



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, SEPTEMBER 28, 2021, ON PAGE 257]**

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5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, VERY GOOD. WELL, WE'RE GOING TO START

6 THE MEETING NOW. GOOD MORNING AGAIN TO EVERYONE, AND TO THE

7 PUBLIC. WELCOME TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS

8 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WHICH WILL BE HELD

9 REMOTELY. TODAY, AS YOU KNOW, IS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2021.

10 WE WILL BEGIN BY ROLL CALL, SO PLEASE RESPOND WHEN YOUR NAME

11 IS CALLED. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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

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

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17 **SUP. KUEHL:** GOOD MORNING. I AM ALSO PRESENT.

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

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21 **SUP. HAHN:** HERE.

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23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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25 **SUP. BARGER:** GOOD MORNING. I'M HERE.

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2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** FESIA DAVENPORT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

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4 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** PRESENT.

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

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8 **RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA:** I'M HERE.

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10 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE

11 BOARD?

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

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15 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND I WOULD LIKE TO ASK SUPERVISOR HAHN IF

16 SHE WILL PLEASE LEAD US THIS MORNING IN OUR PLEDGE OF

17 ALLEGIANCE.

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19 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY, PLEASE RISE AND FACE WHATEVER FLAG IS CLOSE

20 TO YOU. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES

21 OF AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE

22 NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR

23 ALL, SOMEDAY.

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR HAHN.
2 BEFORE WE BEGIN, I WANT TO ISSUE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT, AS
3 BOARD CHAIR, AND I'D LIKE TO MAKE THIS STATEMENT SO THAT ALL
4 CAN UNDERSTAND HOW WE'RE GOING TO BE PROCEEDING FORWARD, IN
5 TERMS OF HOW WE CONDUCT OUR MEETING. SO, I'D LIKE TO MAKE A
6 STATEMENT BEFORE WE REALLY BEGIN ADDRESSING THE AGENDA ITEMS
7 THAT WE HAVE BEFORE US. AND FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO REMIND
8 YOU, AS YOU KNOW, IN CALIFORNIA'S HISTORY, LOCAL LEGISLATIVE
9 BODIES HAVE PLAYED, AS YOU KNOW, A VERY CRUCIAL ROLE IN
10 BRINGING PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.
11 INDEED, LOCAL LEGISLATIVE BODIES ARE CREATED WITH THE
12 UNDERSTANDING THAT SEVERAL LINES ARE BETTER THAN ONE, AND THAT
13 IT IS THROUGH DELIBERATION AND DISCUSSION THAT THE BEST IDEAS
14 EMERGE. IN CALIFORNIA, THE LAW THAT GUARANTEES THE PUBLIC'S
15 RIGHT TO ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE IN SUCH DELIBERATIONS IS KNOWN
16 AS THE RALPH M. BROWN ACT. THE BROWN ACT. THE PUBLIC'S RIGHT
17 TO ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE, HOWEVER, MUST BE EXERCISED UNDER
18 CONDITIONS ENSURING THE ATTENDEES' AND EMPLOYEES' SAFETY. IN
19 RECOGNITION OF THE NEED TO STRIKE A BALANCE, AND IN LIGHT OF
20 THE STATE OF THE EMERGENCY STEMMING FROM THE C.O.V.I.D.-19
21 PANDEMIC, GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM ISSUED EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20
22 ON MARCH 17, 2020, SUSPENDING CERTAIN BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS
23 RELATED TO LOCAL LEGISLATIVE BODY MEETINGS VIA
24 TELECONFERENCING. SUBSEQUENTLY, ON JUNE 11TH, 2021, AND
25 BECAUSE OF THE ONGOING C.O.V.I.D.-19 PANDEMIC, THE GOVERNOR

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1 ISSUED EXECUTIVE ORDER N-08-21, EXTENDING THE SUSPENSION OF
2 THE BROWN ACT PROVISIONS, RELATED TO MEETINGS VIA
3 TELECONFERENCING, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30TH, 2021. AND ON
4 SEPTEMBER THE 10TH, 2021, OUR LEGISLATURE PASSED A.B. 361, TO
5 ENHANCE PUBLIC ACCESS TO LOCAL LEGISLATIVE BODY MEETINGS
6 DURING THE C.O.V.I.D.-19 PANDEMIC, AND FUTURE APPLICABLE
7 EMERGENCIES. THE LEGISLATURE PASSED A.B. 361 TO CONTINUE TO
8 ALLOW BROADER ACCESS THROUGH TELECONFERENCING OPTIONS,
9 CONSISTENT WITH THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDERS, PERMITTING
10 EXPANDED USE OF TELECONFERENCING DURING THE C.O.V.I.D.-19
11 PANDEMIC. THE GOVERNOR SIGNED A.B. 361 INTO LAW ON SEPTEMBER
12 THE 16TH, 2021, WHICH TOOK EFFECT IMMEDIATELY. HOWEVER, TO
13 PROVIDE CLARITY AROUND THE APPLICABLE PROCEDURES GOVERNING
14 LOCAL LEGISLATIVE BODY MEETINGS, AND TO ENSURE THAT CRITICAL
15 GOVERNMENTAL FUNCTIONS ARE NOT AFFECTED ON SEPTEMBER 2021, THE
16 GOVERNOR ISSUED EXECUTIVE ORDER N-15-21, WHICH SUSPENDS THE
17 RELEVANT AMENDED PROVISIONS OF THE BROWN ACT UNDER A.B. 361,
18 UNTIL EXECUTIVE ORDER N-08-21 EXPIRES ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2021.
19 TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND EMPLOYEES,
20 WHILE GUARANTEEING THE PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO ATTEND AND
21 PARTICIPATE IN MEETINGS OF LOCAL LEGISLATIVE BODIES, AND IN
22 ALIGNMENT WITH OUR HEALTH OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION TO REDUCE
23 CROWDING INDOORS, AND TO SUPPORT PHYSICAL DISTANCING,
24 EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1ST, 2021, THIS BOARD AND COMMISSIONS, TASK
25 FORCES, COMMITTEES, ET CETERA, WHICH WERE EITHER CREATED BY

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1 THE BOARD, OR WERE CREATED AT THE BOARD'S DIRECTION, ARE
2 SUBJECT TO THE BROWN ACT, WHICH WILL CONTINUE TO MEET VIA
3 TELECONFERENCING, IN COMPLIANCE WITH A.B. 361 WHILE WE ARE
4 UNDER STATE OF EMERGENCY, AND WHILE STATE AND LOCAL OFFICIALS
5 CONTINUE TO RECOMMEND MEASURES TO PROMOTE SOCIAL DISTANCING.
6 AND THEN, FINALLY, THE BOARD WILL RECONSIDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES
7 OF THE STATE OF EMERGENCY TO DETERMINE WHETHER
8 TELECONFERENCING SHOULD CONTINUE WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE
9 BOARD'S FIRST MEETING UNDER A.B. 361, AS REQUIRED BY THE LAW.
10 SO, MEMBERS, I DID WANT TO MAKE YOU AND THE PUBLIC AWARE OF
11 HOW WE ARE MOVING FORWARD. NOW WE ARE GOING TO GO TO ITEM 4.
12 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, WILL
13 BE TAKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENTS SEPARATELY FROM REGULAR
14 AGENDA ITEMS AND PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS DURING TODAY'S MEETING.
15 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD RECEIVED OVER 1,400 WRITTEN
16 PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S MEETING, AND AS THOSE WRITTEN
17 COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF THEM WERE AVAILABLE TO THE
18 SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION, CONSISTENT WITH BROWN ACT
19 REQUIREMENTS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS
20 THROUGH THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE OFFICIAL
21 RECORD; RECEIVE ANY WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS, THAT IS. MADAM
22 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

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24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
25 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE TWO, SET MATTER,

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1 10:30 A.M. THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. ITEM S-1 IS
2 A DISCUSSION OF PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER RELATED TO C.O.V.I.D.-19.
3 ON PAGE THREE, PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS ONE THROUGH FOUR. THESE
4 ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR HEARING. ON PAGE FIVE, CONSENT
5 CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 5 THROUGH 23. ON ITEM 14,
6 SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 15,
7 SUPERVISOR BARGER WOULD LIKE TO ABSTAIN FROM THE VOTE. ON ITEM
8 19, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK
9 TO HER OFFICE, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON
10 ITEM 20, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
11 ON ITEM 21, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
12 THIS ITEM RELATES TO ITEM 25. ON ITEM 22, THIS INCLUDES A
13 REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 19,
14 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, 24 THROUGH 35. ON ITEM 24, THE CHIEF
15 EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO
16 OCTOBER 5TH, 2021, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM
17 25, THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. ON ITEM 26,
18 SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 28,
19 THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
20 REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
21 AGENDA. ON ITEM 29, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WOULD LIKE TO ABSTAIN
22 FROM THE VOTE. THIS ITEM RELATES TO ITEM 36. ON PAGE 25, THIS
23 INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE
24 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS
25 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 33-B, SUPERVISOR

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1 SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK, TO
2 OCTOBER 5TH, 2021. THE REQUEST FOR REFERRED BACK AND
3 CONTINUANCES, THROUGH 33-C, ARE BEFORE YOU.

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5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY MYSELF, AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
6 HAHN TO APPROVE THE ITEMS. THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

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8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ON PAGE 26, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION. ON
9 ITEM 36, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WOULD LIKE TO ABSTAIN FROM THE
10 VOTE. THIS ITEM RELATES TO ITEM 29. ON PAGE 27, NOTICES OF
11 CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM CS-1, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS
12 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THAT COMPLETES THE
13 READING OF THE AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR.

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15 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NOW WE WILL GO ON TO ITEM NUMBER
16 FIVE, AND WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM SHERIFF VILLANUEVA, WHO HAS
17 REQUESTED TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ITEMS 20 AND 26. HE WILL
18 HAVE THREE MINUTES. PLEASE BEGIN.

19

20 **SHERIFF VILLANUEVA:** WELL, GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. I AM GOING
21 TO SPEAK SPECIFICALLY ON ITEM NUMBER... I BELIEVE IT IS 20:
22 ENSURING A TRANSPARENT, INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION INTO DEPUTY-
23 INVOLVED FATAL USES OF FORCE. I AM GOING TO HAVE TO TAKE
24 EXCEPTION TO THE ENTIRE CONCEPT OF IT, AND I'M GOING TO QUOTE
25 FROM YOUR REPORT, OR YOUR MOTION, WHERE YOU SAY, "LACK OF

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1 OVERSIGHT AND TRANSPARENCY OF L.A.S.D. INVESTIGATION THREATENS
2 TO FURTHER ERODE THE PUBLIC'S TRUST THAT JUSTICE WILL BE
3 SERVED." I NEED TO STOP YOU RIGHT THERE. THE ONLY PERSON, THE
4 ONLY ENTITY, THAT IS TRYING TO SELL THE IDEA TO THE PUBLIC
5 THAT WE ARE NOT TRANSPARENT, WE DON'T HOLD PEOPLE ACCOUNTABLE,
6 IS YOU, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THE PUBLIC ALREADY IS
7 UNDERSTANDING THAT IT IS A STRAIGHT POLITICAL ATTACK ON THE
8 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND MYSELF, AS SHERIFF. AND THE
9 INSPECTOR GENERAL, WHO YOU APPOINT, HAS FULL ACCESS TO EVERY
10 SINGLE DEPUTY-INVOLVED SHOOTING, HAS ALL OF THE INFORMATION,
11 SO ANY CLAIM THAT SOMEHOW HE CANNOT DO HIS JOB IS FALSE, AND
12 IS NOT SUPPORTED BY FACTS. BUT NOW THE THREE CASES THAT YOU
13 WANT TO TALK ABOUT-- MR. DANA MITCHELL "MALIK" YOUNG, DIJON
14 KIZZEE, AND THE THIRD ONE, SAMUEL HERRERA-- ALL THREE OF THOSE
15 CASES HAVE ALREADY BEEN DELIVERED TO THE JUSTICE SYSTEM
16 INTEGRITY DIVISION OF THE D.A.'S OFFICE, IN ITS ENTIRETY. THE
17 INSPECTOR GENERAL HAS EVERY SINGLE CASE, IN ITS ENTIRETY. AND
18 SO, IF YOU WANT TO INVOLVE THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IN
19 THE INQUEST, THAT WOULD BE VERY UNUSUAL; HOWEVER, THAT IS YOUR
20 CHOICE. BUT I THINK THE WAY YOU HAVE WRITTEN THIS ENTIRE
21 THING, YOU ARE DELIBERATELY MISLEADING THE PUBLIC. THE MANNER
22 AND MODE OF DEATH HAS ALREADY BEEN DETERMINED BY THE CORONER'S
23 OFFICE, IN ALL THREE CASES. EVERYTHING HAS BEEN SUBMITTED. THE
24 ENTIRE CASE FILE IS NOW IN THE HANDS OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
25 AND THEY HAVE CONTROL OVER THE PRODUCT AND THE PROCESS. SO,

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1 ALL WE ARE WAITING FOR IS THE DECISION FROM THE D.A.'S OFFICE,
2 REGARDING THE HOMICIDE, WHETHER IT WAS JUSTIFIABLE OR NOT. AND
3 THE FACTS ON ALL THREE CASES... I MEAN, GOOD LUCK WITH IT. YOU
4 ARE TRYING TO SELL THE IDEA, SOMEHOW, THAT THEY WERE UNJUSTLY
5 MURDERED BY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES. THAT'S REPREHENSIBLE. IN FACT,
6 THAT'S DOWNRIGHT REPULSIVE, WHEN YOU CONSIDER THE FACT THAT
7 MR. MALIK YOUNG KIDNAPPED THE YOUNG LADY, WAS BUSY TRYING TO
8 RAPE HER, FIRED AT THE PEOPLE THAT WERE TRYING TO RESCUE THIS
9 PERSON, AND THEN HE DIED IN A SUBSEQUENT DEPUTY-INVOLVED
10 SHOOTING. IF YOU WANT TO ELEVATE THAT, SOMEHOW, AS SOME
11 INJUSTICE THAT OCCURRED, WELL, WOW, YOU HAVE A STRANGE IDEA OF
12 WHAT JUSTICE INVOLVES. SAME THING WITH MR. HERRERA. WHAT WE
13 GET OUT OF HIS: WE HAD AK-47S, AR-15S, COCAINE,
14 METHAMPHETAMINE, MARIJUANA, IN A SHOOTOUT WITH DEPUTIES, AND
15 HE DIED AS A RESULT OF THAT SHOOTOUT. AND YOU WANT TO SAY THAT
16 HE WAS SOMEHOW KILLED, AND YOU ARE GOING TO ELEVATE THAT AS A
17 SIGN OF INJUSTICE FROM THE DEPARTMENT? THAT'S PRETTY STRANGE.
18 I THINK YOU GUYS-- HOW ABOUT STOP DOING WHAT YOU ARE DOING,
19 AND START HELPING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, INSTEAD OF
20 THROWING ROCKS, AND THEN CLAIM--

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22 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SHERIFF VILLANUEVA.
23 YOUR THREE MINUTES HAS EXPIRED. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENT.
24 MEMBERS, NOW WE WILL TAKE PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ALL AGENDA
25 ITEMS, EXCLUDING PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS 1 THROUGH 4. MADAM

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1 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN INFORMATION THAT
2 WAS ALSO PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA, AND EXPLAIN THESE SPEAKING
3 RULES TO THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE CALLING IN TO
4 ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AS INDICATED ON
7 THE AGENDA, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO OFFER PUBLIC
8 COMMENT SHOULD CALL (877) 226-8163, AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE
9 NUMBER 133-6503. TO REPEAT: PLEASE CALL (877) 226-8163, AND
10 USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 133-6503. DO NOT CALL THAT NUMBER
11 IF YOU ONLY WANT TO LISTEN TO THE MEETING. TO LISTEN ONLY,
12 PLEASE CALL (877) 873-8017 AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS. TO
13 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CALLING IN, WHEN IT IS YOUR TURN TO
14 SPEAK, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND WHICH AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH
15 TO SPEAK ON. YOU WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE TO SPEAK ON ONE AGENDA
16 ITEM, OR TWO MINUTES TO SPEAK ON TWO OR MORE AGENDA ITEMS. IN
17 ADDITION, THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD WITH
18 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE PROVIDED ONE ADDITIONAL MINUTE,
19 FOR A MAXIMUM TOTAL UP TO THREE MINUTES. WE WILL ALLOCATE 90
20 MINUTES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ALL OF THE ITEMS, EXCLUDING
21 PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO ACCEPT ALL WRITTEN
22 COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME
23 PART OF THE RECORD. WHEN SPEAKING ON AN AGENDA ITEM, YOU MUST
24 BE ON TOPIC. OUR GOAL IS TO GET THROUGH AS MANY SPEAKERS AS WE
25 CAN. IF YOU'RE NOT SPEAKING ON A TOPIC, OR IF WE CANNOT TELL

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

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

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17 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WE WILL NOW HEAR THE SPANISH
18 INTERPRETATION OF THIS REMINDER.

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20 **INTERPRETER:** [SPEAKS SPANISH.]

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

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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS BRIDGET GORDON. PLEASE
2 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND
3 WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
4 BEGIN.

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6 **BRIDGET GORDON:** HI. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. CAN YOU HEAR
7 ME?

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9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU. PLEASE BEGIN.

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11 **BRIDGET GORDON:** OKAY, GOOD MORNING. TODAY, I AM GOING TO BE
12 COMMENTING ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS: ALL TOGETHER, ITEM 14, ITEM
13 A-10, AND ITEM 17, ALL TOGETHER. I WILL BE COMMENTING ON ITEM
14 A-3, AND I WILL BE ALSO MAKING A GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT
15 REGARDING C.O.V.I.D. THE FIRST ITEM, ITEM 14 AND ITEM A-10, IS
16 IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, REGARDING
17 S.T.D.S. I AM THE CURRENT, SOLE CHAIR OF THE COMMISSION ON
18 H.I.V., AND I SPEAK NOT AS COMMISSIONER, BUT AS A WOMAN WHO IS
19 IMPACTED BY S.T.I., AND I SPEAK FOR ALL PEOPLE WHO ARE
20 IMPACTED BY S.T.I. THIS IS NOT A SOCIOECONOMIC ISSUE. IT IS
21 NOT AN ISSUE OF POOR PEOPLE. MY FIRST HUSBAND, 20 YEARS AGO,
22 BROUGHT HOME SYPHILIS, AND HE BROUGHT HOME H.I.V. WE CONTINUE
23 TO IGNORE THE FACT THAT H.I.V., S.T.D.S, ARE AN ISSUE. AND I
24 WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU TO ADD TRICHOMONIASIS TO THE LIST OF
25 S.T.D.S. NOW I AM GOING TO GO AND COMMENT ON THE OVARIAN

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1 CANCER MONTH. I NEED YOU TO KNOW THAT S.T.D.S DOUBLE THE RISK
2 OF A WOMAN BECOMING POSITIVE FOR OVARIAN CANCER, SO THIS IS
3 NOT DISCRIMINATORY. I AM GOING TO GO TO MY SECOND ITEM, AND
4 I'M GOING TO INCLUDE IT AS PUBLIC COMMENT. IT IS REGARDING
5 C.O.V.I.D. IT'S REGARDING A.B. 361, THAT YOU READ OFF TODAY.
6 AND I AM SO HAPPY THAT ALL OF YOU ARE PROTECTED AND STAYING
7 PHYSICALLY DISTANT, AND ABLE TO HAVE MEETINGS FROM YOUR HOMES,
8 AND SAFE. HOWEVER, OUR CHILDREN ARE IMPACTED BY A.B. 130. THEY
9 HAVE TO GO TO SCHOOL. THERE IS NO OPTION FOR A HYBRID OR
10 HOMESCHOOLING CLASS. THAT ENDED [INAUDIBLE] S.B. 980. A.B. 130
11 PREVENTS STUDENTS WHO HAVE PHYSICAL OR HEALTH ISSUES FROM
12 ATTENDING SCHOOL, AND FROM GETTING A FAIR AND EQUAL EDUCATION,
13 AND STAYING PROTECTED FROM C.O.V.I.D. SO I ASK YOU TO TALK
14 WITH YOUR STATE LEGISLATORS THAT ARE FRIENDS AND ARE
15 COLLEAGUES, AND TALK TO THEM ABOUT 130. WE WILL BE PUSHING
16 FORWARD MORE INFORMATION AS PARENTS, IN THE COMING DAYS AND
17 WEEKS. FINALLY, THE LAST COMMENT IS A.B. 30: THE ROADS AND
18 FLOODING. CURRENTLY, AT MY HOME, I AM EXPERIENCING MY STREET
19 BEING BLACKTOPPED. THE MORE CONCRETE, THE MORE BLACKTOP, THE
20 WORSE THE FLOODING. FURTHER, BLACKTOPPING IN NEIGHBORHOODS
21 LIKE MINE, IN SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2, ARE CONTRIBUTING TO
22 GLOBAL WARMING. THE BLACKNESS AND THE HEAT AND THE FUMES
23 DAMAGE OUR ENVIRONMENT AND OUR HEALTH.

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25 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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

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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. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

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9 **SPEAKER:** I AM GOING TO ADDRESS 15, 11, AND GENERAL PUBLIC
10 COMMENT. NUMBER ONE, ITEM 15, AS STATED IN THE AGENDA, IS
11 FALSE AND MISLEADING. THE ACTUAL TITLE OF S.B. 2 IS, "PEACE
12 OFFICER CERTIFICATION AND CIVIL RIGHTS." THIS LEGISLATION HAS
13 A WHOLE LOT MORE VERY INTRICATE LEGISLATION, AND ADVOCATES
14 WHAT TO DO. ON NUMBER 11, AGAIN, GUARANTEED INCOME IS A
15 SOCIALIST, "1984," PANDERING ENSLAVEMENT TOOL, A LA GLENN
16 GILLETTE. WHEN COUPLED WITH THE CATASTROPHES WE HAVE HAD AT
17 THE BORDER, AND THE AFGHANS, AND THEN THE NUMBER OF PEOPLES
18 CONTRIBUTING TO THE NEEDS FOR FUNDS, AND THE CENSUS BUREAU
19 NOTES THAT CALIFORNIA IS THE HIGHEST POVERTY STATE IN THE
20 UNION, WITH 18.2 PERCENT OF FUNCTIONAL POVERTY, AND THAT'S
21 7.28 MILLION PERSONS, WITH A HOST OF OTHER SOCIAL WELFARE
22 PROGRAMS. AND YOU SHOULD SUBSCRIBE TO "THE THOMAS SOWELL
23 READER," FOR YOU AND YOUR STAFF. AND THE PUBLIC COMMENTS
24 SITUATION THAT WE HAVE HERE... EXCUSE ME. GLENN GILLETTE NOTED
25 THAT THE POWER OVER FELLOW MAN IS PRIMORDIAL, AND THE GREATEST

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1 SINGLE DRIVING URGE OF MANKIND, VIRTUALLY FROM WOMB TO TOMB.
2 THE BOARD HAS PROVEN THIS, IN THIS MANNER. IT DOES NOT MATTER
3 THAT IT IS MAN OR WOMAN, GAY OR STRAIGHT. THE CONTENT OF
4 CHARACTER IS THE FUNDAMENTAL ELEMENT TO SERVE, AND THIS BOARD
5 IS WANTING. WE CAN ONLY HOPE THAT AFTER THE MIDTERMS, THE GANG
6 OF FOUR WILL BE NO MORE. SUPERVISOR HAHN [INAUDIBLE]
7 OBSERVATION AT ROWLAND HEIGHTS IS SO FRAGMENTED, IT IS
8 DIFFICULT TO GET ANYTHING DONE. SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOUR
9 DISRESPECT FOR THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF ROWLAND HEIGHTS HAS
10 SHOWN [INAUDIBLE], AND THE DESIRED MOSQUITO ARMAGEDDON WILL
11 NOT BE FORGOTTEN. THANK YOU.

12

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

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16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF CUE JN-
17 MARIE. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
18 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
19 PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

20

21 **CUE JN-MARIE:** YEAH, SORRY. MY NAME IS CUE JN-MARIE, PASTOR OF
22 THE CHURCH WITHOUT WALLS, SKID ROW. I AM ADDRESSING AGENDA
23 ITEMS 26, 20, AND 15. JESUS ONCE DECLARED TO HIS FOLLOWERS,
24 AND I QUOTE, "YOU OBSERVE HOW GODLESS LEADERS THROW THEIR
25 WEIGHT AROUND, HOW QUICKLY A LITTLE POWER GOES TO THEIR HEADS.

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1 BUT AMONG YOU, IT WILL BE DIFFERENT. WHOEVER WANTS TO BE A
2 LEADER AMONG YOU MUST BE A SERVANT, AND WHOEVER WANTS TO BE
3 FIRST AMONG YOU, MUST BE YOUR SERVANT." AND I AM SPEAKING
4 REGARDING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AGENDA ITEM 26: REPORT ON
5 UNDERSTANDING SUBGROUPS WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.
6 INSTEAD OF SIMPLY FILING THE R.A.N.D. REPORT, I URGE THE BOARD
7 OF SUPERVISORS TO TAKE SOME ACTION. AT LEAST PASS A MOTION TO
8 DIRECT CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION TO PROPOSE KEY
9 RECOMMENDATIONS ON ERADICATING DEPUTY GANGS, AND ADDRESSING
10 RELATED PROBLEMS. THIS REPORT IS FURTHER PROOF THAT THE BOARD
11 OF SUPERVISORS SHOULD BE OVERHAULING THE ENTIRE SHERIFF'S
12 DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING THROUGH A BALLOT MEASURE THAT WOULD
13 AMEND THE L.A. COUNTY CHARTER TO MAXIMIZE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT
14 AND CONTROL OVER THE SHERIFF AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,
15 BECAUSE THEY ARE OUT OF CONTROL. REGARDING ITEM 20, ENSURING A
16 TRANSPARENT AND INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION INTO DEPUTY-INVOLVED
17 FATAL USE OF FORCE: L.A.S.D. HAS FAILED TO COMPLY WITH THE
18 LAW. THE LAW, UNDER CALIFORNIA PUBLIC RECORDS ACT INFORMATION,
19 REGARDING A POLICE-INVOLVED KILLING, MUST BE MADE PUBLIC
20 UNLESS THE PUBLIC AGENCY CAN JUSTIFY A REASON OUTWEIGHING THE
21 PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO KNOW. YET, THE SHERIFF BELIEVES THAT THE
22 PUBLIC NEVER HAS A RIGHT TO KNOW ABOUT ANYTHING THEY ARE
23 DOING. I SUPPORT CHANGES THAT WILL MAKE TRANSPARENCY A
24 REALITY, NOT JUST RHETORIC. YOU CAN'T TAKE PICTURES WITH OUR
25 CHILDREN IN THE COMMUNITY, AND THINK THAT IS COMMUNITY

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1 POLICING. RIGHT? AGENDA NUMBER 15: POLICE OFFICERS WHO ENGAGE
2 IN ANTI-BLACK RACISM AND ABUSE THEIR POWER CREATE UNSAFE
3 COMMUNITIES. CALIFORNIA HAS AN OBLIGATION TO REMOVE THEIR
4 BADGES PERMANENTLY, TO ENSURE THAT THEY CAN DO MORE HARM. YET,
5 WE ARE - -

6

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

9

10 **CUE JN-MARIE:** THANK YOU.

11

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

16

17 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

18

19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, WE CAN. PLEASE BEGIN.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS HASSAN ZUNIGA. I AM A RESIDENT IN DISTRICT
22 TWO. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THE ARTICLE 21.

23

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

25

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1 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. AS WE ALL KNOW, WE HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY
2 TO EXPAND THE PROTECTIONS FOR C.O.V.I.D.-RELATED ISSUES, AND
3 ALSO, AS WE KNOW, A LOT OF OUR COMMUNITY IN LOS ANGELES HAVE
4 LOST THEIR JOBS DURING THIS EPIDEMIC. AND A LOT OF OUR
5 COMMUNITIES THAT I KNOW, AND MEMBERS WITH A.I.D.S., THAT I AM
6 PART OF, THEY ARE DEALING WITH A LOT OF HARASSMENT FROM
7 LANDLORDS BECAUSE OF THIS. AND I THINK IT IS OUR DUTY TO MAKE
8 SURE THAT WE EXTEND OUR PROTECTION TO THE NEXT YEAR, FOR ALL
9 THOSE COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO BE ABLE TO HAVE MORE TIME. I,
10 MYSELF, HAVE SEEN AND EXPERIENCED A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT HAVE
11 DONE AND DEAL WITH HARASSMENT, AND BEING PUSHED OUT OF THEIR
12 HOMES, ILLEGALLY. ONE EXAMPLE, IT'S A PERSON NAMED MELISSA
13 LOZANO. LITERALLY, ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO, HER LANDLORD PUT WOOD,
14 A BOARD, INTO HER APARTMENT, AND TOOK ALL HER STUFF WITHOUT
15 HER KNOWLEDGE, AND PUT IT SOMEWHERE ELSE. WHEN SHE WAS ABLE TO
16 GET IN, BECAUSE SHE CALLED THE CITY, AND SHE CONTACTED THE
17 COUNCIL MEMBER OF THE DISTRICT, MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, SHE
18 COULDN'T FIND ANY OF HER PERSONAL STUFF.

19

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

22

23 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF HELEN
24 JONES. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE

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1 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU WILL ADDRESS ON
2 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE BEGIN.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** YES. ITEM 26, ITEM 20, AND ITEM 15. AND YES, I WILL
5 ADDRESS PUBLIC COMMENT.

6

7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** PLEASE BEGIN. YOU HAVE THREE MINUTES.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, THANK YOU. ITEM 26: I URGE THE BOARD, INSTEAD
10 OF SIMPLY FOLLOWING THE R.A.N.D. REPORT, I URGE THE BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS TO TAKE SOME ACTION. AT LEAST, PASS A MOTION TO
12 DIRECT THE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION TO PROPOSE KEY
13 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ERADICATING DEPUTY GANGS AND ADDRESSING
14 RELATED PROBLEMS. THIS REPORT IS FURTHER PROOF THAT THE BOARD
15 OF SUPERVISORS SHOULD BE OVERHAULING THE ENTIRE SHERIFF'S
16 DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING THROUGH A BALLOT MEASURE THAT WOULD
17 AMEND THE L.A. COUNTY CHARTER TO MAXIMIZE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT
18 AND CONTROL OVER THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AS FOR ITEM 20, I
19 ALSO REQUEST THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER/CORONER TO CONDUCT AN
20 INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF DANA MITCHELL "MALIK" YOUNG JR.,
21 SAMUEL HERRERA JR., AND DIJON KIZZEE; UTILIZE SUBPOENA POWER
22 TO FIND RECORD OF L.A.S.D. ACTIONS; PROVIDE ANY FINDINGS TO
23 FAMILIES; ASK COUNTY COUNSEL FOR A REPORT BACK ON [INAUDIBLE]
24 INVESTIGATING POLICE SHOOTINGS BE OVERSEEN BY A CIVILIAN
25 PUBLIC OFFICIAL IN A MANNER THAT INCREASES TRANSPARENCY,

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1 INITIATING LITIGATION AGAINST L.A.S.D. FOR VIOLATING THE LAW
2 BY FAILING TO ALLOW OVERSIGHT OF POLICE INVESTIGATIONS. AND
3 NUMBER 15: I ALSO URGE THE BOARD TO... POLICE OFFICERS WHO
4 ENGAGE IN ANTI-BLACK RACISM AND ABUSE THEIR POWER CREATE
5 UNSAFE COMMUNITIES. CALIFORNIA HAS AN OBLIGATION TO REMOVE
6 THEIR BADGES PERMANENTLY, TO ENSURE THEY CAN DO NO MORE HARM.
7 YET, WE ARE ONE OF ONLY FOUR STATES THAT HAS NO PROCESS TO
8 REMOVE POLICE WHO ENGAGE IN MISCONDUCT FROM OUR STREETS.
9 SENATE BILL TWO, S.B. 2, THE KENNETH ROSS JR. POLICE
10 DECERTIFICATION ACT OF 2021, CHANGES THAT BY CREATING A
11 MULTILAYER SYSTEM OF DUE PROCESS THAT [INAUDIBLE], ENSURING
12 THAT A BADGE CAN NO LONGER BE USED AS A SHIELD FROM
13 ACCOUNTABILITY FROM MISCONDUCT OF ALL THE KILLINGS OF LAW
14 ENFORCEMENT. 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
20 GIANCARLO RUBIO. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
21 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
22 PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE BEGIN.

23

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1 **GIANCARLO RUBIO:** HI. IT IS GIANCARLO RUBIO, AND THE ITEM THAT
2 I WILL BE SPEAKING ON IS ITEM NUMBER 21, AND GENERAL PUBLIC
3 COMMENT.

4
5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. PLEASE BEGIN. YOU HAVE TWO
6 MINUTES.

7
8 **GIANCARLO RUBIO:** SURE. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS GIANCARLO
9 RUBIO, AND I AM CALLING ON BEHALF OF THE VALLEY INDUSTRY AND
10 COMMERCE ASSOCIATION, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS V.I.C.A. WE COMMEND
11 THE BOARD'S COMMITMENT TO OUR COMMUNITY AND ECONOMY, AND WE
12 URGE THE BOARD TO CONTINUE ITS COMMITMENT BY VOTING NO ON THE
13 L.A. COUNTY EVICTION MORATORIUM EXTENSION FOR INDIVIDUAL AND
14 COMMERCIAL TENANTS. OVER 17 MONTHS AGO, THESE MORATORIUMS WERE
15 CREATED AS A TEMPORARY MEASURE IN RESPONSE TO THE ONSET OF THE
16 C.O.V.I.D.-19 PANDEMIC. AT THIS JUNCTURE, IT IS CRITICAL THAT
17 THE COUNTY ALLOW REGULAR RENTAL OPERATIONS TO RESUME. GIVEN
18 COMPREHENSIVE ASSISTANCE AND EMERGENCY RELIEF PROVIDED BY THE
19 STATE AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, INCREASED VACCINE
20 AVAILABILITY, AND ECONOMIC REOPENING, A GRADUAL OR FULL LIFE
21 OF THE RENTAL HOUSING MORATORIUM MUST BE LIFTED. OUR COUNTY'S
22 HOUSING PROVIDERS CONTINUE TO NAVIGATE UNCERTAIN TIMES, AND
23 ARE FACING SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL PRESSURE. OPERATIONAL COSTS
24 ARE SKYROCKETING, AND IT IS BECOMING MORE AND MORE DIFFICULT
25 TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE AND EQUITABLE HOUSING IN OUR REGION. IT IS

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1 NO LONGER REASONABLE TO PROHIBIT NORMAL OPERATION AND COVERAGE
2 UNDER THE MORATORIUM FOR THOSE THAT FACE NO ECONOMIC HARDSHIP.
3 WE MUST CREATE A MORE TAILORED AND TARGETED APPROACH TO
4 DIRECTLY ADDRESS THE ORIGINAL INTENT OF THE MORATORIUM:
5 HELPING THOSE IMPACTED BY C.O.V.I.D.-19. V.I.C.A. URGES THE
6 BOARD TO PROTECT OUR HOUSING PROVIDERS AND OUR RENTERS. WE
7 REQUEST THAT ALL ASPECTS OF THE MORATORIUM, UNRELATED TO
8 DIRECT FINANCIAL HARDSHIP DUE TO C.O.V.I.D.-19, BE LIFTED;
9 THAT COMMERCIAL MORATORIUMS FOR BUSINESSES WITH OVER 100
10 EMPLOYEES BE LIFTED; AND THAT THE RENT INCREASE FREEZE IN
11 UNINCORPORATED AREAS BE LIFTED FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NOT
12 SUBMITTED HARDSHIP DECLARATIONS. THANK YOU.

13

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

16

17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF ANDRES
18 KWON. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING
19 TODAY, AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC
20 COMMENT. PLEASE BEGIN.

21

22 **ANDRES KWON:** ANDRES KWON, A.C.L.U., SPEAKING TO ITEMS 26, 20,
23 15, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS. ON ITEM 26, THE CHECK THE
24 SHERIFF COALITION URGES YOU TO TAKE ACTION, STARTING TODAY. AT
25 A MINIMUM, YOU COULD EASILY DIRECT THE C.O.C., A BODY WITH THE

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1 EXPERTISE IN SHERIFF OVERSIGHT, TO DEVELOP KEY RECOMMENDATIONS
2 ON ERADICATING DEPUTY GANGS, AND ADDRESSING RELATED PROBLEMS.
3 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, FROM LINE DEPUTIES AND ALL THE WAY
4 TO THE TOP, WITH VILLANUEVA, THE TRUMP OF LOS ANGELES, HAVE
5 BEEN RETALIATING AGAINST ANYONE WHO DARES ASK QUESTIONS, SPEAK
6 OUT, OR HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE. THEY'VE HARASSED SURVIVING
7 FAMILIES, ADVOCATES, JOURNALISTS. AND WITH THE L.A. TIMES'
8 BOMBHELL ARTICLE LAST WEEK ABOUT VILLANUEVA'S "SECRET
9 POLICE," IN COMMISSIONER SEAN KENNEDY'S MEMO, WAS SEEING HOW
10 VILLANUEVA HAS SOUGHT TO EXTORT OVERSIGHT OFFICIALS WHOM HE
11 DEEMS TO BE POLITICAL ENEMIES. AND NOW THIS R.A.N.D. REPORT
12 ONLY CONFIRMS WHAT WE HAVE KNOWN ALL ALONG. IT CONFIRMS DEPUTY
13 GANGS ARE ACTIVELY RECRUITING AND DOING HARM, AND SO IT SERVES
14 TO CHECK VILLANUEVA'S GASLIGHTING. INSIDE, THERE'S BEEN NO
15 COORDINATED EFFORT TO DISCOURAGE MEMBERSHIP IN DEPUTY GANGS,
16 AND VILLANUEVA COULD ADOPT A STRONGER POLICY THAT IS ACTUALLY
17 MEANINGFUL. AS YOU KNOW, VILLANUEVA HAS GONE FROM DENYING
18 DEPUTY GANGS AND CLAIMING THEY'RE ONLY HARMLESS SOCIAL GROUPS,
19 EVEN COMPARING THEM TO I.C.U. NURSES WITH MATCHING TATTOOS OF
20 HEARTS. BUT THEN, APPARENTLY, HE'S ALSO THE FIRST SHERIFF TO
21 DEAL WITH DEPUTY GANGS. I MEAN, WHICH IS IT, SHERIFF? OF
22 COURSE, WE KNOW, LIKE TRUMP, HE CAN JUST LIE THROUGH HIS
23 TEETH. IT IS TRUE THAT HE ADOPTED A POLICY, BUT WE KNOW IT
24 EFFECTIVELY DOES NOTHING. IT IS ALL SMOKE AND MIRRORS. AND
25 WHEN TOLD BY HIS OWN LAWYERS, BY COUNTY COUNSEL, THAT HE CAN

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1 ACTUALLY DO MORE, HE ATTACKED THEM FOR BEING POLITICALLY
2 MOTIVATED, AND SAYS HE PREFERS ANOTHER OLD, IRRELEVANT
3 [INAUDIBLE]. AGAIN, LIKE TRUMP, HE ONLY LIKES OPINIONS HE
4 LIKES. SO, SUPERVISORS, IT IS PAST TIME FOR THE BOARD TO BRING
5 ABOUT STRUCTURAL CHANGES; OR HOW THE L.A. TIMES RECENTLY PUT
6 IT, "RADICAL OVERHAULS OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT." DEPUTY
7 GANGS ARE ONLY A SYMPTOM OF A PERVASIVE AND DEEP-ROOTED
8 CULTURE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF LAWLESSNESS, SECRECY, AND
9 BRUTALITY, AND THE FACT THAT THE MAJORITY OF L.A.S.D.
10 PERSONNEL SURVEYED SAY DEPUTY GANGS ARE JUST FINE AND
11 SHOULDN'T BE BANISHED SHOWS IT IS NOT ABOUT SOME BAD APPLES.
12 IT'S AN ENTIRE TREE THAT'S BEEN ROTTEN TO ITS CORE. AND
13 VILLANUEVA IS ALSO A PRODUCT OF THIS CULTURE, ONE THAT IS
14 PERSISTENT, EVEN WITH FORMER SHERIFF BACA GOING TO PRISON.
15 THEREFORE, SUPERVISORS, PLEASE TAKE IMMEDIATE STEPS TO
16 OVERHAUL THE ENTIRE DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING THROUGH STATE
17 LEGISLATION; CONSIDERING ABOLISHMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT, AS THE
18 L.A. TIMES HAS SUGGESTED; AND THROUGH A COUNTY BALLOT MEASURE
19 THAT WOULD AMEND THE COUNTY CHARTER TO DO WHAT WE CAN DO,
20 LOCALLY, AND MAXIMIZE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT AND CONTROL OVER THE
21 SHERIFF AND HIS DEPARTMENT. THE LAST SHERIFF [INAUDIBLE]
22 COUNTY CHARTER AMENDMENT WAS 20 YEARS AGO. A GENERATION LATER,
23 IT'S PAST TIME. FINALLY, ON ITEMS 15 AND 20, WE URGE YOU TO
24 PASS THESE IMPORTANT MOTIONS. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR
25 BRINGING ITEM 15, TO URGE THE GOVERNOR TO SIGN S.B. 2. IT IS

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1 LONG OVERDUE FOR CALIFORNIA TO JOIN THE MAJORITY OF THE
2 COUNTRY IN HAVING THE ABILITY TO DECERTIFY, REMOVE, OFFICERS
3 WHO ENGAGE IN ANTI-BLACK RACISM AND ABUSE THEIR POWER. AND
4 THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND SOLIS, FOR CALLING FOR
5 INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATIONS INTO THE KILLINGS OF MR. YOUNG, MR.
6 KIZZEE, AND MR. HERRERA.

7

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

10

11 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE
12 OF RUBY RIVERA. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
13 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU WILL ADDRESS ON
14 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE BEGIN.

15

16 **RUBY RIVERA:** HELLO, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS RUBY RIVERA. I WILL
17 BE SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 21. I AM THE DIRECTOR OF
18 COMMUNITY ORGANIZING WITH INNERCITY STRUGGLE, A MEMBER OF THE
19 KEEP L.A. HOUSED COALITION, AND A TENANT IN SUPERVISORIAL
20 DISTRICT 2. I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE EXTENSION OF THE COUNTY'S
21 EVICTION PROTECTIONS IN THEIR CURRENT FORM. I WANT TO FIRST
22 THANK SUPERVISORS KUEHL AND SOLIS FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP IN
23 INTRODUCING THIS MOTION TO EXTEND EVICTION PROTECTIONS IN L.A.
24 COUNTY TO THE END OF JANUARY 2022. WE ARE ON THE CUSP OF AN
25 EVICTION TSUNAMI. HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF TENANTS ARE AT RISK

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1 OF EVICTION IN L.A. COUNTY, AND THE CHALLENGES IN ROLLING OUT
2 EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE, DESIGNED TO LIMIT THESE
3 EVICTIONS, HASN'T HELPED. THE STATE'S EVICTION PROTECTION
4 FALLS SHORT OF WHAT TENANTS NEED TO STAY SAFE IN THEIR HOME,
5 AND ONLY APPLY TO NONPAYMENT CASES. THESE LEAVES RENTERS
6 VULNERABLE TO OTHER TYPES OF EVICTIONS, INCLUDING NO-FAULT
7 EVICTIONS, THAT PUSH TENANTS OUT OF THEIR HOME, EVEN WHEN THEY
8 HAVE DONE NOTHING WRONG. LUCKILY, L.A. COUNTY HAS STEPPED UP
9 TO PROTECT TENANTS FROM THESE TYPES OF EVICTIONS, AS WELL, BUT
10 THAT POLICY IS SET TO EXPIRE AT THE END OF THE MONTH, ALONG
11 WITH THE STRONGER STATE PROTECTIONS. WE NEED THE EVICTION
12 PROTECTIONS IN THEIR CURRENT FORM TO BE EXTENDED UNTIL THE
13 RENT DEBT HAS BEEN RESOLVED. ADDITIONALLY, ON OCTOBER 1ST,
14 LANDLORDS WILL BE ABLE TO FILE NONPAYMENT CASES WITH NEW RULES
15 THAT MAKE THE COUNTY'S EXTENSIONS EVEN MORE IMPORTANT, TO MAKE
16 SURE LANDLORDS CAN'T USE OTHER REASONS TO CIRCUMVENT THOSE NEW
17 RULES.

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

21
22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF KATJA
23 NELSON. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH TO
24 ADDRESS TODAY, AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
25 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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1

2 **KATJA NELSON:** GOOD MORNING. I AM SPEAKING ON ITEM 14 AND
3 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU. YOU'LL HAVE TWO
6 MINUTES. PLEASE BEGIN.

