONOR THOSE WHO WERE KILLED IN THE SUICIDE ATTACK AT THE
6 KABUL AIRPORT. AND IN CONJUNCTION WITH SYMBOLIC GESTURES LIKE
7 THAT, THE BOARD MUST ACT TO SUPPORT REFUGEES AND PEOPLE WHO
8 SUPPORTED OUR IMPERIAL PRESENCE IN AFGHANISTAN FOR 20 YEARS,
9 AND NOW ARE BEING LEFT IN THE LURCH. SO I SUPPORT 19. AS FAR
10 AS 34, THE O.I.G. REPORT ON REFORMS AND OVERSIGHT EFFORTS IS
11 JUST YET ANOTHER SOLID PIECE OF EVIDENCE FOR WHY REFORMS AND
12 OVERSIGHT ACTUALLY DO NOT ANSWER THE DEMANDS OF OUR COMMUNITY
13 FOR REAL SAFETY AND REAL COMMUNITY-BASED SYSTEMS OF CARE AND
14 SUPPORT. WE SEE THAT THERE HAVE BEEN SEVEN DEPUTY-INVOLVED
15 SHOOTINGS A QUARTER. TWO OF THEM WERE FATAL. TEN PEOPLE HAVE
16 DIED IN L.A.S.D. CUSTODY IN THIS QUARTER, AND THERE'S VERY
17 LITTLE INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR DEATHS. AND IT IS JUST YET
18 ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF WHY WE NEED TO MOVE MONEY OUT OF L.A.S.D.
19 AND INTO COMMUNITY-BASED SYSTEMS OF CARE AND SUPPORT, AND
20 INVEST IN OUR PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITIES, INSTEAD OF FURTHER
21 HARM. AND FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT-- [AUDIO CUTS OUT]

22
23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** PLEASE CONTINUE. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT
24 SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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1 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. AND AS A REMINDER, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,
2 IF YOU DO WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD TODAY, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN
3 0 ON YOUR TOUCHTONE PHONE. DO NOT PRESS 1-0 A SECOND TIME, OR
4 YOU WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE QUEUE.

5

6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW HEAR THE SPANISH
7 INTERPRETATION OF THIS REMINDER. [INSTRUCTIONS IN SPANISH.]
8 THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

9

10 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF DAVID
11 BEZZANT. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
12 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
13 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

14

15 **DAVID BEZZANT:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
16 BOARD. MY NAME IS DAVID BEZZANT. I AM THE VICE PRESIDENT OF T-
17 MOBILE'S U.S. DIVISION, SUPPORTING THE PUBLIC SECTOR. MY
18 REMARKS ARE IN FAVOR OF RELATIVE ITEM 45-G OF TODAY'S
19 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, WHICH SPEAKS TO INITIATIVES RELATED TO
20 CLOSING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I THANK YOU
21 FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, MADAM CHAIR, TO INTRODUCE THIS MOTION TO
22 HELP LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF THEIR
23 LIVES THROUGH TECHNOLOGY. I APPLAUD THIS EFFORT. IT IS VERY
24 EXCITING, AND IT'S CRITICAL FOR EQUALITY AND SUCCESS. WE AT T-
25 MOBILE ARE LIKEWISE EXCITED ABOUT THE PROSPECT OF HELPING THE

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1 COUNTY WITH THIS GOAL, AND I WANT TO EXTEND MYSELF AND OUR
2 TEAM AS A RESOURCE TO THE BOARD, WHERE WE ARE COMMITTED TO
3 HELPING IN ANY WAY THAT WE CAN. LASTLY, OUR MAIN POINT OF
4 CONTACT IN THE EXPLORATORY DISCUSSIONS THAT HAVE HELPED SHAPE
5 THE CONTOURS OF THIS BOARD MOTION IS SELWYN HOLLINS, THE
6 DIRECTOR OF THE COUNTY INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT. I
7 PERSONALLY WANT TO THANK SELWYN PUBLICLY FOR ALL THAT HE IS
8 DOING WITH THIS BOARD AND THE BETTERMENT OF THE COUNTY OF
9 ANGELENOS. THANK YOU FOR THE CHANCE TO SPEAK WITH YOU, AND
10 HAVE A GREAT MEETING.

11
12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
13 PLEASE?

14
15 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF RICHARD
16 SHAVE. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
17 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
18 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19
20 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISORS, THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME SPEAK. MY NAME
21 IS RICHARD SHAVE. I AM A PRIVATE CITIZEN, AND I WOULD LIKE TO
22 GIVE PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEM 45-H, THE UNIQUE THEATRE.
23 AND I JUST WANTED TO CALL IN AND SUPPORT THIS MOTION TO
24 INVESTIGATE THE... TO NOMINATE AND TO SECURE THE NOMINATION
25 FOR PRESERVING THE HISTORIC UNIQUE THEATRE ON 1ST STREET. IT

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1 IS A REALLY GREAT THEATER, ONE OF THE LAST REMAINING THEATERS
2 IN EAST LOS ANGELES, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S
3 OFFICE, ONCE THIS NOMINATION IS COMPLETE, MOVING FORWARD TO
4 CREATE A COLLECTION OF COMMUNITY EVENTS AROUND THESE EXISTING
5 THEATERS, OF WHICH THE UNIQUE IS ONLY ONE. SO I LOOK FORWARD
6 TO THE BEST REMAINING SEATS IN EAST LOS ANGELES BEING
7 CELEBRATED AGAIN. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
10 PLEASE?

11

12 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF CHRIS
13 RAKE. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING
14 TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
15 YOU MAY BEGIN.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS CHRISTOPHER RAKE, M.D. I'M COMMENTING
18 ON ITEM 1-D. I'M A PRIVATE CITIZEN. TO VOTE YES ON VACCINE
19 MANDATES IS A VOTE FOR VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS, MEDICAL
20 [INAUDIBLE], PERSONAL BODILY AUTONOMY, FEDERAL LAW TITLE 21,
21 SECTION 360BBB, AND THE NUREMBERG CODE. THE NUREMBERG CODE AND
22 FEDERAL LAW TITLE 21, SECTION 360BBB PROHIBIT MANDATING
23 EXPERIMENTAL TREATMENT. IN FACT, VIOLATIONS OF THE NUREMBERG
24 CODE ARE CONSIDERED VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS, AND ARE
25 PUNISHABLE BY DEATH. CONTRARY TO POPULAR BELIEF, THE PFIZER

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1 VACCINE IS STILL NOT FULLY APPROVED. THE F.D.A., ON AUGUST
2 23RD OF THIS YEAR, EXTENDED THE E.U.A. FOR THE PFIZER MR.N.A.
3 VACCINE, BUT GAVE FULL APPROVAL TO THE BIONTECH [INAUDIBLE]
4 VACCINE, KNOWN AS COMIRNATY. SINCE COMIRNATY IS NOT AVAILABLE
5 IN THE UNITED STATES, ONLY THE EXPERIMENTAL VACCINE BY PFIZER
6 IS AVAILABLE. ALSO, GIVEN THAT UP TO 70% OF MINORITIES ARE
7 UNVACCINATED AND DON'T TRUST THE GOVERNMENT TO DO THE RIGHT
8 THING, BECAUSE OF ITS DEPLORABLE TREATMENT OF MINORITIES IN
9 THE PAST, SUCH AS IN THE TUSKEGEE EXPERIMENTS, THIS BILL IS
10 RACIST AND DISCRIMINATORY. WITH THE STROKE OF A PEN, YOU WILL
11 BE PUTTING THOUSANDS OF POOR MINORITY WORKERS OUT OF A JOB.

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
14 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

15

16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF JEFFREY
17 BELL. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING
18 TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
19 YOU MAY BEGIN.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. I AM JUST ADDRESSING ITEM 1-D, AND I WOULD
22 LIKE TO ADDRESS ON PUBLIC COMMENT, IN LINE WITH WHAT THE
23 PREVIOUS CALLER SAID. I BELIEVE THAT SOCIAL WORK IN LOS
24 ANGELES, AND I BELIEVE THAT ALL VACCINE MANDATES, ARE RACIST
25 IN NATURE AND DISCRIMINATORY, AS THEY WILL DISPROPORTIONATELY

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1 AFFECT THE MINORITY POPULATIONS, ESPECIALLY THE AFRICAN-
2 AMERICAN COMMUNITY, WHO HAS A LONG HISTORY OF BEING
3 EXPERIMENTED ON IN THE PAST. I THINK IT IS REALLY IMPORTANT
4 THAT WE ALSO LOOK AT OTHER TREATMENTS. WE NEED MORE RESEARCH
5 ON NATURAL IMMUNITY. IN FACT, WE SHOULD JUST LOOK AT ISRAEL
6 RIGHT NOW. ISRAEL JUST PUBLISHED A STUDY STATING THAT PEOPLE
7 WITH NATURAL IMMUNITY ACTUALLY ARE MUCH MORE IMMUNE TO THE
8 DELTA VARIANT THAN PEOPLE THAT HAVE HAD TWO SHOTS OF PFIZER.
9 ALSO WANT TO LOOK AT ISRAEL AS ONE OF THE MOST VACCINATED
10 COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD, AND THEY ARE HAVING ONE OF THE WORST
11 OUTBREAKS OF THE DELTA VARIANT, SHOWING THAT A VACCINE IS NOT
12 A ONE-SIZE-FITS-ALL TREATMENT. I ALSO THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO
13 LOOK AT ISRAEL AGAIN, AND SEE THAT NOW THEY ARE ON THEIR THIRD
14 ROUND OF THE BOOSTER, THEIR FIRST ROUND OF BOOSTERS, AND NOW
15 THEY ARE SAYING THAT PEOPLE WITH TWO SHOTS ARE NO LONGER
16 IMMUNE, AND THAT THEY NEED THREE SHOTS TO BE CONSIDERED
17 IMMUNE, AND TO BE ABLE TO VISIT NORMAL PLACES. I JUST THINK
18 THAT THESE MANDATES ARE A SLIPPERY SLOPE. I APPRECIATE THAT
19 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS ATTEMPTING TO KEEP US SAFE, BUT
20 AGAIN, THESE MANDATES ARE RACIST AND DISCRIMINATORY IN NATURE,
21 AND I THINK THEY NEED TO BE ABOLISHED. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
22 TIME.

23
24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
25 PLEASE?

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1

2 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF AUSTIN
3 BAGINO. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
4 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
5 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** HI, THERE. YES, I AM CALLING TO OPPOSE ITEM NUMBER 1,
8 AND MAYBE SOME GENERAL COMMENT HERE. I JUST-- I DON'T KNOW WHO
9 ANY OF YOU THINK YOU ARE. YOU ARE NOT MY PARENTS, YOU ARE NOT
10 MY FAMILY, YOU ARE NOT MY DOCTOR, AND YOU ARE NOT, BY ANY
11 MEANS, MY GOD. SO YOU DO NOT GET TO TELL ME WHAT TO DO WITH MY
12 BODY, NOR ANY OF MY FRIENDS, NOR MY FAMILY. IN L.A., IN L.A.
13 COUNTY, I HAVE LIVED HERE FOR EIGHT YEARS. I LOVE L.A., I LOVE
14 CALIFORNIA, BUT I THOUGHT THAT WE WERE SUPPOSED TO BE AN
15 INCLUSIVE STATE, NOT DISCRIMINATORY. PEOPLE WHO ARE VACCINATED
16 SHOULD BE STANDING UP. YOU SHOULD LOOK AT WHAT IS HAPPENING IN
17 OTHER COUNTRIES THAT ARE MAKING THESE MANDATES. PEOPLE HAVE
18 BEEN RISING UP IN FRANCE FOR EIGHT WEEKS, JUST NONSTOP. NOBODY
19 IS GOING TO THE RESTAURANTS ANYMORE. THEY ARE HAVING PICNICS
20 NEXT TO THEIR OPEN RESTAURANTS, THAT ARE EMPTY. IT IS REALLY
21 SOMETHING, THAT YOU GUYS THINK THAT YOU CAN DO THIS TO PEOPLE.
22 I AM IN AWE. AND I HEARD THAT LAWYER TELL YOU GUYS THAT HE IS
23 GOING TO SUE YOU, AND YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE PEOPLE THAT ARE
24 GOING TO SUE YOU. IT IS GOING TO COME. SO, WE KNOW WHO YOU
25 ARE. WE ARE WATCHING YOU. YOU GUYS, I KNOW YOU'RE TRYING TO

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1 HELP, BUT IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT HEALTH IS, IF YOU'RE NOT A
2 DOCTOR, YOU DON'T EVEN REALIZE YOU ARE LYING, MAYBE. BUT THEN
3 THAT'S VERY SAD, CONSIDERING THE POSITION THAT YOU CURRENTLY
4 HOLD IN OFFICE, AND WE'RE GOING TO TAKE EACH AND EVERY ONE OF
5 YOU OUT. WE KNOW WHO YOU ARE. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.
6 THANK YOU FOR HELPING THE PUBLIC, AND TRYING TO HELP US, BUT
7 PLEASE LET US FIGURE IT OUT FOR OURSELVES, WHAT WE WANT TO DO
8 WITH OUR BODIES. THANK YOU.

9

10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
11 PLEASE?

12

13 **MODERATOR:** AND AS A REMINDER, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IF YOU DO
14 WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 AT THIS TIME.
15 DO NOT PRESS 1 THEN 0 A SECOND TIME, OR YOU WILL BE REMOVED
16 FROM THE QUEUE. WE'RE GOING TO GO TO THE LINE OF ARNOLD
17 STRONG. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
18 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
19 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

20

21 **ARNOLD STRONG:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE
22 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND ALL WHO'VE CALLED IN. MY NAME IS
23 ARNOLD STRONG. I AM A RETIRED UNITED STATES ARMY COLONEL. I'M
24 A LOS ANGELES NATIVE, AND I HAVE RETIRED TO LONG BEACH. I AM
25 ALSO A FOUNDING BOARD MEMBER OF VETERANS IN MEDIA AND

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1 ENTERTAINMENT, AND I'M AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN
2 LEGION, IN POST 43. FOR THE LAST TWO AND A HALF WEEKS, I HAVE
3 BEEN VOLUNTEERING AS A COORDINATING LEADER OF THE AFGHAN EVAC,
4 AND I AM CALLING TO VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR AGENDA ITEM 19, AND
5 IN FAVOR. AND IN PUBLIC COMMENT, I WOULD LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT THE
6 WORK OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND HER STAFF IN THIS. HAVING
7 DEPLOYED NOT ONCE, BUT THREE TIMES, TO THE NATION OF
8 AFGHANISTAN OVER THE PAST 20 YEARS, AT THE BEGINNING OF THE
9 CONFLICT, IN THE MIDDLE OF THE CONFLICT, AND TOWARDS THE END
10 OF THE CONFLICT, I THINK THAT EVERYTHING WE CAN DO TO CONTINUE
11 TO EVACUATE AMERICAN CITIZENS, GREEN CARD HOLDERS, S.I.V.
12 RECIPIENTS, AND S.I.V. APPLICANTS, AND TO ENABLE THEM, AS
13 EVACUEES, TO HAVE A SAFE HARBOR HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
14 SPONSORED, ETC., IS SOMETHING I WOULD PERSONALLY ADVOCATE FOR
15 AND OPEN MY HOME TO, AND I AM VOICING MY OPINION IN SUPPORT OF
16 THIS INITIATIVE FROM SUPERVISOR SOLIS. THANK YOU.

17
18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
19 PLEASE?

20
21 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF JUDY
22 FRYE. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING
23 TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
24 YOU MAY BEGIN.

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1 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS JUDY FRYE. I AM FROM SUPERVISOR
2 BARGER'S DISTRICT, AND I AM CALLING IN REGARDING THE MANDATE,
3 NUMBER ONE. THE VACCINE MANDATE. WHILE I AM NOT A PUBLIC
4 COUNTY WORKER, I DO WORK CLOSELY WITH THEM. AND SO, AS L.A.
5 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DOES, LIKELY IT WILL TRICKLE DOWN
6 TO THE OTHER AGENCIES THAT WE WORK FOR. I HAVE WATCHED AND
7 DONE SOME RESEARCH, AND I HAVE TRIED TO DO MY OWN INFORMED
8 CONSENT. AND I HAVE WATCHED THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WHICH I
9 WANT TO SAY CONGRATULATIONS FOR BEING ALL FEMALE. BUT ALL OF
10 YOU ON THIS BOARD ARE PRO-CHOICE, WHICH SAYS TO ME, "MY
11 CHOICE, MY BODY." MS. HAHN, YOU MARCHED AT THE WOMEN'S
12 CONFERENCE IN JANUARY 2017, AND SAID YOU STOOD PROUDLY WITH
13 PLANNED PARENTHOOD. THAT IS "MY BODY, MY CHOICE." MS. KUEHL,
14 SHE SAID ANY MANAGER KNOWS THAT IF YOU ARE TRYING TO HIRE A
15 DIRECTOR, YOU TRY TO HIRE THE BEST, THE TOP TALENT, REGARDLESS
16 OF CITIZENSHIP, BUT NOW YOU WANT TO MANDATE A VACCINE TO ME,
17 AND SO THE CITIZENS WHO ARE NOT LEGAL WILL NOW HAVE MORE
18 RIGHTS THAN I DO.

19

20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
21 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

22

23 **SPEAKER:** THAT WAS NOT A MINUTE.

24

25 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, IT WAS. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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1

2 **MODERATOR:** I APOLOGIZE. OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE
3 LINE OF MARLENE MATSUI. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS
4 YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON
5 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. AND THEY HAVE DROPPED. NEXT PARTY WILL
6 BE DAVID BRAMANTE. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU
7 ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
8 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

9

10 **DAVID ALEXANDER BRAMANTE:** HI. YEAH, THIS IS DAVID ALEXANDER
11 BRAMANTE. I AM SPEAKING ON ITEM 1, AND ALSO GENERAL PUBLIC
12 COMMENT. I WAS AT THE RALLIES. I'VE BEEN AT THE RALLIES
13 AGAINST THE C.O.V.I.D. MASKS, VACCINE, AND VACCINE PASSPORT
14 MANDATES THAT ARE TRICKLING DOWN AND POPPING UP, AND I AM 100%
15 OPPOSED TO ALL OF THESE MANDATES. AND I JUST WANT TO ADDRESS
16 PEOPLE THAT ARE LISTENING RIGHT NOW. YOU GUYS ARE CALLING IN.
17 YOU'RE WATCHING ONLINE. YOU ARE SUBMITTING COMPLAINTS. THEY
18 ARE NOT BEING LISTENED TO. I AM RUNNING FOR CALIFORNIA
19 GOVERNOR TO STOP THESE MANDATES. I'M GOING TO DO SOMETHING A
20 LITTLE UNORTHODOX. I WANT YOU TO TEXT ME. I WANT TO SEND YOU
21 MORE INFORMATION. MY PHONE NUMBER IS (310) 906-5459. (310)
22 906-5459. I AM ACTIVELY ORGANIZING AFFIDAVITS, LEGAL
23 DOCUMENTS, OPPOSITION, AND WE ARE GOING TO THESE PEOPLE'S
24 HOMES. UNFORTUNATELY, THAT'S THE ONLY PLACE THAT THEY LISTEN.
25 SO, I WAS AT TWO CITY COUNCIL MEMBER'S HOMES OVER THE WEEKEND:

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1 NURY MARTINEZ AND MITCH O'FARRELL. AND GUESS WHAT? THEY LOOKED
2 OUT THE WINDOWS. THEY CALLED THE POLICE. THEY CALLED THE
3 HELICOPTERS. WOW, DID THEY TAKE NOTICE. SO PLEASE TEXT ME.
4 LOOK ME UP ONLINE. DAVID ALEXANDER BRAMANTE. THIS IS NOT A
5 GAME, AND THIS CIRCUS THAT WE ARE IN RIGHT NOW-- CALLING IN,
6 GIVING A MINUTE TO TRY TO TELL THEM WHY OUR FREEDOM MATTERS--
7 IS JUST ABSOLUTELY RIDICULOUS. GUYS, THIS IS TURNING INTO A
8 BANANA REPUBLIC, AND WE REALLY NEED TO UNITE OFF OF SOCIAL
9 MEDIA, OFF OF THESE RIDICULOUS MEETINGS WHERE WE GET ONE
10 MINUTE TO PLEA FOR OUR FREEDOM FROM PEOPLE THAT ARE PRO-CHOICE
11 FOR ABORTION, BUT NOT FREE CHOICE FOR VACCINES FOR OUR
12 CHILDREN. GIVE ME A BREAK. CALL ME. FIND ME. LET'S UNITE. I AM
13 LOOKING AT YOU, I'M CALLING ON YOU. HELP ME.

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
16 PLEASE?

17

18 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF ZEKE
19 SANDOVAL. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
20 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
21 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

22

23 **ZEKE SANDOVAL:** HI, THIS IS ZEKE SANDOVAL. [INAUDIBLE],
24 SPEAKING ON DEPARTMENTAL-- OR, SORRY, ON ITEMS 25 AND 49.

25

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** PLEASE BEGIN.

2

3 **ZEKE SANDOVAL:** I JUST WANTED TO-- GREAT. I WANTED TO JUST
4 ADDRESS THE SUPERVISORS, AND THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THE
5 COMMISSION, THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS, UP FOR
6 REVIEW. I JUST WANTED TO SAY ON BEHALF OF P.A.T.H., PEOPLE
7 ASSISTING THE HOMELESS, THAT WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING
8 WITH THE COMMISSION AND THE EVENTUAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND
9 WE LOOK FORWARD TO PROVIDING ANY ADVICE AND GUIDANCE WE CAN,
10 AND APPRECIATE THE SUPERVISORS PAYING ATTENTION TO THIS
11 IMPORTANT ISSUE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
14 PLEASE?

15

16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF JUANA
17 BLANCO. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
18 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING ON
19 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

20

21 **JUANA BLANCO:** YES, MY NAME IS JUANA BLANCO. [INAUDIBLE] I'M
22 SORRY, MY ENGLISH IS A LITTLE BAD.

23

24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** DO YOU NEED A SPANISH INTERPRETER?

25

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1 **JUANA BLANCO:** YES, PLEASE.

2

3 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YOU CAN SPEAK IN SPANISH, AND WE WILL
4 INTERPRET AFTER. GO AHEAD.

5

6 **JUANA BLANCO:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [SPEAKS SPANISH.]

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** CAN WE HAVE THE SPANISH TRANSLATION,
9 PLEASE?

10

11 **INTERPRETER:** HI, GOOD MORNING. I WILL NOW INTERPRET THE
12 SPANISH-SPEAKER'S COMMENTS. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JUANA
13 BLANCO. I AM A HOMEOWNER IN WEST COVINA. I AM CALLING
14 REGARDING THE FRAUDULENT PRACTICES BY THE PROGRAM P.A.C.E. I
15 BELIEVE IT IS JUST TO PAY FOR FRAUDULENT ACTIVITIES. THANK
16 YOU.

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
19 PLEASE?

20

21 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF ROSARIO
22 CARRILLO. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
23 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
24 PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

25

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1 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
2 BOARD. I AM SPEAKING ON ITEM 22, ADDRESSING ON PUBLIC GENERAL
3 PUBLIC. FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU TO SOLIS, KUEHL, AND MITCHELL,
4 FOR INTRODUCING MOTIONS ON GUARANTEED INCOME PILOTS, AND CASH
5 PROGRAMS TO HELP OUR COMMUNITY. NOW, I'D LIKE TO URGE THE
6 BOARD TO PLEASE VOTE IN FAVOR OF ITEM 22, BECAUSE THE CHICANX
7 MORATORIUM IS NOT ONLY A SIGNIFICANT HISTORICAL EVENT FOR EAST
8 LOS ANGELES, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, AND THE UNITED STATES, IT
9 ALSO ENGENDERS EACH YEAR A NEW GENERATION OF GRASSROOTS
10 LEADERS, ESPECIALLY AMONG OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. THE ORGANIZERS OF
11 THE ANNUAL COMMEMORATION ARE HOLDING THE LINE IN THE
12 COMMUNITY, AS FAMILIES ENDURE PUBLIC POLICE BRUTALITY, THE
13 PANDEMIC, AND SO MUCH MORE. THE CHICANX MORATORIUM IS
14 SOMETHING THAT UNITES THE COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY DURING THESE
15 DIFFICULT TIMES. SO I URGE THE BOARD TO PLEASE VOTE ON ITEM
16 22, IN FAVOR OF ITEM 22. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

17
18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
19 PLEASE?

20
21 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF
22 MEREDITH WILLIAMS. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU
23 ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
24 PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

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1 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. I HAVE CALLED IN ON SO MANY OF THE
2 DIFFERENT BILLS THAT ARE TRYING TO BE-- THE DIFFERENT EFFORTS
3 THAT ARE TRYING TO BE PASSED, IN REGARDS TO MANDATING
4 VACCINES, AND IT FEELS LIKE WE ARE LIVING IN A NIGHTMARE. THIS
5 IS NOT ANYTHING THAT AMERICA STANDS FOR. THIS DOES NOT MAKE
6 ANY POSSIBLE SENSE THAT IT WOULD EVEN BE PROPOSED OR
7 CONSIDERED IN OUR COUNTRY. OUR COUNTRY STANDS FOR FREEDOM, AND
8 IF YOU ARE NOT FREE TO DECLINE WHAT IS INJECTED INTO YOUR
9 BODY, THEN WHERE IS THAT FREEDOM? WHO ON EARTH WOULD EVER
10 IMAGINE THAT, IN THIS COUNTRY, WE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO WORK, WE
11 WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO PROVIDE FOR OUR FAMILY, JUST BECAUSE WE
12 DECLINE PUTTING THINGS INTO OUR BODY THAT HAVEN'T EVEN BEEN
13 TESTED? EVEN IF THEY WERE TESTED FOR A LONG TIME, WE HAVE THE
14 RIGHT TO DECLINE. IT IS NEITHER THE ONLY, NOR THE BEST WAY, TO
15 FIGHT THIS VIRUS. IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE. PEOPLE STILL GET-
16 - AFTER GETTING THE VACCINE, YOU CAN STILL CATCH AND SPREAD
17 IT. WHAT KIND OF FALSE SCIENCE ARE WE FOLLOWING? WE HAVE TO
18 FOLLOW THE MONEY AND SEE THE CORRUPTION, AND PUT THESE NUMBERS
19 TOGETHER, AND REALLY TAKE A HARD LOOK AT THE DIRECTION THAT WE
20 ARE SENDING OUR COUNTRY IN, WITH ALL THESE LITTLE MEASURES
21 THAT ARE TAKING AWAY OUR FREEDOM, STEP BY STEP.

22
23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
24 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF
2 MILLETTE. NO LAST NAME WAS PROVIDED. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR
3 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL
4 ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME-- HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS MILLETTE. I'M A SINGLE MOTHER. I HAVE A
11 BABY AND A 20-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER, AND I AM OPPOSED TO THE
12 MANDATION FOR THE VACCINE, THE MASKS, AND ALL OF THE CRAP OF
13 THESE CORRUPT POLITICIANS. IF YOU ARE A PARENT, DAD, MOM, YOU
14 DON'T CARE ABOUT YOUR CHILDREN, WE CARE ABOUT OUR CHILDREN,
15 AND WE'RE SO PISSED OFF. I'M SO PISSED OFF. I HAVE TO SEE MY
16 DAUGHTER HAVE TO TAKE THAT VACCINE FOR HER JOB, BECAUSE YOU
17 MANDATE IT. AND BECAUSE OF THAT, OUR RELATIONSHIP IS
18 STRUGGLING RIGHT NOW. BUT YOU KNOW WHAT? I BELIEVE IN AN
19 ALMIGHTY GOD, AND I PRAY FOR YOU ALL. I PRAY THAT HE BLESS YOU
20 GUYS SO MUCH THAT HE WILL BRING YOU TO REPENTANCE. WE'RE SO
21 UPSET, BUT YOU KNOW WHAT? GOD IS A GRACIOUS GOD. I FORGIVE
22 EACH ONE OF YOU, AND I PRAY THAT THE LORD WILL BREAK YOUR
23 HEARTS [INAUDIBLE]. AND I PRAY THAT YOU GUYS CONFESS TO YOUR
24 SINS. YOU ARE KILLING PEOPLE, DAY IN AND DAY OUT. YOU KNOW
25 WHAT? MONEY IS THE ROOT OF ALL KINDS OF EVIL. IF THAT IS WHAT

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1 YOU ARE AFTER, IT IS GOING TO GET TO YOUR GRAVE. AND GUESS
2 WHAT? THE LORD KNOWS, AND HE WILL AVENGE EACH ONE OF US. THE
3 JUSTICE IS COMING.

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED. MAY WE
6 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

7

8 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF SAMMY
9 LEE. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING
10 TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
11 YOU MAY BEGIN.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. I AM CALLING TO OPPOSE THE DEVELOPMENT,
14 AND THE MAKING OF PUBLIC COMMENT, FOR ITEM NUMBER 5. MY NAME
15 IS SAMMY LEE, A RESIDENT OF STEVENSON RANCH AND A POLICE
16 LIEUTENANT, WHO RETIRED AS AN EMERGENCY SERVICES BUREAU
17 COMMANDER RESPONSIBLE FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, INCLUDING FIRE
18 EVACUATION. I AM IN FAVOR OF THE APPEAL, AND OPPOSE ITEM
19 NUMBER 5, THE PICO CANYON WILLIAMS DEVELOPMENT. I BASE THIS ON
20 THE DEVELOPMENT IS LOCATED IN EXTREME FIRE CANYON AREA,
21 FREQUENTED BY WINDY CONDITIONS. THE DEVELOPMENT HAS ONE WAY IN
22 AND ONE WAY OUT, THROUGH AN EXISTING COMMUNITY. THIS MEANS
23 WELL OVER 400 HOMES TRYING TO EVACUATE VIA ONE STREET. NOTABLE
24 EVACUATION FACTORS INCLUDE THE PICO CANYON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
25 AND SUNSHINE DAY CAMP. NOTE: CALIFORNIA HAS TOP-TIER

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1 FIREFIGHTING RESOURCES, INCLUDING AIR CAPABILITIES, OWNED AND
2 RENTED. YET, EACH YEAR WE SEE HISTORIC, UNPRECEDENTED FIRES,
3 DESPITE OUR RESOURCES AND FIRE-BUILDING MITIGATIONS. WHAT HAS
4 CHANGED SINCE THE ORIGINAL PROJECT WAS BEING DISCUSSED? WE
5 HAVE SEEN DEVASTATING FIRES, SUCH AS THOMAS, WOOLSEY, CREEK,
6 PARADISE, AND THE CURRENT CALDOR FIRE; YEARS OF MINIMAL RAIN,
7 COMBINED WITH GLOBAL WARMING. WE HAVE ALSO SEEN MUTUAL AID NOT
8 HAVING ENOUGH RESOURCES TO SAVE STRUCTURES. THE ISSUE ISN'T
9 THE LACK OF FIRE PREVENTION OR SPECIAL FIRE-RESISTANT
10 CONSTRUCTION. THE ISSUE IS BUILDING A PROJECT IN A DRY, WIND-
11 PRONE CANYON. THE WILLIAMS PROJECT IS EXACTLY THAT. THIS
12 PROJECT NEEDS ANOTHER ACCESS POINT FOR SAFETY, AND NEEDS AN
13 E.I.R. TO DETERMINE ITS IMPACT ON SEVERAL AREAS AND CONCERNS.
14 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

15

16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
17 PLEASE?

18

19 **MODERATOR:** CHAIRPERSON, AT THIS TIME, WE HAVE NO FURTHER
20 PARTIES IN QUEUE.

21

22 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OUR TIME, AS YOU KNOW,
23 FOR PUBLIC SPEAKERS HAS ENDED. I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE THAT
24 DID CALL IN TO SPEAK, AND IF YOU WERE UNABLE TO PROVIDE YOUR
25 COMMENTS, YOU CAN STILL SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS, AS INDICATED

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1 ON THE AGENDA. AND I DO WANT TO CLARIFY, WE DO PROVIDE MORE
2 THAN ONE MINUTE FOR PEOPLE TO SPEAK. THEY SIMPLY HAVE TO
3 REQUEST THE ITEM THEY WANT TO SPEAK ON, OR PUBLIC COMMENT, AND
4 YOU WILL BE GIVEN ADEQUATE TIME TO SPEAK. WE WILL CONTINUE TO
5 ACCEPT, AS YOU KNOW, ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING
6 THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE PUBLIC RECORD. WITH
7 THAT, LET'S TURN TO ITEM 5. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
8 INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS ON WHICH WE WILL BE VOTING.

9

10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THE FOLLOWING
11 ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU: 1-D, 9, 11 THROUGH 16, 20 THROUGH 23, 25
12 THROUGH 44, 45-B THROUGH 45-E, 45-G, 45-H AS REVISED, 48; 49,
13 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL BEING RECORDED AS A NO VOTE.

14

15 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY
16 SUPERVISOR BARGER, WITH THE EXCEPTION NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE
17 OFFICER, TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
18 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

19

20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

21

22 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

23

24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

25

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1 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

2

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

4

5 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

6

7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 4-
12 0.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. BEFORE WE TAKE UP PUBLIC COMMENT
15 ON THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS, THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER WILL ONCE
16 AGAIN READ THE SHORT TITLES OF EACH PUBLIC HEARING ITEM. MADAM
17 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE SWEAR IN THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY
18 BEFORE THE BOARD ON THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS.

19

20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THE
21 BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY SWEAR TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE
22 TRUTH, AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH, SO HELP YOU GOD? ITEM ONE IS
23 A HEARING ON ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE,
24 TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION, TO IMPLEMENT A NONREFUNDABLE FILING
25 FEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$46 FOR ASSESSMENT APPEAL APPLICATIONS

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1 FILED WITH THE ASSESSMENT APPEALS BOARD. THERE IS NO
2 DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT, AND CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. ITEM
3 2 IS A HEARING ON THE PROPOSED VACATION OF EASEMENTS FOR
4 PEDESTRIAN AND WALK PURPOSES, EAST OF YUKON AVENUE AND NORTH
5 OF 154TH STREET, IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF LAWDALE.
6 A WRITTEN DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS PROVIDED, AND
7 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. ITEM 3 IS A HEARING OF PROJECT
8 NUMBER PRJ2020-001845, FOR THE DEEMED-APPROVED STATUS FOR
9 ALCOHOL SALES USE OF AN ESTABLISHMENT FOR OFF-SITE CONSUMPTION
10 LOCATED AT 10803 SOUTH WESTERN AVENUE, IN THE UNINCORPORATED
11 COMMUNITY OF WEST ATHENS-WESTMONT, APPLIED BY PHI AND NGAN
12 HONG VOONG. A WRITTEN DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS PROVIDED, AND
13 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

14
15 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THE APPELLANT'S ATTORNEY, JOSHUA KAPLAN,
16 WILL BE GIVEN TWO MINUTES TO SPEAK. MR. KAPLAN, YOU MAY BEGIN.

17
18 **JOSHUA KAPLAN:** CAN YOU HEAR ME?

19
20 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. THANK YOU.

21
22 **JOSHUA KAPLAN:** ALL RIGHT. APPELLANT IN THIS MATTER IS A
23 NEIGHBORHOOD-SERVING MARKET AND LIQUOR STORE, WHICH HAS A
24 VESTED RIGHT FOR 34 YEARS TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE AND EARN A
25 LIVELIHOOD. IN ALL OF THOSE 34 YEARS OF OPERATION, IT HAS SOLD

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1 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AS A COMPONENT OF ITS BUSINESS, UNDER A
2 LICENSE ISSUED BY THE CALIFORNIA STATE DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC
3 BEVERAGE CONTROL. IN NONE OF THOSE 34 YEARS HAS THERE BEEN
4 EVEN ONE A.B.C. ALLEGATION OF ANY MISCONDUCT IN CONNECTION
5 WITH ALCOHOL SALES IN THE PREMISES, OR ASSOCIATED WITH ALCOHOL
6 SALES ADJACENT TO THE PREMISES, AT APPELLANT'S BUSINESS. THE
7 SHERIFF OF THE COUNTY HAS A DUTY, AND DOES REPORT TO A.B.C.
8 ANY DEFINED, PROVABLE MISCONDUCT ON THE PART OF ANY A.B.C.
9 LICENSEE. PRESUMABLY, IF THERE WAS ANYTHING THAT WAS
10 SUBSTANTIAL, IT WOULD HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO A.B.C. A.B.C. HAS
11 NEVER, AND DOES NOT NOW, SEEK TO REVOKE THE A.B.C. LICENSE FOR
12 THIS BUSINESS, PREMISED UPON ANYTHING. THERE HAS BEEN NO
13 SUBSTANTIATED MISCONDUCT. DURING THE 34 YEARS OF OPERATION, IT
14 IS INCONTROVERTIBLE: NO OWNER, NO OPERATOR, NO EMPLOYEE, AND
15 NO PROVEN PATRON HAS EVER BEEN CHARGED WITH ANY CRIME, NOR ANY
16 COMMUNITY MISCONDUCT. NEVERTHELESS, WE ARE HERE TODAY BECAUSE
17 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HAS SOUGHT TO REVOKE THIS 34-YEAR
18 VESTED AUTHORITY, BASED UPON NO SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE OF PROVEN
19 MISCONDUCT CAUSED BY ANY ACT OF THE APPELLANT, OR ANY FAILURE
20 TO ACT BY THE APPELLANT. THERE ARE GENERALIZED ALLEGATIONS OF
21 MISCONDUCT IN THIS RECORD-- A PLETHORA OF THEM. THERE IS
22 NOTHING THAT IS SPECIFIC.

23
24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK
25 YOU. ITEM FOUR IS A HEARING ON APPEAL OF PROJECT NUMBER 2020-

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1 1000393, TO AUTHORIZE MODIFICATIONS OF THE ALTADENA COMMUNITY
2 STANDARDS DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR THE LEGALIZATION
3 OF AN EXISTING UNPERMITTED ADDITION TO A SINGLE-FAMILY
4 RESIDENCE LOCATED AT 29 WEST LOMA ALTA DRIVE, IN THE
5 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF ALTADENA, APPLIED FOR BY STEPHEN
6 ABEL. A WRITTEN DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS PROVIDED, AND
7 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THE APPELLANT, MARLENE MATSUI, WILL BE
10 GIVEN TWO MINUTES. MS. MATSUI, PLEASE BEGIN.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** HELLO?

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, GO AHEAD, MA'AM.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** HI. I AM OPPOSED TO THIS C.U.P. TO BE BUILT. IT IS
17 ALREADY BUILT, AND IT IS TWO FEET 4 INCHES FROM MY PROPERTY
18 LINE. IT CAUSES A GREAT FIRE HAZARD TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD, AND
19 DECREASES THE VALUE OF MY PROPERTY. THE APPLICANT CLAIMS THAT
20 HE JUST WANTS TO MOVE FORWARD AND MAKE THINGS RIGHT. IF THAT
21 IS TRUE, THEN THE BEST SOLUTION IS TO APPROVE THE C.U.P. AND
22 CUT BACK THE ADDITION THAT IS ALREADY THERE TO THE 7 FEET 6
23 INCHES THAT IS REQUIRED BY THE ALTADENA COMMUNITY STANDARDS
24 FOR A PREBUILD, INSTEAD OF ASKING FOR PERMISSION FOR SOMETHING
25 THAT IS ALREADY ILLEGALLY BUILT. I AM HOPING THAT THE BOARD

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1 WOULD EITHER NOT APPROVE THIS C.U.P., OR APPROVE IT WITH THE
2 CONDITIONS THAT IT BE CUT BACK TO THE STANDARDS THAT ARE HELD
3 NOW. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE WILL NEXT HEAR FROM
6 THE APPLICANT, STEPHEN ABEL. HE WILL BE GIVEN TWO MINUTES. MR.
7 ABEL, YOU CAN BEGIN.

8

9 **STEPHEN ABEL:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
10 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. MY WIFE AND I ARE SIMPLY SEEKING THIS
11 APPROVAL OF THE MINOR C.U.P., IN REGARDS TO AN ADDITION THAT
12 WAS DONE BY THE PREVIOUS OWNER. NOW, IT IS UNDERSTOOD, AND I
13 AM TELLING YOU THAT THE PREVIOUS OWNER WAS MY FATHER, AND HE
14 GRANTED MY WIFE AND I AT THE TIME THE CHANCE TO RENT FROM HIS
15 HOME, AND HE WENT ON HIS OWN ACCORD TO BUILD AN ADDITION. HE
16 DID GET THE PERMIT. HOWEVER, HE DID NOT GET IT FINALIZED. AT
17 SOME POINT, HE JUST KIND OF RAN OUT OF STEAM WITH THE WHOLE
18 THING, AND WANTED TO SELL THE PROPERTY. AND AT THAT TIME, MY
19 WIFE AND I AND OUR NEWBORN SAW THE OPPORTUNITY TO KIND OF STAY
20 IN THE COMMUNITY AND THE HOUSE THAT WE'VE GROWN TO LOVE, AND
21 NOW WE ARE SITTING HERE, TRYING TO GET THE WRONG RIGHTED. AND
22 I KNOW, IN SOME OF THE PUBLIC COMMENTS, IT SAYS IT IS EASIER
23 TO ASK FOR PERMISSION THAN FORGIVENESS, BUT I WANTED TO BE
24 CLEAR THAT WE WERE NEVER THE ONES THAT WERE ASKING FOR THE
25 PERMISSION. WE DECIDED TO TAKE ON SOMETHING THAT WAS DONE

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1 PRIOR, AND WE HAVE NOT HID FROM THAT. SINCE DAY ONE IN 2017,
2 WE HAVE GONE TIRELESSLY TO THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT, JUST
3 SEEKING FOR A PATH IN ORDER TO GET THIS THING FIXED. WE
4 FINALLY GOT A CHANCE TO GET THE INFORMATION AND GO TO REGIONAL
5 PLANNING AND OBTAIN A MINOR C.U.P., AND THUS WE ARE HERE NOW.
6 THE ADDITION ITSELF FOLLOWS THE EXISTING HOUSE PERFECTLY, BUT
7 IT WAS MADE CLEAR THAT, AFTER A SITE SURVEY, THAT THE ORIGINAL
8 HOUSE WAS NOT PERFECTLY BUILT IN PARALLEL TO THE PROPERTY
9 LINE, THUS GIVING A LITTLE BIT OF A VARIANCE BETWEEN THE FRONT
10 AND THE BACK. ONE THING THAT WE DO UNDERSTAND IS THAT THIS
11 MINOR C.U.P. IS NOT THE LAST STEP IN OUR JOURNEY. IF THIS IS
12 APPROVED, WE KNOW WE STILL HAVE TO GO TO THE BUILDING
13 DEPARTMENT, REOPEN PERMITS, AND CONTINUE. BUT SIMPLY, OVER THE
14 LAST 4 YEARS OF GOING THROUGH THIS, MY WIFE AND I AND OUR
15 CHILDREN, WE JUST NOW WANT TO PUT THIS BEHIND US, MOVE
16 FORWARD. AND IN THE TROUBLING YEAR THAT WE'VE ALL FACED, WE
17 JUST WANT TO LOOK TO REFINANCE OUR HOME, FINALLY, IN ORDER TO
18 STAY HERE IN THIS COMMUNITY THAT WE DO LOVE. I WANTED TO--

19
20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK
21 YOU. ITEM FIVE IS A HEARING ON APPEALS OF PROJECT NUMBER
22 R2016-002179, TO AUTHORIZE THE DEVELOPMENT OF 37 SINGLE-FAMILY
23 LOTS, SIX FACILITY LOTS, AND TWO OPEN SPACE LOTS ON THE 94.38
24 GROSS ACRES LOCATED ON MAGNOLIA LANE AND AUTUMN PLACE, IN THE
25 UNINCORPORATED AREA OF SANTA CLARITA, APPLIED BY PICO CANYON,

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1 L.L.C. A WRITTEN DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS PROVIDED, AND
2 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THE APPLICANTS, AUSTIN ANDERSON AND PAUL
5 EDELMAN, WILL BE GIVEN TWO MINUTES. MR. ANDERSON AND MR.
6 EDELMAN, PLEASE BEGIN.

7

8 **PAUL EDELMAN:** CAN YOU HEAR ME?

9

10 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

11

12 **PAUL EDELMAN:** PAUL EDELMAN, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF SANTA MONICA
13 MOUNTAINS CONSERVANCY. THIS PROJECT, WITH ABOUT A MILLION
14 CUBIC YARDS OF GRADING, ABUTS THREE DIFFERENT PUBLIC PARK
15 LANDS, AND AN S.C.A. THIS IS NOT INFILL. IT IS INTRUSION INTO
16 CORE HABITAT, FILLING A WHOLE CANYON. THE ONE PURPORTED PUBLIC
17 BENEFIT, A REQUIRED PUBLIC TRAIL FROM PICO CANYON PARK, CANNOT
18 BE DELIVERED. WHY? BECAUSE THE DEVELOPER DOES NOT OWN THE LAND
19 WHERE THE TRAIL MUST EXIT THE PARK. MANY OTHER PHYSICAL AND
20 LEGAL TRAIL IMPLEMENTATION IMPEDIMENTS COMPOUND FROM THERE.
21 NOW, A STATE-LISTED THREATENED LION WAS PHOTOGRAPHED ON THE
22 PROPERTY. YESTERDAY, THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND
23 WILDLIFE SUBMITTED LETTERS STATING THAT THE M.N.D. MUST BE
24 REVISED AND RECIRCULATED TO ANALYZE LION HABITAT IMPACTS AND
25 PROVIDE COMPENSATORY MITIGATION. THE CONSERVANCY URGES YOUR

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1 BOARD TO GRANT OUR APPEAL, AND REQUIRE THE PROJECT TO PREPARE
2 AN E.I.R. WITH LESS HABITAT-CONSUMING ALTERNATIVES, AND AN
3 ACTUALLY DELIVERABLE PUBLIC TRAIL. THANK YOU.

4

5 **AUSTIN ANDERSON:** HELLO. MY NAME IS AUSTIN ANDERSON, AND I AM
6 MAKING THIS STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE APPELLANT NAMED
7 ADVOCATING RESPONSIBLE COMMUNITIES. THERE ARE SEVERAL
8 SIGNIFICANT DEFICIENCIES IN THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
9 THE COUNTY HAS PREPARED FOR THIS PROJECT, AND I HAVE TIME TO
10 JUST BRIEFLY MENTION TWO OF THEM. FIRST, A MOTION-ACTIVATED
11 CAMERA RECENTLY CAPTURED AN IMAGE OF A MOUNTAIN LION WALKING
12 THROUGH THE PROJECT SITE AT NIGHT, RIGHT IN THE HEART OF THE
13 PORTION THAT WOULD BE HEAVILY DEVELOPED. THE M.N.D. WRONGLY
14 STATES THAT THE PORTIONS OF THE PROJECT SITE THAT WOULD BE
15 USED BY WILDLIFE ARE FAR AWAY FROM THE PORTION THAT IS TO BE
16 DEVELOPED, BUT FINDING THE MOUNTAIN LION RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE
17 OF THE PORTION TO BE DEVELOPED MEANS THAT THE PROJECT MAY HAVE
18 SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON MOUNTAIN LIONS, AND THIS IMPACT WOULD
19 NEED TO BE ANALYZED IN AN E.I.R. SECOND, THE PROJECT WILL ADD
20 IGNITION SOURCES TO AN AREA IN A VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD
21 SEVERITY ZONE, BUT THE M.N.D. FAILS TO ANALYZE THE INCREASED
22 FIRE RISK THE PROJECT WILL CAUSE TO THE SURROUNDING AREA. THE
23 M.N.D. VIOLATES C.E.Q.A. BY FAILING TO ANALYZE THE ADDITIONAL
24 FIRE RISKS TO THE SURROUNDING AREA OF THE PROJECT. THIS LACK
25 OF CLIMATE CHANGE PLANNING AFFECTS SEVERAL PORTIONS OF THE

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1 M.N.D., AND RENDERS IT LEGALLY INADEQUATE. FOR THESE REASONS,
2 I ALSO URGE YOU TO GRANT THIS APPEAL. THANK YOU.

3

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

5

6 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** NOW WE WILL HEAR FROM THE APPLICANT, NATHAN
7 KEITH, WHO WILL BE GIVEN TWO MINUTES TO SPEAK. MR. KEITH,
8 PLEASE BEGIN.

9

10 **NATHAN KEITH:** GOOD MORNING. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

11

12 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN.

13

14 **NATHAN KEITH:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIR SOLIS AND HONORABLE BOARD OF
15 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS NATHAN KEITH, AND I AM REPRESENTING
16 WILLIAMS HOMES, ON THIS CANYON VIEW ESTATES PROJECT. THANK YOU
17 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO BRIEFLY PRESENT ON OUR PROJECT. I WANT
18 TO THANK REGIONAL PLANNING STAFF FOR THEIR QUALITY WORK OVER
19 THE LAST FOUR YEARS, TO ENSURE THAT CANYON VIEW ESTATES ALIGNS
20 WITH THE COUNTY'S VALUES AND POLICIES. THIS PROJECT IS
21 CONSISTENT WITH ZONING AND LAND USE IN BOTH THE L.A. COUNTY
22 GENERAL PLAN AND SANTA CLARITA AREA PLAN FOR THIS 37-HOME
23 PROJECT, AND IT WILL COMPLETE THE SOUTHERN OAKS MASTER PLAN
24 COMMUNITY. IN MAY OF THIS YEAR, AFTER A REGIONAL PLANNING
25 COMMISSION HEARD ALL THE TESTIMONY ON THIS PROJECT, THEY

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1 AFFIRMED THAT THE APPROPRIATE MITIGATION MEASURES WERE IN
2 PLACE, MANY OF WHICH EXCEED THE COUNTY STANDARDS, AND THEY
3 APPROVED IT 4-1. FOR OVER 4 YEARS, COUNTY FIRE, BIOLOGISTS,
4 PLANNERS, AND PUBLIC WORKS, THE EXPERTS ON THIS, HAVE CRAFTED
5 THIS PROJECT BEFORE YOU, AND HAVE RESPONDED TO THE FIRE AND
6 BIOLOGICAL ISSUES WHICH ARE STILL BEING BROUGHT UP TODAY. I
7 ASK THAT YOU DENY THE APPEAL AND AFFIRM THE APPROVAL BY THE
8 PLANNING COMMISSION. THANK YOU, AND I AM HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY
9 QUESTIONS.

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. ITEM 6 IS A HEARING ON PROJECT
12 NUMBER 2019-003989, TO AMEND COUNTY CODE, TITLE 22, PLANNING
13 AND ZONING, TO ESTABLISH DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS THAT ADDRESS
14 THE SPECIFIC NEEDS OF THE THREE POINTS-LIEBRE MOUNTAIN
15 COMMUNITY. A WRITTEN DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS PROVIDED, AND
16 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. ITEM SEVEN IS A HEARING ON
17 PROJECT NUMBER 2019-003993, TO AMEND COUNTY CODE, TITLE 22,
18 PLANNING AND ZONING, TO UPDATE THE ELIZABETH LAKE AND LAKE
19 HUGHES COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT. A WRITTEN DEPARTMENTAL
20 STATEMENT WAS PROVIDED, AND CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

21

22 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW TAKE PUBLIC COMMENT
23 ON THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS 1 THROUGH 7. MADAM EXECUTIVE
24 OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN INFORMATION THAT WAS ALSO
25 PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA, AND EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING RULES TO

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1 THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE CALLING IN TO ADDRESS THE
2 BOARD.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA, MEMBERS OF THE
5 PUBLIC WISHING TO OFFER PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS 1 THROUGH 7
6 SHOULD CALL 877-226-8163, AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 852-
7 761. TO REPEAT: PLEASE CALL 877-226-8163, AND USE PARTICIPANT
8 CODE NUMBER 852-761. DO NOT CALL THAT NUMBER IF YOU ONLY WANT
9 TO LISTEN TO THE MEETING. TO LISTEN ONLY, PLEASE CALL 877-873-
10 8017 AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS. TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
11 CALLING IN: WHEN IT IS YOUR TURN TO SPEAK, PLEASE STATE YOUR
12 NAME AND WHICH PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS YOU WISH TO SPEAK ON. EACH
13 PERSON WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE FOR ALL THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS.
14 WE WILL ALLOCATE UP TO 60 MINUTES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ALL
15 THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS. IF THERE ARE NO SPEAKERS WAITING
16 BEFORE 60 MINUTES HAVE ELAPSED, WE WILL CLOSE PUBLIC COMMENT.
17 WE WILL CONTINUE TO ACCEPT ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN
18 DURING THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE RECORD. WHEN
19 SPEAKING ON THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS, YOU MUST BE ON TOPIC.
20 OUR GOAL IS TO GET THROUGH AS MANY SPEAKERS AS WE CAN. IF YOU
21 ARE NOT SPEAKING ON TOPIC, OR IF WE CANNOT TELL IF YOU ARE
22 SPEAKING ON A PUBLIC HEARING ITEM, YOU WILL ONLY GET ONE
23 WARNING FROM COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE CHAIR. IF YOU DO NOT
24 IMMEDIATELY OR CLEARLY GET ON TOPIC, OR IF YOU STRAY OFF TOPIC
25 AGAIN, YOU WILL FORFEIT THE REST OF YOUR TIME, AND THE CHAIR

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1 WILL MOVE TO THE NEXT SPEAKER. PLEASE NOTE THAT IF YOU ARE
2 ALSO LISTENING TO THE BOARD MEETING ON A COMPUTER OR
3 SPEAKERPHONE, YOU WILL NEED TO TURN DOWN THE VOLUME ON THOSE
4 DEVICES AS SOON AS THE MODERATOR CALLS ON YOU. IF YOU DO NOT
5 TURN DOWN THE VOLUME, THERE WILL BE AN ECHO. MODERATOR, MAY WE
6 HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE?

7

8 **MODERATOR:** AS A REMINDER, TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, IF YOU HAVE
9 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 AT THIS TIME. DO
10 NOT PRESS 1 THEN 0 A SECOND TIME, OR YOU WILL BE REMOVED FROM
11 THE QUEUE.

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW HEAR THE SPANISH
14 INTERPRETATION OF THIS REMINDER. [SPANISH INTERPRETATION.]
15 THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE?

16

17 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF SUSAN
18 ZAHNTER. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
19 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

20

21 **SUSAN ZAHNTER:** MY NAME IS SUSAN ZAHNTER. I AM ADDRESSING ITEM
22 NUMBER 6. I AM PRESIDENT OF THE THREE POINTS-LIEBRE MOUNTAIN
23 TOWN COUNCIL, AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR BARGER AND
24 REGIONAL PLANNING FOR THEIR WORK IN BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY
25 STANDARDS DISTRICT ORDINANCE FORWARD. OUR COUNCIL'S MISSION IS

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1 TO MAINTAIN OUR RURAL ATMOSPHERE AND PROTECT OUR ENVIRONMENT
2 TO THE GREATEST EXTENT POSSIBLE, AND WE BELIEVE THE COMMUNITY
3 STANDARDS DISTRICT ORDINANCE PREPARED BY REGIONAL PLANNING
4 WILL HELP US SATISFY OUR MISSION. A MAJORITY OF OUR COUNCIL'S
5 TERRITORY OCCUPIES THE SAN ANDREAS SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL
6 AREA, THE FAULT ZONE, HILLSIDE MANAGEMENT AREAS, A VERY HIGH
7 FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE, AND FLOOD ZONES. ALL OF THESE
8 SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREAS POSSESS EXCEPTIONAL AND QUITE NOTABLE
9 ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES, AND CONTAIN EXCEPTIONAL SCENIC
10 RESOURCES ALONG COUNTY-IDENTIFIED SCENIC ROADS, DEEPLY VALUED
11 BY OUR RESIDENTS, AND WORTHY OF LOW-DENSITY BUILDING DESIGN
12 ASPECTS TO SUPPORT THE INTEGRITY OF SCENIC VALUES WITHIN OUR
13 COMMUNITY. WITH THE RECOGNITION THAT OUR AREA IS SITUATED
14 IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO--

15

16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
17 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

18

19 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF GINA
20 THORNBURG. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC
21 HEARING AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

22

23 **GINA THORNBURG:** GOOD MORNING. I AM SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEM
24 NUMBER 5. I REPRESENT THE WILDLAND URBAN WILDFIRE COMMITTEE OF
25 THE SIERRA CLUB'S ANGELES CHAPTER. THE CANYON VIEW ESTATES

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1 PROJECT IS IN A VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE, WITH A
2 HISTORY OF WILDFIRES. WE OPPOSE BUILDING HERE, BECAUSE OF THE
3 SEVERE WILDFIRE RISK TO LIVES AND HOMES, WHERE FIRE DEFENSE
4 WILL BE COSTLY. AS NOTED IN OUR LETTER, EXTENDING MAGNOLIA
5 LANE THROUGH A WILDLAND AREA DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THE COUNTY
6 SUBDIVISION FIRE CODE FOR THESE FIRE RISK ZONES. THE M.N.D.
7 FAILS TO ANALYZE THE IMPACT OF A SINGLE STREET EVACUATION
8 ROUTE, WHICH MAY LEAD TO BOTTLENECKS. THERE IS NO EVACUATION
9 PLAN. THE M.N.D. FAILS TO ADDRESS THE IMPACT OF SUBSTANTIAL
10 FUEL MODIFICATION ON PRESERVED OPEN SPACE AND HABITAT,
11 INCLUDING MOUNTAIN LION HABITAT. WE REQUEST A FOCUSED E.I.R.
12 THAT ADDRESSES THESE ISSUES AND PROVIDES PROJECT ALTERNATIVES
13 THAT REDUCE THESE IMPACTS. THANK YOU.

14
15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
16 PLEASE?

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18 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF DIANA
19 CORONADO. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
20 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

21
22 **DIANA CORONADO:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, CHAIR AND BOARD. MY
23 NAME IS DIANA CORONADO, REPRESENTING THE BUILDING INDUSTRY
24 ASSOCIATION. ON BEHALF OF OUR MEMBERS, WE WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK
25 IN SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 5, THE CANYON VIEW ESTATES HOUSING

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1 PROJECT. AS REFLECTED IN THE COUNTY'S OWN STAFF REPORT, THE
2 HOUSING BEING PROPOSED TODAY IS CONSISTENT WITH THE SANTA
3 CLARITA VALLEY AREA PLAN, THE COUNTY'S GENERAL PLAN, ZONING
4 AND DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS. NOT ONLY IS THIS PROJECT IN
5 ALIGNMENT WITH THE COUNTY'S HOUSING GOALS, BUT THESE METRICS
6 TRIGGER THIS BOARD TO KNOWLEDGE AND COMPLY WITH THE STATE'S
7 HOUSING ACCOUNTABILITY ACT, AND RECENTLY PASSED STATE LAW
8 SENATE BILL 330. WE URGE THIS BOARD TO FOLLOW STATE LAW BY
9 APPROVING THE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROJECT. APART FROM
10 COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW, THE BUILDERS HAVE BEEN DILIGENT IN
11 LISTENING TO THE NEEDS AND CONCERNS OF THE REGION AND ITS
12 DECISION-MAKERS, GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND WHAT IS REQUIRED. THEY
13 HAVE VOLUNTARILY OFFERED \$4,000 PER UNIT TO HELP ALLEVIATE THE
14 AFFORDABILITY AND HOMELESS HOUSING CRISIS, AND THEY ARE
15 MAINTAINING NEARLY 80 PERCENT OF THE PROJECT'S LAND FOR OPEN
16 SPACE. CANYON USED SPACE IS ALSO PROVIDING PUBLIC
17 ACCESSIBILITY TO COUNTY PARKS, AND WILL CREATE NEW PUBLIC
18 TRAILS. WE IMPORE THE BOARD TO REINFORCE THAT GOODWILL, WHILE
19 ALSO MOVING DESPERATELY NEEDED HOUSING FORWARD THROUGH THE
20 APPROVAL OF CANYON VIEW ESTATES. WE RESPECTFULLY ASK THE BOARD
21 TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

22
23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
24 PLEASE?

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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF RENEE
2 CHRISTIANSEN. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC
3 HEARING AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** PLEASE BEGIN. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT
6 SPEAKER, PLEASE?

7

8 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF KIM PATTERSON. YOU
9 HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
10 ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS KIM PATTERSON. I AM CALLING IN FAVOR OF
13 APPEALS ITEM 5, AND OPPOSED TO PICO CANYON DEVELOPMENT
14 PROJECT. I AM MAKING PUBLIC COMMENT. THIS PROJECT CREATES AN
15 UNACCEPTABLE RISK TO PUBLIC SAFETY. THIS NEIGHBORHOOD SUFFERED
16 FROM MAJOR WILDFIRES IN 2003, 2006, AND 2017-- SORRY, 2016--
17 WHERE FAST-MOVING FIRES BURNED RIGHT THROUGH OUR BACKYARD.
18 PLEASE VIEW RESIDENTS' PHOTOS SUBMITTED. THEY WERE LUCKY TO
19 HAVE RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO FIGHT THESE FIRES. IT WAS CHAOS.
20 NATHAN KEITH, FROM WILLIAMS HOMES, ARGUES THAT THERE HAS NOT
21 BEEN A HOUSE LOST YET. BUT THAT IS JUST IRRESPONSIBLE, AND A
22 LACK OF RESPECT FOR THE RESIDENTS AND THE EXTREME FORTUNATE
23 ESCAPE OF INJURY AND DESTRUCTION. WE ASK FOR A FOCUSED E.I.R.,
24 BASED OFF OF EVACUATION, FIRE DANGER, AND ONE-WAY

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1 INGRESS/EGRESS TO THE DEVELOPMENT. WE DO NOT WANT ANOTHER
2 PARADISE TO HAPPEN IN OUR COMMUNITY. PLEASE DENY THIS PROJECT.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
5 PLEASE?

6

7 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF RICH
8 CHRISTIANSEN. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC
9 HEARING AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS RICH CHRISTIANSEN. I AM IN
12 FAVOR OF THE APPEAL OF ITEM NUMBER 5, AND I OPPOSE, ADAMANTLY,
13 THE PICO CANYON DEVELOPMENT PROJECT. I WOULD JUST RESPECTFULLY
14 REFER THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO THE LETTER THAT I CRAFTED
15 AND SUBMITTED ON AUGUST 25TH. HIGHLIGHTING THE LETTER, WE HAVE
16 OVER 800 SIGNATURES ON A GRASSROOTS PETITION OPPOSING THIS
17 PROJECT. WE NEED TO PROTECT THE WILDLIFE, THE MOUNTAIN LION
18 THAT WAS FOUND ON THE PROPERTY. THERE IS A MARIPOSA LILY THERE
19 THAT IS AN ENDANGERED SPECIES. THERE IS INADEQUATE
20 INFRASTRUCTURE TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE ADDITIONAL HOMES.
21 THERE IS A LOSS OF OPEN SPACE-- 94 ACRES THAT WILL BE
22 MUTILATED AND GONE FOREVER. THERE IS SEVERE PUBLIC SAFETY
23 ISSUES, EXTREME FIRE HAZARD DANGER. AND I ALSO REQUEST A FULL,
24 FOCUSED E.I.R., AT A MINIMUM. I WOULD REQUEST BEYOND THAT THAT
25 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DENY THIS PROJECT OUTRIGHT, OR AGAIN,

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1 AT A MINIMUM, REQUIRE A FULL, FOCUSED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
2 REPORT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
5 PLEASE?

6

7 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF JOHN
8 LAWSON. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
9 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** PLEASE BEGIN. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT
12 SPEAKER, PLEASE?

13

14 **SPEAKER:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF MELISA
15 HANNA. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
16 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** THIS IS MELISA. I'M IN FAVOR OF THE APPEAL OF ITEM 5,
19 AND OPPOSED TO THE PICO CANYON DEVELOPMENT PROJECT. I AM
20 MAKING A PUBLIC COMMENT. AS YOU ARE AWARE, THE PROPOSED
21 DEVELOPMENT IS IN A HIGH FIRE SEVERITY ZONE, IN A CANYON BOWL
22 THAT HAS BURNED SEVERAL TIMES, AND I WOULD LIKE TO READ SOME
23 QUOTES ON CALIFORNIA WILDFIRES. GAVIN NEWSOM, TOURING THE SITE
24 OF THE TAMARACK FIRE, SAID, "WE HAVE A HISTORY FRAMEWORK THAT
25 HAS BEEN THROWN OUT. YOU CAN'T LOOK BACK AT A DECADE OR TWO.

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1 THE WORLD IS RADICALLY CHANGING AS THE CLIMATE CHANGES. YOU
2 MAY NOT BELIEVE IN SCIENCE. YOU GOT IT WITH YOUR OWN DAMN
3 EYES," NEWSOM SAID, GESTURING TOWARDS THE BLACKENED LANDSCAPE.
4 HE ALSO SAID THAT CALIFORNIA HAS THE LARGEST CIVIL AVIATION
5 FLEET FOR FIREFIGHTING IN THE WORLD, BUT NOTED THAT IT STILL
6 DOES NOT COME CLOSE TO THE TOOLS THE STATE NEEDS TO CONTAIN
7 THE FIRES. PRESIDENT BIDEN, ON JULY 30TH, SAID, "WE CAN'T
8 IGNORE HOW THE OVERLAPPING AND INTERTWINING FACTORS OF EXTREME
9 HEAT, PROLONGED DROUGHT, AND SUPERCHARGED WILDFIRE CONDITIONS-

10 -

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12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
13 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

14

15 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF RICHARD
16 MA. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
17 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** THIS IS RICHARD. I AM IN FAVOR OF THE APPEAL OF ITEM
20 5, AND OPPOSED TO THE PICO CANYON DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, AND I'M
21 MAKING A PUBLIC COMMENT. THE PROJECT NEEDS ANOTHER ENTRANCE,
22 RATHER THAN THROUGH AN EXISTING, ESTABLISHED NEIGHBORHOOD. ALL
23 CONSTRUCTION VEHICLES, INCLUDING HEAVY EQUIPMENT, DUMP TRUCKS,
24 WORKERS, CITY OFFICIALS, INSPECTORS, CONTRACTORS,
25 SUBCONTRACTORS, AND EMPLOYEES WILL BE UP AND DOWN SOUTHERN

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1 OAKS DRIVE AND MAGNOLIA DRIVE ALL DAY, EVERY DAY, DURING THIS
2 CONSTRUCTION PERIOD. NOT ONLY WILL THIS DISRESPECT ALL THE
3 RESIDENTS, AS FAR AS NUISANCE AND NOISE, BUT LET'S CIRCLE BACK
4 TO THE SAFETY FACTOR, IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY. AS A
5 CONSERVATOR OF THIS NEIGHBORHOOD, I DEMAND A SECOND ENTRANCE
6 FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL RESIDENTS AND EVERYONE INVOLVED IN THE
7 PROJECT. THANK YOU.

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
10 PLEASE?

11

12 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF ELISA
13 BENKO. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
14 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** THIS IS ELISA BENKO. I AM IN FAVOR OF THE APPEAL OF
17 ITEM 5, WHICH OPPOSES THE PICO CANYON DEVELOPMENT PROJECT. ON
18 AUGUST 9TH, WHICH WAS JUST A FEW WEEKS AGO, JOANNA TURNER, A
19 WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHER, CAPTURED A PHOTO OF A MOUNTAIN LION ON
20 THE PROJECT SITE, AND PROVIDED THE G.P.S. COORDINATES OF THE
21 CAMERA. THIS PROVES WITHOUT A DOUBT THAT THIS PROJECT SITE IS
22 INDEED A WILDLIFE CORRIDOR, AS EVERYONE ON THE OPPOSING SIDE
23 HAS SAID THAT IT WAS NOT. AS YOU ARE AWARE, MOUNTAIN LIONS ARE
24 CURRENTLY PROTECTED UNDER THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT, AND ARE
25 TEMPORARILY AFFORDED THE SAME PROTECTIONS AS THE STATE-LISTED

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1 ENDANGERED OR THREATENED SPECIES, WHILE THEIR LISTING WAITS TO
2 BE APPROVED. N.P.S. MOUNTAIN LION DATA, G.P.S. COLLAR DATA,
3 SHOWS TWO OTHER STUDY LIONS FREQUENTING THESE AREAS. ONE OF
4 THE MAIN THREATS TO THE MOUNTAIN LION POPULATION IN CALIFORNIA
5 IS THE LOSS OF HABITAT. ON AUGUST 29TH, JUST A FEW DAYS AGO, A
6 MOUNTAIN LION WAS KILLED AFTER ATTACKING A 5-YEAR-OLD BOY IN
7 CALABASAS. ACCORDING TO THE EXPERTS, WHEN THEIR HABITAT IS
8 TAKEN AWAY, THEY DO NOT JUST MOVE ON. THEY STAY AND REMAIN
9 FAITHFUL TO THEIR TERRITORY, NO MATTER WHAT. IN APRIL 2020,
10 THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT RULED AGAINST THE
11 DEVELOPERS OF THE ALTAIR PLANNED COMMUNITY OVER FAILING TO
12 ACCOUNT FOR THE IMPACT THE DEVELOPMENT WOULD HAVE ON THE
13 MOUNTAIN LION POPULATION.

14
15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.

16
17 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

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19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
20 PLEASE?

21
22 **MODERATOR:** AND AS A REMINDER, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IF YOU DO
23 WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 AT THIS TIME.
24 PLEASE DO NOT PRESS 1 THEN 0 A SECOND TIME, OR YOU WILL BE
25 REMOVED FROM THE QUEUE. OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE

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1 LINE OF NANCY MATELA. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE
2 PUBLIC AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** THIS IS NANCY MATELA. I AM IN FAVOR OF THE APPEAL OF
5 ITEM 5, OPPOSE THE PICO CANYON DEVELOPMENT PROJECT. I AM
6 MAKING A PUBLIC COMMENT. 2016 PLANT SURVEYS FOUND THE SLENDER
7 MARIPOSA LILY, A SPECIAL STATUS SPECIES, ON THE PROJECT SITE.
8 THE IMPACT OF THE PROJECT ON THE LILY WOULD BE SIGNIFICANT
9 WITHOUT MITIGATION. M.M. BIO-1 IS DEFECTIVE FOR SEVERAL
10 REASONS. FIRST, IT REQUIRES THE APPLICANT TO FIND AND
11 TRANSPLANT ALL THE SLENDER MARIPOSA LILIES TO APPROPRIATE
12 HABITAT AREAS IN UNDEVELOPED PORTIONS OF THE PROJECT SITE. BUT
13 THE LILY IS HARD TO FIND, AND MANY PLANTS ARE DORMANT
14 UNDERGROUND AT ANY GIVEN TIME, AND THEREFORE MANY PLANT
15 INDIVIDUALS WOULD NOT BE FOUND. SECOND, THE SLENDER MARIPOSA
16 LILY IS VERY PICKY ABOUT ITS HABITAT. IF THE UNDEVELOPED
17 PORTIONS OF THE PROJECT SITE WERE CONGENIAL FOR THE PLANT, IT
18 WOULD ALREADY BE LIVING THERE. THERE IS STRONG EVIDENCE THAT
19 THE SLENDER MARIPOSA LILY TRANSPLANTS WON'T WORK, AND THEY
20 WILL DIE SHORTLY AFTER BEING TRANSPLANTED. THIS VIOLATES
21 C.E.Q.A., BECAUSE IT WILL BE INEFFECTIVE IN PRESERVING THE
22 SLENDER MARIPOSA LILY. M.M. BIO-1 REQUIRES MONITORING, BUT
23 DOESN'T STATE WHAT HAPPENS--

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
2 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

3

4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF NICOLE
5 STOLE. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
6 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** YES, HI. MY NAME'S NICOLE. I AM IN FAVOR OF THE
9 APPEAL OF ITEM 5, AND OPPOSE THE PICO CANYON DEVELOPMENT
10 PROJECT. I AM MAKING A PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU HAVE HEARD MANY
11 CONCERNED RESIDENTS TALK TO THE SAFETY OF THIS EXISTING
12 NEIGHBORHOOD, IN THE EVENT OF EMERGENCY AND EVACUATION, BASED
13 ON THEIR EXPERIENCE. THE ADDITION OF EVEN MORE HOMES WILL MAKE
14 THESE EVACUATIONS MUCH MORE DIFFICULT, AND THE POTENTIAL FOR
15 LOSS OF LIVES AND HOMES COULD BE CATASTROPHIC, LIKE PARADISE,
16 WHERE THEY HAD ONE WAY IN AND ONE WAY OUT. CAL FIRE
17 REGULATIONS ARE CHANGING THIS YEAR TO PROTECT US, THE PEOPLE
18 LIVING IN THESE HIGH FIRE SEVERITY ZONES. WE URGE THE BOARD OF
19 SUPERVISORS TO DISMISS THE PICO CANYON DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, OR
20 HAVE THE DEVELOPER DO A FULL E.I.R. AND FIND ANOTHER POINT OF
21 INGRESS/EGRESS, WHICH WOULD REQUIRE THEM TO PURCHASE VACANT
22 LAND AROUND THEM. GETTING FIRE INSURANCE FOR OUR HOME-- WE
23 JUST MOVED IN ABOUT A YEAR AGO-- THEY RANK YOU 0 THROUGH 10.
24 THEY SAID THEY WOULD GIVE US INSURANCE, 0 THROUGH 3. WE ARE AT
25 A 7. I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW THEY DON'T SEE THE SEVERITY. WE

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1 COULD BARELY GET FIRE INSURANCE, BECAUSE OF HOW SCARY IT IS
2 WITH THE WILDFIRES. SO, THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, AND I HOPE
3 YOU CONSIDER THIS.

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
6 PLEASE?

7

8 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF DYLAN
9 BENKO. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
10 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** THIS IS DYLAN BENKO, AND I AM IN FAVOR OF THE APPEAL
13 OF ITEM 5, AND OPPOSE THE PICO CANYON DEVELOPMENT PROJECT. I
14 AM MAKING A PUBLIC COMMENT. L.A. COUNTY SUPERVISORS, YOU CAN
15 AND SHOULD SAY NO TO THIS PROJECT, DUE TO AN INADEQUATE
16 MITIGATION MEASURE FOR EXISTING RESIDENTS AND OUR PROPERTY. WE
17 ARE THE PEOPLE THAT VOTE FOR YOU TO PROTECT AND FIGHT FOR US
18 AND OUR COMMUNITIES. WHEN IT COMES TO HEALTH AND SAFETY, THE
19 M.N.D. ADDRESSES THE WORKERS, BUT NO ONE ELSE. HOW WILL
20 RESIDENTS BE PROTECTED FROM THE SPORES THAT CAUSE VALLEY
21 FEVER, FROM DUST ISSUES FOR THOSE SUFFERING FROM ALLERGIES AND
22 ASTHMA? WILL RESIDENTS BE PROVIDED P.P.E., RESPIRATORY
23 PROTECTION, SKIN AND EYE PROTECTION, TO MITIGATE OUR EXPOSURE,
24 SINCE GRADING WILL BE TAKING PLACE SO CLOSE TO HOMES? I WOULD
25 ASSUME THE COUNTY AND O.S.H.A. ARE BOTH JUST AS CONCERNED FOR

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1 THE RESIDENTS. AS FOR THE DUST CONTROL, SINCE THIS IS SO
2 EXTREMELY CLOSE TO EXISTING HOMES, WHAT IS THE PLAN TO KEEP
3 THE DUST LEVELS AS LOW AS POSSIBLE, IN AND AROUND THE
4 RESIDENTS' HOMES AND POOLS? WILL WATER TRUCKS BLOCK OUR
5 DRIVEWAYS AT THE HYDRANTS FOR HOURS EVERY DAY? IF CHEMICAL
6 STABILIZERS ARE TO BE USED, THAT CHEMICAL NEEDS TO BE
7 DISCLOSED, AND WHAT THE RISKS ARE TO THE RESIDENTS. THANK YOU.

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
10 PLEASE?

11

12 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF MICHAEL
13 FOLEY. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE TO SPEAK. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC
14 HEARING AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

15

16 **MICHAEL FOLEY:** THIS IS MICHAEL FOLEY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
17 BRIDGE TO HOME, AND WE ARE REQUESTING YOU DENY THE APPEAL FOR
18 AGENDA ITEM 5, AND SUPPORT THE PROPOSED CANYON VIEW ESTATES
19 PROJECT. BRIDGE TO HOME OFFERS HELP FOR INDIVIDUALS AND
20 FAMILIES EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN THE SANTA CLARITA
21 VALLEY. AS YOU ARE AWARE, THERE IS A HOUSING SHORTAGE IN
22 CALIFORNIA, AND EVERY HOUSE APPROVED WILL HELP BRIDGE THIS
23 GAP. BRIDGE TO HOME IS CURRENTLY WORKING TOWARDS ITS CAPITAL
24 CAMPAIGN, BUILDING THE BRIDGE, TO BUILD THE VERY FIRST
25 PERMANENT HOMELESS SHELTER IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. EVERY

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1 ASPECT OF THE NEW SITE IS DESIGNED TO ADDRESS THE CAUSES AND
2 BARRIERS THAT LEAD INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES TO HOMELESSNESS.
3 SIMILAR TO PROJECTS YOU HAVE APPROVED IN THE PAST, SUCH AS
4 HIGHLANDS AT TESORO AND CLAREMONT HOMES, THE WILLIAMS HOMES
5 TEAM HAS GRACIOUSLY OFFERED \$2,000 PER UNIT THAT IS BUILT.
6 THAT'S \$74,000 DONATED TO OUR ORGANIZATION, AS WE CONTINUOUSLY
7 WORK TOWARDS COMPLETING A 32-BED FACILITY FOR FAMILIES, AND A
8 60-BED FACILITY FOR ADULTS, TO ASSURE NO ONE IS LEFT BEHIND. I
9 ASK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CONSIDER THIS, IN SUPPORT OF
10 THIS PROJECT. THANK YOU.

11

12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
13 PLEASE?

14

15 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF MICHAEL
16 RANDALL. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
17 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. MY NAME IS MIKE. I AM COMMENTING ON ITEM 1,
20 HEARING ON COUNTY CODE, TITLE TWO, ADMINISTRATIVE AMENDMENT. I
21 OPPOSE THIS PROPOSITION OR PROPOSAL FOR FEES TO BE CHARGED FOR
22 HOMEOWNERS APPEALING PROPERTY TAXES. AS WE KNOW, THE HISTORY
23 OF APPEALS HAS EXISTED FOR MANY YEARS, AND THE REASON FOR IT
24 NOW SURFACING SEEMS UNCLEAR, AND IT HAS TO DO WITH PROCESSING
25 APPLICATIONS, BUT THIS HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR YEARS WITHOUT A

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1 FEE, WHEN COMPUTERS WERE FAR LESS SOPHISTICATED. THE REASON
2 FOR APPEALS BECAME NECESSARY ONLY BECAUSE THE ASSESSOR'S
3 OFFICE MAXIMIZES THE VALUES OF PROPERTY TAXES, AND HOMEOWNERS
4 HAD TO APPEAL THEM, BECAUSE THEY REALIZED THEY WERE OUTRAGEOUS
5 AT TIMES. WE USE SERVICES THAT CHARGE 30 TO 50 PERCENT TO
6 APPEAL ON OUR BEHALF, BECAUSE WE ARE NOT SOPHISTICATED ENOUGH
7 TO DO IT, AND THESE PEOPLE DO NOT CHARGE IF THERE IS NO
8 REDUCTION. SO, IF THERE IS NO REDUCTION, AND IF THIS GOES
9 THROUGH, WE WILL BE PAYING A FEE WITHOUT GETTING THE BENEFIT
10 OF A REDUCTION. THIS JUST SEEMS UNFAIR. MOST GOVERNMENT
11 AGENCIES DON'T APPEAL.

12
13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
14 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

15
16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF ASHLEY
17 ANDERSON. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
18 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19
20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** PLEASE BEGIN.

21
22 **SPEAKER:** HI. SORRY. I WAS ON MUTE. THIS IS ASHLEY ANDERSON. I
23 AM IN FAVOR OF APPEAL OF ITEM 5, AND OPPOSE THE PICO CANYON
24 DEVELOPMENT PROJECT. I AM MAKING A PUBLIC COMMENT. BEING THAT
25 SOUTHERN OAKS IS AN EXISTING NEIGHBORHOOD, THERE ARE MANY

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1 ELEMENTARY-AGED CHILDREN THAT WALK AND RIDE THEIR BIKES IN
2 ORDER TO GET TO SCHOOL, WHICH IS ABOUT A MILE AWAY, THE
3 TRAFFIC OF CONSTRUCTION VEHICLES AND CONSTRUCTION WORKERS
4 BRINGS A WHOLE NEW LEVEL OF SAFETY CONCERNS THROUGH A QUIET,
5 ESTABLISHED NEIGHBORHOOD, WHICH WILL BE GOING ON FOR THREE
6 YEARS OR MORE. PREVIOUS NEIGHBORHOOD TRAFFIC STUDIES WERE
7 COMPLETED PRIOR TO THE PANDEMIC, SINCE ITS ONSET, WHICH HAS
8 ACCOUNTED FOR-- SINCE ITS ONSET, WHICH HAS ACCOUNTED FOR
9 AMAZON, U.P.S., FEDEX, DELIVERY TRUCKS, AS WELL AS THE
10 RESTAURANT DELIVERY APPS. THE TRAFFIC HAS ALREADY DOUBLED ON A
11 DAILY BASIS, AND THIS NEEDS TO BE REVISITED. JUST ALL IN ALL,
12 THERE ARE MANY CONCERNS HERE, AND YOU HAVE A LOT OF HOMEOWNERS
13 ON THIS PHONE CALL. SO I WOULD STRONGLY ADVISE TO TAKE INTO
14 CONSIDERATION THAT WE ARE ALL OPPOSED TO THIS, AND WE ARE IN
15 FAVOR OF THE APPEAL, DUE TO SAFETY, THE ENVIRONMENTAL
16 CONCERNS--

17
18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
19 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

20
21 **SPEAKER:** WELL, THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

22
23 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF BRIAN
24 CORDES. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
25 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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2 **HI. MY NAME IS BRIAN CORDES, AND I AM MAKING A PUBLIC COMMENT**
3 **IN FAVOR OF APPEALING ITEM 5. I AM OPPOSING THE PICO CANYON**
4 **DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT'S BEST FOR THE**
5 **WILDFIRE SAFETY OF THE RESIDENTS. WHEN GREENVILLE WAS LOST IN**
6 **THE DIXIE FIRE, U.S. REPRESENTATIVE DOUG LAMALFA URGED US TO**
7 **FORGET THE POLITICS, FORGET THE NONSENSE, AND SAID WE HAVE TO**
8 **STOP MAKING THIS HAPPEN BY INATTENTION TO WHAT IS OBVIOUS.**
9 **EARLIER THIS MONTH, ON AUGUST 6TH, CAL FIRE REPORTED THAT,**
10 **COMPARED TO THE SAME TIME LAST YEAR, WE HAVE SEEN AN**
11 **ASTOUNDING 151-PERCENT INCREASE IN ACRES BURNED ACROSS**
12 **CALIFORNIA, AND IT'S ONLY AUGUST. AND ON MARCH 24TH THIS YEAR,**
13 **THE L.A. TIMES IMPOLED COMMUNITIES TO STOP BUILDING IN**
14 **WILDFIRE ZONES. THEY SAID IT SHOULD NOT TAKE A LAWSUIT TO**
15 **DETER CITIES AND COUNTIES FROM APPROVING BIG PROJECTS IN FIRE-**
16 **PRONE REGIONS. ONE OF THE BEST WAYS TO PREVENT WILDFIRE**
17 **DESTRUCTION AND DEATH IS TO STOP BUILDING HOUSES IN THE LIKELY**
18 **PATH OF FLAMES, YET CITIES AND COUNTIES ACROSS THE STATE KEEP**
19 **DOING EXACTLY THAT, APPROVING SPRAWLING NEW HOUSING**
20 **DEVELOPMENTS NEXT TO WILDLANDS AND MARSH PROPERTIES, AND**
21 **PUTTING PEOPLE DEEPER IN HIGHER FIRE RISK. IT'S A MATTER OF**
22 **RESIDENTS' SAFETY. EXISTING RESIDENTS ARE BEING PUT AT A**
23 **GREATER EVACUATION DANGER BY THIS PROJECT, AND IT WOULD BE**
24 **IRRESPONSIBLE TO PROCEED WITHOUT--**

25

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1 >>CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
2 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

3

4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF
5 MICHELLE FORD. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC
6 HEARING AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** PLEASE BEGIN.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** HI. I AM SO SORRY. DID YOU CALL MICHELLE FORD?

11

12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES. PLEASE BEGIN.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, I'M SO SORRY. I DIDN'T HEAR MY NAME. GOOD
15 AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MICHELLE FORD, AND I AM A CONCERNED
16 RESIDENT IN CULVER CITY, AND I JUST WANT TO SPEAK ON S-1, 1-D,
17 AND ALSO OPEN COMMENT. HEALTH DOES NOT COME FROM A NEEDLE.
18 VACCINES DO NOT WORK LIKE ANTIBACTERIAL SOAP OR DISINFECTANT.

19

20 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** I AM SORRY. EXCUSE ME. EXCUSE ME, MA'AM?

21

22 **SPEAKER:** YES?

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, YOU ARE SUPPOSED TO BE SPEAKING ON
25 HEARING ITEMS. IT SOUNDS TO ME LIKE YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT A

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1 HEALTH ITEM THAT WE'VE ALREADY DISCUSSED. SO, UNLESS YOU WANT
2 TO SPEAK ON THE HEARING ITEMS THAT WERE OUTLINED, YOU CAN
3 ADDRESS THE PUBLIC HEARING, BUT IT SOUNDS TO ME LIKE YOU MAY
4 BE TALKING ABOUT SOMETHING THAT WE'VE ALREADY HAD PUBLIC
5 COMMENT ON.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** I KNOW, BUT I DIDN'T GET TO SPEAK, AND I WAS IN THE
8 QUEUE. SO I WANT TO BE HEARD.

9

10 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** NO. OUR STAFF IS TELLING US NO. SO, DO YOU
11 WANT TO SPEAK ON ANY OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS? THAT IS WHAT
12 WE ARE TALKING ABOUT RIGHT NOW, BECAUSE WE JUST FINISHED THE
13 OTHER ITEMS. THAT WAS ALREADY ASKED. OKAY, I DON'T WANT TO BE
14 RUDE. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEND SOMETHING IN WRITING, THAT
15 WOULD BE HELPFUL.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** WELL, I HAVE WRITTEN MY COMMENTS, BUT I DON'T AGREE
18 HOW YOU GUYS DO THIS. YOU DON'T GIVE THE PUBLIC ENOUGH TIME TO
19 ADDRESS THE CONCERNS ON THE AGENDA, AND SO I WOULD LIKE THAT
20 IN THE PUBLIC COMMENT: THAT YOU ARE RUNNING A SHOW DOWN THERE,
21 AND YOU ARE NOT ABIDING BY THE PEOPLE WHO EMPLOY YOU. SO YOU
22 GUYS BETTER GET YOUR ACT TOGETHER. I YIELD.

23

24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
25 PLEASE?

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1

2 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF SAMMY
3 LEE. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
4 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** HI. THIS IS SAM, FROM STEVENSON RANCH, OPPOSING ITEM
7 NUMBER 5, THE PICO CANYON DEVELOPMENT, AND MAKING A PUBLIC
8 COMMENT. I AM OPPOSING IT, DUE TO SOIL COMPACTION IN THIS
9 EXISTING DEVELOPMENT IS A KNOWN AND ONGOING ISSUE. PREVIOUS
10 GRADING TECHNIQUES HAVE FAILED US AND RESULTED IN SIGNIFICANT
11 STRUCTURAL ISSUES IN TOO MANY HOMES AND PROPERTIES. WILLIAMS
12 HOMES HAS N.D.A.S TO PLACE OUR NEIGHBORS ON HOMES THAT WERE
13 BUILT IN 2015. YET, THIS EXTENSION OF MAGNOLIA WAS PART OF A
14 MASTER PLAN DEVISED IN 1996, AND THE FACT IS THAT, SINCE THEN,
15 WE HAVE LEARNED A LOT. FOUNDATIONS, WALLS, HILLSIDES, HAVE
16 FAILED DUE TO COUNTY-APPROVED GRADING THAT WAS DONE.
17 GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING REPORTS NEED TO BE REVISITED, AS THIS
18 PROJECT WILL CUT, MOVE, AND COMPACT OVER 800,000 CUBIC YARDS
19 OF DIRT. THAT'S EQUIVALENT OF FILLING THE ROSE BOWL TWICE,
20 SOME OF WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE LESS THAN 40 FEET FROM EXISTING
21 HOMES. A FULL E.I.R. NEEDS TO BE DONE, AND WILLIAMS HOMES
22 NEEDS TO IDENTIFY THE EXISTING PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN 1,000
23 FEET OF SAID PROPERTY, AND GUARANTEE THE COSTS OF ANY AND ALL
24 REPAIRS TO DAMAGED AREAS. I OPPOSE THIS PROJECT. THANK YOU
25 VERY MUCH.

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1

2 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
3 PLEASE?

4

5 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF DAVID
6 ALEXANDER BRAMANTE. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE
7 PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY
8 BEGIN.

9

10 **DAVID ALEXANDER BRAMANTE:** HI. THIS IS DAVID ALEXANDER BRAMANTE
11 AGAIN. MY PHONE NUMBER IS 310-906-5459. THAT'S MY PERSONAL
12 MOBILE. I AM DISCUSSING ITEM 5 AND PUBLIC GENERAL COMMENT. I
13 THINK THAT IT IS CRAZY THAT, AS YOU GUYS PASS THE VACCINE
14 MANDATES FOR THE L.A. COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY-- YOU GUYS
15 JUST APPROVED IT-- YOU GUYS ARE DEFINITELY GOING TO CONTINUE
16 TO APPROVE CONSTRUCTION IN FIRE ZONES, WHEN, OVER THE LAST 5
17 YEARS, WE'VE HAD YEAR AFTER YEAR RECORD FIRES. YOU GUYS ARE
18 NOT DOING ANYTHING FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD.

19

20 **ATTORNEY:** SIR, WE ARE ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS 1 THROUGH 7.
21 YOUR COMMENT SEEMS TO BE ON ITEMS WE HAVE ALREADY DISCUSSED IN
22 THE PAST.

23

24 **DAVID ALEXANDER BRAMANTE:** I'M DISCUSSING ITEM 5, THE PICO
25 PROJECT.

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1

2 **ATTORNEY:** OKAY. PLEASE STAY ON TOPIC.

3

4 **DAVID ALEXANDER BRAMANTE:** OKAY, PLEASE DON'T INTERRUPT ME. YOU
5 GUYS BARELY GIVE US 60 SECONDS TO TALK, AND YOU'RE THROWING
6 PEOPLE OFF WHEN YOU GUYS INTERRUPT. IT IS NOT FAIR. CAN I
7 START OVER WITH MY TIME, PLEASE?

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, PLEASE BEGIN. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE.

10

11 **DAVID ALEXANDER BRAMANTE:** ONE MINUTE FOR ITEM FIVE, AND ONE
12 MINUTE FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, SO TWO THINGS?

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** NO, I'M SORRY. YOU JUST HAVE ONE MINUTE.
15 WE DON'T HAVE GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IN THIS HOUR. JUST THE
16 PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS. PLEASE BEGIN. YOUR TIME IS ON.

17

18 **DAVID ALEXANDER BRAMANTE:** PERFECT. TELL ME WHEN I CAN START.
19 OKAY. THIS IS DAVID ALEXANDER BRAMANTE AGAIN, RUNNING FOR
20 CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR. ON SEPTEMBER 14TH, VOTE YES ON THE
21 RECALL, AND VOTE FOR ME. YOU GUYS ARE... YOU GUYS, WHAT ARE
22 YOU GUYS DOING OVER THERE? YOU GUYS, WE HAVE HOMELESSNESS
23 EXPLODING. THERE'S A PROTEST OUTSIDE. YOU GUYS ARE OBVIOUSLY
24 GOING TO CONTINUE TO APPROVE HOUSING ALONG THE PATH OF FIRES.
25 YOU GUYS, DOES ANY OF THIS MATTER TO YOU? IT IS REALLY

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1 UNBELIEVABLE. SO I AM URGING EVERYBODY TO LISTEN, AND I HAVE
2 ALREADY RECEIVED ABOUT 20 TEXT MESSAGES FROM PEOPLE THAT ARE
3 LISTENING TO THIS. LET'S BYPASS THIS BANANA REPUBLIC HEARING
4 AND CONNECT IN PERSON. MY PHONE NUMBER AGAIN IS 310-906-5459.
5 THANK YOU.

6

7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
8 PLEASE?

9

10 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF SPARKY
11 ABRAHAM. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
12 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

13

14 **SPARKY ABRAHAM:** HI, GOOD MORNING. I'M ADDRESSING ITEM 1, ON
15 THE \$46 FEE FOR ASSESSMENT APPEALS. I AM SPARKY ABRAHAM. I AM
16 A STAFF ATTORNEY AT BET TZEDEK LEGAL SERVICES, AND PROVIDE
17 FREE LEGAL SERVICES TO LOW-INCOME RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES
18 COUNTY. IN PARTICULAR, MOST OF MY WORK IN THE LAST YEAR OR SO
19 HAS BEEN ON CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAMS. AS I'M SURE YOU ALL KNOW,
20 IN ORDER TO PROPERLY ASSESS CLEAN ENERGY LOANS, RESIDENTS ARE
21 NOW REQUIRED TO FILE APPEALS WITH THE ASSESSMENT APPEALS
22 BOARD. HOWEVER, THE ASSESSMENT APPEALS BOARD DOES NOT ACTUALLY
23 HANDLE THOSE APPEALS. THEY'RE FORWARDED DIRECTLY TO THE
24 AUDITOR. SO I'M CALLING TO REQUEST THAT THE P.A.C.E.
25 APPLICATIONS, THE P.A.C.E. APPEALS, BE EXEMPTED FROM THE \$46

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1 REQUIREMENT, SINCE THE JUSTIFICATIONS FOR THE FEE DO NOT
2 ACTUALLY APPLY TO THESE APPEALS. AND ALSO, IT IS GOING TO
3 PRESENT A SERIOUS IMPEDIMENT FOR OUR CLIENTS, WHO OFTEN ARE
4 SCROUNGING EVERY PENNY, AND ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE BURDENS
5 OF CERTIFYING THEIR INCOME AND PUBLIC BENEFITS, ET CETERA, IS
6 GOING TO MAKE THINGS MUCH MORE DIFFICULT FOR THEM. THANK YOU.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
9 PLEASE?

10

11 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF RENEE
12 CHRISTIANSEN. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC
13 HEARING AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS RENEE CHRISTIANSEN. I AM IN FAVOR OF THE
16 APPEAL OF ITEM FIVE, AND OPPOSE THE PICO CANYON DEVELOPMENT
17 PROJECT. THE RESIDENTS CREATED A PETITION ON CHANGE.ORG, AND
18 TO THIS DATE HAS 837 SIGNATURES THAT OPPOSE THIS DEVELOPMENT
19 ON THE BASIS OF PUBLIC SAFETY, ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS, IMMENSE
20 FIRE DANGER TO THE IMMEDIATE AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITY,
21 INADEQUATE EVACUATION PLANS, AND THROUGH THE SINGLE
22 INGRESS/EGRESS THROUGH MAGNOLIA. THIS IS A LOSS OF PUBLIC
23 SPACE THAT PROMOTES A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT TO OUR FAMILIES,
24 ENJOYING LOCAL PARKS, HIKING, AND FAMILY OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES.
25 THIS DEVELOPMENT HAS PROVIDED NO STIPULATIONS TO PROTECT OUR

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1 COMMUNITY FROM UNHEALTHY AIR, FROM THE MOVEMENT OF 1 MILLION
2 CUBIC YARDS OF DIRT. THERE IS NO STIPULATIONS TO PROTECT THE
3 HOMES OR THE HOMEOWNERS. CAL FIRE REGULATIONS HAD TO CHANGE
4 THIS PROVISION ABOUT DEAD-END ROADS LATER THIS YEAR, AND WE
5 ASK YOU TO DENY THIS PROJECT, AND WE ALSO ASK YOU TO REQUEST A
6 FULL E.I.R. ON WILLIAMS HOMES. THANK YOU.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
9 PLEASE?