7

8 **KATJA NELSON:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
9 MY NAME IS KATJA NELSON, AND ON BEHALF OF A.P.L.A. HEALTH, AND
10 AS THE PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR FOR THE COMMISSION ON
11 H.I.V., I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR AUTHORIZING THIS
12 INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT MOTION THAT WILL HELP US TAKE A STEP IN
13 TACKLING L.A. COUNTY'S S.T.D. CRISIS. AS YOU KNOW FROM THE
14 DATA OUTLINED IN THE MOTION, OUR S.T.D. RATES HAVE REACHED
15 CRISIS LEVELS YEARS AGO, AND HAVE ONLY CONTINUED TO GROW
16 THROUGHOUT THE PANDEMIC. THE L.A. TIMES ARTICLE LAST WEEK
17 HIGHLIGHTED THAT WE HAVE SOME OF THE HIGHEST S.T.D. RATES IN
18 THE NATION, AND IT IS UNACCEPTABLE THAT WE HAD OVER 100 BABIES
19 BORN LAST YEAR WITH CONGENITAL SYPHILIS. AS PUBLIC HEALTH AND
20 HEALTHCARE SECTORS FOCUSED ATTENTION ON THE C.O.V.I.D.-19
21 PANDEMIC, AN ALREADY UNDER-RESOURCED EPIDEMIC WAS CAST FURTHER
22 ASIDE. AS AN EXAMPLE, A FULLY COMPLETED CONGENITAL SYPHILIS
23 ACTION PLAN, MEANT TO BE PUT INTO ACTION IN EARLY 2020, HAS
24 STILL YET TO BE IMPLEMENTED. THE COUNTY'S RESPONSE TO THE
25 C.O.V.I.D.-19 PANDEMIC HAS SHOWN THAT WE ARE CAPABLE OF

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1 ACHIEVING WHEN WE PUT OUR LEADERSHIP, OUR FUNDING, AND OUR
2 PUBLIC HEALTH TOOLS INTO ACTION, AND IN PARTICULAR WHEN WE
3 FOCUS ON THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH, RACISM, AND STIGMA
4 THAT PLAYS A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN PERPETUATING THE S.T.D.
5 CRISIS. I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT AS THIS MOTION BUILDS ON THE
6 NOVEMBER 2018 REPORT BACK REQUEST AND \$5 MILLION ONE-TIME
7 FUNDING ALLOCATION, THE OVERALL SUCCESS OF OUR EFFORTS TO CURB
8 THIS CRISIS HINGE ON HAVING RESOURCES THAT WE'VE [INAUDIBLE]
9 TO THIS CRISIS. AND AT THIS POINT, WE ESTIMATE THAT THAT
10 AMOUNT IS ABOUT \$50 MILLION, ANNUALLY, GIVEN THAT S.T.D.
11 FUNDING HAS BEEN MOSTLY FLAT-FUNDED. AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR THIS
12 MOTION, WHICH WILL CREATE A REFRESHED ACTION PLAN TO TACKLE
13 THIS CRISIS. THERE IS A BROAD SET OF STAKEHOLDERS AND
14 COMMUNITY PARTNERS, COUNTYWIDE, WHO ARE EAGER TO WORK WITH THE
15 BOARD AND THE HEALTH AGENCY LEADERSHIP ON THIS, AND WE WILL
16 SUPPORT THE BOARD IN ANY AND ALL ASPECTS AT THE FEDERAL AND
17 STATE LEVEL TO INCREASE PERMANENT FUNDING FOR S.T.D.S. AND AT
18 THE SAME TIME, WE URGE THE BOARD TO TAKE A DEEPER DIVE INTO
19 AVAILABLE COUNTY RESOURCES AND CAPACITY THAT COULD BE DIRECTED
20 TOWARDS THIS PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS. WE ALREADY HAVE THE TOOLS,
21 AND WE KNOW WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE. THE BIGGEST CHALLENGES ARE
22 SECURING THE RESOURCES AND HAVING A WHOLE COUNTY COMMITMENT TO
23 PUT THIS PLAN INTO ACTION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

24

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

3

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

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9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WE WILL NOW HEAR THE SPANISH
10 INTERPRETATION OF THIS REMINDER.

11

12 **INTERPRETER:** [SPEAKS SPANISH.]

13

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

16

17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF
18 JONATHAN YANG. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
19 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND OR NOT YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC
20 COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

21

22 **JONATHAN YANG:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS JONATHAN YANG, ON BEHALF
23 OF PUBLIC COUNSEL AND A RESIDENT OF THE THIRD DISTRICT,
24 SPEAKING ON ITEMS 21, 25, AND THEN GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I
25 WANT TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF EXTENDING EVICTION PROTECTIONS FOR

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1 COMMERCIAL TENANTS, PARTICULARLY FOR THE SMALLEST AND MOST
2 MARGINALIZED SMALL BUSINESSES IN L.A., THAT WE SEE IN OUR
3 WORK, AND WHO ARE STILL RECOVERING FROM THE IMPACTS OF
4 C.O.V.I.D. SINCE THE BOARD LAST EXTENDED THE EVICTION
5 PROTECTIONS, WE HAVE SEEN THE DELTA VARIANT FURTHER DISRUPT
6 BUSINESSES AND THEIR RECOVERY. MANY SMALL BUSINESSES STILL
7 NEED THESE PROTECTIONS AS MUCH TODAY AS THEY DID WHEN THE
8 COUNTY FIRST ENACTED THEM, AND WE SUPPORT THE BOARD'S
9 CONSIDERATION OF AN EXTENSION. WE KNOW SMALL BUSINESS TENANTS
10 AREN'T THE ONLY ONES HURT. WE SEE SMALL LANDLORDS STRUGGLING,
11 AS WELL, AND THE TENANTS WE WORK WITH ARE PAYING WHAT THEY CAN
12 RIGHT NOW, AND WE SUPPORT EFFORTS LIKE THE RENT RELIEF PROGRAM
13 THIS BOARD PASSED EARLIER THIS YEAR TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO
14 THOSE VULNERABLE PARTIES, AS WELL. BUT WHILE THAT PROGRAM AND
15 OTHER RECOVERY EFFORTS CONTINUE TO ROLL OUT, THE COUNTY MUST
16 CONTINUE TO PROTECT TENANTS. WE ARE ALREADY DEALING WITH
17 LANDLORDS WHO ARE DOING EVERYTHING THEY CAN TO SQUEEZE MONEY
18 OUT OF SMALL BUSINESSES, WHETHER OR NOT ALL THAT TRAUMA AND
19 PAIN IS GOING TO YIELD ANYTHING CLOSE TO WHAT THEY ARE TRYING
20 TO RECOVER. THERE ARE NO EASY ANSWERS, BUT PUTTING EVICTION
21 BACK ON THE TABLE RIGHT NOW ONLY MAKES THOSE PROBLEMS WORSE.
22 WE KNOW THAT BAD THINGS TEND TO FLOW DOWNHILL, AND THE
23 EVICTION PROTECTIONS ARE A VITAL SHIELD STOPPING THE ECONOMIC
24 CONSEQUENCES OF C.O.V.I.D. FROM FALLING MOST HEAVILY ON THOSE
25 WHO ARE LEAST ABLE TO BEAR THEM. THE SMALLEST OF SMALL

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1 BUSINESSES THAT WE WORK WITH ARE FIGHTING HARD TO RECOVER,
2 PAYING WHAT THEY CAN, EVEN IF IT TAKES THEM LONGER THAN THE
3 BIGGER AND MORE VISIBLE BUSINESSES OUT THERE. THEY DESERVE
4 THAT CHANCE TO KEEP FIGHTING. THIS REASONABLE EXTENSION OF THE
5 EVICTION PROTECTIONS HELPS GIVE THEM THAT CHANCE, AND WE URGE
6 YOU TO ADOPT THEM TODAY. THANK YOU.

7

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

10

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

15

16 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DANA DEMARS, AND I WILL
17 BE SPEAKING ON ITEM NUMBER 21, AND YES, I WILL BE SPEAKING ON
18 COMMENTS, AS WELL. I AM ASKING THE BOARD TO VOTE NO ON
19 EXTENDING THE MORATORIUM. I AM A SINGLE HOMEOWNER. SORRY, I AM
20 GOING TO GET EMOTIONAL HERE. I'M A SINGLE HOMEOWNER, WHERE I
21 HAVE A TENANT WHO MOVED INTO MY HOUSE AT THE END OF MARCH
22 2020, WITH A BANK ACCOUNT IN EXCESS OF \$55,000, AND PROMPTLY
23 STOPPED PAYING. SHE HAS RECEIVED P.P.P. MONEY, I JUST FOUND
24 OUT LAST YEAR, BUT HAS CITED FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES. SHE HAS
25 NOT PAID SINCE OCTOBER OF LAST YEAR, AND THE HOUSE, I NEED TO

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1 SELL, SO I CAN FEED MY FAMILY. AND I CAN'T, BECAUSE SHE WON'T
2 LEAVE. IN MARCH OF THIS YEAR, I ASKED HER TO, YOU KNOW, THE
3 PROGRAM FOR CASH FOR KEYS. I OFFERED HER \$25,000 TO GET OUT OF
4 MY HOME. SHE REFUSED, BECAUSE IT WASN'T ENOUGH. THERE IS NO
5 BURDEN OF PROOF FOR A LOT OF THESE PEOPLE, AND A LOT OF PEOPLE
6 ARE TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE SYSTEM. I FULLY ACCEPT THE FACT
7 THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE THAT NEED THIS PROGRAM, AND NEED A HAND
8 UP. BUT THERE ARE SO MANY PEOPLE, LIKE THIS WOMAN IN MY HOME,
9 WHERE I CAN'T EVEN FEED MY OWN FAMILY, TO BE ABLE TO SELL MY
10 HOUSE, THAT I HAVE OWNED SINCE 2005, THAT I AM FINALLY NOT
11 UPSIDE DOWN IN, IN THIS CURRENT MARKET. IT IS RIDICULOUS THAT
12 THERE ARE THINGS LIKE THIS THAT ARE BEING ALLOWED. I CAN'T
13 FEED MY OWN FAMILY. I AM CARRYING CREDIT CARD DEBT BECAUSE OF
14 THIS WOMAN. SHE OWED IN EXCESS OF \$35,000 TO ME. \$35,000. AND
15 SHE HAS IT. SHE NEVER STOPPED WORKING. SHE GOT A P.P.P. LOAN
16 IN EXCESS OF \$20,000. WHERE IS THE JUSTICE FOR THE PEOPLE LIKE
17 ME? THANK YOU.

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

21
22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF DIJONAE
23 PARKER. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
24 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU WILL ADDRESS ON
25 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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1

2 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. I WILL BE ADDRESSING ON ITEM 20 AND
3 PUBLIC COMMENT.

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. YOU WILL HAVE TWO MINUTES.
6 PLEASE BEGIN.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DIJONAE PARKER, AND I'M A
9 CAMPAIGNER AT ESSIE JUSTICE GROUP, WHICH IS A NONPROFIT
10 ORGANIZATION OF WOMEN WITH INCARCERATED LOVED ONES, TAKING ON
11 THE RAMPANT INJUSTICE CREATED BY MASS INCARCERATION. WE ARE
12 ALSO PART OF JUSTICE L.A. AND CHECK THE SHERIFF COALITION.
13 SINCE 2000, 937 FAMILIES, INCLUDING ESSIE JUSTICE GROUP
14 MEMBERS, HAVE MOURNED THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE BECAUSE OF
15 SHOCKING AND UNACCEPTABLE ACTS OF VIOLENCE BY THE LOS ANGELES
16 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. WE HAVE SEEN TOO MANY BLACK WOMEN LOSE
17 THEIR SONS, DAUGHTERS, PARTNERS, AND LOVED ONES THROUGH THE
18 DEPARTMENT'S LAWLESSNESS. THIS CONTINUES TO IMPART A LEVEL OF
19 TRAUMA AND TERROR INTO THE LIVES OF BLACK RESIDENTS OF LOS
20 ANGELES COUNTY, WHILE THE L.A. SHERIFF REFUSES TO TAKE THE
21 MOST BASIC STEPS ON BEHALF OF THEIR CIVIL AND HUMAN RIGHTS.
22 FOR THESE REASONS, WE STRONGLY SUPPORT ITEM 20, ENSURING A
23 TRANSPARENT, INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION INTO DEPUTY-INVOLVED
24 FATAL USE OF FORCE, THE MOTION CO-AUTHORED BY SUPERVISORS
25 MITCHELL AND SOLIS. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND SOLIS,

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1 FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN CO-AUTHORING THIS MOTION, AND
2 SPECIFICALLY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR WORKING SO CLOSELY WITH
3 US TO MAKE THIS MOTION A REALITY. WE STAND ALONGSIDE THE MALIK
4 FAMILY, THE LOVED ONES OF DIJON KIZZEE AND SAMUEL HERRERA JR.,
5 AND THE 937 OTHER FAMILIES WHO HAVE LOST THEIR SONS, THEIR
6 LOVED ONES, TO L.A.S.D. KILLINGS, TO DEMAND TRANSPARENT AND
7 INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATIONS INTO L.A.S.D. KILLINGS OF OUR LOVED
8 ONES. THE OVERT LACK OF OVERSIGHT, TRANSPARENCY, AND
9 ACCOUNTABILITY BY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS UNACCEPTABLE AND
10 MUST END NOW. I URGE YOU TO VOTE YES ON THIS IMPORTANT MOTION.
11 AND THANK YOU AGAIN, SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND SOLIS, FOR CO-
12 AUTHORIZING THIS MOTION.

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

16
17 **MONITOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF DANIELLE
18 LEIDNER-PERETZ. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
19 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
20 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

21
22 **DANIELLE LEIDNER-PERETZ:** GOOD MORNING. DANIELLE LEIDNER-
23 PERETZ, THE APARTMENT ASSOCIATION OF GREATER LOS ANGELES. I'LL
24 BE SPEAKING IN OPPOSITION TO AGENDA ITEM 21, AND GENERAL
25 PUBLIC COMMENT.

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2 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** PLEASE BEGIN. YOU'LL HAVE TWO MINUTES.

3

4 **DANIELLE LEIDNER-PERETZ:** IN 2020, THE COUNTY WAS FACED WITH AN
5 UNPRECEDENTED GLOBAL PANDEMIC, AND INSTITUTED INTERIM
6 EMERGENCY MEASURES. TODAY, THE STATE IS FULLY REOPENED. THE
7 STATEWIDE EVICTION MORATORIUM IS DAYS AWAY FROM EXPIRATION,
8 AND CALIFORNIA CONTINUES TO HAVE THE LOWEST C.O.V.I.D. RATE IN
9 THE COUNTY. RENTAL HOUSING PROVIDERS MUST BE ALLOWED TO RESUME
10 REGULAR OPERATIONS. THE ASSOCIATION HAS REPEATEDLY URGED THE
11 COUNTY TO CONDUCT A THOUGHTFUL ASSESSMENT OF EACH OF THE
12 MORATORIUM PROVISIONS, AND INSTITUTE MODIFICATIONS BASED ON
13 THE CURRENT SITUATION, NOT SPECULATION. WHAT IS THE
14 JUSTIFICATION FOR THE CURRENT EXTENSION, WITHOUT CONSIDERATION
15 OR LIMITATION OF THE MORATORIUM, TO THOSE WHO HAVE NOT
16 PROVIDED A DOCUMENTED C.O.V.I.D.-19 IMPACT? IT IS SIMPLY
17 UNACCEPTABLE FOR THE COUNTY TO CONTINUE TO ACCEPT
18 SUBSTANTIALLY UNCHANGED 2020 INTERIM EMERGENCY MEASURES INTO
19 2022. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT THE COUNTY SEEK A PATH FORWARD
20 TODAY TO ESTABLISH LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS, AND NOT THE CONTINUAL
21 EXTENSION OF THESE INTERIM BROAD-BASED MEASURES. THANK YOU.

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 ANTHONY
2 PETERS. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH TO
3 ADDRESS TODAY, AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING ON
4 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** YES, HI. MY NAME IS ANTHONY PETERS. I WILL BE
7 SPEAKING ON ITEM NUMBER 21, AND PUBLIC COMMENT.

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YOU'LL HAVE TWO MINUTES. PLEASE BEGIN.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** YES, I'M CALLING IN OPPOSITION TO EXTENDING THE
12 MORATORIUM. AS A PROPERTY OWNER, I'VE HAD TO BEAR THE BURDEN
13 OF TENANTS LIVING IN MY PROPERTY FOR MONTHS, FOR OVER A YEAR
14 AND A HALF, NOT PAYING RENT. AND YES, I AM HAVING TO FUND
15 THEIR ABILITY TO LIVE IN MY PROPERTY. I AM AT A POINT WHERE
16 I'M RISKING LOSING MY HOME, AND SO ARE OTHER PEOPLE THAT I
17 KNOW, THAT ALSO OWN PROPERTY THAT ARE BEING RENTED OUT. WE ARE
18 ALL AT A POINT WE'RE ABOUT TO LOSE OUR HOMES, AND THERE'S NO
19 HELP BEING PROVIDED TO US, THE ASSUMPTION BEING THAT BECAUSE
20 WE OWN PROPERTY, WE MUST BE RICH, SO WE CAN AFFORD TO FUND
21 PEOPLE LIVING IN OUR PROPERTY. THAT IS NOT THE CASE. I HAVE A
22 FULL-TIME JOB, AND I ALSO OWN THIS PROPERTY. I AM HAVING TO
23 TAKE MONEY OUT OF MY PAYCHECK TO MAKE SURE I CAN PAY MY
24 MORTGAGE AT MY CURRENT HOME, WHERE I'M LIVING, AND ALSO MY
25 RENTAL PROPERTY. MEANWHILE, THE PERSON WHO LIVES IN MY RENTAL

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1 PROPERTY HAS A JOB, HAS A FULL-TIME JOB, BUT REFUSES TO PAY ME
2 RENT. THAT MAKES ABSOLUTELY NO SENSE. WHY ARE WE HAVING TO PAY
3 FOR THIS? WHY ARE WE BEING PUNISHED FOR TRYING TO HELP PEOPLE
4 AND PROVIDE THEM A PLACE TO LIVE? WHY ARE WE BEING PUNISHED
5 FOR THAT? THAT MAKES NO SENSE. WE SHOULD NOT EXTEND THIS. WE
6 SHOULD NOT EXTEND THIS. WE SHOULD JUST LET IT END, AND LET
7 REGULAR [INAUDIBLE] RESUME FOR PROPERTY OWNERS. 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 ELLEN
13 GEISEY. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
14 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
15 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. MY NAME IS ELLEN GEISEY. I'M A RESIDENT OF
18 DISTRICT FIVE, AND I WILL BE SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEMS 11, 15,
19 18, 20, 21, 26, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, REGISTERING MY
20 SUPPORT FOR ALL OF THESE AGENDA ITEMS. I'D LIKE TO START BY
21 SAYING HOW STRONGLY I SUPPORT THIS FIRST ITEM, 11, REGARDING
22 THE STATE GUARANTEED INCOME PROGRAM. EVERY STUDY THAT HAS BEEN
23 DONE IN COUNTIES WHERE SUCH PROGRAMS HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED HAS
24 SHOWN HOW EFFECTIVE THEY ARE, AND HOW IMPORTANT THEY WILL BE
25 TO GETTING L.A. COUNTY ON THE RIGHT TRACK. MOVING ON, I WOULD

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1 LIKE TO JUMP DOWN TO AGENDA ITEM 20 AND 26, AND JUST UPLIFT
2 WHAT MR. KWON SAID EARLIER. VILLANUEVA IS THE TRUMP OF L.A.,
3 HE GASLIGHTS EVERY TIME HE COMES ON THESE MEETINGS, AND HE IS
4 GETTING BETTER AT IT, I'D LIKE TO ADD. BUT THAT DOES NOT
5 CHANGE THAT WHAT HE SAYS IS NOTHING BUT LIES AND VENOM. BY
6 LAW, UNDER THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC RECORDS ACT, INFORMATION
7 REGARDING A POLICE-INVOLVED KILLING MUST BE MADE PUBLIC,
8 UNLESS A PUBLIC AGENCY CAN JUSTIFY A REASON OUTWEIGHING THE
9 PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO KNOW. L.A.S.D. HAS FAILED TO COMPLY WITH
10 THOSE, AND I AM HERE TO SAY, AS A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WITH
11 THAT RIGHT TO KNOW, I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THEY HAVE PROVED
12 THAT THEY OUTWEIGH THAT RIGHT IN ANY OF THESE INSTANCES. AND
13 AGAIN, REGARDING THE DEPUTY GANGS-- AND YES, I AM CALLING THEM
14 GANGS, NOT SUBGROUPS, BECAUSE THAT IS WHAT THEY ARE-- THEY ARE
15 HEINOUS, THEY ARE TERRIFYING, AND THEY ARE TERRIFYING TO ME AS
16 A WHITE WOMAN. IMAGINE HOW TERRIFYING THEY MUST BE TO SOMEBODY
17 THAT THEY WERE ACTUALLY TARGETING. REGARDING MY GENERAL PUBLIC
18 COMMENT, I WOULD LIKE TO PUT IN, WE'VE HEARD OVER AND OVER,
19 THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE HAS A LEGAL MANDATE UNDER A.B. 109 TO FUND
20 THE BASE PROGRAMS. AND I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ENCOURAGE THIS
21 BOARD TO LISTEN TO THE P.S.R.T. BEFORE ANY FUNDING WAS
22 COMMITTED TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND PROBATION. AND MY
23 FINAL THING IS, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THAT THIS BOARD FIND A WAY
24 TO MAKE THESE PUBLIC COMMENTS SLIGHTLY MORE TRANSPARENT. ON
25 EVERY OTHER PUBLIC MEETING THAT WE CALL INTO, WE CAN SEE A

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1 QUEUE. WE ARE TOLD WHEN WE ARE GOING TO BE SPEAKING. AND IF
2 WE ARE IN THE QUEUE-- WE ARE TOLD ON THIS ANNOUNCEMENT THAT WE
3 ARE IN THE QUEUE, BUT I HAVE A FRIEND WHO, TWO MEETINGS AGO,
4 WAS SUPPOSED TO BE IN QUEUE, AND WE GOT TO THE END OF PUBLIC
5 COMMENT. THEY SAID THERE WAS NOBODY IN QUEUE BEFORE THE HOUR
6 WAS UP, AND I KNOW FOR A FACT, MY FRIEND WAS STILL IN THE
7 QUEUE AT THAT TIME. SO I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO SEE A LITTLE
8 MORE TRANSPARENCY AROUND HOW THE PUBLIC COMMENT ON THESE
9 MEETINGS IS RUN. THANK YOU.

10

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

13

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

18

19 **SYLVIA CASTILLO:** GOOD MORNING. I AM SPEAKING ON ITEM NO. 14,
20 AND PROVIDING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. MY NAME IS SYLVIA
21 CASTILLO, AND I AM HERE REPRESENTING ESSENTIAL ACTS OF HEALTH,
22 TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 14. WE WORK IN CLOSE PARTNERSHIP
23 WITH THE STATE S.T.D. CONTROL BRANCH AND THE LOS ANGELES
24 COUNTY DIVISION OF H.I.V./S.T.D. PROGRAMS TO SUPPORT THE
25 DELIVERY OF QUALITY CARE, AND PREVENT THE SPREAD OF S.T.I.S.

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1 ESSENTIAL ACTS IS IN STRONG SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 14, THE
2 MOTION INTRODUCED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, TO ADDRESS THE S.T.I.
3 CRISIS IN THE COUNTY. LA COUNTY IS ONE OF THE EPICENTERS OF
4 THE S.T.I. CRISIS IN THE STATE. IN 2019, THERE WERE NEARLY
5 100,000 S.T.I. CASES OF CHLAMYDIA, GONORRHEA, AND SYPHILIS. IN
6 RECENT YEARS, STATE LEADERS HAVE TAKEN ACTION BY INCREASING
7 STATE INVESTMENT IN S.T.I. PREVENTION IN THE STATE BUDGET. BUT
8 STATE FUNDING, WHILE IT'S A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION, IT IS
9 NOT SUFFICIENT TO REVERSE THE ALARMING TREND OF RISING S.T.I.
10 RATES. WE NEED ALL HANDS ON DECK. AND SO FOR THESE REASONS, WE
11 URGE THE BOARD TO ADOPT ITEM 14. AND IN ADDITION TO TAKING
12 THE STEPS OUTLINED IN THE MOTION, WE URGE THE BOARD TO FOCUS
13 ON IDENTIFYING LONG-TERM, SUSTAINABLE, LOCAL FUNDING THAT WILL
14 SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ROBUST INFRASTRUCTURE NECESSARY
15 TO REDUCE S.T.I. RATES IN THE COUNTY. A COUNTY COMMITMENT TO
16 INVESTMENT IS DESPERATELY NEEDED TO INCREASE PROVIDER TRAINING
17 AND SUPPORT, OUTREACH AND EDUCATION, AND PATHWAYS TO TREATMENT
18 FOR THOSE WHO STILL LACK ACCESS TO HEALTH COVERAGE PROGRAMS.
19 THANK YOU, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH COUNTY
20 LEADERSHIP AND THE PROVIDER AND ADVOCACY COMMUNITY TO END THIS
21 CRISIS. THANK YOU.

22
23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** 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 ESTHELA
2 PACHECO. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH TO
3 ADDRESS TODAY, AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU'LL BE ADDRESSING GENERAL
4 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **ESTHELA PACHECO:** HI. GOOD MORNING, CHAIR SOLIS AND
7 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ESTHELA PACHECO, WITH THE L.A. AREA
8 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. I'M CALLING IN OPPOSITION TO ITEM 21.
9 MODIFICATIONS SHOULD BE INSTITUTED THAT PROTECT THOSE THAT
10 CONTINUE TO FACE HARDSHIP DUE TO THE PANDEMIC, WHILE ALLOWING
11 CRITICAL REGULAR AND RENTAL OPERATIONS TO RESUME. WE
12 RESPECTFULLY REQUEST, UPON THE END OF THE CURRENT COUNTY
13 EVICTION MORATORIUM, SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 30TH, FOR
14 RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL RENTERS, THAT ALL ASPECTS OF THE
15 EVICTION MORATORIUM NOT RELATED TO DIRECT FINANCIAL HARDSHIP
16 DUE TO C.O.V.I.D.-19 BE LIFTED, AND THE RENT INCREASE FREEZE
17 IN UNINCORPORATED TERRITORIES BE LIFTED FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NOT
18 SUBMITTED DECLARATIONS OF HARDSHIP. IT IS NO LONGER REASONABLE
19 TO PROHIBIT NORMAL COMMERCIAL AND RENTAL OPERATIONS IN
20 COVERAGE UNDER THE MORATORIUM FOR THOSE THAT FACE NO IMPACT OR
21 HARDSHIP. THERE MUST BE A MORE TAILORED APPROACH, DIRECTLY
22 ADDRESSING THE ORIGINAL INTENT OF THE MORATORIUM, HELPING
23 THOSE IMPACTED BY C.O.V.I.D.-19. THANK YOU.

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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 CHRISTY
5 MASTRALUCA. 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 CHRISTY MASTRALUCA. I AM ADDRESSING
10 ITEM NUMBER 21, IN SUPPORT OF ENDING THIS EVICTION MORATORIUM.
11 MY DAUGHTER AND SON-IN-LAW BOUGHT A HOUSE 15 MONTHS AGO, AND
12 THEY HAVE YET TO BE ABLE TO MOVE INTO THIS HOUSE, BECAUSE THE
13 PERSON LIVING THERE IS UNWILLING TO LEAVE. SHE HAS NOT PAID
14 RENT IN OVER 15 MONTHS. SHE IS NOT IMPACTED, FINANCIALLY, BY
15 C.O.V.I.D. ONE BIT. MY DAUGHTER AND SON-IN-LAW AND TWO-YEAR-
16 OLD HAVE LIVED WITH US. MY DAUGHTER OWNS A SALON, AND LAST
17 YEAR SHE HAD TO PAY A LEASE ON A BUSINESS SHE COULDN'T OPEN,
18 DUE TO C.O.V.I.D., AND PAY MORTGAGE AND TAXES ON A HOUSE SHE
19 COULDN'T LIVE IN. THIS EVICTION MORATORIUM IS FOR PEOPLE THAT
20 ARE A TRUE HARDSHIP. MY DAUGHTER IS A HARDWORKING WOMAN, AND
21 SHE HAS MENTALLY BROKE FROM THIS. I HAVE REACHED OUT TO THE
22 SUPERVISORS NUMEROUS TIMES, AND HAVE BEEN IGNORED CONTINUALLY.
23 I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF YOU WOULD PLEASE TAKE INTO
24 CONSIDERATION THOSE YOUNG FAMILIES THAT HAVE PURCHASED HOUSES
25 LEGALLY, THEY HAVE GONE THROUGH THE STEPS OF PROVIDING

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1 INFORMATION TO QUALIFY FOR A LOAN, AND DONE EVERYTHING RIGHT,
2 WHILE THIS WOMAN SITS IN THIS HOUSE AND DOES NOTHING BUT
3 COLLECT UNEMPLOYMENT, AND COLLECT DISABILITY, AND COLLECT
4 EVERYTHING, AND HER CAREGIVER IS BEING PAID BY THE STATE, AS
5 WELL.

6

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

9

10 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

11

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

16

17 **FRANKY CARRILLO:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS FRANKY CARRILLO. I'M
18 A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 1. I'D LIKE TO COMMENT ON ITEMS 15, 26,
19 AND I WILL BE SAYING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS, AS WELL. I WOULD
20 LIKE TO BEGIN BY THANKING SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR PUTTING FORWARD
21 THE MOTION URGING GOVERNOR NEWSOM TO SIGN SENATE BILL 2. THIS
22 MOTION IS IMPORTANT, BECAUSE IT MEANS THAT THERE WILL BE A
23 MECHANISM FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, MAY THEY BE POLICE OR
24 SHERIFF, WHEN ENGAGED IN MISCONDUCT, TO BE DECERTIFIED, SO
25 THEY NO LONGER HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PERPETUATE HARM AGAINST

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1 MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY, DESTROY PUBLIC TRUST, AND CORRUPT
2 THEIR FELLOW OFFICERS. AS WE ALL KNOW, THERE HAVE BEEN MANY
3 ATTEMPTS IN THE PAST TO CORRECT THIS SYSTEMIC PROBLEM. THE
4 FACT THAT THIS SPECIFIC DEAL HAS PASSED BOTH THE ASSEMBLY AND
5 THE SENATE, AND IS NOW ON THE GOVERNOR'S DESK, IS THE CLOSEST
6 WE HAVE ARRIVED TO COLLECTIVELY ADDRESSING THIS PROBLEM. AS
7 SOMEONE WHO IS A SURVIVOR OF MISCONDUCT IN THE HANDS OF THE
8 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, MY CASE HAS RESULTED IN MY EXONERATION,
9 OBVIOUSLY; A MULTIMILLION-DOLLAR SETTLEMENT STEMMING FROM A
10 CIVIL RIGHTS LAWSUIT; AND MOST RECENTLY, THE WORLD HAS LEARNED
11 OF THE CORRUPTION OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FROM A NETFLIX
12 DOCUMENTARY BASED ON MY STORY. I WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT ON THE
13 R.A.N.D. REPORT ON THE L.A. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DEPUTY GANGS.
14 I WANT TO ONCE AGAIN THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR STANDING UP
15 FOR FAMILIES WHO HAVE BEEN HARMED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT. SOME OF
16 THESE INVOLVED A DEPUTY GANG MEMBER. IN MY CASE, A KNOWN
17 MEMBER AND SELF-IDENTIFIED MEMBER OF THE LYNWOOD VIKINGS
18 PLAYED THE MAJOR ROLE IN MY WRONGFUL CONVICTION. THE DEPUTIES
19 AT THE LYNWOOD STATION WHO WERE INVOLVED IN MY CASE WERE NOT
20 FIRED, BUT INSTEAD WENT ON TO BECOME HIGH-RANKING LEADERS
21 THROUGHOUT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. CLEARLY, AND FOR THE
22 RECORD, THIS IS SOMETHING THAT DIDN'T HAPPEN LAST WEEK. THIS
23 ACTUALLY HAPPENED 30 YEARS AGO, AND IT IS UNBELIEVABLE THAT
24 THIS PROBLEM CONTINUES TO THIS VERY DAY. IN CLOSING, WE NEED
25 OUR ELECTED LEADERS TO SUPPORT AND TAKE ACTION FOR STRONG

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1 ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, AS THAT IS
2 HOW LAW ENFORCEMENT MISCONDUCT WILL BE STOPPED. IT WOULD HAVE
3 BEEN REFRESHING FOR SHERIFF VILLANUEVA TO SUPPORT SENATE BILL
4 TWO. RATHER, HE PROVED MY POINT. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS.

5

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

8

9 **MODERATOR:** AND AS A REMINDER, IF YOU WISH TO ADDRESS THE
10 BOARD, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 AT THIS TIME. DO NOT PRESS 1 AND
11 0 A SECOND TIME, OR YOU WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE QUEUE. OUR
12 NEXT SPEAKER WILL BE TONYA WILSHIRE. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR
13 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL
14 ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** YES, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS TONYA WILSHIRE, AND I
17 AM A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT TWO. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON AGENDA
18 ITEM 26, 20, 15, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. MY NEPHEW, FRED
19 WILLIAMS, WAS SHOT IN THE BACK BY A LYNWOOD SHERIFF'S OFFICER.
20 HE WAS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE DAY, ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16TH,
21 2020, AFTERNOON, SITTING IN THE PARK. JUST SITTING WITH HIS
22 FRIENDS, IN PEACE, DISTURBED BY AND HARASSED BY THE POLICE. HE
23 FEARED THE POLICE. HE TOOK OFF RUNNING. THEY CHASED HIM. I
24 WANT TO STOP SHERIFF VILLANUEVA GASLIGHTING ON MEMBERSHIPS IN
25 DEPUTY GANGS. HIS LEADERSHIP HAS ENABLED DEPUTY GANGS AND

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1 PROBLEM DEPUTIES TO ENGAGE IN GREATER MISCONDUCT. NOT EVERYONE
2 WHO LIVES IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, LOWER CLASS, ARE CRIMINALS OR
3 BAD PEOPLE. THE SUPERVISORS OPEN THESE PARTS UP FOR OUR KIDS
4 TO PLAY IN, TO HAVE PEACE IN, FOR US TO HAVE PICNICS IN. THEY
5 ARE NOT BEING HARASSED IN UPPER-CLASS NEIGHBORHOODS LIKE THIS.
6 IF THEY SEE ANY OF US PICNICKING IN THE PARK OR ANYTHING, WE
7 ARE BEING HARASSED. OUR KIDS ARE BEING HARASSED. THEY ARE
8 BEING CHASED BY COPS. AND THE COPS SHOULDN'T HAVE A RIGHT TO
9 SHOOT NO ONE RUNNING AWAY FROM THEM, IN THE BACK. I AM SURE WE
10 CAN SOCIALIZE WITH OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS IN THE PARK WITHOUT
11 BEING HARASSED ALL THE TIME. I WANT TO STOP ALL THIS. POLICE
12 AND DEPUTY GANGS ARE DOING HARM AGAINST PEOPLE IN OUR
13 COMMUNITY. 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 ERIC
19 PREVEN. 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 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. I WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC
24 COMMENT, BUT I AM ALSO GOING TO ADDRESS ON SEVERAL ITEMS,
25 INCLUDING ITEM 14. I'D LIKE TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S

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1 MOTION HERE ON THE S.T.D.S, WHICH ARE SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED
2 DISEASES. THERE WAS A VERY GOOD, UPSETTING REPORT IN THE LOS
3 ANGELES TIMES, BY EMILY ALPERT REYES, THAT POINTED OUT THAT
4 JUST... YOU KNOW, LESS THAN TEN YEARS AGO, THERE WERE SIX
5 CASES REPORTED ACROSS L.A. COUNTY OF SYPHILIS. THIS YEAR, LAST
6 YEAR, 113. BUT THIS IS A REAL CRISIS. AND I AM CONCERNED,
7 BECAUSE [INAUDIBLE] DIED IN 26. TALKING ABOUT ELIMINATING
8 GANGS AND DEEP-ROOTED CULTURE, WELL, HERE AT THE BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS, WE HAVE A DEEP-ROOTED CULTURE OF BURYING THESE
10 THINGS. NOW, NOBODY HAS DONE MORE FOR THE H.I.V. COMMUNITY AND
11 THE S.T.D.S THAN SHEILA KUEHL, AND YET HOW ARE THESE NUMBERS
12 NOT-- HOW DOES IT TAKE THE L.A. TIMES, A SPLASH ACROSS THE
13 NEWSPAPER, TO GET THAT INFORMATION TO THE PEOPLE? WE NEED TO
14 DO A BETTER JOB OF PROTECTING PEOPLE IN THAT SPACE, AND I AM
15 JUST VERY DISAPPOINTED THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
16 CONTINUES. I DID HEAR THE LOVELY UPDATE BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS AT
17 THE OUTSET ABOUT A.B. 361, AND WHAT WAS NOT MENTIONED WAS A.B.
18 339, AND THAT IS ACTIONABLE, MR. CASTRO-SILVA. WHAT ARE YOU
19 THINKING ABOUT? THAT IS THE LAW, FOR THOSE WHO UNDERSTAND IT,
20 THAT PASSED-- IT IS ON THE GOVERNOR'S DESK-- THAT SAYS,
21 BASICALLY, THAT THEY SHOULD PROVIDE ACCESS VIA INTERNET AND
22 VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING. THAT'S WHAT IT SAYS. AND THE BOARD HAS
23 A LITTLE LINE IN THERE IN THE LAW THAT SAYS, "THOSE WHO HAVE
24 BEEN PROVIDING IT, AS OF JUNE 15TH." WELL, THE BOARD DIDN'T
25 START SHOWING THEMSELVES UNTIL AUGUST, SO THIS IS ANOTHER

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1 LOOPHOLE. AND ALL LOOPHOLES ASIDE, IT IS YOUR DECISION. YOU
2 SHOULD MAKE YOUR MEETINGS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. AND IT IS
3 IMPORTANT THAT WE MONITOR THE INSTRUMENTS. THAT'S WHAT THE
4 BROWN ACT SAYS. WE HAVE TO GO TO THE MEETING. WE CAN'T DO IT
5 THIS WAY ANYMORE. WE HAVE TO RECOGNIZE THAT, JUST LIKE WE'RE
6 GOING TO GO TO THE ROLLING STONES CONCERTS, AND ALL OF OUR
7 GREAT PARTNERS AT THE RESTAURANTS ARE MAKING ROOM, AND WE ARE
8 GETTING GOING, WE HAVE TO HAVE PUBLIC MEETINGS. OKAY, HIDING--
9 HIDING-- BEHIND THESE RULES THAT ARE INTENDED TO PROTECT
10 PEOPLE IS ONE OF THE MOST... IT IS TRULY AN APPALLING
11 ACTIVITY, AND I WOULD JUST ENCOURAGE YOU TO DO A BETTER JOB.
12 AND WHERE IS ANDRES KWON, WHO I LIKE, THE GUY FROM THE
13 A.C.L.U., WHO GAVE A NICE ATTACK ON THE SHERIFF? BUT IT IS A
14 LITTLE UNFAIR FOR HIM TO BE TALKING ABOUT INDEPENDENT
15 INVESTIGATIONS, WHEN THE COUNTY BOARD, WHO, YOU KNOW, SAY WHAT
16 YOU WILL, ARE ABOUT AS FAR AWAY FROM AN INDEPENDENT
17 ORGANIZATION AS IS CONCEIVABLE. THEY APPOINT EVERYBODY IN
18 THEIR UNIVERSE, AND IF SOMEBODY DISAGREES, LIKE THE ENTIRE
19 CITY COUNCIL NOW, THEY PUSH AWAY AND DECIDE THEY WILL DO
20 SOMETHING EVEN MORE EGREGIOUS. THAT'S NOT WHAT WE EXPECT. TO
21 BE A PROGRESSIVE ICON, IF I MAY USE THE OFFICIAL TERM, YOU
22 HAVE TO DO MORE THAN JUST CONGRATULATE ONE ANOTHER. SO IT IS
23 TIME TO COME BACK TO THE MEETING. I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU
24 CANCELED YOUR MEETING LAST WEEK, AND I DON'T KNOW WHY-- I
25 THINK WE NEED TO GET A SPECIAL MASTER TO HELP WITH YOUR--

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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 CARLOS
6 MONTES. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH TO
7 ADDRESS TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING GENERAL
8 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

9

10 **CARLOS MONTES:** YEAH, SI. BUENOS DIAS. IT'S CARLOS MONTES. I AM
11 WITH CENTRO C.S.O., COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANIZATION. WE ARE
12 ALSO PART OF THE CHECK THE SHERIFF COALITION, AND I WILL BE
13 ADDRESSING ITEMS 26, 20, 15, AND PUBLIC COMMENT. ON THE
14 R.A.N.D. REPORT, I SUPPORT THAT WE NEED MORE RADICAL CHANGE TO
15 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. I CALL ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
16 TO SUPPORT THE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION. THEY NEED MORE
17 POWER. THEY NEED MORE POWER OVER THE SHERIFFS. I SUPPORT THE
18 PROPOSAL TO LOOK AT A BALLOT MEASURE TO CHANGE THE CHARTER
19 AMENDMENT TO OVERHAUL THE WHOLE SYSTEM, TO GIVE MORE CIVILIAN
20 COMMUNITY CONTROL OVER THE POLICE, SIMILAR TO WHAT'S HAPPENED
21 IN CHICAGO. ON ITEM NUMBER 20-- I MEAN, THE FOOL VILLANUEVA
22 JUST GOT ON THERE RIGHT NOW, SAYING ABOUT THE REPORT, SO HE
23 SHOULD SUPPORT A PUBLIC INQUEST INTO THE KILLINGS OF THESE
24 YOUNG MEN. YOU KNOW, HE IS A FOOL. HE NEEDS TO GO OUT. I SAY,
25 "ADIOS, VILLANUEVA." [INAUDIBLE] I ALSO SUPPORT SENATE BILL

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1 NUMBER 2. I HAVE ALREADY CALLED THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE, ASKING
2 HIM TO SIGN. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS-- I LIVE
3 IN HER DISTRICT-- FOR SUPPORTING AND THE MOTION ON S.B. 2, AND
4 HER LEADERSHIP IN PROTECTING FAMILIES FROM THE DEPUTY GANG
5 HARASSMENT. AND I CALL ON THE OTHER SUPERVISORS TO SUPPORT THE
6 FAMILIES. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE GOT TO GET RID OF
7 VILLANUEVA, BY ALL MEANS NECESSARY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
8 GRACIAS.

9

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

12

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

17

18 **ZEKE SANDOVAL:** GOOD MORNING. THIS IS ZEKE SANDOVAL. CAN YOU
19 ALL HEAR ME OKAY?

20

21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, WE CAN. PLEASE BEGIN.

22

23 **ZEKE SANDOVAL:** GREAT. THANK YOU. SO, GOOD MORNING. I AM ZEKE
24 SANDOVAL, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF P.A.T.H., PEOPLE ASSISTING THE

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1 HOMELESS, IN FIRM SUPPORT OF ITEM 21, AND I'LL SPEAK ON
2 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, AS WELL.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** OKAY, YOU'LL HAVE TWO MINUTES. PLEASE
5 BEGIN.

6

7 **ZEKE SANDOVAL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE KNOW THAT TENANT
8 PROTECTIONS ARE CRUCIAL TO PREVENT A DEVASTATING WAVE OF
9 EVICTIONS THAT ARE CURRENTLY ON OUR HORIZON. AS WE ALL KNOW,
10 HOMELESSNESS HAS GROWN SUBSTANTIALLY IN L.A. COUNTY OVER THE
11 LAST SEVERAL YEARS, AND MORE ANGELENOS HAVE ALMOST CERTAINLY
12 SLIPPED INTO HOMELESSNESS DURING THE PANDEMIC. THAT INCREASE
13 IN HOMELESSNESS THREATENS TO DRAMATICALLY INCREASE NEXT WEEK,
14 AFTER THE STATE'S EVICTION MORATORIUM EXPIRES. P.A.T.H. STAFF
15 ARE CAPABLE, COMPASSIONATE PROFESSIONALS WHO HAVE HELPED
16 THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE EXIT HOMELESSNESS, BUT WE ARE BEST SERVED
17 BY PREVENTING SOMEONE FROM BECOMING HOMELESS IN THE FIRST
18 PLACE. BY EXTENDING THESE TENANT PROTECTIONS INTO JANUARY, THE
19 COUNTY WILL FREE UP BREATHING ROOM FOR TENANTS, WHILE THE
20 CHALLENGES TO EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE DISTRIBUTION ARE
21 HANDLED. RENTAL ASSISTANCE CAN MAKE SURE NO ONE, TENANT OR
22 OWNER, LOSES THEIR HOUSING OR INCOME, BUT WE NEED MORE TIME.
23 WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL TO SUPERVISORS KUEHL AND SOLIS FOR THEIR
24 LEADERSHIP, AND RESPECTFULLY URGE A SWIFT APPROVAL. THANK YOU
25 VERY MUCH.

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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
6 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. 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 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD MORNING. THIS IS DR.
11 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I WILL SPEAK TO ITEMS 14, 24, AND 21. ON
12 ITEM 14, I HAVE COME TO THE BOARD ON MANY TIMES ABOUT THE
13 SYPHILIS, ESPECIALLY ABOUT THE NEUROSYPHILIS ON CHILDREN. I
14 HAVE BROUGHT THIS ISSUE MULTIPLE TIMES TO MR. MARIO PEREZ, WHO
15 IS IN CHARGE OF THE S.T.D. FOR THE COUNTY. SO, EXCUSE I HAVE
16 RECEIVED EVERY TIME. WHEN THOSE LATINX COME FOR PRENATAL
17 CHECKS, AND SO ON, OTHER TIMES THAT YOU HAVE FREE CLINICS,
18 OTHER TIMES THAT YOU GO TO TREAT SYPHILIS, TO PREVENT THEM TO
19 HAVE A CHILD BORN SO DEFECTIVE. THAT'S BEYOND MY
20 COMPREHENSION, WHEN IT IS SO EASY TO CURE. BUT IT HAS COME
21 BACK AGAIN AND AGAIN, SO I AM SO GLAD, FINALLY, THE BOARD IS
22 TAKING ON TO DEAL WITH THAT ISSUE. ON ITEM 24, AGAIN, A REPORT
23 FROM LAST TIME WAS AGAIN POSTPONED. NOW IT IS POSTPONED TO
24 OCTOBER 5TH. IT'S OBVIOUS THAT L.A.H.S.A. IS NOT FUNCTIONING
25 APPROPRIATELY. UNTIL WE GO OVER THOSE REPORTS, IT DOES NOT

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1 MATTER HOW MANY PEOPLE YOU ASSIGN TO THE BLUE RIBBON
2 COMMISSION, AND SO ON. [INAUDIBLE] AND FOR YOU NOT TO LOOK AT
3 THE REPORT, AND TO POSTPONE IT, IS VERY DANGEROUS. I AM IN
4 FAVOR OF ITEMS 21 AND 26, ABOUT REEXTENDING THE EVICTION
5 NOTICE, BECAUSE STILL, SOME PEOPLE HAVE ISSUES BECAUSE OF THE
6 LACK OF JOBS IN SOME AREAS. ANYWAY, MY COMPLAINT ABOUT CS-1
7 AND CS-2, AND SO ON, YOU NEVER HAVE ENOUGH INFORMATION, AND I
8 WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHY THE MEETING WAS CANCELED LAST WEEK.
9 ANYWAY, HAVE A GOOD WEEK. I HOPE YOU'LL REOPEN THE BOARD. I'M
10 REALLY MISSING SEEING YOU IN PERSON, AND I THINK IT'S TIME TO
11 GO BACK TO WEEKLY MEETINGS, AND OPEN MEETINGS. THANK YOU.