10

11 **MODERATOR:** AND AS A REMINDER, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IF YOU DO
12 WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 AT THIS TIME.
13 DO NOT PRESS 1 AND 0 A SECOND TIME, OR YOU WILL BE REMOVED
14 FROM THE QUEUE. OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF
15 JOEL HUSSEIN. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC
16 HEARING AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. I AM CALLING ABOUT THE ITEM NUMBER 3. I
19 AM IN OPPOSITION OF THE APPEAL TO SELL THE ALCOHOLIC
20 BEVERAGES. THE OWNER OF THIS BUSINESS, THIS LIQUOR STORE, HAS
21 PROVEN HIMSELF TO BE A PERSON WHO CANNOT OPERATE THE BUSINESS
22 IN A RESPONSIBLE AND LAWFUL MANNER. AS OF YESTERDAY, THE
23 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH HAS SUSPENDED HIS
24 PRIVILEGE TO SELL ANY TOBACCO ITEMS, SUCH AS CIGARETTES OR THE
25 CIGARS, BECAUSE HE SOLD THE AGE-RESTRICTED ITEMS TO MINORS,

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1 MULTIPLE TIMES. SO THIS TOTALLY FLIES IN THE FACE OF THE
2 ARGUMENT THAT THE APPLICANT'S ATTORNEY WAS MAKING, WITH
3 REGARDS TO HIM NOT GETTING THE A.B.C. VIOLATION. MAYBE A.B.C.
4 NEVER GOT AROUND TO IT, OR THEY NEVER CAUGHT HIM DOING
5 ANYTHING ILLEGAL, BUT THIS EQUALLY IMPORTANT, AS YOU CAN SEE,
6 THAT THEY BOTH ARE AGE-RESTRICTED ITEMS. SO, THAT IS ALL I
7 WANTED TO SAY. THANK YOU.

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
10 PLEASE?

11

12 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF DONALD
13 HARLAN. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
14 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME'S DONALD. I LIVE HERE IN LOS ANGELES. I
17 AM OPPOSING ITEM NUMBER 18, STRENGTHENING VICTIMS SERVICES IN
18 LOS ANGELES. PEOPLE NEED TO PAY ATTENTION TO THIS, GET ALERTED
19 BY THIS AGENDA ITEM.

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** I AM SORRY, SIR. I'M SORRY, SIR, I HAVE TO
22 STOP YOU. YOU ARE OFF TOPIC. WE ARE ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS
23 ONLY. SO, IF YOU WANTED TO SUBMIT SOMETHING IN WRITING, WE'LL
24 BE HAPPY TO TAKE IT, BUT RIGHT NOW, WE ARE ON PUBLIC HEARING
25 ITEMS ONLY. I AM SORRY. OKAY? THANK YOU.

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1

2 **SPEAKER:** I'M SORRY. THIS NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT: NUMBER 18.
3 THIS IS SO IMPORTANT.

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THAT IS FINE. WE HEARD FROM THE PUBLIC ON
6 THESE ITEMS. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. CAN WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
9 PLEASE?

10

11 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF LAURIE
12 ENDER. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
13 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

14

15 **LAURIE ENDER:** HELLO. MY NAME IS LAURIE ENDER, AND I AM A
16 MEMBER AND PAST PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF FAMILY PROMISE, IN
17 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. I'D LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF THE
18 CANYON VIEW ESTATES PROJECT, AND THE POSITIVE FINANCIAL IMPACT
19 IT WILL HAVE FOR THE HOMELESS CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN OUR
20 COMMUNITY. WE ARE A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION SERVING HOMELESS
21 AND AT-RISK FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE'RE A LOCAL SOLUTION
22 SEEKING TO ADDRESS THE GROWING PROBLEM OF FAMILY HOMELESSNESS.
23 IT'S THROUGH THE SUPPORT OF LOCAL BUSINESSES, INDIVIDUALS, AND
24 SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS THAT WE ARE ABLE TO SHELTER AND PROVIDE
25 SERVICES FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY. AS SUCH, WE

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1 STRONGLY ENDORSE THE PROPOSED CANYON VIEW ESTATES PROJECT, AND
2 THE COMMITMENT OF WILLIAMS HOMES TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL SUPPORT
3 OF OUR PROGRAM. THROUGH A GENEROUS DONATION TO FAMILY PROMISE
4 S.C.V. FROM WILLIAMS HOMES OF \$2,000 PER UNIT BUILT IN CANYON
5 VIEW, THIS PROJECT IS EXACTLY THE KIND OF LOCAL TEAMWORK THAT
6 FUELS OUR ABILITY TO GIVE BACK TO THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO
7 NEED HELP THE MOST. EVERYTHING WE DO AT FAMILY PROMISE IS
8 BUILT ON THE FOUNDATIONAL IDEA THAT NO CHILD SHOULD BE
9 HOMELESS. ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF FAMILY PROMISE OF SANTA
10 CLARITA VALLEY, AND THE COUNTLESS CHILDREN AND FAMILIES THAT
11 WE WILL HELP IN THE FUTURE, I ASK THAT YOU DENY THIS APPEAL
12 AND APPROVE THE CANYON VIEW ESTATES PROJECT. SUPPORT OUR
13 ONGOING MISSION TO PROVIDE SHELTER AND SUPPORT, 365 DAYS A
14 YEAR, FOR OUR LOCAL HOMELESS FAMILIES. THANK YOU.

15
16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
17 PLEASE?

18
19 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF MICHAEL
20 RANDALL. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
21 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

22
23 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. I NEED TO ASK, AM I ALLOWED TO ADDRESS 1-D?
24

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** NO, I'M SORRY. WE ARE ON THE PUBLIC
2 HEARING HOUR. ONLY ITEMS 1 THROUGH 7.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** WELL, I WILL GO AGAIN ABOUT ITEM 1, AND ABOUT THE \$46
5 FEE, FOR PROPERTY TAX, FOR FEE AND PROPERTY TAXES. JUST WANT
6 TO EMPHASIZE THAT THIS APPEARS TO BE DESIGNED TO DISCOURAGE
7 HOMEOWNERS FROM APPEALING PROPERTY TAXES, BECAUSE IF THEY
8 LOSE, IF THERE IS NO REDUCTION, THEN THEY PAY AN ADDITIONAL
9 \$46 TO THE COUNTY. AND IF THEY PREVAIL, WHICH USUALLY REQUIRES
10 A SERVICE TO HELP THEM, AND CHARGES A SURCHARGE OF 50 PERCENT,
11 THAT MEANS THAT YOU NOW PAY ANOTHER \$46 OUT OF YOUR POCKET
12 JUST TO APPEAL IT. I THINK IT IS AN INHERENT RIGHT TO APPEAL
13 THINGS LIKE THIS, WITHOUT HAVING TO BE CHARGED FOR IT. THANK
14 YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

15

16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. CAN WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
17 PLEASE?

18

19 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF RENEE
20 ANDERSON. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
21 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** I AM SPEAKING IN REGARDS TO ITEM NUMBER 5. I AM IN
24 FAVOR OF THE APPEAL, AND OPPOSED TO THE PICO CANYON PROJECT. I
25 HAVE A COUPLE OF ITEMS TO SAY. ONE, THE EXTENSION OF MAGNOLIA

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1 IS PART OF A MASTER PLAN DEVELOPED IN 1996. BUT SINCE THEN,
2 THERE HAVE BEEN MANY CHANGES TO THIS COMMUNITY, WITH SOIL
3 SHIFTING, FOUNDATIONS SHIFTING, [INAUDIBLE] SHIFTING. EVEN
4 WILLIAMS HOMES HAS RECENTLY BUILT 19 HOMES IN THE COMMUNITY,
5 FORCING THOSE HOMEOWNERS TO SIGN N.D.A.S WHERE THEY COULD NOT
6 SPEAK TODAY ON THIS MATTER, WITH THIS HEARING. THIS IS THE
7 SAME DEVELOPER PROPOSING TO BUILD 37 HOMES IN AN AREA THAT
8 WILL HAVE THE SAME SOIL PRESENT. A FULL E.I.R. IS REQUESTED
9 BECAUSE OF THE GEOLOGICAL ENGINEERING IMPACT THAT ARE TO THIS
10 COMMUNITY. WE ASK THAT YOU DENY THIS PROJECT AND APPROVE THE
11 APPEAL.

12
13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
14 PLEASE?

15
16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER COMES FROM THE LINE OF JEFF BENKO.
17 YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA
18 ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19
20 **SPEAKER:** YES, MY NAME IS JEFF BENKO. I AM ADDRESSING ITEM NO.
21 5. I SUPPORT THE APPEAL, AND I DO NOT APPROVE OF THE PROJECT.
22 I AM A RESIDENT IN THE VALLEY, AND I AM ALSO A PROFESSIONAL
23 ENGINEER LICENSED IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AND I AM VERY
24 CONCERNED OVER THE AMOUNT OF SOIL GOING TO BE MOVED AND/OR
25 QUOTE/UNQUOTE "COMPACTED." WHILE SAID AREA IS ONLY 94 ACRES,

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1 OF WHICH THEY SAY THEY WILL DISTURB ONLY 15 PERCENT, OR 20
2 PERCENT, THE REALITY IS, THE DEPTH OF THE EARTH THAT IS
3 MOVING, IN THE TIME THEY WILL GIVE IT, WILL NOT PROVIDE
4 ADEQUATE COMPACTION. BURNED HOMES ON THE EAST END OF MAGNOLIA
5 ARE 40 FEET AWAY FROM AN AREA THAT WAS NOT COMPACTED WHEN THE
6 ORIGINAL SETTLEMENT WENT IN. AS A RESULT, WHEN THEY BENCHED
7 THE TECHNIQUE USED TO COMPACT, THERE'S NO WAY TO SUSTAIN THAT
8 CURRENT SLOPE AT 100 FEET AND KEEP THOSE HOMES SAFE, IN
9 ADDITION TO NEW HOMES. GIVEN THE VOLUME AND DEPTH OF THIS-- IN
10 SOME AREAS OVER 120 FEET-- IT WILL NEVER GET COMPACTED IN THE
11 TIME FRAME THE BUILDER WILL GIVE IT. MANY HOMEOWNERS HAVE
12 TRIED TO SUE JOHN LAING HOMES. THEY ARE NOW OUT OF BUSINESS.
13 YOU HEARD THERE'S N.D.A.S AGAINST--

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
16 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

17

18 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

19

20 **MODERATOR:** AND, CHAIRPERSON, AT THIS TIME, WE HAVE NO ONE ELSE
21 IN QUEUE.

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE STILL PEOPLE IN
24 THE QUEUE THAT WANT TO SPEAK, I BELIEVE, UNDER OUR PUBLIC
25 HEARING. WE HAVE ABOUT 18 PEOPLE, I BELIEVE, I AM TOLD. SO WE

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1 CAN GO AHEAD, IF THEY ARE SPEAKING ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS
2 ONLY. AND YOU HAVE TO PRESS 1 AND 0. OKAY? SO I AM LETTING THE
3 PUBLIC KNOW THAT, BECAUSE I GUESS THERE'S SOME CONFUSION GOING
4 ON. OKAY? SO LET'S SEE IF WE CAN START. WE STILL HAVE PEOPLE
5 THAT WANT TO SPEAK ON PUBLIC HEARING. GO AHEAD.

6

7 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. WE DO HAVE ANOTHER COUPLE PARTIES CUED
8 UP. WE HAVE ADAM SMITH. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE TO SPEAK. PLEASE
9 STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING
10 TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. MY NAME IS ADAM. I AM SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF
13 APPEAL OF ITEM 5. PLEASE DO NOT BUILD HERE ANYMORE. WE ONLY
14 HAVE ONE E.R. IF WE ARE GOING TO BE DOING ANYTHING, WE NEED TO
15 BE BUILDING MORE HOSPITALS. THE DIXIE FIRE HAS BEEN BURNING
16 OUT OF CONTROL FOR A MONTH AND A HALF. I MEAN, THIS IS A HIGH
17 FIRE AREA, AND WILDLIFE SEEMS TO BE ENCROACHING ON-- WE SEEM
18 TO BE ENCROACHING ON MORE WILDLIFE, AND THEY ARE COMING
19 THROUGH THE NEIGHBORHOODS HERE IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY.
20 AND, YEAH, THAT'S IT. WE NEED MORE EMERGENCY ROOMS BEFORE WE
21 NEED TO BUILD ANYTHING ELSE. THAT'S ALL.

22

23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
24 PLEASE?

25

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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF JOHN
2 MENDOZA. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING
3 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** YES, I AM CALLING TO OPPOSE PROJECT NUMBER 5, AND THE
6 REASON BEING IS THAT THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF POLLUTION
7 FROM TRUCKS, AND SO FORTH. AND I'LL TELL YOU WHY, ALSO. I LIVE
8 IN THE CITY OF POMONA, WHERE WE HAVE A CABANA PROJECT, AND
9 THEY MOVED INTO OUR CITY WITHOUT GETTING A BUSINESS PERMIT
10 FROM THE CITY. AND NOW WE HAVE RESIDENTIAL TRUCK TRAFFIC GOING
11 UP AND DOWN OUR RESIDENTIAL STREETS, DROPPING POLLUTION IN OUR
12 NEIGHBORHOODS AND IN HISTORIC DISTRICTS. AND THERE'S BEEN NO
13 E.I.R. REPORTS OR ANYTHING. AND SO I'D HATE TO SEE THIS TYPE
14 OF ACTIVITY ALSO TAKING PLACE WITH RESIDENTS ACROSS TOWN. I
15 LIVE IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, AND I LIVE FOUR BLOCKS FROM THE
16 POMONA FAIRPLEX, AND SEVERAL INQUIRIES HAVE BEEN NOT RETURNED
17 TO ANY OF THE SUPERVISORS. WE HAVE A LOT OF SENIOR CITIZENS,
18 AND LIKE I SAY, TRANSPORTATION AND POLLUTION FROM TRUCKS IS A
19 PROBLEM THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA. THANK YOU.

20

21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
22 PLEASE?

23

24 **MODERATOR:** AND ONCE MORE, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IF YOU DO WISH
25 TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, YOU WILL NEED TO PRESS 1 THEN 0 AT THIS

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1 TIME. DO NOT PRESS 1-0 A SECOND TIME, OR YOU WILL BE REMOVED
2 FROM THE QUEUE. WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF SAYAZ NUABI. YOU HAVE
3 ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA ITEMS YOU
4 ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS SAYAZ NUABI, AND I SERVE AS THE
7 POLICY AND ADVOCACY MANAGER AT THE COUNCIL ON AMERICAN-ISLAMIC
8 RELATIONS L.A. OFFICE. I DO WANT TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON
9 AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 19-- I KNOW THIS IS AFTER THE CONSENT
10 CALENDAR-- ON THE NEW ARRIVALS OF THE AFGHAN REFUGEES. AS AN
11 AFGHAN AMERICAN WHOSE FAMILY FLED AFGHANISTAN--

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SIR? SIR?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** YES?

16

17 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** I AM SORRY. THIS IS ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS
18 ONLY. BUT AS I TRIED TO CLARIFY, IF YOU WANT TO SEND IN
19 ANYTHING, WRITTEN COMMENT OR TEXT, YOU CAN DO THAT, AND WE
20 WILL RECEIVE THAT. BUT WE HAVE ALREADY TALKED ON THESE ITEMS,
21 SO NOW WE ARE ON OUR PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS, 1 THROUGH 7. BUT
22 THANK YOU FOR CALLING IN, UNLESS YOU WANT TO SPEAK ON THE
23 PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS, OKAY?

24

25 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

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1

2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. BYE-BYE.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
5 PLEASE?

6

7 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF STEVE DELUCA. YOU
8 HAVE ONE MINUTE. PLEASE STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA ITEMS
9 YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MY NAME IS STEVE DELUCA, AND I
12 AM PHONING IN IN FAVOR OF THE APPEAL OF ITEM NUMBER 5, AND I
13 AM OPPOSED TO THE PICO CANYON DEVELOPMENT PROJECT. I WOULD
14 LIKE TO SPEAK TO YOU BRIEFLY ABOUT GREENHOUSE GASES. THE 2017
15 CARB SCOPE PLANET PLAN SETS OUT GOALS TO REDUCE TOTAL
16 STATEWIDE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS TO SIX METRIC TONS OF CO₂
17 PER CAPITA BY 2030, AND TWO METRIC TONS OF CO₂ PER CAPITA BY
18 2050. SINCE THE PROJECT'S GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS ARE
19 ESTIMATED TO BE 776 METRIC TONS OF CO₂, AND THE PROJECT WILL
20 HAVE 110 RESIDENTS, THE PROJECT'S PER-CAPITA GREENHOUSE
21 EMISSIONS WILL BE 6.97 METRIC TONS OF CO₂ PER RESIDENT,
22 EXCEEDING BOTH THE 2030 AND THE 2050 CARB 2017 SCOPING PLAN
23 TARGET. AND THE PROJECT WILL NEVER BE CONSISTENT WITH E.O.B.
24 5518, BECAUSE IT WILL USE NATURAL GAS, AND BURNING NATURAL GAS
25 RESULTS IN GREENHOUSE EMISSIONS. BECAUSE THE PROJECT IS

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1 INCONSISTENT WITH THE 2017 CARB SCOPING PLAN, ITS EMISSIONS
2 WILL EXCEED THOSE GOALS. THE M.N.D.'S ERRONEOUS CONCLUSION TO
3 THE CONTRARY VIOLATES C.E.Q.A. I ASK THAT YOU DENY THIS
4 PROJECT, OR AT A VERY MINIMUM, REQUIRE A FULL E.I.R. THANK
5 YOU.

6

7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
8 PLEASE?

9

10 **MODERATOR:** AND, CHAIRPERSON, AT THIS TIME, WE HAVE NO ONE IN
11 QUEUE.

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, VERY GOOD. I JUST WANT TO GIVE SOME
14 INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC. I REALIZE THAT THERE MAY HAVE BEEN
15 SOME CONFUSION, PEOPLE WANTING TO SPEAK ON PUBLIC COMMENT,
16 WHEN WE HAD ALREADY GONE THROUGH THAT AND HEARD FROM AN HOUR'S
17 ASSIGNED TIME FOR PEOPLE TO CALL IN. BUT YOU CAN CONTINUE TO
18 SEND IN ANY TEXT MESSAGES OR E-MAILS THAT YOU WANT TO, IF YOU
19 FELT THAT YOU DIDN'T HAVE SUFFICIENT TIME TO SPEAK, OR WERE
20 NOT ABLE TO GET THROUGH. AND THEN, OF COURSE, THIS LAST
21 PORTION OF OUR HEARING TODAY IS ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS, AND
22 NOW WE ARE ACTUALLY GOING TO TURN TO VOTING ON THESE ITEMS. SO
23 I JUST WANT TO REEMPHASIZE THAT TO THE PUBLIC, FOR MANY OF YOU
24 WHO MAY NOT BE AWARE OF WHAT WE ARE DOING HERE. SO, AGAIN, OUR
25 TIME FOR PUBLIC SPEAKERS ON THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS HAS

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1 ENDED. I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL, THOSE OF YOU THAT DID CALL TO
2 SPEAK, AND IF YOU ARE UNABLE AGAIN, PLEASE TRY TO SUBMIT YOUR
3 COMMENTS IN A WRITTEN FORM, AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA, AND WE
4 WILL CONTINUE, AS YOU KNOW, TO ACCEPT YOUR WRITTEN COMMENTS
5 DURING THE REST OF THE MEETING, AND THAT WILL BECOME PART OF
6 OUR RECORD. SO TODAY, MEMBERS, WE WILL BEGIN WITH THE PUBLIC
7 HEARING ITEMS ONE THROUGH SEVEN, FOLLOWED BY SET ITEM S-1,
8 THEN ITEMS 10, 18, 19, AND FINISHING WITH ITEM 45-A. SO WITH
9 THAT, MEMBERS, WE WILL NOW GO TO ITEM 9, PUBLIC HEARINGS. WE
10 WILL TAKE UP PUBLIC HEARING ITEM NO. 1, HEARING ON COUNTY
11 CODE, TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATIVE AMENDMENT. AND ARE THERE ANY
12 SUPERVISORS THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE ANY REMARKS ON THIS
13 PARTICULAR MATTER?

14
15 **SUP. MITCHELL:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I WOULD LIKE
16 TO.

17
18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, YOU ARE RECOGNIZED, SUPERVISOR
19 MITCHELL.

20
21 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE
22 EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD AND HER TEAM FOR THE WORK THAT
23 THEY PUT INTO DEVELOPING THIS PROCESS, AND PARTICULARLY THE
24 FEE WAIVER. THE INTRODUCTION OF ANY NEW FEE IS SOMETHING THAT
25 I AND, I KNOW, WE ALL TAKE VERY SERIOUSLY. AND IF A FEE IS

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1 NECESSARY, IT MUST BE IMPLEMENTED IN AN EQUITABLE WAY THAT
2 DOES NOT RESTRICT INDIVIDUALS FROM UTILIZING THE PROCESS, DUE
3 TO AN INABILITY TO PAY. I APPRECIATE THE THOUGHTFUL
4 CONSIDERATION THAT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD HAS SHOWN
5 IN DEVELOPING AND REVISING THE FEE WAIVER PROCESS TO SUPPORT
6 LOW-INCOME HOMEOWNERS DURING THESE CHALLENGING TIMES. THE
7 REVISIONS TO THE FEE WAIVER ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA NOW INCLUDE
8 CONSIDERATION OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIPS, SUCH AS A DEBT RATIO
9 CALCULATION. IT IS AN EXAMPLE OF AN INNOVATIVE APPROACH TO
10 ASSESSING NEED AND FINANCIAL CHALLENGES. IT RECOGNIZES THAT
11 SOME LOCAL HOMEOWNERS MAY HAVE HIGH-VALUE HOMES, BUT STILL
12 STRUGGLE FINANCIALLY, WHICH CAN ALSO BE REFERRED TO AS HOME-
13 RICH, BUT CASH-POOR. THE REVISED FEE WAIVER ELIGIBILITY
14 CRITERIA IN TODAY'S ORDINANCE IS AN IMPORTANT STEP IN ENSURING
15 THAT THIS ASSESSMENT APPEALS PROCESS REMAINS AVAILABLE TO
16 EVERYONE, AND SO I WILL BE SUPPORTING THE MOTION TODAY. THANK
17 YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

18
19 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ARE THERE ANY OTHER
20 MEMBERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED ON THIS ITEM? OKAY.
21 SEEING NONE, THEN IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC
22 HEARING AND TO VOTE ON THE ITEM. ITEM 1 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
23 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE
24 THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 1 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

2

3 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

6

7 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

8

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

10

11 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

12

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

14

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

16

17 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 4-

18 0.

19

20 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW TAKE UP PUBLIC

21 HEARING ITEM NUMBER TWO, HEARING ON A RESOLUTION TO VACATE

22 EASEMENTS FOR PEDESTRIAN AND WALK PURPOSES IN THE

23 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF LAWDALE. ARE THERE ANY

24 SUPERVISORS THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE REMARKS ON THIS MATTER?

25 SEEING NONE, AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE

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1 THE PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE ON THE ITEM. ITEM 2 IS BEFORE US.
2 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO
3 APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
4 ROLL.

5

6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 2 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

7

8 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

9

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

11

12 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

13

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

15

16 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

19

20 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

21

22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 4-
23 0.

24

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE WILL NOW TAKE UP PUBLIC HEARING ITEM NO.
2 3. THIS IS A HEARING ON APPEAL OF PROJECT NUMBER RPJ2020-
3 001845, FOR ALCOHOL SALES AT AN ESTABLISHMENT IN THE
4 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF WEST ATHENS-WESTMONT. ARE THERE
5 ANY SUPERVISORS WISHING TO MAKE ANY REMARKS ON THIS ITEM? YES,
6 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU'RE RECOGNIZED.

7

8 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. IN LIGHT
9 OF THE COMMENTS WE HEARD DURING PUBLIC COMMENT, I JUST WANTED
10 TO MAKE A FEW COMMENTS. I APPRECIATE AND UNDERSTAND THAT THE
11 PROPRIETOR OF EDDIE'S LIQUOR PROVIDES ACCESS TO HOUSEHOLD AND
12 NONPERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS FOR THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES, AND
13 THAT IS A CONVENIENCE AND VERY IMPORTANT FOR THE SURROUNDING
14 NEIGHBORHOODS. BUT AGAIN, IN ADDITION TO THOSE ITEMS, EDDIE'S
15 LIQUOR SELLS ALCOHOL, AND HAS ENJOYED THE BENEFIT OF THE
16 DEEMED-APPROVED STATUS FOR ALCOHOL SALES, GIVEN THAT THEY
17 RECEIVED THEIR ALCOHOL SALES PERMIT BEFORE THE COUNTY
18 ESTABLISHED A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT PROCESS, AND BEFORE THE
19 BOARD'S DECISION TO ADOPT THE SAFE ACCESS TO ALCOHOL AND FOOD
20 ESTABLISHMENTS ORDINANCE. THE DEEMED-APPROVED STATUS FOR
21 ALCOHOL SALES COMES WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY TO COMPLY WITH 18
22 PERFORMANCE STANDARDS ESTABLISHED BY THE SAFE ORDINANCE. THE
23 CHALLENGE BEFORE US TODAY IS THE FACT THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF
24 REGIONAL PLANNING INVESTIGATORS FOUND THAT THEY WERE OUT OF
25 COMPLIANCE WITH 12 OF THOSE 18 PERFORMANCE STANDARDS. THESE

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1 STANDARDS ARE IN PLACE TO ENSURE A POSITIVE ENVIRONMENT AND
2 QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL RESIDENTS IN THAT SURROUNDING
3 COMMUNITY, AND UNFORTUNATELY, THE RESIDENTS OF MY DISTRICT
4 HAVE BEEN DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECTED BY ALCOHOL SALES. IT IS
5 EASIER TO FIND A LIQUOR OUTLET THAN A GROCERY STORE IN FAR TOO
6 MANY COMMUNITIES IN THE SECOND DISTRICT. IT IS IMPORTANT TO ME
7 THAT THOSE ESTABLISHMENTS THAT DO SELL ALCOHOL DO IT
8 RESPONSIBLY, BY BEING IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SAFE ORDINANCE.
9 WHILE I SUPPORT SMALL BUSINESSES AND KNOW THE VALUE THEY BRING
10 TO OUR COMMUNITY, WE MUST ALSO RECOGNIZE RESPONSIBILITY THAT
11 SMALL BUSINESSES HAVE TO BE LAW-ABIDING AND GOOD NEIGHBORS TO
12 THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY. SO FOR THIS REASON, I AM SUPPORTIVE
13 OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S DECISION TO REVOKE THE
14 DEEMED-APPROVED STATUS FOR ALCOHOL SALES AT THIS
15 ESTABLISHMENT. ADDITIONALLY, I HOPE THAT ALL MY COLLEAGUES
16 WILL JOIN ME IN SUPPORTING THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL
17 PLANNING'S RECOMMENDATION TO DENY THE APPEAL, AND INSTRUCT
18 COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY FINDINGS TO AFFIRM THE
19 COMMISSION'S REVOCATION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

20
21 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY OTHER MEMBERS THAT
22 WISH TO BE RECOGNIZED ON THIS ITEM? SEEING NONE, THEN IT WOULD
23 BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND TO VOTE ON THE
24 ITEM. ITEM 3 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AND I

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1 WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
2 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 3 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

9

10 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

11

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

13

14 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

15

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

17

18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

19

20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 4-
21 0.

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW TAKE UP PUBLIC

24 HEARING ITEM NUMBER FOUR, HEARING ON APPEAL OF PROJECT NUMBER

25 2020-000393, AND MINOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NUMBER

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1 RPPL2020000689, IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF ALTADENA.
2 ARE THERE ANY SUPERVISORS WISHING TO MAKE REMARKS ON THIS
3 ITEM?

4

5 **SUP. BARGER:** MADAM CHAIR?

6

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

8

9 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. YOU KNOW, WE HEARD FROM THE INDIVIDUAL
10 THAT IS REQUESTING THIS MODIFIED C.U.P., AND THE EXISTING
11 RESIDENCE WAS BUILT IN 1947. AS ORIGINALLY CONSTRUCTED, THE
12 WESTERNMOST WALL OF THE RESIDENCE IS LOCATED APPROXIMATELY
13 THREE FEET FROM THE WESTERN PROPERTY LINE. THE PROJECT WOULD
14 AUTHORIZE AN EXISTING ADDITION TO THE RESIDENCE WHICH
15 CONTINUES THE WESTERN PLAN OF THE ORIGINAL RESIDENCE TO REMAIN
16 AS CONSTRUCTED, AND TO SERVE THE CHANGING NEEDS OF THE FAMILY
17 THAT LIVES THERE. I WOULD ALSO NOTE THAT THE ALTADENA TOWN
18 COUNCIL CHOSE NOT TO WEIGH IN ON THIS, WHICH I BELIEVE THEY
19 RECOGNIZE THAT, WHILE I DISAGREE WITH THE ASKING FOR
20 FORGIVENESS VERSUS PERMISSION, I THINK YOU SHOULD ALWAYS ASK
21 FOR PERMISSION FIRST AND FOREMOST, AND I DO KNOW THAT THE
22 OWNER DID APPLY WITH REGIONAL PLANNING IN 2015 FOR THE
23 CONSTRUCTION OF THIS PROJECT. THE PROJECT AS CONSTRUCTED WAS
24 NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH WHAT THE ORIGINAL APPLICATION WAS, BUT
25 I DO FEEL THAT THE CURRENT HOMEOWNER IS MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO

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1 TRY TO COMPLY WITH REGIONAL PLANNING'S REQUEST, AS IT RELATES
2 TO BEING IN COMPLIANCE NOW UNDER THE C.U.P. BEING REQUESTED.
3 SO I WOULD THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CLOSE
4 THE PUBLIC HEARING AND INDICATE AND RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD,
5 AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING, INDICATE ITS INTENT TO FIND THE
6 PROJECT CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT, PURSUANT TO STATE AND LOCAL
7 CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT, THE C.E.Q.A. GUIDELINES;
8 AND NUMBER TWO, INDICATE ITS INTENT TO DENY THE APPEAL, AND
9 INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY FINDINGS TO
10 AFFIRM THE COMMISSION'S APPROVAL OF PROJECT NUMBER 2020-
11 000393, INCLUDING M.C.U.P. NUMBER RPPL2020000689. FURTHER,
12 INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL TO CLARIFY THE SETBACK REQUIREMENT OF
13 THE ALTADENA COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT, APPLICABLE TO THE
14 SUBJECT PROPERTY, AND ACKNOWLEDGING THE EXISTING BUILDINGS'
15 SETBACK, AS APPROVED IN THE FINDINGS PREPARED BY THE BOARD
16 ADOPTION. THAT WOULD BE MY REQUEST, MADAM CHAIR.

17
18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SEEING NO OTHER COMMENTS FROM
19 OTHER BOARD MEMBERS, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE, THEN, TO CLOSE
20 THE PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE ON THE ITEM. ITEM 4 IS BEFORE US.
21 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, AND I WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THE
22 ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

23
24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 4 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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1 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

2

3 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

4

5 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

6

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

8

9 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 4-
16 0.

17

18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MEMBERS, NOW WE WILL TAKE UP
19 PUBLIC HEARING ITEM 5, HEARING ON APPEALS OF PROJECT NUMBER
20 R2016-002179, FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF HOUSING IN THE
21 UNINCORPORATED AREA OF SANTA CLARITA. SUPERVISOR BARGER, YOU
22 WISH TO BE RECOGNIZED?

23

24 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. IS AMY BODEK ON,
25 THAT I CAN ASK A COUPLE QUESTIONS FOR CLARIFICATION?

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2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SHE'S ON, YES.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER:** AMY?

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6 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AMY? SHE'S SUPPOSED TO BE THERE. CAN YOU
7 UNMUTE YOURSELF, AMY?

8

9 **SUP. BARGER:** BECAUSE I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO GET SOME OF
10 THESE QUESTIONS ASKED, THAT WERE BROUGHT UP, BECAUSE I THINK
11 THAT THEY ARE IMPORTANT FACTS THAT NEED TO BE SET FOR THE
12 RECORD.

13

14 **AMY BODEK:** MADAM CHAIR, CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES. GO AHEAD.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH, GREAT. THANK YOU. FIRST OF ALL, AMY, ONE
19 QUESTION THAT COMES UP, THAT I DIDN'T HAVE ORIGINALLY, BUT
20 NOW, BASED ON SOME OF THE CALLS THAT WERE MADE, IS THE
21 MITIGATED DECLARATION APPROPRIATE FOR THIS PROJECT? BECAUSE
22 THAT'S BEEN BROUGHT UP, AS IT RELATES TO THE E.I.R. AND I
23 WOULD LIKE YOU TO EXPLAIN. FIRST OF ALL, ANSWER THAT, AND
24 EXPLAIN WHY, IF IT IS APPROPRIATE, TO DO A MITIGATED
25 DECLARATION. CELIA, CAN YOU FIND OUT WHAT IS GOING ON?

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1

2 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, SUPERVISOR, WE WILL.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE'RE CALLING HER RIGHT NOW, AGAIN.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

7

8 **AMY BODEK:** CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?

9

10 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH.

11

12 **AMY BODEK:** THANK YOU. I APOLOGIZE. SO, YES, I DID HEAR YOUR
13 QUESTION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR BARGER. WE BELIEVE
14 THAT THE PROJECT'S C.E.Q.A. DOCUMENT IS FULLY APPROPRIATE.
15 THERE HAVE BEEN THREE PUBLIC HEARINGS IN FRONT OF THE REGIONAL
16 PLANNING COMMISSION ON THIS PROJECT, STARTING IN 2020. THE
17 REASON WE BELIEVE A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION IS THE
18 APPROPRIATE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT IS BECAUSE ALL OF THE
19 POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS IN ALL OF THE IDENTIFIED AREAS
20 HAVE BEEN REDUCED TO A LEVEL OF LESS THAN SIGNIFICANCE. WE
21 HAVE INCLUDED AT LEAST 26 MITIGATION MEASURES, AND BECAUSE ALL
22 OF THOSE MITIGATION MEASURES HAVE REDUCED THE IMPACTS TO LESS
23 THAN SIGNIFICANCE, THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO NEED FOR A FOCUSED
24 E.I.R., AS SOME HAVE SUGGESTED, OR FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
25 REPORT. AS SUCH, WE HAVE DETERMINED THAT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE

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1 DECLARATION IS THE APPROPRIATE ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION. WE
2 DID HAVE A QUESTION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THE MITIGATED
3 NEGATIVE DECLARATION SHOULD BE RECIRCULATED, AND THAT WAS
4 QUESTIONED BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE.
5 AND THE ANSWER TO THAT IS NO. NEW INFORMATION SUBMITTED PRIOR
6 TO A MITIGATED NEG-DEC ADOPTION DOES NOT REQUIRE
7 RECIRCULATION. WHAT DOES REQUIRE RECIRCULATION IS WHETHER
8 THERE NEEDED TO BE SUBSTANTIAL REVISIONS MADE TO THAT
9 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT, IN ORDER TO RELATE TO THAT NEW
10 INFORMATION. WE HAVE DETERMINED BACK IN MAY, AND MADE SOME
11 REVISIONS TO THE M.N.D. THAT WERE APPROPRIATE TO ADDRESS THE
12 WILDLIFE HABITAT, AS IT RELATES TO THE MOUNTAIN LIONS. THE NEW
13 INFORMATION, MEANING THE PHOTOGRAPH THAT WAS TAKEN AT THE
14 BEGINNING OF AUGUST, IS REALLY NOT NEW INFORMATION, BECAUSE IT
15 JUST CONFIRMED THE PRESENCE OF THE MOUNTAIN LIONS, WHICH WE
16 PLANNED FOR AND INCLUDED IN THAT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT. I
17 HOPE THAT ANSWERS YOUR QUESTION.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH. SO, CAN I FOLLOW UP ON THAT? THAT'S A GOOD
20 SEGUE INTO MY NEXT QUESTION, AS IT RELATES TO THE MOUNTAIN
21 LION, BECAUSE, OBVIOUSLY, I DO TAKE TO HEART THE CONCERNS, AND
22 I KNOW THAT THERE ARE TWO OTHER RESIDENTIAL AREAS. DO WE KNOW
23 WHAT THE TRAVEL PATH IS CURRENTLY IN THAT AREA, AS IT RELATES
24 TO THE MOUNTAIN LIONS AND WILDLIFE IN GENERAL?

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1 **AMY BODEK:** WE DO, ACTUALLY. SURROUNDING THIS PROJECT AND THE
2 OTHER TWO RESIDENTIAL AREAS IS A SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL AREA,
3 AND WE DO KNOW THAT THAT S.C.A. ACTUALLY IS A TRAVEL PATH FOR
4 MOUNTAIN LIONS. AND SINCE THIS PROJECT DOES NOT IMPACT THAT
5 S.C.A., AND BECAUSE NEARLY 60 ACRES OF THAT PROJECT SITE ARE
6 PRESERVED AS UNDISTURBED OPEN SPACE, WE DO BELIEVE THAT THIS
7 PROVIDES THE APPROPRIATE WILDLIFE CROSSING, AND THAT THE
8 MOUNTAIN LIONS WILL STILL BE ABLE TO USE THOSE OPEN SPACE
9 OPPORTUNITIES.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER:** SO TO YOUR POINT, THEN, FOR THE RECORD, DO YOU
12 FEEL THE APPLICANT TOOK APPROPRIATE STEPS TO STUDY THE
13 POTENTIAL IMPACT OF THE PROJECT ON MOUNTAIN LIONS?

14

15 **AMY BODEK:** WE DO, AND WE CLARIFIED THAT BACK IN MAY, AND TOOK
16 THAT TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION, AND THE REGIONAL
17 PLANNING COMMISSION CONCURRED WITH THAT ANALYSIS.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER:** AND THEN LAST, BUT NOT LEAST, ANOTHER COMMENT
20 THAT WAS MADE IN THE CALLS THAT CAME IN HAD TO DO WITH THE
21 SOIL, AND THE FACT THAT THEY WERE GOING TO BE MOVING THE SOIL.
22 WERE GEOLOGICAL SURVEYS DONE, AND WHAT WAS THE FINDING, AS IT
23 RELATES TO THE COMPACTING OF THAT SOIL ON THIS PROJECT?

24

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1 **AMY BODEK:** CERTAINLY, THAT IS SOMETHING THAT MUST BE ANALYZED
2 UNDER C.E.Q.A. AND SO UNDER THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
3 INCLUDED IN THE 26 MITIGATION MEASURES AND THE 13 TECHNICAL
4 STUDIES, INCLUDING A GEOTECHNICAL STUDY, THE ANALYSIS
5 CONCLUDED THAT THERE WOULD BE IMPACTS, BUT THOSE COULD BE
6 REDUCED WITH APPROPRIATE ENGINEERING. AND SO, CERTAINLY, WHEN
7 THIS PROJECT SUBMITS FOR GRADING PERMITS WITH OUR DEPARTMENT
8 OF PUBLIC WORKS, THEY WILL AGAIN HAVE TO SUBMIT UPDATED
9 GEOTECHNICAL INFORMATION, AND HAVE TO GET APPROVAL FROM OUR
10 COUNTY ENGINEERS ON THEIR PLANS.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER:** SO THAT PROCESS WILL CONTINUE AS THE PROJECT
13 MOVES FORWARD? IT IS NOT ONE STUDY, AND THEN IT IS DONE? YOU
14 WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR THAT?

15

16 **AMY BODEK:** CORRECT.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY. YOU KNOW, I GUESS I WILL MAKE MY REMARKS
19 SHORT. I MEAN, THIS HAS BEEN A HARD ONE, AND I HAVE STUDIED IT
20 EXTENSIVELY, AND I HAVE HEARD LOUD AND CLEAR FROM RESIDENTS,
21 BOTH IN FAVOR AND AGAINST THIS PROJECT. AND I UNDERSTAND THE
22 CONCERNS, BUT I ALSO RECOGNIZE THAT, AS THE COUNTY WORKS TO
23 ADDRESS THE CRITICAL HOUSING SHORTAGE FACING THE REGION, AND
24 THE GROWING EPIDEMIC OF PERSONS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, I
25 BELIEVE IT IS VITAL THAT THE COUNTY CONTINUE TO PRODUCE MORE

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1 HOUSING OF ALL TYPES, AND WE ARE SEEING THAT WITH S.C.A.G., AS
2 IT RELATES TO THE R.H.N.A. ALLOCATION THAT'S BEING PUSHED
3 FORWARD DOWN IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. HOUSING DEMAND FAR
4 OUTPACES SUPPLY, AS WE ALL KNOW, AND THIS CONSTRAINT HAS HAD A
5 SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE CURRENT HOUSING MARKET. HOWEVER, I
6 HAVE HEARD THE CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY THE NEIGHBORS AND OTHERS
7 IN THE COMMUNITY ABOUT THE POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF THIS PROJECT,
8 AND I BELIEVE THAT SOME OF THOSE CONCERNS ARE VALID AND SHOULD
9 BE INCLUDED, AS IT RELATES TO MOVING THIS PROJECT FORWARD. SO
10 I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE THIS AS A MOTION TODAY, AND THAT IS,
11 AFTER WE CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, THAT THE BOARD CLOSE PUBLIC
12 HEARING, BUT ALSO THAT THE BOARD, NUMBER ONE, REQUIRE AS A
13 CONDITION OF APPROVAL THAT, PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF BUILDING
14 PERMITS, THAT THE PROJECT COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE UPDATES
15 TO THE COUNTY FIRE CODE, WHICH HAS CHANGED, AND I THINK IT IS
16 IMPORTANT THAT THAT BE INCLUDED; NUMBER TWO, REQUIRE AS A
17 CONDITION OF APPROVAL THAT CONSTRUCTION START TIMES BE
18 ADJUSTED FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M., TO ACTUALLY BE 8:00 A.M.
19 TO 5:00 P.M., TO RECOGNIZE THE CONCERNS THAT THE NEIGHBORS
20 HAVE; NUMBER THREE, REQUIRE AS A CONDITION OF APPROVAL THAT
21 ALL CONSTRUCTION STAFF PARKING REMAIN OFF SITE, AND UTILIZE
22 SHUTTLE SERVICES UNTIL SUCH TIME AS ON-SITE PARKING AREA CAN
23 BE ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE PROJECT LIMITS, IN ORDER TO AVOID
24 IMPACTING THE SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOODS; NUMBER FOUR, INDICATE
25 ITS INTENT TO ADOPT THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

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1 ASSOCIATED WITH ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NUMBER
2 RPPL2016004410, FINDING THAT THE M.N.D. IS THE APPROPRIATE
3 ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FOR THIS PROJECT; FIVE, INDICATE ITS
4 INTENT TO APPROVE THE PROJECT CONSISTING OF VESTING TENTATIVE
5 TRACK MAP NUMBER 74650, THAT IS THE RPPL2016004402, THE
6 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NUMBER RPPL2016004409, AND THE OAK TREE
7 PERMIT NUMBER RPPL2017009209; AND SIX, INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL
8 TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS TO AFFIRM THE
9 COMMISSION'S APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT NUMBER R2016-002179,
10 INCLUDING VESTING TENTATIVE TRACK MAP NUMBER 74650, C.U.P.
11 NUMBER RPPL2016004409, AND OAK TREE PERMIT NUMBER
12 RPPL2017009209. AND I WOULD ALSO ADD, IN COMMENT TO MR.
13 EDELMAN'S ISSUES REGARDING THE HIKING TRAILS AND THE TRAILS, I
14 AM FULLY COMMITTED TO WORKING WITH HIM TO ADDRESS THE
15 CONNECTIVITY IN THAT AREA. IT HAS BEEN A PRIORITY, AND WILL
16 CONTINUE TO BE A PRIORITY. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT A PRIVATE
17 OWNER THAT HAS PUT UP BARRIERS TO SALE IS CONTINUING TO SAY
18 THAT HE OR SHE IS NOT WILLING TO SELL, BUT I REMAIN COMMITTED
19 TO WORKING WITH MR. EDELMAN TO ENSURE THAT THAT HAPPENS, AND
20 HAVE GONE AS FAR AS TO SET ASIDE OPEN SPACE MONEY, IN ORDER TO
21 PURCHASE THOSE RIGHTS, AND I WILL CONTINUE TO MAKE THAT A
22 PRIORITY, NOT ONLY WITH THIS PROJECT, BUT THROUGHOUT THE
23 ENTIRE SANTA CLARITA REGION. BECAUSE I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT
24 FOR US TO CONTINUE TO ENSURE THAT THERE ARE HIKING TRAILS
25 AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT, NOT ONLY MY DISTRICT, BUT THROUGHOUT THE

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1 COUNTY AS A WHOLE. SO WITH THAT, MADAM CHAIR, I WOULD ASK THE
2 BOARD TO CONSIDER THAT MOTION.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR BARGER, AND
5 THANK YOU, AMY BODEK, FOR CLARIFYING SOME OF THE CONCERNS THAT
6 WERE RAISED IN ADDRESSING THOSE. I WANT TO COMMEND YOU,
7 SUPERVISOR BARGER, FOR GOING INTO DETAIL ABOUT WHAT YOU PLAN
8 ON DOING TO HELP PROVIDE ANY FURTHER MITIGATIONS, BECAUSE THIS
9 IS A SENSITIVE ISSUE FOR SOME OF US, AS YOU KNOW, SO WE ALSO
10 WANT TO SUPPORT THAT ENDEAVOR. SO, IF THERE ARE NO OTHER
11 MEMBERS THAT HAVE ANY COMMENTS ON THIS ITEM-- I DON'T SEE ANY
12 FURTHER-- THEN ITEM 5, IT IS APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC
13 HEARING AND VOTE ON THE ITEM. ITEM 5 IS BEFORE US, AS AMENDED
14 BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO
15 APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
16 ROLL.

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 5, AS AMENDED, IS BEFORE YOU.
19 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

20

21 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

22

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

24

25 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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1

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

3

4 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

9

10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 4-

11 0.

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAI:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW TAKE UP PUBLIC
14 HEARING ITEM NUMBER SIX, HEARING ON PROJECT NUMBER 2019-
15 003989, FOR THE THREE POINTS-LIEBRE MOUNTAINS COMMUNITY
16 STANDARDS DISTRICT. ARE THERE ANY SUPERVISORS THAT WISH TO BE
17 RECOGNIZED ON THIS ITEM?

18

19 **SUP. BARGER:** MADAM CHAIR, I'LL MAKE THIS VERY SHORT. I JUST
20 WANT TO, FIRST OF ALL, THANK ALL OF THE COUNTY FAMILY STAFF
21 THAT HELPED GET THE C.S.V. MOVING. THIS HAS BEEN SOMETHING NOT
22 ONLY IN THIS AREA, BUT THROUGH THE ENTIRE ANTELOPE AREA. THE
23 C.S.V. HAS BEEN A PRIORITY. I THINK THAT'S WHAT MAKES EACH
24 COMMUNITY SO DIVERSE, IS THAT THE C.S.V.S DO ADDRESS THE NEEDS
25 OF EACH INDIVIDUAL COMMUNITY. AND I WANT TO THANK OUR TOWN

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1 COUNCIL FOR THE WORK THEY HAVE PUT INTO IT, AND THE PATIENCE
2 THAT THEY HAVE SHOWN. BECAUSE THIS HAS BEEN A VERY LONG
3 PROCESS, BUT I THINK THAT, IN THE END, THIS IS A DOCUMENT THAT
4 TRULY IS GOING TO REPRESENT THE NEEDS OF THREE POINTS, AND I
5 AM EXCITED THAT IT IS ON TODAY'S AGENDA. AND AGAIN, I WANT TO
6 THANK THE THREE POINTS, BUT ALSO THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY, FOR
7 THEIR SUPPORT AND THEIR PATIENCE, AS IT RELATES TO THIS MOVING
8 FORWARD. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

9

10 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY OTHER MEMBERS
11 WISHING TO BE RECOGNIZED ON THIS ITEM? IF NOT, THEN IT IS
12 APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE ON THE ITEM.
13 ITEM 6 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER. I WILL
14 SECOND, TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
15 CALL THE ROLL.