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 OLIVIA
17 SHIELDS. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH TO
18 ADDRESS TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC
19 COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

20

21 **OLIVIA SHIELDS:** HI. MY NAME IS OLIVIA SHIELDS, WITH URBAN
22 PEACE INSTITUTE AND LOS ANGELES YOUTH UPRISING COALITION,
23 PROVIDING COMMENT IN OPPOSITION OF AGENDA ITEM 28, AND GENERAL
24 PUBLIC COMMENT. I WOULD LIKE TO REMIND THE BOARD THAT ON JULY
25 27TH, SUPERVISORS BARGER, SOLIS, AND HAHN VOTED FOR A LAST-

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1 MINUTE SUBSTITUTE MOTION THAT PROLONGED THE SELECTION OF A
2 LONG-TERM FACILITY FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WOULD HAVE OTHERWISE
3 BEEN SENT TO D.J.J., REJECTING CAMP SCOTT AND SCUDDER. WHY,
4 THEN, ARE YOU ASKING THE COUNTY TO SPEND \$722,000 OF OUR TAX
5 DOLLARS TO FIX THE LIGHTS IN CAMP SCOTT, A CLOSED CAMP? YOU
6 SUCCUMBED TO THE OUTDATED SUPER-PREDATOR FEARMONGERING
7 NARRATIVE WHEN YOU DENIED CAMP SCOTT AND SCUDDER AS A D.J.J.
8 ALTERNATIVE, AND THE IMPACT OF YOUR DECISION HAS NOT GONE
9 UNNOTICED. YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE NOWHERE TO GO WHILE THEY COMPLETE
10 THEIR DISPOSITIONS, BESIDE BARRY J. AND CENTRAL JUVENILE HALL,
11 WHICH THE B.S.E.C. FOUND UNSUITABLE FOR THE CONFINEMENT OF
12 YOUTH. THIS MEANS THE CONDITIONS IN THESE FACILITIES ARE SO
13 ATROCIOUS, FAILING TO MEET ALREADY RIDICULOUSLY LOW BASIC
14 STANDARDS, THAT THE B.S.E.C. HAS DECIDED, FOR THE FIRST TIME
15 EVER, THEY CANNOT ALLOW CHILDREN TO REMAIN INSIDE OF THEM.
16 YOU, THE BOARD, HAVE DECIDED TO CONTINUE TO FUND JUVENILE
17 PROBATION AT \$570 MILLION, WHEN THEY HAVE DONE NOTHING BUT
18 NEGLECTED AND HARMED YOUTH. PROBATION SPENDS OVER \$1 MILLION
19 PER YEAR TO INCARCERATE ONE YOUNG PERSON. I MEAN, WHAT AN
20 ABSOLUTE WASTE. INSTEAD OF JUST REPEATING "CARE FIRST, JAILS
21 LAST" TO THE PUBLIC, I URGE THE BOARD TO ACT, TO SHOW YOU
22 CARE, BY INVESTING IN THE FUTURE OF YOUNG PEOPLE. FULLY FUND
23 YOUTH JUSTICE REIMAGINED IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET. ACCORDING
24 TO THEIR OWN REPORT BACK, JUVENILE PROBATION HAS OVER 400
25 VACANT POSITIONS, EQUATING TO ABOUT \$65 MILLION TO \$78 MILLION

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1 EACH YEAR. YOU MUST CUT ALL VACANT POSITIONS FROM JUVENILE
2 PROBATION BUDGET, AND REDIRECT THEM INTO A SAVINGS ACCOUNT FOR
3 THE MUCH-NEEDED IMPLEMENTATION OF YOUTH JUSTICE REIMAGINED.
4 THANK YOU.

5

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

8

9 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF
10 MICHELLE KING. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
11 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU WILL ADDRESS ON
12 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. I'M SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF ITEMS 11,
15 15, 18, 20, 21, 26, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE.

16

17 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YOU'LL HAVE THREE MINUTES. PLEASE BEGIN.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. I AM SURPRISED THAT SHERIFF VILLANUEVA
20 FOUND TIME OUT OF HIS BUSY SCHEDULE, TERRORIZING OUR NEIGHBORS
21 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AT THE VENICE BOARDWALK, TO ATTEND
22 THIS MEETING. ON ITEM 20, L.A.S.D. HAS MULTIPLE LAWSUITS
23 AGAINST THEM FOR THEIR REFUSAL TO COMPLY WITH THE C.P.R.A.,
24 PROVIDING MEANINGFUL TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY, ANOTHER
25 GLARING EXAMPLE OF SHERIFF VILLANUEVA'S CONTEMPT FOR THE LAW.

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1 SECRECY AND THE LACK OF ACCOUNTABILITY HARM NOT ONLY
2 VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES, BUT THE ENTIRE JUSTICE SYSTEM. GIVEN
3 THE PUBLIC'S LEGITIMATE INTEREST IN OFFICER-INVOLVED DEATHS, A
4 FORMAL PUBLIC INQUEST INTO THE KILLINGS OF MALIK YOUNG, DIJON
5 KIZZEE, AND SAMUEL HERRERA IS NEEDED. WE IMPLORE YOU TO FIGHT
6 FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR COMMUNITIES. WE NEED THE BOARD TO
7 FINALLY PASS AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING PUBLICATION OF PUBLIC
8 RECORDS WHEN THEY'RE CREATED, INCLUDING MANDATING THE RELEASE
9 OF THE NAMES OF DEPUTIES INVOLVED IN SHOOTING, WITHIN 48 HOURS
10 OF THE INCIDENTS, IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE STATE LAW. THE
11 ORDINANCE SHOULD ALSO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUBLISHING THESE
12 RECORDS, RESPONDING TO REQUESTS FOR RECORDS AWAY FROM
13 L.A.S.D., TO AN AGENCY THAT CAN BE TRUSTED TO FOLLOW THE LAW.
14 IN ITEM 26, WE NEED TO ERADICATE DEPUTY GANGS. THE R.A.N.D.
15 REPORT CONFIRMS WHAT WE'VE KNOWN ALL ALONG. THERE HAS BEEN NO
16 COORDINATED EFFORT TO DISCOURAGE DEPUTY GANGS. DEPUTY GANGS
17 ARE ONLY A SYMPTOM OF A PERVASIVE CULTURE IN L.A.S.D. OF
18 LAWLESSNESS, SECRECY, AND UNBRIDLED BRUTALITY. VILLANUEVA IS A
19 PRODUCT OF THIS CULTURE. THIS CRISIS IS NOT ABOUT ANY ONE
20 SHERIFF, BECAUSE EVEN THOUGH FORMER SHERIFF LEE BACA AND
21 UNDERSHERIFF PAUL TANAKA ARE IN FEDERAL PRISON, THE CRISIS OF
22 DEPUTY GANGS HAS ONLY GOTTEN WORSE. IN LIGHT OF THIS REPORT,
23 IT'S REASONABLE TO REQUEST THAT THE BOARD OVERHAUL THE ENTIRE
24 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THE BOARD MUST MOVE FORWARD WITH MUCH-
25 NEEDED STRUCTURAL CHANGE, SUCH AS A BALLOT MEASURE THAT WOULD

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1 AMEND THE L.A. COUNTY CHARTER TO MAXIMIZE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT
2 AND COMMUNITY CONTROL OVER THE SHERIFF AND L.A.S.D.; ENSURE
3 REAL TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY THROUGH INDEPENDENT
4 INVESTIGATION AND DISCIPLINE OF USE-OF-FORCE AND MISCONDUCT;
5 AND ESTABLISH MEANINGFUL CHECKS AND BALANCES. FOR GENERAL
6 PUBLIC COMMENT, WE HAVE HEARD REPEATEDLY THAT THE C.E.O.'S
7 OFFICE HAS A LEGAL MANDATE, UNDER A.B. 109, TO FUND PROGRAMS
8 LIKE THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND OFFICE OF PROBATION. THERE
9 NEEDS TO BE MORE TRANSPARENCY AROUND THIS JUSTIFICATION. THE
10 EVALUATION SHOULD BE INFORMED BY THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN THAT
11 THE P.S.R.T. DEVELOPED, AND THAT WAS APPROVED BY THE BOARD.
12 THE FACT THAT THIS PROCESS WAS NOT DONE BEFORE THE BUDGET WAS
13 PUT TOGETHER WAS AN INTENTIONAL ATTEMPT AT SUBVERTING
14 TRANSPARENCY AND THE DIRECT MANDATE OF THE P.S.R.T. THE
15 C.E.O.'S OFFICE IGNORED THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE P.S.R.T.,
16 WHICH SCORED THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET A LOW 1.4. THE BOARD HAS THE
17 POWER TO REQUEST MORE, THROUGH JUSTIFICATION FROM THE C.E.O.'S
18 OFFICE, REGARDING THIS YEARS A.B. 109 BUDGETING PROCESS, AND
19 IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT THE BOARD TAKES THE INITIATIVE TO DO SO.
20 A.B. 109 FUNDING DECISIONS ARE A REFLECTION OF THE BOARD'S
21 FUNDING PRIORITIES. HOW DOES A CONTINUED NEARLY \$5 BILLION
22 ALLOCATION TO THE SHERIFF AND PROBATION DEMONSTRATE A
23 COMMITMENT TO A CARE FIRST VISION? CARE FIRST MEANS COMMUNITY
24 FIRST. CARE FIRST MEANS INVESTING IN COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS
25 THAT PROVIDE THE MOST THOROUGH AND EFFECTIVE SUPPORT. THE

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1 COUNTY BUDGET SHOULD ACTUALLY REFLECT A CARE FIRST VISION, IF
2 THE BOARD AND C.E.O.'S OFFICE INTEND TO ADVERTISE THEIR
3 EFFORTS AS GUIDED BY CARE FIRST PRINCIPLES. FIRE VILLANUEVA,
4 AND DISBAND L.A.S.D.

5

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

8

9 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF JEWEL.
10 KAREN. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
11 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU WILL ADDRESS ON
12 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS JEWEL. THANK YOU FOR TAKING MY
15 COMMENT. I AM GOING TO BE COMMENTING ON 15, 18, 20, AND
16 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. FOR AGENDA ITEM 18, I SUPPORT THIS
17 PROCLAMATION OF THE MONTH OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS, BUT
18 IT IS ALSO THE COUNTY'S RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT
19 AWARENESS INCLUDES PROVIDING PATHWAYS OUT OF VIOLENT
20 CIRCUMSTANCES FOR SURVIVORS WHO ARE TRAPPED IN THEIR
21 SITUATION. BECAUSE, FOR SURVIVORS, AWARENESS CAN ONLY DO SO
22 MUCH, UNLESS IT MEANS THEY ARE GETTING SERVICES. SO I HOPE THE
23 COUNTY WILL PARTNER WITH COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS THAT
24 WORK AND ARE EFFECTIVE IN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESPONSE AND
25 PREVENTION, SO THAT YOU CAN GENUINELY SUPPORT SURVIVORS OF

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1 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, AND PREVENT RAPE FROM RISING EVEN HIGHER.
2 FOR AGENDA ITEM 20, THIS HAS BEEN DISCUSSED AT LENGTH DURING
3 THIS COMMENT SECTION, SO I JUST WANT TO LIFT UP, AS WELL,
4 THAT, AS A PATTERN, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS IGNORED,
5 OBSTRUCTED, OR ILLEGALLY DELAYED RESPONSES TO PUBLIC RECORDS
6 REQUESTS. WE NEED A FORMAL PUBLIC INQUEST INTO THE KILLINGS OF
7 MALIK YOUNG, DIJON KIZZEE, AND SAMUEL HERRERA, AND I URGE THE
8 BOARD TO FINALLY PASS AN ORDINANCE THAT REQUIRES PUBLICATION
9 OF PUBLIC RECORDS WHEN THEY'RE CREATED, INCLUDING MANDATING
10 THE RELEASE OF NAMES OF DEPUTIES INVOLVED IN SHOOTINGS WITHIN
11 48 HOURS OF THE INCIDENT, WHICH IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE
12 LAW. AND I ALSO AGREE WITH PREVIOUS COMMENTS THAT L.A.S.D.
13 MUST BE COMPLETELY OVERHAULED. FOR ITEM 15, I SUPPORT THE
14 KENNETH ROSS JR. POLICE DECERTIFICATION BILL. AND ALTHOUGH THE
15 PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS ACCOUNTABILITY DIVISION IS A STEP IN
16 THE DIRECTION OF POLICE REFORM, SMALL REFORMS LIKE THIS ARE
17 NOT THE END GOAL. WE CONTINUE TO WASTE FUNDING AND RESOURCES
18 ON ATTEMPTING TO HOLD POLICE OFFICERS ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR
19 CRIMES, WHEN WE COULD INSTEAD REDUCE LAW ENFORCEMENT FUNDING
20 SO THAT THEY NEVER HAVE THE CHANCE TO COMMIT VIOLENCE AGAINST
21 THE PUBLIC IN THE FIRST PLACE. WHICH BRINGS ME INTO MY GENERAL
22 COMMENT, WHICH HAS ALSO BEEN ADDRESSED, AND I WANT TO
23 REITERATE THAT THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE IS SAYING THAT THEY HAVE TO
24 CONTINUE TO ALLOCATE THE MAJORITY OF A.B. 109 FUNDING TO
25 EXISTING DEPARTMENTS. YET, THE P.S.R.T. SCORED THE SHERIFF'S

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1 BUDGET REQUEST AT A LOW LEVEL OF SUPPORT. SO THE C.E.O. HAS
2 DECIDED TO GO AGAINST THE P.S.R.T.'S RECOMMENDATIONS. WHAT IS
3 THE POINT OF HAVING A P.S.R.T. PROCESS THAT OSTENSIBLY REVIEWS
4 RECOMMENDATIONS, AND THEN MAKES THEM, IF THEY'RE GOING TO BE
5 IGNORED? PLEASE TAKE INTO ACCOUNT A CARE FIRST VISION, AND
6 PLEASE TRY TO MAKE THE BUDGET REFLECT CARE FIRST PRINCIPLES.
7 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 MATTHEW
13 BUCK. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH TO
14 ADDRESS TODAY, AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
15 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

16

17 **MATTHEW BUCK:** GOOD MORNING. MATTHEW BUCK, CALIFORNIA APARTMENT
18 ASSOCIATION. ITEM 21 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

19

20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YOU'LL HAVE TWO MINUTES. PLEASE BEGIN.

21

22 **MATTHEW BUCK:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. WHERE IS THE JUSTIFICATION
23 FOR KEEPING THE RENT FREEZE IN PLACE, EVEN ON PROPERTIES WHERE
24 NO RESIDENT HAS BEEN AFFECTED BY C.O.V.I.D.? I DON'T
25 UNDERSTAND. AS INFLATION RISES, AND COSTS TO MAINTAIN RENTAL

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1 PROPERTIES CLIMB HIGHER AND HIRE, THERE HAVE BEEN FULLY
2 EMPLOYED TENANTS, WHO NEVER LOST THEIR JOBS, AND ARE NOW
3 GETTING RAISES DUE TO EMPLOYEE SHORTAGES. THE COUNTY CONTINUES
4 TO GIVE THESE UNAFFECTED TENANTS A FREE PASS AT THE EXPENSE OF
5 THE OWNERS. AND REMEMBER, THERE ARE THOUSANDS OF RENTAL
6 PROPERTIES IN THE COUNTY THAT ARE MINORITY-OWNED, WHO DO NOT
7 HAVE 401(K)S, AND LIVE ON RENTAL INCOME TO SURVIVE. AND FOR
8 THOSE WHO ACTUALLY NEED THE HELP, THERE ARE LONG-TERM
9 EMERGENCY REGULATIONS AND ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS BEING PROVIDED
10 THROUGH BOTH THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. PLEASE REMOVE
11 THE RENT FREEZE. ALSO, THE MORATORIUM STARTED IN 2020, AND WAS
12 INTENDED TO BE TEMPORARY. AND IT IS NEARLY UNCHANGED, AS YOU
13 EXTEND IT THROUGH 2022. THIS IS NOT A PHASE-OUT PLAN. THANK
14 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 MILINDA
20 KAKANI. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
21 ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU WILL ADDRESS ON
22 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

23

24 **MILINDA KAKANI:** HI. THIS IS MILINDA KAKANI, FROM CHILDREN'S
25 DEFENSE FUND CALIFORNIA. I WILL BE SPEAKING ON ITEM 28 AND

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1 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. WHILE SEEMINGLY INNOCUOUS, A \$722,000
2 INVESTMENT IN A CLOSED CAMP, A CAMP REJECTED BY THREE
3 SUPERVISORS AS A LONG-TERM FACILITY FOR YOUTH WHO WOULD HAVE
4 OTHERWISE BEEN SENT TO STATE JUVENILE FACILITIES, FEELS MORE
5 THAN A LITTLE QUESTIONABLE. THAT WE WOULD CONTEMPLATE A NEARLY
6 MILLION-DOLLAR INVESTMENT IN THE SPACE WHERE THERE ARE ZERO
7 YOUTH IS JUST RIDICULOUS, ESPECIALLY AT A TIME WHEN ADVOCATES
8 AND IMPACTED COMMUNITIES ARE CALLING FOR THE END OF THE
9 JUVENILE PROBATION SYSTEM, AND CALLING FOR INVESTMENTS IN
10 YOUTH JUSTICE REIMAGINED, INVESTMENTS IN MEASURE J, AND THE
11 CLOSURE OF MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. THERE IS ALL THIS TALK OF
12 WANTING TO DO THE RIGHT THING, BUT STRUGGLING TO FIND THE
13 DOLLARS FROM THE COUNTY. BUT THAT ARGUMENT FALLS FLAT WHEN WE
14 CAN FIND MILLIONS TO MAINTAIN CLOSED HALLS AND CAMPS. AND
15 SPEAKING OF HALLS AND CAMPS, AND THE \$570 MILLION THE BOARD
16 APPROVED FOR JUVENILE PROBATION OPERATIONS, THAT'S \$570
17 MILLION INTO A SYSTEM THAT ROUTINELY FAILS AND HARMS YOUNG
18 PEOPLE, MUCH OF WHICH GOES TO THE "RUNNING," IN QUOTES, OF THE
19 COUNTY'S HALLS, NAMELY CENTRAL JUVENILE HALL AND BARRY J.
20 NIDORF, BOTH OF WHICH WERE THE SUBJECT OF LITIGATION IN
21 JANUARY. REMINDER: THE ATTORNEY GENERAL HAD TO SUE YOU AND
22 PROBATION BECAUSE OF THE INHUMANE CONDITIONS, RAMPANT
23 VIOLENCE, AND APPALLING ABUSES THRUST UPON THIS COUNTY'S
24 CHILDREN. AND WHILE THE PUBLIC AND THE PROBATION OVERSIGHT
25 COMMISSION RECEIVED NEXT TO ZERO UPDATES, BECAUSE OF YOUR

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1 DESIRE TO MAKE THE PLAN AND PROGRAM ASSOCIATED WITH THE
2 SETTLEMENT PRIVATE, EIGHT MONTHS LATER, THE BOARD OF STATE AND
3 COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS FOUND THESE SAME FACILITIES UNSUITABLE
4 FOR THE CAGING OF CHILDREN; THE SAME FACILITIES THAT THREE
5 MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD RELEGATED YOUTH TO, BECAUSE THERE IS NO
6 FACILITY TO COMPLETE THEIR DISPOSITION; THE SAME FACILITIES
7 THAT YOUNG PEOPLE ARE STILL REPORTING FINDING MAGGOTS IN THEIR
8 FRUIT CUPS, FINDING BUGS IN THEIR SALAD, BEING FED UNDERCOOKED
9 MEAT. SO THE LOGICAL NEXT STEP REALLY NEEDS TO BE FULLY
10 FUNDING YOUTH JUSTICE REIMAGINED, AND NOT JUST FROM ONE-TIME
11 FUNDING, NOT JUST FROM R.A.N.D.OM SOURCES, BUT DIRECTLY FROM
12 PROBATION'S BUDGET, WHICH INCLUDES 400 VACANT POSITIONS. 400!
13 400 VACANT POSITIONS ARE PART OF THEIR BUDGET.

14

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

17

18 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF EMMETT
19 STROBEL. 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:** HELLO. MY NAME IS EMMETT STROBEL. I AM ADDRESSING 21,
24 AND ALSO GENERAL COMMENT. GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
25 WE HAVE A MINORITY, MAJORITY FEMALE-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS. WE

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1 CANNOT RISK RENTING OUT VACANCIES, BECAUSE OF THE FEAR OF
2 HAVING MORE NONPAYING TENANTS THAT ARE CAUSING DESTRUCTION TO
3 THE PROPERTIES. WHEN I CALL THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT, THEY DO
4 NOT RECOMMEND THAT I RENT. THEY TOLD ME TO WAIT UNTIL THE
5 MORATORIUM IS OVER. YET, I STILL HAVE TO PAY THEM, AND THEY
6 RAISED THE MONEY. THE WATER BILL HAS BEEN RAISED. I HAVE A
7 WOMAN AND A CHILD THAT WANT TO RENT, AND THEY KEEP SAYING,
8 "WHEN'S THE MORATORIUM GOING TO BE OVER? WHEN CAN YOU RENT TO
9 US?" AND AN ELDERLY MAN KEEPS SAYING, "WHEN IS IT GOING TO BE
10 OVER, AND WHEN CAN YOU RENT TO US?" EVERYBODY WANTS TO RENT.
11 THEY ARE MOVING BECAUSE OF THE HOMELESS SITUATION. THE RICH
12 PEOPLE, IF I GOT RICH PEOPLE, I WILL RENT TO THEM, BUT I CAN'T
13 TAKE A RISK ON THE POOR PEOPLE WITH BAD CREDIT. PLEASE, DO NOT
14 CONTINUE WITH THE MORATORIUM ON EVICTIONS. I HAVE PEOPLE WITH
15 100 PARTIES AT THE HOUSE. I'M GETTING THE TICKET. I CAN'T
16 EVICT THEM. I HAVE ANOTHER PLACE WHERE THEY ARE DEALING
17 FENTANYL AND HEROIN, AND THE COPS COME AND KNOCK ON THE DOOR.
18 HE WON'T ANSWER THE DOOR. I CAN'T EVICT HIM. THEY'RE
19 DESTROYING THE APPLIANCES. THEY'VE SPRAY-PAINTED THE WALLS.
20 THIS IS NEAR A SCHOOL ZONE, BUT I CAN'T EVICT THEM. WE ARE A
21 SMALL BUSINESS, AND THREE TENANTS NOT PAYING, AND THE
22 VACANCIES ARE CAUSING US TO HAVE TO GO INTO FORECLOSURES. WE
23 TRIED REFINANCING AS MUCH AS WE CAN. WE'VE TAKEN AS MUCH MONEY
24 OUT AS WE CAN. IT IS VERY DIFFICULT. PLEASE HELP US. LET'S NOT

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1 GET RID OF THE SMALL RENTAL BUSINESS OWNERS, LIKE ALL THE
2 SMALL RESTAURANT OWNERS HAVE HAD TO CLOSE UP SHOPS.

3

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

6

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

11

12 **SPEAKER:** YES, HELLO. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. I AM SPEAKING ON
13 AGENDA ITEM 21. I AM A TENANT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND I AM
14 CALLING TO OPPOSE THE EXTENSION OF THE EVICTION MORATORIUM. AS
15 A POINT OF CONSCIENCE, I BELIEVE IT TO BE TOTALLY UNREASONABLE
16 TO CONTINUE A COMPLETE EVICTION MORATORIUM, THAT WAS FIRST
17 ADOPTED AS A TEMPORARY MEASURE, WITHOUT DOCUMENTATION OF
18 HARDSHIP, WHILE CONTINUING TO ALLOW NUISANCE TENANTS TO AVOID
19 EVICTIONS. I DUTIFULLY TRY TO PAY MY RENT ON TIME TO MY
20 EXCEEDINGLY FAIR LANDLORD, AND I REQUEST THAT THE BOARD VOTE
21 TO END THE EVICTION MORATORIUM IMMEDIATELY, AS A POINT OF
22 FAIRNESS TO PEOPLE LIKE ME. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

23

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

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2 **MODERATOR:** AND AS A REMINDER, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IF YOU DO
3 WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO,
4 PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 AT THIS TIME. DO NOT PRESS 1 AND 0 A
5 SECOND TIME, OR YOU WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE QUEUE.

6

7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WE WILL NOW HEAR THE SPANISH
8 INTERPRETATION OF THIS REMINDER.

9

10 **INTERPRETER:** [SPEAKS SPANISH.]

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 ROLANDO
16 CHAVEZ. 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 **ROLANDO CHAVEZ:** HI, GOOD MORNING. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

21

22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, WE CAN. PLEASE BEGIN.

23

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1 **ROLANDO CHAVEZ:** PERFECT. THANK YOU SO MUCH. GOOD MORNING. MY
2 NAME IS ROLANDO CHAVEZ, AND I AM CALLING ON BEHALF OF ALTAMED
3 HEALTH SERVICES, AND I AM SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEM 14.

4

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

6

7 **ROLANDO CHAVEZ:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. ON BEHALF OF ALTAMED HEALTH
8 SERVICES, I AM CALLING IN SUPPORT OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND
9 REQUESTS THAT ARE OUTLINED IN TODAY'S MOTION. AS THE LARGEST
10 INDEPENDENT FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER IN CALIFORNIA,
11 ALTAMED PROVIDES COMPREHENSIVE S.T.D. TESTING AND TREATMENT
12 THROUGHOUT OUR HEALTH CENTER, AS WELL AS HEALTH EDUCATION AND
13 AWARENESS THROUGH YEAR-ROUND PROGRAMS AND CAMPAIGNS FOCUSED ON
14 THE MOST AFFECTED COMMUNITIES. THESE PRIMARY CARE SERVICES ARE
15 VITAL TO THE HEALTH AND WELLNESS OF OUR PATIENTS. WE ALSO URGE
16 THE BOARD TO FOCUS ON IDENTIFYING LONG-TERM SUSTAINABLE
17 FUNDING, LOCALLY, THAT WILL SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE
18 ROBUST COMPREHENSIVE INFRASTRUCTURE NECESSARY TO REDUCE S.T.D.
19 RATES IN OUR COUNTY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE
20 COUNTY LEADERSHIP OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, HEALTH
21 AGENCIES, OTHER CRITICAL COUNTY PARTNERS, AND THE PROVIDER AND
22 ADVOCATE COMMUNITY, TO HELP END THIS CRISIS. THANK YOU.

23

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

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1

2 **MODERATOR:** THE NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF EMMA
3 ORANZA. 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, GOOD MORNING?

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU. PLEASE BEGIN.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** HI. I AM IN FAVOR FOR ITEM 21, FOR EVICTION
12 PROTECTION. MY NAME'S EMMA ORANZA, AND I WILL NOT BE MAKING
13 PUBLIC COMMENT.

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** OKAY, PLEASE BEGIN. HELLO? PLEASE BEGIN.

16

17 **MODERATOR:** APOLOGIES. IT LOOKS LIKE THEY HAVE DROPPED.

18

19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

20

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

25

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1 **LORESIA VALLETTE:** HELLO. MY NAME IS LORESIA VALLETTE. I AM
2 ADDRESSING ITEM NUMBER 21, 25, AND I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A
3 GENERAL COMMENT. I AM A REAL-ESTATE BROKER IN LONG BEACH, THAT
4 REPRESENTS OVER 60 MOM-AND-POP PROPERTY OWNERS THROUGHOUT LOS
5 ANGELES COUNTY, AND SO I FEEL OBLIGATED TO ENSURE THEY HAVE A
6 VOICE TODAY. BACK IN MARCH OF 2020, I RECOGNIZED THAT THE
7 MORATORIUM WOULD RESULT IN MANY PEOPLE BURYING THEMSELVES IN A
8 FINANCIAL HOLE. AND AS MUCH AS I WAS OBLIGATED TO REPRESENT MY
9 PROPERTY OWNERS' INTERESTS, I FELT IT WAS ALSO MY DUTY TO MAKE
10 EVERY EFFORT TO ENSURE THAT MY TENANTS COULD RECOVER FROM
11 THESE UNCERTAIN TIMES WITHOUT LOSING THEIR HOMES. SO, MANY OF
12 MY TENANTS FACED FINANCIAL UNCERTAINTIES. I WORKED WITH THEM,
13 AND WHETHER IT WAS REDUCING RENTS, COMING UP WITH DOABLE
14 PAYMENT PLANS, OR WORKING WITH AGENCIES THAT PROVIDED RENTAL
15 ASSISTANCE, WE ALL WORKED TOGETHER AND GOT THROUGH IT--
16 EXCEPT, THAT IS, FOR A FEW OPPORTUNISTS. UNFORTUNATELY, SOME
17 OF MY CLIENTS HAVE BEEN STUCK WITH THESE OPPORTUNISTS FOR THE
18 LAST YEAR AND A HALF. THESE ARE PEOPLE THAT REFUSE TO PAY.
19 THEY REFUSE TO PARTICIPATE IN RENT RELIEF PROGRAMS. THEY
20 DISRUPT THEIR NEIGHBORS' RIGHTS TO QUIET, AND TRASH THE
21 PROPERTY. THEY REFUSE TO WORK TOGETHER, AND ARE GIVEN A FREE
22 PASS FOR AS LONG AS THIS MORATORIUM CONTINUES. TO COVER LOST
23 REVENUES, LANDLORDS HAVE BEEN FORCED TO RAISE RENTS, CAUSING
24 NEW TENANTS TO PAY MORE, PASSING PART OF THIS FINANCIAL BURDEN
25 ON TO EXISTING TENANTS THROUGH RENT INCREASES. NOT ONLY IS

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1 CONTINUING THIS MORATORIUM AN UNFAIR BURDEN TO LANDLORDS, BUT
2 ALSO TO GOOD TENANTS. FRANKLY, I'M LEFT QUESTIONING: WHO,
3 EXACTLY, WILL BENEFIT FROM THIS MORATORIUM EXTENSION? IT
4 SURELY ISN'T THE MOM-AND-POP LANDLORDS, THE GOOD TENANTS THAT
5 ARE TRYING TO RECOVER FROM THIS PANDEMIC, OR EVEN THE FIRST-
6 TIME BUYERS WHO BOUGHT THEIR DREAM HOME, ONLY TO LIVE ON A
7 FAMILY MEMBER'S COUCH WHILE THEY PAY A MORTGAGE ON A HOME THEY
8 CAN'T RESIDE IN. FROM WHAT I SEE, THE ONLY FOLKS THAT STAND TO
9 COME UP BY EXTENDING THIS MORATORIUM IS A MINORITY OF
10 OPPORTUNISTS AND SOME REAL-ESTATE DEVELOPERS THAT WILL
11 UNDOUBTEDLY PROFIT FROM A FIRE SALE, ONCE YOU HAVE FINANCIALLY
12 GUTTED THE MOM-AND-POP LANDLORDS AND HOMEBUYERS. AS YOU CAST
13 YOUR VOTE, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK EACH ONE OF YOU, WHOSE INTEREST
14 ARE YOU REPRESENTING WITH YOUR VOTE? IS IT THE MOM-AND-POP
15 LANDLORDS, THE TENANTS, AND THE OTHER GOOD, CONTRIBUTING
16 MEMBERS OF OUR LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY? OR IS IT THE FEW
17 OPPORTUNISTS AND CORPORATE REAL-ESTATE DEVELOPERS? THAT'S ALL
18 I HAVE TO SAY. THANK YOU.

19

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

22

23 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF JAMIE
24 KIZZEE. 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.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

5

6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, WE CAN. PLEASE BEGIN.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** YES, OKAY. GOOD MORNING. I WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT ON
9 AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 20 AND 26. I AM REPULSED BY THE SHERIFF'S
10 COMMENT TODAY. MY NAME IS JAMIE KIZZEE. DIJON KIZZEE WAS MY
11 COUSIN. I AM THE PUBLIC. I ASK SUPERVISOR HOLLY MITCHELL TO
12 INVESTIGATE THE DEPUTY GANGS AND THE MISTREATMENT OF MY FAMILY
13 AFTER THE MURDER OF DIJON KIZZEE. SHE, SUPERVISOR HOLLY
14 MITCHELL HAS THE PUBLIC SUPPORT. MY COUSIN WAS MURDERED BY A
15 LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT GANG LED BY SHERIFF
16 VILLANUEVA, AND HIS DEPUTIES, KRISTIN MORALES AND MICHAEL
17 GARCIA, SHOT AT MY COUSIN 19 TIMES. 16 OF THOSE BULLETS FILLED
18 HIS BODY, WHERE HE WAS ALLOWED TO LAY IN THE GUTTER WITH HIS
19 EYES OPEN FOR HOURS. SHERIFF VILLANUEVA AND HIS DEPUTIES NEED
20 TO BE INVESTIGATED BY A CIVILIAN PUBLIC OFFICIAL, SO MY FAMILY
21 CAN HAVE TRANSPARENCY. WE HAVE THE RIGHT TO KNOW WHY THESE
22 DEPUTIES, KRISTIN MORALES AND MICHAEL GARCIA, SHOT DIJON
23 KIZZEE 16 TIMES. WE NEED TO SUE THE LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S
24 DEPARTMENT FOR NOT COOPERATING WITH THE OVERSIGHT. THANK YOU
25 FOR YOUR TIME.

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

4

5 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF ALEXANDER HARNDEN.
6 PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING
7 TODAY, AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC
8 COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

9

10 **ALEXANDER HARNDEN:** GOOD MORNING. ALEXANDER HARNDEN, WITH THE
11 INNER CITY LAW CENTER, SPEAKING ON ITEM 21 AND GENERAL PUBLIC
12 COMMENT. I WANT TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 21. WE STRONGLY
13 SUPPORT AN EXTENSION OF THE COUNTY'S EMERGENCY EVICTION
14 PROTECTIONS WITH NO CHANGES, AND THANKS, SUPERVISORS KUEHL AND
15 SOLIS, FOR INTRODUCING THIS MOTION. NOW IS NOT THE TIME TO PUT
16 COUNTY RESIDENTS AT RISK, BY LETTING THESE PROTECTIONS LAPSE
17 OR BY WEAKENING THE POLICY. I WANT TO BE CLEAR: THIS COUNTY
18 EVICTION POLICY DOES NOT APPLY TO NONPAYMENT OF RENT
19 SITUATIONS. THESE PROTECTIONS DO NOT PREVENT SOMEBODY FROM
20 SELLING A PROPERTY OR RENTING A VACANT UNIT. THEY DO NOT
21 PREVENT OWNERS FROM MOVING INTO A UNIT THEY OWN, UNDER
22 APPROPRIATE CONDITIONS. WHAT THESE PROTECTIONS DO IS PROHIBIT
23 INAPPROPRIATE EVICTIONS AND NO-FAULT EVICTIONS DURING AN
24 ONGOING PANDEMIC AND HOUSING CRISIS. WE SHOULD NOT BE
25 COMPOUNDING THE CHALLENGES OF THE COURTS, PUBLIC AGENCIES, AND

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1 THE GENERAL PUBLIC, BY LETTING THESE PROTECTIONS LAPSE, AS
2 NONPAYMENT EVICTIONS ARE ABOUT TO BEGIN IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.
3 VULNERABLE RESIDENTS ARE RELYING ON THESE KIND OF PROTECTIONS
4 TO KEEP THEM SAFE AND KEEP THEM HOUSED, ESPECIALLY LOWER-
5 INCOME TENANTS, WHO ARE STILL STRUGGLING TO FIND EMPLOYMENT
6 AND FAR FACED WITH CRUSHING AMOUNTS OF RENT DEBT. ALLOWING
7 THESE PROTECTIONS TO EXPIRE, OR CREATING LOOPHOLES, WILL GIVE
8 LANDLORDS A WAY TO CIRCUMVENT STATE NONPAYMENT PROTECTIONS, BY
9 PUSHING VULNERABLE RENTERS OUT OF THEIR HOMES FOR OTHER
10 CLAIMED REASONS, AND WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE BOARD'S EXTENSION
11 OF THIS CRITICAL POLICY UNTIL WE'VE ACHIEVED A TRUE RECOVERY.
12 THANK YOU.

13

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

16

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

21

22 **SABRINA DEMAYO LOCKHART:** GOOD MORNING. I AM SPEAKING ON ITEM
23 S-1 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. MY NAME IS SABRINA DEMAYO
24 LOCKHART, AND I APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO OFFER COMMENT ON
25 BEHALF OF THE CALIFORNIA ATTRACTIONS AND PARKS ASSOCIATION. WE

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1 REPRESENT THEME PARKS ACROSS THE STATE, AND WE HAVE MEMBERS
2 WHO OPERATE WITHIN THE COUNTY. THEY HAVE BEEN CLOSE PARTNERS
3 WITH PUBLIC HEALTH PROFESSIONALS IN THIS PROCESS. I SENT A
4 DETAILED LETTER YESTERDAY, ASKING FOR MORE TIME FOR PARKS TO
5 IMPLEMENT THE NEW VACCINE AND TESTING VERIFICATION MANDATES.
6 NO OTHER JURISDICTION IN THE STATE HAS THESE SAME REQUIREMENTS
7 FOR THEME PARKS, AND OUR PARKS NEED MORE THAN TWO WEEKS TO
8 IMPLEMENT THESE SWEEPING CHANGES. LIKE MANY OTHER INDUSTRIES,
9 THEME PARKS ARE FACING A WORKFORCE SHORTAGE, AND THERE JUST
10 SIMPLY ISN'T ENOUGH TIME TO HIRE AND TRAIN STAFF BEFORE THIS
11 MANDATE TAKES EFFECT. UNLIKE OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS, WE OPERATE
12 ON A DAILY BASIS. OUR GUESTS ARRIVE THROUGHOUT THE DAY. GUESTS
13 USUALLY ATTEND WITH THEIR OWN HOUSEHOLD GROUP, AND THEY DON'T
14 CONGREGATE IN ONE AREA FOR EXTENDED PERIODS OF TIME. SINCE OUR
15 GUESTS ARE CONTINUALLY MOVING AROUND THE PARK, THIS ALSO
16 ALLOWS STAFF TO ENSURE MASKING COMPLIANCE. WE ALSO ASK THE
17 BOARD TO CONSIDER WHAT METRICS WILL BE NECESSARY FOR THIS
18 MANDATE TO EXPIRE. THANKS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH PRECAUTIONS
19 ALREADY IMPLEMENTED, THE COUNTY CONTINUES TO MAKE PROGRESS IN
20 THE FIGHT AGAINST THE SPREAD OF C.O.V.I.D.-19. WE URGE THE
21 BOARD TO DELAY IMPLEMENTATION UNTIL AT LEAST NOVEMBER 1ST, AND
22 PROVIDE REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS, PARTICULARLY FOR OUR
23 INDUSTRY THAT IS STILL REELING ECONOMICALLY FROM LAST YEAR'S
24 CLOSURES. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

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 JOHN
5 GARRELL. 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:** YES, HELLO. I AM HERE TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEM 21, THE
10 EVICTION MORATORIUM EXTENSION. I AM A HOUSING PROVIDER, A
11 LANDLORD AND AN OWNER WITH A PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMPANY. WE
12 HAVE A GREAT RELATIONSHIP WITH ALL OF OUR TENANTS. ALL OF OUR
13 TENANTS ARE WORKING WITH US, AND THE EXTENSION OF THIS
14 MORATORIUM IS ONLY GOING TO ALLOW A FEW TO AVOID PAYMENT, WHEN
15 EVERYONE ELSE IS PAYING FAIRLY, AND IT IS TIME TO GET BACK TO
16 NORMAL AND STOP THIS EVICTION MORATORIUM IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
17 ANGELES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

18

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

21

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

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1

2 **SPEAKER:** HI. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, WE CAN. PLEASE BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** HI, YES. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM 20, 26, AND GENERAL
7 PUBLIC COMMENT. BY LAW, UNDER THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC RECORDS
8 ACT, INFORMATION REGARDING A POLICE-INVOLVED KILLING MUST BE
9 MADE PUBLIC, UNLESS A PUBLIC AGENCY CAN JUSTIFY A REASON
10 OUTWEIGHING THE PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO KNOW. L.A. SHERIFF'S
11 DEPARTMENT HAS FAILED TO COMPLY WITH THESE. MORE THAN TWO
12 YEARS AFTER S.B. 1421, THE RIGHT TO KNOW ACT, WENT INTO
13 EFFECT, VILLANUEVA AND L.A.S.D. HAVE UTTERLY FAILED TO PRODUCE
14 RECORDS ON DEPUTY MISCONDUCT, MADE PUBLIC BY CALIFORNIA LAW,
15 PROMPTING LAWSUITS FROM THE A.C.L.U. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
16 AND THE L.A. TIMES. THEIR UTTER REFUSAL TO COMPLY WITH THE
17 C.P.R.A. PREVENTS MEANINGFUL TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY,
18 AND IS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF SHERIFF VILLANUEVA'S CONTEMPT FOR
19 THE LAW. FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES GRIEVING THE KILLING OF
20 THEIR LOVED ONES AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS CONTINUE TO DEMAND
21 TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS,
22 YET REASONABLE DEMANDS FROM GRIEVING FAMILIES ARE MET WITH
23 SECRECY AND UNNECESSARY HURDLES FROM L.A.S.D. SECRECY AND LACK
24 OF ACCOUNTABILITY HARM NOT ONLY VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES, BUT
25 THE ENTIRE JUSTICE SYSTEM. GIVEN THE PUBLIC'S LEGITIMATE

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1 INTEREST IN OFFICER-INVOLVED DEATHS, A FORMAL PUBLIC INQUEST
2 INTO THE KILLINGS OF MALIK YOUNG,, DIJON KIZZEE, AND SAMUEL
3 HERRERA IS NEEDED. WE IMPORE OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS TO TRULY
4 STAND WITH US AND FIGHT FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR COMMUNITIES. WE
5 NEED THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO FINALLY PASS AN ORDINANCE
6 REQUIRING THE PUBLICATION OF PUBLIC RECORDS WHEN THEY ARE
7 CREATED, INCLUDING MANDATING THE RELEASE OF THE NAMES OF
8 DEPUTIES INVOLVED IN SHOOTINGS, WITHIN 48 HOURS OF THE
9 INCIDENT, IN COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW. THE ORDINANCE SHOULD
10 ALSO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUBLISHING THESE RECORDS
11 RESPONDING TO REQUESTS FOR RECORDS AWAY FROM THE SHERIFF'S
12 DEPARTMENT, TO AN AGENCY THAT CAN BE BETTER TRUSTED TO FOLLOW
13 THE LAW. I REALLY ENCOURAGE THE BOARD TO CONSIDER ISSUING A
14 MOTION TO DIRECT THE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION TO PROPOSE
15 KEY RECOMMENDATIONS ON ERADICATING DEPUTY GANGS, AND
16 ADDRESSING RELATED PROBLEMS. IN LIGHT OF THE R.A.N.D. REPORT,
17 IT IS REASONABLE TO REQUEST THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
18 OVERHAUL THE ENTIRE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AS PER THE L.A.
19 TIMES' RECOMMENDATION, INCLUDING A BALLOT MEASURE THAT WOULD
20 AMEND THE L.A. COUNTY CHARTER TO MAXIMIZE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT
21 AND COMMUNITY CONTROL OVER THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THE
22 R.A.N.D. REPORT ONLY CONFIRMS WHAT WE'VE KNOWN ALL ALONG. WE
23 WERE NEVER EXPECTING THE R.A.N.D. REPORT TO ACCURATELY DEPICT
24 THE FULL EXTENT OF THE DECADES-LONG DEPUTY GANG CRISIS. IT HAS
25 TO BE LIMITATIONS IN ITS METHODOLOGY, [INAUDIBLE] MAKE A

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1 CONNECTION BETWEEN DEPUTY GANGS AND THE WHOLLY LACKING
2 SHERIFF'S DISCIPLINARY SYSTEM, AND MAINLY RECOMMENDS REFORM
3 AND TRAINING. HOWEVER, R.A.N.D. IS SAYING THAT DEPUTY GANGS
4 EXIST. SOME ARE ACTIVELY RECRUITING AND DOING HARM, AND MORE
5 CAN BE DONE. THE REPORT'S RECOMMENDATIONS, WHICH WE URGE THE
6 BOARD TO ACCEPT, CREATE A STRONG AND CLEAR POLICY PROHIBITING
7 DEPUTY GANGS, AND EXTERNAL MECHANISMS FOR ACCOUNTABILITY.
8 THESE ARE GOOD JUMPING-OFF POINTS. THE R.A.N.D. REPORT
9 CONFIRMED THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO COORDINATED EFFORT TO
10 DISCOURAGE MEMBERSHIP IN DEPUTY GANGS, AND THE FACT THAT A
11 MAJORITY OF SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES SURVEYED SAID
12 DEPUTY GANGS ARE JUST FINE, AND SHOULDN'T BE BANNED,
13 DEMONSTRATES HOW THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS ROTTEN TO ITS
14 CORE. MOVING TO GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. WE HAVE HEARD, OVER
15 AND OVER AGAIN, THAT THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE HAS A LEGAL MANDATE
16 UNDER A.B. 109 TO FUND PROGRAMS LIKE THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
17 AND THE OFFICE OF PROBATION.

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

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

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1

2 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS STEVEN, AND I AM SPEAKING ON ITEMS 21
3 AND 25. MY FAMILY OWNS A RESTAURANT. IT IS A VERY SMALL
4 BUSINESS RUN BY MY MOM, MY UNCLE, AND MYSELF. CURRENTLY, WE'RE
5 THE ONLY EMPLOYEES. OUR BUSINESS RECOVERY HASN'T BEEN AS FAST
6 AS LARGER BUSINESSES, IN PART DUE TO THE DELTA VARIANT OF
7 C.O.V.I.D.-19. THE PROTECTIONS AFFORDED BY THE EVICTION
8 MORATORIUM IS THE ONLY THING PROTECTING MY FAMILY BUSINESS AT
9 THE MOMENT. OUR LANDLORD INCREASED MONTHLY RENT, AND
10 SUBSEQUENTLY HAS SUED US FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT, DESPITE US
11 MAKING PARTIAL PAYMENT CONSISTENTLY THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE
12 LENGTH OF THIS PANDEMIC. IN FACT, HE FOLLOWED THROUGH WITH A
13 LAWSUIT, WITH THE KNOWLEDGE THAT MY FATHER HAD PASSED AWAY
14 DURING THE HEIGHT OF THE PANDEMIC, BEFORE VACCINATIONS WERE
15 MADE AVAILABLE. I AM IN FAVOR OF ITEMS 21 AND 25. MY BUSINESS
16 IS JUST ONE OF MANY AT THE MERCY OF LANDLORDS WHO HAVE ALL THE
17 LEVERAGE. AND IF THE EVICTION MORATORIUM IS NOT EXTENDED, I
18 WILL HAVE TO DEAL WITH AN EVICTION ON TOP OF A BREACH-OF-
19 CONTRACT LAWSUIT. THANK YOU.