16

17 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM SIX IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR
18 MITCHELL?

19

20 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

21

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

23

24 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

25

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

2

3 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 4-
10 0. THANK YOU. NOW WE WILL TAKE UP PUBLIC HEARING ITEM NO. 7,
11 HEARING ON PROJECT NO. 2019003993, FOR THE ELIZABETH LAKE AND
12 LAKE HUGHES COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT UPDATE. ARE THERE ANY
13 OTHER SUPERVISORS THAT ALSO WISH TO MAKE REMARKS ON THIS ITEM?

14

15 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH. AGAIN, I WILL MAKE THIS ONE SHORT, AS WELL.
16 I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE LAKE ELIZABETH COMMUNITY FOR THEIR
17 PATIENCE. IT'S BEEN A LONG PROCESS, BUT THIS, AGAIN, THE
18 C.S.V. WILL REALLY ADDRESS THE CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE IN THAT
19 COMMUNITY. AND I WANT TO THANK OUR DEPARTMENT FOR MOVING THIS
20 FORWARD AND MAKING THIS A PRIORITY, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO MORE
21 C.S.V.S FROM THE REGION UP THERE COMING FORWARD IN THE NEXT
22 FEW MONTHS. SO WITH THAT, I WOULD MOVE THIS FORWARD.

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE, THEN,
25 TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE ON THE ITEM. ITEM 7 IS

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1 BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
2 MITCHELL TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
3 CALL THE ROLL.

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 7 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

6

7 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

8

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

10

11 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

12

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

14

15 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

16

17 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

20

21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 4-
22 0.

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, THANK YOU, MEMBERS. THAT CONCLUDES
25 THE PUBLIC HEARING ORDER. NOW WE'RE GOING TO MOVE ON TO OUR

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1 NEXT SET MATTER, AND THAT IS THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER. THIS IS
2 AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE BOARD TO DISCUSS THE PANDEMIC TRENDS,
3 AND WE WILL HEAR FROM DR. BARBARA FERRER, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
4 HEALTH, AND DR. CHRISTINA GHALY, DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES.
5 WELCOME, DR. FERRER AND CHRISTINA GHALY. DR. FERRER?

6

7 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** THANK YOU, AND GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE.
8 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AND TO THE ENTIRE BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS. AS ALWAYS, I WANT TO EXPRESS MY AND THE
10 DEPARTMENT'S DEEP APPRECIATION FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND TIRELESS
11 ADVOCACY AND LEADERSHIP. I'M GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO
12 PRESENT TO YOU AND THE PUBLIC THE LATEST ON THE STATUS OF THE
13 ONGOING C.O.V.I.D.-19 PANDEMIC HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. THIS
14 MORNING, I WILL BE TALKING ABOUT OUR TRENDS IN CASES,
15 HOSPITALIZATIONS, AND DEATHS BY VACCINATION STATUS, AGE GROUP,
16 AND RACE AND ETHNICITY. I WILL ALSO REVIEW OUR VACCINATION
17 PROGRESS, AND GIVE AN UPDATE ON CASES, OUTBREAKS, AND
18 MITIGATION AND PREVENTION STRATEGIES AT SCHOOLS. WE CAN START
19 WITH THE FIRST SLIDE. YESTERDAY'S NUMBERS, WHICH ARE ON THIS
20 SLIDE, REPRESENT THE LAG IN WEEKEND REPORTING. I JUST GOT
21 TODAY'S NUMBERS ON DEATHS, AND I AM SAD TO REPORT 33
22 ADDITIONAL DEATHS TODAY. THIS DOES BRING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF
23 DEATHS TO 25,284 ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. I DO SEND MY DEEPEST
24 CONDOLENCES TO EVERYONE WHO'S GRIEVING THE LOSS OF A FRIEND,
25 NEIGHBOR, COWORKER, OR LOVED ONE AT THIS TIME, AND OUR HEARTS

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1 AND OUR THOUGHTS ARE ALWAYS WITH YOU. YESTERDAY, WE ALSO, AS
2 YOU CAN SEE, REPORTED OVER 2300 NEW CASES. THAT BROUGHT THE
3 TOTAL NUMBER OF NEW CASES TO OVER 1,405,387. TO DATE, THERE
4 HAVE BEEN MORE THAN 8.1 MILLION PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN TESTED
5 IN L.A. COUNTY, AND HAD THEIR TEST RESULTS REPORTED TO US. OUR
6 DAILY TEST POSITIVITY RATE HAS BEEN AT ABOUT 2.5%. THIS IS A
7 DECREASE FROM LAST WEEK'S RATE OF ABOUT 2.9%, AND IT LIKELY
8 REFLECTS THE INCREASES IN ROUTINE SCREENING TESTING, WHICH IS
9 OCCURRING PRIMARILY AMONG ASYMPTOMATIC PEOPLE. THE DAILY
10 AVERAGE CASE RATE, WITH A THREE-DAY LAG, IS NOW ABOUT 21 CASES
11 PER 100,000 PEOPLE. THIS ALSO IS A DECREASE FROM LAST WEEK'S
12 THREE-DAY LAGGED CASE RATE OF ABOUT 26 CASES PER 100,000
13 PEOPLE. TODAY, THERE'S ABOUT 1700 PEOPLE THAT ARE HOSPITALIZED
14 WITH C.O.V.I.D.-19, A SLIGHT INCREASE FROM YESTERDAY, BUT IN
15 GENERAL, THE NUMBERS OF HOSPITALIZATIONS HAVE EITHER
16 STABILIZED OR STARTED A VERY SMALL DECLINE. THERE ARE ABOUT
17 334 OPEN OUTBREAK INVESTIGATIONS AT RESIDENTIAL CONGREGATE
18 SETTINGS AND NONRESIDENTIAL SETTINGS, WITH AT LEAST ONE
19 CONFIRMED CASE OF C.O.V.I.D. WE CAN GO ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE.
20 AS ALWAYS, IN ORDER TO ASSESS THE RISK OF C.O.V.I.D. IN L.A.
21 COUNTY, WE ARE USING THE C.D.C. INDICATORS AND THRESHOLDS TO
22 CATEGORIZE COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION IN OUR COUNTY. WE'LL NOTE
23 THAT THIS FRAMEWORK USES A CUMULATIVE 7-DAY CASE RATE, MEANING
24 THE NUMBER OF CASES PER 100,000 PEOPLE OVER THE PAST WEEK,
25 RATHER THAN A DAILY CASE RATE. TRANSMISSION IN L.A. COUNTY, AS

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1 YOU CAN SEE, REMAINS AT THE HIGH LEVEL. OUR SEVEN-DAY
2 CUMULATIVE CASE RATE IS ABOUT 166 NEW CASES PER 100,000
3 RESIDENTS, WHICH REPRESENTS A WELCOMED 12% DECREASE FROM LAST
4 WEEK. WE CAN GO ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE. AND THIS GRAPH SHOWS
5 MORE EASILY THE TRENDS IN CASES, HOSPITALIZATIONS, AND DEATHS
6 ACROSS THE COUNTY, FROM THE VERY BEGINNING OF THE PANDEMIC
7 THROUGH AUGUST 22ND OF THIS YEAR. ALTHOUGH THE CASES
8 REPRESENTED BY THIS GREEN TREND LINE ARE REPORTED AT RATES
9 THAT RANGE BETWEEN ABOUT 2200 AND 2700 CASES A DAY, YOU CAN
10 SEE, AS OUR CASE RATES INDICATE, A DOWNTURN IN THE SEVEN DAY-
11 AVERAGE CASE NUMBERS. IN THE PAST WEEK, CASE NUMBERS HAVE
12 DECREASED ABOUT 17%. HOWEVER, WITH INCREASED ROUTINE SCREENING
13 TESTING OVER THE NEXT WEEKS AHEAD, AND WITH MORE STUDENTS
14 RETURNING TO SCHOOL, IT IS HIGHLY LIKELY THAT OUR CASE NUMBERS
15 WILL REMAIN ELEVATED. YOU CAN SEE HOSPITALIZATION NUMBERS ARE
16 PLATEAUING, AND LOOK AT THE ORANGE TREND LINE, WHICH SHOWS OUR
17 RESULTS THROUGH ABOUT AUGUST 22ND. BUT WE DO KNOW THAT IN THE
18 FEW DAYS AFTER AUGUST 22ND, HOSPITALIZATIONS DIPPED BELOW 1700
19 FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE ABOUT THE MIDDLE OF AUGUST. DEATHS,
20 UNFORTUNATELY, AS A LAGGING INDICATOR, HAVE RISEN 6% OVER THE
21 PAST WEEK, TO A SEVEN-DAY AVERAGE OF 18 DEATHS PER DAY. THIS
22 VIRUS DOES CONTINUE TO CAUSE SERIOUS LIFE-THREATENING ILLNESS
23 AMONG MANY WHO ARE INFECTED, AND OUR LOSSES ARE MADE ALL THE
24 MORE TRAGIC BY THE FACT THAT NEARLY ALL OF THEM ARE
25 PREVENTABLE WITH EXTREMELY SAFE AND WIDELY AVAILABLE VACCINES.

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1 WE CAN GO ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE. OUR RECENT RISE IN CASES DOES
2 REFLECT THE REALITY THAT THE DELTA VARIANT NOW ACCOUNTS FOR
3 NEARLY ALL OF THE C.O.V.I.D. STRAINS SEEN AMONG THE SAMPLES
4 THAT ARE SEQUENCED IN THE L.A. COUNTY AREA. AS YOU CAN SEE ON
5 THIS BAR CHART, WHICH SHOWS THE NUMBER OF CASES ACCOUNTED FOR
6 BY DIFFERENT VARIANTS OF CONCERN, THE DELTA VARIANCE, WHICH IS
7 REPRESENTED BY THE RED COLOR ON THE BARS, ACCOUNTS FOR 97% OF
8 ALL OUR SEQUENCED STRAINS. AND THE DECLINE THAT YOU SEE FOR
9 THE LATTER, THE LAST WEEK ON THIS TABLE, JUST REFLECTS THAT WE
10 CONTINUE TO GET REPORTS IN FOR THAT TIME PERIOD. THE VARIANT
11 IS MORE EFFICIENTLY TRANSMITTED BETWEEN PEOPLE, LIKELY DUE TO
12 ITS FASTER REPLICATION, HIGHER VIRAL LOAD, AND GREATER
13 AFFINITY FOR LOWER RESPIRATORY TRACT CELLS, COMPARED WITH
14 EARLIER C.O.V.I.D. STRAINS, AND IT ACTUALLY, AS YOU CAN SEE,
15 HAS CROWDED OUT ALL OF THE OTHER C.O.V.I.D. STRAINS. WHILE
16 EMERGING DATA AFFIRMS THAT FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE ARE WELL
17 PROTECTED FROM SEVERE INFECTIONS WITH DELTA VARIANTS, I DO
18 WANT TO NOTE THAT IT IS CLEAR THAT FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE CAN
19 BECOME INFECTED, AND IF INFECTED WITH DELTA, THEY ARE LIKELY
20 TO BE ABLE TO INFECT OTHERS. WE CAN GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE.
21 GIVEN THE CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE THAT FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE ARE
22 ABLE TO BOTH GET INFECTED AND INFECT OTHERS WITH THE DELTA
23 VIRUS, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE CONTINUE TO TRACK THE
24 EFFECTIVENESS OF THE VACCINES BY LOOKING AT THE EXPERIENCES OF
25 EVERYONE VACCINATED. THIS SLIDE-- I SHOW IT EVERY WEEK-- GIVES

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1 US OUR DATA FOR THOSE FULLY PROTECTED BY THE VACCINES, TO
2 SCALE. THE LARGE GREEN BOX REPRESENTS THE 5.2 MILLION
3 RESIDENTS WHO ARE FULLY VACCINATED. THE TINY PURPLE BOX IN THE
4 LEFT LOWER CORNER OF THE GREEN BOX REPRESENTS THE NOW ALMOST
5 33,000 FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE WHO HAVE TESTED POSITIVE FOR
6 C.O.V.I.D., AS OF AUGUST 24, 2021. WHILE THE NUMBER OF FULLY
7 VACCINATED INDIVIDUALS CONTINUES TO INCREASE EACH WEEK,
8 OVERALL, LESS THAN 1% OF ALL OF THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN VACCINATED
9 HAVE BECOME INFECTED WITH C.O.V.I.D. OF THOSE WHO TESTED
10 POSITIVE, 881 ENDED UP HOSPITALIZED, AND THIS IS UP FROM 742
11 HOSPITALIZATIONS AMONG THIS GROUP THE WEEK PRIOR. THIS
12 TRANSLATES TO ABOUT 0.017% OF ALL FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE
13 ENDING UP HOSPITALIZED. AND AGAIN, THIS IS A TINY INCREASE
14 FROM THE WEEK BEFORE. DEATHS IN THIS GROUP OVER THIS INTERVAL
15 ALSO INCREASED FROM 68 TO NOW 95, AND THIS ACCOUNTS FOR
16 0.0018% OF FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE PASSING AWAY FROM
17 C.O.V.I.D. AS THESE SLIGHT INCREASES INDICATE, VACCINES DO NOT
18 PROVIDE 100% PROTECTION FROM INFECTION. WHEN COMMUNITY
19 TRANSMISSION IS HIGH, MORE FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE ARE LIKELY
20 TO GET INFECTED. BUT THESE NUMBERS ALSO SHOW US HOW
21 EXTRAORDINARILY WELL PROTECTED FROM C.O.V.I.D.-RELATED
22 HOSPITALIZATION AND DEATH FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE CONTINUE TO
23 BE. WE CAN GO ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE. A DEEPER DIVE CAPTURING
24 THE EXPERIENCES OF THOSE UNVACCINATED AND VACCINATED IS
25 PRESENTED ON THIS SLIDE, WHICH SUMMARIZES CASE HOSPITALIZATION

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1 AND DEATH RATES BY VACCINATION STATUS, AND RACE AND ETHNICITY,
2 FOR THE WEEK THAT ENDED AUGUST 14TH. ALONGSIDE THESE NUMBERS,
3 YOU CAN ALSO SEE THE PERCENT OF EACH RACIAL AND ETHNIC GROUP
4 THAT HAS RECEIVED AT LEAST ONE DOSE OF THE VACCINE. YOU WILL
5 NOTICE THAT CASE HOSPITALIZATION AND DEATH RATES ARE
6 CONSISTENTLY MUCH HIGHER AMONG ALL UNVACCINATED NUMBERS OF ALL
7 GROUPS THAN THEY ARE AMONG THE VACCINATED. FURTHERMORE, WHILE
8 CASE AND HOSPITALIZATION RATES ARE HIGHEST AMONG UNVACCINATED
9 BLACK RESIDENTS, UNVACCINATED WHITE RESIDENTS ARE NOW THE
10 GROUP WITH THE HIGHEST DEATH RATE. VACCINATED PEOPLE CONTINUE
11 TO HAVE RATES FOR ALL OUTCOMES THAT ARE MANY-FOLD LOWER THAN
12 THEIR UNVACCINATED COUNTERPARTS. THEY ARE FOUR TO EIGHT TIMES
13 LESS LIKELY TO BE HOSPITALIZED, AND FIVE TO SEVEN TIMES LESS
14 LIKELY TO DIE FROM AN INFECTION. THE DEATH RATE AMONG
15 VACCINATED BLACK RESIDENTS IS CURRENTLY SO LOW THAT WE CAN'T
16 EVEN CALCULATE A RATE. WE WILL GO ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE.
17 LOOKING AT THESE SAME OUTCOMES BY AGE GROUP FOR THE WEEK
18 ENDING AUGUST 14, WE CAN SEE THAT THE HIGHEST CASE RATES
19 CONTINUE TO BE AMONG UNVACCINATED YOUNGER ADULTS AGE 18-49,
20 WITH A RATE OF 510 NEW CASES PER 100,000 UNVACCINATED PEOPLE,
21 AND THAT UNVACCINATED PEOPLE IN ALL AGE GROUPS ARE FOUR TO
22 FIVE TIMES MORE LIKELY TO BECOME INFECTED THAN THEIR
23 VACCINATED COUNTERPARTS. HOSPITALIZATIONS WERE VIRTUALLY
24 NONEXISTENT AMONG VACCINATED CHILDREN BELOW THE AGE OF 18,
25 ALTHOUGH ONE IN EVERY 100,000 UNVACCINATED CHILDREN WAS

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1 HOSPITALIZED. THERE WERE VIRTUALLY NO C.O.V.I.D. DEATHS IN
2 CHILDREN, REGARDLESS OF THEIR VACCINATION STATUS, AND FOR THIS
3 WE ARE GRATEFUL. UNVACCINATED YOUNGER ADULTS AGE 18 TO 49 WERE
4 27 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO BE HOSPITALIZED THAN THEIR VACCINATED
5 COUNTERPARTS, WITH A RATE OF 24 HOSPITALIZATIONS PER 100,000
6 PEOPLE. MEANWHILE, UNVACCINATED OLDER ADULTS, 50 AND OVER,
7 WERE MORE THAN 15 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO BE HOSPITALIZED THAN
8 THEIR VACCINATED COUNTERPARTS, WITH A RATE OF 84
9 HOSPITALIZATIONS FOR EVERY 100,000 PEOPLE. AND THE DIFFERENCES
10 IN DEATH RATES ARE STARK. ADULTS OVER 50 WHO ARE UNVACCINATED
11 WERE 28 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO DIE AS A RESULT OF C.O.V.I.D.
12 THAN THEIR VACCINATED COUNTERPARTS. AND UNVACCINATED ADULTS
13 AGES 18 TO 49 HAVE A DEATH RATE OF ALMOST TWO DEATHS PER
14 100,000 PEOPLE, COMPARED WITH ALMOST NO DEATHS IN VACCINATED
15 NUMBERS IN THIS AGE GROUP. SO ALL OF OUR L.A. COUNTY DATA
16 CONTINUES TO SHOW BROAD PROTECTION FROM THE VACCINE AGAINST
17 ALL OF THESE OUTCOMES ACROSS ALL AGE GROUPS. WE CAN GO ON TO
18 THE NEXT SLIDE. NATIONWIDE, I KNOW EVERYONE IS HEARING MANY
19 MUNICIPALITIES ARE REPORTING RATES OF PEDIATRIC
20 HOSPITALIZATIONS THAT ARE HIGHER THAN AT ANY PREVIOUS POINT IN
21 THE PANDEMIC. WE HAVE NOT SEEN A SIMILAR PATTERN HERE IN L.A.
22 COUNTY. THIS GRAPH SHOWS OUR HOSPITALIZATION RATES AMONG
23 CHILDREN AGES ZERO TO FOUR, REPRESENTED BY THE BLUE LINE;
24 CHILDREN AGE FIVE TO 11, REPRESENTED BE THE GREEN LINE; AND
25 THOSE AGE 12 TO 17, REPRESENTED BY THE ORANGE LINE. AS YOU CAN

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1 SEE, OUR PEDIATRIC HOSPITALIZATION RATES, WHILE HIGHER NOW
2 THAN IN THE SPRING AND THE EARLY SUMMER OF THIS YEAR, ARE
3 NOWHERE NEAR WHAT THEY WERE DURING OUR WINTER SURGE, AND IN
4 FACT, THEY ARE FAR MORE SIMILAR TO WHAT WE SAW DURING LAST
5 SUMMER'S SURGE. THIS PATTERN MAY REFLECT THE FACT THAT MANY
6 ADULTS ARE VACCINATED, AND THAT MOST PEOPLE ARE WEARING MASKS
7 WHEN THEY ARE AROUND PEOPLE OUTSIDE THEIR HOUSEHOLD. BOTH
8 THESE STEPS MAY BE PLAYING AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN PROTECTING
9 CHILDREN. NONETHELESS, AS MORE CHILDREN RETURN TO IN-PERSON
10 INSTRUCTION, THERE IS THE POSSIBILITY OF MANY MORE EXPOSURES.
11 AND SINCE HOSPITALIZATIONS IS A LAGGING INDICATOR, WE NEED TO
12 CAREFULLY WATCH THE CASE RATES AMONG CHILDREN OVER THE
13 UPCOMING WEEKS. NEXT SLIDE. GIVEN THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE
14 VACCINES, OUR HIGHEST PRIORITY IS TO MAKE VACCINE ACCESS SUPER
15 SIMPLE FOR PEOPLE NOT YET VACCINATED, ESPECIALLY GIVEN THE
16 CONTINUED HIGH RATE OF TRANSMISSION. AS OF AUGUST 26TH, 90% OF
17 L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS 65 AND OVER RECEIVED AT LEAST ONE DOSE
18 OF THE VACCINE, AS HAVE 75% OF RESIDENTS 16 AND OVER, AND 74%
19 OF RESIDENTS 12 AND OVER. AND I DO WANT TO NOTE THAT 91% TO
20 92% OF PEOPLE WHO GET THEIR FIRST DOSE DO GET THEIR SECOND
21 DOSE ON TIME, SO THESE NUMBERS BODE WELL FOR WHERE WE WILL BE
22 A FEW WEEKS FROM NOW. 65% OF RESIDENTS 12 AND OVER HAVE BEEN
23 FULLY VACCINATED. OF L.A. COUNTY TEENS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 12
24 AND 17, 62% HAVE RECEIVED AT LEAST ONE DOSE, AND 50% ARE FULLY
25 VACCINATED. COUNTYWIDE, JUST OVER 28,000 ADDITIONAL DOSES HAVE

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1 BEEN ADMINISTERED TO IMMUNOCOMPROMISED PEOPLE. OUT OF OUR
2 NEARLY 10.3 MILLION L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS, INCLUDING THOSE WHO
3 ARE NOT YET ELIGIBLE FOR THE VACCINE, 64% HAVE RECEIVED AT
4 LEAST ONE DOSE, AND 56% ARE NOW FULLY VACCINATED. WE ARE
5 GETTING A LOT OF QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC AND FROM PARTNERS
6 ABOUT BOOSTER SHOTS, WHICH, AS I HAVE NOTED IN THE PAST, ARE
7 DIFFERENT FROM THE THIRD DOSES BEING CURRENTLY OFFERED TO
8 IMMUNOCOMPROMISED PEOPLE. BOOSTER SHOTS, WHEN THEY ARE MADE
9 AVAILABLE, WILL BE AIMED AT INCREASING ANTIBODY LEVELS IN
10 PEOPLE WHO HAVE ALREADY HAD A GOOD, PROTECTIVE IMMUNE RESPONSE
11 TO THE VACCINE, BUT WHOSE ANTIBODY LEVELS MAY HAVE WANED OVER
12 TIME. BOOSTER SHOTS ARE NOT UNIQUE TO C.O.V.I.D. VACCINATIONS.
13 FOR EXAMPLE, MANY OF US ADULTS ARE FAMILIAR WITH THE TETANUS
14 BOOSTER SHOTS THAT WE GET EVERY TEN YEARS TO BOOST IMMUNITY TO
15 TETANUS INFECTIONS. IN THE CASE OF C.O.V.I.D. VACCINES,
16 BOOSTER SHOTS ARE STILL A LIKELIHOOD, BUT NOT YET A
17 RECOMMENDATION. THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO C.D.C. RECOMMENDATIONS
18 FOR BOOSTERS, AND THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT WAS RECENTLY MADE
19 ABOUT BOOSTERS WAS REALLY INTENDED AS GUIDANCE FOR PLANNING
20 PURPOSES, WHICH IS WHAT WE ARE DOING. AT YESTERDAY'S MEETING
21 OF THE C.D.C.'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON IMMUNIZATION PRACTICES,
22 THE AGENCY INDICATED IT WOULD LIKELY PRIORITIZE THE HIGHEST-
23 RISK PEOPLE, WHEN IT COMES TO MAKE A RECOMMENDATION ON BOOSTER
24 SHOTS. BUT FOR THE TIME BEING, THERE IS STILL NO APPROVAL FROM
25 C.D.C. OR F.D.A. FOR BOOSTER SHOTS. NEXT SLIDE. BUT FOR NOW,

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1 THERE IS ONE GROUP FOR WHOM THE C.D.C. DOES RECOMMEND AN
2 ADDITIONAL DOSE OF VACCINE, AND THOSE ARE PEOPLE WITH IMMUNE
3 SYSTEMS THAT HAVE BEEN WEAKENED BY CERTAIN DISEASES, OR BY
4 MEDICATIONS. IF YOU ARE IMMUNOCOMPROMISED, YOU CAN GET YOUR
5 ADDITIONAL DOSE AT JUST ABOUT ANY SITE, INCLUDING ANY OF OUR
6 COUNTY OR CITY PODS, WHERE YOU CAN GO WITHOUT AN APPOINTMENT.
7 YOU CAN SEARCH FOR A LOCATION NEAR YOU ON OUR WEBSITE AT
8 VACCINATELACOUNTY.COM. AT MOST SITES, YOU WILL BE ASKED TO
9 SELF-ATTEST TO YOUR IMMUNOCOMPROMISED STATUS PRIOR TO
10 RECEIVING YOUR ADDITIONAL DOSE, AND AT MANY SITES THIS MAY
11 INCLUDE COMPLETING, AS YOU CAN SEE HERE, A SHORT ATTESTATION
12 FORM. I DO WANT TO NOTE THAT WE ARE WORKING WITH OUR PARTNERS
13 AT THE SKILLED NURSING FACILITIES, AND HAVE ALREADY BEGUN
14 VACCINATING RESIDENTS THERE THAT ARE IMMUNOCOMPROMISED WITH
15 THEIR THIRD DOSE. THE NEXT SLIDE. THIS CHART, AS WE TRACK
16 EVERY WEEK, SHOWS THE NUMBER OF FIRST DOSES THAT ARE
17 ADMINISTERED EACH WEEK, ALTHOUGH WE NEED TO KNOW THAT THERE IS
18 A LAG IN DATA REPORTING, SO NUMBERS FOR THE LATEST WEEK OFTEN
19 UNDERESTIMATE THE NUMBER OF DOSES ADMINISTERED BY ANYWHERE
20 FROM ABOUT 4,000 TO 10,000 DOSES. NONETHELESS, THIS TABLE
21 SHOULD BE SOBERING. IT CURRENTLY INDICATES THAT BETWEEN AUGUST
22 16TH AND THE 20ND, WE ADMINISTERED ABOUT 70,000 DOSES ACROSS
23 THE ENTIRE COUNTY NETWORK. WE DO EXPECT THAT NUMBER WILL RISE
24 SOMEWHAT, AS ADDITIONAL DOSES ARE REPORTED. AND WHILE WE ARE
25 IMMENSELY GRATEFUL TO EVERYONE IN THIS COUNTY WHO IS ALREADY

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1 VACCINATED, AND WE CONTINUE TO WORK HARD WITH OUR VACCINATION
2 PARTNERS COUNTYWIDE TO VACCINATE AS MANY RESIDENTS AS WE CAN,
3 AS FAST AS WE CAN, WE DO NEED TO DO A MUCH BETTER JOB REACHING
4 THOSE NOT YET VACCINATED, TO HELP SLOW DOWN THE SPREAD OF
5 C.O.V.I.D. THE USE OF TARGETED VACCINATION MANDATES IS AN
6 EFFORT TO ACCELERATE THIS PACE OF VACCINATION COVERAGE, THAT
7 CAN BOTH SLOW TRANSMISSION AND SAVE LIVES. NEXT SLIDE.
8 ALTHOUGH WE CONTINUE TO HAVE LARGE GAPS IN VACCINATIONS
9 BETWEEN AGE AND RACIAL AND ETHNIC SUBGROUPS, THERE ARE SOME
10 PROMISING UPTICKS IN MANY OF THE GROUPS WITH A LOWER
11 VACCINATION COVERAGE. GROUPS WITH VACCINATION RATES BELOW 50%
12 ARE MARKED IN RED THIS WEEK, WHILE THE REMAINDER ARE IN WHITE.
13 THE GOOD NEWS IS, YOU CAN SEE THERE'S VERY LITTLE RED ON THIS
14 SLIDE. HOWEVER, THE SUBGROUPS WHERE WE CAN SEE LOWER
15 VACCINATION RATES CONTINUE TO BE CONCENTRATED ENTIRELY AMONG
16 BLACK AND LATINX RESIDENTS, WHO HAVE ALREADY SUFFERED SO MUCH
17 DURING THIS PANDEMIC. AND ALTHOUGH, AGAIN, WE ARE GRATEFUL TO
18 SEE THE SMALL INCREASES IN VACCINATION RATES ACROSS ALL OF THE
19 SUBGROUPS, THERE IS THIS PERSISTENT GAP BETWEEN BLACK
20 RESIDENTS AND OTHER RACIAL AND ETHNIC GROUPS THAT REMAINS,
21 EVEN AS NUMBERS WITHIN THESE SUBGROUPS ARE INCHING UPWARD.
22 LOOKING AT THE TOTALS BY AGE GROUP, RUNNING ACROSS THE BOTTOM
23 OF THIS TABLE, YOU WILL NOTE THAT AGE GROUPS, WITH THE
24 EXCEPTION OF THE 12- TO 15-YEAR-OLDS, ARE NOW VACCINATED AT A
25 RATE OF 64% OR HIGHER. AND THIS IS A STEP IN THE RIGHT

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1 DIRECTION, AS WE NEED TO MOVE CLOSER TO COMMUNITY IMMUNITY,
2 AND PROTECT THOSE WHO ARE NOT YET ELIGIBLE TO GET VACCINATED.
3 BUT IT ALSO SHOWS HOW MUCH PROGRESS WE STILL NEED TO MAKE. WE
4 WILL NEED TO SEE MUCH FASTER GAINS TO TURN AROUND THE
5 DISPROPORTIONALITY IN CASES, HOSPITALIZATIONS, AND DEATHS,
6 WHICH ARE SO CLOSELY LINKED, AS WE HAVE SEEN ON PREVIOUS
7 SLIDES, TO VACCINATION STATUS. WE CAN GO ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE.
8 WITH MANY SCHOOL DISTRICTS COUNTYWIDE NOW REOPENING, I JUST
9 WANTED TO TAKE A COUPLE OF MINUTES TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON
10 WHAT WE ARE LEARNING FROM OUR SITE VISITS TO SCHOOLS OVER THE
11 PAST FEW WEEKS. OUR SCHOOL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, OR S.T.A.T.
12 TEAMS, GO OUT TO SCHOOLS AND HELP ASSESS PREVENTIVE READINESS,
13 AND ADVISE ON OPTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT. THEY DO THIS
14 PROACTIVELY, AND THEY HAVE BEEN VISITING DOZENS AND DOZENS OF
15 SCHOOLS EVERY WEEK. EVERY DAY, REALLY. DURING RECENT VISITS,
16 S.T.A.T. EDUCATORS HAVE FOUND THAT THERE ARE MANY SCHOOLS
17 IMPLEMENTING SIGNIFICANT RECOMMENDED ENHANCEMENTS THAT HAVE
18 BROAD SUPPORT WITHIN THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY FOR PROMOTING AND
19 IMPLEMENTING SAFETY, AND THIS INCLUDES HAVING VERY HIGH
20 COMPLIANCE WITH MASKING GUIDANCE AND DISTANCING WHEREVER
21 POSSIBLE. MANY SCHOOLS ARE ALSO SUCCESSFULLY USING SYMPTOM
22 PRESCREENING TOOLS THAT ALLOW FOR EARLY DETECTION OF SICK
23 STUDENTS. THEY ARE ALSO OFFERING CONSISTENT C.O.V.I.D.-19
24 SCREENING TESTING PROGRAMS, AND MANY SCHOOLS HAVE SIGNAGE,
25 CAMPUS-WIDE, THAT HELPS REMIND STAFF AND STUDENTS ABOUT HOW TO

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1 BE SAFE, INCLUDING MASKING APPROPRIATELY, DISTANCING, AND
2 HAND-SANITIZING. BUT OUR S.T.A.T. TEAMS DID ALSO NOTE AREAS
3 FOR IMPROVEMENT AT SOME SCHOOLS, AND THESE PRIMARILY WERE
4 CONCENTRATED IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS: ATTENDING TO CROWD
5 PREVENTION CONTROL; CONSTITUTING SAFETY COMPLIANCE TEAMS THAT
6 REALLY CAN, WITHIN THAT SCHOOL COMMUNITY, TAKE ON
7 RESPONSIBILITY FOR ENHANCING SAFETY MEASURES; IDENTIFYING A
8 SPACE TO IMPLEMENT ISOLATION ROOMS; AND IMPLEMENTING REAL-TIME
9 CROWD CONTROL STRATEGIES. ADDITIONALLY, OUR TEAMS NOTED THE
10 POTENTIAL FOR IMPROVED COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS AND STAFF
11 ABOUT TESTING AND VACCINATION OPPORTUNITIES, AND CASE
12 IDENTIFICATION AND CONTACT TRACING REQUIREMENTS. THERE WERE A
13 SIZEABLE NUMBER OF SCHOOLS THAT WOULD BENEFIT FROM MORE
14 SIGNAGE, UPDATED REOPENING PROTOCOLS, AND INCREASED SANITIZING
15 IN SHARED SPACES. OUR TEAMS DO PLAN TO ADD ADDITIONAL SUPPORT
16 TO SCHOOLS TO ASSIST WITH CONTACT TRACING, AND IMPLEMENTING
17 APPROPRIATE QUARANTINING OF STUDENTS AND STAFF. AS A REMINDER,
18 FULLY VACCINATED STUDENTS AND STAFF AT K-12 SCHOOLS ARE NOT
19 REQUIRED TO QUARANTINE, AS LONG AS THEY REMAIN ASYMPTOMATIC
20 DURING THE 14-DAY QUARANTINE PERIOD. WE WILL BE SENDING
21 ADDITIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF TO SCHOOLS THAT IDENTIFY LARGE
22 NUMBERS OF EXPOSED STUDENTS TO HELP MANAGE QUARANTINING OF
23 STUDENTS AND STAFF, RECOGNIZING HOW STRESSFUL AND DISRUPTIVE
24 QUARANTINING IS TO A STABLE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT, AND TO
25 STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND CAREGIVERS. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE

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1 THAT IDENTIFYING CLOSE CONTACTS OF A CONFIRMED CASE IS ALWAYS
2 REQUIRED IN ALL SETTINGS. THIS INCLUDES WORKPLACES, SOCIAL
3 GATHERINGS, AND HOUSES OF WORSHIP, AND WE DO THIS TO TRY TO
4 SEPARATE THOSE WHO MAY BE AT RISK OF SPREADING C.O.V.I.D.
5 ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE ARE VERY EFFECTIVE AT REDUCING
6 TRANSMISSION, ONCE A POSITIVE CASE IS IDENTIFIED, AND WE HAVE
7 STANDARD REQUIREMENTS THAT GO ACROSS ALMOST EVERY SETTING. WE
8 ARE ALSO AWARE THAT MANY SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND PARENTS HAVE
9 ASKED US TO ALIGN WITH THE STATE'S MODIFIED QUARANTINE POLICY
10 FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES K THROUGH 12. GIVEN THAT THE DATA
11 SUPPORTING THAT MODIFIED QUARANTINE POLICY THAT WAS DEVELOPED
12 AT THE STATE FOR SCHOOLS WAS DEVELOPED ON INFORMATION THAT WAS
13 COLLECTED LAST SPRING, PRE-DELTA, AND THAT WE HAVE SEEN SUCH
14 LARGE INCREASES IN CASES AMONG SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN, WE
15 DETERMINED IN AUGUST THAT IT WAS BEST TO NOT MODIFY THE
16 QUARANTINE POLICY FOR THE TIME BEING, UNTIL WE CAN LOOK AT THE
17 CASE AND OUTBREAK DATA WE HAVE FOR L.A. COUNTY SCHOOLS. WE ARE
18 IN THE PROCESS OF REVIEWING DATA ON WHAT WE CALL SECONDARY
19 INFECTIONS AT SCHOOLS, FROM MID-AUGUST THROUGH SEPTEMBER 10TH.
20 THIS WOULD BE FOUR WEEKS OF DATA, AND WE ARE WORKING WITH
21 L.A.C.O.E. AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO DETERMINE THE BEST WAY TO
22 REDUCE RISK AT SCHOOLS. IF OUR DATA CONFIRMS LOW TRANSMISSION
23 BETWEEN CASES IN CLOSE CONTACTS AT SCHOOL SETTINGS, WE WILL
24 MOVE QUICKLY TO AMEND THE QUARANTINE POLICY, AND THIS WILL
25 HAPPEN AS EARLY AS THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 13TH. AS ALWAYS, WE

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1 TRY TO BE CAUTIOUS IN SITUATIONS THAT CAN PLACE CHILDREN,
2 EDUCATORS, AND THEIR FAMILIES AT RISK, AND WE USE THE DATA WE
3 HAVE TO MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS ABOUT HOW TO BEST MITIGATE THE
4 SPREAD OF A DANGEROUS VIRUS. I DO WISH IT WAS SIMPLER, BUT
5 BECAUSE THE VIRUS HAS CHANGED, WE ALL NEED TO BE FLEXIBLE, TO
6 ADAPT TO A MORE DANGEROUS VARIANT, AND THIS INCLUDES MODIFYING
7 PROTOCOLS AND GUIDANCE TO REFLECT EMERGING SCIENCE AND
8 RESEARCH FINDINGS. WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL TO THE DISTRICTS AND
9 PARENTS, WHO ARE WORKING SO HARD TO SUPPORT THEIR SCHOOLS IN
10 ENSURING THE SAFETY OF STUDENTS, THEIR TEACHERS, AND THE MANY
11 STAFF WHO WORK IN OUR COUNTY SCHOOLS. NEXT SLIDE. THE EARLY
12 DATA WE HAVE ON SCHOOLS IS SOBERING. THIS TABLE SHOWS THE
13 TOTAL NUMBER OF INDIVIDUAL CASE REPORTS RECEIVED FROM K-12
14 SCHOOL SETTINGS COUNTYWIDE, BETWEEN AUGUST 15TH AND THE 27TH--
15 THAT'S ABOUT TWO WEEKS; AND ALSO SHOWS HOW MANY OF EACH TYPE
16 OF SCHOOL SETTING HAS REPORTED ONE, TWO, OR THREE OR MORE
17 CASES OVER THIS TWO-WEEK INTERVAL. AS YOU CAN SEE, THERE WERE
18 A TOTAL OF 5,321 NEW CASES REPORTED DURING THIS NEARLY TWO-
19 WEEK PERIOD. MANY OF THEM WERE FROM L.A.U.S.D., WHERE EVERYONE
20 IS TESTED WEEKLY. THE SECOND HIGHEST NUMBER OF CASES CAME FROM
21 OTHER K-12 SCHOOLS IN L.A. COUNTY. IN SETTINGS SERVING
22 CHILDREN, THE PROPORTION OF CASES VACCINATED WAS IN THE SINGLE
23 DIGITS. VERY FEW CASES WERE AMONG THOSE THAT WERE FULLY
24 VACCINATED, WHILE 16 PERCENT OF NEW CASES AT SCHOOL OFFICES
25 AND WORKSITES WERE AMONG THOSE VACCINATED. THE MAJORITY OF

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1 SITES WITH CASES, ABOUT 820 SCHOOL SITES IN ALL, REPORTED ONLY
2 ONE CASE. HOWEVER, 196 L.A.U.S.D. AND 100 OTHER SCHOOL SITES
3 REPORTED TWO CASES, AND 445 L.A.U.S.D. AND 881 OTHER SCHOOL
4 SITES REPORTED THREE OR MORE CASES. WE'LL GO ON TO THE NEXT
5 SLIDE. WE DO KEEP A CLOSE EYE ON BOTH CASES AND ON OUTBREAKS
6 AT L.A. COUNTY SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL AFFILIATED PROGRAMS,
7 INCLUDING YOUTH SPORTS. AN OUTBREAK IS WHEN THERE ARE THREE OR
8 MORE CASES WITH PROBABLE TRANSMISSION OCCURRING AT SCHOOLS, OR
9 DURING SCHOOL-SPONSORED ACTIVITIES. LAST WEEK, AFTER SEEING
10 THREE OUTBREAKS A WEEK FOR THE FIRST FEW WEEKS OF AUGUST, WE
11 SAW 7 OUTBREAKS, INVOLVING A TOTAL OF 66 STUDENTS AND THREE
12 STAFF. WE ANTICIPATE THIS UPWARD TREND IN OUTBREAKS, AS MORE
13 SCHOOLS REOPEN, AND WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH SCHOOLS TO
14 PREVENT, INVESTIGATE, AND MANAGE OUTBREAKS AS THEY HAPPEN. IT
15 IS WORTH NOTING THAT OF THE 17 SCHOOL OUTBREAKS THAT WE'VE
16 OPENED IN AUGUST, 41 PERCENT WERE ASSOCIATED WITH SCHOOL
17 SPORTS. TEAM ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES HAVE SOME FEATURES THAT MAKE
18 THEM PARTICULARLY CHALLENGING SETTINGS IN WHICH TO CONTROL
19 TRANSMISSION, AND I AM GOING TO TALK A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT
20 THIS IN A MINUTE. NEXT SLIDE. AMONG THE OUTBREAKS WE OPENED IN
21 THE PAST WEEK, THERE WERE 5 OUTBREAKS IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS,
22 WHICH TOGETHER INVOLVED 5 STAFF AND 26 STUDENTS. RISK FACTORS
23 FOR TRANSMISSION IN THESE OUTBREAKS INCLUDED INCONSISTENT MASK
24 USE INDOORS ON SCHOOL CAMPUSES, THE PRESENCE OF SYMPTOMATIC
25 INDIVIDUALS ON SITE, AND THE LACK OF PHYSICAL DISTANCING IN

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1 SPACES BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE CLASSROOMS, BUT ESPECIALLY IN
2 CAFETERIAS, BREAK ROOMS, AND PLAYGROUNDS. OUR FINDINGS FROM
3 THESE OUTBREAKS SUGGEST THAT TRANSMISSION RISK IS HIGHEST
4 WHERE THERE IS CLOSE, UNMASKED CONTACT WITH SYMPTOMATIC
5 PEOPLE. SEVERAL STRATEGIES EXIST TO PREVENT AND MITIGATE
6 TRANSMISSION IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SETTINGS. WE RECOMMEND THAT
7 SCHOOLS ASSIGN SEATING WITH DESKS ARRANGED IN THE SAME
8 DIRECTION, RATHER THAN IN PODS OF DESKS FACING EACH OTHER, AND
9 THAT WHEREVER POSSIBLE, THEY MAINTAIN CLASSROOM COHORTS IN
10 GROUPS WHEN CHILDREN ARE OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM; FOR EXAMPLE,
11 WHEN THEY'RE ON THE PLAYGROUND OR IN THE CAFETERIA. THIS WILL
12 DRAMATICALLY REDUCE THE NUMBER OF CLOSE CONTACTS THAT GET
13 IDENTIFIED FOR EVERY CASE. IT REMAINS IMPORTANT, AS ALWAYS, TO
14 EXCLUDE PEOPLE WITH SYMPTOMS FROM BEING ON SITE AT SCHOOL, AS
15 PEOPLE WITH SYMPTOMS ARE MUCH MORE LIKELY TO SPREAD INFECTION.
16 WE CAN GO ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE. THE MORE CASES WE SEE IN
17 SCHOOLS, THE MORE STAFF AND STUDENTS ARE GOING TO BE REQUIRED
18 TO QUARANTINE OR ISOLATE, AND THIS IS NOT JUST IN L.A. COUNTY.
19 NATIONWIDE, AT LEAST 90,000 U.S. STUDENTS HAVE ALREADY HAD TO
20 ISOLATE OR QUARANTINE BECAUSE OF C.O.V.I.D.-19 THIS SCHOOL
21 YEAR ALONE. AND AS A REMINDER, QUARANTINE AND ISOLATION BOTH
22 REFER TO PERIODS OF REDUCED CONTACT WITH OTHERS. THE
23 DIFFERENCE IS THAT QUARANTINE TAKES PLACE AFTER YOU'VE HAD AN
24 EXPOSURE, WHILE ISOLATION TAKES PLACE AFTER THE ONSET OF
25 SYMPTOMS, AND YOU'RE AN IDENTIFIED POSITIVE CASES. I DO WANT

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1 TO HIGHLIGHT JUST A LITTLE BIT OF IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT
2 QUARANTINE AND ISOLATION. FIRST, PARENTS NEED TO BE AWARE THAT
3 CHILDREN SHOULD NOT BE SENT TO SCHOOL IF THEY ARE UNDER
4 ISOLATION OR QUARANTINE ORDERS, OR IF THEY'VE GOT ANY SIGNS OF
5 BEING ILL. IF STUDENTS DEVELOP SYMPTOMS DURING THE SCHOOL
6 DAY, THEY ARE GOING TO BE ISOLATED FROM OTHER STUDENTS AND
7 SENT HOME, SO IT IS WISE FOR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS TO HAVE AN
8 EMERGENCY CHILDCARE PLAN IN PLACE, IN CASE THE UNEXPECTED
9 HAPPENS. FOR K-12 SCHOOLS, OUR RULES FOR QUARANTINING CLOSE
10 CONTACTS, AS I'VE NOTED, DO NOT REQUIRE FULLY VACCINATED STAFF
11 AND STUDENTS TO EVER QUARANTINE, IF THEY ARE ASYMPTOMATIC.
12 STAFF CONTACTS WHO ARE UNVACCINATED OR PARTIALLY VACCINATED
13 MUST QUARANTINE TEN DAYS FROM THEIR LAST EXPOSURE DATE; AND
14 WHILE THEY MAY RETURN TO SCHOOL THEREAFTER, THEY NEED TO WEAR
15 A MASK AND SELF-MONITOR FOR C.O.V.I.D.-19 SYMPTOMS THROUGH DAY
16 14. IN ORDER FOR THIS TO BE CHANGED, CAL/O.S.H.A. WOULD NEED
17 TO CHANGE THEIR REQUIREMENTS AROUND QUARANTINE FOR EMPLOYEES.
18 STUDENT CONTACTS WHO ARE UNVACCINATED OR PARTIALLY VACCINATED
19 MUST QUARANTINE TEN DAYS FROM THEIR LAST EXPOSURE. QUARANTINE
20 CAN BE SHORTENED IF A TEST THAT IS PERFORMED ON OR AFTER DAY
21 6, FOLLOWING THEIR LAST EXPOSURE, YIELDS A NEGATIVE RESULT. IF
22 THERE IS A NEGATIVE RESULT, THEN THE STUDENT CAN END THEIR
23 QUARANTINE AFTER DAY 7, IF THEY HAVE NO SYMPTOMS. AND AGAIN,
24 SCHOOLS CAN TAKE SOME STEPS TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY QUARANTINING
25 OF STUDENTS. ONE THING, FOR SURE, IS USING SEATING CHARTS IN

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1 CLASSROOMS, ENCOURAGING PHYSICAL DISTANCING AS MUCH AS
2 POSSIBLE WHEN OUTSIDE CLASSROOMS, AND ENCOURAGING EVERY SINGLE
3 STUDENT AND STAFF 12 YEARS AND OLDER TO GET VACCINATED AS SOON
4 AS POSSIBLE. WE CAN GO ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE. I DO WANT TO NOTE
5 THAT LAST WEEK, WE HAD PROMULGATED A SET OF PROTOCOLS FOR
6 ORGANIZED YOUTH SPORTS, BASED ON THE C.D.C. GUIDANCE. THE
7 STATE DOESN'T HAVE GUIDANCE OUT YET, AND WE, LIKE OTHER
8 COUNTIES, WERE LOOKING FOR PLACES TO GO WHERE WE COULD GET
9 SOME INFORMATION ABOUT HOW BEST TO THINK ABOUT ORGANIZED YOUTH
10 SPORTS, PARTICULARLY DURING TIMES OF HIGH COMMUNITY
11 TRANSMISSION. I DO WENT TO NOTE THAT AT THE LEVEL OF HIGH
12 COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION, AS INDICATED IN THE RED BOX, THE
13 C.D.C. DID RECOMMEND THAT WE CANCEL OR HOLD HIGH-RISK SPORTS
14 AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES VIRTUAL, UNLESS ALL
15 PARTICIPANTS ARE FULLY VACCINATED, AND THAT EVERYBODY
16 PARTICIPATING IN LOW- AND MODERATE-RISK SPORTS WHO ARE NOT
17 VACCINATED, IN COMMUNITIES WITH HIGH TRANSMISSION, SHOULD BE
18 REQUIRED TO HAVE A WEEKLY TEST. SO, I KNOW THERE'S BEEN A LOT
19 OF CONCERN ABOUT WHAT WE RELEASED THAT WOULD GO INTO EFFECT ON
20 THE 1ST OF SEPTEMBER, BUT I WANT TO NOTE, WHAT WE DID WAS
21 ACTUALLY LOOK AT THIS AND MAKE SOME MODIFICATIONS FOR YOUTH
22 SPORTS. WE ARE NOW MAKING-- AND WE CAN GO ON TO THE NEXT
23 SLIDE-- ANOTHER SET OF MODIFICATIONS, BASED ON CONCERNS THAT
24 WERE RELATED TO ACCESS TO TESTING, PARTICULARLY FOR YOUNGER
25 PLAYERS. SO YESTERDAY, WE ISSUED A REVISED VERSION OF THE

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1 YOUTH SPORTS PROTOCOL THAT PRIORITIZES ADDITIONAL PROTECTIONS
2 FOR HIGH-RISK ACTIVITIES, WHILE ALLOWING FOR A LOT MORE
3 FLEXIBILITY FOR OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES, PARTICULARLY THOSE FOR
4 YOUNGER CHILDREN. THE ORGANIZED YOUTH SPORTS PROTOCOL WILL BE
5 EFFECTIVE TOMORROW, SEPTEMBER 1ST. ACCORDING TO THIS GUIDANCE,
6 AS YOU CAN SEE, THE THINGS THAT DID NOT CHANGE IS FACE
7 COVERINGS ARE STILL REQUIRED FOR EVERYONE-- PARTICIPANTS,
8 SPECTATORS, COACHES, AND EMPLOYEES-- REGARDLESS OF VACCINATION
9 STATUS, WHEN INDOORS. THERE ARE SOME EXCEPTIONS TO THIS--
10 OBVIOUSLY, EATING AND DRINKING-- AND THERE ARE SOME SPORTS
11 WHERE YOU GET WET, AND THEREFORE DURING THOSE INDOOR WATER
12 SPORTS, YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO WEAR YOUR MASK. WE DO ALSO
13 STRONGLY RECOMMEND, AT THE TOP OF THIS, VACCINATION FOR ALL
14 STUDENT ATHLETES 12 AND OVER, AND FOR ALL COACHES AND TEAM
15 STAFF. ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE ASKED, AND THEIR FAMILIES, TO
16 SELF-SCREEN FOR SYMPTOMS OF C.O.V.I.D.-19, AND PEOPLE WHO ARE
17 SYMPTOMATIC NEED TO BE ISOLATED AND EXCLUDED. WE RECOMMEND
18 CONTINUED EFFORTS TO REDUCE CROWDING AND SUSTAINED PERSON-TO-
19 PERSON CONTACT DURING PRACTICES AND GAMES WHEREVER POSSIBLE,
20 AND, OF COURSE, TO MOVE AS MANY ACTIVITIES FOR INDOORS TO
21 OUTDOORS. HANDWASHING REMAINS AN IMPORTANT MITIGATION MEASURE,
22 SO WE RECOMMEND THAT THERE SHOULD BE HANDWASHING STATIONS OR
23 SANITIZER AT ENTRY POINTS TO PRACTICES OR GAMES. WE'LL GO ON
24 TO THE NEXT SLIDE. WE DID MAKE SOME SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE
25 TESTING RECOMMENDATIONS. WEEKLY TESTING IS NOT REQUIRED FOR

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1 PARTICIPANTS AND PERSONNEL WHO ARE FULLY VACCINATED, OR HAVE
2 PROOF OF INFECTION OVER THE PAST 90 DAYS, NOR IS IT REQUIRED
3 FOR PARTICIPANTS YOUNGER THAN 12 YEARS OF AGE AT ANY OUTDOOR
4 LOW-, MODERATE-, OR HIGH-RISK SPORTS; ANY OUTDOOR SPORTS.
5 WEEKLY TESTING IS REQUIRED FOR ALL UNVACCINATED PARTICIPANTS,
6 COACHES, AND STAFF, THAT TAKE PART IN INDOOR MODERATE- OR
7 HIGH-RISK SPORTS, REGARDLESS OF THEIR AGE. WE ALSO REQUIRE
8 WEEKLY TESTING FOR UNVACCINATED PARTICIPANTS 12 AND OLDER, AND
9 PERSONNEL, IN OUTDOOR MODERATE- OR HIGH-RISK SPORTS. FULLY
10 VACCINATED PARTICIPANTS AND PERSONNEL ONLY NEED TO BE TESTED
11 REGULARLY IF THERE'S A POSITIVE CASE THAT'S CONFIRMED ON A
12 TEAM OR IN A STAFF MEMBER. IN THESE CASES, THE PARTICIPANTS
13 AND THE PERSONNEL WILL BE TESTED WEEKLY FOR TWO WEEKS. WE HAVE
14 REMOVED COMPLETELY THE REQUIREMENT THAT ATHLETES AND STAFF
15 MEMBERS TEST NEGATIVE WITHIN 72 HOURS OF INTER-TEAM
16 COMPETITIONS. WE JUST HOPE THAT FOLKS ARE VERY MINDFUL OF THE
17 INCREASED RISK THAT HAPPENS WHEN THERE IS A LOT OF MINGLING
18 WITH FOLKS THAT ARE COMING FROM DIFFERENT PLACES. WE DO
19 REQUIRE THAT COACHES OR LEAGUES OR SCHOOLS KEEP RECORDS OF
20 VACCINATION VERIFICATION AND WEEKLY TESTING, IN ORDER TO BE
21 SURE THAT THERE IS FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THIS PROTOCOL. AND ON
22 TO THE NEXT SLIDE. I DO WANT TO NOTE THAT OUR HEALTH OFFICER
23 ORDER REQUIRES MASKING IN ALL INDOOR PUBLIC SETTINGS, AND
24 THESE ARE SETTINGS WHERE THE VARIANT CAN SPREAD AS EFFICIENTLY
25 AS THE DELTA VARIANT DOES. AND THIS DOES REMAIN A CRITICAL

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1 PART OF OUR PREVENTION STRATEGY IN L.A. COUNTY. AND WE DO
2 CONTINUE TO FOLLOW UP TO ENSURE THAT BUSINESSES ARE FOLLOWING
3 THE RULES. BETWEEN JULY 1ST AND AUGUST 27TH, WE VISITED
4 THOUSANDS, AS YOU CAN SEE HERE, OF RESTAURANTS, BARS, FOOD
5 MARKETS, HOTELS, GYMS AND FITNESS CENTERS, HAIR SALONS, BARBER
6 SHOPS, FOOD MANUFACTURING PLANTS, PERSONAL CARE BUSINESSES,
7 SHOPPING MALLS, RETAIL STORES, OFFICE SITES, AND OUTDOOR
8 VENUES THAT HAD CAPACITY FOR MORE THAN 10,000 PEOPLE, AMONG
9 OTHER BUSINESSES THAT ARE ALSO ROUTINELY VISITED BY OUR
10 INSPECTORS. OVERALL, I AM SO HAPPY TO NOTE THAT WE FOUND VERY
11 GOOD COMPLIANCE WITH THE HEALTH OFFICER ORDER, AND TO DATE,
12 OVER THIS REALLY ALMOST TWO-MONTH PERIOD, WE'VE ISSUED ONLY 22
13 CITATIONS. WE DO WANT TO THANK ALL THE BUSINESSES THAT ARE
14 HELPING THEIR CONSUMERS AND EMPLOYEES PROTECT EACH OTHER BY
15 REQUIRING THEM TO MASK UP INDOORS. LAST SLIDE, PLEASE. OVER
16 THE LAST FEW WEEKS AND MONTHS, AS WE'VE ISSUED REVISIONS AND
17 MODIFICATIONS TO GUIDELINES THAT AFFECT SO MANY ASPECTS OF OUR
18 LIVES, WE'VE HEARD FROM PEOPLE ALL OVER L.A. COUNTY WHO ARE
19 FRUSTRATED BY THE CHANCES IN OUR GUIDANCE, AND SOMETIMES
20 CONFUSED BY RECOMMENDATIONS THAT SEEM TO CONTRADICT THEIR
21 EXPECTATIONS, OR INTERFERE WITH WHAT THEY WERE HOPING WOULD BE
22 A RETURN TO A MORE NORMAL WAY OF LIFE. I FIRST WANT TO
23 ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS HAS BEEN SUCH A DIFFICULT TIME FOR SO
24 MANY PEOPLE. IN ADDITION TO BEARING THE BURDEN OF HAVING LOVED
25 ONES AND FRIENDS BECOME SICK OR TRAGICALLY DIE AS A RESULT OF

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1 C.O.V.I.D., MANY ARE ALSO FEELING THE STRAIN OF TRYING TO STAY
2 BALANCED, WHILE IT FEELS LIKE THE GROUND IS MOVING FROM
3 BENEATH THEIR FEET. THE REALITY IS THAT THE RECENT CHANGES WE
4 MAKE TO OUR GUIDANCE ARE ALL TIED TO THE DELTA VARIANT, WHICH
5 CHANGED WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT C.O.V.I.D. AND AS THE SCIENCE ON
6 C.O.V.I.D. HAS CHANGED, WE HAVE BEEN FORCED TO ADAPT OUR
7 GUIDANCE ON HOW WE KEEP EACH OTHER SAFE. TO PUT THIS SIMPLY,
8 ALTHOUGH DELTA HAS MANY THINGS IN COMMON WITH THE ORIGINAL
9 STRAIN OF C.O.V.I.D., IT IS DIFFERENT IN SOME VERY IMPORTANT
10 WAYS. VACCINES OFTEN ARE ABLE TO RENDER THEIR RECIPIENTS SORT
11 OF WHAT WE CALL DEAD-END HOSTS FOR PATHOGENS OR VIRUSES,
12 MAKING THEM UNLIKELY TO BE ABLE TO TRANSMIT THE VIRUS ONWARD,
13 BUT THAT IS NOT THE CASE WITH DELTA. NOT ONLY DO UNVACCINATED
14 PEOPLE SPREAD DELTA MORE EASILY THAN THE ORIGINAL STRAIN OF
15 C.O.V.I.D., BUT VACCINATED PEOPLE CAN ALSO TRANSMIT DELTA TO
16 OTHERS. SO, WHILE VACCINES STILL DO A GREAT JOB PROTECTING
17 PEOPLE WHO ARE VACCINATED FROM THE VERY WORST OUTCOMES OF
18 C.O.V.I.D. INFECTIONS, THEY ARE NO LONGER GUARANTEED TO
19 PREVENT VACCINATED PEOPLE FROM SPREADING IT ONWARD. THAT
20 CHANGES THE MATH, AND IT CHANGES THE RULES. WE NO LONGER HAVE
21 THE ASSURANCE THAT VACCINATED PEOPLE WILL BE DEAD-END HOSTS TO
22 C.O.V.I.D., AND THERE IS MOUNTING EVIDENCE SUGGESTING THAT
23 DELTA MAY CAUSE MORE SERIOUS DISEASE THAN EARLIER C.O.V.I.D.
24 STRAINS. THIS NEW INFORMATION ASKS THAT WE REALIGN OUR EFFORTS
25 TO REFLECT THE REALITY THAT MANY PEOPLE WHO GET INFECTED WITH

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1 DELTA MAY BE ABLE TO TRANSMIT TO OTHERS, REGARDLESS OF THEIR
2 VACCINATION STATUS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THE SCIENCE AND
3 THE GUIDANCE WE CREATE TO HELP ALL OF US KEEP OURSELVES AND
4 OUR LOVED ONES SAFE. BUT WHEN WE NEED TO MAKE CHANGES, WE WILL
5 MAKE THOSE CHANGES, AND DO OUR BEST TO EXPLAIN WHY. THANK YOU,
6 AND NOW I'LL TAKE YOUR QUESTIONS.

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** DR. FERRER, IF WE CAN HOLD OFF UNTIL WE
9 HEAR THE PRESENTATION FROM DR. CHRISTINA GHALY?

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11 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** OH, YES. SORRY. ABSOLUTELY.

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13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. DR. CHRISTINA GHALY?

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15 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. THANKS
16 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD TODAY. I WILL PROVIDE
17 A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF C.O.V.I.D. HOSPITALIZATIONS IN THE D.H.S.
18 HOSPITALS, VACCINATIONS, AND COMMUNITY TESTING. IF YOU COULD
19 GO TO SLIDE TWO, PLEASE. SLIDE TWO SHOWS C.O.V.I.D.
20 HOSPITALIZATIONS IN D.H.S.'S FOUR HOSPITALS SINCE AUGUST. THE
21 DATA IS STABLE, SINCE THIS SLIDE WAS MADE WITH 105 C.O.V.I.D.-
22 POSITIVE PATIENTS ADMITTED TO OUR FOUR HOSPITALS, AS OF THIS
23 MORNING. AS YOU CAN SEE, THERE WAS A STEADY RISE IN
24 C.O.V.I.D.-POSITIVE PATIENTS HOSPITALIZED OVER THE PAST MONTH.
25 AS I WILL SPEAK TO IN A MINUTE, SINCE JUNE, APPROXIMATELY 55

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1 PERCENT OF THE PATIENTS THAT ARE ADMITTED TO D.H.S. HOSPITALS
2 WHO ARE C.O.V.I.D.-POSITIVE ARE ADMITTED FOR SOMETHING ELSE
3 OTHER THAN THEIR C.O.V.I.D. DISEASE. THEY JUST HAPPENED TO
4 ALSO BE C.O.V.I.D.-POSITIVE. AT PRESENT, C.O.V.I.D.-POSITIVE
5 PATIENTS MAKE UP BETWEEN 5 AND 15 PERCENT OF THE INPATIENTS IN
6 OUR FOUR HOSPITALS. AND WHILE THESE NUMBERS ARE MUCH, MUCH
7 LOWER THAN WHERE WE WERE IN THE WINTER SURGE, WHEN D.H.S. HAD
8 OVER 550 C.O.V.I.D.-POSITIVE INPATIENTS AT ANY ONE TIME, THEY
9 ARE STILL CAUSING A DEGREE OF STRESS ON OUR HOSPITALS, GIVEN
10 THE HIGH NUMBER OF NON-C.O.V.I.D. PATIENTS THAT WE ALSO HAVE
11 THERE, AND THIS SAME THING IS TRUE IN MANY PRIVATE HOSPITALS,
12 AS WELL. HOSPITALS ARE ALSO INCREASINGLY CHALLENGED BY THE
13 FACT THAT NURSE STAFFING IS EXTREMELY LIMITED AT THE PRESENT
14 TIME, AND D.H.S. IS NOT ABLE TO STAFF ALL PHYSICAL BEDS IN OUR
15 FACILITIES, DUE TO THESE NURSING SHORTAGES. WE ARE WORKING TO
16 ACCELERATE THE HIRING OF NURSES THROUGH THE COUNTY HIRING
17 PROCESS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE. WE ARE RAISING OUR REGISTERED
18 RATES TO BE ABLE TO REMAIN COMPETITIVE IN A SETTING OF HIGH
19 DEMAND FROM OTHER PARTS OF CALIFORNIA AND ACROSS THE UNITED
20 STATES, ESPECIALLY THE SOUTHERN PART OF THE COUNTRY. ON THE
21 NEXT SLIDE, SLIDE THREE, WE SUMMARIZED THE VACCINATION STATUS
22 OF THOSE C.O.V.I.D. INPATIENTS. OVER THE PAST TWO AND A HALF
23 MONTHS, INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE NOT FULLY VACCINATED HAVE
24 OUTMATCHED INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE FULLY VACCINATED, WHO ARE BEING
25 ADMITTED BY A MARGIN OF 5 TO 1, WITH 84 PERCENT OF INDIVIDUALS

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1 NOT FULLY VACCINATED, AND 16 PERCENT OF THE INPATIENTS BEING
2 FULLY VACCINATED. THE STATS BECOME MORE PRONOUNCED WHEN WE
3 FOCUS JUST ON THE PERCENT THAT'S ADMITTED FOR THEIR C.O.V.I.D.
4 DISEASE. HERE, ONLY 6 PERCENT OF THOSE ADMITTED HAVE BEEN
5 FULLY VACCINATED, WITH 94 PERCENT EITHER NOT VACCINATED AT
6 ALL, OR NOT FULLY VACCINATED AND HAVING RECEIVED ONLY ONE
7 SHOT. VACCINATION CONTINUES TO BE THE BEST WAY TO REDUCE THE
8 RISK OF SERIOUS ILLNESS AND DEATH. THE VACCINE MANDATES,
9 HOWEVER, ARE NOT IMPORTANT SOLELY BECAUSE OF THIS FACT. THEY
10 ARE CRITICAL, NOT BECAUSE OF THE IMPACT THEY HAVE ON THE
11 INDIVIDUAL VACCINATED AND THE ABILITY TO PREVENT THAT PERSON
12 FROM BEING HOSPITALIZED OR DYING. THEY ARE CRITICAL, RATHER,
13 BECAUSE THE VACCINES PROTECT OUR SOCIETY AS A WHOLE. THEY DO
14 THIS BY REDUCING INFECTIONS, THOUGH TO DR. FERRER'S POINT,
15 THEY DON'T PREVENT THEM ENTIRELY, BUT THEY DO SUBSTANTIALLY
16 REDUCE THEM, AND IN DOING SO, THEY REDUCE TRANSMISSION TO
17 OTHERS, AND, VERY IMPORTANTLY, THEY REDUCE THE ABILITY OF THE
18 VIRUS TO CONTINUE TO INFECT HOSTS AND MUTATE, WHICH PUTS OUR
19 ENTIRE COMMUNITY AT RISK. THE NEXT SLIDE-- SLIDE FOUR, PLEASE--
20 - SHOWS TOTAL VACCINATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN DELIVERED BY D.H.S.
21 TO DATE. THE VACCINATION EFFORTS CONTINUE IN ALL SETTINGS THAT
22 ARE LISTED HERE. WE ARE, AT CURRENT RATES, GIVING ABOUT 2,500
23 VACCINES PER WEEK ACROSS ALL SETTINGS, AND WE HAVE SEEN A
24 SLIGHT UPTICK OVER THE PAST COUPLE OF WEEKS. ON THE NEXT
25 SLIDE, I WILL PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON THE EFFORT TO VACCINATE THE

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1 ENTIRE D.H.S. WORKFORCE, IN LINE WITH STATE AND COUNTY
2 MANDATES. HERE, WE FOCUS ON THE COUNTY-EMPLOYED D.H.S.
3 WORKFORCE. THE BLUE BAR REPRESENTS INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE FULLY
4 VACCINATED, AND THE ORANGE BAR SHOWS THOSE WHO ARE NOT YET
5 FULLY VACCINATED; OR THOSE WHO ARE FULLY VACCINATED, BUT HAVE
6 NOT YET PROVIDED PROOF OF THAT VACCINATION STATUS TO D.H.S.
7 VACCINATION RATE VARIES BY JOB TYPE, AS YOU CAN SEE, WITH A
8 HIGH OF 90 PERCENT AMONG PHYSICIANS, AND DOWN TO THE LOW 70S
9 FOR OUR NONCLINICAL STAFF. THIS DATA DOES NOT YET INCLUDE ALL
10 INDIVIDUALS, WHO HAVE VERY RECENTLY SUBMITTED PROOF OF
11 VACCINATION THAT WAS OBTAINED OUTSIDE OF D.H.S., AS THOSE
12 FORMS ARE COMING IN AT HIGH VOLUMES, AND ARE STILL BEING
13 PROCESSED BY OUR EMPLOYEE HEALTH SERVICES; AND AS SUCH, I WILL
14 HAVE MORE COMPLETE INFORMATION FOR YOU ON THIS AT THE TIME OF
15 THE NEXT PRESENTATION. WE ARE STILL AWAITING FEDERAL GUIDANCE
16 ON BOOSTER SHOTS, THOUGH WE ARE ACTIVELY PLANNING FOR THE
17 POTENTIAL ROLLOUT AND INITIATION OF BOOSTER SHOTS ON SEPTEMBER
18 20TH, WHICH WAS THE DATE PRELIMINARILY PROVIDED BY THE WHITE
19 HOUSE. NEXT SLIDE, SLIDE SIX. OVER THE PAST COUPLE OF WEEKS,
20 AS I HAVE MENTIONED, SINCE THE PASSAGE OF THE MANDATE, WE HAVE
21 RECEIVED AN INCREASED NUMBER OF DOCUMENTATIONS BEING SUBMITTED
22 TO OUR EMPLOYEE HEALTH SERVICES FOR C.O.V.I.D. VACCINATIONS
23 THAT ARE PROVIDED OUTSIDE OF D.H.S. WE DIRECTLY PROVIDED AT
24 LEAST 74, 75 PERCENT OF OUR WORKFORCE WITH THEIR SHOTS HERE,
25 BUT OBVIOUSLY INDIVIDUALS CAN SEEK THOSE VACCINATIONS THROUGH

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1 ANY NUMBER OF THE COMMUNITY VACCINATION SITES THAT ARE
2 AVAILABLE, AS WELL AS THROUGH THEIR OWN PROVIDER, AND THOSE
3 ARE THE DOCUMENTS THAT WE'RE NOW RECEIVING. WE EXPECT THE DATA
4 TO CONTINUE TO TREND UP, AS WE APPROACH THE SEPTEMBER 30TH
5 STATE DEADLINE AND THE OCTOBER 1ST COUNTY DEADLINE FOR
6 VACCINATION OF ALL STAFF WHO DO NOT QUALIFY FOR A MEDICAL OR
7 RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION. RECORDS ARE ALSO BEING COLLECTED FOR
8 CONTRACTOR STAFF, AS REQUIRED BY THE STATE HEALTH OFFICER
9 ORDER. SLIDE 7, PLEASE, SHOWS THE SAME DATA IN A DIFFERENT
10 WAY, INDICATING HOW ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE MANDATE CAUSED THE
11 CURVES TO BE TRANSITIONED UPWARD, SHOWING THE DIFFERENCE
12 BETWEEN THE SOLID LINE OF THE DATA THAT WE HAD PRIOR TO THE
13 MANDATE ON VACCINATION STATUS, AND THEN THE DOTTED LINE BASED
14 ON ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION THAT WE WERE ABLE TO RECEIVE FOR
15 INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE VACCINATED OUTSIDE OF D.H.S. SHIFTING NOW
16 BRIEFLY TO COMMUNITY TESTING-- SLIDE 8, PLEASE-- SHOWS THE
17 CURRENT MAP OF COMMUNITY TESTING SITES ACROSS THE ENTIRE
18 COUNTY. THERE'S A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT LOCATIONS, AS YOU CAN
19 SEE, THAT PEOPLE CAN CONTINUE TO RECEIVE TESTING, IN ADDITION
20 TO THE TESTING THAT IS PROVIDED, OFTENTIMES, THROUGH SCHOOLS,
21 THROUGH ORGANIZATIONS, THROUGH EMPLOYERS, AND THEN, OBVIOUSLY,
22 THROUGH THE ESTABLISHED HEALTH SYSTEM. AND LASTLY, SLIDE 9
23 SHOWS THE LATEST COMMUNITY TESTING DATA. IN THE PAST FOUR
24 WEEKS, WE HAVE SEEN THE UTILIZATION RATE INCREASE, THOUGH WE
25 STILL HAVE CAPACITY AT ALL OF THE SITES. THE PERCENT

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1 POSITIVITY HAS TRENDED DOWN SLIGHTLY, AS HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY
2 SHARED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. AND WITH THAT, I'LL
3 CLOSE, I WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES. THANK YOU, BOTH, AGAIN FOR THE
6 PRESENTATION. I NOTE THAT, DR. FERRER, YOUR PRESENTATION WAS
7 RATHER LENGTHY THIS TIME, AND OBVIOUSLY BECAUSE OF THE CHANGES
8 REGARDING YOUTH SPORTS AND THE WHOLE DISCUSSION ABOUT
9 QUARANTINE, WHICH TENDS TO BE PRETTY COMPLICATED, AND I THINK
10 CAN BE CONFUSING. AND YOU MAY HAVE HEARD SOME OF THE CALLS
11 THAT CAME IN EARLIER TODAY FROM THE PUBLIC. THERE'S A GREAT
12 DEAL OF CONFUSION, AND I GUESS PEOPLE ARE UPSET. THEY ARE NOT
13 QUITE UNDERSTANDING, YOU KNOW, WHY WE ARE TAKING THE CAUTIONS
14 WE ARE. AND, YOU KNOW, I AM GLAD THAT YOU BOTH ARE
15 UNDERSCORING HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO GET THE VACCINES; THAT
16 THAT'S REALLY OUR DEFENSE HERE, AND THAT WE ARE DOING A LOT
17 BETTER THAN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, IF NOT THE STATE OF
18 CALIFORNIA. SO I DO WANT TO MENTION THAT. BUT I WANTED TO ASK
19 YOU, DR. FERRER, I HEARD OVER THE COURSE OF, I GUESS, THE LAST
20 WEEK, DR. FAUCI WAS TALKING TO THE COUNTRY, THE NATION, ABOUT
21 WHEN WE WOULD COME OUT OF THIS, OR HOW LONG THIS NEW VARIANT
22 AND PANDEMIC MIGHT CONTINUE ON. AND I AM JUST WONDERING, CAN
23 YOU TELL US ANYTHING THAT YOU MAY KNOW RIGHT NOW, ESPECIALLY
24 SINCE WE ARE HEADING INTO THE FALL AND WINTER AND FLU SEASON,
25 AND WHAT WE NEED TO DO TO PREPARE, AND WHAT YOU THINK WE NEED

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1 TO BE LOOKING AT TO BRING DOWN THESE CASES, ESPECIALLY WITH
2 RESPECT TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE, AND THE FACT THAT WE STILL CAN'T
3 REACH THE CHILDREN THAT ARE 12 AND UNDER YET, TO COMPLICATE
4 MATTERS MORE, BUT WE MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE A THIRD DOSE TO
5 PEOPLE. SO, THAT IS A LOT TO BITE OFF, BUT IF YOU COULD MAYBE
6 JUST HELP WALK US THROUGH A LITTLE BIT, AND THEN AFTER THAT, I
7 WILL TURN TO MY COLLEAGUES.

8

9 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH, THANKS SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR SOLIS,
10 FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND LEADERSHIP. AND, YOU KNOW, THAT IS SUCH
11 AN IMPORTANT QUESTION, AND OBVIOUSLY WE DO OUR OWN INTERNAL
12 REVIEWS OF DATA ON A DAILY BASIS, AND HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH
13 SOME FOLKS ON DOING SOME ADDITIONAL MODELING TO TAKE INTO
14 ACCOUNT JUST WHAT YOU NOTED: THE MANY COMPLEXITIES NOW, SOME
15 OF WHICH ARE BECAUSE WE HAVE A WAY MORE INFECTIOUS VARIANT;
16 SOME OF WHICH IS BECAUSE WE HAVE THE POTENTIAL OVER TIME TO
17 HAVE VACCINES THAT ARE LESS EFFECTIVE THAN THEY WERE
18 INITIALLY; AND SOME BECAUSE WE HAVE, AS YOU NOTED, 1.3 MILLION
19 PEOPLE IN L.A. COUNTY UNDER THE AGE OF 12 THAT ARE NOW, MANY
20 OF THEM, GOING BACK TO SCHOOL. SO WE ARE IN A DIFFERENT PLACE
21 THAN WE WERE LAST YEAR. EVEN WHEN WE OPENED ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
22 LAST YEAR, WE WERE IN A DIFFERENT PLACE. WE HAD MANY MORE
23 REQUIREMENTS ON THE REOPENINGS, INCLUDING A LOT OF DISTANCING
24 THAT WAS IN PLACE, AND WE HAD MANY, MANY STUDENTS THAT DIDN'T
25 RETURN INTO THE SCHOOLS. I AM GLAD, AND I KNOW I SHARE THAT

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1 JOY WITH SO MANY, THAT OUR STUDENTS ARE BACK AT SCHOOL, AND I
2 KNOW THAT EVERYONE IS WORKING REALLY, REALLY HARD TO CREATE A
3 LOT OF SAFETY AT SCHOOLS. BUT WE NOW ARE GOING TO HAVE, YOU
4 KNOW, 1.4 MILLION CHILDREN THAT ARE, IN FACT, IN SCHOOL
5 BUILDINGS EVERY DAY, WITH A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF THEM NOT YET
6 VACCINATED, BECAUSE THEY CAN'T BE. SO THERE IS AN UNKNOWN
7 THERE, WHICH IS WHY, YOU KNOW, WE DIDN'T WANT TO BE MODIFYING
8 STANDARD QUARANTINE PROTOCOLS, UNTIL WE ACTUALLY SEE, HOW MUCH
9 TRANSMISSION ARE WE SEEING IN SCHOOLS? NOT HOW MANY CASES ARE
10 COMING FROM THE COMMUNITY; HOW MANY PEOPLE COME FROM THEIR
11 HOMES, OR THEIR JOB SITES, OR OTHER ACTIVITIES THAT THEY DO,
12 AND END UP TESTING POSITIVE. BUT WHEN WE FIND CASES THAT ARE
13 POSITIVE, AND WE IDENTIFY CLOSE CONTACTS, WE NEED TO
14 UNDERSTAND HOW MANY OF THOSE CLOSE CONTACTS IN A SCHOOL
15 SETTING END UP BEING POSITIVE. BECAUSE THAT IS WHAT WE CALL A
16 SECONDARY INFECTION, AND WE WANT TO REALLY LIMIT THOSE
17 OUTBREAKS. BUT THAT REALLY-- WHAT HAPPENS IN OUR SCHOOLS IS
18 GOING TO AFFECT WHAT HAPPENS IN OUR COMMUNITIES, JUST LIKE
19 WHAT HAPPENS IN OUR COMMUNITIES ENDS UP MOVING INTO OUR
20 SCHOOLS. SO IT IS HARD TO PREDICT WHERE WE WILL BE THIS FALL.
21 I THINK IT IS BEST FOR ALL OF US TO PROBABLY, YOU KNOW,
22 UNDERSTAND THREE BASIC FACTS, AT THIS POINT. ONE IS, BEING
23 FULLY VACCINATED IS THE BEST THING YOU CAN DO. SO IF YOU ARE
24 ELIGIBLE, GET VACCINATED, BECAUSE YOU ARE LIKELY TO SAVE
25 SOMEONE'S LIFE, BECAUSE YOU ARE GETTING VACCINATED. THAT COULD

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1 BE YOUR OWN. BUT YOU'RE ALSO GOING TO, AS DR. GHALY MENTIONED,
2 AND AS OUR DATA SHOWS, YOU'RE MUCH LESS LIKELY TO GET
3 C.O.V.I.D., YOU'RE MUCH LESS LIKELY TO GET SICK, AND YOU HAVE
4 ALMOST NO CHANCE OF PASSING AWAY, UNLESS YOU ARE ALREADY A
5 SERIOUSLY ILL PERSON. SO, GETTING VACCINATED IS THE ONE THING
6 EVERYBODY WHO'S NOT YET VACCINATED COULD DO THAT WOULD HAVE
7 THE BEST IMPACT ONE THE TRAJECTORY MOVING FORWARD, BECAUSE
8 HERD IMMUNITY IS BASED ON THAT PREMISE THAT THERE ALWAYS ARE
9 SOME PEOPLE THAT CANNOT GET VACCINATED. AND IF YOU GET ENOUGH
10 OF EVERYONE WHO CAN GET VACCINATED, VACCINATED, YOU PROVIDE
11 PROTECTION FOR THOSE WHO CAN'T. BUT WE GOT TO GET THOSE
12 NUMBERS WAY, WAY UP, TO ACTUALLY BE ABLE TO SUPPORT THOSE THAT
13 CANNOT YET GET VACCINATED. I THINK THE SECOND THING IS, WE ALL
14 NEED TO GET COMFORTABLE WITH WEARING OUR MASKS INDOORS AGAIN,
15 AND WE ARE DOING DISTANCING WHERE IT'S POSSIBLE, AND REALLY
16 AVOIDING BEING IN THOSE CROWDED SITUATIONS. I KNOW WE DON'T
17 WANT TO BE HERE, AND BEFORE DELTA, THE PROMISE OF THESE
18 VACCINES WAS THAT THEY WERE HIGHLY EFFECTIVE AT REDUCING
19 TRANSMISSION. BUT THAT IS NO LONGER THE CASE. AND SO, RATHER
20 THAN HAVE CONTINUED CYCLES OF SURGES, IT IS JUST BETTER TO GET
21 COMFORTABLE WITH, WHEN WE'RE INDOORS, NOT WITH PEOPLE IN OUR
22 OWN HOUSEHOLDS, WE'RE GOING TO PUT OUR FACE COVERINGS ON AS
23 MUCH AS POSSIBLE, AND CERTAINLY IN THOSE PUBLIC SPACES,
24 BECAUSE THAT ALSO IS WORKING IN OUR FAVOR. THE DATA WE SHOW,
25 PRETTY MUCH WEEKLY, SHOWS THAT L.A. COUNTY ACTUALLY IS DOING

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1 RELATIVELY WELL DURING THIS SURGE, AND WE HAVE THESE EXTRA
2 LAYERS OF PROTECTION. WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO USE THEM. WE'RE
3 PARTICULARLY GOING TO NEED TO USE THEM AT OUR SCHOOL. AND I
4 THINK THE LAST, YOU KNOW, SORT OF PIECE OF OUR REALITY IS, WE
5 ARE MOVING INTO THE FALL AND THE WINTER, AND WE CERTAINLY
6 START SEEING CASES OF FLU. SO IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR PEOPLE
7 TO GO GET THEIR FLU VACCINATIONS, AS WELL, SO THAT, AGAIN, WE
8 DON'T END UP WITH A DOUBLE THREAT FOR THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM,
9 WHICH IS A LOT OF FLU AND A LOT OF C.O.V.I.D. WE DID REALLY
10 WELL LAST YEAR. A LOT MORE PEOPLE GOT VACCINATED AGAINST FLU
11 LAST YEAR. I WOULD SUGGEST WE REPEAT THAT, BECAUSE THOSE ARE
12 ALL STEPS THAT WE CAN TAKE THAT WILL HELP US SLOW THE SPREAD.
13 BUT I AM NOT REALLY SURE, LIKE, WHEN DO WE GET BACK TO LOW
14 TRANSMISSION, COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION, OR EVEN MODERATE
15 COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION, BECAUSE OF THE UNKNOWN VARIABLE ABOUT
16 WHAT WE'RE GOING TO SEE AT OUR SCHOOLS. WE WILL HAVE A LOT
17 MORE DATA TO SHARE IN THE WEEKS AHEAD, AND I THINK THAT WILL
18 HELP US ALL FEEL LIKE WE ARE WELL PREPARED. I DO ALSO WANT TO
19 NOTE THAT ALL OF THE TEAMS THAT DO VACCINATIONS ARE PREPARING
20 TO BE ABLE TO DO THOSE BOOSTERS. SO, IF IN MID-SEPTEMBER OR
21 LATE SEPTEMBER, C.D.C. AND THE F.D.A. AUTHORIZE THOSE FOR
22 WHATEVER GROUP THAT THEY GET AUTHORIZED FOR, OUR TEAMS WILL BE
23 READY TO GO. AND WE HAVE PLENTY OF VACCINE, SO PEOPLE SHOULD
24 BE REASSURED THAT, WHILE THE BOOSTERS ARE NOT AVAILABLE YET,
25 WHEN THEY ARE AUTHORIZED, L.A. COUNTY WILL HAVE PLENTY OF

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1 PLACES FOR PEOPLE TO GO TO GET VACCINATED, WHO ARE ELIGIBLE
2 FOR THOSE BOOSTERS.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. THANK YOU SO MUCH, DR. FERRER AND
5 DR. GHALY. NOW I'LL TURN IT TO SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND THEN
6 AFTER, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AND PERHAPS SUPERVISOR BARGER WILL
7 HAVE SOME QUESTIONS. GO AHEAD, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

8

9 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU, BOTH, FOR
10 TODAY'S UPDATES. FIRST OF ALL, LET ME JUST SAY OFF THE BAT, I
11 REALLY APPRECIATE, DR. FERRER, THAT YOU TOOK ANOTHER LOOK AT
12 THE REQUIREMENTS THAT WE HAD FOR OUR YOUTH SPORTS,
13 PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATED TO THE 48 HOURS OR 72 HOURS BEFORE
14 A GAME TESTING. MY PHONE HAS PROBABLY BLOWN UP MORE ON THIS
15 ONE ISSUE THAN ALMOST ANYTHING THAT WE'VE DONE. MANY OF OUR
16 YOUTH SPORTS AND YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS JUST WERE LITERALLY
17 HAVING TO CANCEL SOME OF THEIR SPORTS PROGRAMS, BECAUSE THEY
18 JUST COULDN'T SUPPORT THAT WEEKLY TESTING. THEY DIDN'T HAVE
19 THE MONEY FOR IT, AND IT WAS KIND OF AN UNFUNDED MANDATE. WE
20 WERE NOT REALLY PROVIDING THE RESOURCES THAT THEY NEEDED TO DO
21 IT. SO I REALLY APPRECIATE YOU TAKING A LOOK AT THAT. BUT I
22 THINK ALL THESE ORGANIZATIONS AND THE SCHOOLS, THEY ALL NEED
23 TO KNOW THAT WE ARE STILL-- JUST BECAUSE WE MIGHT HAVE
24 LOOSENED UP A TESTING REQUIREMENT, WE ARE GOING TO KEEP TRACK.
25 WE'RE GOING TO PAY ATTENTION. IF ANY WAY WE THINK THERE IS,

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1 YOU KNOW, A HIGHER TRANSMISSION OR OUTBREAKS, THEN WE'RE GOING
2 TO HAVE TO REACT QUICKLY, BECAUSE THE MOST IMPORTANT THING,
3 OBVIOUSLY, IS TO KEEP THESE KIDS SAFE. SO THANK YOU FOR DOING
4 THAT. I KNOW MY OFFICE HAD BEEN REACHING OUT TO YOU TO SEE IF
5 THERE WAS A COMPROMISE, A SOLUTION, THAT COULD KEEP KIDS SAFE,
6 BUT COULD ALLOW SOME OF THESE SPORTS PROGRAMS TO CONTINUE. LET
7 ME TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE QUARANTINE IN THE SCHOOLS. I
8 HAVE ALSO BEEN HEARING-- I DON'T KNOW IF MY COLLEAGUES HAD IT.
9 I'VE BEEN HEARING FROM A LOT OF MY SUPERINTENDENTS, WHO FELT
10 THAT THE QUARANTINE OF THE WHOLE CLASS HAVING TO QUARANTINE
11 FOR 10 DAYS WAS PROBLEMATIC, PARTICULARLY SINCE THEY'D REDUCED
12 THEIR ONLINE LEARNING CAPABILITIES FOR MANY OF THEIR STUDENTS,
13 SO KIDS WERE BEING SENT HOME WITH SORT OF A PACKET OF WORK,
14 AND MANY OF THE PARENTS FELT LIKE THAT WAS INADEQUATE, AS IT
15 RELATED TO THEIR EDUCATION. SO I GOT THE QUESTION THAT THEY
16 WERE WONDERING IF WE WOULD CONSIDER MODIFIED QUARANTINE
17 OPTIONS, LIKE WHAT THE STATE HAS DONE, AND WONDERED IF YOU--
18 BECAUSE THE STATE, I THINK, ALLOWS A MODIFIED QUARANTINE
19 OPTION FOR STUDENTS WHO COME IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH POSITIVE
20 CASES, AND IF THEY DON'T HAVE SYMPTOMS, AND TEST NEGATIVE,
21 THEY CAN STAY IN SCHOOL AND DON'T HAVE TO QUARANTINE. HAVE YOU
22 LOOKED AT THAT, AND WHAT'S YOUR EXPERT THOUGHTS ON THAT?

23

24 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** THANKS SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR ALL
25 YOUR SUPPORT, AS WELL. THIS HAS BEEN A PRESSING QUESTION. WE

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1 HAVE MET WITH ALL OF THE SUPERINTENDENTS LAST WEEK. WE ALSO
2 MET WITH A SMALL GROUP OF SUPERINTENDENTS THAT EXPRESSED THE
3 MOST CONCERN OVER THE INABILITY FOR US TO IMMEDIATELY MOVE TO
4 MODIFIED QUARANTINE. I WANT TO THANK SUPERINTENDENT DUARDO AND
5 HER TEAM, WHO HAVE BEEN PART OF ALL OF THESE CONVERSATIONS
6 WITH US, AND MAKING SURE THAT WE ARE LISTENING TO OUR
7 SUPERINTENDENTS AND OUR PRINCIPALS ABOUT THEIR CONCERNS. I
8 THINK WHERE WE LANDED IS AN APPROPRIATE PLACE. OF COURSE, WE
9 LOOKED AT WHAT THE STATE WAS RECOMMENDING. IT'S JUST, THEY
10 BASE THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS-- WHICH, FRANKLY, I AM NOT SURE
11 EVERYBODY UNDERSTANDS WHAT THEIR RECOMMENDATION IS FOR A
12 MODIFIED QUARANTINE. YOU CAN ONLY USE THAT MODIFIED QUARANTINE
13 IN SOME VERY SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES, WHEN YOU CAN ACTUALLY
14 ESTABLISH THAT THE ONLY EXPOSURES THAT HAPPENED BETWEEN A CASE
15 AND A CLOSE CONTACT HAPPENED WHILE BOTH OF THEM WERE
16 COMPLETELY MASKED FOR THE ENTIRE TIME. NOW, OBVIOUSLY, IN
17 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, THAT MAY BE VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE, WITH THE
18 EXCEPTION OF SORT OF ADULTS TO CHILD, WHERE THEY MAY BE, IN
19 FACT, THAT SORT OF MASK ON MASK. BUT FOR CHILDREN IN THE
20 CLASSROOM, SINCE THEY ARE EATING AND DRINKING TOGETHER, SINCE
21 THEY ARE PLAYING OUTSIDE, ALL WITHOUT THEIR MASKS, IT BECOMES
22 VERY HARD TO ACTUALLY VERIFY THAT THEY, IN FACT, HAVE THEIR
23 MASKS ON. AND I KNOW WE'VE HAD TO TALK ABOUT THE FACT THAT IT
24 ISN'T JUST A BLANKET, EVERYONE GETS TO STAY IN SCHOOL. IT WAS,

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1 YOU HAVE TO ACTUALLY GO DO THIS WORK AND FIGURE OUT, YOU KNOW,
2 WHETHER OR NOT THERE WAS MASK-ON-MASK EXPOSURE.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN:** SO, I WILL SAY THAT SOME OF THE SCHOOLS THAT HAD
5 REACHED OUT TO ME, THEY ACTUALLY REQUIRE MASKS INDOORS AND
6 OUTDOORS, SO I THINK THAT'S WHY THEY WERE ASKING IF MODIFIED
7 QUARANTINE COULD APPLY TO THEM.

8

9 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH. I MEAN, SO THE MODIFIED QUARANTINE
10 CAME FROM SOME STUDIES THAT WERE DONE LAST SPRING. THAT IS WHY
11 THE STATE WENT WITH THE MODIFIED QUARANTINE, IS THEY ACTUALLY
12 HAD SOME DATA THAT SAID THERE'S VERY LITTLE TRANSMISSION
13 THAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CLASSROOMS. EVERYBODY JUST SAW A STUDY
14 THAT WAS CIRCULATED WIDELY FROM MARIN COUNTY, THAT SHOWED
15 THAT, IN FACT, WITH THE RIGHT CIRCUMSTANCES, YOU HAVE A LOT OF
16 TRANSMISSION IN THE CLASSROOM WITH DELTA. SO THAT IS ONE OF
17 THE FIRST STUDIES THAT REALLY WAS LOOKING AT EXPOSURES AFTER
18 DELTA STARTED CIRCULATING. SO I WOULD SAY, IT WAS INTERESTING,
19 THE STUDIES FROM THE SPRING. THEY WERE PRE-DELTA. WE NEED SOME
20 DATA ON DELTA. I THINK THE SUPERINTENDENTS, WHILE NOT
21 NECESSARILY, I THINK, ALL IN THE SAME PLACE, I THINK THEY ARE
22 OKAY WITH WHERE WE LANDED, WHICH IS WE WILL LOOK AT DATA UNTIL
23 SEPTEMBER 10TH, WHICH IS JUST ABOUT FOUR WEEKS OF DATA FROM
24 WHEN SCHOOL STARTED OPENING. AS I PRESENT, YOU CAN SEE WE
25 TRACK ALL THE OUTBREAKS, AND WE TRACK WHAT WE CALL SECONDARY

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1 INFECTIONS. IF THE RATE OF SECONDARY INFECTIONS IS LOW, WE
2 WILL IMMEDIATELY GO AND MODIFY, AND ALIGN WITH THE STATE. BUT
3 I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT-- AND I REALLY APPRECIATED WHAT YOU
4 SAID EARLIER-- I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO LOOK AT THE DATA AND
5 BE CAUTIOUS, UNTIL YOU ARE SURE THAT YOU ARE NOT CREATING AN
6 UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCE OF SEEING A LOT OF SPREAD IN SCHOOLS,
7 BECAUSE YOU ALLOWED WHAT WE NEVER ALLOW ANYWHERE ELSE-- AT A
8 WORKPLACE, AT A CHURCH. NOWHERE ELSE DO WE ALLOW CLOSE
9 CONTACTS TO STAY IN CIRCULATION. SO LET'S JUST BE CAREFUL,
10 GIVEN THAT IT'S DELTA. IT IS SUPER INFECTIOUS, EASILY
11 TRANSMITTED. BEFORE WE START CHANGING SOMETHING, LET'S LOOK AT
12 THE DATA. WE'LL HAVE 4 WEEKS OF DATA. I'LL FEEL MUCH MORE
13 COMFORTABLE ABOUT GOING AHEAD WITH THE MODIFICATION WHEN WE
14 CAN LOOK AT THE DATA.