20

21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THAT COMPLETES THE
22 90 MINUTES OF PUBLIC COMMENT TESTIMONY.

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO EVERYONE WHO COULD
25 CALL IN. OUR TIME FOR PUBLIC SPEAKERS, AS YOU KNOW, HAS ENDED.

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1 I WANT TO THANK YOU AGAIN FOR CALLING IN AND PROVIDING YOUR
2 COMMENTS, AND YOU CAN CONTINUE TO SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS, AS
3 INDICATED ON THE AGENDA. WE WILL CONTINUE TO ACCEPT ALL
4 WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING THE MEETING, WHICH WILL
5 BECOME PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD. MOVING ON NOW TO ITEM
6 NUMBER 7, MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE INDICATE THE AGENDA
7 ITEM NUMBERS ON WHICH WE WILL BE VOTING.

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU: 5
10 THROUGH 13; 15, WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER ABSTAINING FROM THE
11 VOTE; 16 THROUGH 18, 22 AND 23, 27; 29, WITH SUPERVISOR
12 MITCHELL ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE; 30 THROUGH 32, 33-A, 33-C,
13 AND 36, WITH SUPERVISOR MITCHELL ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE.

14

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

18

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

20

21 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

22

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

25

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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

2

3 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, 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, 5-
16 0.

17

18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MOVING ON, MEMBERS, NOW, TO ITEM
19 NUMBER 8, BEFORE WE TAKE UP PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE PUBLIC
20 HEARING ITEMS, THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER WILL READ THE SHORT
21 TITLES OF EACH PUBLIC HEARING ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
22 PLEASE SWEAR IN THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD ON
23 THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS.

24

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** FOR THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE
2 BOARD ON THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS, PLEASE BE PREPARED TO BE
3 SWORN IN. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THE BOARD, DO
4 YOU SOLEMNLY SWEAR TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH, AND
5 NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH, SO HELP YOU GOD? ITEM ONE IS A HEARING
6 ON THE ANNEXATION OF THE FOLLOWING SUBDIVISIONS AND SINGLE-LOT
7 TERRITORIES, TRACT 76070 AND SINGLE-LOT L 071-2019, IN THE
8 CITY OF CARSON. A WRITTEN DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS PROVIDED,
9 AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. ITEM 2 IS A HEARING ON THE
10 TRANSFER OF TERRITORY, KNOWN AS TRACT NUMBER 82311, LOCATED IN
11 THE CITY OF LA MIRADA, AND LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE
12 TRANSFERRED TERRITORY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023, WITH AN
13 ANNUAL BASE RATE ASSESSMENT OF \$20 FOR LA MIRADA ZONE "A," A
14 \$19 INCREASE OVER THE CURRENT \$1 BASE ASSESSMENT RATE FOR LA
15 MIRADA ZONE "B." A WRITTEN DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS
16 PROVIDED, AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. ITEM 3 IS A
17 HEARING ON THE WEIGHT LIMIT RESTRICTION ORDER FOR COUNTY
18 BRIDGE NUMBER 0647, LOCATED ON CIRCLE TRAIL, WHICH CROSSES
19 OVER TOPANGA CANYON CREEK, IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF
20 TOPANGA CANYON. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT, AND NO
21 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. ITEM 4 IS A HEARING ON THE
22 ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION AMENDING THE PROPRIETARY PETROLEUM
23 PIPELINE FRANCHISE, GRANTED TO PARAMOUNT PETROLEUM
24 CORPORATION, TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE FRANCHISE THROUGH
25 DECEMBER 31ST, 2036, AND APPROVE A TRANSFER OF THE EXISTING

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1 PROPRIETARY PETROLEUM FRANCHISE RIGHTS TO PARAMOUNT PIPELINE,
2 L.L.C. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT, AND NO
3 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ITEM 9: WE WILL NOW TAKE PUBLIC
6 COMMENT ON THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS 1 THROUGH 4. MADAM
7 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN INFORMATION THAT
8 WAS ALSO PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA, AND EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING
9 RULES TO THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE CALLING IN TO
10 ADDRESS THE BOARD.

11

12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AS INDICATED ON
13 THE AGENDA, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO OFFER PUBLIC
14 COMMENT ON ITEMS 1 THROUGH 4 SHOULD CALL 877-226-8163, AND USE
15 PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 852-761. TO REPEAT: PLEASE CALL 877-
16 226-8163 AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 852-761. DO NOT CALL
17 THAT NUMBER IF YOU ONLY WANT TO LISTEN TO THE MEETING. TO
18 LISTEN ONLY, PLEASE CALL 877-873-8017, AND FOLLOW THE
19 INSTRUCTIONS. TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CALLING IN, WHEN IT IS
20 YOUR TURN TO SPEAK, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND WHICH PUBLIC
21 HEARING ITEMS YOU WISH TO SPEAK ON. EACH PERSON WILL HAVE ONE
22 MINUTE FOR ONE PUBLIC HEARING ITEM, AND TWO MINUTES FOR TWO OR
23 MORE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO ACCEPT ALL
24 WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING THE MEETING, WHICH WILL
25 BECOME PART OF THE RECORD. WHEN SPEAKING ON THE PUBLIC HEARING

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1 ITEMS, YOU MUST BE ON TOPIC. OUR GOAL IS TO GET THROUGH AS
2 MANY SPEAKERS AS WE CAN. IF YOU ARE NOT SPEAKING ON TOPIC, OR
3 IF WE CANNOT TELL IF YOU ARE SPEAKING ON A PUBLIC HEARING
4 ITEM, YOU WILL GET ONE WARNING FROM COUNTY COUNSEL OR THE
5 CHAIR. IF YOU DO NOT IMMEDIATELY OR CLEARLY GET ON TOPIC, OR
6 IF YOU STRAY OFF TOPIC AGAIN, YOU WILL FORFEIT THE REST OF
7 YOUR TIME, AND THE CHAIR WILL MOVE TO THE NEXT SPEAKER. PLEASE
8 NOTE THAT IF YOU ARE ALSO LISTENING TO THE BOARD MEETING ON A
9 COMPUTER OR SPEAKERPHONE, YOU WILL NEED TO TURN DOWN THE
10 VOLUME ON THOSE DEVICES AS SOON AS THE MODERATOR CALLS ON YOU.
11 IF YOU DO NOT TURN DOWN THE VOLUME, THERE WILL BE AN ECHO.
12 MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE?

13

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

18

19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WE WILL NOW HEAR THE SPANISH
20 INTERPRETATION OF THIS REMINDER.

21

22 **INTERPRETER:** [SPEAKS SPANISH.]

23

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

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1

2 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS CHERYL TURNER. PLEASE
3 STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING
4 TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** I WAS ADDRESSING ITEM 21 AND GENERAL COMMENT. HAS
7 THAT PASSED?

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** MA'AM, THIS IS FOR PUBLIC HEARING ONLY. SO,
10 YES, YOU ARE CORRECT. SO, UNLESS YOU WANT TO ADDRESS ANY OF
11 THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS, YOU CAN SPEAK. BUT OTHER THAN THAT,
12 WE HAVE ALREADY TAKEN THEM UP. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** YES. SO, 21, OPPOSED.

15

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

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU.

20

21 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE GO TO THE LINE OF ERIC TREVEN. PLEASE
22 STATE THE PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING
23 TODAY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

24

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** JUST 1 AND 4, AND IT IS PREVEN, WITH A "P." THANK
2 YOU VERY MUCH, SIR. GOOD LUCK WITH YOUR ONGOING WORK. ITEM
3 NUMBER ONE IS AN INTERESTING LITTLE TRANSFER OF TAX
4 RESPONSIBILITY. PESTRELLA IS OPERATING THINGS THERE. I WAS
5 LOOKING VERY CLOSELY. IT IS VERY INTERESTING. ALMOST 40
6 PERCENT OF THE TAX BASIS THAT THEY GET IS EXEMPT, BECAUSE IT
7 IS FRIENDLY FIRE, LITTLE HELPERS. LIKE, THE L.A. COMMUNITY
8 COLLEGE DISTRICT HAS A LARGE PIECE OF THIS. WE'RE ANNEXING
9 LIGHTING DISTRICT PROPERTY. IT'S VERY WONKY AND GRANULAR. LET
10 ME PUT IT THAT WAY. SO I KNOW THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS
11 PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION. THEY LOVE THIS STUFF. THEY ARE VERY
12 DILIGENT. THEY SEEM TO BE DOING OTHER THINGS, BUT THEY ARE
13 ACTUALLY VERY FOCUSED ON IT, SO THANK YOU FOR DOING SUCH A
14 GOOD JOB OF SHEPHERDING THIS ONE ALONG. NOW, IF YOU MOVE TO
15 ITEM 4, WITHOUT RUNNING OUT OF TIME, OBVIOUSLY, HOLLY MITCHELL
16 WILL SIT FORWARD, BECAUSE THE WORD "PETROLEUM" APPEARS. AND
17 WHENEVER WE SEE A DELAWARE CORPORATION, LIKE PARAMOUNT
18 PETROLEUM CORPORATION, CHANGING TO PARAMOUNT PIPELINE, L.L.C.-
19 - ALSO A DELAWARE CORPORATION, BY THE WAY-- OUR RADAR
20 IMMEDIATELY IS ALERTED, AND OUR ANTENNAE GO UP, AND WE WONDER,
21 WHY ONLY \$5,000 FOR A FRANCHISE FEE TO THESE CROOKS ANGLING
22 CROOKS? AND WE THANK THE GREAT LEADER, PAUL KREKORIAN, WHO HAS
23 WRITTEN YOU A FIVE-- HE WROTE A LETTER ON BEHALF OF ALL OF HIS
24 COUNCIL COLLEAGUES, URGING YOU TO ELIMINATE FOSSIL FUEL
25 PRODUCTION HERE IN L.A. COUNTY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. IN FACT,

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1 LET'S NOT PIN IT DOWN TO A PARTICULAR YEAR, BECAUSE WE ARE IN
2 SUCH A RUSH. WE DON'T WANT TO LOCK OURSELVES INTO SOMETHING,
3 LIKE 2030 IS THE NEW 2050. BUT IF WE COULD DO IT BY 2030, THAT
4 WOULD ONLY BE ABOUT YEARS TOO LATE. AS HE SAID, AS WE ALL
5 AGREE, POURING GASOLINE ON A FIRE, WHICH OUR PLANET--

6

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

9

10 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU, ZAVALA. GET SOME REST.

11

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

14

15 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. OUR TIME FOR PUBLIC
16 SPEAKERS HAS ENDED. THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT CALLED IN. IF YOU
17 WERE UNABLE TO PROVIDE YOUR COMMENTS, YOU MAY SUBMIT WRITTEN
18 COMMENTS, AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA. WE WILL CONTINUE TO
19 ACCEPT ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING THE MEETING,
20 WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE RECORD. NEXT, MEMBERS, TODAY WE
21 WILL BEGIN WITH PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS 1 THROUGH 4, FOLLOWED BY
22 SET ITEM S-1, THEN ITEMS 14, 20, FOLLOWED BY ITEMS 21 AND 25,
23 WHICH WILL BE TAKEN UP TOGETHER, AND FINISHING WITH ITEM
24 NUMBER 26. WE'LL NOW TAKE UP PUBLIC HEARING ITEM 1, HEARING ON
25 THE ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF ASSESSMENT FOR COUNTY LIGHTING

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1 DISTRICTS IN THE CITY OF CARSON. ARE THERE ANY SUPERVISORS
2 THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE ANY REMARKS? OKAY, SEEING NONE, IT
3 WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND DIRECT
4 THE TABULATIONS OF THE BALLOTS AND TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL LATER
5 IN THE MEETING, FOR TABULATION RESULTS AND ACTION BY THE
6 BOARD. THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. MOVING ON, WE WILL NOW TAKE UP
7 PUBLIC HEARING ITEM TWO, HEARING ON THE TRANSFER OF TERRITORY
8 AND LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS OF COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICTS IN THE
9 CITY OF LA MIRADA. ARE THERE ANY SUPERVISORS THAT WOULD LIKE
10 TO MAKE ANY REMARKS? SEEING NONE, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO
11 CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND DIRECT THE TABULATION OF THE
12 BALLOTS AND TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL LATER IN MEETING FOR
13 TABULATION RESULTS AND ACTION BY THE BOARD. THAT WILL BE THE
14 ORDER. WE WILL NOW TAKE UP PUBLIC HEARING ITEM THREE, HEARING
15 ON WEIGHT LIMIT RESTRICTION ORDER FOR THE COUNTY BRIDGE, IN
16 THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF TOPANGA CANYON. ARE THERE ANY
17 SUPERVISORS WISHING TO BE RECOGNIZED ON THIS ITEM? SEEING
18 NONE, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE, THEN, TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC
19 HEARING AND VOTE ON THIS ITEM. ITEM 3 IS BEFORE US, MOVED BY
20 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO
21 APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
22 ROLL .

23
24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 3 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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1 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

2

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

5

6 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

7

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

9

10 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

11

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

13

14 **SUP. KUEHL:** 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, 5-
21 0.

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW TAKE UP PUBLIC
24 HEARING ITEM 4, HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND A PROPRIETARY
25 PETROLEUM PIPELINE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO PARAMOUNT PETROLEUM

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1 CORPORATION. ARE THERE ANY SUPERVISORS THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE
2 ANY REMARKS ON THIS ITEM?

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I WOULD, IF I MAY.

5

6 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES. YOU ARE RECOGNIZED, SUPERVISOR
7 MITCHELL.

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9 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, FOR ALLOWING
10 ME TO SAY JUST A FEW WORDS ABOUT WHY I AM GOING TO ABSTAIN
11 FROM THIS VOTE. I RECOGNIZE THAT THIS ITEM DIRECTLY IMPACTS
12 ANOTHER SUPERVISOR'S DISTRICT, BUT ALSO MY DISTRICT, AND THAT
13 SEVERAL PIPELINES CROSS THE SECOND DISTRICT TO REACH THE
14 REFINERIES IN THE COUNTY. WHILE I UNDERSTAND THAT THESE
15 FRANCHISE AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS ARE GENERALLY ROUTINE, THERE
16 ARE REAL HEALTH, SAFETY, AND FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS RELATED TO
17 THE COUNTY'S PIPELINE FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS. I AM ABSTAINING
18 FROM TODAY'S VOTE BECAUSE I WOULD LIKE TO ENSURE THAT FUTURE
19 AMENDMENTS OR EXTENSIONS ARE IN LINE WITH OUR NEW BOARD-
20 APPROVED DIRECTION IN OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS, AS WELL AS THE
21 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COUNTY'S JUST TRANSITION TASK FORCE.
22 THERE IS ADDITIONAL COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS THAT CAN BE DONE TO
23 ENSURE LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION, INCREASED SAFETY PARAMETERS,
24 AND ACCOUNTABILITY FROM INDUSTRY PARTNERS, IN ALIGNMENT WITH A
25 LONG-TERM JUST TRANSITION ROADMAP. I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING

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1 ON THESE ISSUES IN THE NEAR FUTURE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
2 PUBLIC WORKS AND OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. THANK YOU VERY
3 MUCH.

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5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. SEEING NO
6 OTHER MEMBERS WISHING TO BE RECOGNIZED, THEN IT WOULD BE
7 APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE ON THE ITEM.
8 ITEM 4 IS BEFORE US, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY
9 SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE
10 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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

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14 **SUP. MITCHELL:** ABSTAINING.

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16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, ABSTAINING.
17 SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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19 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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

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23 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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2 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

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

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8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 4-0,
9 WITH ONE ABSTENTION.

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11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MEMBERS, NOW WE'RE GOING TO MOVE
12 ON TO THE SET MATTER ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER. THIS IS THE
13 PUBLIC'S OPPORTUNITY FOR THE BOARD TO DISCUSS THE PANDEMIC
14 TRENDS. WE'LL NOW HEAR FROM DR. BARBARA FERRER, DIRECTOR OF
15 PUBLIC HEALTH, AND DR. CHRISTINA GHALY, DIRECTOR OF HEALTH
16 SERVICES.

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18 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** GOOD MORNING, AND THANK YOU SO MUCH,
19 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AND TO THE ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I
20 WANT TO OPEN BY THANKING ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR DIRECTION, YOUR
21 COLLABORATIVE SPIRIT, AND TIRELESS ADVOCACY. I AM GRATEFUL FOR
22 THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT TO YOU AND THE PUBLIC THE LATEST
23 ON THE STATUS OF THE ONGOING C.O.V.I.D.-19 PANDEMIC HERE IN
24 L.A. COUNTY. THIS MORNING, I WILL BE UPDATING INFORMATION ON
25 OUR TRENDS AND CASES, HOSPITALIZATIONS, AND DEATHS, BY

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1 VACCINATION STATUS, AGE GROUP, AND RACE AND ETHNICITY, AND I
2 WILL ALSO PROVIDE BRIEF UPDATES ON CASES AT OUR SCHOOLS, AND
3 OUR PROGRESS WITH VACCINATIONS. I'M GOING TO CLOSE WITH SOME
4 INFORMATION ABOUT BOOSTER SHOTS AND EFFORTS ACROSS THE COUNTY
5 TO CONTINUE TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE IS EQUITY IN THE
6 DISTRIBUTION OF OUR VACCINATIONS. I WILL TAKE THE FIRST SLIDE.
7 THE DATA ON THIS SLIDE IS-- WE CAN GO TO THE NEXT ONE. SORRY.
8 THE DATA ON THIS SLIDE IS YESTERDAY'S NUMBERS, BUT I DID JUST
9 ADD IN TODAY'S NUMBERS. I AM SAD TO REPORT 29 ADDITIONAL
10 DEATHS TODAY. THIS DOES BRING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF DEATHS TO
11 26,047 IN L.A. COUNTY. WE ARE SAD TO HAVE MET ANOTHER GRIM
12 MILESTONE OF 26,000 DEATHS, A MILESTONE THAT TELLS US WE HAVE
13 LOST 1 IN 400 RESIDENTS OF THIS COUNTY TO THIS VIRUS, AND WE
14 GRIEVE ALONGSIDE EVERYONE WHO HAS SUFFERED THE LOSS OF FRIENDS
15 AND FAMILY DURING THIS EXTRAORDINARILY DIFFICULT TIME. OUR
16 PRAYERS AND OUR HEARTS ARE WITH YOU. WE ARE ALSO REPORTING
17 TODAY 1,147 NEW CASES. THIS BRINGS THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES
18 IN L.A. COUNTY TO 1,456,275. TO DATE, NEARLY 8.5 MILLION
19 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN TESTED, AND HAD TEST RESULTS REPORTED IN L.A.
20 COUNTY. OUR DAILY TEST POSITIVITY RATE IS NOW SLIGHTLY OVER
21 ONE PERCENT. THIS IS A 21-PERCENT DECREASE FROM LAST WEEK'S
22 SAME DAY RATE. OUR DAILY AVERAGE CASE RATE, WITH OUR 3-DAY
23 LAG, IS NOW 11.4 CASES PER 100,000 PEOPLE. THIS ALSO IS A
24 SMALL DECREASE OF ABOUT 2 PERCENTAGE POINTS FROM LAST WEEK'S
25 THREE-DAY LAG CASE RATE OF 13.2 CASES PER 100,000 PEOPLE.

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1 THERE ARE 908 PEOPLE HOSPITALIZED WITH C.O.V.I.D. TODAY, AND
2 THAT'S A DECREASE OF 126 PEOPLE OVER THE PRIOR WEEK. WE HAVE
3 202 OPEN INVESTIGATIONS AT RESIDENTIAL CONGREGATE SETTINGS AND
4 NONRESIDENTIAL SETTINGS, WITH AT LEAST ONE CONFIRMED CASE OF
5 C.O.V.I.D.-19. WE CAN GO ON TO THE NEXT TABLE. OBVIOUSLY, TO
6 ASSESS THE RISK OF C.O.V.I.D. IN L.A. COUNTY, WE NOW USE THE
7 C.D.C. INDICATORS AND THRESHOLDS TO CATEGORIZE COMMUNITY
8 TRANSMISSION OF C.O.V.I.D.-19. YOU WILL NOTE THAT THIS
9 FRAMEWORK IS USING A 7-DAY CASE RATE, MEANING THE NUMBER OF
10 CASES PER 100,000 PEOPLE OVER THE PAST WEEK, RATHER THAN THE
11 DAILY CASE RATE WE ARE MORE ACCUSTOMED TO USING IN THE COUNTY.
12 TRANSMISSION IN L.A. COUNTY REMAINS AT THE SUBSTANTIAL LEVEL
13 FOR THE SECOND WEEK IN A ROW, WITH OUR 7-DAY CUMULATIVE CASE
14 RATE NOW AT ABOUT 76 NEW CASES PER 100,000 RESIDENTS. THIS
15 NUMBER REFLECTS A 12-PERCENT DECREASE IN THE CASE RATE FROM
16 LAST WEEK, INDICATING A CONTINUED SMALL DECLINE IN COMMUNITY
17 TRANSMISSION. SEQUENCING OF SPECIMENS CONTINUES TO IDENTIFY
18 THE DOMINANCE OF THE DELTA VARIANT, WHICH HAS CROWDED OUT
19 ALMOST ALL OTHER STRAINS. HOWEVER, AS OUR ABILITY TO
20 DIFFERENTIATE VARIANTS IMPROVE, OUR LABORATORIES ARE BETTER
21 ABLE TO CATEGORIZE THE IDENTITIES OF VIRAL STRAINS THAT ARE
22 ISOLATED FROM SAMPLES THAT WERE OBTAINED OVER THE COURSE OF
23 THE PANDEMIC. A VARIANT CALLED R.1 IS AMONG THOSE RECENTLY
24 LINKED TO OLDER C.O.V.I.D. CASES. AND WHILE THIS VARIANT NO
25 LONGER APPEARS TO BE IN CIRCULATION IN THE UNITED STATES, IT

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1 HAS RECENTLY BEEN THE SUBJECT OF SEVERAL NEWS REPORTS, BECAUSE
2 IT HAS MUTATIONS THAT MAY BE LINKED TO VACCINE AVOIDANCE AND
3 INCREASED INFECTIVITY. SO I JUST WANTED TO BRIEFLY SHARE WITH
4 YOU WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT THIS VARIANT'S HISTORY AND LOCAL
5 TRAJECTORY. R.1 VARIANTS WERE FIRST DETECTED IN JAPAN IN
6 DECEMBER 2020, AND THEY PEAKED IN THE U.S. IN MAY OF 2021, AND
7 THEY WERE ACTUALLY LAST DETECTED IN THE UNITED STATES IN
8 AUGUST. 68 CASES AMONG CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS HAVE BEEN LINKED
9 TO THIS R.1 VARIANT, BUT THESE ARE ALL CASES THAT HAPPENED IN
10 THE SPRING AND EARLY SUMMER. OF THESE, THE TWO CASES THAT WE
11 KNOW OF, AMONG L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS, WERE FROM CASES
12 DIAGNOSED IN MARCH AND APRIL OF THIS PAST YEAR. NEITHER THE
13 C.D.C. NOR THE W.H.O. CONSIDERS R.1 TO BE A VARIANT OF
14 CONCERN, BECAUSE IT IS NOT REALLY CIRCULATING RIGHT NOW. THESE
15 AGENCIES CONTINUE TO MONITOR GENOMIC SEQUENCING DATA FOR SIGNS
16 OF CHANGE, AND WE WILL PROVIDE UPDATES AS NEW INFORMATION
17 EMERGES. WE CAN GO ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE. AS ALWAYS, IT IS
18 HOPEFUL TO NOTE OUR 20-MONTH JOURNEY BY STARTING WITH THIS
19 GRAPH, THAT SHOWS TRENDS AND CASES, HOSPITALIZATIONS AND
20 DEATHS, ACROSS THE COUNTY FROM THE VERY BEGINNING OF THE
21 PANDEMIC, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 20TH OF THIS YEAR. NOTE THAT THIS
22 DATA IS BASED ON WHAT WE CALL AN EPISODE DATE, AND IT LAGS
23 BEHIND THE INFORMATION THAT WE USE TO CALCULATE DAILY CASE
24 RATES. OVERALL, WE CONTINUE TO SEE A DOWNWARD TREND, AS YOU
25 CAN SEE, IN CASES, HOSPITALIZATIONS, AND NOW DEATHS. ON

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1 SEPTEMBER 20TH, OUR 7-DAY CASE AVERAGE WAS 1,283 NEW CASES,
2 AND THIS IS A DECREASE OF MORE THAN 55 PERCENT FROM A MONTH
3 EARLIER. OVER THE SAME PERIOD, HOSPITALIZATIONS AND DEATHS
4 BOTH DECLINED BY JUST ABOUT 38 PERCENT. TRAGICALLY, AS OF
5 SEPTEMBER 20TH, WE STILL CONTINUE TO SEE ABOUT 15 DEATHS A
6 DAY, AND KNOWING WE HAVE THE TOOLS TO PREVENT ALMOST ALL OF
7 THESE DEATHS MAKES THEM PARTICULARLY PAINFUL. NEXT SLIDE.
8 FOLLOWING OUTCOMES AMONG FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE GIVES US THE
9 ABILITY TO UNDERSTAND THE EFFECTIVENESS OF OUR VACCINES. THIS
10 SLIDE SHOWS THE NUMBERS FOR CASES, HOSPITALIZATIONS, AND
11 DEATHS AMONG FULLY VACCINATED IN THE DIAGRAM. THE LARGE GREEN
12 BOX REPRESENTS THE MORE THAN 5.5 MILLION RESIDENTS WHO ARE NOW
13 FULLY VACCINATED. THE TINY PURPLE BOX IN THE LEFT LOWER CORNER
14 OF THIS GREEN BOX REPRESENTS THE 52,140 FULLY VACCINATED
15 PEOPLE THAT TESTED POSITIVE FOR C.O.V.I.D., AS OF SEPTEMBER
16 21ST, 2021. YOU COULD NOTE THAT THIS IS A LARGER JUMP THAN
17 USUAL FROM THE LAST TIME I SHARED THIS SLIDE, AND THAT'S
18 BECAUSE LAST WEEK WE INCLUDED ABOUT 1,800 PRESUMED
19 REINFECTIONS FROM BETWEEN MAY 1ST AND SEPTEMBER 18TH IN THIS
20 CALCULATION. IN THE PAST, THESE CASES WERE NOT INCLUDED,
21 BECAUSE IT WAS NOT CLEAR WHETHER THEY REPRESENTED NEW
22 INFECTIONS. BUT NOW, THE ACCEPTED DEFINITION INCLUDES
23 REINFECTIONS THAT OCCUR AT LEAST 90 DAYS AFTER A PRIOR
24 INFECTION, SO WE ARE GOING TO INCLUDE THESE 1800 CASES,
25 BECAUSE THEY MEET THAT DEFINITION. IN ALL, LESS THAN 1

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1 PERCENT, OR 0.9 PERCENT, OF FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE IN L.A.
2 COUNTY HAVE TESTED POSITIVE. OF THOSE WHO TESTED POSITIVE,
3 SLIGHTLY OVER 1700 WERE HOSPITALIZED. THIS IS UP FROM ABOUT
4 1400 THE WEEK PRIOR, AND IT TRANSLATES TO 0.03 PERCENT OF
5 FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE ENDING UP HOSPITALIZED. DEATHS IN THIS
6 GROUP OVER THIS INTERVAL ALSO INCREASED FROM 199 TO 229, AND
7 THAT TRANSLATES TO 0.004 PERCENT OF FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE
8 PASSING AWAY, AND MOST OF THOSE WHO ARE FULLY VACCINATED AND
9 DIE, UNFORTUNATELY, HAD SERIOUS UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITIONS,
10 AND/OR THEY WERE IMMUNOCOMPROMISED. WHAT THESE NUMBERS
11 CONTINUE TO SHOW IS THAT, WHILE THE VACCINES DON'T PROVIDE
12 100-PERCENT PROTECTION FROM INFECTION, FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE
13 ARE EXTREMELY WELL PROTECTED FROM THE MOST SEVERE EFFECTS OF
14 THIS VIRUS. THE MORE RESIDENTS WE'RE ABLE TO PROVIDE WITH THIS
15 PROTECTION, THE SAFER OUR COUNTY ENDS UP BEING. NEXT SLIDE.
16 INSTEAD OF SHOWING THE USUAL 6 GRAPHS TO CAPTURE CASE,
17 HOSPITALIZATIONS, AND DEATH RATES BY SUBPOPULATION GROUPS,
18 THIS WEEK I AM SHARING A SUMMARY SLIDE THAT CAPTURES RATES BY
19 VACCINATION STATUS, ALL SORTED BY RACE AND ETHNICITY, AS WELL
20 AS BY AGE GROUP. THE NUMBERS HERE REPRESENT EVENTS PER 100,000
21 PEOPLE OVER THE TIME PERIOD SPANNING ABOUT A MONTH, FROM
22 AUGUST 15TH THROUGH SEPTEMBER 11TH OF THIS YEAR. IF YOU LOOK
23 FIRST AT THE CASES, YOU CAN SEE THAT CASE RATES ARE HIGHEST
24 AMONG UNVACCINATED BLACK AND LATINX PEOPLE, WITH 825 TO 850
25 NEW CASES PER 100,000 PEOPLE IN THESE GROUPS. ACROSS ALL

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1 RACIAL AND ETHNIC GROUPS, INFECTION RATES AMONG UNVACCINATED
2 PEOPLE ARE 2 TO 3 TIMES HIGHER THAN THOSE AMONG VACCINATED
3 PEOPLE. AMONG ALL RACIAL GROUPS, BLACK RESIDENTS ALSO HAD THE
4 HIGHEST HOSPITALIZATION RATES AMONG BOTH VACCINATED AND
5 UNVACCINATED PEOPLE. THIS GAP IS LIKELY A CONSEQUENCE OF THIS
6 COMMUNITY'S HIGHER RATE OF UNDERLYING CONDITIONS THAT RAISE
7 THE RISK OF SEVERE C.O.V.I.D. DISEASE, AND THESE HIGHER RATES
8 OF UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITIONS ARE THEMSELVES A CONSEQUENCE
9 OF BLACK AMERICANS' DISPROPORTIONALITY, IN TERMS OF ACCESS TO
10 PREVENTIVE SERVICES, AFFIRMING HEALTHCARE, AND ESSENTIAL
11 RESOURCES THAT SUPPORT OPTIMAL HEALTH. THIS PATTERN PERSISTS
12 IN DEATH RATES, WHERE BLACK RESIDENTS HAVE, SINCE THE SUMMER,
13 HAD THE HIGHEST DEATH RATE, WITH THE SECOND HIGHEST DEATH RATE
14 NOW AMONG UNVACCINATED WHITE INDIVIDUALS. TURNING NOW TO RATES
15 BY AGE, WE NOTE THAT WHILE CASE RATES AMONG UNVACCINATED
16 PEOPLE OF ALL AGE GROUPS ARE HIGHER THAN THOSE AMONG
17 VACCINATED PEOPLE, TEENS 12 TO 17 HAD BOTH THE LOWEST CASE
18 RATES AMONG THEIR VACCINATED MEMBERS, AND THE HIGHEST CASE
19 RATES AMONG THOSE THAT WERE UNVACCINATED. HOSPITALIZATION
20 RATES ARE HIGHEST AMONG OLDER ADULTS, REGARDLESS OF
21 VACCINATION STATUS, AND UNVACCINATED RESIDENTS IN THIS AGE
22 GROUP WERE 16 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO BE HOSPITALIZED THAN THEIR
23 VACCINATED COUNTERPARTS. ALTHOUGH HOSPITALIZATION IS LESS
24 COMMON IN YOUNGER ADULTS, THE PROTECTIVE EFFECT OF THE VACCINE
25 IS PARTICULARLY NOTICEABLE AMONG 18- TO 49-YEAR-OLDS, WHERE

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1 THOSE WHO WERE UNVACCINATED WERE 29 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO BE
2 HOSPITALIZED THAN THOSE WHO WERE VACCINATED IN THIS AGE GROUP.
3 MEANWHILE, DEATHS ARE FAR AND AWAY THE HIGHEST AMONG
4 UNVACCINATED ADULTS OVER 50, WHO HAVE 17 TIMES THE RISK OF
5 DEATH, COMPARED WITH THEIR VACCINATED COUNTERPARTS. THESE
6 NUMBERS REMIND US OF THE URGENT PRIORITY TO VACCINATE THE
7 UNVACCINATED, ESPECIALLY AS OUR WEATHER STARTS COOLING DOWN,
8 AND RISK FACTORS FOR TRANSMISSION CAN INCREASE. NEXT SLIDE.
9 WHILE BRINGING THE VACCINE TO ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS REMAINS
10 CRITICALLY IMPORTANT, IN SCHOOLS, WE SEE A MODEL FOR THE
11 RIGOROUS AND EFFECTIVE USE OF OTHER SENSIBLE PREVENTIVE
12 MEASURES. ON THIS SLIDE, YOU CAN SEE STAFF AND STUDENT CASES
13 AND CLOSE CONTACTS REPRESENTED BY TREND LINES. MOST OF THESE
14 CASES ARE DIAGNOSED THROUGH ROUTINE SCREENING OF WHAT WE CALL
15 ASYMPTOMATIC PEOPLE, WHICH IDENTIFIES MANY INFECTED PEOPLE
16 THAT WOULD NOT ORDINARILY BE DETECTED. THE LINES AND SHADES OF
17 PINK REPRESENT CASES, WHILE THE LINES AND SHADES OF GREEN
18 REPRESENT THE CLOSE CONTACTS. DARKER SHADES REPRESENT STUDENT
19 DATA, WHILE LIGHTER SHADES REPRESENT THE STAFF DATA. PLEASE
20 NOTE THAT BECAUSE THE NUMBERS OF THE STUDENT CLOSE CONTACTS
21 ARE SO MUCH HIGHER THAN THE OTHER METRICS ON THIS SLIDE, THEY
22 ARE PLOTTED AGAINST A DIFFERENT "Y" AXIS, THAT YOU SEE ON THE
23 RIGHT TO THE SLIDE. IN AUGUST, WE SAW WEEKLY STUDENT CASES--
24 AND THIS, REMEMBER, IS REPRESENTED BY THE DARK PINK LINE--
25 INCREASE FROM ABOUT 1300 TO A PEAK OF NEARLY 2800 CASES FOR

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1 THE WEEK ENDING AUGUST 22ND. THE NUMBER OF STUDENT CLOSE
2 CONTACTS, REPRESENTED BY THE DARK GREEN LINE-- THESE ARE
3 STUDENTS THAT ARE IDENTIFIED AS A CLOSE CONTACT TO A CONFIRMED
4 CASE AT SCHOOL-- ROSE CORRESPONDINGLY, TO A PEAK OF NEARLY
5 1100 BY THE END OF AUGUST. BUT SINCE THEN, BOTH STUDENT CASES
6 AND CONTACTS HAVE DECREASED, SUBSTANTIALLY. LAST WEEK, WE SAW
7 ABOUT 530 STUDENT CASES, AND NEARLY 2800 STUDENT CLOSE
8 CONTACTS. MEANWHILE, STAFF NUMBERS HAVE ALSO DECREASED WEEKLY,
9 FROM THEIR HIGH POINT IN MID-AUGUST. LAST WEEK, WE SAW 77
10 STAFF CASES, AND 19 STAFF CLOSE CONTACTS. THESE DOWNWARD
11 TRENDS ARE THE CONSEQUENCE OF HARD WORK OF OUR SCHOOL
12 ADMINISTRATORS, TEACHERS, AND STAFF, TO IMPLEMENT MASKING,
13 STUDENT COHORTING, SEATING CHARTS, AND OTHER PREVENTIVE
14 STRATEGIES, ADDING NEW LAYERS OF ITERATIVE QUALITY
15 IMPROVEMENTS TO THEIR WORKDAYS, AT EVERYONE'S GREAT EFFORT.
16 THESE IMPROVEMENTS WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE
17 SUPPORT OF PARENTS, TEACHERS, AND BROADER SCHOOL COMMUNITIES,
18 WHO HELP SCHOOLS IMPLEMENT THESE SAFETY MEASURES. NEXT SLIDE,
19 PLEASE. ALTHOUGH THE VAST MAJORITY OF K-12 CASES, AS YOU CAN
20 SEE IMMEDIATELY WHEN WE LOOK ON THIS TABLE, ARE NOT ASSOCIATED
21 WITH OUTBREAKS, WE DO TRACK OUTBREAKS, AND OUTBREAKS ARE WHEN
22 WE SEE THREE OR MORE CASES THAT ARE LINKED TO TRANSMISSION AT
23 A SCHOOL SITE. AND WE DEDICATE ADDITIONAL RESOURCES TO
24 INVESTIGATING AND STOPPING TRANSMISSION AMONG STUDENTS, STAFF,
25 AND COMMUNITIES, WHEN WE SEE AN OUTBREAK. ALTHOUGH OUR OVERALL

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1 CASE NUMBERS IN SCHOOLS HAVE DECREASED, OUR NUMBER OF
2 OUTBREAKS HAS INCREASED SLIGHTLY, FROM 11 OUTBREAKS THE WEEK
3 ENDING SEPTEMBER 18TH, TO 12 OUTBREAKS THE WEEK ENDING
4 SEPTEMBER 25TH. AS MORE SCHOOLS ARE FULLY OPENED, WE DO
5 ANTICIPATE CONTINUED SMALL INCREASES IN THE NUMBER OF
6 OUTBREAKS, MANY OF WHICH, AS YOU CAN SEE ON THIS SLIDE, ARE
7 ASSOCIATED WITH EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES. MOST OF OUR
8 OUTBREAKS CONTINUE TO BE YOUTH SPORTS, WHICH IS THE YELLOW-
9 COLORED OR ORANGE-COLORED BAR, ALTHOUGH LAST WEEK WE ALSO SAW
10 TWO OUTBREAKS EACH IN ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE, AND HIGH SCHOOLS. IN
11 THE CONTEXT OF OVER 3,000 SCHOOLS NOW OPEN COUNTYWIDE, THESE
12 NUMBERS REMAIN IMPRESSIVELY LOW. NEXT SLIDE. IN COMMUNITIES,
13 AS IN SCHOOLS, CASES ARE NOW ON THE DECLINE, AS ARE
14 HOSPITALIZATIONS AND DEATHS, AND OUR FOCUS ON INCREASING
15 VACCINATION RATES AS QUICKLY AS WE CAN, TO AVOID FUTURE SURGES
16 IN OUR CASES, IS OUR PRIORITY. OUR NUMBERS ARE RISING SLOWER,
17 IN TERMS OF PEOPLE GETTING VACCINATED, THAN WE WOULD LIKE. BUT
18 AS OF SEPTEMBER 23RD, 92 PERCENT OF L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS 65
19 AND OVER HAVE RECEIVED AT LEAST ONE DOSE OF THE VACCINE, AS
20 HAVE 78 PERCENT OF RESIDENTS 16 AND OVER, AND 77 PERCENT OF
21 RESIDENTS 12 AND OVER. 69 PERCENT OF RESIDENTS 12 AND OVER ARE
22 FULLY VACCINATED, AND 67 PERCENT OF L.A. COUNTY TEENS BETWEEN
23 THE AGES OF 12 AND 17 HAVE RECEIVED AT LEAST ONE DOSE, AND NOW
24 58 PERCENT OF THEM ARE FULLY VACCINATED. OUT OF ALL OF OUR
25 NEARLY 10.3 MILLION L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS, INCLUDING THOSE WHO

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1 ARE NOT YET ELIGIBLE FOR VACCINE, 66 PERCENT HAVE RECEIVED AT
2 LEAST ONE DOSE, AND 59 PERCENT ARE FULLY VACCINATED. LAST
3 FRIDAY, WE BEGAN ADMINISTERING BOOSTER DOSES, AS WELL AS THE
4 ADDITIONAL DOSES WE'D BEEN ADMINISTERING TO IMMUNOCOMPROMISED
5 PEOPLE. ALTHOUGH OUR NUMBERS ARE YET INCOMPLETE, WE HAVE SO
6 FAR RECEIVED REPORTS OF JUST, OVER THE WEEKEND, OF NEARLY
7 14,500 BOOSTER DOSES GIVEN ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. AND OF THOSE,
8 ALMOST 50 PERCENT, ABOUT 40 PERCENT OF THEM, WERE GIVEN IN THE
9 ZIP CODES THAT ARE HARDEST HIT BY THE PANDEMIC. NEARLY 92,000
10 THIRD DOSES HAVE BEEN ADMINISTERED BY L.A. COUNTY PROVIDERS
11 SINCE WE BEGAN ADMINISTERING THIRD DOSES OF BOTH PFIZER AND
12 MODERNA TO THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE IMMUNOCOMPROMISED. GO ON TO
13 THE NEXT SLIDE. THE TREND FOR FIRST DOSES AMONGST THOSE WHO
14 ARE ELIGIBLE REMAINS LARGELY UNCHANGED. WE CAN GO TO THE NEXT
15 SLIDE. OH, PERFECT. BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 13TH AND 19TH, WE
16 ADMINISTERED ABOUT 44,000 DOSES ACROSS THE ENTIRE COUNTY
17 NETWORK, AMONGST OUR MORE THAN 1300 FIXED SITES AND 400 MOBILE
18 VACCINATION TEAMS. WHILE THIS NUMBER IS LIKELY TO INCREASE BY
19 A FEW THOUSAND ONCE THE REPORTING IS COMPLETE, FOR NOW, IT
20 SUGGESTS THAT OUR VACCINATION PROGRESS IS GOING MUCH MORE
21 SLOWLY THAN WE NEED IT TO BE. AND ALTHOUGH BOOSTER SHOTS ARE
22 GETTING A LOT OF MEDIA ATTENTION, IT IS STILL MOST IMPORTANT
23 TO US TO INCREASE THE NUMBERS OF FIRST-DOSE RECIPIENTS. AND
24 THE ONLY WAY TO GET TO COMMUNITY IMMUNITY IS TO GET MORE
25 PEOPLE VACCINATED WHO HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED THEIR FIRST DOSE.