15

16 **SUP. HAHN:** I THINK THAT IS GREAT, DR. FERRER, AND I REALLY
17 APPRECIATE IT. I MEAN, FOR GOODNESS' SAKES, WE ARE A COUNTY OF
18 10 MILLION RESIDENTS. WE ARE UNLIKE ANY OTHER COUNTY. BUT I
19 APPRECIATE YOUR ATTEMPT AT EVEN TO BE FLEXIBLE, AS IT RELATES
20 TO THE DATA. AND I THINK THAT GOES A LONG WAY WITH OUR
21 SUPERINTENDENTS, WITH OUR TEACHERS, WITH OUR PARENTS, I THINK,
22 IF THEY KNOW THAT WE ARE NOT IMPERVIOUS TO LOOKING AT CHANGING
23 THINGS, IF WE BELIEVE THE DATA SUPPORTS IT. BECAUSE, FIRST AND
24 FOREMOST, IT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO KEEP THE PUBLIC SAFE.
25 BUT I APPRECIATE THAT. BUT YOU DID HEAR-- I MEAN, IT HURT MY

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1 HEART TO HEAR ONE OF THE CALLERS SAYING, YOU KNOW, SHE KNOWS
2 OF KIDS WHO ARE HAVING TO WAIT IN THE CAR ALL DAY, BECAUSE
3 BOTH OF THEIR PARENTS HAD TO GO BACK TO WORK. I MEAN, IT
4 WORKED FOR A YEAR AND A HALF, WHERE WE WERE DOING TELEWORK,
5 AND PARENTS WERE BEING ABLE TO, YOU KNOW, BALANCE KIDS AT
6 HOME, SCHOOLS AT THE DINING ROOM TABLE, AND WORKING FROM HOME.
7 AND THAT'S STARTING TO CHANGE, AS MANY OF THE PARENTS ARE
8 HAVING TO GO BACK TO WORK, AND THE EMPLOYERS ARE NOT
9 SUPPORTING TELEWORK. SO AS LONG AS, I THINK, OUR CONSTITUENTS,
10 OUR SPECIAL INTERESTS, LIKE SUPERINTENDENTS AND SCHOOL
11 DISTRICTS, KNOW THAT YOU ARE WILLING TO-- AND BY THE WAY,
12 YOU'RE ALWAYS WILLING TO GET ON A CALL WITH ANY OF THEM, AND
13 LISTEN TO THEIR CONCERNS, AS WELL AS GIVE THEM THE RATIONALE
14 FOR THE DECISIONS YOU MAKE. SO I APPRECIATE THAT. THE LAST
15 THING, MADAM CHAIR, IF I WILL, I JUST WANTED TO BRIEFLY TALK
16 ABOUT THE REPORT THAT WE GOT BACK. OUR LAST PUBLIC MEETING, WE
17 HAD ASKED FOR A REPORT-BACK ON THE POSSIBILITY OF PROOF OF
18 VACCINATION. NOT MANDATING VACCINES FOR THE PUBLIC, BUT JUST
19 SAYING WE MIGHT CONSIDER REQUIRING IT TO GO INTO SOME INDOOR
20 SPACES, PARTICULARLY LIKE INDOOR RESTAURANTS, WHERE PEOPLE
21 DON'T HAVE THEIR MASKS ON. I FIRST WANT TO SAY, I THOUGHT THE
22 REPORT WAS SO THOROUGH AND SO WELL WRITTEN AND THOUGHT OUT. I
23 MEAN, WE GAVE YOU 14 DAYS TO DO IT, AND I WAS IMPRESSED. I
24 THOUGHT IT WAS WELL DONE. I THOUGHT THE LIST OF PARTNERS THAT
25 YOU CONSULTED WITH WAS INCREDIBLE: EVERYONE FROM THE

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1 CALIFORNIA RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION, TO L.A. TOURISM AND
2 CONVENTION, THE HOTELS, S.E.I.U., TEAMSTERS, OUR RESTAURANT
3 WORKERS. THERE WAS EVEN A NAIL SALON ASSOCIATION. I WASN'T
4 SURE THAT THAT EVEN EXISTED, BUT CAN I BE A MEMBER? BUT I WILL
5 TELL YOU, WE HAD ASKED YOU, OUR HEALTH EXPERTS, OUR LAWYERS,
6 AND OUR CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT TO REALLY
7 EXPLORE IF THIS WAS A POSSIBILITY. WE KNOW THE CITY OF L.A. IS
8 LOOKING TO DRAFT AN ORDINANCE. I THINK PALM SPRINGS HAS DONE
9 IT. SAN FRANCISCO HAS DONE IT. BUT I WILL TELL YOU, FOR ME,
10 COLLEAGUES, I CAN'T SPEAK FOR YOU ALL, AND I DON'T KNOW WHERE
11 YOU ARE AT ON THIS. BUT FOR ME, AFTER I READ THE REPORT, I
12 FELT LIKE THERE WERE AS MANY CHALLENGES TO IMPLEMENT SOMETHING
13 LIKE THIS AS THERE WERE BENEFITS, IN TERMS OF REDUCING THE
14 SPREAD AND ENCOURAGING MORE PEOPLE TO GET VACCINATED. THERE
15 WERE SOME REAL OBSTACLES TO IMPLEMENTING IT. THERE WAS A REAL
16 SENSE THAT IT WOULD TAKE SOME TIME TO CREATE A THOUGHTFUL
17 MEDIA EDUCATION CAMPAIGN TO EDUCATE OUR BUSINESS PARTNERS, AS
18 WELL AS THE PUBLIC, THAT WE WERE GOING TO DO THIS. SO I WAS
19 JUST GOING TO GET YOUR TAKE A LITTLE BIT, DR. FERRER. I MEAN,
20 FOR ME, AGAIN. CAN'T SPEAK FOR MY COLLEAGUES. FOR ME, I
21 DEFINITELY DON'T WANT TO GO BACK TO THE POINT WHERE WE WOULD
22 EVER HAVE TO SHUT DOWN OUR BUSINESS AGAIN, OR LIMIT CAPACITY,
23 OR NOT LET OUR RESTAURANTS OPERATE. I AM NOT INTERESTED IN
24 THAT. I THINK THERE WERE A LOT OF LIVES AND LIVELIHOODS THAT
25 WERE CRUSHED BY SOME OF OUR NECESSARY DECISIONS A YEAR AGO.

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1 ARE THERE NUMBERS, DR. FERRER, THAT WE SHOULD BE LOOKING AT? I
2 MEAN, I WAS PLEASANTLY SURPRISED BY YOUR CHARTS TODAY, THAT IT
3 DOES SEEM A LITTLE BIT LIKE WE MIGHT BE-- I DON'T KNOW IF
4 "PEAKING" IS A WORD, BUT IT DID LOOK LIKE THEIR NUMBERS ARE A
5 LITTLE BIT BETTER THAN THEY WERE A COUPLE WEEKS AGO. IS THERE
6 SOMETHING WE SHOULD LOOK AT SERIOUSLY? WILL YOU TELL US? WILL
7 YOU WARN US IF YOU THINK THAT THAT IS THE ABSOLUTE NECESSARY
8 STEP WE NEED TO TAKE? BUT FOR ME, I WASN'T CONVINCED THAT I
9 WAS READY TO PULL THE TRIGGER ON PROOF OF VACCINATION.

10

11 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, AND I WANT TO FIRST
12 REALLY ACKNOWLEDGE ROB RAGLAND AND DR. DAVIS AND AN ENTIRE
13 TEAM HERE, ALONG WITH OUR COLLEAGUES AT THE DEPARTMENT OF
14 CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS, AND COUNTY COUNSEL, WHO DID
15 WORK REALLY HARD IN THAT SHORT PERIOD OF TIME. I ALSO WANT TO
16 THANK ALL OF OUR PARTNERS-- OUR LABOR PARTNERS, OUR BUSINESS
17 PARTNERS. THESE HAVE BEEN ONGOING RELATIONSHIPS. IF THERE IS
18 ONE BLESSING TO THIS PANDEMIC, IT'S THAT WE'VE REALLY
19 BENEFITED FROM BUILDING THESE STRONG RELATIONSHIPS WITH SO
20 MANY OTHER GROUPS, AND THAT'S ALWAYS HELPED US BE ABLE TO GET
21 SOME WISE COUNSEL BEFORE WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THINGS THAT WILL
22 HAVE A LASTING IMPACT ON OUR RECOVERY JOURNEY. I KNOW YOU SAW
23 THAT, AT PUBLIC HEALTH, WE DO THINK IT IS WORTH A LIMITED
24 MANDATE TO REQUIRE FULL VACCINATIONS AT A SUBSET OF PLACES
25 WHERE WE THINK THERE IS A PARTICULARLY HIGH RISK FOR

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1 TRANSMISSION. WE OBVIOUSLY LIMITED THIS, OF COURSE, TO PEOPLE
2 OVER THE AGE OF 12, KNOWING THAT WE HAVE A WHOLE BUNCH OF
3 YOUNGER PEOPLE THAT CANNOT BE HELD TO THAT STANDARD; BUT
4 AGAIN, WITH THE NOTION THAT, YOU KNOW, SURROUND THOSE NOT YET
5 VACCINATED BY FULLY VACCINATED, AND YOU PUT IN A LAYER OF
6 PROTECTION THAT WE CAN'T GET FROM ANYTHING ELSE. SO WE DID
7 RECOMMEND THAT WE LOOK TOWARDS IMPLEMENTING A REQUIREMENT THAT
8 THERE BE A VACCINATION REQUIREMENT FOR PEOPLE TO ENTER IN. AS
9 YOU SAID, IT IS NOT A MANDATE TO GET VACCINATED, BUT IF YOU
10 ARE GOING TO GO TO SOME OF THESE HIGHER-RISK SETTINGS, BARS,
11 RESTAURANTS, INDOORS-- AND I WANT TO QUALIFY IT'S ONLY THE
12 INDOOR PORTION-- FAMILY CENTERS, ENTERTAINMENT CENTERS, CARD
13 ROOMS, THEATERS, WHERE PEOPLE ARE CROWDED TOGETHER FOR LONG
14 PERIODS OF TIME, EATING AND DRINKING, TAKING OFF THEIR MASKS,
15 LARGE EVENTS, OUTDOORS AND INDOORS, WHERE PEOPLE, AGAIN,
16 EATING, DRINKING, TAKING OFF THEIR MASKS, THESE ARE PLACES
17 WHERE WE FELT IT MAKES SENSE TO ACTUALLY ASK PEOPLE, IF THEY
18 WANT TO USE THESE SERVICES OR ENGAGE IN THESE ACTIVITIES, THAT
19 THEY DO GET THEMSELVES FULLY VACCINATED. WE HEARD A LOT FROM
20 ALL OF OUR PARTNERS THAT IF WE WERE GOING TO MOVE IN THIS
21 DIRECTION, PLEASE MAKE SURE IT IS COUNTYWIDE, AND ALSO PLEASE
22 MAKE SURE, AS YOU NOTED, SUPERVISOR, THAT THERE IS PLENTY OF
23 OPPORTUNITY TO EDUCATE FOLKS, AND TO WORK PARTICULARLY WITH
24 SOME OF OUR SMALLER BUSINESSES TO MITIGATE AGAINST ANY
25 ECONOMIC IMPACTS THIS MIGHT HAVE, BUT ALSO UNDERSTANDING THAT

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1 THIS DOES IMMEDIATELY REDUCE RISK WHEN IT GETS IMPLEMENTED AT
2 THESE HIGHER-RISK SETTINGS, AND IT DOES HELP US SLOW DOWN
3 TRANSMISSION. FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE, ONE OF THE THINGS WE ARE
4 DESPERATELY NEEDING TO DO IS TO STOP THE CYCLE OF SURGES. WE
5 CAN'T JUST KEEP DOING THIS CYCLE, WHERE OUR CASES GO UP, UP,
6 AND UP, AND WE HAVE LOTS AND LOTS OF PEOPLE IN THE HOSPITALS,
7 AND THEN WE SEE, UNFORTUNATELY, WHAT WE ARE SEEING NOW, IS
8 SOME INCREASES IN DEATHS. SO WE THINK THIS IS A VIABLE
9 STRATEGY, BUT OF COURSE WE DEFER TO THE BOARD TO MOVE FORWARD
10 WITH THIS, AND ANXIOUS TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS, AS WELL, FROM
11 ANYBODY ELSE.

12
13 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH, I APPRECIATE THAT. BUT AGAIN, I SAW OUR
14 NUMBERS STARTING TO GO DOWN A LITTLE BIT, AND THE MAJORITY OF
15 THIS REPORT WAS ABOUT SOME OF THE OBSTACLES AND THE BARRIERS,
16 AND HOW DO YOU ENFORCE IT. AND I SAW SOME CHALLENGES, IN TERMS
17 OF THE WORKPLACE. I HEAR YOU. AGAIN, I AM NOT QUITE READY TO
18 MAKE THAT STEP. I KIND OF FEEL LIKE WHAT YOU SAID ABOUT THE
19 SCHOOLS: LET'S LOOK AT SOME MORE DATA AND DECIDE WHETHER THIS
20 IS THE RIGHT STEP FOR US. BUT THAT IS JUST ME. I WOULD LOVE TO
21 HEAR HOW MY COLLEAGUES FEEL ABOUT THIS. THANK YOU SO MUCH, DR.
22 FERRER.

23
24 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN. AND, YOU KNOW,
2 MY SENSE IS THAT WE HAVE TIME TO WAIT, PERHAPS, AS NOTED BY
3 DR. FERRER. YOU KNOW, SEPTEMBER 10TH IS A DATE TO LOOK AT, AND
4 MAYBE BEYOND, BECAUSE THEN WE WILL BE OUT OF-- OR AT LEAST THE
5 HOLIDAY, RIGHT? LABOR DAY, BECAUSE THAT COULD BE ANOTHER
6 ANOTHER UPTICK. WE DON'T KNOW. BUT I AM CERTAINLY NOT IN A
7 HURRY, KNOWING THAT WE'VE ALREADY INSTITUTED A LOT OF GOOD
8 SAFEGUARDS ALREADY. AND I THINK, AS THE DATA SHOWS US, AFTER
9 WE ACTUALLY SAID WE WANTED TO START LOOKING AT VACCINATION FOR
10 EMPLOYEES, THAT JUST CHANGED A WHOLE LOT ALREADY. SO THE
11 MESSAGING, I THINK, HAS BEEN GOOD, BUT WE NEED TO DO BETTER,
12 OBVIOUSLY, BECAUSE WE HAD SO MANY PEOPLE TODAY CALLING IN. BUT
13 THAT IS NOT, MAYBE, REPRESENTATIVE OF EVERYONE, BECAUSE LOOK
14 AT THE BEHAVIOR, RIGHT? SOMETHING IS WORKING. PEOPLE ARE
15 GETTING VACCINATED, I BELIEVE, BECAUSE THEY KNOW THAT
16 SOMETHING HAS TO HAPPEN. OTHERWISE, WE'RE JUST GOING TO GO
17 BACKWARDS, AND WE CAN'T AFFORD TO GO BACKWARDS. SO, THAT IS
18 WHERE I AM COMING FROM, ANYWAY, ON THIS, BUT WE WILL KEEP
19 TALKING. SO WITH THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR
20 MITCHELL, AND THEN SUPERVISOR BARGER. THANK YOU.

21
22 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANKS,
23 AS ALWAYS, TO DOCTORS FERRER AND GHALY. DR. FERRER, YOUR
24 SLIDE-- MINE AREN'T NUMBERED. IT MAY HAVE BEEN YOUR LAST
25 SLIDE, THAT'S ENTITLED, "WHEN THE SCIENCE CHANGES, WE ADAPT."

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1 I THOUGHT THAT WAS VERY HELPFUL. I THINK THE TITLE COULD BE,
2 "WHEN THE SCIENCE AND THE DATA CHANGES, WE ADAPT," BASED ON
3 WHAT YOU SHARED WITH US TODAY. BUT THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
4 THAT, BECAUSE I THINK, AS WE HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC, MAKING SURE
5 THAT THEY UNDERSTAND THAT OUR DECISIONS CAN'T BE STATIC,
6 BECAUSE THIS VIRUS ISN'T STATIC. AND SO AS WE GET MORE DATA,
7 INFORMATION, THAT YOU CONTINUE TO REVIEW THE SCIENCE, AND WE
8 CONTINUE TO LOOK AT REAL NUMBERS AND OUR TRANSMISSION RATES,
9 AND HOW THEY ARE CHANGING BY POPULATION, THAT IS WHAT IS
10 DRIVING OUR POLICY DECISIONS. SO I THANK YOU FOR THAT SLIDE.
11 GIVEN THAT, AND THE FACT THAT KIDS ARE BACK IN SCHOOL, WE ARE
12 ABOUT TO EXPERIENCE A SEASON CHANGE, AND FLU SEASON IS UPON
13 US, I'M WONDERING IF YOU AND YOUR TEAM HAVE GIVEN THOUGHT TO
14 HOW WE PERHAPS CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN OUR CURRENT VACCINE
15 INFRASTRUCTURE AS WE MOVE INTO FLU SEASON, AND PERHAPS BOOSTER
16 VACCINE SEASON, AND IF THERE IS A PLAN IN PLACE, AND WHAT WE
17 AS A BOARD CAN LOOK-- WHEN WE, AS A BOARD, CAN LOOK TO HEAR
18 FROM YOU ABOUT WHAT THAT PLAN MIGHT INCLUDE.

19

20 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH, THANK YOU SO MUCH AGAIN, SUPERVISOR
21 MITCHELL, FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT, AND REALLY HAVE APPRECIATED,
22 ALSO, YOUR ABILITY TO HELP US REALLY PUSH VACCINES'
23 ACCESSIBILITY IN COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE BEEN HARDEST HIT. AND I
24 WANT TO THANK YOUR STAFF FOR THAT, AS WELL. THAT'S BEEN REALLY
25 HELPFUL. AND I DO AGREE THAT, YOU KNOW, WE'VE GOT A MAMMOTH

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1 TASK IN FRONT OF US, AND WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF, IN ANY WAY,
2 REDUCING THE INFRASTRUCTURE WE SO GRATEFULLY WERE ABLE TO
3 BUILD WITH ALL OF OUR PARTNERS. WE HAVE OVER 800 SITES, ANY
4 GIVEN WEEK, THAT ARE PERMANENT SITES WHERE PEOPLE CAN GET
5 VACCINATED. AND WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF DISMANTLING THAT, FOR
6 PRECISELY THIS REASON. WE THINK THERE ARE TWO BIG TASKS IN
7 FRONT OF US. ONE IS BOOSTERS. AND OUR SENSE IS, WHAT IS
8 UNKNOWN IS WHEN THAT MIGHT START, BUT WE ARE PRETTY CONFIDENT
9 IT WILL START. AND AT THE POINT IT STARTS, IT MIGHT BE
10 BOOSTERS FOR EVERYONE OVER A PERIOD OF TIME. AND AS YOU KNOW,
11 THAT, FOR US, ENDS UP BEING MILLIONS AND MILLIONS AND MILLIONS
12 OF PEOPLE. WE ALSO KNOW THAT, AT SOME POINT, HOPEFULLY BEFORE
13 THE END OF THIS YEAR, THE C.D.C. AND THE F.D.A. ARE GOING TO
14 APPROVE VACCINES FOR CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 12, AND WE HAVE
15 TO HAVE A REALLY EASY WAY THAT IS FAMILY-FRIENDLY AND CHILD
16 FRIENDLY FOR THOSE FOLKS TO BE ABLE TO GET THEIR VACCINES. SO
17 WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT INFRASTRUCTURE, WHICH IS SLIGHTLY
18 DIFFERENT, REALLY RELIES HEAVILY ON PEDIATRICIANS, PRIMARY
19 CARE SITES, SOLO PRACTITIONERS. EVEN THAT INFRASTRUCTURE HAS
20 TO BE THERE, AS WELL. SO OUR TEAM HAS BEEN WORKING REALLY
21 HARD. I THOUGHT I DID SHARE WITH YOU, SO I WILL GO BACK AND
22 LOOK, THE DRAFT PLAN WE HAD PUT IN PLACE THAT REALLY TALKS
23 BOTH ABOUT MAKING SURE WE ARE VACCINATING PEOPLE WHO NEED THAT
24 THIRD DOSE, BECAUSE THEY ARE IMMUNOCOMPROMISED. THAT, IN L.A.
25 COUNTY, IS HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE. AND THEN, THAT WE

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1 ARE READY TO GO WITH BOOSTERS. SO LET ME GO AHEAD AND MAKE
2 SURE THAT THAT GETS TO YOU. IT IS IN DRAFT FORM, BECAUSE WE
3 CONTINUE TO COLLECT INFORMATION, AND WE ARE OBVIOUSLY WAITING
4 TO HEAR BOTH FROM THE STATE AND C.D.C. ON ANY OF THE PRIORITY
5 POPULATIONS BEFORE WE COULD FINALIZE. BUT YES, I MEAN, WE ARE
6 WORKING REALLY HARD TO MAKE SURE THE INFRASTRUCTURE IS THERE.
7 WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT-- YOU KNOW, WHEN WE STARTED VACCINATING,
8 WE ONLY HAD A COUPLE OF HUNDRED PARTNERS. NOW, WE HAVE SO MANY
9 MORE. WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT THIS PRECLUDES THE NEED FOR US TO DO
10 MASS VACCINATION SITES AGAIN. BUT IF THAT ENDS UP NOT BEING
11 THE CASE, WE ALSO HAVE OUR PLANS READY TO GO ABOUT EXPANDING
12 THE COUNTY AND THE CITY'S CAPACITY TO DO THOSE, YOU KNOW, WHAT
13 WE CALL THOSE LARGE VACCINATION SITES AGAIN. THE CAR DRIVE-
14 THROUGHS. I MEAN, WE THINK OUR INFRASTRUCTURE IS WAY MORE
15 SOPHISTICATED NOW, BUT AGAIN, WE NEED TO MEET PEOPLE WHERE
16 THEY'RE AT, AND BE ABLE TO MOVE QUICKLY WHEN THOSE BOOSTER
17 SHOTS ARE RECOMMENDED.

18

19 **SUP. MITCHELL:** ONE QUICK FOLLOW-UP QUESTION, MADAM CHAIR, IF I
20 MAY. YOU MENTIONED WAITING TO GET DIRECTION FROM THE STATE
21 ABOUT ROLLING OUT THE BOOSTER SHOT BEYOND THE
22 IMMUNOCOMPROMISED COMMUNITY. SO IT OCCURRED TO ME, DO YOU
23 THINK THAT WE WILL GO BACK TO A SIMILAR KIND OF TIERING, WHERE
24 WE HAD THE CERTAIN AGE GROUPS, THOSE LIVING IN CONGREGATE
25 SETTINGS? DO YOU THINK THAT THE BOOSTERS WILL ROLL OUT?

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1 BECAUSE I THINK-- YOU KNOW, WE ARE HEARING FROM CONSTITUENTS
2 ALREADY WHO ARE WATCHING THE NEWS, WHO SAY, "OKAY, I AM COMING
3 UP ON MY 8-MONTH EXPIRATION DATE," IF YOU WILL, FROM WHEN THEY
4 GOT THEIR LAST SHOT. AND SO DO YOU THINK IT WILL BE DATE-
5 DRIVEN, OR WILL THE STATE AGAIN REQUIRE A TIERING SYSTEM?

6

7 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** IT IS A GREAT QUESTION. I MEAN, OBVIOUSLY,
8 IT DEPENDS THE MOST ON WHAT C.D.C. AND F.D.A. APPROVE. SO, THE
9 LAST NOTICE THAT WE GOT FROM C.D.C. IS THAT THEY WERE LOOKING
10 MORE AT THE HIGH-RISK POPULATION. I THINK THAT IS SIMILAR TO
11 WHAT ISRAEL DID, IS THEY SORT OF MOVED PRETTY QUICKLY WITH 75
12 AND OLDER, PEOPLE IN NURSING HOMES. SO THE C.D.C. MAY MOVE IN
13 THAT DIRECTION: LESS BASED ON SORT OF AN 8-MONTH-- YOU KNOW,
14 AT 8 MONTHS, YOUR PROTECTION WANES ENOUGH THAT YOU NEED THAT
15 ADDITIONAL DOSE THROUGH THE BOOSTER. BUT WE DON'T REALLY KNOW,
16 AND SO WE NEED TO HEAR FROM C.D.C. AND F.D.A. ON WHAT THEY
17 APPROVE, AND THEN OBVIOUSLY WORK WITH THE STATE ON WHAT THE
18 ROLLOUT IS. I MEAN, I WILL SAY THAT WE HAVE A SYSTEM IN PLACE,
19 READY TO GO IMMEDIATELY, AT THE NURSING HOMES. OKAY? BECAUSE
20 THAT IS WHERE WE KNOW WE HAVE THE GREATEST RISK. AND WE DON'T
21 WANT TO LOSE ANY TIME, SIMILAR TO WHAT WE DID IN DECEMBER. I
22 ALSO WANT TO NOTE THAT THE FIRST TWO GROUPS HERE TO GET
23 VACCINATED WERE THE SKILLED NURSING HOME RESIDENTS AND
24 HEALTHCARE WORKERS. SO IF IT ENDS UP BEING BASED ON DATE,
25 THOSE ARE THE FIRST TWO WHOSE DATES WILL COME UP IN SEPTEMBER.

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1 I THINK THAT IS WHY YOU'RE HEARING A SEPTEMBER DATE. IT'S FROM
2 YOUR SECOND DOSE. AND WE DIDN'T HAVE JOHNSON & JOHNSON THEN,
3 SO SECOND DOSE IS-- MOST PEOPLE WERE NOT COMPLETING, UNTIL THE
4 END OF JANUARY, THEIR VACCINATION CYCLE. AND WE HAVE ALREADY
5 MESSAGED TO THE HOSPITALS, IN PARTICULAR, TO MAKE SURE THEY
6 HAVE PLANS IN PLACE, BECAUSE-- IT SEEMS LIKE A LONG TIME AGO,
7 BUT THE HOSPITALS TOOK CARE OF LOTS OF HEALTHCARE WORKERS. SO,
8 AGAIN, WORKING TO PUT VARIOUS PLANS IN PLACE WITH OUR
9 PARTNERS, BUT WE ABSOLUTELY DON'T KNOW YET EXACTLY WHERE THE
10 C.D.C. AND THE F.D.A. ARE MOVING.

11

12 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I APPRECIATE IT.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. NEXT, WE WILL HEAR FROM SUPERVISOR
15 BARGER.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND I ECHO WHAT
18 SUPERVISOR HAHN MENTIONED. MY PHONE ALSO HAS BEEN BLOWING UP,
19 AS IT RELATES TO THE SPORTS FOR YOUTH, BUT ALSO THE SCHOOLS.
20 AND THERE IS A DIVISION BETWEEN PARENTS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS
21 REGARDING THE VACCINATION REQUIREMENT. AND I THINK, AT THE END
22 OF THE DAY, THIS BOARD-- AND ACTUALLY, DR. FERRER, YOU'RE
23 GOING TO HAVE TO PLAY SOLOMON, BECAUSE I THINK WE'RE GOING TO
24 HAVE TO PUT PUBLIC HEALTH FIRST. BUT I KNOW THAT PARENTS ARE
25 VERY VOCAL ABOUT THEIR OPINION, AS IT RELATES TO THEIR STUDENT

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1 AND THEIR EDUCATION. AND THE TEACHERS AND THE SUPERINTENDENTS
2 ARE VOCAL, AS IT RELATES TO THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT
3 THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF THOSE PEOPLE WORKING IN THE SCHOOL
4 DISTRICT. SO I THINK THAT THIS IS GOING TO BE "TO BE
5 CONTINUED," IF YOU WILL. BUT I HAVE A QUESTION REGARDING-- AND
6 I DON'T KNOW IF I'M GOING TO PHRASE THIS CORRECTLY, BUT I'M
7 BEING TOLD THAT ABOUT 45 PERCENT OF L.A. COUNTY POPULATION
8 HAVE CONTRACTED C.O.V.I.D. IS THAT AN ACCURATE PERCENTAGE?

9

10 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** THAT'S A GREAT QUESTION, AND THANK YOU,
11 SUPERVISOR, FOR ALL YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT, AND ALSO TO YOUR
12 OFFICE. IT IS A VERY HARD NUMBER TO KNOW FOR SURE. BECAUSE
13 WHAT WE KNOW ARE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO ARE TESTING
14 POSITIVE, AND WE REPORT THAT NUMBER OUT, AND WE REPORT IT, YOU
15 KNOW, ACTUALLY IN TOTALITY. SO WE CAN TELL YOU THAT, YOU KNOW,
16 SO FAR, WE'VE HAD 8 MILLION PEOPLE-- A LITTLE OVER 8 MILLION
17 PEOPLE-- WHO HAVE BEEN TESTED, AND OF THOSE, WE'VE HAD 1.4
18 MILLION PEOPLE WHO HAVE TESTED POSITIVE. SO WE HAVE THAT
19 NUMBER, AND THAT'S MUCH LESS THAN 40 PERCENT. BUT THAT'S NOT
20 THE RIGHT NUMBER, RIGHT? BECAUSE THERE ARE A WHOLE HOST OF
21 PEOPLE WHO NEVER DEVELOPED ANY SYMPTOMS. I MEAN, THAT WAS THE
22 WHOLE-- YOU KNOW, OUR WHOLE SORT OF INADEQUACY AT THE
23 BEGINNING WAS BECAUSE WE DIDN'T RECOGNIZE HOW MANY PEOPLE WERE
24 ASYMPTOMATIC AND STILL CAPABLE OF SPREADING. SO WE HAVE A
25 WHOLE HOST OF PEOPLE WHO REALLY HAVE HAD C.O.V.I.D., BUT

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1 DIDN'T EVER TEST POSITIVE. AND THEN WE HAVE A WHOLE HOST OF
2 PEOPLE WITH MILD ILLNESS, AND THEY THINK THEY HAD C.O.V.I.D.,
3 BUT THEY DON'T BOTHER GETTING TESTED, BECAUSE THEY ARE HAVING
4 MILD ILLNESS. THIS WAS PARTICULARLY TRUE AT THE BEGINNING OF
5 THE PANDEMIC, WHEN WE DIDN'T HAVE A LOT OF TESTING. SO THE
6 TRUE NUMBER IS GOING TO BE PRETTY HARD FOR US TO COME BY.
7 THERE WAS A TIME WHERE WE WERE-- "WE" MEANING THE COUNTRY--
8 WERE DOING SOME ANTIBODY TESTING TO TRY TO FIGURE OUT IF WE
9 COULD LOOK AT ANTIBODIES AND SEE PEOPLE WHO, YOU KNOW, HAD
10 SOME PROTECTION. BUT OBVIOUSLY, THAT GETS HARDER AND HARDER TO
11 DO. ANTIBODIES WANE OVER TIME. WE ARE NOT EVEN SURE HOW LONG
12 THAT LASTS, SO IT'S PRETTY HARD TO GO WAY BACK AND REALLY
13 DETERMINE THAT. BUT I DON'T THINK IT WOULD BE WIDELY
14 INACCURATE TO THINK THAT SOMEWHERE BETWEEN 20 AND 30 PERCENT,
15 MAYBE EVEN HIGHER, OF PEOPLE ACROSS L.A. COUNTY, FROM THE
16 BEGINNING OF THE PANDEMIC TILL NOW, HAVE BECOME INFECTED. I DO
17 WANT TO CAUTION, LIKE, SOME NUMBERS HAVE BEEN AS HIGH, AND YOU
18 ARE RIGHT, IN SAYING IT IS OVER 40 PERCENT. SOME NUMBERS HAVE
19 ALSO SUGGESTED THAT WE HAVE TO INTERPRET THIS NOW WITH
20 CAUTION, BECAUSE PEOPLE GET REINFECTED. SO WE ARE FINDING
21 PEOPLE, WHO WERE INFECTED WITH A DIFFERENT STRAIN OF
22 C.O.V.I.D. LAST YEAR, NOW GETTING C.O.V.I.D. IT AGAIN. AND IT
23 IS NOT THE SAME INFECTION JUST REARING ITS HEAD; IT IS A
24 COMPLETELY DIFFERENT, NEW INFECTION. SO YOU GOT A BUNCH OF
25 PEOPLE WHO ARE ALSO GETTING INFECTED MORE THAN ONCE. AND SO I

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1 THINK WE'RE VERY COMFORTABLE ACKNOWLEDGING THAT THE NUMBER WE
2 HAVE, WHICH FALLS MORE LIKE 10 PERCENT, IS DEFINITELY NOT THE
3 RIGHT NUMBER, BUT I THINK IT IS HARD TO KNOW. YOU KNOW, IS IT
4 SOMEWHERE-- YOU KNOW, WHERE IS IT BETWEEN 20 AND 40 PERCENT?
5 IT PROBABLY IS SOMEWHERE IN THERE, OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN
6 INFECTED.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY, BECAUSE, I MEAN, WHEN I LISTEN TO YOUR
9 SOBERING STATISTICS, AS IT RELATES TO THOSE VACCINATED VERSUS
10 UNVACCINATED, I MEAN, IF THAT'S NOT COMPELLING ENOUGH FOR
11 PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY THOSE WITH PREEXISTING MEDICAL CONDITIONS,
12 TO GET VACCINATED, I DON'T KNOW WHAT WOULD. BUT WHEN I LOOK AT
13 THOSE THAT HAVE CONTRACTED THE VIRUS-- AND AGAIN, I AM NOT A
14 PUBLIC HEALTH EXPERT, BUT FROM WHAT I READ, THEY HAVE THE
15 BUILT-IN IMMUNITY SIMILAR TO THOSE THAT ARE GETTING
16 VACCINATED. AND THE PERIOD OF TIME, TO YOUR POINT, I DON'T
17 KNOW IF IT LASTS THREE MONTHS, EIGHT MONTHS. SIMILAR TO THE
18 VACCINATION, WE DON'T KNOW WHEN YOU MAY NEED A BOOSTER SHOT.
19 BUT I GUESS I AM TRYING TO FIGURE OUT, THEN, WHAT-- ARE WE
20 CLOSER TO HERD IMMUNITY IN L.A. COUNTY, WHICH, WHEN WE TALK
21 ABOUT THAT, L.A. COUNTY'S BORDERS ARE OPEN, SO IT REALLY ISN'T
22 RELEVANT JUST TO L.A. COUNTY. IT WOULD HAVE TO BE FOR THE
23 REGION, AND QUITE FRANKLY, FOR THE STATE. BUT I AM JUST TRYING
24 TO UNDERSTAND, BECAUSE I, TOO, HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT ROLLING OUT
25 THE MANDATED VACCINATION, AS DOCTOR-- DOCTOR HAHN; I JUST

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1 ELEVATED YOU-- AS SUPERVISOR HAHN MENTIONED, BECAUSE I AM
2 TRYING TO FIGURE OUT IF IT IS NECESSITATED, BASED ON THE
3 NUMBERS RIGHT NOW. BECAUSE, TO YOUR POINT, IN L.A. COUNTY,
4 WHEN WE ANNOUNCED WE WERE GOING TO DO IT, WE DID SEE AN
5 INCREASE IN VACCINATIONS AMONG OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES. AND SO I
6 HAVE TO WONDER IF, GIVEN THE FACT THAT OUR CASES HAVE BEGUN TO
7 DROP-- AND I HOPE THAT THAT CONTINUES, KNOWING THAT
8 CHAIRPERSON SOLIS TALKED ABOUT IT COULD GO BACK UP. BUT I
9 THINK THAT WE ARE SEEING THAT TREND GO DOWN, AND I HAVE TO
10 WONDER IF, BETWEEN THOSE THAT HAVE CONTRACTED THE VIRUS AND
11 THOSE THAT HAVE BEEN VACCINATED, THAT WE'RE GOING TO SEE A
12 POSSIBILITY OF FLATLINING, IF YOU WILL. AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT
13 YOUR THOUGHTS ARE ON THAT, AS IT RELATES TO OTHER
14 JURISDICTIONS IN THE COMING WEEKS AND THE CASES WHERE IT HAS
15 DROPPED, AND IF YOU HAVE ANY THOUGHTS ON THAT.

16
17 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** IT IS A GREAT POINT, SUPERVISOR. I MEAN,
18 ONE THING WE KNOW FOR SURE IS THAT ALL OF THE SCIENCE AT THIS
19 POINT INDICATES THAT IF YOU HAD C.O.V.I.D., PARTICULARLY IF
20 YOU HAD IT LAST YEAR, OR EVEN EARLIER THIS YEAR, IT DOESN'T
21 LOOK LIKE YOU ARE GETTING A LOT OF PROTECTION AGAINST THE
22 DELTA VARIANT. SO, AGAIN, THESE ARE HARD STUDIES FOR PEOPLE TO
23 DO, AND IT TAKES A WHILE, BUT OUR NUMBERS ACTUALLY KIND OF
24 PROVE THAT. I MEAN, WE JUST HAVE A LOT OF PEOPLE GETTING
25 INFECTED. AND IF WE HAD THIS SORT OF-- IF WE HAD 40% OF THE

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1 POPULATION ALREADY WHO HAD BEEN INFECTED, AND HAD SOME
2 PROTECTION, AND THEN WE GOT A WHOLE BUNCH MORE PEOPLE WHO ARE
3 FULLY VACCINATED, WE SHOULDN'T HAVE SEEN, SORT OF, THE KIND OF
4 SURGE WE SAW WITH DELTA. SO I WOULD SAY, NOTE OF CAUTION:
5 DELTA SEEMS TO BE HITTING US PARTICULARLY HARD, AND OTHER
6 PLACES AS WELL. SO, PROBABLY, IF YOU HAD C.O.V.I.D. BEFORE,
7 YOU NEED TO GO GET THAT VACCINE, STILL, BECAUSE THE VACCINE
8 DEFINITELY GIVES YOU THIS ADDITIONAL PROTECTION AGAINST DELTA.
9 EVEN THOUGH IT IS NOT PERFECT, IT IS GIVING YOU MORE
10 PROTECTION THAN IT LOOKS LIKE PEOPLE ARE GETTING, WHO WERE
11 PREVIOUSLY INFECTED MONTHS AGO. BUT YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT.
12 THE QUESTION IS, HOW LONG DOES ANY OF THIS PROTECTION LAST? I
13 MEAN, I WILL SAY, IN FAVOR OF VACCINES IS THE FACT THAT YOU
14 CAN GET A BOOSTER, RIGHT? SO, ONCE WE FIGURE OUT AT WHAT POINT
15 THE VACCINE EFFICACY IS WANING A LOT, WE GO AHEAD AND GIVE YOU
16 A BOOSTER. YOU DON'T WANT TO GO AND GET ANOTHER DOSE OF
17 C.O.V.I.D., RIGHT? YOU DON'T WANT TO GET SICK AGAIN. SO, YOU
18 WANT TO BE IN THE CYCLE WHERE IT IS THE VACCINATION THAT IS
19 PROTECTING YOU, AND WE KNOW FOR CERTAIN THAT NATURAL IMMUNITY
20 IS WANING, SO JUST LIKE VACCINE EFFICACY MAY BE WANING. SO
21 NONE OF THIS IS LASTING FOREVER, AND IT REALLY SPEAKS TO SORT
22 OF THE IMPORTANCE OF NOT SAYING, "I ALREADY GOT VACCINATED."
23 BECAUSE WE HEAR THIS A LOT: "I JUST AM GOING TO RELY ON MY
24 NATURAL IMMUNITY. I GOT SICK. I SURVIVED. I'LL GET SICK
25 AGAIN." I MEAN, THE PROBLEM WITH THAT IS THAT LOTS OF PEOPLE

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1 DO REALLY POORLY WITH C.O.V.I.D. LOTS OF PEOPLE WHO THINK THEY
2 DIDN'T GET REALLY A BAD ILLNESS IMMEDIATELY ARE LIVING WITH
3 LONG C.O.V.I.D. THOSE ESTIMATES ARE PRETTY HIGH RIGHT NOW--
4 20, 30 PERCENT. SO I DON'T THINK EXPOSING OURSELVES TO
5 C.O.V.I.D. IS A GOOD WAY FOR US TO GO, WHEN WE HAVE THESE VERY
6 EFFECTIVE VACCINES. I WOULD ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO GET IN THE
7 CYCLE OF GETTING VACCINATED, EVEN IF YOU ALREADY HAD
8 C.O.V.I.D.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER:** AND I APPRECIATE THAT. AND AGAIN, I THINK THE
11 STATISTICS YOU SHOW, AS IT RELATES TO THE VACCINATED VERSUS
12 UNVACCINATED, THOSE GETTING HOSPITALIZED, I AM PROUD OF THE
13 FACT THAT I GOT VACCINATED, AND I DON'T HIDE IT. WHEN PEOPLE
14 ASK, I WILL BE UP FRONT THAT I DID IT. THERE ARE THOSE THAT
15 DON'T WANT TO ADMIT THEY DID IT. THERE ARE THOSE THAT FEEL
16 IT'S A VIOLATION OF PRIVACY. BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY, I AM
17 NOT GOING TO DICTATE TO SOMEONE THAT THEY SHOULD, BUT I WILL
18 TELL YOU, BASED ON THE NUMBERS OF WHAT WE ARE SEEING, AND YOU
19 LOOK AT THE DEATHS, THERE IS NO QUESTION IN MY MIND THAT IT IS
20 THE RESPONSIBLE THING TO DO, IF NOT FOR YOURSELF, FOR YOUR
21 FAMILY; IF NOT FOR YOUR FAMILY, FOR THE COMMUNITY. AND I HOPE
22 THAT THOSE NUMBERS WILL LITERALLY SCARE PEOPLE INTO DOING THE
23 RIGHT THING. WHICH IS UNFORTUNATE, BUT I THINK THAT IS THE
24 REALITY. SO I APPRECIATE ALL THE EFFORTS YOU ARE MAKING, AND
25 AGAIN, THE AVAILABILITY. IT IS AS EASY TODAY TO GET VACCINATED

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1 AS IT IS TO GET TESTED, QUITE FRANKLY, AND THAT'S CHANGED
2 QUITE A BIT FROM JANUARY AND FEBRUARY, WHERE I KNOW ALL OF US
3 CAN RELATE, WITH THE PHONE CALLS WE WERE GETTING FROM PEOPLE,
4 ANGRY THAT THEY COULDN'T GET AN APPOINTMENT, AND THEY WANTED
5 TO GET IN, AND THEY WERE BEGGING AND SHOWING UP, HOPING THEY
6 WOULD GET SOME OF THE LEFTOVER. AND SO NOW, YOU DON'T HAVE TO
7 BEG. IT IS AVAILABLE, AND IT IS SOMETHING THAT IS FREE, AND WE
8 NEED TO REALLY PUSH THAT OUT. AND SO I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR
9 THAT. DR. GHALY, I HAVE A QUESTION. YOU TALKED ABOUT THE
10 COUNTY HOSPITALS. WHAT ARE WE SEEING, REGARDING THE PRIVATE
11 HOSPITALS? I KNOW I KIND OF KEEP A PULSE ON SOME OF THE
12 HOSPITALS IN MY DISTRICT, BUT WE HAVE SEEN VARYING LEVELS OF
13 IMPACT ON EACH OF OUR HOSPITALS. ARE THEY EXPERIENCING LEVELS
14 SIMILAR TO WHAT THE COUNTY IS RIGHT NOW, AS IT RELATES TO THE
15 IMPACT OF THOSE BEING HOSPITALIZED? AND I AM TALKING ABOUT
16 THOSE HOSPITALIZED THAT ARE C.O.V.I.D., NOT THOSE THAT WERE
17 COMING IN AND THEN TESTED POSITIVE FOR C.O.V.I.D., BUT THOSE
18 THAT IN FACT WERE BROUGHT IN AS A RESULT OF C.O.V.I.D.

19
20 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** YES, SUPERVISOR, THANKS FOR THE QUESTION.
21 AND YES, I THINK THE SITUATION IS SIMILAR IN THE PRIVATE
22 HOSPITALS, AS TO WHAT WE'VE SEEN IN THE D.H.S. PUBLIC
23 HOSPITALS, THAT THE HOSPITALIZATIONS HAVE CREPT SLOWLY UP OVER
24 THE PAST MONTH OR TWO. AND THANKFULLY, THAT SEEMS TO BE
25 SLIGHTLY SLOWING, BUT THERE'S ALWAYS SOME NOISE IN THE DATA,

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1 AND IT MOVES AROUND. BUT I THINK, REALLY, WHAT PRIVATE
2 HOSPITALS, JUST THE SAME AS D.H.S. FACILITIES ARE
3 EXPERIENCING, IS JUST CHALLENGES WITH THE OVERALL NUMBER OF
4 PATIENTS THAT ARE ARRIVING FOR CARE. A LOT OF INDIVIDUALS
5 DELAYED SURGERIES OR PROCEDURES EARLIER IN THE PANDEMIC,
6 EITHER BY CHOICE OR BECAUSE THEY WERE RESCHEDULED ACCORDING TO
7 MANDATORY ORDERS FROM THE STATE, AND THOSE PEOPLE NEED TO COME
8 BACK IN FOR CARE. SO THERE'S A LOT OF DEMAND FOR SERVICES
9 ACROSS THE COUNTY OVERALL, AND WE WANT AND NEED THOSE
10 INDIVIDUALS TO COME BACK IN FOR THE SERVICES THAT THEY NEED.
11 BUT THAT'S CREATING SOME STRESS ON THE HOSPITALS, AS THEY ARE
12 FACING HIGH VOLUMES IN THE SETTING, ALSO, OF THE MORE LIMITED
13 NURSE STAFFING THAT IS AVAILABLE. AND I HAVE CERTAINLY HEARD
14 FROM A NUMBER OF PRIVATE HOSPITALS THAT THEY'RE STRUGGLING
15 JUST AS MUCH WITH GETTING ADEQUATE NURSE STAFFING, JUST AS
16 MUCH AS THE D.H.S. HOSPITALS ARE. SO IT IS SOMETHING THAT WE
17 ARE KEEPING A CLOSE EYE ON. THE E.M.S. AGENCY IS WORKING
18 CLOSELY WITH HOSPITALS TO ASSIST WITH PATIENT OFFLOAD, AND
19 TRYING TO WORK WITH DIVERSION PROTOCOLS, AND WE WILL KEEP
20 MONITORING IT CLOSELY.

21
22 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY, THANK YOU, BECAUSE I WAS CURIOUS TO KNOW IF
23 WE ARE SEEING STAFF FROM OUR HOSPITALS EXPOSED, AND IN FACT
24 CONTRACTING C.O.V.I.D. AGAIN, AS A RESULT OF THIS SURGE. BUT
25 IT SOUNDS TO ME LIKE THAT'S UNDER CONTROL?