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1 AT THE SAME TIME THAT WE CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE THOSE WHO ARE
2 ELIGIBLE TO GET THEIR FIRST DOSE, GIVEN THE SIGNIFICANT GAPS
3 IN COVERAGE, MASK-WEARING AND VACCINE REQUIREMENTS ARE
4 ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT IN HELPING US REDUCE THE WORST OUTCOMES
5 OF C.O.V.I.D. INFECTION, AND THE INCREASED PROBABILITY, IF
6 UNCHECKED TRANSMISSION OCCURS, THAT THERE WILL BE NEW VARIANTS
7 OF CONCERN. WE CAN GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE A
8 LONG WAY TO GO BEFORE OUR ENTIRE COMMUNITY IS VACCINATED, I DO
9 WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT A LOT OF PROGRESS WAS MADE THIS PAST
10 SUMMER. THE MAPS HERE THAT YOU SEE ARE L.A. COUNTY, AND THEY
11 SHOW THE PERCENT OF PEOPLE VACCINATED IN CITIES AND
12 COMMUNITIES, COUNTYWIDE. THE FIRST MAP IS MAY 31ST OF THE
13 SUMMER, AND THE LAST ONE IS SEPTEMBER 19. THE DARKEST GREEN
14 SHADING REPRESENTS COMMUNITIES WHERE 75 PERCENT OR MORE HAVE
15 RECEIVED AT LEAST ONE DOSE OF VACCINE, AND THE DARKEST BROWN
16 SHADING REPRESENTS COMMUNITIES WHERE 15 PERCENT OR FEWER HAVE
17 BEEN VACCINATED. WE HAVE ALMOST NONE OF THOSE ON THESE MAPS
18 ANYMORE. THE MOST DRAMATIC INCREASES IN VACCINATION RATES,
19 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 19, HAVE BEEN IN THE AREAS CIRCLED IN RED,
20 AND THEY INCLUDE COMMUNITIES IN THE SOUTHERN, EASTERN, AND
21 NORTHEASTERN PART OF THE COUNTY, WHERE THERE WERE IMPORTANT
22 STRIDES IN GETTING MORE PEOPLE VACCINATED. AND WHILE WE ARE
23 GRATEFUL TO THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN VACCINATED, AND ALL THE
24 PARTNERS THAT ARE WORKING TIRELESSLY TO ENSURE EASY ACCESS
25 TO VACCINES, THERE REMAIN AREAS WHERE OUR RATES ARE STILL WELL

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1 BELOW WHERE THEY NEED TO BE, AND THIS IS PARTICULARLY IN THE
2 NORTHERN PART OF THE COUNTY. NEXT SLIDE. IN WEEK AFTER WEEK,
3 WE ALSO CONTINUE TO SEE BLACK AND BROWN COMMUNITIES WITH
4 HIGHER PROPORTIONS OF YOUNG, UNVACCINATED PEOPLE. WHEN THESE
5 NUMBERS REMAIN LOW, IT IS BECAUSE WE ARE SIMPLY NOT GETTING
6 ENOUGH NEW PEOPLE IN FOR THE FIRST DOSES OF VACCINE FAST
7 ENOUGH. WHEN THAT LOW UPTAKE IS CONCENTRATED AMONG RACIAL
8 GROUPS WHO ARE ALSO AT HIGHER RISK FOR EXPOSURE, THIS CAN
9 UNFORTUNATELY TRANSLATE TO GREATER RISK THAT FUTURE WAVES OF
10 INFECTION WILL AGAIN DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECT OUR BLACK AND
11 BROWN COMMUNITIES. GIVEN THE TREMENDOUS EFFORTS MADE BY
12 VACCINATION PARTNERS AND COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS TO PROVIDE
13 ACCURATE INFORMATION, ANSWER QUESTIONS, AND TAKE VACCINES
14 DIRECTLY TO WHERE PEOPLE LIVE AND WORK, WE DO NEED TO
15 ACKNOWLEDGE THAT TIME IS NO LONGER ON OUR SIDE. WE HAVE BEEN
16 HERE BEFORE. DURING EARLY FALL 2020, COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION
17 WAS LOW, UNTIL THEN IT WASN'T. LAST WINTER WAS BRUTAL. AND
18 GIVEN THE UNPREDICTABILITY OF THE VIRUS AND THE VARIANTS, WE
19 NEED TO ACCELERATE THE PACE OF VACCINATIONS, SINCE THIS IS THE
20 MOST EFFECTIVE TOOL WE HAVE TO PREVENT ANOTHER DEADLY SURGE.
21 SO, FOR THOSE NOT YET VACCINATED, PLEASE REASSESS YOUR
22 DECISION, AND FACTOR IN THE 26,000 RESIDENTS THAT HAVE DIED OF
23 C.O.V.I.D. NEXT SLIDE. WHILE WE REMAIN LASER-FOCUSED ON
24 GETTING FOLKS THEIR FIRST DOSES OF VACCINE, THERE ARE SOME
25 RESIDENTS WHO SHOULD MAKE APPOINTMENTS TO GET THEIR ADDITIONAL

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1 DOSE. WITH BOOSTER DOSES NOW AVAILABLE, I DID WANT TO SHARE
2 SOME INFORMATION ABOUT ACCESSING BOOSTERS, AND OUR EFFORTS TO
3 MAKE THEM AVAILABLE COUNTYWIDE, AND HOW TO DETERMINE WHETHER
4 YOU SHOULD BE GOING TO GET A BOOSTER DOSE RIGHT NOW. BUT
5 FIRST, I WANTED TO START BY ADDRESSING A QUESTION THAT COMES
6 UP A LOT, WHICH IS, WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE
7 BOOSTERS AND THE ADDITIONAL THIRD DOSES WE HAVE ALREADY BEEN
8 GIVING TO PEOPLE? IMAGINE THAT FULL VACCINE PROTECTION IS LIKE
9 A WELL-BUILT WOODEN FENCE. FOR MOST OF US, THAT FENCE IS
10 INTACT FOR MONTHS AFTER IT IS FIRST BUILT; AND WHILE IT MIGHT
11 GET A LITTLE WEATHERED, IT IS STILL FULLY FUNCTIONAL FOR A
12 LONG TIME AFTER THAT. BUT FOR PEOPLE WHOSE IMMUNE SYSTEMS HAVE
13 FEWER TOOLS TO MAKE ROBUST VACCINE RESPONSE, THE FENCE MAY NOT
14 BE HIGH ENOUGH TO BE PROTECTIVE AFTER TWO DOSES. SO-CALLED
15 THIRD DOSES ARE THE ADDITIONAL DOSES OF MODERNA OR PFIZER
16 C.O.V.I.D. VACCINES THAT ARE GIVEN TO IMMUNOSUPPRESSED PEOPLE
17 TO INCREASE THEIR ANTIBODIES TO A PROTECTIVE LEVEL, MUCH AS
18 YOU COULD ADD SOME ADDITIONAL RAILS TO A LOW FENCE. THESE
19 DOSES SHOULD BE GIVEN TO IMMUNOSUPPRESSED PEOPLE WHO GOT THEIR
20 LAST DOSE OF MODERNA OR PFIZER VACCINE MORE THAN 28 DAYS AGO.
21 BOOSTER DOSES ARE DIFFERENT. THEY ARE FOR PEOPLE WITH NORMAL
22 IMMUNE SYSTEMS WHOSE VACCINE PROTECTION MIGHT HAVE FALLEN
23 SLIGHTLY OVER THE PASSAGE OF TIME, AS VACCINE PROTECTION OFTEN
24 DOES. ONLY PFIZER VACCINES HAVE BEEN GIVEN APPROVAL FOR THIS
25 PURPOSE, FOR THE TIME BEING, AND THEY ARE NOW BEING GIVEN TO

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1 CERTAIN PEOPLE WHO RECEIVED TWO DOSES OF PFIZER, WITH THEIR
2 SECOND DOSE MORE THAN SIX MONTHS AGO. THE GOAL HERE IS TO
3 RESTORE THEIR ANTIBODIES TO A PROTECTIVE LEVEL, SIMILAR TO HOW
4 YOU CAN REBUILD THAT FENCE, IF IT'S SAGGED OVER TIME. BOOSTER
5 DOSES ARE SUITABLE FOR ELIGIBLE GROUPS, AS DEFINED BY THE
6 C.D.C., THAT HAVE THE MOST RISK FOR EITHER TRANSMISSION OR
7 SEVERE DISEASE. AND I WILL DESCRIBE THESE ELIGIBLE GROUPS IN A
8 MOMENT, IN MORE DETAIL. NEXT SLIDE. ONE OF THE MOST COMMONLY
9 ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT BOOSTERS COMES FROM ALL OF THOSE PEOPLE
10 WHO RECEIVED MODERNA OR JOHNSON & JOHNSON VACCINES, AND
11 THEY'RE NOT IN THE GROUP OF IMMUNOCOMPROMISED PEOPLE WHO MAY
12 QUALIFY FOR AN ADDITIONAL DOSE OF MODERNA. MANY PEOPLE IN
13 THESE GROUPS ARE UNDERSTANDABLY ANXIOUS TO KNOW WHAT THEY
14 SHOULD DO ABOUT GETTING THEIR BOOSTER SHOTS, ESPECIALLY IF
15 THEY FALL INTO ONE OF THE GROUPS THAT C.D.C. HAS CATEGORIZED
16 AT HIGH RISK FOR TRANSMISSION OR SERIOUS DISEASE. AND
17 UNFORTUNATELY, FOR NOW, THESE PEOPLE SHOULD NOT GET A PFIZER
18 BOOSTER SHOT OR A THIRD MODERNA OR J&J SHOT JUST YET. THE
19 C.D.C. AND THE F.D.A. ARE STILL REVIEWING THE DATA ON THE
20 SAFETY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF MIXING VACCINES, AND GUIDANCE IS
21 FORTHCOMING ON THIS ISSUE. THE DATA ALSO HASN'T BEEN REVIEWED
22 ON WHETHER THERE IS SIMILAR WANING OF PROTECTION FROM MODERNA
23 OR J&J VACCINES, AS WAS DOCUMENTED FOR PFIZER. ONCE THE F.D.A.
24 AND THE C.D.C. COMPLETE THEIR REVIEWS ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF
25 THE J&J VACCINE AND THE MODERNA VACCINE, THEY WILL ISSUE

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1 RECOMMENDATIONS ON BOOSTERS FOR THESE VACCINES, AND THIS
2 SHOULD HAPPEN WITHIN A FEW WEEKS. AND WHILE YOU DON'T NEED AN
3 APPOINTMENT AT MANY PLACES TO GET A FIRST, SECOND, OR THIRD
4 DOSE, IT IS VERY EASY TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT FOR A BOOSTER
5 DOSE. YOU CAN GO TO MYTURN.CA.GOV, OR TO OUR WEBSITE AT
6 VACCINATELACOUNTY.COM, TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT. ON OUR WEBSITE,
7 THERE IS INFORMATION ON PFIZER BOOSTER DOSES, INCLUDING
8 INFORMATION ON THE WALK-IN SITES, AND IT IS FRONT AND CENTER,
9 SO IT IS VERY EASY. YOU CLICK ON OUR SITE, AND IT WILL TAKE
10 YOU RIGHT THERE. IF THE PLACE WHERE YOU GOT YOUR FIRST TWO
11 PFIZER VACCINES WAS CONVENIENT FOR YOU, YOU CAN CHECK BACK
12 WITH THEM TO SEE IF THEY ARE OFFERING BOOSTER DOSES FOR THE
13 PFIZER VACCINE, AND ANY SITE THAT OFFERS PFIZER VACCINES
14 SHOULD BE ABLE TO GIVE THE BOOSTERS, AS WELL. ALL YOU NEED TO
15 BRING TO YOUR APPOINTMENT IS PROOF OF YOUR FIRST TWO PREVIOUS
16 PFIZER DOSES, SUCH AS YOUR WHITE VACCINATION CARD, A PHOTO OF
17 YOUR VACCINATION CARD, A MEDICAL RECORD THAT DOCUMENTS YOU'VE
18 RECEIVED THESE VACCINES, OR YOU MAY HAVE DOWNLOADED A DIGITAL
19 VACCINE RECORD. AND YOU CAN SAFELY GET THAT FIRST, SECOND, OR
20 THIRD C.O.V.I.D. VACCINE AT THE SAME TIME YOU ARE RECEIVING
21 OTHER VACCINES, INCLUDING YOUR FLU DOSES. THE BEST SCHEDULE
22 FOR GETTING BOTH OF THESE VACCINES IS OBVIOUSLY ONE THAT DOES
23 NOT DELAY YOUR GETTING EITHER OF THEM. NEXT SLIDE. OUR MOBILE
24 VACCINATION TEAMS TAKE VACCINES, INCLUDING BOOSTER DOSES, TO
25 PLACES WHERE PEOPLE ARE NOT YET VACCINATED. AS YOU CAN SEE ON

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1 THIS MAP, 311 SITES-- THIS IS ABOUT 95 PERCENT OF OUR MOBILE
2 UNIT SITES THAT ARE SCHEDULED THIS WEEK-- ARE OFFERING PFIZER
3 VACCINES, AND THIS INCLUDES THE BOOSTERS. THESE SITES ARE
4 MARKED IN ORANGE, WHILE THE SITES NOT OFFERING PFIZER ARE
5 MARKED IN BLUE, AND THERE IS VERY FEW OF THEM. OUR MOBILE
6 TEAMS FOCUS ON GETTING VACCINATIONS INTO NEIGHBORHOOD
7 GATHERING PLACES, ESPECIALLY IN OUR COUNTY'S HIGHEST-NEED
8 AREAS, AND ANYONE CAN REQUEST A MOBILE TEAM ON OUR WEBSITE TO
9 COME TO YOUR COMMUNITY SPOT OR WORKSITE THAT'S NEAR YOU. NEXT
10 SLIDE. MANY OF OUR FIXED SITES ARE ALSO FOCUSED IN THE
11 HIGHEST-NEED AREAS OF OUR COUNTY, DESIGNATED AS OUR HEALTHY
12 PLACES INDEX ZIP CODES, AND THEY ARE INDICATED ON THESE MAPS
13 IN THE PALE GREEN. HOWEVER, THERE ARE FEWER FIXED SITES
14 OFFERING BOOSTERS. I MEAN, FEWER FIXED SITES, IN TOTAL,
15 BECAUSE WE HAVE 1300 OF THEM. WE HAVE 704 OF OUR FIXED SITES
16 THAT ARE MARKED IN ORANGE, THAT OFFER PFIZER VACCINES, AND
17 THAT INCLUDES THE BOOSTERS. THE BLUE SITES ARE THOSE THAT DO
18 NOT OFFER THE PFIZER VACCINE. THEY NEVER OFFERED THE PFIZER
19 VACCINE. OVER THE COMING WEEKS, OUR MOBILE TEAMS ARE GOING TO
20 BE TARGETING COMMUNITIES WITH LIMITED ACCESS TO PFIZER DOSES,
21 TO ENSURE THAT ACCESS TO BOOSTERS IS EASY ALL ACROSS THE
22 COUNTY. THOSE WHO NEED HELP SCHEDULING AN APPOINTMENT, GETTING
23 FREE TRANSPORTATION TO A SITE, OR GETTING ANSWERS TO
24 QUESTIONS, CAN CALL THE D.P.H. CALL CENTER AT 833-540-0473 FOR
25 ASSISTANCE, 7 DAYS A WEEK, BETWEEN 8:00 A.M. AND 8:30 P.M. WE

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1 ARE GOING TO BE WORKING TO DELIVER BOOSTERS AS EQUITABLY AS
2 POSSIBLE IN ALL OF OUR HIGH-NEED AREAS; BUT AS A REMINDER, WE
3 ARE DOING THE ADMINISTRATION OF BOOSTERS ALONG WITH THE
4 CONTINUED FOCUS ON GETTING PEOPLE THEIR FIRST DOSES. NEXT
5 SLIDE. ALTHOUGH C.D.C. HAS OPENED BOOSTER ELIGIBILITY TO FOUR
6 GROUPS OF PEOPLE, THE STRENGTH OF ITS RECOMMENDATION IS NOT
7 THE SAME FOR ALL FOUR GROUPS. FOR TWO GROUPS, THE C.D.C.
8 RECOMMENDS THAT YOU REALLY SHOULD RECEIVE YOUR BOOSTERS, WHILE
9 FOR THE OTHER TWO GROUPS, THE C.D.C. SAYS THAT YOU MAY RECEIVE
10 A BOOSTER. FOR ALL GROUPS, THE ELIGIBILITY STARTS WITH HAVING
11 RECEIVED THOSE TWO DOSES OF THE PFIZER C.O.V.I.D. VACCINE,
12 WITH THE SECOND DOSE HAVING OCCURRED AT LEAST 6 MONTHS AGO.
13 THAT MEANS BEFORE APRIL 1ST. C.D.C.'S STRONGEST RECOMMENDATION
14 IS FOR OLDER ADULTS AGE 65 AND OLDER, AND FOR ADULTS AGE 50 TO
15 64 THAT ARE AT HIGH RISK OF SEVERE C.O.V.I.D.-19 DISEASE, DUE
16 TO UNDERLYING MEDICAL CONDITIONS SUCH AS CANCER, CHRONIC LUNG
17 DISEASE, DIABETES, AND HEART CONDITIONS, AMONGST OTHERS. THESE
18 ARE THE GROUPS OF PEOPLE THAT C.D.C. IS SAYING, "YOU SHOULD GO
19 IN, MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT, AND GET THAT BOOSTER SHOT TO BUILD
20 YOUR ANTIBODY PROTECTION." C.D.C. RECOMMENDS THAT BOOSTERS
21 SHOULD BE CONSIDERED BY ADULTS, 18 TO 64, THAT ARE IN A JOB OR
22 AN INSTITUTIONAL SETTING THAT PUTS THEM AT HIGH RISK FOR
23 C.O.V.I.D.-19, OR WHO HAVE UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITIONS THAT
24 PUT THEM AT RISK FOR SEVERE C.O.V.I.D.-19. AND FOR THESE
25 GROUPS OF PEOPLE, THEY SHOULD MAKE AN INDIVIDUAL ASSESSMENT,

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1 BASED ON THE BENEFITS AND RISKS, AND IN CONSULTATION,
2 OBVIOUSLY, WITH A MEDICAL PROVIDER, IF YOU HAVE UNDERLYING
3 HEALTH CONDITIONS. BUT ALL OF THESE PEOPLE ARE ELIGIBLE TO
4 RECEIVE BOOSTER SHOTS IF WORK, SCHOOL, OR OTHER ACTIVITIES ARE
5 LEADING THEM TO ENGAGE WITH MANY OTHER PEOPLE, OR IF THEIR
6 RISK IS HIGHER DUE TO CHRONIC MEDICAL CONDITIONS. SO IT IS
7 PROBABLY IMPORTANT FOR EVERYONE TO TAKE A MINUTE TO FIGURE OUT
8 IF YOU FALL INTO ANY OF THESE GROUPS, AND THEN MAKE A DECISION
9 THAT WORKS FOR YOU. FOR THOSE WITH UNDERLYING HEALTH
10 CONDITIONS, YOUR HEALTHCARE PROVIDER MAY BE ABLE TO HELP
11 ANSWER ANY OF YOUR QUESTIONS ABOUT IF AND WHEN TO GET THAT
12 BOOSTER DOSE. IN CLOSING, I DO WANT TO NOTE THE IMPORTANCE OF
13 GETTING AHEAD OF FUTURE SURGES. IT IS NOT INEVITABLE THAT WE
14 CONTINUE TO EXPERIENCE THESE CYCLES OF SCARY INCREASES IN
15 CASES. THE ENTIRE PREMISE OF COMMUNITY IMMUNITY IS TO GET
16 ENOUGH PEOPLE VACCINATED TO LEAVE LITTLE ROOM FOR VIRUS
17 TRANSMISSION. TO ACCOMPLISH THIS, WE EACH NEED TO THINK ABOUT
18 OUR ROLE DIFFERENTLY. WE ARE LIVING DURING A RAGING,
19 WORLDWIDE, DEADLY PANDEMIC THAT CAN BE MOSTLY QUICKLY ENDED
20 WITH VERY HIGH RATES OF VACCINATION COVERAGE. THESE TIMES ASK
21 EACH OF US TO CONTINUE TO STEP UP TO PROTECT THE HEALTH AND
22 THE LIVES OF OUR COWORKERS, NEIGHBORS, AND THOSE MOST
23 VULNERABLE. WE ABIDE BY MANY SOCIAL CONTRACTS TO REDUCE
24 UNNECESSARY RISK FOR OTHERS. WE FOLLOW THE RULES OF THE ROAD,
25 WE DON'T PRACTICE CERTAIN OCCUPATIONS WITHOUT A LICENSE OR A

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1 CERTIFICATE, WE DON'T MURDER PEOPLE, AND ALMOST ALL OF US WERE
2 REQUIRED TO BE VACCINATED WHEN WE WERE CHILDREN, TO PREVENT
3 WIDESPREAD EPIDEMICS. MY HOPE IS THAT THOSE WHO ARE BEING
4 ASKED TO GET VACCINATED NOW TAKE TO HEART THIS OPPORTUNITY TO
5 GET US TO THE END OF THE PANDEMIC. THANK YOU, AND I WILL BE
6 AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS AFTER DR. GHALY'S
7 PRESENTATION.

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9 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, DR. FERRER. DR. GHALY?

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11 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON. I'LL PROVIDE AN
12 UPDATE ON HOSPITALIZATION, VACCINATIONS, AND TESTING WITHIN
13 D.H.S. I'LL KEEP IT BRIEF TODAY, BUT PLEASE KNOW I AM HAPPY TO
14 ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MIGHT HAVE, OR IF YOU NEED
15 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. IF YOU GO TO SLIDE 2, OUR
16 HOSPITALIZATION NUMBERS FOR C.O.V.I.D.-POSITIVE INPATIENTS HAS
17 BEEN STABLE OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS, TYPICALLY RUNNING
18 BETWEEN 85 AND 90. WE WERE AT 90 PATIENTS WITH A POSITIVE
19 C.O.V.I.D. TEST THIS MORNING IN OUR HOSPITALS. AND AGAIN, THIS
20 IS DOWN SUBSTANTIALLY FROM THE HEIGHT OF THE PANDEMIC, IN THE
21 WINTER, WHEN WE WERE ABOVE 550 TOTAL PATIENTS, ACROSS THE
22 D.H.S. HOSPITALS, ADMITTED FOR C.O.V.I.D. ON THE NEXT SLIDE,
23 PLEASE, AS WITH PRIOR REPORTS, THIS SLIDE REAFFIRMS THE SAME
24 STORY THAT HAS BEEN TRUE THROUGHOUT THIS PANDEMIC: THAT THE
25 VAST MAJORITY OF INDIVIDUALS ADMITTED TO THE HOSPITAL FOR

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1 C.O.V.I.D. ARE NOT FULLY VACCINATED. AMONG THOSE WHO ARE FULLY
2 VACCINATED, INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE HOSPITALIZED GENERALLY HAVE
3 VERY SERIOUS UNDERLYING CHRONIC CONDITIONS THAT MAKE THEM MORE
4 SUSCEPTIBLE TO INFECTION, AND MAKE THEM UNABLE TO MOUNT A
5 COMPLETE IMMUNE RESPONSE TO THE VACCINE. DESPITE HAVING TAKEN
6 THE IMPORTANT STEP TO PROTECT THEMSELVES OF GETTING
7 VACCINATED, THEY REMAIN VULNERABLE TO INFECTION, NOTABLY FROM
8 THE LARGE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO REMAIN
9 UNVACCINATED. TURNING NOW TO VACCINATIONS, IF YOU COULD GO TO
10 THE NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. D.H.S. HAS PROVIDED 233,000
11 VACCINATIONS, OVER THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS, TO A VARIETY OF
12 INDIVIDUALS: D.H.S. WORKFORCE MEMBERS, CONTRACTORS, PATIENTS,
13 INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, THOSE IN
14 CUSTODY, AS WELL AS OTHERS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. ON THE NEXT
15 SLIDE, I WILL SHOW JUST SOME TRENDS ON A COUPLE OF THE
16 POPULATIONS. WHEREAS THE OVERALL RATE OF VACCINATIONS HAS
17 SLOWED SUBSTANTIALLY-- WE ARE NOW ONLY PROVIDING ABOUT 1,800
18 TO 2,000 A WEEK-- THE PROGRESS IS STILL STEADY AMONG TWO
19 POPULATIONS. THAT'S PERSONS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AND
20 THOSE WHO ARE CURRENTLY IN THE L.A. COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM. SO, ON
21 THIS SLIDE, SLIDE FIVE, THIS SHOWS THE MOST RECENT DATA FROM
22 HOUSING FOR HEALTH. AS A REMINDER, HOUSING FOR HEALTH IS JUST
23 ONE OF A NUMBER OF ENTITIES THAT DOES OUTREACH AND EFFORTS TO
24 VACCINATE POPULATIONS ACROSS THE COUNTY. TO DATE, THEY HAVE
25 PROVIDED ABOUT 17,000 VACCINATIONS TO PERSONS EXPERIENCING

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1 HOMELESSNESS, THOSE WHO WERE RECENTLY HOUSED, AND SOME OF THE
2 STAFF THAT SERVE THEM. THEY HAVE FULLY VACCINATED ABOUT 9300
3 INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, AND JUST BEGAN, A
4 COUPLE WEEKS AGO, THOSE THIRD DOSES TO INDIVIDUALS WHO NEED
5 THEM, AND WILL NOW START BOOSTER SHOTS. OVER HALF OF THE
6 VACCINES THAT HAVE BEEN GIVEN ARE GIVEN TO THOSE WHO ARE
7 UNSHELTERED, SITTING AT 54%. THOSE ARE PROVIDED BY THE HOUSING
8 FOR HEALTH STREET OUTREACH TEAMS. ANOTHER THIRD OF THE PEOPLE
9 THAT HAVE RECEIVED THE VACCINATIONS ARE IN INTERIM HOUSING.
10 THAT INCLUDES SHELTER SITES AND OTHER INTERIM HOUSING SITES,
11 SUCH AS RECUPERATIVE CARE SITES. AND THE REMAINDER ARE IN
12 VARIOUS FORMS OF TRANSITIONAL OR PERMANENT HOUSING. THE NEXT
13 SLIDE, SLIDE 6, SHOWS THE STEADY INCREASE IN VACCINATIONS THAT
14 IS BEING PROVIDED TO THOSE IN THE L.A. COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM.
15 WHILE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE ENTERING THE JAIL ARE ASKED WHETHER
16 OR NOT THEY WISH TO RECEIVE THE C.O.V.I.D. VACCINE, TO DATE,
17 OVER 18,000 VACCINATIONS HAVE BEEN PROVIDED TO INDIVIDUALS IN
18 THE L.A. COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM, WITH ALMOST 11,000 INDIVIDUALS
19 FULLY VACCINATED WITHIN THE JAIL ENVIRONMENT. THE NEXT SLIDE,
20 SLIDE SEVEN, LOOKS AT VACCINATION EFFORTS AMONG D.H.S.
21 WORKFORCE. RIGHT NOW, WE ARE SITTING AT 83% OF THE D.H.S.-
22 EMPLOYED WORKFORCE THAT HAS PROVIDED PROOF OF C.O.V.I.D.
23 VACCINATION, OR HAS BEEN DIRECTLY VACCINATED BY US AT D.H.S.
24 SITES. THE RATE IS STILL HIGHEST AMONG PHYSICIANS, AT ABOUT
25 95% OR 96%. IT SITS AT ABOUT 87% AMONG OUR NURSES, 85% AMONG

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1 OTHER CLINICAL STAFF, AND ABOUT 80% AMONG OUR NON-CLINICAL
2 STAFF WORKFORCE MEMBERS. STILL THIS SLIDE, AS DR. FERRER JUST
3 SHARED, THE C.D.C. ANNOUNCED THAT BOOSTER VACCINATIONS ARE NOW
4 AVAILABLE FOR CERTAIN POPULATIONS WHO WERE PREVIOUSLY
5 VACCINATED WITH PFIZER, AND WHO ARE SIX MONTHS OUT FROM THEIR
6 SECOND DOSE. D.H.S. BEGAN VACCINATIONS YESTERDAY, IN
7 ACCORDANCE WITH THESE GUIDELINES. WE BEGAN VACCINATIONS AMONG
8 THE D.H.S. WORKFORCE. WE HAVE PROVIDED SEVERAL HUNDRED
9 VACCINATIONS SO FAR, AND WE WILL CONTINUE PROVIDING THOSE OVER
10 THE NEXT SEVERAL WEEKS. WE ALSO HAVE BEGUN BOOSTER SHOT
11 VACCINATIONS FOR D.H.S. PATIENTS TODAY, FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS
12 WHO MEET THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA. ON THE NEXT SLIDE, JUST
13 VERY BRIEFLY ON TESTING, WE CONTINUE TO OPERATE FIXED AND POP-
14 UP COUNTY-SUPPORTED TESTING SITES, AS WELL AS PARTNER WITH A
15 NUMBER OF INSTITUTIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS TO PROVIDE THE FULL
16 BREADTH OF COMMUNITY TESTING THAT IS AVAILABLE ACROSS THE
17 COUNTY. THE UTILIZATION RATE HAS TRENDED DOWN OVER THE PAST
18 FOUR WEEKS. CURRENTLY, IT SITS AT 57% AT THE FIXED SITES, AND
19 41% AT THE POP-UP SITES. THIS IS ABOUT 15 PERCENTAGE POINTS
20 DOWN FROM THE RATES OF 72 AND 54 PERCENT, RESPECTIVELY, IN
21 LATE AUGUST. THERE IS A LOT OF TESTING CAPACITY THAT'S
22 AVAILABLE, AND THANKFULLY, ALSO A NUMBER OF OTHER LOCATIONS
23 WHERE PEOPLE CAN RECEIVE TESTING, OFTEN THROUGH SCHOOLS OR
24 EMPLOYERS, PROVIDERS, THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM, RETAIL
25 PHARMACIES. SO TESTING IS WIDELY AVAILABLE, AND THERE'S ALWAYS

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1 INFORMATION THAT IS AVAILABLE ON THE COUNTY WEBSITE ABOUT
2 LOCATIONS. I WILL CLOSE, BUT MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER
3 QUESTIONS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU BOTH, DR. FERRER AND GHALY. IF I
6 COULD JUST START, I WANTED TO ASK DR. GHALY, WHILE I HAVE YOU
7 FRESH WITH YOUR PRESENTATION, I AM GLAD TO HEAR THAT OUR
8 EMPLOYEES ARE ACTUALLY GETTING VACCINATED AT A VERY HIGH RATE.
9 IT SEEMS LIKE THEY ARE AVERAGING ANYWHERE FROM 80% TO HIGHER,
10 OBVIOUSLY, BUT WE HAVE MORE WORK TO DO. AND I WANTED TO ASK
11 YOU, DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA HOW WE ARE DOING WITH D.H.S.
12 CONTRACTORS? I KNOW YOU HAVE OVER 7,000 THAT I BELIEVE HAVE
13 BEEN VACCINATED, BUT WHAT IS THE LARGER NUMBER THAT STILL
14 REMAINS? DO YOU HAVE AN IDEA?

15

16 **CHRISTINA GHALY:** YEAH. I DON'T HAVE THAT NUMBER WITH ME, BUT I
17 AM HAPPY TO SHARE IT AND GET THAT TO YOU, AND HAPPY TO SHARE
18 WITH THE ENTIRE BOARD, AS WELL. THE VACCINATION RATE AMONG THE
19 CONTRACTORS HAS LARGELY BEEN REFLECTING THE NEED FOR THOSE
20 INDIVIDUALS TO SUBMIT DOCUMENTATION. PREVIOUSLY, THE NUMBERS
21 THAT WE WERE REPORTING PRIOR TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
22 MANDATE WERE ARTIFICIALLY LOW, AND THAT'S BECAUSE THERE WAS
23 NOT A REQUIREMENT THAT THOSE INDIVIDUALS SUBMIT PROOF OF THEIR
24 VACCINATION STATUS TO THEIR EMPLOYER. ONCE THE MANDATES ARE IN
25 EFFECT, AND FULLY IN EFFECT, AND ORGANIZATIONS IN L.A COUNTY

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1 ARE ABLE TO GO THROUGH THE STEPS NEEDED TO VERIFY COMPLIANCE
2 WITH THOSE MANDATES, THEN WE WILL BE ABLE TO BE SURE THAT WE
3 HAVE ALL OF THE INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTATION FOR THE
4 VACCINATIONS STATUS AMONG CONTRACTORS. BUT SHORT OF THAT DATE,
5 AND THAT FULL COMPLIANCE DATE BEING IMPLEMENTED BY THE COUNTY,
6 PLEASE KNOW THAT ANY OF THOSE NUMBERS THAT ARE PUT FORWARD
7 ABOUT CONTRACTOR VACCINATION RATES ARE STILL ARTIFICIALLY LOW,
8 BECAUSE WHILE CONTRACTORS MAY REQUIRE THEIR EMPLOYEES TO BE
9 VACCINATED, THEY ARE STILL SOMEWHAT SLOW IN SUBMITTING THE
10 PROOF OF THAT VACCINATION TO US. BUT I WILL SHOW YOU THE
11 LATEST NUMBER.

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13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SURE, SURE. THANK YOU. AND FOR DR. FERRER,
14 I WANTED TO ASK YOU, YOU SPOKE VERY BRIEFLY ABOUT 68 CASES,
15 THE R.1 VARIANT THAT IS IDENTIFIED, I GUESS, COMING THROUGH
16 JAPAN. DO WE NEED TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THIS RIGHT NOW?

17
18 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR
19 ALL YOUR SUPPORT. NO, I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANY CONCERN RIGHT
20 NOW, BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE ANY OF THAT VIRUS CIRCULATING AT
21 THE MOMENT IN THE UNITED STATES. WE HAVEN'T SEQUENCED ANY HERE
22 IN L.A. COUNTY SINCE THE LATE SPRING, AND EVEN IN CALIFORNIA,
23 I THINK THE LAST CASE MAY HAVE BEEN IN AUGUST, THAT WAS
24 SEQUENCED. AND IF YOU LOOK AT THE THOUSANDS OF SPECIMENS THAT
25 WE HAVE SEQUENCED, IT IS JUST A VERY, VERY SMALL NUMBER. RIGHT

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1 NOW, ALL OF OUR SEQUENCING REALLY INDICATES THE DOMINANCE OF
2 THE DELTA VARIANT. SO THIS IS A VARIANT THAT, BECAUSE OF ITS
3 PROPERTIES, PEOPLE ARE WORRIED ABOUT IT, BUT IT DIED OUT
4 ALREADY. YEAH, SO IT COULD COME BACK, AND WE COULD SEE MORE OF
5 IT, BUT, YOU KNOW, ONE VIRUS STRAIN CAN DOMINATE, AND THAT'S
6 WHAT WE ARE SEEING WITH DELTA, AND IT CROWDS OUT EVERYTHING
7 ELSE.

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

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11 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** SO, WORRISOME BECAUSE OF ITS PROPERTIES,
12 BUT NOT WORRISOME, BECAUSE IT'S NOT REALLY CIRCULATING RIGHT
13 NOW.

14

15 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. AND I AM GLAD TO SEE THAT WE HAVE
16 BEEN ABLE TO GET MANY MORE PEOPLE VACCINATED, BUT WE STILL
17 HAVE ABOUT 34% IN THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY THAT WE STILL HAVE TO
18 WORK ON. SO, GIVEN THAT, AND THE FACT THAT WE ARE GOING TO BE
19 DOING BOOSTERS NOW, I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE WORK THAT
20 YOU HAVE DONE IN THOSE HARD-HIT AREAS, WHERE PEOPLE REALLY
21 HAVE HIGHER RATES OF C.O.V.I.D. INFECTION. SO, WANT TO KNOW
22 THAT THAT CONTINUES, AND THAT IT'S EASY TO GET AN APPOINTMENT,
23 AND ALL OF THAT, THAT THAT CONTINUES, BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S
24 GOING TO BE ANOTHER BIG TEST FOR US, MAKING SURE THAT WE
25 CONTINUE TO DO THAT.

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2 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** I TOTALLY AGREE, AND WE WILL BE, AGAIN,
3 REPORTING, SIMILAR TO WHAT WE DID INITIALLY, AND WE STILL DO
4 IT INTERNALLY, BUT WE WILL BE REPORTING FOR THE BOOSTERS, AS
5 WE ARE ABLE TO MORE EASILY PULL OFF INFORMATION ABOUT THEM
6 FROM THE STATEWIDE REGISTRY. WE WILL BE PLOTTING THAT BY THOSE
7 H.P.I. [INAUDIBLE]. SO, AGAIN, I WANT TO DO THE SAME THING I
8 DID TODAY, WHICH IS SAY, OF THE DOSES THAT WE ADMINISTERED,
9 WHAT PERCENT OF THEM FOR THOSE BOOSTERS ARE GOING INTO OUR
10 HARDEST-HIT COMMUNITIES. AGAIN, JUST KEEPING TRACK. AND
11 ALREADY, YOU CAN SEE WE HAVE STARTED MAPPING WHERE THOSE SITES
12 ARE, THAT ARE OFFERING PFIZER, AND USING OUR MOBILE TEAMS TO
13 FILL IN GAPS. BECAUSE THERE ARE JUST SOME PHARMACIES THAT
14 NEVER SET THEMSELVES UP TO ADMINISTER PFIZER, AND BECAUSE IT
15 HAS, REMEMBER, DIFFERENT COLD CHAIN REQUIREMENTS. SO WE'RE
16 GOING TO CONTINUE TO WORK, OBVIOUSLY, TO GET IT SPREAD. BUT
17 HAVING OVER 750 SITES THAT ARE ADMINISTERING PFIZER, I THINK,
18 HAS SERVED US WELL. WE HAVE NO LINES. WE HAVE NO COMPLAINTS
19 COMING IN. WE HAVE NO FOLKS SAYING TO US, "I CAN'T GET MY
20 BOOSTER." AND THAT'S WHY WE GIVE OUT THAT CALL CENTER NUMBER,
21 BECAUSE IF PEOPLE ARE RUNNING INTO OBSTACLES, WE WANT THEM TO
22 CALL US. WE CAN PROBLEM-SOLVE AND, AGAIN, OFFER FREE
23 TRANSPORTATION TO GET PEOPLE TO THE PLACE THEY NEED TO BE.

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. THANK YOU. MY LAST LINE OF
2 QUESTIONING IS REALLY DIRECTED AT OUR C.E.O., IF SHE CAN MAYBE
3 GIVE US SOME IDEA. SINCE IT'S ALREADY BEEN TWO MONTHS SINCE
4 OUR EXECUTIVE ORDER WAS ISSUED, REQUIRING VACCINES FOR OUR
5 COUNTY EMPLOYEES, WHICH WAS RATIFIED BY THE BOARD, I WONDER
6 HOW WE ARE DOING WITH THE VACCINATION STATUS. I KNOW WE GET
7 REPORTS, BUT WANTED TO HEAR FROM YOU HOW WE ARE GETTING THERE,
8 AND, IN FACT, ARE WE MAKING IT EASY FOR EMPLOYEES TO INPUT
9 THEIR INFORMATION? ARE WE EMPHASIZING THAT THEY SHOULD DO THAT
10 AT THE TOP? AND I KNOW THAT WE ALSO HAVE EMPLOYEES THAT HAVE
11 OTHER PROVIDERS OUTSIDE OF OUR OWN SYSTEM, AND HOW ARE WE
12 DEALING WITH THAT? FOR EXAMPLE, IF YOU'RE A KAISER PATIENT.
13 AND I KNOW THAT THIS CAN BE KIND OF HARD TO MANEUVER, AND I AM
14 JUST WONDERING, ARE WE ALLOWING FOR THAT, AND HOW ARE WE
15 ADDRESSING THAT? SO MAYBE YOU COULD TALK TO US A LITTLE BIT
16 ABOUT THAT, FESIA. THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL.

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18 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK
19 YOU, SUPERVISORS. LET ME TALK FIRST ABOUT OUR NUMBERS. YOU
20 KNOW THAT WE HAVE A FULGENT SOFTWARE SYSTEM, WHERE WE ARE
21 HAVING OUR EMPLOYEES UPLOAD THEIR PROOF OF VACCINATION. SO THE
22 NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE REGISTERED WITH OUR FULGENT
23 SYSTEM IS 67,273 EMPLOYEES. SO THE NUMBER THAT HAS REGISTERED,
24 67,273. OF THAT 67,000 FIGURE, 58,865-- THAT'S ABOUT 87.5%--
25 HAVE REPORTED THAT THEY ARE FULLY VACCINATED. SO 87.5% HAVE

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1 REPORTED THEY ARE FULLY VACCINATED. ANOTHER 1,627 EMPLOYEES
2 HAVE INDICATED THAT THEY ARE PARTIALLY VACCINATED. THAT'S
3 ABOUT ANOTHER 2.5%. AND THEN WE HAVE 5,966 EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE
4 REGISTERED ON THE FULGENT SYSTEM, WHO ARE NOT VACCINATED.
5 THAT'S ABOUT ANOTHER 9%. FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO RECEIVE THEIR
6 VACCINATION THROUGH OTHER SOURCES, AT THE END OF THE DAY, THEY
7 ARE STILL REQUIRED TO UPLOAD THAT INFORMATION INTO OUR FULGENT
8 SYSTEM, REGARDLESS OF WHICH PROVIDER ADMINISTERED THE
9 VACCINATION. WE ARE WORKING WITH ALL OF THE COUNTY
10 DEPARTMENTS. WE HAVE SOME DEPARTMENTS THAT HAD, PRIOR TO THE
11 POLICY BEING ADOPTED BY THE BOARD, THEY HAD UPLOADED THEIR
12 INFORMATION INTO A DEPARTMENTAL DEVELOPED SYSTEM, AND WE ARE
13 WORKING WITH THOSE DEPARTMENTS, OR THAT DEPARTMENT, TO
14 TRANSFER THAT INFORMATION INTO OUR FULGENT SYSTEM, SO THAT WE
15 CAN HAVE MORE COMPLETE INFORMATION. WITH REGARD TO SOCIALIZING
16 THE IDEA ABOUT THE VACCINATION AND THE POLICY, AND TRYING TO
17 ADDRESS CONCERNS, AND ESSENTIALLY BRING OUR WORKFORCE ALONG TO
18 MAKE SURE THAT EVERYONE IS COMPLIANT WITH THE POLICY, WE HAVE
19 ENGAGED IN A NUMBER OF OUTREACH EFFORTS. WE HAVE DONE TWO
20 COUNTYWIDE TOWN HALLS. THOSE WERE SPONSORED BY D.H.R., D.P.H.,
21 AND DOCTORS FROM D.P.H. DID A LOT OF THE HEAVY LIFTING. EACH
22 OF THOSE TOWN HALLS WERE ATTENDED BY AT LEAST 5,000 OF OUR
23 COUNTY STAFF. WE SENT OUT A NUMBER OF COUNTYWIDE MESSAGES. WE
24 HAVE FREQUENT AND RECURRING MEETINGS WITH OUR DEPARTMENTAL
25 HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGERS. WE SEND OUT RECURRING MESSAGES TO

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1 STAFF THAT ARE EITHER NOT REGISTERED ON THE FULGENT SYSTEM, OR
2 HAVEN'T UPDATED THEIR INFORMATION. WE ARE SENDING OUT
3 REMINDERS, AT THE DEPARTMENTAL LEVEL, TO REMIND THEM TO GET
4 REGISTERED AND/OR UPLOAD THEIR INFORMATION. AND SO WE FEEL,
5 SUPERVISORS, THAT WE HAVE A VERY ROBUST SOCIALIZATION EFFORT
6 THAT'S UNDERWAY, AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO THAT UP THROUGH
7 OCTOBER 1ST, AND EVEN AFTERWARDS. I WILL STOP THERE, TO SEE IF
8 YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

9

10 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, FESIA, FOR THAT INFORMATION, AND
11 WE JUST WANT TO ENCOURAGE US TO WORK WITH OUR COLLECTIVE
12 BARGAINING LEADERS, SO THAT IF THEY ARE HAVING DIFFICULTY
13 REACHING SOME OF THEIR FOLKS, TO UNDERSTAND HOW TO GET ON
14 FULGENT, OR IF THEY HAVE THEIR OWN SYSTEM, TO ENCOURAGE A
15 BRIDGE, SO THAT THAT INFORMATION CAN COME OVER, AND THAT
16 THAT'S EXPLAINED TO THEM IN A BETTER MANNER; MAYBE TEAMING UP
17 WITH THEM, AND THAT'S JUST SOMETHING I WOULD RECOMMEND, THAT I
18 WOULD PERSONALLY LIKE TO SEE HAPPEN, IF WE STILL HAVE A LARGE
19 NUMBER OF PEOPLE, 9% OR MORE, THAT ARE STILL NOT VACCINATED,
20 AND ALSO NOT AWARE OF HOW TO ENROLL INTO THE DATA SYSTEM. SO
21 THAT'S REALLY ALL THE QUESTIONS I HAVE, BUT THANK YOU.

22

23 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. WE HAVE A VERY
24 AGGRESSIVE MEETING SCHEDULE WITH LABOR. WE HAVE BEEN ACTIVELY
25 MEETING WITH OUR LABOR PARTNERS THROUGH THE MONTH OF

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1 SEPTEMBER. WE WILL CONTINUE TO MEET WITH THEM, IN WHAT WE ARE
2 CALLING EFFECTS BARGAINING. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS A
3 PARTNERSHIP, AND THAT THE COMMUNICATION IS KEY, AND SO THAT
4 HAS BEEN OUR QUEST OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS, AND THAT
5 WILL REMAIN TO BE THE CASE GOING FORWARD.

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. THANK YOU. I KNOW YOU'VE PROBABLY
8 HAD MORE MEETINGS WITH THEM, IN THIS SHORT PERIOD OF TIME,
9 THAN WE HAVE HAD DURING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING TIMEFRAMES, SO
10 THANK YOU FOR THAT. I WILL NOW RECOGNIZE MY COLLEAGUES. I
11 HAVE, IN THIS ORDER, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SUPERVISOR BARGER,
12 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AND I WOULD ASSUME, THEN, SUPERVISOR HAHN.
13 OKAY? SO, WHY DON'T WE START WITH MITCHELL? GO AHEAD,
14 SUPERVISOR.

15

16 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AND AS
17 ALWAYS, THANK YOU TO DOCTORS GHALY AND FERRER, AND YOUR TEAMS,
18 FOR ALL OF YOUR HARD WORK IN HELPING EVERY COUNTY RESIDENT
19 NAVIGATE THROUGH THIS PANDEMIC. TWO QUESTIONS, ONE WITH REGARD
20 TO OUR HOMEBOUND CONSTITUENTS. WHAT, SPECIFICALLY, ARE WE
21 DOING FOR THOSE RESIDENTS, IN TERMS OF IDENTIFYING WHO NEEDS
22 BOOSTERS, AND DO WE HAVE NUMBERS ON HOW MANY HOMEBOUND PERSONS
23 THAT WE HAVE HELPED SO FAR?

24

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1 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH, THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR
2 MITCHELL, ALSO, FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT, AND THE HOMEBOUND
3 PROGRAM, OBVIOUSLY, IS A SUPER-IMPORTANT PROGRAM. THE NUMBERS
4 OF PEOPLE WHO ARE CONSIDERED HOMEBOUND, FOR THE PURPOSE OF
5 THIS PROGRAM, ARE NOT THE EXPANSIVE WORLD OF TENS AND TENS OF
6 THOUSANDS OF HOMEBOUND, MANY OF WHOM LIVE IN CONGREGANT LIVING
7 FACILITIES. WE HAVE A SEPARATE PROGRAM FOR LONG-TERM CARE
8 FACILITIES, WHICH IS WHERE MANY HOMEBOUND PATIENTS ARE, AND WE
9 WORK, OBVIOUSLY, WITH THE LONG-TERM CARE PHARMACIES ON MAKING
10 SURE THAT WE ARE ABLE TO REACH OUT TO THOSE RESIDENTS IN LONG-
11 TERM CARE FACILITIES, BOTH THE LARGE ONES, WHERE WE OFTEN HAVE
12 ORGANIZED SYSTEMS IN PLACE ALREADY AROUND DELIVERING
13 VACCINATIONS, AND THE SMALLER ONES, WHICH ARE USUALLY WHAT WE
14 CONSIDER UNDER SIX, WHERE WE OFTEN HAVE TO SEND A TEAM. BUT
15 THAT IS A SEPARATE PROGRAM FOR US. BUT FOR THIS PROGRAM, THESE
16 ARE HOMEBOUND RESIDENTS WHO ARE LIVING, GENERALLY, IN THEIR
17 HOMES, WITH VERY LIMITED ABILITY TO COME OUT OR TO GO TO A
18 PHYSICIAN'S OFFICE OR A CLINIC TO GET THEIR VACCINES

19
20 **SUP. MITCHELL:** YES. THAT'S THE GROUP OF PEOPLE THAT I AM
21 ASKING ABOUT.

22
23 **DR. BARBARA FERRER;** WE HAVE DONE OVER, I THINK, 6,000. WE'VE
24 ALREADY VACCINATED CLOSE TO 6,000 FOLKS IN THAT GROUP. FOR
25 THOSE WHO RECEIVED PFIZER, WE ARE REACHING OUT TO THEM TO SEE-

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1 - AND IT WAS SIX MONTHS AGO, BECAUSE THIS HAS BEEN OVER MANY
2 MONTHS. WE ARE REACHING OUT TO THEM TO SEE WHETHER THEY NEED,
3 WHETHER THEY WANT, THEIR BOOSTERS. ALMOST ALL OF THEM, OF
4 COURSE, ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THEIR BOOSTER, IF IT'S BEEN MORE THAN
5 SIX MONTHS, BUT IT WILL BE A SMALL SUBSET OF THEM WHO
6 COMPLETED THEIR SECOND DOSE SIX MONTHS AGO. BUT THAT IS PART
7 OF THE OUTREACH TEAMS' WORK THAT THEY ARE DOING RIGHT NOW. WE
8 DO TRY TO REPORT ON OUR NUMBERS TO ANYBODY WHO WANTS TO SEE
9 THEM. WE HAVE A VERY EASY WAY FOR PEOPLE TO REQUEST A
10 VACCINATION, EITHER FOR THEMSELVES IF THEY ARE HOMEBOUND, OR
11 IF YOU HAVE A FAMILY MEMBER THAT IS HOMEBOUND, OR YOU ARE
12 CARING FOR SOMEONE WHO IS HOMEBOUND. WE USE OUR CALL CENTER,
13 WHICH, AS I NOTED, IT IS OPEN SEVEN DAYS A WEEK, AND IT IS
14 OPEN FROM 8:00 IN THE MORNING TILL 8:30 AT NIGHT. SO PEOPLE
15 DON'T HAVE TO GO ON THE WEBSITE. THEY DON'T HAVE TO TRY TO
16 NAVIGATE ANYTHING. THEY JUST NEED TO CALL US. AND I JUST
17 LOOKED AT OUR NUMBERS YESTERDAY, AT THE CALL CENTER, AND WE
18 SEE VOLUME THERE, BUT NOBODY IS WAITING MORE THAN FIVE MINUTES
19 FOR US TO GET TO A CALL, SO THAT WE DON'T HAVE THESE LENGTHY
20 WAITS THAT REALLY TROUBLED US AT THE BEGINNING. WE ARE DOING A
21 MUCH BETTER JOB WITH OUR CALL CENTER SUPPORT NOW. SO I JUST
22 ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO USE THAT CALL CENTER. WE WILL GET A TEAM
23 TO YOU. SOMETIMES, I DO WANT TO NOTE, WE WILL GET A REFERRAL,
24 AND THEN WE'LL CALL THE PERSON, AND THEIR HOME HEALTH AGENCY
25 WILL HAVE ALREADY FIGURED OUT HOW TO GET THEM THE DOSE. SO I

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1 DO WANT TO SAY, MANY OF THE HOME HEALTHCARE WORKERS THAT GO TO
2 THESE HOMES ON A REGULAR BASIS HAVE ALSO BEEN FIGURING OUT HOW
3 TO VACCINATE HOMEBOUND PEOPLE, SO IT'S NOT LIKE WE'RE THE ONLY
4 ONES. AND WE'VE WORKED A LOT WITH HEALTH PLANS TO REALLY MAKE
5 SURE THAT, FOR THOSE PEOPLE THAT ARE ENROLLED IN A HEALTH
6 PLAN, IT IS REALLY THE HEALTH PLAN'S RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE
7 SURE THAT IT IS PART OF THEIR CARE, THEY ARE SENDING SOMEBODY
8 OUT TO DELIVER THE VACCINATIONS AND THE BOOSTERS. SO OUR HOPE
9 IS NOBODY IS FALLING THROUGH THE CRACKS BUT, OBVIOUSLY, IF AT
10 ANY TIME, ANY OF YOUR OFFICES HERE, PEOPLE WHO NEED THIS
11 SERVICE, WE HAVE THE SERVICE, AND WE GET TO PEOPLE RELATIVELY
12 QUICKLY. IT IS OFTEN MORE ON THEIR SIDE, FINDING AN
13 APPOINTMENT THAT THEY ARE COMFORTABLE WITH. BUT WE DON'T HAVE
14 LONG WAITS AT ALL FOR PEOPLE TO GET VACCINATED, WHO ARE
15 HOMEBOUND.

16
17 **SUP. MITCHELL:** WELL, I APPRECIATE HEARING THAT. THOSE WHO ARE
18 OLD ENOUGH WILL REMEMBER THE OLD VIRGINIA SLIMS COMMERCIAL.
19 NOT THAT I AM PROMOTING SMOKING OR TOBACCO, BUT THE TAG LINE
20 WAS, "YOU'VE COME A LONG WAY, BABY." SO, WE HAVE COME A LONG
21 WAY, BABY, WHEN I THINK ABOUT SOME OF YOUR EARLIER
22 PRESENTATIONS FOR LONG WAITS. PEOPLE COULDN'T GET THROUGH THE
23 CALL CENTER. SO WE HAVE REALLY COME A LONG WAY, AND AGAIN, I'D
24 LIKE TO THANK YOU. MY LAST QUESTION, AND THIS IS PUSHING THE
25 ENVELOPE, DR. FERRER. YOU SHOULDN'T BE SURPRISED, COMING FROM

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1 ME, BUT IT REALLY IS. RECOGNIZING THE VALUE OF YOUR MOBILE
2 TEAMS, THE VALUE OF THE PROMOTORAS PROGRAMS AND THE COMMUNITY
3 OUTREACH CONTRACTS THAT YOU AND THE STATE HAVE ENGAGED IN, AND
4 HOW IMPORTANT ALL OF THOSE MODELS HAVE BEEN TO ALLOW US TO DO
5 POP-UP VACCINATION SITES, BUT REALLY TO GET TO HARDLY REACHED
6 COMMUNITIES ON A ONE-ON-ONE BASIS, ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS OF
7 THOSE WHO HAVE HAD CONCERNS AND QUESTIONS, AND HAVE BEEN
8 RESISTANT TO THE VACCINE, I HAVE A QUESTION. I AM WONDERING IF
9 IT IS FEASIBLE OR IF THERE'S A LIKELIHOOD THAT WE COULD TAKE
10 IT A STEP FURTHER AND ASK THAT THE COUNTY REQUEST PERMISSION
11 FROM THE STATE TO ALLOW SPECIALLY TRAINED OUTREACH WORKERS AND
12 PROMOTORAS, WHO ARE WORKING UNDER A PHYSICIAN'S SUPERVISION,
13 TO ACTUALLY ADMINISTER THE VACCINES ON SITE. SO, SORT OF A
14 COMBINATION OF OUR OUTREACH WORK, AS WELL AS THE HOMEBOUND
15 WORK, WHERE IF I SHOW UP AT YOUR DOOR, WE HAVE THE
16 CONVERSATION, YOU SAY YES, I CAN REACH INTO MY BAG AND GIVE
17 YOU THE SHOT, RIGHT THEN AND THERE. IS THAT SOMETHING THAT YOU
18 HAVE CONSIDERED? BECAUSE IT JUST SEEMS TO ME TO REALLY CLOSE
19 THE LOOP, AS WE ARE CONTINUING TO DIG DEEPER AND SUPPORT OUR
20 HARDLY REACHED POPULATIONS IN A MEANINGFUL WAY, WHICH IS STILL
21 VERY NECESSARY, AS WE LOOK AT THE DATA AND THE SLIDES YOU JUST
22 PRESENTED.

23
24 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH. THANKS SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.
25 I THINK ALL THE SUGGESTIONS TO REALLY AUGMENT OUR CAPACITY,

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1 NOT JUST NOW, BUT LET'S LOOK INTO THE FUTURE, WHEN WE PROBABLY
2 HAVE TO DO THIS AGAIN, TO INCREASE SORT OF THE ABILITY OF US
3 TO HAVE MORE PEOPLE THAT OPERATE IN A WAY THAT I'D SAY IS AKIN
4 TO BEING A FIRST RESPONDER, I THINK IS ALWAYS A GOOD IDEA. I
5 THINK IT IS COMPLICATED, THOUGH. GIVING A VACCINE [INAUDIBLE]
6 TRAINED, AND THE STATE IS REALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LICENSING
7 OF EVERYBODY WHO WOULD BE ABLE TO ADMINISTER VACCINES. NOW,
8 YOU KNOW THE STATE JUST EXTENDED THE ABILITY FOR SOME OF OUR
9 LESS TRADITIONAL HEALTHCARE WORKFORCE MEMBERS TO BE ABLE TO
10 CONTINUE ADMINISTERING VACCINES-- OUR E.M.T.S, OUR MEDICAL
11 ASSISTANTS, AND OUR PHARMACY TECHS. BUT ALL OF THESE FOLKS ARE
12 OPERATING IN SETTINGS WHERE THAT PHYSICIAN OR NURSE
13 PRACTITIONER THAT'S OVERSEEING THE ADMINISTRATION OF VACCINES
14 IS ACTUALLY PHYSICALLY PRESENT. SO WE JUST HAVE TO ACKNOWLEDGE
15 THAT THE MOBILE TEAM WORLD IS A WORLD WHERE YOU NEED TO MAKE
16 SURE YOUR TEAM HAS THAT LEVEL OF SUPERVISION AND SUPPORT. SO
17 THE MODEL WHERE PROMOTORAS WOULD JUST GO HOUSE TO HOUSE,
18 WITHOUT BEING PART OF A TEAM, PROBABLY ISN'T FEASIBLE OR
19 NECESSARILY THE BEST WAY FOR US TO ADMINISTER VACCINES, BUT I
20 LOVE THE IDEA THAT WE TALK WITH THE STATE, AND WE FIGURE OUT
21 IF THERE IS EITHER A CREDENTIALING OR CERTIFICATION PROGRAM
22 FOR THE PROMOTORAS WHO WANT TO DO THIS, AND WE BUILD THEIR
23 SKILLS, BECAUSE THEN YOU HAVE THE CAPACITY TO JUST HAVE TEAMS
24 THAT ARE SUPPORTED BY THAT LICENSED PROVIDER, BUT IT GIVES YOU
25 MORE ABILITY TO BE OUT IN THE FIELD. SO I LOVE THE IDEA. WE'RE

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1 NOT IN CHARGE OF IT. THE STATE WOULD HAVE TO, AND I THINK IT
2 WOULD NEED TO BE UNDER THE AUSPICES OF SOME KIND OF
3 CREDENTIALING PROGRAM, BECAUSE ALL OF THE OTHER FOLKS WHO ARE
4 ADMINISTERING VACCINES ARE PART OF A LICENSED OR CREDENTIALLED
5 PROGRAM, WHERE YOU CAN ACTUALLY MAKE SURE THEY HAVE THE
6 APPROPRIATE TRAINING. BECAUSE I WOULDN'T WANT TO MINIMIZE IT.
7 I MEAN, A VACCINATION IN YOUR ARM DOESN'T FEEL SO HIGH-TECH,
8 AND IT DOESN'T NEED A PHYSICIAN, BUT IT DOES NEED PEOPLE WHO
9 ARE WELL TRAINED AND WELL SUPERVISED. AND THEN WE ALSO NEED TO
10 DO WHAT YOU ALL HAVE WITNESSED: HAVE AN OBSERVATION PERIOD,
11 KNOW HOW TO HANDLE THOSE VERY RARE SITUATIONS WHERE PEOPLE MAY
12 HAVE SOME KIND OF REACTION.

13

14 **SUP. MITCHELL:** I APPRECIATE YOUR THOUGHTFUL RESPONSE. I AGREE
15 THAT IT WOULD DEFINITELY HAVE TO BE SOMEONE WHO'S HIGHLY
16 TRAINED. WHEN I THINK ABOUT A GOOD NUMBER OF OUR HUNDREDS,
17 NOW, OF COMMUNITY-BASED PARTNERS, MANY OF THEM ARE F.Q.H.C.S
18 AND COMMUNITY CLINICS, THEMSELVES. SO I AM CLEAR THAT THERE
19 WOULD HAVE TO BE TRAINING. I AM JUST TRYING TO THINK THROUGH,
20 AS WE GO FORWARD, HOW WE CAN CONTINUE TO LEARN; CONTINUE TO
21 EFFECT POLICY, BASED ON WHAT WE HAVE ALREADY LEARNED, ABOUT
22 WHAT WORKS AND WHAT DOESN'T WORK, AND HOW WE CAN CONTINUE TO
23 PUSH THE ENVELOPE TO DIG DEEPER INTO COMMUNITIES THAT WE STILL
24 ARE SEEING, TRAGICALLY, PARTICULARLY IN THE SECOND
25 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, DISPROPORTIONATELY HIGH RATES OF

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1 PEOPLE WHO HAVE NOT YET BEEN VACCINATED. I HAPPEN TO FEEL
2 REALLY GOOD ABOUT THE WORK THAT WE HAVE DONE, AS A COUNTY.
3 AGAIN, WE HAVE COME A LONG WAY, IN TERMS OF MAKING VACCINES
4 AVAILABLE WHERE PEOPLE ARE. THE HOMEBOUND, YOUR MOBILE TEAMS,
5 ARE A PERFECT EXAMPLE. BUT AGAIN, I AM JUST TRYING TO THINK
6 FURTHER DOWN THE LINE, AS BOOSTERS ARE GOING TO BE KIND OF THE
7 NEW HORIZON OF WHAT WE HAVE GOT TO GET TO PEOPLE.
8 PARTICULARLY, ONCE MODERNA AND J&J DEVELOP THEIR BOOSTER
9 OPTIONS, WE WILL HAVE TO GO BACK AND TOUCH ALL OF THOSE FOLKS
10 WE HAVE ALREADY TOUCHED AGAIN, SO I AM JUST LOOKING FOR
11 CREATIVE IDEAS. SO MAYBE WE'LL CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION. I AM
12 CLEAR THAT THE STATE WOULD HAVE TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN. THANK YOU
13 VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. APPRECIATE IT.

14

15 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR QUESTION. IT IS A GOOD
16 QUESTION, AND ONE THAT HAS BEEN DISCUSSED, I KNOW, FOR MANY
17 YEARS, EVEN BACK AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL. AND THERE'S ISSUES
18 REGARDING CERTIFICATION, AND FUNDING PAYS FOR IT, WHICH I
19 TOTALLY AGREE WITH, SO PERHAPS THERE'S A WAY WE CAN WORK--
20 MAYBE SOMEONE IN SACRAMENTO WILL CARRY SOME LEGISLATION THERE
21 THAT WE CAN SUPPORT, SO WE'LL WORK ON THAT. THANK YOU. SO WITH
22 THAT, SUPERVISOR BARGER.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. DR. FERRER, I JUST WANT SOME
25 CLARIFICATION ON THIS. I NOTICED THAT NOT ONLY DID CALIFORNIA

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1 DROP OUT OF THE C.D.C.'S HIGH TRANSMISSION CATEGORY, IT
2 DROPPED ALL THE WAY DOWN TO MODERATE TRANSMISSION, MAKING IT
3 THE ONLY STATE WITH A LOW TRANSMISSION, AND L.A. COUNTY'S
4 POSITIVITY RATE IS THE LOWEST AMONG MAJOR COUNTIES IN
5 CALIFORNIA. HOWEVER, L.A. COUNTY'S TESTING RATE PER 100,000
6 RESIDENTS IS STILL SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER THAN OTHER MAJOR
7 COUNTIES. SO I AM TRYING TO UNDERSTAND, IS IT BECAUSE WE HAVE
8 GOT AN INFLATED TESTING, PRIMARILY DUE TO THE SAFETY MEASURES
9 THAT WE REQUIRE, AS IT RELATES TO TESTING IN OUR COUNTY, WHICH
10 IS CAUSING OUR CASE RATE TO STAY HIGHER? I MEAN, WHAT DID SLOW
11 OUR PROGRESS TO THE SUBSTANTIAL TRANSMISSION CATEGORY?

12

13 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH. I MEAN, WE ARE IN SUBSTANTIAL. AND I
14 DIDN'T SEE ANYBODY MOVE TO MODERATE, BUT I DIDN'T LOOK TODAY,
15 SUPERVISOR. LAST I LOOKED, THE STATE IS IN SUBSTANTIAL, AND WE
16 ARE IN SUBSTANTIAL. I THINK OUR CASE RATES ARE PRETTY SIMILAR,
17 L.A. COUNTY'S, TO WHAT THEY ARE SEEING AROUND THE STATE. I
18 DON'T THINK ANY OF US HAVE MOVED DOWN AGAIN.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER:** I'M THANKFUL THE STATE IS IN THE MODERATE.

21

22 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** OH, OKAY. I MEAN, IT'S POSSIBLE. I DIDN'T
23 LOOK TODAY. I MEAN, I KNOW WHEN WE LOOKED ON FRIDAY, WE ARE
24 CERTAINLY IN SUBSTANTIAL. THE CASE RATE, OBVIOUSLY, IS A
25 REFLECTION, ALWAYS, OF HOW MUCH TESTING YOU ARE DOING, BECAUSE

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1 TESTING ALLOWS YOU TO FIND PEOPLE WHO ARE INFECTED, AND IF
2 YOU'RE NOT DOING TESTING, YOU'RE NOT GOING TO FIND THEM. AND
3 SO IT IS GOOD. IT IS ALWAYS A GOOD THING. AND OUR TEST
4 POSITIVITY RATE IS SUPER LOW, INDICATING THAT, WHILE WE'RE
5 FINDING PEOPLE, IT'S NOT OVERINFLATING WHAT OUR TRANSMISSION
6 LOOKS LIKE. I MEAN, WE HAVE A LOT OF CASES BECAUSE WE ARE A
7 BIG COUNTY, AND WE HAVE A LOT OF PEOPLE INFECTED BECAUSE WE
8 ARE A BIG COUNTY. AND IT IS MORE IMPORTANT FOR US TO FIND
9 EVERYBODY WHO IS INFECTED AND STOP THEM FROM TRANSMITTING TO
10 OTHERS THAN IT IS TO SORT OF MARK OUR PROGRESS. I MEAN, PEOPLE
11 HAVE SUGGESTED, IF YOU DON'T TEST A LOT, YOU WILL MOVE QUICKER
12 INTO LOWER TRANSMISSION, BUT YOU ONLY MOVE QUICKER FOR A
13 LITTLE BIT, BECAUSE ONCE YOU HAVE A LOT OF INFECTED PEOPLE
14 INFECTING OTHER PEOPLE, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE PEOPLE GETTING
15 SICK. THEY'RE GOING TO END UP IN THE HOSPITAL. SO IT DOESN'T
16 REALLY BUY YOU MUCH.

17
18 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH, BUT USING THE C.D.C. METRICS, WHICH IS WHAT
19 WE ARE USING, DOES THAT NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT TESTING, LIKE
20 WE'RE DOING? THAT'S WHERE I'M A LITTLE CONFUSED.

21
22 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH. WELL, THE C.D.C. METRICS LOOK AT
23 BOTH: YOUR TEST POSITIVITY-- AND OURS IS SUPER LOW-- AND IT
24 LOOKS AT YOUR CASE RATE, AND OURS IS NOT LOW. AND THEN IT
25 PLACES YOU-- SIMILAR TO WHAT THE STATE DID, IT PLACES YOU AT

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1 THE LEVEL OF YOUR HIGHEST RATE. SO, IF YOUR COMMUNITY
2 TRANSMISSION RATE WAS SUPER HIGH, AND YOUR CASE RATE WAS LOW,
3 YOU COULD STILL END UP IN HIGH OR SUBSTANTIAL, BECAUSE
4 WHICHEVER METRIC PUTS YOU AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL IS WHERE YOU
5 LAND. SO IT'S NOT LIKE WE COULD MOVE TO A DIFFERENT LEVEL
6 BECAUSE OUR TEST POSITIVITY RATE IS LOW. IT JUST ACKNOWLEDGES
7 WE ARE DOING WELL ON SLOWING THE SPREAD, BUT WE STILL HAVE A
8 LOT OF CASES.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH, BUT OUR NUMBERS ARE GOING DOWN, WHICH IS
11 GOOD NEWS.

12

13 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** THEY ARE.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER:** BECAUSE THAT MEANS PEOPLE ARE ACTUALLY LISTENING.
16 I AM HOPING THE VACCINATION RATES GO UP. MY LAST QUESTION, AND
17 THIS IS, I KNOW, A SENSITIVE SUBJECT, BUT I'M GOING TO BRING
18 IT UP: THE THEME PARK ISSUE. I AM STILL-- AND WE HAVE GONE
19 BACK AND FORTH, DR. FERRER, BUT I AM STILL TRYING TO
20 UNDERSTAND THE RATIONALE THAT TAKES YOUR HEALTH OFFICER ORDER
21 WELL BEYOND WHAT THE STATE SPECIFIES FOR MEGA OUTDOOR EVENTS.
22 AND I REALLY NEED TO UNDERSTAND IT, BECAUSE I TALK ABOUT THE
23 FACT THAT CLARITY AND CONSISTENCY NEED TO BE APPLIED. AND WHEN
24 I TALK TO MY THEME PARK, SIX FLAGS, THEIR FRUSTRATION IS THAT
25 IT IS NOT CONSISTENT. IF YOU LOOK TO THE COUNTY TO THE SOUTH,

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1 THEY ARE NOT APPLYING. THEY ARE APPLYING WHAT THE STATE HAS
2 PUT INTO PLAY. AND WITH AN OUTDOOR EVENT, AND MANDATING MASKS,
3 WHICH ARE ALREADY IN PLAY, THEY FEEL THAT THIS IS UNFAIR,
4 ESPECIALLY GIVEN THE NUMBERS AND WHERE WE ARE TODAY. SO I WANT
5 TO UNDERSTAND. AND I KNOW YOU ARE AN EXPERT, BUT I WANT YOU TO
6 DRAW ME THE MAP AS TO WHY YOU WENT ABOVE AND BEYOND WHAT THE
7 STATE IS MANDATING, FOR THEME PARKS.

8

9 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** THANKS FOR THAT QUESTION, AND FOR ALL YOUR
10 SUPPORT. I KNOW THAT ALL OF YOU HAVE BEEN INUNDATED WITH
11 CONCERNS RAISED BY THE THEME PARKS AND BY SOME OF THE LARGE
12 OUTDOOR VENUES. AND WHEN WE TALKED ABOUT THE HEALTH OFFICER
13 ORDER THAT WE ISSUED, WE WERE CLEAR THAT WE WERE GOING ABOVE
14 AND BEYOND THE STATE IN THESE REQUIREMENTS. THERE WERE
15 REQUIREMENTS IN TWO PLACES. ONE IS THESE LARGE, MEGA OUTDOOR
16 EVENTS THAT WE HAVE EXTRA REQUIREMENTS FOR, AND THE OTHER IS,
17 OBVIOUSLY, THE REQUIREMENTS AT BARS, NIGHTCLUBS, DISTILLERIES,
18 WINERIES, BREWERIES, LOUNGES. SO THOSE ARE TWO PLACES WHERE
19 OUR HEALTH OFFICER ORDER, AS YOU'VE NOTED, DOES IN FACT
20 REQUIRE MORE SAFETY MEASURES THAN WHAT THE STATE REQUIRES, AND
21 WE FEEL LIKE THEY ARE IMPORTANT, OR WE WOULDN'T HAVE GONE
22 AHEAD WITH THEM. I MEAN, WE FEEL LIKE WE DO HAVE TO GET AHEAD
23 OF A POSSIBLE WINTER SURGE, AND WE DO HAVE TO GO TO THOSE VERY
24 HIGH RISK AREAS. WE HAD REPORTED BACK TO THE BOARD, EARLIER IN
25 THE MONTH, WITH A WHOLE SET OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR, IN FACT,

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1 CREATING ADDITIONAL SAFETY AT MANY OTHER PLACES, AND HAD
2 DECIDED IN SEPTEMBER THAT WE SHOULD REALLY FOCUS ON THE
3 HIGHEST RISK FOR NOW, WHICH ARE THESE PLACES WHERE EITHER
4 THERE IS THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE, AND VERY CLOSE
5 CONTACT WITH EACH OTHER FOR LONG PERIODS OF TIME, OR THEY ARE
6 INDOORS, NOT WEARING THEIR MASKS BECAUSE OF THE ACTIVITIES
7 THAT THEY ARE ENGAGED IN. THOSE ARE THE HIGHEST RISK SETTINGS.
8 AND WE HAVE SPENT TIME AT THEME PARKS, AND I CAN SAY THAT WHEN
9 THEY ARE CROWDED, WHEN THEY ARE HITTING THAT THRESHOLD, IT IS
10 SUPER CROWDED. OUR INSPECTORS WERE OUT FOR FRIGHT NIGHTS AT
11 BOTH PLACES, AND IT IS CROWDED, AND PEOPLE ARE SCREAMING, AND
12 LOTS OF PEOPLE AT ALL OF THE EVENT VENUES ARE NOT WEARING
13 THEIR MASKS, AND THEY ARE EATING AND DRINKING AND WALKING
14 AROUND. SO THERE IS RISK THERE. THEY WERE INCLUDED AS A MEGA
15 EVENT RECENTLY BY THE STATE. WE DIDN'T ADD THEM TO THAT
16 CATEGORY. THE STATE ADDED THEM TO THAT CATEGORY. BUT ONCE THEY
17 WERE IN THAT CATEGORY, THEN, WHEN WE ISSUED THE HEALTH OFFICER
18 ORDER FOR VENUES AND OPERATORS IN THAT CATEGORY, THEY ENDED UP
19 BEING INCLUDED. NOW, WE HAVE BEEN WORKING, OBVIOUSLY, WITH
20 BOTH MAGIC MOUNTAIN AND UNIVERSAL STUDIOS, WHICH ARE THE TWO
21 THEME PARKS THAT HAVE THE MOST CONCERNS, AND WE HAVE MADE SOME
22 CHANGES TO THE HEALTH OFFICER ORDER, TO TRY TO SEE IF THAT
23 HELPS AND MAKES IT EASIER. WE NO LONGER REQUIRE TESTING, FOR
24 EXAMPLE, FOR CHILDREN WHO ARE UNDER THE AGE OF 12. WE ALSO
25 DON'T REQUIRE-- THE HEALTH OFFICER ORDER GOT CHANGED TODAY,

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1 NOT TO REQUIRE PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION FOR PEOPLE UNDER THE
2 AGE OF 18, ACKNOWLEDGING IT IS HARD FOR STUDENTS TO HAVE
3 PICTURE I.D., SO THAT WAS REALLY CREATING OTHER PROBLEMS. WE
4 HAVE GIVEN EVERYBODY SOME TIME TO FULLY IMPLEMENT, AND DURING
5 THAT TIME HAVE WORKED INDIVIDUALLY WITH SITES ON CHANGES THAT
6 THEY WERE REQUESTING. YOU KNOW, COULD THEY LET PEOPLE WHO HAD
7 ALREADY BOUGHT TICKETS, FOR A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME, COME IN?
8 AND SO WE ARE TRYING TO DEAL WITH THE DIFFICULTIES OF
9 OPERATIONALIZING HEALTH OFFICER ORDERS, BUT I DO THINK IT IS
10 APPROPRIATE, AND I THINK YOU RAISED THE QUESTION THAT WE HAVE
11 RAISED FOR THE LAST 20 MONTHS, WHICH IS, IT'S SOMETIMES HARD
12 TO BE A SUPER-LARGE COUNTY, WHEN YOU HAVE YOUR OWN DATA, AND
13 YOU CAN LOOK AT YOUR TRENDS, AND YOU CAN SAY, "WE NEED TO GET
14 IN FRONT OF SOMETHING," AND THE REST OF THE STATE ISN'T
15 NECESSARILY GOING TO GO WITH YOU ON THAT. AND WE HAVE BEEN IN
16 THIS PLACE BEFORE, AND I'VE APPRECIATED ALL OF THE
17 CONVERSATIONS WE HAVE HAD. I DO WANT TO NOTE, AND I AM
18 GRATEFUL FOR THIS, THAT JUST ABOUT ALL OF THE OTHER LARGE
19 MEGA-EVENT VENUES ARE IN FACT IMPLEMENTING THIS, AND ALL OF
20 THE SMALLER INDOOR VENUES ARE ALSO SUBJECT TO THESE
21 VACCINATION/TESTING REQUIREMENTS, AS WELL. AND THERE'S
22 HUNDREDS OF THEM THAT HAVE ALSO GONE AHEAD AND IMPLEMENTED
23 THESE EXTRA PROTECTIONS. SO THERE ARE LOTS OF PEOPLE WHO I
24 THINK ARE DOING THEIR VERY BEST TO CREATE SAFER ENVIRONMENTS,
25 AND I PROMISE THAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE THEME

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1 PARKS ABOUT TRYING TO MAKE SURE WE DO THIS IN A WAY THAT
2 ALLOWS THEM TO CONTINUE WITH THE ACTIVITIES THAT THEY HAVE
3 PLANNED, AND BUILD IN THOSE EXTRA SAFETY MEASURES THAT WE
4 THINK ARE APPROPRIATE.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER:** SO, HOW LONG HAVE YOU DELAYED ON SOME OF THE
7 REQUIREMENTS, SUCH AS THE PICTURE? WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT DELAY,
8 WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

9

10 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** OH. WELL, WE HAVE DELAYED FOR-- WE CHANGED
11 THE HEALTH OFFICER ORDER SO NO LONGER DOES ANYBODY UNDER 18
12 NEED TO SHOW A PICTURE I.D. SO THAT IS PERMANENT. THAT DOESN'T
13 HAVE ANY TIME LIMITS TO IT. AND I BELIEVE WE HAVE EXTENDED...
14 I MEAN, WE ARE WORKING ONE BY ONE WITH EACH OF THE SITES, SO
15 TRYING TO, AGAIN, "WHAT DO YOU NEED? WHAT WOULD BE HELPFUL?"
16 BUT I BELIEVE THAT FOR UNIVERSAL STUDIOS, AND OBVIOUSLY FOR
17 MAGIC MOUNTAIN OR ANYBODY ELSE WHO NEEDED IT, WE HAVE GIVEN
18 THEM AN EXTRA COUPLE OF WEEKS, I THINK, TO NOT HAVE TO-- I
19 THINK WE'VE ACTUALLY GIVEN THEM TILL THE END OF THE MONTH,
20 SUPERVISOR, TO NOT TO HAVE TO SHOW I.D.S, AND JUST TO HAVE TO
21 SHOW THE VERIFICATION DOCUMENTS. SO YOU HAVE TO SHOW THAT
22 YOU'RE VACCINATED, YOU HAVE TO SHOW THAT YOU HAVE A NEGATIVE
23 TEST, BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO SHOW YOUR I.D. FOR ANYBODY. I
24 THINK WE'RE SAYING TO FOLKS, REALLY FOCUS ON GETTING THE
25 VACCINATION VERIFICATION/TEST VERIFICATION IN PLACE, AND THEN

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1 YOU CAN ADD THE I.D. REQUIREMENT LATER ON, FOR THOSE THAT ARE
2 18 AND OLDER.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER:** SO, USING THE HEALTHVANA AS A WAY OF SHOWING
5 VACCINATION WOULD BE SUFFICIENT?

6

7 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** OH, YEAH. RIGHT NOW, IT IS.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER:** BUT I THINK ONE OF THEIR CONCERNS-- AT LEAST,
10 MAGIC MOUNTAIN, AND MAYBE UNIVERSAL-- WAS HAVING TO HAVE THE
11 I.D., AS WELL, BECAUSE IT CREATES LONG LINES, AND THERE'S ONE
12 POINT OF ENTRY.

13

14 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH, SO WE ELIMINATED THE-- OOH, I DON'T
15 WANT TO SAY WE-- FOR THOSE THAT ARE STRUGGLING TO IMPLEMENT,
16 THEY HAVE AN ENTIRE MONTH OF OCTOBER TO BE ABLE TO DO THIS
17 WITHOUT HAVING TO SHOW THAT I.D., SO THAT THEY CAN PUT THIS
18 SYSTEM IN PLACE. WE HEARD THIS, ABOUT THEY DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH
19 STAFF. IT WAS GOING TO CREATE TOO LONG A LINE, IF THEY HAD TO
20 SHOW BOTH DOCUMENTS. SO NOW THEY ONLY HAVE TO SHOW ONE
21 DOCUMENT, AND HOPEFULLY THAT GIVES EVERYBODY MORE TIME TO PUT
22 YOUR SYSTEMS IN PLACE, AND THEN ADD THE I.D. REQUIREMENT, COME
23 NOVEMBER.

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1 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY. I MEAN, AND I'M JUST GOING TO CLOSE WITH
2 THIS. THE REASON WHY SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND I CREATED THE
3 RESILIENCY TASK FORCE WAS TO BRING INDUSTRIES IN TO HAVE
4 DIALOGUE. AND WHEN THIS ANNOUNCEMENT WAS MADE, IT TOOK SIX
5 FLAGS BY SURPRISE, EVEN THOUGH I THINK THAT THE THOUGHT WAS
6 THAT THEY HAD BEEN AWARE THAT THIS WAS GOING TO BE ROLLED OUT.
7 I, AGAIN, WOULD ASK PUBLIC HEALTH TO REACH OUT TO THE
8 DIFFERENT SECTORS. I DO. I REACHED OUT, AND ACTUALLY, A LOT OF
9 THE RESTAURANTS SUPPORT THE COUNTY REQUIRING VACCINE MANDATES,
10 BECAUSE IT TAKES THE HEAT OFF OF THEM FOR, IF ONE SAYS THEY
11 ARE GOING TO, AND THE OTHER SAYS THEY ARE NOT, WE LIVE IN A
12 SOCIETY WHERE YOU'VE GOT PEOPLE THAT ARE GOING TO PICK AT ONE
13 OR THE OTHER. SO THEY WELCOMED PUBLIC HEALTH DOING THIS. THEY
14 DIDN'T HAVE AN ISSUE WITH THAT; THE BARS, IN PARTICULAR. BUT
15 WITH OTHER INDUSTRIES, QUITE FRANKLY, I DON'T KNOW HOW TO RUN
16 A THEME PARK. I DON'T KNOW HOW TO RUN A STUDIO. I DON'T THINK
17 ANYONE IN PUBLIC HEALTH DOES, EITHER. BUT PUBLIC HEALTH KNOWS
18 HOW TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH. SO I WOULD HOPE THAT, IN THE
19 FUTURE, AS WE ARE ROLLING OUT NEW PUBLIC HEALTH ORDERS THAT
20 IMPACT DIFFERENT SECTORS, THAT WE WOULD INCORPORATE THAT VERY
21 SECTOR INTO THE DIALOGUE, SO THAT WE CAN BE MORE SENSITIVE TO
22 THE FACT THAT WE DON'T UNDERSTAND THEIR INDUSTRY. AND THAT
23 WOULD BE MY ASK, AGAIN, BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT I DO. WHEN YOU
24 ROLL THINGS OUT, I DO REACH OUT TO DIFFERENT INDUSTRIES TO
25 FIND OUT WHAT THEIR THOUGHTS ARE. AND MORE OFTEN THAN NOT,

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1 THEY DO AGREE WITH WHAT PUBLIC HEALTH IS RECOMMENDING. BUT IT
2 IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE THEM AT THE TABLE WHEN THESE DISCUSSIONS
3 ARE MADE. OTHERWISE, IT BECOMES THIS POLITICAL, WHERE WE'RE
4 ALL GETTING THE CALLS. I AM GETTING CALLS FROM THE STATE, WHO
5 IS TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHY THIS IS BEING MANDATED, AND THAT'S
6 WHY I KEEP ASKING WHAT THE RATIONALE IS, BECAUSE I THINK WE
7 WANT TO BE GOOD PARTNERS WITH COMMERCE AND WITH BUSINESS. AND
8 THAT'S ALL I WOULD ASK. THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU, DR. FERRER,
9 AND THANK YOU, DR. GHALY.

10

11 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** NO, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I TOTALLY
12 AGREE. AND IN GENERAL, I THINK WE DO PRETTY GOOD. I THINK WE
13 WERE SOMEWHAT TAKEN BY SURPRISE THAT THE THEME PARKS GOT MOVED
14 INTO THE LARGE MEGA-EVENTS, AND THEREFORE DIDN'T DO THE
15 APPROPRIATE OUTREACH. SO WE'VE TRIED TO APOLOGIZE TO BOTH
16 MAGIC MOUNTAIN AND UNIVERSAL STUDIOS, AND WE'LL DEFINITELY DO
17 A BETTER JOB. BUT THANKS.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, DR. FERRER. AND AGAIN, THANK YOU, DR.
20 GHALY, AS WELL, FOR THE WORK THAT YOU ALL ARE DOING.

21

22 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER.
23 NEXT, WE WILL HEAR FROM SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. UNIVERSAL IS IN
2 MY DISTRICT, AND SO I WANT TO FOLLOW UP ON WHAT KATHRYN'S BEEN
3 SAYING. I ACTUALLY AM A LOT LESS PATIENT WITH THE BUSINESSES
4 THAT HAVE COMPLAINED LIKE THEY DIDN'T SEE THIS COMING, AND
5 WERE SO BLINDSIDED, AND THEY HAVE LONG LINES AND NO STAFF. THE
6 REASON THAT THEY DON'T WANT TO CHANGE IS BECAUSE THEY HAVE
7 PRESOLD MILLIONS OF DOLLARS' WORTH OF TICKETS ALL AROUND THE
8 COUNTRY. AND WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT-- LET'S JUST SAY UNIVERSAL,
9 BUT I THINK MAGIC MOUNTAIN, AS WELL. WHO GOES THERE DURING THE
10 WINTER? WE HAVE ENORMOUS NUMBERS OF VISITORS FROM ALL AROUND
11 THE COUNTRY, INCLUDING RED STATES WITH VERY HIGH INFECTION
12 RATES. THEY COME ON PLANES. THE PLANES TAKE AS MANY
13 PRECAUTIONS AS THEY CAN, BUT THIS IS A VERY LARGE NUMBER OF
14 PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY FOR THE HALLOWEEN TICKETS, WHICH IS WHAT
15 UNIVERSAL, I THINK, WAS MOST WORRIED ABOUT. THEY REALLY WANTED
16 TO PACK THE PARK. AND I THINK, TO THEIR CREDIT, THEY ARE
17 UNDERSTANDING. THEY ARE STEPPING UP. THEY WANT TO WORK ON IT.
18 BUT I WOULD SUGGEST THAT INDUSTRY HAS A JOB, AS WELL, AND THAT
19 JOB IS, DON'T JUST SEND ME A LETTER SAYING, "DON'T DO THIS,"
20 BECAUSE THAT'S NOT HELPFUL. WE'RE GOING TO DO IT, AND I DON'T
21 MEAN JUST WITH THE THEME PARKS. I MEAN, LOOK AT WHAT THE CITY
22 OF L.A. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO DO, IN TERMS OF THEIR BUSINESSES,
23 WAY BEYOND OUR HEALTH ORDER IN THE COUNTY. THIS IS A
24 DANGEROUS, DANGEROUS TIME FOR US, AND I THINK THAT EVERYONE
25 KNOWS IT. AND WE'RE ASKING EVERYONE, WHETHER IT IS DODGER

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1 STADIUM, OR DISNEY HALL, EVERYWHERE, TO STEP UP. SO THANK YOU
2 VERY MUCH FOR WORKING WITH UNIVERSAL AND MAGIC MOUNTAIN TO
3 MAKE IT WORK AS WELL AS IT CAN FOR THEM. I WOULD RECOMMEND
4 THAT THEY ADOPT, ALONG WITH ANY OTHER OF THE BUSINESSES THAT
5 WILL BE AFFECTED, WHERE YOU HAVE 10,000 PEOPLE ON SITE OR MORE
6 AT ONE TIME-- IF YOU'VE SOLD YOUR TICKETS IN ADVANCE, YOU KNOW
7 THAT YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE MORE THAN 10,000 PEOPLE. SO, TO
8 REALLY WORK ON A HEALTH PLAN, BECAUSE YOU WOULD NOT WANT TO
9 HAVE AN OUTBREAK. WE HAD A MEASLES OUTBREAK AT DISNEY WORLD,
10 REMEMBER? AND IT WAS DEVASTATING FOR THEIR BUSINESS FOR YEARS,
11 BECAUSE THEY COULD NOT SHOW THAT THEY HAD TAKEN PROPER
12 PRECAUTIONS. SO WE ARE ALL ON THE SAME SIDE, AND I THANK YOU
13 VERY MUCH FOR WORKING WITH THEM, AND WOULD ASK THEM-- BECAUSE
14 I AM CERTAIN THEIR REPRESENTATIVES ARE WATCHING THIS MEETING--
15 TO DO EVERYTHING THEY CAN TO PROTECT ALL OF THOSE WHO ARE
16 COMING TO HAVE A GOOD TIME, BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT COMING TO GET
17 SICK. AND IT IS INTERESTING TO ME. NONE OF MY FOUR OFFICERS
18 GOT A CALL ABOUT ANY OF THE OTHER REQUIREMENTS, AND I THINK
19 KATHRYN SAID KIND OF THE SAME THING. THE BARS ARE FEELING LIKE
20 IT IS A PROTECTION FOR THEIR OWN WORKERS, AS WELL AS THEIR
21 CLIENTS. THEY WANT RETURN BUSINESS, AND IT'S REALLY GOOD IF
22 PEOPLE STAY WELL AND ARE ABLE TO RETURN. SO THANK YOU VERY
23 MUCH FOR STICKING TO YOUR GUNS AND BEING REASONABLE. I FEEL
24 VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THE MEASURES THAT WE CAN TAKE TO KEEP OUR
25 10 MILLION RESIDENTS AS SAFE AS POSSIBLE. THE SECOND COMMENT

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1 IS REALLY A QUESTION THAT I DON'T BELIEVE I HEARD IN THE
2 REPORT, AND IT REALLY GOES TO, POTENTIALLY, DISINFORMATION, OR
3 INFORMATION THAT MAY BE INCOMPLETE, AND IT IS ABOUT
4 REINFECTIONS. I DON'T KNOW, AND PERHAPS I MISSED IT ON A
5 SLIDE, BUT THERE IS THIS SORT OF MYTHOLOGY OR FEELING THAT IF
6 I'VE BEEN INFECTED WITH C.O.V.I.D., I CANNOT CATCH IT AGAIN;
7 THAT I DON'T NEED TO GET A SHOT, BECAUSE I AM IMMUNE. HOWEVER,
8 I SAW DATA YESTERDAY THAT THERE ARE REINFECTIONS, AND SO I
9 WONDER IF YOU COULD EXPLICATE, A LITTLE BIT, ANY OF THE DATA
10 ON THAT, OR HOW WE SHOULD REALLY ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS FROM
11 OUR CONSTITUENTS.

12

13 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. I
14 ALSO WANT TO THANK YOU AND YOUR OFFICE FOR THE SUPPORT AND THE
15 MESSAGING WITH UNIVERSAL STUDIOS. I ALSO WANT TO JUST SAY,
16 THERE'S LOTS OF MEGA-EVENTS HERE, AND ALL OF THEM HAVE REALLY
17 FIGURED OUT WAYS TO DO THIS. SO I DON'T WANT TO CAST
18 ASPERSIONS ON ANY OF THE MEGA-EVENT OPERATORS. I THINK THEY
19 ARE ALL TRYING THEIR VERY BEST. FOR SOME, IT IS EASIER THAN
20 OTHERS, OR SOME WERE SEEING THIS AS JUST WHAT YOU'VE SAID: WE
21 DO HAVE AN OBLIGATION, WITH THESE VERY LARGE EVENTS, TO FIGURE
22 THIS OUT. SO I WANT TO SAY, THERE'S BEEN AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF
23 COOPERATION, AND I DON'T WANT THAT TO GET LOST. AND I THINK
24 WE'VE GOT A COUPLE OF THINGS WE HAVE GOT TO WORK ON AND DO
25 BETTER, BUT IN GENERAL, THESE PARTNERSHIPS HAVE BEEN GOOD, AND

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1 THEY HAVE BEEN GOOD FROM THE VERY BEGINNING OF THE PANDEMIC.
2 IN TERMS OF THE ISSUE OF REINFECTIONS, I DID NOTE, IT IS SUCH
3 AN IMPORTANT ISSUE, SO I AM REALLY GLAD YOU RAISED IT, AND
4 THERE IS A WHOLE MYTHOLOGY AROUND IT, WHICH IS, "I HAVE
5 NATURAL IMMUNITY, AND NATURAL IMMUNITY IS BETTER THAN ANYTHING
6 A VACCINE COULD GIVE ME, AND IT LASTS FOREVER." SO, PEOPLE WHO
7 HAVE GOTTEN C.O.V.I.D. DO HAVE SOME IMMUNITY. IT IS HARD TO
8 REALLY KNOW FOR CERTAIN HOW LONG IT LASTS, BUT TODAY, FOR
9 EXAMPLE, I NOTED THAT JUST AMONG THE PEOPLE WHO ARE FULLY
10 VACCINATED, THERE WAS, I THINK, 1400 OF THEM THAT WERE PEOPLE
11 WHO HAD ALREADY C.O.V.I.D., AND WERE VACCINATED, AND STILL
12 WERE ABLE TO GET INFECTED. AND THE NUMBER IS OBVIOUSLY MUCH
13 LARGER FOR PEOPLE WHO WERE INFECTED AT ONE POINT, PERHAPS,
14 LAST YEAR, PERHAPS DURING THE SURGE, AND NOW HAVE A SECOND
15 INFECTION. WE DO CALL THOSE REINFECTIONS. WE COUNT YOU AS
16 HAVING A REINFECTION IF, 90 DAYS AFTER YOUR FIRST INFECTION,
17 OR YOUR LAST INFECTION, YOU TEST POSITIVE AGAIN. THAT NO
18 LONGER IS ASSOCIATED WITH THAT EARLIER INFECTION YOU HAD. AND
19 WE ARE STARTING TO RECORD THEM IN OUR CASE NUMBERS, BECAUSE WE
20 HAVE A CLEAN DEFINITION. AND THERE ARE THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE WHO
21 GET REINFECTED, AND IT IS BECAUSE YOUR OWN IMMUNE SYSTEM
22 DOESN'T WORK FOREVER AGAINST THIS VIRUS. AND IN PARTICULAR,
23 THE DELTA VARIANT IS ALSO OF CONCERN TO PEOPLE WHO THINK THEY
24 HAVE IMMUNITY FROM GETTING SORT OF A DIFFERENT VARIANT, OR A
25 DIFFERENT STRAIN EARLIER ON. THAT DOESN'T SEEM TO HOLD,

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1 EITHER. WHAT THERE IS GOOD EVIDENCE ON, AND PRETTY CONCLUSIVE
2 AT THIS POINT, IS IF YOU HAD C.O.V.I.D. AND YOU GET THE
3 VACCINES, THE VACCINES WORK SUPER WELL. SO YOU END UP WITH
4 MOUNTING A HUGE DEFENSE THAT WILL BE TO YOUR ADVANTAGE, SHOULD
5 THAT VIRUS TRY TO VISIT YOU IN THE FUTURE. AND WE DO TRY TO
6 GET THAT INFORMATION OUT. WE HAVE SORT OF MYTHS AND FACTS, AND
7 WE TRY TO TALK ABOUT IT ON OUR TOWN HALLS AND WHEN WE SEND OUR
8 COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATORS OUT, BECAUSE IT IS ONE OF THE
9 NUMBER-ONE REASONS WHY PEOPLE SAY THEY DON'T NEED TO GET
10 VACCINATED: "I ALREADY GOT IT. I SURVIVED IT. I AM FINE. I
11 DON'T NEED THIS VACCINE." I MEAN, I WISH THAT WAS THE REALITY.
12 THERE ARE A HANDFUL OF DISEASES WHERE YOU GET A LOT OF
13 PROTECTION ONCE YOU HAD THEM, BUT THIS IS NOT ONE OF THEM. AND
14 IT IS LOOKING TO US LIKE, SOMEWHERE AROUND 90 DAYS, YOU ARE
15 LOSING THAT NATURAL IMMUNITY, AND YOU WOULD JUST BE SO MUCH
16 BETTER OFF IF YOU WERE GETTING VACCINATED.