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1

2 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** YEAH, NO, WE DO NOT HAVE A LARGE-- THE
3 NUMBERS HAVE GONE UP SLIGHTLY WITH THE DELTA VARIANT, JUST IN
4 LINE WITH THAT OF THE GENERAL POPULATION. SO, HEALTHCARE
5 WORKERS, JUST THE SAME AS ANYBODY ELSE. THEY ARE OUT IN THE
6 COMMUNITY. THEY ARE OUT DOING THE SAME THINGS THAT NON-
7 HEALTHCARE WORKERS ARE DOING, AND WE ARE SEEING SOME SLIGHT
8 UPTICK IN THE NUMBER OF INFECTIONS AMONG HEALTHCARE WORKERS,
9 BUT IT'S NOT HIGHER THAN THE GENERAL POPULATION, AND IT IS NOT
10 A MAJOR FACTOR AT THIS TIME.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY, THANK YOU. AND AGAIN, THANK YOU, DR.
13 FERRER. THANK YOU, DR. GHALY. AND I THANK ALL OF OUR COUNTY
14 FAMILIES, ESPECIALLY THOSE ON THE FRONT LINES, THAT CONTINUE
15 TO FIGHT THIS VIRUS, AND WE APPRECIATE EVERYTHING YOU ARE
16 DOING. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU TO ALL MEMBERS. IF
19 THERE ARE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS, THANKS AGAIN TO BOTH OF YOU,
20 DR. FERRER AND DR. GHALY, FOR ALL THAT YOU DO, AND YOUR
21 STAFFS. LET'S CONTINUE TO FIGHT ON. AND AGAIN, MEMBERS, THIS
22 IS JUST A RECEIVE-AND-FILE, SO IF THERE IS NO OBJECTIONS THAT
23 WILL BE THE ORDER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT, MEMBERS, WE'RE
24 GOING TO TURN TO ITEM NO. 10, AND THAT'S RECOGNIZING CLEAN AIR
25 DAY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND THIS WAS THE MOTION BY

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1 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, BUT SUPERVISOR HAHN HAS HELD THE ITEM. SO
2 I WILL RECOGNIZE YOU FIRST, AND THEN I AM ASSUMING THAT WE
3 WILL HEAR FROM SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. HAHN:** WELL, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND I KNOW WE DON'T
6 USUALLY HOLD OTHER SUPERVISORS' ITEMS, BUT I REALLY WANTED TO
7 THANK YOU AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR RECOGNIZING A CLEAN AIR
8 DAY. AND USUALLY, WE JUST SORT OF-- THESE ARE RESOLUTIONS, AND
9 THEY JUST SORT OF ARE SOMETHING WE WANT TO OBSERVE, BUT I
10 REALLY WANTED TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO THANK BOTH OF YOU FOR
11 RECOGNIZING THIS, AND JUST TO SPEAK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT IT. IT
12 IS JUST SO IMPORTANT. IT'S BEEN SO IMPORTANT TO ME IN MY
13 ENTIRE POLITICAL CAREER, AND I THINK IT'S SO IMPORTANT FOR
14 L.A. COUNTY. WHEN YOU GOOGLE "BAD AIR POLLUTION," YOU SEE
15 PICTURES OF, AND YOU READ STORIES ABOUT, LOS ANGELES. OUR
16 REGION IS SYNONYMOUS WITH POOR AIR QUALITY, LEADING TO, AS YOU
17 ALL KNOW, HIGH RATES OF ASTHMA, CANCER, OTHER DISEASES, AND
18 MANY OF THESE DISEASES WHICH HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY POLLUTION HAD
19 AN IMPACT AS WE HAVE GONE THROUGH THIS PANDEMIC. AS WE KNOW,
20 IN THE BEGINNING, WE WERE REALLY PAYING ATTENTION TO PEOPLE
21 WHO HAD UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITIONS, AND HOW C.O.V.I.D.
22 IMPACTED THEM. WELL, UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITIONS, MANY TIMES,
23 HAS BEEN CAUSED BY AIR POLLUTION, AND MUCH OF THAT HAS BEEN
24 CAUSED BY CARGO-RELATED POLLUTION. AND I THINK WE ALWAYS NEED
25 TO RECOGNIZE THAT THE MOST SIGNIFICANT SOURCES OF AIR

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1 POLLUTION IS OUR PORTS, AND THE TRUCK TRAFFIC TO AND FROM OUR
2 PORTS. AND SO I JUST REALLY WANTED TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF BOTH
3 OF YOUR MOTION, AND JUST KNOW THAT, AGAIN, EVEN AT THE PORTS,
4 WE HAVE IMPLEMENTED MEASURES TO REQUIRE SHIPS TO PLUG IN WHEN
5 THEY ARE DOCKED. WE WERE TRANSITIONING TO ZERO-EMISSION YARD
6 EQUIPMENT IN THE PORTS. WE ARE MOVING OUR TRUCK FLEETS AWAY
7 FROM DIESEL TO NATURAL GAS, AND HOPEFULLY, EVENTUALLY, ZERO
8 EMISSION. AND IN MANY WAYS, THESE MEASURES HAVE REDUCED PORT
9 POLLUTION. BUT, YOU KNOW, THERE'S A LOT TO BE THANKFUL FOR,
10 BUT EVEN THE L.A. TIMES RECENTLY DID AN EDITORIAL, KIND OF
11 SCOLDING OUR PORTS FOR NOT IMPLEMENTING WHAT WAS A PRETTY
12 INSIGNIFICANT CONTAINER FEE THAT WOULD HAVE GENERATED ENORMOUS
13 MONEY THAT WOULD HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE GOAL OF ZERO
14 EMISSIONS BY 2035, AND IT WOULD HAVE HAD REAL AND TANGIBLE
15 EFFECTS FOR MANY OF THE CONSTITUENTS THAT WE REPRESENT ALONG
16 THOSE CORRIDORS-- THE 710, THE 110, THE 10. THOSE ARE THE
17 PEOPLE THAT ARE MOST IMPACTED BY GOODS MOVEMENT. SO THEY WERE
18 SUPPOSED TO HAVE IMPLEMENTED THIS. THEY DIDN'T. THEY HAVE SEEN
19 RECORD CARGO, BY THE WAY, RECENTLY. AND IF YOU COME DOWN TO
20 THE PORTS, YOU SEE THE SHIPS WAITING OUTSIDE THE BREAKWATER,
21 WAITING TO COME IN AND GET A FREE BERTH, SO THEY CAN BE
22 UNLOADED. SO CARGO IS GREAT. NOBODY IS DIVERTING CARGO.
23 SHIPPING COMPANIES AREN'T GOING ANYWHERE ELSE. AND I THINK IT
24 IS TIME THAT THEY REINSTATE THAT CARGO FEE, AND IT IS A VERY
25 SMALL AMOUNT FOR SHIPPING COMPANIES TO PAY, TO REALLY MAKE

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1 SURE THAT WE HAVE CLEAN AIR IN LOS ANGELES. NONE OF OUR
2 CONSTITUENTS SHOULD PAY THE ULTIMATE HEALTH PRICE OF PEOPLE
3 ACROSS THE COUNTRY, MAKING SURE THEY GET THEIR FLATSCREEN
4 T.V.S IN THEIR LOCAL WALMART. SO, I JUST WANTED TO KNOW IF YOU
5 WOULD ACCEPT A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT, BECAUSE I KNOW THAT YOU ARE
6 ENCOURAGING ALL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES TO TAKE ACTION
7 ON OCTOBER 6TH, TO RECOGNIZE CLEAN AIR DAY, TO DO SOMETHING
8 POSITIVE. AND I WANTED TO INCLUDE THE PORTS OF LOS ANGELES AND
9 LONG BEACH, THAT WE COULD ENCOURAGE TO TAKE ACTION AND REALLY
10 PUT THEIR MONEY WHERE THEIR MOUTH IS, WHEN IT COMES TO
11 REDUCING POLLUTION FOR OUR REGION. THANK YOU AGAIN TO
12 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR BRINGING THIS CLEAN
13 AIR DAY RECOGNITION FORWARD. THANK YOU.

14
15 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. OKAY. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, THE
16 AUTHOR OF THE MOTION.

17
18 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, FOR CO-
19 AUTHORIZING. I JUST ASK EVERYONE TO SUPPORT IT. I THINK
20 SUPERVISOR HAHN CLEARLY ARTICULATED WHY IT IS IMPORTANT TO US,
21 AS ANGELENOS. AS A THIRD-GENERATION NATIVE, I REMEMBER SMOG
22 DAY IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND ALL OF THE DAYS WHEN WE COULDN'T
23 GO OUTSIDE, AND TO RECOGNIZE I WAS VERY PROUD TO BE A MEMBER
24 OF THE LEGISLATURE TO PASS REALLY FAR-REACHING, PROGRESSIVE
25 LEGISLATION FOR OUR STATE, AND WITHIN ONE GENERATION, MY OWN

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1 LIFETIME, TO SEE THE DRASTIC IMPROVEMENTS WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO
2 MAKE IN THE QUALITY OF AIR FOR LOS ANGELES. AND SO IT IS MY
3 HONOR TO BRING THIS MOTION FORWARD, AND I ASK FOR YOUR
4 SUPPORT.

5

6 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR
7 MITCHELL, AND THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO ALSO CO-AUTHOR, AS
8 SOMEONE WHO HAS BEEN [INAUDIBLE] ON THE ENVIRONMENT FOR AS
9 LONG AS I CAN REMEMBER. THANK GOODNESS THAT WE ARE ALL IN
10 UNISON HERE, AND VERY HAPPY TO MOVE FORWARD ON CONTINUING TO
11 FIGHT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, AND END THE RACISM THAT
12 EXISTS, THAT GOES ALONG WITH THESE EGREGIOUS PROJECTS THAT ARE
13 PLACED IN OUR COMMUNITIES OF COLOR: BLACK, BROWN, AND
14 INDIFFERENT, IMMIGRANT, AND WHAT HAVE YOU. AND UNFORTUNATELY,
15 WE HAVE HAD A BAD HISTORY OF ZONING PRACTICES, AND WE STILL
16 HAVEN'T REACHED THAT AREA WHERE WE CAN MAKE SIGNIFICANT
17 CHANGES. BUT WE HAVE TO CONTINUE THE FIGHT, AND THIS IS A GOOD
18 WAY OF GOING ON RECORD. SO THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO BE A
19 PART OF IT. I WILL NOW RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR BARGER, WHO ALSO
20 WANTS TO MAKE A STATEMENT.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND ACTUALLY, I SMILE, SUPERVISOR
23 MITCHELL, WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT THE SMOG DAYS, BECAUSE I DIDN'T
24 KNOW I LIVED CLOSE TO THE FOOTHILLS, BECAUSE YOU COULDN'T SEE
25 THEM. AND THAT'S HOW BAD IT WAS. AND I DON'T WANT TO GO BACK

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1 TO THAT, BUT I WANT TO THANK YOU BOTH FOR THIS MOTION. I ALSO
2 WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE SOME OF MY CONSTITUENTS WHO HAVE WRITTEN
3 IN, IN SUPPORT OF THIS, BUT ALSO CHALLENGING US, AS IT RELATES
4 TO GAS-POWERED YARD TOOLS AND ELECTRIC AND HAND-POWERED TOOLS,
5 AND RENEWING THE COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO TRY TO MOVE AWAY FROM
6 GAS-POWERED GARDENING TOOLS. AND I KNOW THAT IN ALTADENA,
7 THEY'RE HAVING A CLEAN AIR DAY, WHERE THEY ARE GOING TO BE
8 DOING DEMONSTRATIONS AROUND GARDENING EQUIPMENT, AND DOING
9 THAT JOB WITHOUT USING GAS-POWERED EQUIPMENT. SO I HOPE THAT
10 AS WE MOVE FORWARD THAT WE ALSO, IN THE COUNTY, TAKE THAT
11 PLEDGE TO TALK IT, BUT ALSO WALK IT, AS IT RELATES TO THE
12 OPPORTUNITIES THAT WE HAVE TO SWITCH OUT GAS-POWERED AND USE
13 MORE ENVIRONMENTALLY APPROPRIATE TOOLS WHEN WE ARE DOING OUR
14 GARDENING IN OUR COUNTY PARKS. BUT I APPLAUD YOU BOTH ON THIS
15 MOTION. I THINK IT'S GOT TEETH BEHIND IT, AND I THINK IT IS
16 IMPORTANT THAT WE LEAD, SO I WANT TO THANK YOU.

17
18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, EVERYONE. SO, IF THERE
19 ARE NO OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS, THEN ITEM 10 IS BEFORE US,
20 AS AMENDED. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AND I WILL SECOND TO
21 APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
22 ROLL.

23
24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 10, AS AMENDED, IS BEFORE YOU.
25 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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1

2 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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6 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

9

10 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

11

12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

15

16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 4-
17 0.

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. OKAY, MEMBERS, NOW WE ARE MOVING ON
20 TO ITEM NUMBER 18, STRENGTHENING VICTIM SERVICES IN LOS
21 ANGELES COUNTY, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR BARGER.
22 SUPERVISOR BARGER, YOU ARE ON.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. I WILL MAKE THIS SHORT. WHEN D.A.
25 GASCON WAS FIRST SWORN IN, WE DID MEET, AND TALKED VIRTUAL

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1 THROUGH ZOOM ABOUT THE ISSUES THAT RELATE TO THE UNIT THAT HE
2 HAS, THAT HELPS WITH VICTIMS' RIGHTS. AND I JUST WANT TO BRING
3 THIS MOTION FORWARD TO HIGHLIGHT THE IMPORTANCE OF FORTIFYING
4 THE SERVICES WE PROVIDE AS A COUNTY, RECOGNIZING THE NEED TO
5 HEAL MORE THAN JUST THE PHYSICAL PAIN. THERE ARE THOSE THAT
6 HAVE BEEN VICTIMS OF RAPE, THAT DON'T REALIZE THAT THEY, IN
7 FACT, HAVE THE ABILITY TO GET NOT ONLY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE,
8 BUT ALSO SUPPORTIVE SERVICES, AS IT RELATES TO THE IMPACT THAT
9 IT'S HAD ON THEIR LIVES AND THEIR ABILITY TO HEAL FROM THIS
10 CRIME. SO MY GOAL IS TO BRING FORTH SOMETHING THAT'S GOING TO
11 ACTUALLY NOT ONLY STRENGTHEN THAT UNIT, BUT ALSO HIGHLIGHT TO
12 PEOPLE THAT DON'T KNOW THE SERVICES THAT ARE AVAILABLE FREE OF
13 CHARGE TO THEM, THAT SHOULD BE USED TO HELP WITH THE NEED TO
14 STRENGTHEN AND HAVE RESILIENCY, AS IT RELATES TO THE CRIMES
15 THAT HAVE BEEN COMMITTED. SO THAT WAS THE PURPOSE OF THIS
16 MOTION, AND I AM HOPING THAT I CAN GET A YES VOTE IN FAVOR OF
17 THIS MOTION. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

18
19 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
20 BARGER, FOR ALLOWING ME TO SERVE AS YOUR CO-AUTHOR ON THIS. IT
21 IS AN INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT MOTION FOR US THAT YOU PUT FORWARD,
22 AND IT REALLY IS ABOUT HELPING TO PROVIDE OUR INDIVIDUALS THAT
23 HAVE BEEN HARMED, THAT ARE SURVIVORS IN MANY WAYS. AND IT IS
24 REALLY GOING TO HELP US, I THINK, MOVE FORWARD WORKING WITH
25 THE D.A., AND SEEKING JUSTICE AND HEALING FOR ALL THOSE. AND I

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1 AM REALLY GRATEFUL TO THE D.A., GASCON, AND HIS TEAM AT THE
2 BUREAU OF VICTIM SERVICES, FOR THEIR DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT
3 TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO ALL SURVIVORS OF HARM, AND ENSURING THAT
4 THE D.A.'S TEAM IS PROPERLY EQUIPPED IS ONE WAY OF DOING IT,
5 AND ADEQUATELY STAFFING IT MEANS THAT WE ARE GOING TO BE IN A
6 BETTER POSITION TO SUPPORT SURVIVORS AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS.
7 BUT I ALSO THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO ALSO LOOK AT THE IMPACTED
8 VOICES THAT WE HAVE HEARD, TIME AND TIME AGAIN, TO SHARE THEIR
9 STRATEGIES, ALSO, AND SUPPORT THE RESUMPTION OF THE COUNTY IN
10 OUR COMMUNITY MEETINGS, AND HIGHLIGHT DIRECTIVES THAT WE TAKE
11 ON, THAT REALLY PURSUE A CARE FIRST HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, AND
12 PROVIDES FACES, AND UPLIFT THE NEEDS OF SURVIVORS, WHICH IS SO
13 IMPORTANT. AND WE HAVE HEARD FROM MANY OF THEM. SOME OF THEM
14 HAVE BEEN VICTIMS OF OUR OWN PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES, AND WE
15 NEED TO COME TOGETHER ON ALL OF THIS, AND REALLY SPEAK LOUDLY
16 AND CLEARLY ABOUT ALL VICTIMS. SURVIVORS AND OUR COMMUNITIES
17 HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT MISCONDUCT WHEN IT'S
18 HAPPENED, INCLUDING EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE. BUT THAT ISN'T THE
19 ONLY THING. WE'VE GOT TO HELP VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE,
20 AND PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN TRAFFICKED, YOUNGSTERS, AND A WHOLE
21 SLEW OF THINGS THAT GO ON. SO I KNOW THIS IS A MOVE IN THE
22 RIGHT DIRECTION, AND I AM VERY HAPPY TO JOIN YOU AS YOUR CO-
23 AUTHOR. THANK YOU, AND ALSO ASK FOR UNANIMOUS SUPPORT ON THIS.
24 ANY OTHER MEMBERS WISHING TO BE RECOGNIZED? SUPERVISOR HAHN,
25 AND THEN SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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1

2 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH, THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER,
3 FOR THIS MOTION. AND I THINK IT IS REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE
4 REALLY SHOW OUR SUPPORT TO VICTIMS OF CRIME IN THIS COUNTY,
5 AND ONE WAY WE CAN DO IT IS THROUGH THIS MOTION, WHICH TALKS
6 ABOUT MAKING SURE THAT THE VICTIM SERVICES ARE OPERATING AT
7 THEIR FULL POTENTIAL. SOME PEOPLE-- I'M NOT GOING TO MENTION
8 WHO-- HAVE ACCUSED THIS BOARD OF NOT CARING ABOUT VICTIMS OF
9 CRIME. AND YET, NOTHING COULD BE FURTHER FROM THE TRUTH, FOR
10 ALL OF US, AND I THINK THIS MOTION SHOWS THAT THE FIRST STEP
11 WE CAN TAKE IS MAKE SURE THAT THESE SERVICES ARE FULLY FUNDED,
12 AND TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR VICTIMS OF CRIME KNOW WHAT SERVICES
13 ARE AVAILABLE. I KNOW SOMETIMES MY OFFICE GETS CALLED BY
14 VICTIMS WHO DON'T REALLY KNOW WHAT IS OFFERED THEM. THEY DON'T
15 KNOW THE RESOURCES THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO THEM. AND I THINK
16 PART OF FULLY STAFFING THIS IS MORE OF AN OUTREACH PROGRAM,
17 AND LETTING PEOPLE KNOW. AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE DISTRICT
18 ATTORNEY'S OFFICE BE MORE PROACTIVE IN THEIR OUTREACH, TO MAKE
19 SURE THAT ALL VICTIMS OF CRIME UNDERSTAND WHAT THEIR RESOURCES
20 ARE, AND HOW TO ACCESS THEM. SO THANK YOU FOR THIS, SUPERVISOR
21 BARGER, AND I THINK THIS MOTION IS ONE OF MANY THAT THIS BOARD
22 HAS DONE IN THE PAST, TO PROVE THAT WE, OF COURSE, ARE WILLING
23 TO SUPPORT, IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE, ALL VICTIMS OF CRIME IN LOS
24 ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU.

25

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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3 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANKS, MADAM CHAIR, AND I WILL BE LENDING MY
4 SUPPORT TO TODAY'S MOTION. AGAIN, APPRECIATE THE ORIGINAL
5 REPORT-BACK THAT LED TO THE REPORT ISSUED BY THE C.E.O.'S
6 OFFICE, ENTITLED "PROTECTING VICTIMS' RIGHTS, AND
7 STRENGTHENING VICTIM SERVICES." THAT'S, I THINK, KEY. I AM
8 SURE, LIKE MANY OF YOU, WE GET CALLS ALL THE TIME FROM VICTIMS
9 OF CRIME; VICTIMS OF CRIMES TO BEAR BY LAW ENFORCEMENT, QUITE
10 FRANKLY. AND REALLY, WHAT I AM INTERESTED IN, IN ADDITION TO
11 THE DETAILS OF THIS MOTION, BUT AS WE CONTINUE TO STRENGTHEN
12 SERVICES FOR VICTIMS, TO REALLY UNTIE OUR HANDS, IN TERMS OF
13 WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR MANY OF THESE SERVICES. I THINK IT IS
14 REALLY IMPORTANT, AND HOPE THAT THE FAMILY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
15 THAT STILL NEEDS A STABLE FUNDING SOURCE, THAT WE CONTINUE TO
16 SUPPORT THAT. BUT AS A MATTER OF EQUITY, I REMAIN CONCERNED
17 ABOUT THE STATE'S RESTRICTIONS THAT DON'T ALLOW VICTIMS WHO
18 ARE ON PAROLE OR PROBATION TO RECEIVE NECESSARY SERVICES
19 FUNDED BY THE CALIFORNIA VICTIMS' COMPENSATION BOARD. SO I
20 THINK THERE'S LOTS OF WORK TO BE DONE AT THE STATE LEVEL, AND
21 IN EXPANDING AND STRENGTHENING OUR LOCAL VICTIMS' COMPENSATION
22 BOARD, AND SO I WILL BE ALL ABOUT THAT CONVERSATION. I AM
23 HAPPY TO SUPPORT TODAY'S MOTION. I REALLY DIDN'T WANT TO MISS
24 THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE SURE THAT WE UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE
25 VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIMES WHO, BASED ON STATUTE AND POLICY,

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1 AREN'T EVEN ELIGIBLE FOR THESE SERVICES. SO, FOR US TO MAKE
2 SURE WE STAFF UP, FULLY FUND THESE PROGRAMS, AND BROADEN THE
3 DEFINITION, ACKNOWLEDGING THAT THERE ARE GROUPS OF VICTIMS WHO
4 HAVE BEEN SYSTEMICALLY LEFT OUT OF THESE CRITICALLY IMPORTANT
5 SUPPORT SERVICES. SO I AM HAPPY TO SUPPORT TODAY'S MOTION.

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. WONDERFUL. WITH THAT, IF THERE ARE
8 NO OTHER SPEAKERS, AND HEARING NO OTHER COMMENTS, ITEM 18 IS
9 BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER. I WILL SECOND TO
10 APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
11 ROLL.

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 18 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR
14 MITCHELL?

15

16 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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

19

20 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

23

24 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

25

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

2

3 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 4-
6 0.

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MEMBERS. NEXT UP,
9 MOVING ON TO ITEM NUMBER 19, ASSISTANCE TO RETURNING AMERICAN
10 PERSONNEL AND NEW ARRIVALS FROM AFGHANISTAN, WHICH I HELD. I
11 WOULD LIKE TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT: FIRST OF ALL, I'D
12 LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR JOINING ME AS CO-AUTHOR ON
13 THIS TIMELY MOTION, WHICH IS, I BELIEVE, SENDING A MESSAGE
14 THAT OUR COUNTY WELCOMES REFUGEES, AND WE STAND READY TO
15 PROVIDE RESOURCES TO OUR RETURNING AMERICAN PERSONNEL FROM
16 AFGHANISTAN. AND I WANT TO COMMEND PRESIDENT BIDEN'S DECISION
17 TO FINALLY END THE UNITED STATES' INVOLVEMENT IN THIS
18 DECADES'-LONG WAR, WHICH HAS PRODUCED SO MUCH PAIN AND
19 SUFFERING FOR SO MANY OF OUR RESIDENTS. WE HAVE LOST TOO MANY
20 SERVICE MEMBERS FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AS WE ALL KNOW, AND
21 THEIR LOVED ONES ARE CONTINUING TO FACE GRIEF, AND ALSO
22 CONTINUE TO BE TRAUMATIZED BY THE HORRIFIC IMAGES THAT THEY
23 JUST SAW DISPLAYED OVER THE PAST WEEK. I, ALONG WITH MILLIONS
24 AROUND THE COUNTRY, AM IN AWE OF THE BRAVERY OF OUR TROOPS,
25 DEMONSTRATED BY STAYING THE COURSE TO EVACUATE AS MANY

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1 AMERICANS AND ALLIES OUT OF AFGHANISTAN AS POSSIBLE. AS YOU
2 KNOW, WELL OVER 100,000 INDIVIDUALS, IN A MATTER OF ONE WEEK,
3 WERE TAKEN OUT OF HARM'S WAY. AND DESPITE THE BOMBING ATTACK
4 AND THE THREATS THAT HAPPENED, WE WERE ABLE TO RESCUE AND SAVE
5 SO MANY MORE LIVES. BUT WE HAVE TO BE READY TO PROVIDE
6 ASSISTANCE, THAT THESE, ALSO, SERVICE MEMBERS MIGHT NEED WHEN
7 THEY DO RETURN HOME FROM SERVICE. AND I CAN TELL YOU FROM MY
8 OWN PERSPECTIVE, WE HAVE A YOUNG MAN ON MY STAFF THAT WAS
9 CURRENTLY THERE IN AFGHANISTAN, FOR THIS PARTICULAR PURPOSE.
10 SO WE ARE PRAYING FOR HIM TO COME HOME TO HIS FAMILY, AS WELL,
11 BUT WE KNOW OF MANY FAMILIES HERE IN L.A. COUNTY THAT HAVE
12 DONE THE SAME THING. AND WITH THAT, THE MOTION CALLS FOR THE
13 FOLLOWING: THAT WE ALSO REAFFIRM THAT L.A. COUNTY WILL ALWAYS
14 STRIVE TO BE AN INCLUSIVE PLACE WHERE PEOPLE FROM ALL WALKS OF
15 LIFE COME TO, AND WE ARE A COUNTY, AS YOU KNOW, MADE UP OF
16 IMMIGRANTS AND PEOPLE SEEKING REFUGE. TO DATE, MORE THAN
17 120,000 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN EVACUATED OUT OF AFGHANISTAN, AND
18 MANY ARE THE VERY ALLIES WHO HELPED OUR MILITARY MEN AND WOMEN
19 FOR YEARS, AND WHO ARE NOW AT RISK UNDER THIS TALIBAN RULE.
20 ADDITIONALLY, THERE ARE MANY VULNERABLE PEOPLE, AS YOU KNOW,
21 SUCH AS WOMEN AND GIRLS, IN PARTICULAR; THE L.G.B.T.Q.
22 COMMUNITY, JOURNALISTS AND HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVISTS, AND
23 N.G.O.S, WHO ARE ALSO AT RISK. BECAUSE THEY HAVE FAMILY AND
24 FRIENDS HERE, SOME WILL EVENTUALLY RESETTLE, AS YOU KNOW, IN
25 L.A. COUNTY, AND WE STAND READY TO ASSIST THEM, AND TO ENSURE

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1 THAT THEY HAVE WHAT THEY NEED, IN ORDER TO SURVIVE AND TO
2 THRIVE. SO THE TASK FORCE THAT THIS MOTION WILL CREATE IS
3 GOING TO COORDINATE A VARIETY OF SERVICES THAT THE COUNTY CAN
4 SUPPLEMENT, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND
5 OTHER LOCAL RESETTLEMENT AGENCIES. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT
6 ISN'T NEW TO US. WE HAVE DONE THIS BEFORE, TIME AND TIME
7 AGAIN. WE KNOW THAT IN ADDITION TO HOUSING, WHICH N.G.O.S AND
8 PHILANTHROPY, ALONG WITH THE FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION, ARE
9 PROVIDING, MANY REFUGEE FAMILIES WILL STILL NEED ASSISTANCE IN
10 TERMS OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, IMMIGRATION, LEGAL SERVICES,
11 AND MUCH, MUCH MORE, INCLUDING THEIR CHILDREN. WE MUST PREPARE
12 OURSELVES, IN MY OPINION, FOR THE UNDERTAKING, AND ENSURE THAT
13 WE WRAP SERVICES AROUND THESE FAMILIES, WHO HAVE DONE SO MUCH
14 TO FIGHT ALONGSIDE OUR VERY OWN SERVICE MEMBERS, AND WHO IN SO
15 MANY CASES HAVE SAVED THEIR LIVES, AS WELL. I KNOW OUR VETERAN
16 COMMUNITY WANTS TO SEE THIS HAPPEN, BECAUSE I HAVE HEARD FROM
17 THEM, AS WELL. AND FINALLY, I WANT TO THANK THE MORE THAN
18 800,000 SERVICE MEMBERS WHO SERVED IN AFGHANISTAN SINCE THE
19 WAR STARTED, BACK IN 2001, FOR THEIR COURAGE AND SACRIFICE,
20 AND TO THEIR MANY, MANY FAMILIES, AND I AM GLAD THAT THEY ARE
21 ALL COMING HOME NOW. I WANT TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES, AND I ALSO
22 WANT TO URGE YOUR AYE VOTE. AND NOW, WITH THAT, I WOULD LIKE
23 TO RECOGNIZE MY CO-AUTHOR, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

24

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1 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU FOR LETTING
2 ME JOIN YOU IN CO-AUTHORING, AND I ADDED A LITTLE SOMETHING TO
3 THIS MOTION, AS WELL. YEAH, THIS IS QUITE A MOMENT IN HISTORY,
4 FOR ALL OF US TO WATCH THE LAST C-13 PLANE TAKE OFF FROM THE
5 KABUL AIRPORT, AND THAT LAST MILITARY SOLDIER LEAVING ARE
6 IMAGES THAT I THINK WE WILL NEVER FORGET. THIS WAS AMERICA'S
7 LONGEST WAR, AND THE CASUALTIES HAVE BEEN, ON BOTH SIDES, HAVE
8 BEEN DEVASTATING. I KNOW, EVEN IN MY OFFICE, MY ADMINISTRATIVE
9 ASSISTANT, TINA QUEBEC, HER SON, BEN, LOST A LEG IN
10 AFGHANISTAN; AND ALTHOUGH WENT ON TO WIN A GOLD MEDAL IN THE
11 PARALYMPICS-- THE LAST ONE, NOT THIS ONE. BUT STILL, HIS LIFE
12 HAS BEEN FOREVER CHANGED, AND SO HAS HERS. AND WE KNOW THERE
13 ARE STORIES LIKE THAT. I KNOW, WHEN I WENT TO CONGRESS, MADAM
14 CHAIR, IN 2011, I THINK THAT WAS ONE OF THE THINGS I
15 CAMPAIGNED ON, WAS ENDING THE WAR IN AFGHANISTAN, WHICH THAT
16 WAS TEN YEARS AGO. SO THIS HAS BEEN A DEVASTATING WAR.
17 CASUALTIES HAVE BEEN HORRIFIC. AND THANK YOU FOR HAVING THE
18 MOMENT OF SILENCE, AS WE REMEMBER THOSE 13 SERVICE MEMBERS WHO
19 WERE KILLED AT THE AIRPORT, TRYING TO ALLOW THESE DESPERATE
20 AFGHANS TO FLEE THE COUNTRY. AND BECAUSE OF THEIR BRAVERY AND
21 SACRIFICE, 117,000 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO REACH SAFETY. AND
22 THIS MOTION CALLS FOR OUR DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS
23 AFFAIRS TO COORDINATE WITH OUR DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH,
24 WHICH I THINK IS SO KEY, AND OUR STATE AND FEDERAL PARTNERS,
25 ON IDENTIFYING ALL AVAILABLE RESOURCES FOR THOSE RETURNING,

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1 AND THE FAMILIES OF FALLEN SERVICE MEMBERS, WHO HAVE BEEN
2 IMPACTED BY THESE CURRENT EVENTS. THOUSANDS OF AFGHAN
3 NATIONALS ARE FLEEING THEIR NATION IN FEAR OF PERSECUTION
4 BECAUSE OF THEIR SUPPORT FOR US, OR BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT
5 THEY FOUGHT ALONGSIDE OF US, AND BECAUSE THEY WERE OUR
6 PARTNERS. OR MANY ARE FLEEING JUST BECAUSE THEY ARE WOMEN, AND
7 ARE VERY AFRAID OF THE TALIBAN REINSTITUTING OPPRESSIVE
8 MEASURES AGAINST WOMEN. AND I DO HOPE THAT WE HAVE SOME THAT
9 WILL COME HERE AND WANT TO SETTLE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND
10 WE WANT TO BE WELCOMING, AND SYMPATHETIC, AND UNDERSTANDING
11 FOR THOSE WHO COME HERE. AND THAT'S WHY I WANTED TO MAKE SURE
12 OUR OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS WAS KEY TO THIS TASK FORCE, TO
13 COORDINATE WITH OUR GOVERNMENT AND OUR NONGOVERNMENT AGENCIES,
14 TO BRING WHATEVER HUMANITARIAN AID OR COUNTY RESOURCE IS
15 NEEDED TO SUPPORT THEIR RESETTLEMENT. WE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN
16 KNOWN IN L.A. COUNTY AS A PLACE FOR IMMIGRANTS OF ALL NATIONS
17 TO SET UP A NEW LIFE. AND WE SAY TO ALL YOU AFGHAN NATIONALS
18 COMING HERE, YOU ARE WELCOME HERE, YOU WILL BE SAFE HERE, AND
19 WE WILL ALL WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE SURE THAT YOUR SETTLEMENT IS
20 SOMETHING THAT WE CAN ALL BE PROUD OF. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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22 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR
23 BARGER?

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1 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, AND I WANT TO THANK YOU AND SUPERVISOR
2 HAHN FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT
3 HAS HIT NEAR AND DEAR. I MEAN, I THINK WE ALL KNOW THIS HAS
4 BEEN THE LONGEST CONFLICT IN HISTORY RIGHT NOW, AND YOU HAVE
5 SEEN YOUNG PEOPLE SACRIFICE THEIR LIVES. AND IT REALLY WAS FOR
6 THE AFGHANI PEOPLE. THEY FOUGHT LONG AND HARD TO PROTECT NOT
7 ONLY WOMEN AND CHILDREN, BUT ALL THE PEOPLE OF AFGHANISTAN.
8 AND NOW YOU SEE THAT VERY SAME MILITARY EFFORT BEING DONE TO
9 HELP LOCATE FAMILIES HERE IN THE UNITED STATES. YOU'VE GOT
10 PEOPLE IN THE MILITARY RECOGNIZING THE COMMITMENT OF THOSE
11 THAT WERE INTERPRETERS; THOSE, TO YOUR POINT, SUPERVISOR HAHN,
12 THAT FOUGHT ALONGSIDE US, WANTING TO MAKE SURE THAT WE PROVIDE
13 THEM WITH A SAFE PLACE TO COME, AND WITH OPPORTUNITIES THAT,
14 QUITE FRANKLY, ONLY A COUNTRY AND A NATION LIKE OURS CAN
15 OFFER. AND THAT IS NOT ONLY WITH RELOCATION, BUT WITH JOB
16 TRAINING. AND QUITE FRANKLY, FOR THOSE THAT HAVE DEGREES,
17 WHETHER IT BE IN MEDICINE OR ENGINEERING, THE OPPORTUNITIES
18 HERE ARE ENDLESS, IN TERMS OF WHAT WE CAN PROVIDE TO THEM, IF
19 WE GIVE THEM THE OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE WHAT IS OFFERED. I KNOW
20 IT'S GOING TO BE NOT ONLY THE COUNTY, THE STATE, AND THE
21 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, BUT I COMMEND AIRBNB. AIRBNB IS LAUNCHING
22 SOMETHING FREE OF CHARGE TO FAMILIES THAT ARE RELOCATING, AND
23 ASKING ALL AIRBNB PROVIDERS TO OPEN UP THEIR HOMES, AND TO
24 ALLOW THESE INDIVIDUALS TO HAVE A BRIDGE, IF YOU WILL, PENDING
25 PERMANENT PLACEMENT. AND THAT IS WHAT I LOVE ABOUT THIS

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1 COUNTRY. THAT IS WHAT I LOVE ABOUT THIS WORLD, BECAUSE IT IS
2 NOT JUST IN THE UNITED STATES. IT IS HAPPENING ALL OVER THE
3 WORLD, AS IT RELATES TO AIRBNB. BUT I THINK THAT'S WHAT MAKES
4 THIS COUNTRY AMAZING, AND WHAT THIS COUNTY IS DOING WITH THIS
5 TASK FORCE, IT MAKES ME PROUD TO BE REPRESENTING L.A. COUNTY,
6 BUT IT ALSO MAKES ME PROUD TO BE A RESIDENT OF L.A. COUNTY.
7 BECAUSE THESE INDIVIDUALS WANT TO GIVE BACK, AND WE HAVE A LOT
8 TO GIVE BACK TO THEM. SO I WILL SUPPORT THIS MOTION. I ALSO
9 WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE FACT THAT, WHILE WE ARE CELEBRATING THE
10 LAST PLANE LEAVING, RECOGNIZE THAT THOSE SERVICE MEMBERS THAT
11 SACRIFICED SO MUCH ARE ALSO HAVING A TOUGH TIME, AS IT RELATES
12 TO THE CLOSURE. AND WE NEED TO BE COGNIZANT OF THE FACT THAT
13 WE NEED TO SUPPORT OUR MILITARY VETERANS, AND THOSE THAT ARE
14 EVEN ACTIVE DUTY, MOVING FORWARD. BECAUSE WHILE WE ARE CLOSING
15 A CHAPTER, FOR SOME IT IS STILL VERY MUCH WIDE OPEN, AND WE
16 NEED TO PROVIDE THEM WITH A HEALING PROCESS, MOVING FORWARD.
17 AND FOR SOME OF THEM, IT IS HELPING-- PLACEMENT OF AFGHANI
18 FAMILIES AND AFGHANI INDIVIDUALS IN THE COMMUNITY-- TO HELP
19 THEM HEAL. AND SO I MAKE THIS COMMITMENT, NOT ONLY AS A
20 SUPERVISOR, BUT AS A CONSTITUENT OF L.A. COUNTY. I MAKE THE
21 PLEDGE TO HELP EVERY WAY I CAN TO PROVIDE SAFE AND WELCOMING
22 PLACEMENT TO ALL, AND HOMES FOR THOSE, AND JOBS FOR THOSE,
23 THAT ARE COMING INTO L.A. COUNTY. SO, AGAIN, I THANK YOU FOR
24 THIS MOTION. I THINK IT IS VITALLY IMPORTANT. WE DO A LOT OF
25 IMPORTANT THINGS EACH TUESDAY, BUT I WOULD ARGUE THAT, AS IT

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1 RELATES TO WHAT IS GOING ON IN THIS WORLD, THIS IS SOMETHING
2 THAT RANKS UP THERE VERY HIGH FOR ME. SO THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ANY OTHER MEMBERS WANT
5 TO MAKE A COMMENT? SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU'RE GOOD? OKAY,
6 THANK YOU. JUST VOTE AYE. RIGHT? OKAY, MEMBERS. HEARING NO
7 OTHER COMMENTS, ITEM 19 IS BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE, SECONDED BY
8 SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
9 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 19 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR
12 MITCHELL?

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14 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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18 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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22 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

25

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES.

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3 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 4-
4 0.

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6 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU, MEMBERS.

7 NEXT, WE WILL MOVE ON NOW TO, I BELIEVE, ONE OF OUR LAST

8 ITEMS, AND THAT'S ITEM 45-A, EXTENDING THE RECREATION SUMMER

9 SWIM PROGRAM AT L.A. COUNTY POOLS, WHICH WAS HELD BY

10 SUPERVISOR HAHN. SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU ARE ON.

11

12 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. OUR COUNTY SWIMMING POOLS

13 PROVIDE SO MUCH VALUE TO OUR COMMUNITIES THAT WE SERVE, AND TO

14 ME, IT JUST SEEMS TO MAKE SENSE THAT WE MAKE THEM MORE

15 ACCESSIBLE AND POSSIBLE FOR EVERYONE TO USE, AND I THINK THAT

16 MEANS EXTENDING THE TIME THEY ARE OPEN EACH YEAR. THE VAST

17 MAJORITY OF OUR COUNTY POOLS ARE ONLY OPEN FOR THE SUMMER

18 SEASON, WHICH IS ONLY TEN WEEKS A YEAR, AND AS WE ALL KNOW,

19 THE SUMMER SEASON IS NOT WHAT IT USED TO BE. SUMMER SEASON

20 USED TO BE JUNE, JULY, AND AUGUST. AND NOW, I THINK WE KNOW

21 THAT OUR SUMMERS ARE LONGER THAN THAT, AND USUALLY THEY ARE

22 KIND OF COLD IN JUNE, AND THEN IT REALLY HEATS UP IN SEPTEMBER

23 AND OCTOBER. AND I WAS AT AN EVENT RECENTLY, IN CERRITOS,

24 WHERE WE HAVE A COMMUNITY POOL, AND THIS PERSON CAME UP TO ME

25 AND MADE THAT SUGGESTION: WHY CAN'T OUR COUNTY POOLS BE OPEN A

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1 LITTLE BIT LONGER, PARTICULARLY IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, WHEN
2 IT IS REALLY HOT? AND THEY EVEN MENTIONED THAT, WITH THE
3 HEALTH ORDERS THAT WE'RE UNDERGOING, WE TRY TO ENCOURAGE
4 PEOPLE TO GET OUTDOORS MORE, TO EXERCISE OUTDOORS IN SAFE
5 ACTIVITIES, AND I THINK OUR COUNTY POOLS KIND OF CHECK THAT
6 LIST. AND I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANY REASON THAT OUR COUNTY
7 POOLS SHOULD BE CLOSED WHEN THE WEATHER IS WARM ENOUGH TO
8 SWIM. AND THAT'S WHY SUPERVISOR BARGER AND I ARE PUTTING FORTH
9 THIS MOTION TO LOOK AT THE POSSIBILITY OF EXTENDING THE COUNTY
10 POOLS' OPENING THROUGH THE END OF OCTOBER THIS YEAR. AND THEN
11 I HAVE A FEELING I KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT. WE ARE GOING TO
12 HAVE NORMA GARCIA, OUR DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION TALK
13 TO US, BUT I AM PRETTY SURE WE DIDN'T THINK ABOUT THIS EARLY
14 ENOUGH, WE SO PROBABLY DON'T HAVE THE BUDGET FOR IT, BUT AT
15 LEAST THAT WE GET OUR C.E.O. TO LOOK AT THE POSSIBILITY OF
16 NEXT YEAR, FUNDING POOLS BEING OPEN FROM MAY 1ST TO OCTOBER
17 30TH, EVERY YEAR GOING FORWARD. AND I THINK PART OF THE
18 PROBLEM WE'RE GOING TO HEAR FROM NORMA GARCIA IS THAT IT IS A
19 SHORTAGE OF LIFEGUARDS, AND THAT WE REALLY NEED TO RAMP THAT
20 UP. BUT AGAIN, THOSE USED TO BE GOOD SUMMER JOBS, SO THERE'S
21 NO REASON THAT THOSE JOBS CAN'T LAST A LITTLE BIT LONGER. AND
22 I THINK THAT IS A GOOD USE OF OUR RESOURCES TO BEGIN MORE
23 OUTREACH, IN TERMS OF PEOPLE WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE SWIMMING
24 POOL LIFEGUARDS. THANKFULLY, OUR PARKS ALREADY HAS DEVELOPED A
25 TRAINING CAMP TO HIRE MORE LIFEGUARDS, ESPECIALLY IN SOME OF

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1 OUR COMMUNITIES THAT NEED THEM THE MOST. I THINK THESE
2 EXTENDED SUMMERS ARE GOING TO BE OUR NEW NORMAL, AND I THINK
3 IT IS SOMETHING WE OUGHT TO LOOK TO, MAKING SURE OUR COUNTY
4 RESIDENTS CAN HAVE AN ACTIVITY THAT IS SAFE, IS CLEAN, AND IS
5 ENJOYABLE, AND IT IS SOMETHING THE FAMILIES CAN DO TOGETHER.
6 SO I KNOW, SUPERVISOR BARGER, YOU WANT TO SAY A FEW WORDS, AND
7 I ALSO WANT TO BRING UP NORMA AFTER YOU SPEAK, AND WE CAN HAVE
8 A FEW QUESTIONS. AND I REALLY WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT I SPEAK
9 TO THE SECOND DISTRICT, THE GREATEST DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY,
10 WHERE I GREW UP. AND I THINK YOU HAVE MORE COUNTY POOLS THAN
11 ANY OTHER OF OUR DISTRICTS, AND I THINK THAT HAS A LOT TO DO
12 WITH MY FATHER, WHO REALLY BELIEVED THAT THAT COMMUNITY WAS
13 UNDERSERVED, WHEN IT CAME TO PARKS. SO THERE'S ALMOST A POOL--
14 I MEAN, WITH POOLS, THERE'S ALMOST A POOL IN EVERY
15 NEIGHBORHOOD. SO, IN NO WAY-- AND I WANT TO GO ON THE RECORD
16 SAYING, IN NO WAY, ANYTHING THAT WE DO THAT REQUIRES MORE
17 FUNDING TO EXTEND THE LIFE OF OUR POOLS, OR ADD MORE
18 LIFEGUARDS, IN ANY WAY WOULD TAKE AWAY FROM YOUR DISTRICT, AND
19 WOULD CREATE AN UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCE OF MAYBE HAVING TO
20 CLOSE SOME OF YOUR POOLS. AS LONG AS I AM ALIVE, THAT WILL NOT
21 HAPPEN. SO JUST KNOW THAT WHEN I TALK ABOUT THIS, HOLLY, IN NO
22 WAY WOULD ANY OF US, BY THE WAY, BE OKAY WITH POURING MORE
23 MONEY INTO LENGTHENING THE TIME OF POOLS OR MORE LIFEGUARDS IN
24 ANY WAY, IF IT IMPACTED YOUR DISTRICT NEGATIVELY, AND YOU HAD
25 TO CLOSE POOLS. SO WE WILL HEAR FROM NORMA, AND HOPEFULLY SHE

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1 WILL SPEAK TO THAT. BUT THANK YOU. AND, MADAM CHAIR, BACK TO
2 YOU.

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4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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6 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, I CAN ATTEST
7 TO THAT, BECAUSE SUPERVISOR HAHN'S FATHER WOULD DEFINITELY
8 FIND HER AND CHASTISE HER IF SHE DID ANYTHING TO TOUCH THE
9 POOLS IN THE SECOND DISTRICT. BUT I WANT TO THANK YOU,
10 SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR LETTING ME CO-AUTHOR THIS MOTION. WHEN WE
11 THINK OF THESE POOLS, WE THINK OF YOUNG PEOPLE SWIMMING, BUT
12 IN FACT, A LOT OF THE CALLS I GOT WERE FROM OLDER ADULTS, WHO
13 LOOK TO THESE POOLS AS AQUATIC CENTERS, AS A WAY FOR THEM NOT
14 ONLY TO GET EXERCISE, BUT ALSO TO CONNECT WITH THE COMMUNITY.
15 AND SO I BELIEVE THAT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT IS LONG OVERDUE,
16 QUITE FRANKLY. TO YOUR POINT, THE SEASONS THAT WE CHOOSE ARE
17 NOT NECESSARILY THE SEASONS THAT MIRROR THE WEATHER, AND I
18 THINK WE NEED TO RECOGNIZE THAT WE NEED TO EITHER EXPAND
19 AND/OR RETHINK HOW WE ARE OPENING AND PROVIDING SERVICES IN
20 OUR AQUATIC CENTERS AND OUR POOLS. BECAUSE WHILE WE CONSIDER
21 IT SEASONAL, SEASONAL NOW IN CALIFORNIA-- CALL IT CLIMATE
22 CHANGE, CALL IT WHAT YOU WANT-- I THINK SEASONAL IS FAR LONGER
23 THAN WHAT WE ARE BUDGETING FOR, AS IT RELATES TO ALL OF OUR
24 SWIMMING POOLS. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM NORMA. BUT I
25 KNOW THE GREAT THING ABOUT NORMA GARCIA-- AND I THINK MY

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1 COLLEAGUES WILL AGREE-- IS HER COMMITMENT TO PARKS AND REC,
2 AND TO THE BETTERMENT OF OUR PARKS AND REC PROGRAM, IS THE
3 SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED, AND HAS MADE THAT COMMITMENT TO
4 ENSURE THAT IT IS NOT A ONE-SIZE-FITS-ALL. BUT IN THIS CASE, I
5 THINK SHE WILL RECOGNIZE THAT IT IS ABOUT PROVIDING EXPANDED
6 SERVICES AND HOURS, AND PROVIDING FOR INDIVIDUALS TO REALLY,
7 REALLY ENJOY AND USE OUR SERVICES, AND ESPECIALLY IN OUR PARKS
8 AND REC. SO AGAIN, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN. I THINK THIS IS
9 A GREAT MOTION, AND I KNOW THAT KENNY IS SMILING DOWN ON YOU.

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11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. DO WE WANT TO HEAR FROM OUR PARKS
12 DIRECTOR, NORMA, AND THEN GO TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL? IS THAT
13 OKAY?

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15 **SUP. HAHN:** I MEAN, IT IS OKAY WITH ME, BUT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL
16 MIGHT HAVE A CONCERN OR QUESTION THAT NORMA COULD ANSWER.

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18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, WOULD YOU LIKE TO
19 SPEAK?

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21 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. HOW COULD I HAVE A CONCERN
22 IN THE WORLD, WHEN SUPERVISOR HAHN HAS DECLARED HER FOREVER
23 ALLEGIANCE TO ALL PUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS IN THE SECOND
24 DISTRICT? MY POINT, FIRST OF ALL, YOU KNOW I FEEL STRONGLY
25 ABOUT EQUITABLE ACCESS TO PUBLIC AQUATICS PROGRAMS. I HAVE

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1 TALKED ABOUT THAT FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS. AND I FULLY AGREE
2 AND SUPPORT YOUR RATIONALE FOR WHY WE SHOULD EXTEND THE SEASON
3 FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS, AND LOOK FORWARD TO FIGURING OUT HOW
4 WE MAKE THIS HAPPEN FOR POOL SAFETY, FOR SWIMMING SAFETY, WHEN
5 WE CONTINUE TO LOOK AT THE DISPROPORTIONATE NUMBER OF BLACK
6 AND BROWN CHILDREN WHO DIE DUE TO DROWNING ACCIDENTS IN L.A.
7 COUNTY. AND SO I FULLY SUPPORT IT, AND I'M WILLING TO CONTINUE
8 TO WORK TO BE CREATIVE ABOUT HOW WE EXPAND OUR POOL OF
9 LIFEGUARDS IN L.A. COUNTY, AGAIN WITH A LENS OF EQUITY, IN
10 TERMS OF WHO APPLIES AND GETS HIRED IN THOSE POSITIONS, AS
11 WELL AS WHERE THEY'RE PLACED. SO AT THIS POINT, I DON'T HAVE
12 ANY QUESTIONS. I APPRECIATE EVERYONE'S UNDERSTANDING OF THE
13 UNIQUE COMMUNITIES THAT I REPRESENT, AND I WILL BE FULLY
14 SUPPORTING THE MOTION TODAY.