17

18 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.
19 ARE YOU THERE?

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD. I AM SORRY.

22

23 **SUP. KUEHL:** I WAS JUST GOING TO SAY, IF YOU WERE TAKING A
24 BREAK, I KNOW THAT THE VICE CHAIR WOULD CALL ON SUPERVISOR
25 HAHN.

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2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** I AM HERE. SORRY. MY CAMERA WAS OFF.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN:** DID I JUST GET CALLED ON?

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6 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, YOU DID. WELL, I'M CALLING ON YOU,
7 YES.

8

9 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY. SHE WAS LIKE, "WE'RE CALLING ON YOU." THANK
10 YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND AGAIN, THANKS TO BOTH DOCTORS, ALL THE
11 DOCTORS, FOR YOUR HARD WORK. AND I AM PLEASED THAT THE COUNTY
12 HAS CONSISTENTLY REALLY BEEN ABLE TO BE READY. WHEN THE
13 VACCINES WERE FIRST APPROVED, WE WERE READY TO SET UP OUR
14 MEGA-SITES. NOW THAT THE BOOSTERS HAVE BEEN APPROVED, AND
15 CERTAIN OF OUR POPULATION HAVE BEEN ENCOURAGED TO GET THEM, WE
16 ARE READY. LOOKING AT THAT MAP OF ALL THE PLACES THAT PEOPLE
17 CAN GET THEIR BOOSTERS IS CERTAINLY ENCOURAGING. I DO KNOW WE
18 HAVE GOTTEN A FEW CALLS IN OUR OFFICE FOR PEOPLE WHO WEREN'T
19 QUITE SURE WHERE THE SITES WERE, AND IF ALL THE SITES WERE
20 GIVING BOOSTERS, BUT I THINK YOU ARE SAYING THAT YOU HAVE
21 INCREDIBLE... "CALL TIME" IS THE WRONG WORD. THAT'S WHAT WE
22 USE TO RAISE MONEY.

23

24 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** WE HAVE A LOT OF CAPACITY AT THE CALL
25 CENTER.

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1

2 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU.

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4 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** PEOPLE CAN CALL US.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN:** YES, YOU DO, AND SO I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT. I AM
7 PLANNING TO GET MY BOOSTER. I AM OVER A CERTAIN AGE, SO I'M
8 GOING TO TRY TO SCHEDULE MINE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. SWITCHING
9 GEARS A LITTLE BIT, I CERTAINLY APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR KUEHL'S
10 CONSISTENT, REALLY FOCUSED EFFORTS DURING THIS WHOLE PANDEMIC
11 TO REALLY-- IT IS ABOUT KEEPING PEOPLE SAFE. AND IT IS REALLY
12 ABOUT KEEPING OUR RESIDENTS SAFE, PEOPLE WHO COME HERE SAFE.
13 AND I REALLY-- I ASSOCIATE MYSELF WITH THAT, AS WELL. BUT I AM
14 ALSO-- I UNDERSTAND, AS SUPERVISOR BARGER IS CONCERNED FOR
15 SOME OF THESE BUSINESSES, SO I KIND OF FALL SOMEWHERE IN THE
16 MIDDLE. BUT LISTENING TO YOU, DR. FERRER, I FEEL LIKE YOU HAVE
17 RELAXED A LITTLE BIT. THAT'S PROBABLY THE WRONG WORD, BUT YOU
18 HAVE WORKED WITH THEM A LITTLE BIT, AND MAYBE EASED UP ON SOME
19 OF THE DEADLINES, AND GIVING THEM TILL THE END OF THE MONTH.
20 BECAUSE I KNOW I CERTAINLY HAVE ALSO HEARD, EVEN THOUGH IT IS
21 NOT IN MY DISTRICT, I HAVE CERTAINLY HEARD FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE
22 SAYING OUR THEME PARKS ARE GOING TO COMPLY. THEY WANT TO
23 COMPLY. THEY JUST WOULD LIKE A LITTLE MORE TIME BEFORE THEY
24 BEGIN GETTING FINED OR INSPECTED ON THIS. AND I WILL SAY, PART
25 OF WHY I BELIEVE THAT THEY SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO HAVE A LITTLE

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1 MORE TIME TO GET IN COMPLIANCE IS BECAUSE I WAS THE SUPERVISOR
2 THAT AUTHORED THE REPORT BACK, INITIALLY, TO TALK ABOUT WHAT
3 IT WOULD LOOK LIKE IN THIS COUNTY IF WE HAD PROOF OF
4 VACCINATION FOR CERTAIN VENUES. AND THE REPORT CAME BACK,
5 AFTER INTERVIEWING A LOT OF PEOPLE AND A LOT OF SECTORS, THAT
6 YES, IT WAS DOABLE, BUT THERE WAS A-- IT WASN'T EXACTLY A
7 WARNING BUT IT WAS A, "BUT THIS WILL TAKE A LOT OF OUTREACH,
8 AND IT WILL TAKE A LOT OF TIME, AND IT WILL TAKE A LOT OF
9 EDUCATION." BECAUSE WE HAVE NEVER DONE ANYTHING LIKE THIS
10 BEFORE. SO, JUST BASED ON THAT, I WOULD CERTAINLY URGE YOU,
11 DR. FERRER, TO CONTINUE TO SEE WHAT KIND OF GRACE PERIOD THAT
12 WE ALL FEEL COMFORTABLE WITH, WITH SOME OF THESE LARGE THEME
13 PARKS, BEFORE WE START FINING THEM. I KNOW, IF YOU LOOK AT
14 OTHER PLACES, I THINK NEW YORK HAD A ONE-MONTH GRACE PERIOD,
15 BUT IT SOUNDS LIKE-- AND MAYBE THIS IS MY QUESTION, BARBARA--
16 IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU ARE SAYING THAT: THAT THEY HAVE A MONTH.
17 THEY HAVE A MONTH FROM WHEN WE VOTED TO IMPLEMENT THAT. IS
18 THAT CORRECT?

19

20 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH. I MEAN, THEY ACTUALLY WILL HAVE WAY
21 MORE THAN A MONTH. THE HEALTH OFFICER ORDER, I THINK, WAS
22 ISSUED ON THE 17TH OF SEPTEMBER. BUT I DO WANT TO ALSO NOTE,
23 WE NEVER RUSH TO GIVE ANYBODY A CITATION. I MEAN, CITATIONS
24 ARE REALLY RESERVED FOR BUSINESSES THAT ARE BLATANTLY SAYING
25 THEY INTEND NOT TO COME INTO COMPLIANCE, AND THEY ARE NOT

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1 WORKING TOWARDS COMPLIANCE. AND WE RELY HEAVILY ON BUSINESSES
2 DOING THE RIGHT THING, SO THAT HAS NEVER BEEN THE MAJOR TOOL
3 HERE. AND FRANKLY, IT WOULDN'T WORK IF IT WAS. I MEAN, THE
4 MAIN TOOL HAS TO BE THAT THERE IS SOME AGREEMENT THAT THIS IS
5 A SENSIBLE THING TO DO, AS SUPERVISOR KUEHL ALSO MENTIONED, TO
6 PROTECT EACH OTHER, AND THAT WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER, AND
7 WE ALL HAVE A VESTED INTEREST IN NOT HAVING BIG OUTBREAKS
8 ASSOCIATED WITH LARGE MEGA-EVENTS. AND SO WE'RE GOING TO WORK
9 TOGETHER ON THIS, AND THAT'S THE APPROACH WE'VE TAKEN WITH THE
10 THEME PARKS. AND WE ARE, YOU KNOW, SORT OF WORKING WITH THEM
11 TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT THEY CAN START DOING
12 ON OCTOBER 7TH. SO THEY CAN TAKE SOME STEPS, AND THEN TO BE
13 FULLY COMPLIANT, IT MAY TAKE THEM, AS YOU NOTED, A FEW WEEKS,
14 AND THAT IS COMPLETELY FINE. WHAT WE WANT IS FOR PEOPLE TO
15 MAKE THIS BIG EFFORT TO GET TO A PLACE WHERE YOU'VE GOT ALL
16 THAT SAFETY.

17

18 **SUP. HAHN:** I MEAN, I AGREE WITH YOU. I DO THINK, IN THE PAST
19 YEAR AND A HALF, THOUGH, WE HAVE HAD A FEW AGGRESSIVE HEALTH
20 INSPECTORS. I KNOW I HAD TO SORT OF INTERVENE IN A COUPLE OF
21 BUSINESSES THAT WERE BEING VERY AGGRESSIVELY TARGETED, EVEN
22 THOUGH THEY WERE ATTEMPTING TO GET INTO COMPLIANCE. AND I
23 BELIEVE WE, EVEN ON THIS BOARD, PASSED SOMETHING THAT SAID,
24 "HEY, ON THE FIRST TIME, YOU KNOW, IT HAS TO BE KIND OF A
25 WARNING AND AN EDUCATION FIRST, THEN A FINE." SO, CERTAINLY,

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1 THAT IS YOUR INTENTION, AND I TOTALLY GET THAT, BUT WE'VE HAD
2 SOME EXAMPLES IN THE LAST YEAR AND A HALF OF VERY AGGRESSIVE
3 HEALTH INSPECTORS, WHO HAVE BEEN DETERMINED TO FINE
4 BUSINESSES. SO I'M JUST SAYING, THIS IS NEW. WE HAVE NEVER
5 DONE THIS. WE HAD A REPORT BACK THAT BASICALLY SAID, "THIS
6 WILL WORK, BUT IT NEEDS TREMENDOUS OUTREACH AND EDUCATION TO
7 MAKE IT WORK." AND WORKING WITH A DIFFERENT KIND OF-- AS
8 KATHRYN SAID, WE DON'T RUN THEME PARKS. WE DON'T REALLY KNOW
9 ALL THEIR INS AND OUTS. WE KNOW HOW TO KEEP PEOPLE SAFE. SO I
10 WOULD JUST URGE THAT YOU WOULD CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THEM. I
11 THINK THAT'S CERTAINLY A WIN-WIN FOR ALL OF US. SO, THANK
12 YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. DR. FERRER AND DR. GHALY, THANK
15 YOU. BUT BEFORE WE END, I JUST WANTED TO ASK FOR A
16 CLARIFICATION, DR. FERRER. IN YOUR SLIDES EARLIER, YOU SHARED
17 WITH US WHERE WE ARE WITH L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS AGES 12 AND
18 17, AND I GUESS YOU INDICATE, THERE ON YOUR SLIDE, THAT 67
19 PERCENT RECEIVED THE FIRST DOSE, AND THERE ARE ONLY 58 PERCENT
20 THAT ARE VACCINATED. AND I JUST WANT TO UNDERSTAND, I MEAN,
21 WHEN WE TALK ABOUT THEME PARKS, WE MUST BE FACTORING IN WHAT
22 IS GOING ON WITH THE YOUNG PEOPLE; THAT, OBVIOUSLY, THEY ARE
23 NOT FULLY VACCINATED. IT IS NOT AVAILABLE TO-- WELL, PEOPLE
24 ARE NOT JUST TAKING IT, AT THIS POINT, THE WAY THAT WE WOULD

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1 LIKE THEM TO. I AM JUST WONDERING IF, OBVIOUSLY, THE DATA IS
2 SHOWING THAT. SO, CAN YOU...

3

4 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** ON ALL OF THE SITES, CHILDREN UNDER 12 ARE
5 EXEMPT, BECAUSE THEY HAVE NO VACCINES THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO
6 THEM. SO THEY ARE EXEMPT FROM VACCINATIONS, AND THEY'RE EXEMPT
7 FROM GETTING TESTED. AT THE THEME PARKS, IF YOU ARE 12 AND
8 OLDER, AND YOU HAVE NOT YET COMPLETED YOUR VACCINATION SERIES,
9 THEN YOU WOULD NEED TO GET THAT TEST, THE SAME AS FOR AN
10 ADULT. ANYBODY WHO CAN GET VACCINATED EITHER HAS TO BE FULLY
11 VACCINATED AND SHOW THAT THEY ARE, OR THEY HAVE TO HAVE A
12 NEGATIVE TEST, AND SHOW THAT THEY ARE. BUT FOR THE KIDS WHO
13 UNDER THE AGE OF 12, THERE'S NO REQUIREMENTS.

14

15 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT. I THINK MY
16 FOCUS IS REALLY ON THE CHILDREN THAT ARE ELIGIBLE, BUT HAVEN'T
17 RECEIVED IT, FOR WHATEVER REASON, AND ARE GOING TO THE THEME
18 PARK.

19

20 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH. THEY CAN GET A NEGATIVE TEST, FOR
21 ALL THOSE OUTDOOR EVENTS. THEY DON'T HAVE TO GET A
22 VACCINATION.

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT, RIGHT. OKAY. ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU.
25 JUST WANTED THAT CLARIFIED. THANK YOU, MEMBERS.

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2 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** SAME FOR ADULTS.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, YES. THANK YOU FOR ALL OF THAT, BOTH
5 OF YOU, AND FOR THE GOOD WORK THAT YOU ALL ARE DOING. WE
6 REALLY APPRECIATE IT. THIS IS A RECEIVE-AND-FILE. IF THERE IS
7 NO OBJECTIONS, THEN THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. AND, MEMBERS,
8 WE'RE GOING TO NOW GO BACK TO ITEM NUMBER 1. THIS WAS UNDER
9 THE PUBLIC HEARING. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE REPORT ON
10 THE BALLOT TABULATION RESULTS.

11

12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
13 AFTER TABULATING THE BALLOTS, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE
14 THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST EXISTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED
15 ANNEXATION OF LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS FOR SUBDIVISION TRACT NO.
16 76070, AND SINGLE-LOT NO L 071-2019, IN THE CITY OF CARSON,
17 PROPOSED FOR ANNEXATION TO THE COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE
18 DISTRICT, 1697, AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LANDSCAPE AND
19 LIGHTING ACT-1, CARSON ZONE. AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE
20 APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION, ORDERING
21 THE ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS, AND THE JOINT
22 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY OF
23 TAX REVENUE, RESULTING FROM THE ANNEXATION OF SUBDIVISION AND
24 SINGLE-LOT TERRITORIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023.

25

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ITEM 1 IS BEFORE US, MEMBERS.

2 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO

3 APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE

4 ROLL.

5

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

7

8 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

9

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

11 KUEHL?

12

13 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

14

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

16

17 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

18

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

20

21 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

22

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

24

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

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

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5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, AND NOW WE WILL TURN TO ITEM
6 NUMBER 2. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE REPORT ON THE BALLOT
7 TABULATION RESULTS.

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
10 AFTER TABULATING THE BALANCE, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE
11 THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST EXISTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED TRANSFER
12 OF TERRITORY KNOWN AS TRACT NUMBER 82311 FROM THE TAX
13 ASSESSMENT ZONE "B," UNLIGHTED ZONE, TO TAX ASSESSMENT ZONE
14 "A," LIGHTED ZONE, AN INCREASE IN ASSESSMENT WITHIN COUNTY
15 LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 10045, AND COUNTY LIGHTING
16 DISTRICT LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING ACT-1, IN THE CITY OF LA
17 MIRADA. AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO
18 ADOPT THE RESOLUTION, ORDERING THE TRANSFER OF APPROVED
19 TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION TERRITORY FROM ZONE "B" TO ZONE "A," AND
20 LEVY OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE TRANSFERRED TERRITORY FOR
21 FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023.

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** ITEM 2 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
24 HAHN, AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL TO APPROVE THE ITEM.
25 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

5

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

8

9 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

10

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

12

13 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

14

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

16

17 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

18

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

20

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

22

23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-
24 0.

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MEMBERS. NOW WE WILL MOVE ON TO
2 ITEM 14, ADDRESSING THE SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE, S.T.D.,
3 CRISIS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WHICH I HELD. AND I WOULD LIKE
4 TO BEGIN MY REMARKS. COLLEAGUES, AS YOU KNOW, IN THE MIDST OF
5 THE PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS, THIS PANDEMIC HAS REALLY FORCED US
6 TO BEGIN TO LOOK AT OTHER VERY PRESSING HEALTHCARE ITEMS, AND
7 THAT IS BEFORE US TODAY. OUR COUNTY IS IN THE MIDDLE OF AN
8 ONGOING SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE CRISIS, OR S.T.D. CRISIS,
9 THAT HAS SEEN CASES HERE SKYROCKET OVER THE LAST 6 YEARS. WE
10 HAVE SEEN INCREASES IN THE NUMBER OF S.T.D.S, INCLUDING
11 GONORRHEA AND CHLAMYDIA, BUT WE'VE ESPECIALLY SEEN RATES OF
12 SYPHILIS AND CONGENITAL SYPHILIS SPIKE, ESPECIALLY SINCE 2018.
13 AND RECENT PUBLIC HEALTH DATA SHOWS A 450-PERCENT INCREASE IN
14 SYPHILIS RATES AMONG FEMALES, AND 235 PERCENT IN MALES, IN
15 JUST THE LAST DECADE. AND CONGENITAL SYPHILIS, WHERE BABIES
16 ARE BORN TO MOTHERS WITH SYPHILIS, AND ARE INFECTED DURING
17 BIRTH, HAS JUMPED BY 3,000 PERCENT IN LESS-- YES, 1,300
18 PERCENT IN LESS THAN A DECADE. IN FACT, I'M SAD TO SHARE THAT
19 HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, OUR CASE RATES ARE WORSE THAN IN THE
20 NATION, OVERALL. AND IN 2010, WE ONLY SAW 10 CASES OF
21 CONGENITAL SYPHILIS COUNTYWIDE, AND THAT BALLOONED TO ABOUT
22 113 LAST YEAR ALONE. THIS IS, AS YOU KNOW, A SERIOUS
23 CONDITIONS. NEWBORNS WHO AREN'T PROPERLY SCREENED AND TESTED
24 CAN DEVELOP SEVERE COMPLICATIONS DOWN THE ROAD, INCLUDING
25 ANEMIA, FACIAL DEFORMITIES, AND NEUROLOGICAL DAMAGE. THEY ARE

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1 ALSO AT INCREASED RISK OF BEING BORN PREMATURE, STILLBORN, OR
2 DIE SHORTLY AFTER BIRTH. AND UNTREATED SYPHILIS IS A
3 CONTRIBUTING FACTOR IN THE RATES OF NEW H.I.V. INFECTIONS. AND
4 UNFORTUNATELY, AS WE'VE SEEN WITH C.O.V.I.D.-19, THE RISE OF
5 SYPHILIS AND OTHER S.T.D.S ARE HEAVILY ASSOCIATED WITH MANY
6 SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH: HOMELESSNESS, DRUG USE,
7 PARTICULARLY METHAMPHETAMINE USE, WHICH ALSO INCREASED IN L.A.
8 COUNTY, AND HAS BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH THE RISE IN SYPHILIS. AND
9 RECENT SURVEILLANCE DATA SHOWS THAT UP TO 2/3 OF MOTHERS WHO
10 PASSED SYPHILIS TO THEIR BABIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY REPORTED
11 DRUG USE WHILE PREGNANT, AND MANY OF THE SAME COMMUNITIES HIT
12 DISPROPORTIONATELY BY C.O.V.I.D. ARE BEARING THE BRUNT OF THE
13 CRISIS. THE TIME FOR US IS NOW TO ACT, TO PREVENT THE CRISIS
14 FROM BECOMING WORSE. WE HAVE TO BUILD UPON THE WORK WE DID
15 BACK IN 2018, WHEN WE ALLOCATED \$5 MILLION TO EXPAND ACCESS TO
16 S.T.D. TESTING AND TREATMENT. FORTUNATELY, WE HAVE MAY
17 DEDICATED GROUPS IN THE COMMUNITY, AS WELL AS OUR COUNTY
18 DEPARTMENTS, WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING HARD TO ADDRESS THE CRISIS.
19 WE JUST NEED TO PUT FORWARD A PLAN TO GET EVERYONE ON THE SAME
20 PAGE AND WORKING TOGETHER IN HARMONY TOWARDS THE SAME SHARED
21 GOAL. THAT IS WHY TODAY I AM INTRODUCING THIS MOTION, AND WITH
22 THIS MOTION, PUBLIC HEALTH WILL WORK TOGETHER WITH OTHER
23 RELEVANT DEPARTMENTS TO PUT TOGETHER AN UPDATED PLAN OF ACTION
24 TO ADDRESS THE CRISIS. WE CAN MAKE SURE THAT ALL FUNDING
25 COMING INTO THE COUNTY FROM OUR FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL

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1 PARTNERS IS COORDINATED AND STREAMLINED. AND WE CAN MAKE SURE
2 THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS WORKING TOGETHER SEAMLESSLY
3 WITH OUR COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, OUR ADVOCATES, AND OUR
4 FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CLINICS, OUR HOSPITALS, AND OUR
5 HEALTH PLANS, TO BRING S.T.D. RATES DOWN. AND I BELIEVE WE CAN
6 ADDRESS THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH AND SYSTEMIC RACISM
7 CONTRIBUTING TO THE CRISIS, WHEN WE TAKE ALL OF THESE FACTORS
8 INTO CONSIDERATION. AND WE CAN MAKE SURE THAT OUR COUNTY
9 COMMUNICATES THE URGENCY TO OUR PARTNERS IN SACRAMENTO AND
10 WASHINGTON, D.C., SO WE CAN GET THE NEEDED SUPPORT TO HELP
11 ADDRESS THE CRISIS THROUGH FUNDING MECHANISMS. WE HAVE THE
12 ABILITY TO TURN THE CRISIS AROUND, AND WE SHOULD. AND WE MUST
13 SIMPLY REAFFIRM TO OURSELVES THAT WE NEED TO DO THIS, AND WE
14 NEED TO DO IT QUICKLY. SO THEREFORE, MEMBERS, I ASK FOR YOUR
15 AYE VOTE ON THIS ITEM. AND IS THERE ANYONE THAT WOULD LIKE TO
16 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM? YES, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU ARE
17 RECOGNIZED. THANK YOU.

18
19 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, FOR BRINGING
20 THIS ITEM FORWARD TODAY. WE'VE HEARD WITH ALARM ABOUT THE
21 S.T.I. RATES AND THE FACT THAT THEY'VE INCREASED MULTIFOLD.
22 HISTORICALLY, I THINK THE SECOND DISTRICT HAS HAD ONE OF THE
23 GREATEST BURDENS, ESPECIALLY AMONG YOUNGER WOMEN OF COLOR.
24 FAILURE TO COMBAT S.T.I.S REDUCES QUALITY OF LIFE, IMPAIRS
25 REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH, AND IN SOME INSTANCES CAN LEAD TO

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1 PREMATURE DEATH, NOT TO MENTION THE IMPACT IT HAS ON INCREASED
2 HEALTHCARE COSTS. AND SADLY, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, THIS REALLY,
3 TRULY FEELS LIKE DEJA VU ALL OVER AGAIN. THIS COUNTY AND
4 PREVIOUS BOARD MEMBERS, FOR YEARS, HAVE STEPPED UP TO THE
5 PLATE TO TRY TO ADDRESS THE SURGE OF S.T.I.S, COUNTYWIDE. IN
6 PREVIOUS SURGES, THE DISTRICT SUPERVISOR FUNDED THE COUNTYWIDE
7 S.T.I. SOCIAL MARKETING CAMPAIGN, THAT SHOWED SOME ENCOURAGING
8 SIGNS IN DECLINING SYPHILIS RATES, AND YET HERE WE ARE AGAIN.
9 MY PREDECESSOR LAUNCHED AND EXPANDED THE "I KNOW" PROGRAM, A
10 SELF-TESTING MEDIA CAMPAIGN INCORPORATING IMAGERY AND MESSAGES
11 OF EMPOWERMENT, AND BUILDING CONFIDENCE FOR YOUNG WOMEN. IN
12 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, WE HAVE USED
13 SPECIALLY TRAINED PUBLIC HEALTH FIELD STAFF, WORKING IN
14 COLLABORATION WITH COMMUNITY HEALTH PROVIDERS, TO ENSURE
15 PROPER IDENTIFICATION AND TREATMENT OF INFECTED INDIVIDUALS.
16 WE'VE EXPANDED AVAILABILITY OF HOME TESTING KITS. WE'VE
17 REPURPOSED COUNTY VANS, AND PARTNERED WITH TRUSTED COMMUNITY-
18 BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO DRIVE THE VANS TO HOTSPOTS ACROSS THE
19 COUNTY. WE'VE PARTNERED WITH SCHOOLS. THE COUNTY HAS A GOOD
20 HISTORY ON SCHOOL-BASED SOCIAL MARKETING AND PARTNERSHIPS WITH
21 OTHER PROVIDERS TO HAVE SCHOOL-BASED CLINICS. SO, I AM HOPING
22 THAT AS A RESULT OF THE C.O.V.I.D.-19, THE GENERAL PUBLIC WILL
23 HAVE A DEEPER APPRECIATION AND A DEEPER RESPECT FOR THE ROLE
24 OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO MAKE SURE THAT WE
25 WORK HARD TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE ARE RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO

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1 HELP PEOPLE KEEP THEMSELVES S.T.I.-- SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED
2 INFECTIONS-- FREE. SO I REALLY LOOK FORWARD TO READING THIS
3 REPORT BACK, TO SEE, YOU KNOW, WHAT HAS CHANGED. IS THIS
4 CONTINUING TO BE A FAMILIAR STORYLINE? WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED
5 FROM PAST ACTIONS THAT WE PERHAPS NEED TO CHANGE GOING
6 FORWARD? WHAT WORKED, WHAT DIDN'T? I REALLY APPRECIATE THIS,
7 AGAIN, MADAM CHAIR, BECAUSE I THINK THAT WE HAVE TO FIGURE OUT
8 POSITIVE WAYS THAT WE HELP OUR RESIDENTS ENGAGE IN SAFER
9 BEHAVIORS, RECOGNIZING THE INFECTION RATE CONTINUES TO GO
10 HIGH, COUNTYWIDE. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS, AND I WILL
11 EAGERLY BE VOTING AYE.

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.
14 SUPERVISOR HAHN, DID YOU WISH TO BE RECOGNIZED?

15

16 **SUP. HAHN:** YES. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU FOR THIS
17 MOTION. AND REALLY WANT TO GIVE A SHOUT-OUT TO OUR COMMISSION
18 ON H.I.V. FOR SOUNDING THE ALARM AND MOBILIZING A COUNTYWIDE
19 RESPONSE TO TAKE ACTION ON THIS CRISIS, AND, AS SUPERVISOR
20 MITCHELL TALKED ABOUT, ALL THE THINGS THAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING.
21 IT IS SO IMPORTANT. AND LOOKING AT THE STATISTICS RIGHT NOW,
22 IT CERTAINLY LOOKS LIKE IT IS ON ITS WAY TO BE A FULL-BLOWN
23 CRISIS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. I THINK WE ARE EQUIPPED, ARE WELL-
24 POSITIONED IN THE COUNTY, TO REALLY RAMP UP OUR COUNTY'S
25 S.T.D. PROGRAMS AND SERVICES. SO, IN THIS REPORT BACK, I JUST

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1 WOULD LIKE TO SEE IF WE CAN AND HAVE A PLAN FOR FULLY
2 UTILIZING OUR PUBLIC HEALTH CLINICS TO PROVIDE S.T.D. TESTING
3 AND TREATMENT, AND THEN A STRATEGY FOR DEPLOYING OUR MOBILE
4 TEAMS TO TEST PEOPLE, PARTICULARLY WHO ARE EXPERIENCING
5 HOMELESSNESS. SO I'D LIKE TO SEE THOSE TWO THINGS,
6 PARTICULARLY, HIGHLIGHTED IN THE REPORT BACK, AND I ALSO
7 SUPPORT THIS MOTION AND LOOK FORWARD TO READING THE REPORT.
8 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

9

10 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS. I'M SURE THOSE
11 WILL BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION IN THE REPORT BACK.
12 SUPERVISOR KUEHL WISHES TO BE RECOGNIZED. YES?

13

14 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. THOSE WHO WERE
15 HERE MAY OR MAY NOT REMEMBER, BECAUSE WE TEND TO KNOW OUR OWN
16 MOTIONS AND, YOU KNOW, REMEMBER THEM. BUT ACTUALLY, IT WAS A
17 FEW YEARS AGO, A MOTION, I THINK, THAT WE BROUGHT TO BOOST OUR
18 S.T.D. TREATMENT SERVICE CONTRACTS, AND WE PUT IN \$5 MILLION
19 OF ONE-TIME, BUT IT WAS ONE-TIME MONEY TO TRY TO GET MORE
20 ATTENTION PAID TO THE CONNECTION, BECAUSE IT WAS ALSO RAISED
21 BY OUR COMMISSION DEALING WITH H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S. AND WE
22 ASKED D.P.H. TO WORK WITH OTHER STAKEHOLDERS, INCLUDING THE
23 HEALTH PLANS, TO HELP FUND TREATMENT, BUT IT REALLY NEVER BORE
24 ANY FRUIT. I MEAN, IT NEVER GOT ANY TRACTION. WE DID NOT
25 REALLY SUCCEED TO GET NEW FUNDING FROM THE STATE OR THE FEDS,

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1 AND SO WE'VE GOT THE SAME SYSTEMIC UNDERFUNDING PROBLEM, AND
2 HIGHER RATES. AND THIS, OF COURSE, AS YOU POINTED OUT IN THIS
3 MOTION, IS NOT SIMPLY A ONE-GENERATIONAL ISSUE. YOU KNOW, THE
4 ISSUE OF CONGENITAL SYPHILIS CASES IS SO DANGEROUS. SO THANK
5 YOU SO MUCH FOR THE MOTION. I STRONGLY, STRONGLY SUPPORT IT,
6 AND WANT US TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT WE, IN JUST LOOKING AT OUR
7 SORT OF OVERALL WOMEN'S HEALTH ISSUES AND PRENATAL CARE, WHICH
8 IS ALWAYS VERY DIFFICULT, ESPECIALLY IN COMMUNITIES OF COLOR
9 AND IMPOVERISHED COMMUNITIES, THAT WE PAY EVER MORE ATTENTION
10 TO HOW IMPORTANT THAT PRENATAL CARE IS, AND DO EVERYTHING THAT
11 WE CAN, BECAUSE THIS IS A PART OF WHAT WILL HELP WITH THIS. SO
12 THANK YOU FOR THE MOTION. I STRONGLY SUPPORT IT.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. ANY
15 OTHER MEMBERS WISHING TO BE RECOGNIZED? SEEING NONE, THEN ITEM
16 14 IS BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE, AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL
17 TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
18 ROLL.

19

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

22

23 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

24

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
2 KUEHL?

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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

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8 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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12 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

13

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

15

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

17

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

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND JUST BEFORE WE MOVE ON, I DO
22 WANT TO THANK OUR COMMISSIONERS, BECAUSE THEY REALLY HAVE
23 HELPED TO ELEVATE THIS ISSUE, AND THANKS TO THE L.A. TIMES
24 FOR, ALSO, THEIR IN-DEPTH REPORTING ON THIS. IT IS A VERY
25 IMPORTANT ISSUE. THANK YOU. MEMBERS, NOW WE'RE GOING TO MOVE

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1 ON TO ITEM 20, ENSURING A TRANSPARENT AND INDEPENDENT
2 INVESTIGATION INTO DEPUTY-INVOLVED FATAL USES OF FORCE, WHICH
3 WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU HAVE
4 THE FLOOR.

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I APPRECIATE
7 THE OPPORTUNITY. AND BEFORE I BEGIN TO REALLY ADDRESS THE
8 MERITS OF THE MOTION WE BROUGHT FORWARD, I JUST FEEL COMPELLED
9 TO ADDRESS SOME OF THE COMMENTS THE SHERIFF MADE AT THE TOP OF
10 OUR MEETING. I THINK IT IS UNFORTUNATE, AT BEST, THAT OUR
11 ELECTED SHERIFF APPEARS TO BE EITHER UNWILLING OR UNABLE TO
12 ENGAGE IN CIVIL DISCOURSE ABOUT A PUBLIC POLICY ISSUE THAT IS
13 A PART OF A NATIONAL DEBATE AROUND POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY. I
14 BELIEVE OUR RESIDENTS DESERVE MORE THAN RATHER JUVENILE NAME-
15 CALLING, WHEN IT COMES TO ACTIONS TAKEN BY THIS BOARD AND
16 MOTIONS BROUGHT BEFORE US FOR CONSIDERATION. AND I APPRECIATE
17 THAT SOME L.A. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATIONS HAVE
18 CONCLUDED AND HAVE BEEN DELIVERED TO THE D.A.'S OFFICE.
19 HOWEVER, WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT HAPPENED DURING THE COURSE OF
20 THESE INVESTIGATIONS, AND HOW THEY WERE CONDUCTED. AND THAT IS
21 PRECISELY THE PROBLEM THIS MOTION ATTEMPTS TO ADDRESS. THE
22 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL WAS NOT ALLOWED TO MONITOR EVERY
23 STEP OF THE PERFORMANCE OF THESE INVESTIGATIONS, AND SO
24 CONCERNS REMAIN ABOUT THEIR INTEGRITY, GIVEN THE LACK OF TRUE
25 COMPREHENSIVE, INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT. THERE NEEDS TO BE, AT

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1 THE VERY LEAST, A REVIEW OF THE EVIDENCE IN THESE CASES, WHICH
2 CAN BE PROVIDED VIA AN INQUEST. WHAT THE BOARD HAS BEEN TRYING
3 TO ACHIEVE, AND WHAT OUR CONSTITUENTS HAVE BEEN DEMANDING OF
4 US, IS THAT OVERSIGHT IN THE INVESTIGATION OF DEPUTY-INVOLVED
5 FATAL CASES OF EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE BE PROVIDED BY AN
6 INDEPENDENT OUTSIDE ENTITY, REGARDLESS OF WHO DIED AT THE
7 HANDS OF THE DEPARTMENT, AND HOW IT HAPPENED. JUSTICE CANNOT
8 BE SERVED IF THE PUBLIC CANNOT HAVE A BASIC REASSURANCE THAT
9 AN OBJECTIVE, UNBIASED, AND PROFESSIONAL INVESTIGATION INTO
10 THESE MATTERS WAS ACTUALLY PERFORMED. WE NEED TO KNOW WHAT
11 HAPPENED IN THESE INCIDENTS, AND THE FACTS REALLY SHOULD COME
12 TO LIGHT. THESE INQUESTS ARE A DESPERATELY NEEDED MEASURE OF
13 TRANSPARENCY. SO LET ME BE CLEAR ABOUT THE GOAL OF TODAY'S
14 MOTION. CURRENTLY, THE DEPARTMENT OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER-
15 CORONER DOES NOT HAVE A FORMAL INQUEST POLICY. SO THIS MOTION
16 WILL DIRECT THE D.M.E.C., IN CONSULTATION WITH THE INSPECTOR
17 GENERAL, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SHERIFF'S CIVILIAN
18 OVERSIGHT COMMISSION, THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, COUNTY COUNSEL, AND
19 OTHER RELEVANT COMMUNITY AND COUNTY STAKEHOLDERS, TO REPORT
20 BACK WITH A RECOMMENDED POLICY FOR CONDUCTING INQUESTS. I,
21 LIKE I'M SURE MANY OF MY COLLEAGUES, HEAR FAR TOO OFTEN FROM
22 OUR CONSTITUENTS AND MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC ABOUT THEIR
23 DIMINISHING CONFIDENCE AND TRUST IN THE INTEGRITY OF THESE
24 INVESTIGATIONS, GIVEN THE DEPARTMENT'S UNWILLINGNESS TO ALLOW
25 OUTSIDE MONITORING. AND SO I BELIEVE THE BOARD NEEDS TO

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1 CONTINUE TO TAKE ACTION. AND SADLY, VERY LITTLE HAS CHANGED IN
2 THIS RESPECT, AND GIVEN THE PAINFULLY OBVIOUS LACK OF
3 TRANSPARENCY AND OVERSIGHT, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES ARE
4 CONTINUING TO DEMAND ANSWERS. THESE FAMILIES DESERVE, AT A
5 MINIMUM, A BASIC REASSURANCE THAT WHEN IT COMES TO THE
6 INVESTIGATION INTO THE DEATHS OF THEIR LOVED ONES, THAT WE ARE
7 NOT JUST TAKING THE DEPARTMENT'S WORD. IT IS FAR MORE
8 PREFERABLE THAT THE SHERIFF ALLOWS THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR
9 GENERAL TO DO ITS JOB OF MONITORING EVERY ASPECT OF THESE
10 INVESTIGATIONS, AND NOT JUST PARTIALLY. THIS IS THE ONLY WAY
11 THE O.I.G. CAN REASSURE THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT THE NECESSARY
12 OVERSIGHT IS BEING PERFORMED, AND THAT THE BOARD WILL BE
13 INFORMED WHEN THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH AN INVESTIGATION. UNTIL
14 THAT HAPPENS, THE BOARD, I HOPE, WILL CONTINUE TO TAKE STEPS
15 TO PROVIDE AN ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF BRINGING TRANSPARENCY AND
16 OVERSIGHT TO THESE CASES. BY DEVELOPING EQUITABLE POLICIES AND
17 RESOURCES THAT APPLY TO ALL CASES OF FATAL USES OF FORCE, WE
18 CAN SYSTEMATICALLY IMPROVE HOW WE RESPOND TO THESE SITUATIONS.
19 IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE CONTINUE TO WORK TO PROVIDE WHOLENESS
20 TO THESE FAMILIES, THAT WE CONTINUE TO WORK TO PROVIDE FAIR
21 TREATMENT TO LAW ENFORCEMENT, WHILE NOT SHIELDING THEM FROM
22 ACCOUNTABILITY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, FOR THIS
23 OPPORTUNITY, AND TO MY CO-AUTHORS, FOR SUPPORTING THIS MOTION.
24

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. AND BEFORE
2 I TURN TO SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AS YOUR CO-AUTHOR-- AND THANK YOU
3 FOR ALLOWING ME TO BE YOUR CO-AUTHOR-- IT IS QUITE
4 FRUSTRATING, AND HONESTLY UPSETTING, WHEN WE PUT FORWARD
5 MOTIONS LIKE THIS, BECAUSE IT JUST SHOULDN'T HAVE TO HAPPEN.
6 WHY DO WE HAVE TO DO THIS? BECAUSE, QUITE FRANKLY, WE DON'T
7 HAVE COOPERATION WITH OUR SHERIFF. AND THESE MOTIONS,
8 INCLUDING THE ONE THAT'S BEFORE US TODAY THAT IS SUPPORTING
9 SENATE BILL 2, AND MANY OTHERS, THAT BOTH YOU AND I AND OTHER
10 SUPERVISORS HAVE SUPPORTED, CONTINUE TO NOT ONLY PROTECT OUR
11 RESIDENTS AND FAMILIES FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT MISCONDUCT, BUT TO
12 HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE THROUGH A TRANSPARENT PROCESS. THE
13 MOTION DIRECTS THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER TO CONDUCT
14 INQUESTS INTO WHAT HAPPENED TO THE THREE DIFFERENT YOUNG MEN
15 WHO WERE KILLED AT THE HANDS OF L.A. SHERIFF DEPUTIES. THESE
16 INQUESTS PROVIDE THESE FAMILIES PUBLIC INFORMATION ABOUT THE
17 CIRCUMSTANCES TO THEIR DEATH, BUT PROVIDES SOME SENSE OF
18 SOLACE FOR THESE FAMILIES THAT CAN BE USED AS AN
19 ACCOUNTABILITY TOOL. THE MOTION ALSO GOES BEYOND, IN MANY
20 WAYS, AND THAT IS WHY I WANTED TO BE YOUR CO-AUTHOR, BECAUSE
21 WHATEVER FINDINGS, DOCUMENTS, AND RECORDS A CHIEF MEDICAL
22 EXAMINER OBTAINS THROUGH THE PROCESS, THIS WILL ALSO BE SHARED
23 WITH THE FAMILIES. TIME AND TIME AGAIN, THESE FAMILIES ARE
24 EITHER UNABLE TO GET THIS INFORMATION, DOCUMENTS AND SO FORTH,
25 AND THEY ARE MANY OFTEN TIMES GIVEN THE RUNAROUND. I CAN'T

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1 IMAGINE THESE FAMILIES HAVING TO DEAL WITH GOING BACK AND
2 FORTH, JUST TO GET INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED TO THEIR
3 SONS, TO THEIR FATHERS, AND TO THEIR LOVED ONES, AS I HAVE
4 DONE THROUGH OTHER MOTIONS I HAVE AUTHORED TO PROTECT
5 RESIDENTS AND FAMILIES IN THE COUNTY WHO HAVE BEEN HARMED BY
6 L.A. SHERIFF DEPUTIES; NOT ALL OF THEM, BUT THE ONES THAT ARE
7 NOT APPROPRIATELY ACCOUNTABLE AND TRANSPARENT FOR THEIR
8 ACTIONS. MY THOUGHTS GO OUT TO YOUNG, KIZZEE, AND HERRERA
9 FAMILIES, AND THE SAME, ALSO, FOR THE MANY FAMILIES WHO ARE
10 MOURNING RIGHT NOW IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, SOME OF THOSE FOR
11 THE SAME REASONS: THE RIA FAMILY, THE VARGAS FAMILY, AND THE
12 ORDAZ FAMILY, AND MANY OTHERS. THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR
13 MITCHELL, FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. NOW I WILL RECOGNIZE
14 SUPERVISOR SHEILA KUEHL, WHO HAS A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT.

15

16 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANKS TO
17 YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AND YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR
18 BRINGING THIS MOTION, BECAUSE I APPRECIATE THIS MOTION DIRECTS
19 THE USE OF TOOLS THAT THE BOARD HAS DISCRETION TO CREATE. AND
20 WE WANT TO CREATE TRANSPARENCY, GIVE FAMILIES ANSWERS ABOUT
21 THESE DEATHS, AND IT IS CONNECTED TO OUR OTHER EFFORTS TO
22 SUPPORT THE FAMILIES OF PEOPLE KILLED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT, LIKE
23 THE FAMILY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. THE FRIENDLY AMENDMENT THAT I
24 WOULD LIKE TO ASK IF THE TWO OF YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE
25 ACCEPTING, I BELIEVE YOU HAVE SEEN, BECAUSE IT WAS

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1 DISTRIBUTED, THOUGH WE DON'T HAVE THIS HANDING OUT ON THE DAIS
2 ANYMORE. IT IS ALWAYS KIND OF LIKE, "HAS EVERYBODY SEEN IT?"
3 AND THE REASON I DID THIS-- AND I WILL READ IT IN-- IS BECAUSE
4 THE MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER SHOULD NOT HAVE TO EXPEND THEIR
5 EXISTING LIMITED BUDGET ON ADDITIONAL INQUESTS, JUST BECAUSE
6 OF THE SHERIFF'S LACK OF TRANSPARENCY. SO I HOPE THAT C.E.O.
7 AND THE STAKEHOLDERS ARE ABLE TO IDENTIFY SOME AVAILABLE
8 FUNDING, IN ADDITION FOR THESE INQUESTS. IT DOES NOT
9 NEGATIVELY IMPACT THE MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER. DEPUTY-
10 INVOLVED SHOOTINGS ARE EXCEEDINGLY TRAUMATIC AND HEARTBREAKING
11 FOR THE FAMILIES OF THE DECEASED, BUT IN THE LARGER SENSE, WE
12 ARE ALL IMPACTED, AS WELL, AND I HOPE THAT THE COUNTY CAN
13 CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR HEALING PROCESS THROUGH INFORMATION-
14 SHARING AND, EVEN MORE IMPORTANT, ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE
15 INQUESTS. SO I ASK IF YOU MIGHT ACCEPT, AS A FRIENDLY
16 AMENDMENT, A FOURTH DIRECTIVE THAT READS AS FOLLOWS: "DIRECT
17 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE CHIEF
18 MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER, COUNTY COUNSEL, THE INSPECTOR
19 GENERAL, AND OTHER RELEVANT COUNTY STAKEHOLDERS, TO INCLUDE,
20 "A," INFORMATION ABOUT THE AVERAGE COSTS OF THESE INQUESTS;
21 "B," A BUDGET ESTIMATE FOR HOW MUCH THE INQUEST REQUESTED BY
22 THIS MOTION MIGHT COST; "C," AVAILABLE FUNDING SOURCES TO
23 COVER THESE INQUESTS, SO THAT THE MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER IS
24 NOT SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR ABSORBING THESE NECESSARY COSTS;
25 AND "D," A PLAN TO INCLUDE FUNDING IN THE MEDICAL EXAMINER-

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1 CORONER'S BUDGET IN FUTURE YEARS FOR INQUESTS IN THE REPORT
2 BACK REQUESTED IN DIRECTIVE THREE." SO I HOPE THAT THAT MIGHT
3 BE ACCEPTED AS A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT, AND SUBMIT IT.

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, SUPERVISOR?

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7 **SUP. MITCHELL:** YES, MADAM CHAIR. IF I MIGHT SAY, ABSOLUTELY,
8 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, RECOGNIZING THAT NEW STATE PENAL CODE
9 SECTION 832.7, AS A RESULT OF SENATE BILL 1421, WHICH I HAD
10 THE UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE FOR AND SUPPORT, ALLOWS FOR
11 INQUESTS SUCH AS THIS. SO, ABSOLUTELY. YOU KNOW, PERHAPS WE
12 COULD LOOK FOR SOME STATE FUNDING, BUT I ABSOLUTELY ACCEPT THE
13 AMENDMENT AS READ INTO THE RECORD TODAY. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU WISH TO BE
18 RECOGNIZED?