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16 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. LET'S HEAR FROM OUR PARK DIRECTOR,
17 NORMA GARCIA.

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19 **NORMA GARCIA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS, AND THANK YOU,
20 SUPERVISOR HAHN AND SUPERVISOR BARGER, FOR PROVIDING ME THE
21 OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE COMMENTS ON THIS MOTION. L.A. COUNTY PARKS
22 AND RECREATION PROVIDES A DYNAMIC AQUATICS PROGRAM, CONSISTING
23 OF FIVE YEAR-ROUND AQUATICS CENTERS AND INDOOR POOLS, AND 25
24 SEASONAL POOLS, OPENED, AS SUPERVISOR HAHN MENTIONED, FOR A
25 TEN-WEEK SUMMER SEASON. WE ALSO PROVIDE THE PUBLIC THE USE OF

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1 THREE RECREATION SWIMMING LAKES DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS, AND
2 21 SPLASH PADS THAT ARE NOW OPENED THROUGH THE END OF
3 SEPTEMBER. PRE-C.O.V.I.D., ON AN ANNUAL BASIS, WE HOST 750,000
4 ATTENDEES AT OUR COUNTY SWIMMING POOLS, MAKING OUR AQUATIC
5 SYSTEM ONE OF THE BUSIEST AND HIGHLY USED IN THE STATE. WITH
6 THE RESTORATION AND PROGRAM SCHEDULE STANDARDIZATION, WHICH
7 INCREASED THE NUMBER OF SWIMMING LESSONS, WE EXPECT TO PROVIDE
8 NEARLY 15,000 YOUTH WITH A TWO-WEEK LEARN-TO-SWIM PROGRAM THIS
9 YEAR. OUR COUNTY POOLS EMPLOY 700 YOUTH IN THE SUMMER, AGES 17
10 TO 25. AND AS SUPERVISOR HAHN MENTIONED, WE ARE EXCITED THIS
11 YEAR TO LAUNCH OUR LIFEGUARD TRAINING PROGRAM, WHICH WILL BE
12 HOSTED-- WE WILL HAVE NINE TRAINING PROGRAMS, SPECIFICALLY TO
13 RECRUIT-- IN A TARGETED EFFORT TO RECRUIT AFRICAN AMERICANS,
14 SPECIFICALLY IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES. WE'VE NOW PARTNERED-- WE
15 ARE GOING TO PARTNER TO HAVE A BRIEFING IN THE NEXT COMING
16 WEEKS, AND WE'RE GOING TO BE WORKING WITH SUPERVISOR
17 MITCHELL'S OFFICE, TO WORK WITH COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS,
18 D.C.F.S., D.P.S.S., W.D.A.C.S., AND L.A.C.O.E. WE WANT TO GO
19 DEEP INTO THE COMMUNITY WITH OUR COMMUNITY-BASED
20 ORGANIZATIONS, OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, OUR MOST VULNERABLE
21 COMMUNITIES, TO REALLY MAKE A STRONG EFFORT TO RECRUIT LOCALLY
22 FROM OUR COMMUNITIES, AND SEE OUR AMAZING AND TALENTED YOUTH
23 ALSO BE LIFEGUARDS IN THEIR VERY OWN COMMUNITY. THE PROPOSED
24 MOTION WOULD EXTEND THE SUMMER POOL SEASON TO ADDRESS THE
25 LONGER SUMMER HIGH TEMPERATURES, SPECIFICALLY IN THE INLAND

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1 AND URBAN COMMUNITIES, WHICH EXPERIENCE EXTREME HEAT. AND OUR
2 SWIMMING POOLS SERVE AS DE FACTO COOLING CENTERS. AND WE KNOW,
3 WHEN IT IS HOT, THE LINES ARE AROUND THE POOLS FOR OUR YOUTH
4 TO COME IN. EXTENDING OUR PUBLIC POOLS CAN SERVE AS A
5 MITIGATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND
6 INCREASE PUBLIC POOL ACCESS, PROVIDING PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, BUT
7 ALSO SAFE WATER FUN FOR OUR FAMILIES. IT WOULD ALSO PROVIDE AN
8 OPPORTUNITY TO EXTEND OUR PROGRAMMING, LIKE SWIMMING LESSONS
9 FOR YOUTH, TO EXPAND OUR SAFETY EFFORTS, EXPAND OUR WATER
10 AEROBIC PROGRAMMING FOR SENIORS, AND INVITE THE FAMILIES IN;
11 WHEN IT IS HOT, JUST OPEN UP OUR POOLS AND INVITE OUR
12 COMMUNITIES IN TO TAKE A SWIM. LASTLY, I JUST WANT TO ALSO
13 TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE THE LIFEGUARDS AND POOL
14 MANAGERS COMPRISING D.P.R.'S AQUATIC TEAM, FOR A HEROIC AND
15 SAFE SUMMER SEASON. THE REOPENING OF THIS SUMMER POOL SEASON
16 WAS CHALLENGING. WE OPENED OUR SUMMER POOLS AFTER BEING CLOSED
17 FOR NEARLY TWO YEARS, APPROXIMATELY WITH HALF THE LIFEGUARDS,
18 MIRRORING THE LOCAL STATE AND NATIONAL LIFEGUARD SHORTAGE. WE
19 ADJUSTED OUR OPERATIONS BY ONLY PROVIDING OUR CORE
20 PROGRAMMING, ALTERNATING DAYS IN SOME POOLS, ONLY OPERATING
21 ONE POOL IN MULTI-POOL AQUATIC CENTERS, AND ROTATING
22 LIFEGUARDS' SCHEDULES. OUR LIFEGUARDS WORKED AN AVERAGE OF SIX
23 DAYS A WEEK THIS ENTIRE SUMMER. WE WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT
24 OUR POOLS WERE OPEN. AND APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH INTO THE
25 SUMMER POOL SEASON, WE WERE NOTIFIED, LIKE EVERY OTHER AQUATIC

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1 PROGRAM IN THE STATE, THAT CHLORINE MANUFACTURING AND
2 DISTRIBUTION WAS EXTREMELY LIMITED, AND CHLORINE WOULD NOT BE
3 AVAILABLE. OUR TEAM IMMEDIATELY KICKED INTO HIGH GEAR TO
4 PURCHASE ALL THE CHLORINE WE COULD GET OUR HANDS ON. WE CALLED
5 EVERY VENDOR IN THE STATE. WE DROVE COUNTY VEHICLES ACROSS
6 COUNTY LINES TO GET OUR HANDS INTO EVERY BOTTLE OF CHLORINE.
7 THE LAST THING WE WANTED TO DO WAS TO CLOSE OUR POOLS THIS
8 SUMMER. AND WE DID IT. WHILE OUR NEIGHBORING MUNICIPALITIES
9 AND PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS CLOSED THEIR DOORS, WE DID NOT. I AM
10 PROUD OF WHAT THE AQUATIC TEAM ACCOMPLISHED THIS SUMMER, AND
11 LOOK FORWARD TO STRENGTHENING OUR AQUATIC PROGRAMMING, OUR
12 WORKFORCE, AND ACCESS. I APPRECIATE THE BOARD'S SUPPORT, AS
13 WELL AS THE C.E.O.'S, FOR OUR PUBLIC AQUATIC PROGRAM. OR POOLS
14 PROVIDE A CRITICAL SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITIES, ESPECIALLY TO
15 THE MOST VULNERABLE, WHO RELY ON OUR PUBLIC POOLS FOR SWIMMING
16 AND POOL ACCESS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

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18 **SUP. HAHN:** MADAM CHAIR, CAN I JUST-- SO, I MEAN, YAY FOR YOU,
19 NORMA, AND YOUR TEAM. I MEAN, THAT'S HEROIC. I HAD NO IDEA
20 THAT THESE MIDNIGHT RUNS WERE HAPPENING TO GET CHLORINE, AND I
21 LOVE IT THAT IT WAS TO KEEP OUR POOLS OPEN. I AM GUESSING--
22 YOU DIDN'T SAY IT, BUT I AM GUESSING YOU ARE SAYING NO TO
23 KEEPING THEM OPEN THIS YEAR THROUGH OCTOBER. IS THAT CORRECT?

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1 **NORMA GARCIA:** SO, SUPERVISOR HAHN, AS A DIRECTOR WHO LOVES OUR
2 RECREATION PROGRAMS, AND PROVIDING OUR YOUTH AND SENIORS
3 PROGRAMMING, IT IS ACTUALLY VERY HARD TO SAY NO, AND HOW
4 DIFFICULT THIS IS. BUT I THINK, FIRST AND FOREMOST, WE WANT TO
5 RECOGNIZE THAT IT IS A SAFETY ISSUE; THAT WE ALREADY STARTED
6 WITH HALF OF THE LIFEGUARDS, AND THAT OUR STAFF REALLY WORKED
7 AROUND THE CLOCK THIS ENTIRE SUMMER, AND MANY OF OUR
8 LIFEGUARDS, WHO ARE 17 TO 25, HAVE GONE BACK TO SCHOOL. AND SO
9 WHAT WE WOULD NEED TO DO TO PREPARE FOR AN EXTENDED SUMMER
10 SEASON IS ACTUALLY PREPARE THE SCHEDULES, SO THAT WHEN YOU GO
11 BACK TO COLLEGE, GO BACK TO HIGH SCHOOL, THAT WE ACTUALLY HAVE
12 A WORKFORCE, OR WE CAN HAVE A MORNING SCHEDULE, AN AFTERNOON
13 SCHEDULE, AND A WEEKEND SCHEDULE, THAT CAN ACCOMMODATE OUR
14 YOUTH AND OUR WORKFORCE. ALSO, AS I MENTIONED, SUPERVISOR,
15 THAT WE ARE DOING SOMETHING INAUGURAL. WE WANT TO OFFER 300
16 LIFEGUARD TRAINING POSITIONS. SO WE WANT TO TAKE ALL OF THE
17 YOUTH THAT TOOK OUR SWIMMING LESSONS THIS SUMMER, THAT ARE 16
18 OF AGE, AND WE WANT TO TAKE THEM FROM LEARNING HOW TO SWIM, TO
19 BEING ABLE TO PASS THE SWIMMING TEST. AND SO WE WILL BE
20 OFFERING A SIX-WEEK, 12-COURSE INTENSIVE TRAINING; MEET THE
21 SWIMMER WHERE THEY ARE AT. WE'RE GOING TO PROVIDE EVERYTHING
22 THAT THEY NEED, BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT COST TO BE A BARRIER.
23 THIS IS GOING TO BE FREE. WE'RE GOING TO PROVIDE--

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1 **SUP. HAHN:** SO, AGAIN, I KNOW IT'S HARD FOR YOU, BUT THERE'S NO
2 WAY WE ARE DOING IT-- WE'RE NOT DOING IT THIS YEAR?

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4 **NORMA GARCIA:** IN ORDER FOR US TO PROVIDE THIS PROGRAM OF
5 RECRUITING AND TRAINING FOR OUR FUTURE LIFEGUARDS FOR NEXT
6 SUMMER, WE CANNOT EXTEND OUR SUMMER SEASON.

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8 **SUP. HAHN:** I THINK THAT WAS HARD FOR YOU. I THINK THAT WAS
9 HARD FOR YOU, BUT IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU ARE VERY COMMITTED, AND
10 YOU'RE PROBABLY GOING TO NEED OUR C.E.O. TO HELP. AND I KNOW
11 WE ARE ALL COMMITTED TO THIS. YOU'RE PROBABLY GOING TO NEED
12 HELP, IN TERMS OF GETTING RESOURCES FOR NEXT YEAR, BUT IF YOU
13 START NOW, YOU ACTUALLY THINK WE MIGHT HAVE A GOOD CHANCE OF
14 DOING THIS NEXT YEAR? IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE SAYING?

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16 **NORMA GARCIA:** YES. YES, SUPERVISOR. WE WANT TO START THE
17 RECRUITING FOR OUR LIFEGUARDS, THE TRAINING, AND WORK WITH THE
18 C.E.O. TO IDENTIFY THE RESOURCES NEEDED TO OPEN UP EARLIER,
19 AND CLOSE LATER.

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21 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, NORMA GARCIA,
24 DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND REC. I KNOW YOU HAVE BEEN WORKING HARD,
25 AND SOME OF US EVEN HAVE TO PAY OUT OF OUR OWN DISCRETIONARY

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1 OR TIPPING FEES THAT WE GET, TO PULL TOGETHER CLASSES THAT ARE
2 OFFERED BY THE Y, JUST SO THAT WE CAN HAVE FREE CLASSES FOR
3 SOME OF OUR KIDS IN OUR POOL-POOR AREAS. PUT IT THAT WAY. AND
4 I THINK THE FIRST DISTRICT, WE HAVE THE DISTINCTION OF HAVING
5 THE LEAST NUMBER OF POOLS, WHICH IS NOT GOOD, EITHER, BECAUSE
6 IT IS SO HOT IN THE SAN GABRIEL AND THE EASTERN PART OF THE
7 COUNTY. IT JUST GETS SO UNBEARABLE. AND I HEAR WHAT ALL OF YOU
8 ARE SAYING, AND SUPPORT THE C.E.O. LOOKING INTO OTHER SOURCES
9 OF FUNDING, AND REALLY WRAPPING AROUND W.D.A.C.S. YEAR-LONG,
10 SO THAT WE HAVE THAT FUNDING SOURCE AUTOMATICALLY AVAILABLE
11 FOR THE 16TH THROUGH 24TH, SO WE HAVE OUR FIELD TEAM READY TO
12 GO, A YEAR IN ADVANCE. SO, TOTALLY THERE WITH YOU ALL, AND
13 SUPPORT YOU. SO WITH THAT, IF THERE'S NO OTHER QUESTIONS OR
14 COMMENTS, THIS ITEM, 45-A, IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
15 HAHN, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM
16 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 45-A IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR
19 MITCHELL?

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21 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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

24
25 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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4 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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8 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AYE.

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10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 4-

11 0.

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13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, GREAT. FOR NEXT YEAR, THEN, RIGHT,

14 SUPERVISOR HAHN? GREAT. OKAY, MEMBERS, WE ARE GOING ON TO

15 SPECIALS. I SEE THAT THERE ARE NO SPECIALS FOR TODAY, SO WE

16 ARE GOING TO MOVE RIGHT INTO ADJOURNMENTS, AND WE ARE GOING TO

17 GO AHEAD AND START WITH THE SECOND DISTRICT. SUPERVISOR

18 MITCHELL, YOU'RE ON.

19

20 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I HAVE NONE

21 FOR TODAY.

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23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, THEN. LET'S MOVE ON TO SUPERVISOR

24 HAHN.

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1 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. SO, MADAM CHAIR, I
2 KNOW THAT YOU OFFERED THE MOMENT OF SILENCE IN THE BEGINNING,
3 BUT I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE IF WE ADJOURNED IN THE
4 MEMORY OF THE 13 U.S. SERVICE MEMBERS THAT WERE KILLED IN THE
5 SUICIDE BOMB. YOU READ THEIR NAMES OFF IN THE BEGINNING, AND
6 WITHOUT OBJECTION, I THINK IT WOULD BE NICE IF WE ADJOURNED
7 OUR BOARD IN THEIR MEMORY, AND LET THEIR FAMILIES KNOW THAT WE
8 DID THIS. THANK YOU. I'D ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY,
9 WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF ELIZABETH CRUZ, WHO RECENTLY
10 PASSED AWAY AFTER HER FIGHT WITH CANCER AT THE AGE OF 54. SHE
11 WAS A D.C.F.S. EMPLOYEE, WORKING AS A CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKER
12 OUT OF THE POMONA OFFICE, AND SHE RESIDED IN DIAMOND BAR. THE
13 POMONA STAFF HAD A BEAUTIFUL OUTDOOR SERVICE ON THE SIDE OF
14 THE POMONA REGIONAL OFFICE BUILDING ON THE WEEK OF HER
15 PASSING, IN WHICH THEY SHARED STORIES OF ELIZABETH'S PASSION
16 AND HER LOVE AND HER SUPPORT WITH THE FAMILY, AS WELL.
17 ELIZABETH BEGAN HER SHORT CAREER WITH D.C.F.S. IN 2016, AND
18 SHE WAS WELL RESPECTED AND LIKED BY HER PEERS. SHE WILL BE
19 MISSED BY NOT ONLY HER FAMILY, BUT BY THE D.C.F.S. FAMILY AND
20 STAFF, AS WELL. ELIZABETH IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, HADJI
21 JON STEVEN WILLIAMS; HER MOTHER, KATHLEEN CRUZ; HER TWO
22 SISTERS, BRENNA PEREZ AND CARA CRUZ; HER UNCLE, GILBERT
23 BURROLA JR.; AND HER COUSINS, VICTOR VEGA AND MARK VEGA. I
24 ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY
25 OF IRENE DEREZA, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 72. IRENE

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1 IMMIGRATED TO THE UNITED STATES FROM MEXICO WHEN SHE WAS 10.
2 SHE ATTENDED DODSON MIDDLE SCHOOL AND BANNING HIGH SCHOOL. SHE
3 MET HER HUSBAND, RENE, IN SAN PEDRO, AND WERE MARRIED FOR 47
4 YEARS. IRENE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF ST. MARGARET MARY
5 CATHOLIC CHURCH IN LOMITA, AND SPENT YEARS HELPING AT THE
6 ANNUAL LOMITA FAIR. WHEN YOU VISITED HER HOME, SHE WAS OFTEN
7 IN THE KITCHEN, COOKING ONE OF HER DELICIOUS MEXICAN FOOD
8 MEALS FROM SCRATCH, TO BE ENJOYED BY ALL. SHE'S SURVIVED BY
9 HER FOUR CHILDREN, OFELIA, MARCELA, BLANCA, AND ENRIQUE; 13
10 GRANDCHILDREN; AND ONE GREAT-GRANDDAUGHTER. I ALSO MOVE THAT
11 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JOHN
12 MALETA, WHO WAS A LIFELONG RESIDENT OF SAN PEDRO, WHO WAS 84
13 WHEN HE PASSED AWAY. JOHN SERVED IN THE U.S. AIR FORCE AS A
14 CRASH RESCUE FIREFIGHTER FROM 1960 TO 1966. AFTER LEAVING THE
15 AIR FORCE, HE JOINED THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, WHERE HE
16 QUICKLY ROSE TO THE RANK OF CAPTAIN. AS A CAPTAIN, HE WORKED
17 AT STATION 127, WHICH WAS THE HOME OF THE T.V. SHOW
18 "EMERGENCY." JOHN IS BEST KNOWN IN THE FIRE SERVICE FOR HIS
19 LEADERSHIP, AND AS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE
20 DEPARTMENT'S HAZARDOUS MATERIALS PROGRAM. HE WOULD GO ON TO
21 TEACH HUNDREDS OF STUDENTS AROUND THE COUNTRY, AND ESTABLISHED
22 THE FIRST HAZMAT TRAINING FACILITY IN DEL VALLE, CALIFORNIA.
23 HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN, ANTHONY; HIS DAUGHTER STACY,
24 WHO'S A CRANE OPERATOR WITH I.L.W.U.; AND THREE GRANDCHILDREN.
25 I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE

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1 MEMORY OF JOSE SIERRA, SR., WHO WAS ALSO A LONGTIME RESIDENT
2 OF SAN PEDRO. HE WAS 82 WHEN HE PASSED. JOSE PROUDLY SERVED IN
3 THE U.S. NAVY. MOST OF HIS TIME IN THE NAVY WAS SPENT OVERSEAS
4 IN CHINA AND THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS. IN RECOGNITION OF HIS
5 HONORABLE SERVICE, HE RECEIVED A NUMBER OF COMMENDATIONS,
6 INCLUDING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AND CHINA SERVICE CITATIONS AND
7 CAMPAIGN RIBBONS. AFTER RETIRING FROM THE NAVY, HE SETTLED
8 DOWN IN SAN PEDRO, AND BUILT A LIFE FOR HIMSELF AND HIS
9 FAMILY. JOSE WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS WIFE MARITZA, AND
10 THEIR SON DALE. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS TWO REMAINING CHILDREN,
11 DIANE AND JOSE JR., 6 GRANDCHILDREN, 6 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN,
12 AND HIS SISTER-IN-LAW, MARY BAUTISTA, WHO WAS A CASE WORKER IN
13 MY CONGRESSIONAL OFFICE. AND I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
14 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF PETRA ANDRADE OROPEZA, WHO
15 WAS A RESIDENT OF WILMINGTON, AND SHE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
16 OF 73 FROM COMPLICATIONS OF C.O.V.I.D.-19. SHE WAS BORN IN
17 MEXICO, AND MIGRATED TO THE UNITED STATES AT THE AGE OF 22.
18 SHE WORKED FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS AT THE FISH CANNERIES IN
19 WILMINGTON. HER FAMILY LOVINGLY REFERRED TO HER AS "MAMA
20 PETRA." HER WELCOMING SMILE PROVIDED COMFORT TO ALL, AND HER
21 DELICIOUS FOOD ALWAYS PUT A SMILE ON OTHER'S FACES. PETRA WAS
22 A VERY SIMPLE WOMAN, AND WAS VERY DEVOTED TO THE WORD OF GOD.
23 SHE LOVED HER CHILDREN AND HER GRANDCHILDREN VERY MUCH, AND
24 WAS ALWAYS SO FULL OF LIFE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF
25 53 YEARS, ARISTEO OROPEZA, A LABOR ORGANIZER WHO WORKED SIDE-

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1 TO-SIDE WITH CESAR CHAVEZ AND DOLORES HUERTA. OFTENTIMES,
2 PETRA HOSTED THEM AT HER HOME, WHEN SHE LIVED IN DELANO. SHE
3 IS SURVIVED BY HER FOUR CHILDREN, HER 12 GRANDCHILDREN, AND
4 ONE GREAT-GRANDCHILD. HER GRANDSON WAS VICTOR IBARRA, WHO WAS
5 A DISTRICT DIRECTOR FOR ASSEMBLY MEMBER GIBSON'S OFFICE. AND
6 I WILL TELL YOU THAT VICTOR WAS ALWAYS VERY CONCERNED WHEN SHE
7 GOT ILL. AT THE END, HE HAD ALL OF US PRAY FOR HIS
8 GRANDMOTHER, AND HE WAS VERY SAD THAT SHE PASSED. BUT WE WILL
9 WISH THE WHOLE FAMILY OUR BEST WISHES, AND GIVE THEM OUR
10 CONDOLENCES. AND, KATHRYN, I KNOW, WHEN YOU ADJOURN FOR SAVEY
11 TUFENKIAN, I WANTED TO JOIN YOU IN THAT, AND I WILL SAY A FEW
12 WORDS ABOUT SAVEY AFTER YOU DO. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR HAHN. NEXT,
15 WE WILL TURN TO SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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17 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
18 ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF SALVATORE "CHICK" CAMPO,
19 A FORMER RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PATROL MEMBER FOR THE LA
20 VERNE POLICE DEPARTMENT, WHO PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST 10TH, 2021,
21 AT THE AGE OF 89. CHICK, AS HE WAS AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN, WAS
22 BORN IN NEW YORK, ON FEBRUARY 23RD, 1932, AND DECIDED TO MOVE
23 TO CALIFORNIA AS A YOUNG MAN. HE SERVED IN THE AIR FORCE FROM
24 1949 TO 1953 AS A RADIO MECHANIC. HE LATER BECAME A FIELD
25 ENGINEER AND TRAINING SPECIALIST FOR ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL,

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1 WHERE HE WORKED FOR NEARLY 30 YEARS. CHICK WORKED ON THE SPACE
2 SHUTTLE'S LUNAR EXCURSION MODULE, G.P.S. SYSTEMS, NAVIGATION
3 AND SPECIAL ELECTRONICS FOR SUBMARINES, AND AVIONICS SYSTEMS
4 FOR B1 BOMBERS AND APACHE HELICOPTERS. CHICK SERVED THE LA
5 VERNE COMMUNITY AS A RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PATROL FROM JUNE
6 13TH, 1996, UNTIL OCTOBER 14TH, 2019. IN ADDITION TO BEING AN
7 R.S.V.P., CHICK WAS VERY ACTIVE IN THE SENIOR COMMUNITIES OF
8 LA VERNE AND SAN DIMAS, TEACHING COMPUTERS, CALLING BINGO,
9 AND ASSISTING THE UNIVERSITY OF LA VERNE IN THE VIDEO
10 PRODUCTION OF SEVERAL SENIOR PROGRAMS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
11 WIFE MARCY, AND HIS STEPSON TYRON. HE WILL BE MISSED GREATLY
12 BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM. ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
13 JEREMIAH HART, A CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICER AND A
14 RESIDENT OF PALMDALE, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 44
15 FROM COMPLICATIONS DUE TO C.O.V.I.D.-19. HE WAS A 12-YEAR
16 VETERAN OF THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL. OFFICER HART WAS
17 ASSIGNED TO THE NEWHALL AREA OFFICE. HE ALSO SERVED IN THE
18 C.H.P.'S ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA AND OAKHURST AREA OFFICES,
19 BEFORE RETURNING TO NEWHALL IN 2020. OFFICER HART GRADUATED
20 FROM QUARTZ HILL HIGH SCHOOL IN 1995. HIS FATHER, KEN HART, IS
21 A FOUNDING PASTOR OF THE HIGHLANDS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP IN
22 PALMDALE. OFFICER HART IS SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN TIMOTHY,
23 COURTNEY, AND EZEKIEL; PARENTS KEN AND TERESA HART; AND
24 SIBLINGS DANIELLE BARRAGAN, KRYSTAL DELEO, AIMEE MAYOL, AND
25 CALEB, KATHERINE, AND ELLISA HART. ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN

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1 MEMORY OF BRADLEY WAYNE HUGHES, SR., THE FOUNDER OF GLENDALE-
2 BASED PUBLIC STORAGE, WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
3 87. WAYNE'S MOTHER AND FATHER MOVED THE FAMILY TO CALIFORNIA
4 DURING THE DUST BOWL. HE WAS INITIALLY INTRODUCED TO HORSE
5 RACING WHEN HE WENT TO THE SANTA ANITA RACE TRACK FOR THE
6 FIRST TIME AT THE AGE OF 11. WAYNE SERVED AS AN OFFICER IN THE
7 UNITED STATES NAVY, AFTER WHICH HE ATTENDED U.S.C. HE BEGAN
8 HIS PROFESSIONAL CAREER IN REAL ESTATE. AFTER HEARING ABOUT
9 SELF-STORAGE FROM A BUSINESS PARTNER, HE OPENED THE FIRST
10 PUBLIC STORAGE LOCATION IN EL CAJON IN 1972. HE STEPPED DOWN
11 AS CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD FOR PUBLIC STORAGE IN 2011, BY WHICH
12 TIME PUBLIC STORAGE WAS A MULTIBILLION-DOLLAR COMPANY. WAYNE
13 ALSO PURSUED HIS LIFELONG PASSION FOR HORSE RACING. HIS COLT,
14 ACTION THIS DAY, WON THE BREEDERS' CUP JUVENILE AT THE SANTA
15 ANITA RACE TRACK IN 2003, WHICH WAS HIS FIRST OF HIS SIX
16 BREEDERS' CUP WINS, AND SIX ECLIPSE AWARD WINS. WAYNE WAS
17 PASSIONATE ABOUT U.S.C., AND WAS A MAJOR SUPPORTER OF THE
18 INSTITUTION. WAYNE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE PATRICIA, HIS SON
19 WAYNE JR., DAUGHTER TAMARA, AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO, THAT
20 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ADELE MACPHERSON, A LONGTIME RESIDENT
21 OF SANTA CLARITA. SHE WAS AN AVID FIELD HOCKEY PLAYER IN HER
22 YOUTH, AND A FAN OF MANCHESTER CITY FOOTBALL. AFTER MOVING TO
23 SANTA CLARITA IN 1986, SHE BEGAN HER WORK WITH THE AMERICAN
24 RED CROSS, FIRST AS A NATIONAL DISASTER VOLUNTEER, AND THEN AS
25 A SANTA CLARITA BRANCH MANAGER. IN 1990, SHE WOULD BECOME THE

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1 EMERGENCY COORDINATOR FOR THE CITY OF SANTA CLARITA, AND A
2 YEAR LATER WAS NAMED THE EMERGENCY MANAGER. DURING THE 1994
3 NORTHRIDGE EARTHQUAKE, SHE WAS LOVINGLY KNOWN AS "DISASTER
4 LADY." SHE VOLUNTEERED WITH SEVERAL LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS,
5 INCLUDING THE AMERICAN RED CROSS, THE SAMUEL DIXON FAMILY
6 HEALTH CENTER, THE ZONTA CLUB OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY,
7 SCHOOL-TO-BUSINESS ALLIANCE, SANTA CLARITA VALLEY BOYS AND
8 GIRLS CLUB, UNITED WAY, SANTA CLARITA CHILD AND FAMILY CENTER,
9 AND DAUGHTERS OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE. IN 2002, SHE WAS HONORED
10 AS THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WOMAN OF THE YEAR. AND IN JULY
11 2021, THE SANTA CLARITA CITY COUNCIL PRESENTED HER WITH A KEY
12 TO THE CITY, IN HONOR OF [AUDIO CUTS OUT]. SOLE ZION MITCHELL-
13 HALL A RESIDENT OF PALMDALE, TRAGICALLY PASSED AWAY IN A CAR
14 ACCIDENT ON JULY 25TH, AT THE AGE OF 21. BORN MAY 2ND IN
15 WHITTIER, SOLE GREW UP IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS. AT JOHN A. ROWLAND
16 HIGH SCHOOL, SHE WAS A MEMBER OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT FOR
17 FOUR YEARS. SHE PLAYED VARSITY VOLLEYBALL AND VARSITY WATER
18 POLO, AND SERVED AS AN A.V.I.D. PRESIDENT IN HER SENIOR YEAR.
19 SHE EARNED AN ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY AT FULLERTON
20 COMMUNITY COLLEGE, AND HAS BEEN ACCEPTED AT CAL STATE
21 UNIVERSITY, NORTHRIDGE, FOR THE FALL 2021 SEMESTER. DURING
22 HER LAST SEMESTER IN JUNIOR COLLEGE, SHE EARNED HER REAL-
23 ESTATE LICENSE. SHE LIVED WITH HER MOTHER, NASHON MITCHELL, IN
24 PALMDALE, WHERE SHE WORKED AS A RECREATION LEADER FOR THE CITY
25 OF PALMDALE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND REC. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER

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1 MOTHER, HER GRANDPARENTS, THREE UNCLES, AND TWO AUNTS, AS WELL
2 AS NUMEROUS COUSINS AND OTHER RELATIVES. ALSO, DELANO
3 CATHERINE HADLEY ROBINSON, WIFE OF FORMER OLYMPIC TRACK STAR
4 MATTHEW "MACK" ROBINSON, WHO DIED AT THE AGE OF 88. ORIGINALLY
5 FROM THOMASVILLE, GEORGIA, DELANO WAS BELOVED IN HER HOMETOWN,
6 AND WAS HOMECOMING QUEEN AT HER HIGH SCHOOL. A FEW SHORT YEARS
7 LATER, IN 1955, SHE MARRIED MACK ROBINSON, AND THEY MOVED TO
8 PASADENA. THEY HAD SIX CHILDREN TOGETHER, AND RAISED MACK'S
9 FOUR CHILDREN. DELANO WORKED AS A NURSE, AND ENJOYED ATTENDING
10 MANY SOCIAL EVENTS WITH HER COMMUNITY TO SUPPORT THE LOS
11 ANGELES DODGERS AND TEAM U.S.A. OLYMPICS. SHE LOVED HER CITY,
12 AND REPRESENTED HER FAMILY MULTIPLE TIMES IN PASADENA'S BLACK
13 HISTORY PARADE. IN 2012, THE PASADENA JOURNAL RECOGNIZED HER
14 AS THE WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT IN PASADENA. DELANO IS SURVIVED BY
15 HER CHILDREN LESTER, KATHY, BETTY, WILLIAM, ROSE, AND EDWARD;
16 MANY GRANDCHILDREN, GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, AND SIBLINGS, WHO
17 CHERISH HER MEMORY. ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SAVEY
18 TUFENKIAN, A 40-YEAR RESIDENT OF GLENDALE, WHO RECENTLY PASSED
19 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 92. SAVEY WAS BORN IN IRAN TO PARENTS THAT
20 HAD SURVIVED THE GENOCIDE. SHE EARNED A SCHOLARSHIP TO ATTEND
21 THE AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE IN MASSACHUSETTS IN 1954.
22 SHE MOVED TO CALIFORNIA IN 1955. TOGETHER WITH HER BROTHER,
23 THEY FOUNDED THE WESTERN DISPOSAL COMPANY, WHICH WAS LATER
24 RENAMED WESTERN WASTE INDUSTRIES. SHE MARRIED RALPH IN 1956,
25 TO WHOM SHE WAS MARRIED FOR 63 YEARS, UNTIL HER PASSING. AFTER

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1 THE TRAGIC LOSS OF HER SON RICHARD IN 1990, SHE AND HER
2 HUSBAND HELPED ESTABLISH THE RICHARD TUFENKIAN PRESCHOOL.
3 SAVEY WAS CIVICALLY ENGAGED. SHE HELPED ESTABLISH NUMEROUS
4 ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE ARMENIAN INTERNATIONAL WOMEN
5 ASSOCIATION, A.M.A.A. ORPHAN AND CHILD CARE, AND U.S.C.
6 INSTITUTE OF ARMENIAN STUDIES. SHE WAS ALSO ACTIVE IN OTHER
7 ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE ARMENIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF
8 AMERICA-WESTERN REGION, ARMENIAN CULTURAL FOUNDATION, ARMENIAN
9 EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION, AND ASBAREZ. SAVEY IS SURVIVED BY HER
10 HUSBAND RALPH, CHILDREN GREG AND SANDRA, THREE GRANDCHILDREN,
11 AND THREE GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. NOW, SUPERVISOR HAHN, I KNOW
12 YOU WOULD LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS ABOUT THIS AMAZING WOMAN.

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14 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER. YEAH. SAVEY
15 TUFENKIAN WAS SUCH AN INCREDIBLY STRONG, BRAVE WOMAN. AND I
16 ACTUALLY WORKED FOR WESTERN WASTE EARLY IN MY CAREER, AND
17 SPENT TIME UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL, WATCHING HER AND RALPH AND
18 KOSTI SHIRVANIAN. AND IT WAS PROBABLY ONE OF MY FIRST
19 INTERACTIONS WITH A REALLY STRONG WOMAN, IN WHAT WAS PROBABLY
20 A VERY MALE-- PROBABLY, TO THIS DAY, IS A VERY MALE-DOMINATED
21 INDUSTRY. YOU KNOW, TRASH AND WASTE IS A VERY MALE-DOMINATED
22 INDUSTRY, BUT SAVEY WAS SUCH A GOOD, STRONG BUSINESSWOMAN, AND
23 IT WAS ONE OF THE FIRST ROLE MODELS I HAD AS A WOMAN, ON HOW
24 TO BEHAVE IN A MALE-DOMINATED INDUSTRY, AND TO REALLY HAVE HER
25 VOICE HEARD. BUT JUST LISTENING TO YOU, KATHRYN, READ HER

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1 OBITUARY, AND YOU REALIZE HOW MANY OTHER THINGS SHE WAS
2 INVOLVED IN, AND THE FACT THAT HER PARENTS WERE SURVIVORS OF
3 THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE, AND THE FACT THAT HER AND KOSTI MOVED
4 HERE TO CALIFORNIA IN THE EARLY '50S, AND CREATED THIS
5 BUSINESS, WHICH WENT ON TO BE ONE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFUL WASTE
6 INDUSTRY BUSINESSES, REALLY, IN CALIFORNIA. SO I KNOW SHE
7 LEAVES A GREAT HOLE IN THAT FAMILY. IT IS A VERY CLOSE FAMILY.
8 AND THE TRAGIC LOSS OF HER SON RICHARD IN 1990, I THINK, SHE
9 PROBABLY NEVER GOT OVER. BUT YET, SHE AND RALPH WANTED TO DO
10 SOMETHING, AND SO THEY ESTABLISHED THE PRESCHOOL IN HIS HONOR,
11 AND REALLY SUPPORTED THAT THEIR WHOLE LIVES. SHE WAS A GREAT
12 WOMAN. WE ARE LUCKY TO HAVE HAD SAVEY, KOSTI, THE WHOLE FAMILY
13 COME HERE AND PLANT THEMSELVES IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. WE ARE
14 ALL BETTER FOR IT. SHE WAS A GREAT WOMAN, AND I DO KNOW THAT
15 HER FAMILY WILL MISS HER TERRIBLY. THANK YOU SO MUCH,
16 SUPERVISOR BARGER, FOR ADJOURNING OUR MEETING IN HER HONOR,
17 AND I WOULD LIKE TO CO-AUTHOR IT WITH YOU. THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** KATHRYN, CAN I JOIN YOU ALL ON THAT?

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21 **SUP. BARGER:** ABSOLUTELY. ABSOLUTELY. AND I THINK THAT,
22 SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU ARE SO RIGHT, AND THIS IS A WOMAN WHO
23 GAVE BACK SO MUCH, AND I THINK IT IS AN HONOR FOR US TO BE
24 ABLE TO ADJOURN IN HER MEMORY. SO WITH THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO
25 ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF FRED MAYNARD WHITAKER, A LONGTIME

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1 RESIDENT OF GLENDALE, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 95.
2 FRED'S FAMILY HERITAGE INCLUDED THE FOUNDING OF MASSACHUSETTS,
3 AND SERVICE IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR, CIVIL WAR, AND WORLD WAR
4 I. FRED VOLUNTEERED TO JOIN THE ARMY AS A 17-YEAR-OLD DURING
5 WORLD WAR II, WHERE HE WAS ASSIGNED TO ENGINEERING SCHOOL AT
6 STANFORD UNIVERSITY. AS THE WAR ESCALATED, FRED VOLUNTEERED
7 WHEN THERE WAS A NEED FOR MORE INFANTRYMEN. FRED'S MILITARY
8 DECORATION INCLUDES THE DISTINGUISHED UNIT CITATION, THE
9 BRONZE STAR WITH VALOR, A PURPLE HEART, A WORLD WAR II VICTORY
10 MEDAL, A COMBAT INFANTRY BADGE, AND THE FRENCH LEGION OF
11 HONOR. UPON COMPLETION OF SERVICE, HE HITCHHIKED ACROSS
12 AMERICA AND RETURNED TO STANFORD, WHERE HE GRADUATED WITH
13 HONORS. HE STARTED HIS OWN BUSINESS IN GLENDALE. HE WENT ON TO
14 SERVE 16 YEARS AS AN ELECTED MEMBER OF THE GLENDALE SCHOOL
15 BOARD. FRED HAD A 68-YEAR CAREER AS AN INSURANCE BROKER. HE
16 MARRIED JANE MANNING IN DECEMBER OF 1960, AND HAD TWO SONS,
17 FRED AND CHARLES. AFTER JANE PASSED AWAY IN 2007, FRED MARRIED
18 ARLENE SPRINGE IN 2009, AND WAS MARRIED UNTIL SHE PASSED AWAY
19 IN 2020. FRED IS SURVIVED BY HIS SONS FRED AND CHARLES,
20 DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, AND THREE GRANDCHILDREN. AND LAST, I MOVE
21 THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THE
22 FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS, WHO WERE IDENTIFIED AS INDIGENT
23 VETERANS BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER, AND WERE
24 SUBSEQUENTLY BURIED WITH DIGNITY AND HONOR AT RIVERSIDE
25 NATIONAL CEMETERY IN THE LAST MONTH: JOHN HENRY BAKER, ARMY.

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1 LAWSON JAMES BEAVERS, ARMY. AARON BAIRD BRADY, ARMY. JAMES
2 PAUL KININGHAM, MARINE CORPS. RAY ANTHONY LOPEZ, MARINE CORPS.
3 ROBERT SUSO NISHIHARA JR., ARMY. JAMES DEAN NOLAN, NAVY. JOE
4 PALMA JR., ARMY. DONALD RAY PENSON, ARMY. EDWARD PERRY
5 REDDECK, AIR FORCE. ROBERT THOMAS ROOD, ARMY. THOMAS LEE
6 WYATT, ARMY. MAY THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS AND SACRIFICES IN SERVICE
7 TO OUR COUNTRY NEVER BE FORGOTTEN. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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9 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR BARGER. NOW
10 I WILL TURN TO MY ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST, I WOULD LIKE TO START
11 THAT WE MOVE TODAY, WE ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF ARMY
12 SERGEANT WILLIAM SANCHEZ. HE PASSED AWAY ON MONDAY, AUGUST
13 23RD, 2021. MR. SANCHEZ WAS 103 YEARS OLD. AND HE DIED
14 PEACEFULLY AT HIS HOME NEAR EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE, IN
15 MONTEREY PARK, WITH HIS SON DAVID AND DAUGHTER-IN-LAW ANITA BY
16 HIS SIDE. WILLIAM SANCHEZ WAS AN ARMY SERGEANT WHO FOUGHT IN
17 WORLD WAR II, AND WAS A PRISONER OF WAR FOR THREE AND A HALF
18 YEARS. HE ALSO SURVIVED, WITH MANY OF HIS FELLOW SOLDIERS, THE
19 MARCH OF BATAAN. HE WAS STATIONED IN THE PHILIPPINES AND
20 SERVED ON GENERAL MACARTHUR'S STAFF. SERGEANT SANCHEZ WAS
21 TRULY A HERO OF OUR TIME. AFTER THE WAR, HE RETURNED TO THE
22 U.S. AND ATTENDED WOODBURY COLLEGE, WHERE HE EARNED HIS
23 BACHELOR'S DEGREE. HE THEN WENT ON TO U.S.C., EARNING A
24 MASTER'S DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND FINANCE. HE THEN
25 STARTED HIS OWN COMPANY, BELENCO, AND BECAME ONE OF THE

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1 BIGGEST IMPORTERS AND SUPPLIERS OF ROLLED STEEL PRODUCTS ON
2 THE WEST COAST. OVER THE YEARS, MR. SANCHEZ HAS BEEN A KEYNOTE
3 SPEAKER AT MANY VETERANS FORUMS, AND HAS GIVEN ADVICE AND
4 SUPPORT TO MANY PEOPLE, INCLUDING VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES,
5 ON THEIR BENEFITS AND THEIR RIGHTS. HE WAS A GREAT
6 CONVERSATIONALIST, WITH A GREAT SENSE OF HUMOR. HE IS SURVIVED
7 BY HIS SONS, DANIEL, DAVID, AND ADAM. MAY HE REST IN PEACE. I
8 MOVE TODAY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DAVID MCELWAIN. HE WAS
9 BORN ON FEBRUARY 2ND, 1961, IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, AND PASSED
10 AWAY ON AUGUST 28TH, 2021, AT THE AGE OF 60. AFTER DAVID
11 GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL, HE ATTENDED CAL POLY POMONA, WHERE HE
12 RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE, AND
13 CONTINUED HIS EDUCATION AT CAL STATE LONG BEACH, WHERE HE
14 RECEIVED A MASTER'S IN VOCATIONAL EDUCATION. DAVID SPENT 30
15 YEARS OF HIS CAREER IN PUBLIC EDUCATION AT THE LOS ANGELES
16 COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION R.O.P., HEAD START, AND G.A.I.N.
17 DIVISIONS. HE ALSO SERVED AT THE POMONA UNIFIED SCHOOL
18 DISTRICT. ADDITIONALLY, DAVID WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE
19 POMONA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INCLUDING A TERM AS THE CHAMBER
20 PRESIDENT. HE WORKED DILIGENTLY WITH MY OFFICE ON OUR ANNUAL
21 VETERAN EXPO THAT WE HELD AT POMONA FAIRPLEX EACH YEAR.
22 DAVID'S PASSION WAS ALWAYS MAKING LIVES BETTER. HE BELIEVED A
23 POSITIVE IMPACT COULD BE MADE BY TEACHING AND HELPING OTHERS
24 TO FIND JOBS, CREATING RESUMES, ACHIEVING EXPUNGEMENTS, AND BY
25 MAKING SURE EVERYONE HAD THE SERVICES THAT THEY NEEDED TO

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1 BECOME A BETTER PERSON. ONE OF DAVID'S MOST CHERISHED AND
2 IMPORTANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS WAS BRINGING THE LITTLE FREE LIBRARY
3 CONCEPT TO THE STREETS AND NEIGHBORHOODS OF POMONA. THAT WAS
4 DAVID'S WAY OF GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY, BY SHARING HIS
5 LOVE OF READING AND THE GIFT OF LITERACY WITH POMONA
6 RESIDENTS. DAVID IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, AMY; HIS THREE
7 CHILDREN, LINDSAY, SEAN, AND BENJAMIN; HIS BELOVED
8 GRANDDAUGHTER, LUNA; AND A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBERS AND
9 FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. AND LASTLY, I MOVE THAT WE
10 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF HELEN LIU MATSUNO. SHE PASSED AWAY LAST
11 MONTH AT THE AGE OF 71. AFTER GRADUATING FROM NATIONAL TAIWAN
12 NORMAL UNIVERSITY WITH A DEGREE IN ENGLISH LITERATURE, SHE
13 TAUGHT ENGLISH AT ONE OF TAIWAN'S PRESTIGIOUS FEMALE HIGH
14 SCHOOLS FOR MANY YEARS. SHE THEN HOSTED A VARIETY OF POPULAR
15 T.V. TALK SHOWS ABOUT EDUCATION AND POLITICS. IN 1976, AFTER
16 EMIGRATING TO THE UNITED STATES TO FURTHER HER STUDIES, HELEN
17 EARNED A MASTER'S DEGREE AND A PH.D. SHE PUBLISHED A
18 COLLECTION OF 10 BOOKS, INCLUDING NONFICTION, FICTION, PROSE,
19 SHORT STORIES, AND A MEMOIR. SHE WAS A FOUNDING PRESIDENT OF
20 THE CHINESE WRITER'S ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA SAN GABRIEL
21 VALLEY CHAPTER. POSSESSING A DEEP PASSION IN THE ARTS AND
22 CULTURE, HELEN WAS APPOINTED TO THE ARTS AND CULTURAL
23 COMMISSION IN THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, AND SPEARHEADED
24 COUNTLESS COMMUNITY EVENTS. SHE'S SURVIVED BY A WHOLE HOST OF
25 FAMILY MEMBERS WHO LOVED HER DEARLY. MAY SHE REST IN PEACE.

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1 AND I WANT TO THANK ALL MEMBERS TODAY FOR ADJOURNING AND
2 BRINGING FORWARD THEIR ADJOURNMENTS TO US, SO THEY ARE ALL
3 SECONDED. IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT
4 WILL BE THE ACTION. WITH THAT, MEMBERS, WE CAN NOW GO ON TO
5 ITEM 13, WHICH IS OUR CLOSED SESSION. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
6 PLEASE READ US INTO OUR CLOSED SESSION.

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8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. IN ACCORDANCE WITH
9 BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD
10 OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM
11 CS-1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING ANTICIPATED
12 LITIGATION; AND ITEM CS-2, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE
13 EVALUATION, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA.

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CLOSED SESSION ITEMS FOR AUGUST 31, 2021

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5 CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED
6 LITIGATION

7 (Paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section
8 54956.9)

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10 Significant exposure to litigation (two cases). (20-2580)

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12 **No reportable action was taken.**
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15 CS-2. DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS
16 (Government Code Section 54957)

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18 Department Head performance evaluations. (11-1977)

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20 **No reportable action was taken.**