19

20 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
21 MITCHELL AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR BRINGING FORTH THIS MOTION.
22 AND, AS YOU SAID, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU KNOW, THIS IS IN
23 RESPONSE TO REQUESTS FROM FAMILY MEMBERS: FAMILY MEMBERS WHO
24 LOST THEIR LOVED ONES AND ARE SEEKING, YOU KNOW, A TRANSPARENT
25 AND INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION INTO WHAT HAPPENED. I MEAN, THAT

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1 IS SORT OF THE BARE MINIMUM THAT WE CAN GIVE FAMILIES WHO HAVE
2 LOST SOMEONE. I MEAN, THEY'RE NEVER GOING TO GET THEIR LOVED
3 ONE BACK. WE DO NOT KNOW IF JUSTICE WILL EVER PREVAIL, BUT THE
4 LEAST WE CAN DO IS HAVE A TRANSPARENT INVESTIGATION AND LET
5 THEM KNOW WHAT HAPPENED. I SUPPORT THAT REQUEST BY FAMILY
6 MEMBERS, I SUPPORT THIS MOTION, BUT I SORT OF AGREE WITH
7 SUPERVISOR SOLIS: IT IS ANOTHER ONE THAT I WISH WE DIDN'T HAVE
8 TO DO. I SAID THAT TWO WEEKS AGO AT OUR BOARD MEETING, WHEN WE
9 HAD A MOTION TO TELL THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT TO IMPLEMENT THE
10 L.A. MODEL AT CAMP KILPATRICK. THEY SHOULD HAVE ALREADY BEEN
11 DOING THAT. THE FACT THAT WE HAD TO TELL THEM TO DO THAT IS
12 FRUSTRATING, A LITTLE BIT. I MEAN, THAT IS OUR POWER AND OUR
13 AUTHORITY, BUT YOU COULD SORT OF WISH PEOPLE WHO WERE IN THE
14 JOB WOULD BE DOING WHAT IS REQUIRED OF THEM. AND I FEEL THAT
15 WAY ABOUT THIS ONE. WE SHOULDN'T HAVE TO BE THE ONES FIGURING
16 OUT, YOU KNOW, HOW TO CONDUCT TRANSPARENT INVESTIGATIONS INTO
17 USE OF FORCE FROM OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THAT SHOULD BE
18 SOMETHING THE SHERIFF ALREADY DOES, AND TO BE HONEST WITH YOU,
19 IT SHOULD BE SOMETHING HE WANTS TO DO. WHEN COMMUNITIES DON'T
20 TRUST LAW ENFORCEMENT, IT MAKES THE JOB MORE DIFFICULT FOR
21 RANK-AND-FILE SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES. AND WE KNOW THAT'S THE CASE,
22 AND SO THE MORE TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY THE SHERIFF
23 CAN DELIVER, IT IS BETTER FOR PUBLIC SAFETY ALL THE WAY
24 AROUND. AND I KNOW THAT OUR COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN CALLING FOR
25 TRANSPARENT AND THOROUGH INVESTIGATIONS INTO USES OF FORCE,

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1 AND I REALLY WISH THE SHERIFF WOULD TAKE THESE CONCERNS AND
2 REQUESTS SERIOUSLY, AND THAT WE WOULDN'T HAVE TO GO AROUND
3 HIM, AND GO TO THE MEDICAL EXAMINER OFFICE FOR AN
4 INVESTIGATION THAT THE PUBLIC WILL TRUST. AND I WOULD AGREE
5 WITH YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL: HIS COMMENTS AT THE TOP OF OUR
6 MEETING WERE SO INAPPROPRIATE AND SO UNNECESSARY. ALL WE WANT
7 FROM HIM IS, YOU KNOW, "I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU, SO
8 THAT WE CAN ALL WORK TOGETHER TO CREATE THE ACCOUNTABILITY AND
9 TRANSPARENCY THAT THE PUBLIC DESERVES." AND FRANKLY, THE
10 SHERIFF ACTUALLY RAN ON THAT. THAT WAS ONE OF HIS CAMPAIGN
11 PROMISES, WAS MORE ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY INTO THIS
12 DEPARTMENT. SO, IN THE MEANTIME, UNTIL THAT HAPPENS, WE NEED
13 THESE INQUESTS. I AM GLAD THAT THE STATE HAS ALLOWED FOR THIS
14 WAY FOR US TO DO IT, AND I SUPPORT WHAT WE'RE DOING TODAY.
15 THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. ANY OTHER MEMBERS WISH TO BE
18 RECOGNIZED? SUPERVISOR BARGER?

19

20 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. I ECHO SUPERVISOR HAHN. I AGREE. AND
21 FOR ME, THE FRUSTRATION IS, IF THERE IS NOTHING THERE, WHAT
22 ARE YOU AFRAID OF? AND YET, WE ARE BEING TOLD WHAT THESE
23 INDIVIDUALS WERE ALLEGEDLY DOING, BUT YET, WE'RE MERELY TRYING
24 TO GET TO THE BOTTOM FOR THE FAMILIES, TO YOUR POINT. I THINK
25 THE FAMILIES HAVE A RIGHT TO KNOW WHAT HAPPENED. BUT MORE

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1 IMPORTANTLY, FOR ME, AS WELL AS NOT ONLY THE FAMILIES, BUT THE
2 RANK AND FILE, IT IS A DISJUSTICE TO THEM, BECAUSE THERE ARE
3 MANY, MANY GOOD MEN AND WOMEN WHO PUT ON THEIR UNIFORM EACH
4 AND EVERY DAY TO PROTECT OUR COMMUNITIES, AND TO UNDERMINE THE
5 JOB THEY DO BY PAINTING THIS PICTURE, FIRST OF ALL, THAT WE
6 ARE AGAINST LAW ENFORCEMENT, WHEN WE ARE NOT. WE WANT
7 ACCOUNTABILITY IN SHERIFF, PROBATION, D.C.F.S. GO DOWN THE
8 LIST OF ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENTS. ACCOUNTABILITY IS VITAL TO
9 PUBLIC TRUST. AND SO I THINK IT IS VERY UNFORTUNATE, THE WAY
10 HE CHARACTERIZED EACH INDIVIDUAL, ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU HAD A
11 COUSIN CALL IN, WHO... THIS WAS SOMEONE NEAR AND DEAR TO THEM.
12 AND IT IS UNFORTUNATE, BECAUSE IT JUST ACTUALLY REAFFIRMS THE
13 PERCEPTION IN SOME OF THE COMMUNITIES OF WHAT THEY FEEL IS
14 HAPPENING, AND IT IS UNFORTUNATE, BECAUSE AGAIN, THERE ARE
15 GOOD MEN AND WOMEN IN THAT DEPARTMENT, DOING THEIR JOB EACH
16 AND EVERY DAY, WANTING TO PROTECT AND SERVE. SO I WILL SUPPORT
17 THIS MOTION TODAY.

18
19 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. WONDERFUL. WELL, SEEING THAT THERE
20 ARE NO OTHER COMMENTS ON THE ITEM, AND IT IS AMENDED, THEN
21 LET'S HEAR THE ROLL CALL HERE. SO, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
22 MITCHELL. I WILL SECOND. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AS THIS ITEM
23 IS AMENDED BEFORE US, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 20, AS AMENDED, IS BEFORE YOU.

2 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR

7 KUEHL?

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9 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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

12

13 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

14

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

16

17 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

18

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

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

22

23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-

24 0.

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS. MEMBERS, NOW WE'RE GOING
2 TO TURN TO ITEM NUMBER 21: CONVERT THE COUNTY'S EVICTION
3 MORATORIUM TO THE COUNTY'S C.O.V.I.D.-19 TENANT PROTECTIONS
4 RESOLUTION, AND UPDATE THE RESOLUTION TO EXTEND, CLARIFY, AND
5 GRADUALLY PHASE OUT THE TEMPORARY EMERGENCY PROTECTIONS THAT
6 SERVE AS AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES FOR COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL
7 TENANTS; AND RELATED ITEM 25: REEVALUATION OF THE TEMPORARY
8 EVICTION MORATORIUM, WHICH WAS HELD TODAY BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.
9 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

10

11 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I THINK THE
12 COUNTY HAS MADE A NUMBER OF VERY, VERY GOOD DECISIONS, SINCE
13 THE BEGINNING OF THIS PANDEMIC, TO TRY TO REALLY HELP ITS
14 RENTERS. AND THE STATE CAME ALONG, A LITTLE BEHIND US, AND
15 ENACTED SOME STATEWIDE POLICIES. AND SO THE STATE'S NONPAYMENT
16 OF RENT PROTECTIONS-- THAT IS, PROTECTIONS FOR TENANTS AGAINST
17 EVICTIONS, FOR RESIDENTIAL TENANTS ONLY-- EXPIRES IN JUST TWO
18 DAYS, AT THE END OF THIS MONTH. STATE LAW, AS PASSED A LITTLE
19 LATER IN THE YEAR, COMPLETELY PROHIBITS US, AS A COUNTY, FROM
20 READOPTING THOSE PROTECTIONS OURSELVES, OR FROM ENACTING
21 ANYTHING TO PROTECT RESIDENTIAL TENANTS AGAINST EVICTION, YOU
22 KNOW, ACROSS THE BOARD, OURSELVES. SO IN THIS MOTION, WE ARE
23 EXTENDING, IF IT IS ADOPTED, WHAT WE CAN DO UNDER STATE LAW,
24 WHILE THOUGHTFULLY ALLOWING FOR MORE OWNER MOVE-INS, AS WE
25 HEARD SOME VERY COMPELLING TESTIMONY TODAY, ABOUT THE

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1 NECESSITY FOR THAT, AS WELL. THE MOTION PROTECTS AGAINST
2 NONPAYMENT OF RENT FOR COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES. WE'VE HAD SOME
3 TALK ABOUT HOW THESE BUSINESSES HAVE SUFFERED, THERE WAS
4 TESTIMONY ABOUT IT, AND WE ARE ALLOWED TO DO THAT UNDER THE
5 STATE LAW. IT PROTECTS AGAINST EVICTIONS FOR RESIDENTIAL
6 TENANTS IN VERY SPECIFIC ARENAS THAT WE CAN CONTINUE, WHICH IS
7 NOT TO BE EVICTED FOR NUISANCES, FOR ADDITIONAL PETS, OR
8 ADDITIONAL OCCUPANTS, AND FOR CERTAIN KINDS OF OWNER MOVE-
9 INS. THAT IS, WE TRIED TO FIND A GOOD BALANCE THERE. IT
10 PROHIBITS RENT INCREASES ON RENT-STABILIZED UNITS IN
11 UNINCORPORATED L.A., AND IT ALLOWS OWNER MOVE-INS TO HAPPEN,
12 NOT ONLY FOR SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLINGS, BUT ALSO DUPLEXES AND
13 TRIPLEXES. NOW, THESE PROTECTIONS DON'T PROHIBIT EVICTIONS. I
14 THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR PEOPLE TO UNDERSTAND. THEY
15 ESSENTIALLY PROVIDE BOTH RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL TENANTS
16 WITH A DEFENSE, IF YOUR LANDLORD FILES AN EVICTION WITH THE
17 COURTS; AN AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE. BUT A TENANT HAS TO ANSWER ANY
18 EVICTION NOTICE THAT THEY RECEIVE. IT'S, YOU KNOW, THE STATE--
19 THIS IS ALL THE STATE IS ALLOWING US TO DO. SO, IF YOU'RE A
20 RESIDENTIAL OWNER BEHIND ON YOUR RENT, I REALLY, REALLY,
21 REALLY WANT TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO APPLY FOR HELP THROUGH THE
22 STATE'S RENTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, AT HOUSINGISKEY.COM. THIS
23 PROGRAM ADDS TO THE RENT PROTECTIONS THAT WE CAN ENACT TODAY,
24 AND IT WILL ACTUALLY HELP YOU TO PAY BACK YOUR PAST-DUE RENT.
25 LOOK, I UNDERSTAND, RENTERS HAVE NOT BEEN THE ONLY PEOPLE TO

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1 SUFFER FINANCIAL HARDSHIP DURING THE PANDEMIC. LANDLORDS HAVE
2 TAKEN A HIT. AND WE ARE EAGER TO RAMP DOWN THE PROTECTIONS IN
3 A WAY THAT KIND OF FINDS THE BALANCE, MONTH TO MONTH, BUT WE
4 HAVE TO BE THOUGHTFUL IN THE WAY WE DO IT. SO, TODAY'S MOTION
5 CONTINUES A DELIBERATE PHASE-OUT OF EVICTION PROTECTIONS THAT
6 WILL NOT IMMEDIATELY JEOPARDIZE THE SUCCESS WE'VE HAD, BECAUSE
7 PEOPLE ARE TALKING ABOUT HOMELESSNESS, HOMELESSNESS,
8 HOMELESSNESS. THIS IS HOW WE HELP THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE STAY IN
9 THEIR HOMES. IMAGINE THE INFLUX ONTO STREET IF EVERYBODY
10 BEHIND ON THEIR RENT WAS KICKED OUT QUICKLY. SO WE ARE DOING
11 WHAT WE CAN TO EASE OUR WAY OUT OF IT, BUT ALSO TO KEEP WHAT
12 PROTECTIONS WE'RE ALLOWED TO, AND HELP OUR HARD-HIT BUSINESSES
13 STAY AFLOAT. SO, I HOPE THAT THIS WILL MEET WITH YOUR
14 APPROVAL, AND ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AND THANK YOU
17 FOR ASKING ME TO CO-AUTHOR ON THE MOTION. YOU'VE SAID IT VERY
18 CLEARLY, WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE MOTION. I THINK IT IS VERY
19 SURGICAL AND DELIBERATE, BECAUSE WE KNOW WE'VE HEARD FROM
20 LANDLORDS, BUT WE'VE ALSO HEARD FROM OUR RENTERS. I KNOW, IN
21 MY DISTRICT ALONE, WE ARE FACED WITH A CRISIS THERE. AND JUST
22 TO GIVE YOU SOME FIGURES, WE KNOW THAT APPROXIMATELY 744,000
23 HOUSEHOLDS IN L.A. COUNTY ARE BEHIND IN THEIR RENT. THAT IS
24 ALMOST A MILLION FAMILIES THAT WE KNOW OF, AND 73 PERCENT OF
25 THOSE RENTERS ARE PEOPLE OF COLOR, MANY WITH FAMILIES AND

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1 CHILDREN. SO WE KNOW THAT IT IS A BALANCING ACT THAT WE HAVE
2 TO GO THROUGH, AND I THINK THAT THIS MOTION, AND ALSO THE
3 AMENDMENT THAT IS GOING TO BE PRESENTED SHORTLY, CAN HELP US
4 FIX MANY THINGS THAT WE KNOW NEED TO BE DONE. SOMETIMES WE
5 HAVE TO ACT FASTER THAN THE STATE DOES, BY GOLLY, AND HERE IS
6 AN EXAMPLE OF HOW WE ARE DOING THAT. SO, THANKS, SUPERVISOR
7 KUEHL, FOR ALLOWING ME TO CO-AUTHOR. AND WITH THAT, I WILL
8 RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR BARGER, WHO I BELIEVE HAS AN AMENDMENT.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER:** ACTUALLY, NO, NOT ON THIS, ON THE OTHER ITEM.
11 BUT, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I HAVE A QUESTION FOR COUNTY COUNSEL.
12 THE INDIVIDUALS THAT CALLED IN THAT PURCHASED A HOME, AND THE
13 PEOPLE THAT ARE LIVING IN IT REFUSE TO MOVE OUT. I THOUGHT
14 THAT THERE WAS CORRECTION IN THE CURRENT LANGUAGE THAT
15 ACTUALLY ELIMINATED THAT, AND I AM A LITTLE CONFUSED AS TO
16 WHAT THE LAW DOES OR DOES NOT DO FOR PEOPLE THAT PURCHASE
17 HOMES, WHEN THERE IS SOMEONE RENTING THAT HOME.

18

19 **ATTORNEY:** SUPERVISOR, THIS IS SENIOR ASSISTANT COUNTY COUNSEL.
20 SO, THE EVICTION MORATORIUM CURRENTLY HAS AN EXCEPTION FOR
21 SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES. THERE ARE RESTRICTIONS FOR QUALIFYING FOR
22 THAT EXEMPTION, TO ALLOW OWNERS TO MOVE IN. THIS NEW VERSION
23 OF THE RESOLUTION INCLUDES ADDITIONAL EXPANSION OF THE OWNER
24 MOVE-IN EXCEPTION, TO INCLUDE TRIPLEXES AND DUPLEXES. BUT

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1 STILL, THERE ARE CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS THAT THE OWNERS NEED TO
2 MEET TO QUALIFY.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER:** SO I GUESS MY QUESTION WOULD BE, DOES CONSUMER
5 AFFAIRS HAVE A DIVISION THAT THESE PEOPLE CAN GO TO, TO SEEK
6 ASSISTANCE, AS IT RELATES TO LEGALLY? BECAUSE, I MEAN, TO HIRE
7 A LAWYER AND ALL IS NOT CHEAP, AND I DO SYMPATHIZE WITH THESE
8 PEOPLE.

9

10 **ATTORNEY:** YES, I WOULD HIGHLY RECOMMEND CHECKING IN WITH
11 D.C.B.A., THESE OWNERS, TO CLARIFY WHAT THE RESTRICTIONS ARE,
12 AND HOW THEY CAN APPLY.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY, THANK YOU. AND ACTUALLY, BECAUSE I KNOW I
15 JUST WAS TOLD THAT WE ARE COMBINING BOTH 21 AND 25. SO, THE
16 COUNTY'S EVICTION MORATORIUM HAS NOW BEEN IN PLACE FOR 18
17 MONTHS. THE COUNTY TOOK QUICK AND DECISIVE ACTION AT THE ONSET
18 OF THE PANDEMIC EMERGENCY TO ENSURE THAT TENANT PROTECTIONS
19 WERE PUT IN PLACE, AS WE TOOK HISTORIC ACTION TO SUPPRESS THE
20 SPREAD OF THIS VIRUS. AS CHAIR OF THE BOARD, I SIGNED THE
21 EXECUTIVE ORDER ESTABLISHING THE MORATORIUM, UNDERSTANDING
22 THAT IMMEDIATE ACTION WAS NEEDED. HOWEVER, AS THE COUNTY
23 CONTINUES TO TAKE STEPS TO EMERGE FROM THE EMERGENCY AND THE
24 PANDEMIC, OUR ACTIONS SHOULD BE IN LINE WITH THE NEED AT THE
25 MOMENT. AFTER THE INSTITUTION OF THE SAFER AT HOME PUBLIC

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1 HEALTH ORDERS, THE ECONOMIC IMPACTS TO BUSINESSES AND INDUSTRY
2 WERE UNAVOIDABLE, AND WE ALL AGREE, AND IT WAS ANTICIPATED
3 THAT MANY WOULD FACE A LOSS OF EMPLOYMENT AND INCOME. HOWEVER,
4 THE COUNTY HAS FUNCTIONALLY BEEN REOPENED FOR NEARLY 6 MONTHS
5 NOW. NOW, GRANTED, WE ARE GOING GRADUAL, BUT WE ARE MOVING IN
6 A DIRECTION OF OPENING, WITH MANY BUSINESSES RETURNING TO PRE-
7 PANDEMIC LEVELS. THE SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN
8 LOS ANGELES COUNTY WAS ABOUT 10.1 PERCENT IN AUGUST OF 2021,
9 WHICH UNFORTUNATELY IS STILL THE HIGHEST UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN
10 A LARGE URBAN COUNTY IN CALIFORNIA. HOWEVER, THIS PALES IN
11 COMPARISON TO THE PEAK UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN JUNE 2020, OF
12 ALMOST 20 PERCENT. I WANT TO NOTE THAT TODAY'S UNEMPLOYMENT
13 NUMBERS, WHILE HIGH, ALSO OCCUR AT A TIME WHEN THERE ARE NOW
14 MORE JOBS THAN APPLICANTS, WHICH IS DAMPENING THE ECONOMIC
15 RECOVERY FOR BUSINESSES, SMALL AND LARGE ALIKE. THE COUNTY HAS
16 TAKEN STEPS TO UTILIZE STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING, DESIGNATED
17 FOR EMERGENCY RENT RELIEF, TO HELP BRING RELIEF TO TENANTS IN
18 ARREARS, AND LANDLORDS WHO HAVE MISSED OUT ON NEARLY 18 MONTHS
19 OF RENTAL INCOME. AND I WANT TO THANK THE STATE FOR PARTNERING
20 WITH US TO DO THAT. SINCE THE ONSET OF THE EMERGENCY, THE
21 COUNTY HAS DISTRIBUTED \$110 MILLION IN EMERGENCY RENT RELIEF.
22 ANOTHER \$330 MILLION IN FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING HAS BEEN
23 ALLOCATED TO THE STATE, OF WHICH NEARLY \$260 MILLION HAS BEEN
24 DISTRIBUTED, AND AN ADDITIONAL \$211 MILLION HAS BEEN ALLOCATED
25 FOR FUTURE RENT RELIEF PROGRAMS FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN,

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1 FOR RESIDENTS WITHIN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WITH THE FEDERAL
2 EVICTION MORATORIUM NO LONGER IN PLACE, AND THE STATE
3 MORATORIUM SET TO EXPIRE IN A FEW DAYS, WE SHOULD ASK IF THE
4 COUNTY SHOULD LIFT OURS, AS WELL. I BELIEVE THAT WE SHOULD
5 HAVE A PLAN IN PLACE THAT WILL ALLOW US TO MOVE AWAY FROM THE
6 MORATORIUM, AND GET BACK INTO ALLOWING LANDLORDS TO COLLECT
7 FROM PEOPLE RENTING THEIR SPACES. ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT I
8 HAVE IS THAT WE DO NOT HAVE IN PLACE SPECIFIC DATA, ROBUST
9 DATA, METRICS, AND ANALYSIS TO SUPPORT THE DECISION THAT WE'LL
10 BE MAKING TODAY. GIVEN THE RECOVERY OF THE COUNTY'S ECONOMY,
11 THE AMOUNT OF FUNDING DISTRIBUTED TO ADDRESS RENTAL ARREARS,
12 WE NEED FURTHER ANALYSIS AND THOUGHT TO PUT INTO WHAT ACTIONS
13 THE COUNTY SHOULD TAKE TO SUPPORT BOTH TENANTS AND LANDLORDS.
14 AND WHEN WE DO THIS, I BELIEVE WE HAVE A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF
15 DATA THAT IS AVAILABLE, THAT WE HAVE NOT COLLECTED, THAT WILL
16 HELP INFORM THE DECISIONS WE ARE TAKING ON THE MORATORIUM.
17 MOST OF THE INFORMATION WE HAVE HAS BEEN ANECDOTAL, BOTH FROM
18 THE LANDLORDS, BUT ALSO FROM THE TENANTS, AND WE ARE USING OUR
19 BEST JUDGMENT TO TAKE ACTIONS TO MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR
20 CONSTITUENTS. HOWEVER, I BELIEVE THIS CAN AND SHOULD BE MORE
21 INFORMED, AND A DELIBERATIVE PROCESS. THE CONTINUED EXTENSION
22 OF THE COUNTY'S MORATORIUM SHOULD BE REEVALUATED, TO DETERMINE
23 WHETHER THE TENANT PROTECTIONS EXTENDED ARE MEETING THE NEEDS
24 THAT EXIST TODAY. THIS EVALUATION SHOULD INCLUDE DATA,
25 METRICS, AND OTHER INFORMATION THAT CAN INFORM THE COUNTY'S

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1 DECISION-MAKING PROCESS ON CONTINUING SUCH UNPRECEDENTED
2 ACTION, GIVEN WHERE WE ARE TODAY. I WOULD ASK THAT THE
3 EVICTION SHOULD ALSO HELP INFORM THE COUNTY'S DETERMINATION OF
4 HOW TO PHASE OUT AND EVENTUALLY LIFT THE MORATORIUM,
5 COMPLETELY. WE SHOULD ALSO HAVE MORE REGULAR DISCUSSIONS ON
6 THIS ISSUE, SO THAT THE LANDLORDS AND THE TENANTS ARE MORE
7 AWARE OF WHAT FUTURE ACTIONS THE COUNTY MAY TAKE. THESE
8 DISCUSSIONS ALSO CREATE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR CONSTITUENCIES
9 TO PROVIDE US WITH REGULAR FEEDBACK ON THE CRITICALLY
10 IMPORTANT AND IMPACTFUL ISSUE. SO, WHILE I'M GOING TO BE
11 ABSTAINING ON 21, ON 25, WHAT I WOULD ASK IS THAT THE BOARD OF
12 SUPERVISORS INSTRUCT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, IN
13 COORDINATION WITH THE DIRECTOR OF DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND
14 BUSINESS AFFAIRS, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH,
16 COUNTY COUNSEL, AND OTHER RELEVANT DEPARTMENTS TO, ONE, REPORT
17 BACK WITHIN 30 DAYS WITH RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DATA SETS,
18 METRICS, AND OTHER PERTINENT CRITERIA THAT SHOULD BE USED TO
19 EVALUATE FURTHER EXTENSIONS OF THE COUNTY'S EVICTION
20 MORATORIUM, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, EMERGENCY RENT
21 RELIEF FUNDING DISTRIBUTED, REQUEST FOR FUNDING SUBMITTED TO
22 THE STATE'S RENT RELIEF PROGRAM, INQUIRIES TO THE D.C.B.A.'S
23 EMERGENCY HELP CENTER, UNEMPLOYMENT DATA, AS WELL AS OTHER
24 INDICATORS OF GENERAL ECONOMIC HEALTH; TWO, REPORT BACK WITHIN
25 90 DAYS WITH A PHASE-OUT PLAN OF THE COUNTY'S EVICTION

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1 MORATORIUM, BASED ON COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS OF THE
2 RECOMMENDATIONS IN DIRECTIVE ONE; AND THREE, IDENTIFY PROPOSED
3 COSTS AND POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCES FOR HIRING A CONSULTANT
4 AND/OR A CONTRACTOR, AS NEEDED, IN ORDER TO PRODUCE THE 90-DAY
5 REPORT BACK. BECAUSE I KNOW THAT IF WE ARE GOING TO MOVE AWAY
6 FROM A MORATORIUM, WE SHOULD HAVE A ROADMAP MOVING FORWARD
7 THAT IS GOING TO BENEFIT BOTH THE TENANT, AND ALSO THE
8 LANDLORD. SO I WOULD RESPECTFULLY ASK, ON 25, THAT YOU SUPPORT
9 THAT MOTION, AND THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY. THANK YOU, MADAM
10 CHAIR.

11

12 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. BEFORE I TURN TO YOUR CO-AUTHOR
13 ON THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO GO BACK TO SUPERVISOR KUEHL.
14 SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

15

16 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I SUPPORT THE
17 AMENDMENT TO NUMBER 25, BUT I WANT TO RAISE A FEW CAUTIONARY
18 ISSUES. ONE IS, REMEMBER THAT THE ONLY TENANTS THAT THE COUNTY
19 IS NOW ABLE TO PROTECT, REALLY, IS OUR COMMERCIAL TENANTS. SO,
20 AS WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT, THE DIFFICULTY OF COMING BACK, WE'RE
21 NOT JUST LOOKING AT UNEMPLOYMENT RATES ANYMORE. WE'RE REALLY
22 LOOKING AT WHAT A TOUGH TIME THE BUSINESSES HAVE BEEN HAVING.
23 AND WHERE WE THINK ABOUT TENANTS BEING KICKED OUT, LIKE
24 FAMILIES FROM APARTMENTS, REALLY, WE HAVE TO ALSO KEEP IN
25 MIND-- AND I DON'T MEAN TO LECTURE YOU, I SIMPLY WANT TO RAISE

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1 IT FOR THOSE WHO ARE WATCHING-- THAT ALL OF THESE EMPTY STORES
2 THAT WE SAW ALONG ALL OF OUR STREETS REALLY WENT TO THE
3 DIFFICULTY OF THE COMMERCIAL TENANTS, WHEN THEY WERE NOT
4 PROTECTED, AND WE HAD THE ABILITY TO STEP IN AND PROTECT THEM,
5 AND THAT IS PART OF WHAT 21 DOES. SO I WANT US TO BE FLEXIBLE.
6 I WANT US TO ALWAYS TAKE INTO ACCOUNT WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH
7 THE PANDEMIC, BECAUSE WE SEE SOME NUMBERS GO DOWN, AS YOU
8 POINTED OUT IN YOUR PREAMBLE FOR THE AMENDMENT, BUT THEN WE
9 KIND OF SEE THEM GO UP AGAIN. AND I THINK WE HAVE TO REALLY
10 PAY ATTENTION TO KIND OF WHAT'S HAPPENING, AND HOW DIFFICULT
11 IT IS, WHERE PEOPLE SAY, "OH, I WAS GOING TO THESE
12 RESTAURANTS, BUT NOW I AM SCARED, SO I AM NOT GOING." AND ALL
13 OF A SUDDEN, THEY CAN'T PAY THEIR RENT. SO, I SUPPORT THE
14 AMENDMENT, I HOPE EVERYONE ELSE WILL SUPPORT 21, AND WE WILL
15 MOVE ALONG TOGETHER. BUT I THINK WE HAVE TO KEEP THESE
16 DIFFERENT SORTS OF TENANTS, ALSO, IN MIND, BECAUSE IT HAS BEEN
17 IMPORTANT, THE PROTECTIONS THAT WE PROVIDED. THANK YOU, MADAM
18 CHAIR.

19
20 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I WILL RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR
21 HAHN, AND THEN SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

22
23 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I THINK WE ARE ALL TRYING
24 TO WALK THIS BALANCE BEAM ON THIS ISSUE, AND THERE IS NO
25 QUESTION THAT THIS PANDEMIC HAS DEVASTATED THIS COUNTY, THIS

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1 COUNTRY, THIS WORLD, AND IT HAS DEVASTATED BOTH RENTERS, AND
2 IT HAS DEVASTATED MANY LANDLORDS. AND WE HAVE DONE OUR BEST,
3 SO FAR, TO TRY TO HELP BOTH. WE HAVE DISTRIBUTED OVER \$212
4 MILLION IN RENT RELIEF AND ASSISTANCE TO THESE FOLKS. THERE
5 ARE TWO SIDES TO EVERY EQUATION, AND IT DOES FEEL SOMETIMES
6 LIKE OUR LANDLORDS HAVE BORNE THE BRUNT OF THE BURDEN OF OUR
7 CONTINUED EXTENSION OF THIS EVICTION MORATORIUM, AND I AM
8 CONCERNED THAT CONTINUING TO DO THIS WILL CONTINUE TO HURT
9 THEM. AND I WILL TELL YOU, MY OFFICE-- I DON'T KNOW. I CAN'T
10 SPEAK FOR THE REST OF YOU. MY OFFICE HAS BEEN INUNDATED WITH
11 CALLS FROM MOM-AND-POP LANDLORDS WHO REALLY HAVE BEEN PUT IN A
12 BIND BY THIS MORATORIUM, EITHER BECAUSE THEY HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE
13 TO ACCESS SOME OF THESE RELIEF DOLLARS, THEIR TENANTS REFUSE
14 TO APPLY. IN THE BEGINNING, REMEMBER, THE TENANT HAD TO APPLY.
15 MANY OF THEIR TENANTS REFUSED TO APPLY. AND AS WE'VE HEARD-- I
16 THINK KATHRYN BROUGHT IT UP-- WE'VE HEARD FROM PEOPLE WHO'VE
17 PURCHASED HOMES AND CAN'T MOVE INTO THEM, BECAUSE THEY CAME
18 WITH A TENANT, OR LANDLORDS WHO ARE NOW TRYING TO MOVE BACK
19 INTO THEIR PROPERTY, AND ARE HAVING TROUBLE BECAUSE OF OUR
20 RESTRICTIONS. AND BY THE WAY, I MEAN, TOM WAS TRYING TO
21 EXPLAIN THE RESTRICTIONS, AND SAID WE'VE EXPANDED IT SO THAT
22 PEOPLE WHO OWN THEIR HOME COULD ACTUALLY MAYBE MOVE BACK IN,
23 BUT THE RESTRICTIONS ARE VERY PRESCRIPTIVE. RIGHT? IT IS THE
24 LIKE FOR LIKE. YOU CAN'T EVICT A 67-YEAR-OLD PERSON UNLESS YOU
25 ARE 67. YOU CAN'T EVICT SOMEONE WHO IS DISABLED, UNLESS YOU

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1 ARE DISABLED. SO IT IS VERY PRESCRIPTIVE, SO THERE DOESN'T
2 SEEM TO BE A LOT OF WIGGLE ROOM, EVEN IN THAT, AND THAT IS
3 MAYBE SOMETHING WE COULD LOOK AT, GOING FORWARD. BECAUSE I
4 THINK, IF WE COULD TAKE SOME OF THESE CASES, CASE BY CASE, IT
5 WOULD BE EASIER FOR US TO HELP SOMEONE WHO WAS ABOUT TO BE
6 EVICTED, IF IT WAS ONE CASE, VERSUS, AS WHAT I THINK WE ALL
7 FEAR, A MASS EVICTION THAT WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE
8 HELP FOR, AND WE WOULD SEE MANY MORE HOMELESS. SO, I AM KIND
9 OF INTERESTED IF THERE'S SOME APPETITE AMONG MY COLLEAGUES TO
10 SORT OF TAKE SOME OF THESE CASES AND BEGIN TO LOOK AT THEM IN
11 WAYS THAT MIGHT BE SOMETHING THAT WE COULD HAVE MORE CONTROL
12 OVER HELPING THE PERSON WHO MIGHT BE EVICTED, BEFORE WE HAVE
13 MASS EVICTIONS. SO I THINK WE NEED TO DO A BETTER JOB
14 BALANCING THIS EQUATION. I THINK WE NEED TO MAKE IT MUCH MORE
15 EASY FOR LANDLORDS TO ACCEPT, OR TO ACCESS, HELP. PERSONALLY,
16 YEAH, I WOULDN'T MIND IF THIS EVICTION MORATORIUM LASTED
17 FOREVER, AS LONG AS THE LANDLORDS COULD GET PAID. IT IS SORT
18 OF LIKE WHEN WE HAD THE STAY-AT-HOME ORDER. I THOUGHT
19 EVERYBODY SHOULD STAY AT HOME, BUT I THOUGHT THEY SHOULD BE
20 PAID TO STAY AT HOME. AND I THINK MANY LANDLORDS PROBABLY FEEL
21 THE SAME WAY. IF THEY WERE GETTING THE MONEY THAT WAS DUE
22 THEM, I THINK THEY ARE OKAY WITH US EXTENDING THIS. BUT FOR
23 SOME REASON-- AND THAT'S WHAT I HOPE WE CAN WORK ON-- THEY ARE
24 NOT BEING ABLE TO ACCESS MONEY. I HAVE A LANDLORD THAT LIVES
25 ACROSS THE STREET FROM ME, AND I'M GOING TO HEAR FROM HIM

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1 TONIGHT, I'M SURE. HE IS OWED \$60,000, AND HE SHOWS ME HOW
2 MUCH HE HAS BEEN ABLE TO GET SO FAR, AND IT'S BEEN \$899. SO
3 THAT'S A LOT OF MONEY THAT HE IS OWED. HE HAS MORTGAGES. HE'S
4 GOT SOME RESPONSIBILITIES. I FEAR SOME OF OUR LANDLORDS ARE
5 NOT REINVESTING IN THEIR HOUSING STOCK, BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT
6 GETTING THE MONEY THAT THEY ARE DUE. SO I WORRY ABOUT US
7 DIMINISHING THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR SOME OF OUR RENTERS IN
8 PLACES WHERE THE LANDLORDS ARE NOW NOT INVESTING. SO, IN ITEM
9 25, COLLEAGUES, THE DATA COLLECTION MOTION, I CERTAINLY WILL--
10 I THINK I'M CO-AUTHOR OF THAT AMENDMENT, AND I CERTAINLY
11 BELIEVE THAT. AND MAY I JUST CHASTISE SOMEBODY IN THE COUNTY.
12 I DON'T KNOW WHO IT IS, OR WHAT HAPPENED, BUT BACK IN MAY OF
13 2020, I INTRODUCED THE MOTION-- I THINK, KATHRYN, YOU WERE CO-
14 AUTHOR ON IT-- WHERE WE ASKED MONTHLY EVALUATIONS OF THE
15 SITUATION, SO THAT WHEN WE KEPT EXTENDING IT, OR WHEN WE MADE
16 THESE DECISIONS, WE WERE WELL ADVISED ON WHAT WAS HAPPENING,
17 WHETHER IT WAS UNEMPLOYMENT, OTHER DATA, HOW MANY LANDLORDS
18 WERE ACCESSING RELIEF, HOW MANY RENTERS WERE ACCESSING RELIEF.
19 DO YOU KNOW WE NEVER GOT ONE REPORT? TODAY, COLLEAGUES, WE
20 SHOULD ALL BE EMBARRASSED THAT WE ARE RECEIVING AND FILING
21 NOTHING IN ITEM 25. THERE IS NOTHING THAT WE ARE RECEIVING.
22 THERE IS NO REPORT. YOU CLICK ON THAT, AND YOU WILL NOT GET AN
23 EVALUATION REPORT, LIKE WE ASKED FOR OVER A YEAR AGO. SO WE
24 ARE BASICALLY RECEIVING AND FILING AIR. AND THAT IS UPSETTING
25 TO ME, AND IT SHOULD BE TO YOU, TOO, THAT WE WERE SUPPOSED TO

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1 HAVE MONTHLY EVALUATION REPORTS, AS WE MADE THE DECISION TO
2 EITHER END EVICTION MORATORIUM OR EXTEND IT, AND WE HAVE NOT
3 GOTTEN THAT. SO I APPRECIATE, KATHRYN, YOUR AMENDMENT. IT WAS
4 KIND OF ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE THINGS. WE SHOULD HAVE HAD TO DO
5 THAT AGAIN. WE ASKED FOR THAT, SO THAT WHEN WE MAKE THE
6 DECISIONS, WE'RE WELL INFORMED, AND WE WEIGH BOTH SIDES, AND
7 WE MAKE THE DECISIONS THAT ARE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF OUR
8 COUNTY RESIDENTS. WITH THAT, I HAVE ONE QUESTION TO FESIA. AND
9 I THINK YOU'VE HEARD MY FRUSTRATION ABOUT LANDLORDS GETTING
10 THE HELP THAT THEY NEED. ACTUALLY, TWO QUESTIONS. IF THE STATE
11 FUNDING TO HELP COVER RENTS EXPIRED ON SEPTEMBER 30TH, CAN
12 LANDLORDS HERE IN THE COUNTY CONTINUE, AND RENTERS CONTINUE,
13 TO ACCESS THOSE DOLLARS? AND THEN THE SECOND ONE WOULD BE,
14 COULD WE USE OUR MONEY TO USE AS FUNDS PAID TO LANDLORDS, TO
15 MAKE THEM WHOLE? THOSE TWO QUESTIONS.

16
17 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. SO, ON THE
18 FIRST QUESTION, REGARDING THE EXPIRATION OF THE STATE
19 PROTECTIONS, WE DO HAVE A PROGRAM HERE IN L.A. COUNTY THAT IS
20 SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED TO ASSIST HOMEOWNERS AND PROVIDE
21 MORTGAGE RELIEF. JUST BY WAY OF BACKGROUND, IN 2020, WHEN WE
22 WERE DEVELOPING OUR PLAN FOR C.R.F., THE BOARD DIRECTED OUR
23 OFFICE TO ALLOCATE ABOUT \$5.5 MILLION FOR A MORTGAGE RELIEF
24 PROGRAM FOR HOMEOWNERS. OF THAT \$5.5 MILLION, THERE IS ABOUT
25 \$4 MILLION THAT WAS ABLE TO GO DIRECTLY FOR MORTGAGE RELIEF,

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1 FINANCIAL RELIEF. AND OF THAT \$4 MILLION-- WELL, I AM SORRY.
2 AS PART OF THE PROGRAM, THE ELIGIBILITY, OWNERS OF SINGLE-
3 FAMILY FAMILY RESIDENCES, AND OWNERS THAT HAD BETWEEN TWO TO
4 FOUR UNITS, WERE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY. AND SO THAT WAS THE FIRST
5 PIECE. THE SECOND PIECE RELATES TO OUR A.R.P. FUNDING. WE DID
6 PUT AN ALLOCATION OF FUNDING IN A.R.P. FOR ABOUT \$5 MILLION.
7 THAT WILL ASSIST AN ADDITIONAL ABOUT 200 HOMEOWNERS, AND OUR
8 HOPE IS THAT THE A.R.P. ALLOCATION HERE IN THE COUNTY WILL
9 BRIDGE US THROUGH UNTIL THE STATE AND THE FEDERAL PROGRAM,
10 WHICH I BELIEVE IS ABOUT A \$1 BILLION PROGRAM, IS ACTUALLY
11 OPERATIONAL, THAT WILL ALLOW FOLKS TO SEEK ADDITIONAL
12 ASSISTANCE FOR MORTGAGE RELIEF. AND THEN, SUPERVISOR, I THINK
13 YOUR SECOND QUESTION-- I MAY HAVE ANSWERED IT ALREADY--
14 REGARDING, "CAN WE USE OUR LOCAL FUNDING?" SO THE ANSWER IS,
15 WE HAVE ALREADY ALLOCATED FUNDING FROM OUR AFFORDABLE HOUSING
16 TRUST FUND. WE ALSO ALLOCATED FUNDING UNDER A.R.P., AND THEN
17 WE ARE WAITING FOR THE STATE TO STAND UP THE FEDERAL STATE
18 MORTGAGE RELIEF PROGRAM.

19
20 **SUP. HAHN:** AND DID YOU ANSWER THE QUESTION, IF THE STATE
21 FUNDING EXPIRES ON SEPTEMBER 30TH, IF WE EXTEND THIS THROUGH
22 NEXT JANUARY, CAN LANDLORDS AND RENTERS APPLY FOR THE STATE
23 FUNDING, EVEN THOUGH THEIRS HAS EXPIRED SEPTEMBER 30TH?

24
25 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO, I BELIEVE, SUPERVISOR--

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2 **SUP. HAHN:** THAT'S THE HOUSING IS KEY.

3

4 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** YES. I BELIEVE THAT WHAT IS EXPIRING
5 IN A COUPLE OF DAYS IS THE PROTECTIONS, AND THAT THE STATE
6 DOES HAVE A POT OF FUNDING, AND MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT
7 FUNDING IS PRIMARILY FOR RENTAL RELIEF. I BELIEVE THAT RAFAEL
8 CARBAJAL AND EMILIO SALAS ARE ALSO ON THE LINE, AND THEY COULD
9 PROVIDE MORE DETAIL, BUT I BELIEVE THAT THE ANSWER IS YES,
10 THAT THOSE FUNDS REMAIN AVAILABLE, AND THAT CAN BE DRAWN DOWN,
11 BUT THAT THAT POT OF FUNDING IS DIFFERENT AND SEPARATE FROM
12 THE MORTGAGE RELIEF FUNDING THAT WE ARE WAITING TO BE
13 OPERATIONALIZED.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY, THANK YOU. COLLEAGUES, ABSOLUTELY, I AM GOING
16 TO SUPPORT ITEM 21, TO EXTEND THIS HELP TO OUR RENTERS; GOING
17 TO SUPPORT 25, AS WE LOOK TO REALLY CREATE A PLAN ON, HOW DO
18 WE PHASE THIS OUT? BECAUSE I THINK TO VOTE NO ON THIS TODAY
19 WOULD BE IRRESPONSIBLE, BECAUSE THAT COULD LEAD TO AN ABSOLUTE
20 DISASTER IN OUR COUNTY, AND WE COULD HAVE HOMELESS PEOPLE THAT
21 WE COULD HAVE NO HELP FOR. SO, WE DON'T HAVE A PLAN YET ON HOW
22 TO END THIS, AND I THINK WHAT WE ARE DOING TODAY IS MOVING
23 FORWARD TO CREATE THAT PLAN, AND MAKING SURE THAT WE HAVE THE
24 DATA AVAILABLE TO US, AS WE CRAFT THE POLICY TO PHASE THIS
25 OUT. BECAUSE WE ARE CERTAINLY NOT OUT OF THE WOODS YET, BY ANY

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1 MEANS, WITH THIS PANDEMIC. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT IS AROUND THE
2 CORNER. BUT I DO KNOW THAT I WANT TO SEE US DOUBLE DOWN A
3 LITTLE BIT IN OUR OUTREACH TO LANDLORDS, AND MAKING SURE THAT
4 WE CAN MAKE THEM WHOLE. I AM GOING TO END HERE. I CAN SEE MY
5 TIME HAS EXPIRED. BUT I WILL SAY, YOU KNOW, WE REALLY WANTED
6 TO WORK WITH BANKS ON MORTGAGE RELIEF. REMEMBER THAT? THIS
7 BOARD WAS PRETTY CLEAR WITH OUR COUNTY OFFICIALS, SAYING, "THE
8 BANKS THAT DO BUSINESS WITH THE COUNTY, CAN WE WORK WITH THEM
9 TO GIVE MORTGAGE RELIEF TO SOME OF THESE PEOPLE?" BECAUSE YOU
10 KNOW HOW THE BANKS ARE. THEY SHOULD HAVE BEEN PARTNERS IN ALL
11 OF THIS, AND HAVE WORKED TO REALLY MODIFY MORTGAGES, LOANS,
12 AND WORK WITH LANDLORDS, AS WELL, AND PROPERTY OWNERS. SO,
13 THEY WEREN'T REALLY THE GREATEST PARTNERS, EITHER. BUT WE WILL
14 GET THROUGH THIS. I JUST KNOW EVERYBODY NEEDS HELP RIGHT NOW,
15 AND I HOPE WE CAN BE BALANCED IN HOW WE DO THAT. THANK YOU,
16 MADAM CHAIR.

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18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN. SUPERVISOR
19 MITCHELL?

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21 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIRWOMAN. AS I
22 LISTEN TO THE QUESTIONS ASKED BY MY COLLEAGUES, IT IS JUST
23 FURTHER REMINDER TO ME ABOUT HOW BOTH PAINFUL AND CONFUSING
24 THIS WHOLE PROCESS HAS BEEN. I THINK THE TERM "EVICTION
25 MORATORIUM" MEANS DIFFERENT THINGS TO DIFFERENT PEOPLE, AND

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1 THE REALITY IS, WHAT WE ARE LOOKING AT TODAY ISN'T A GLOBAL
2 MORATORIUM. I THINK THE REALITY THAT THE MULTIPLE LEVELS OF
3 GOVERNMENT, EVERYBODY TRYING TO STEP IN AND DO WHAT WE COULD
4 TO HELP OUR CONSTITUENTS, HAS LED TO MORE CONFUSION. THE STATE
5 POLICY WAS DIFFERENT THAN THE COUNTY POLICY. THE CITY OF L.A.,
6 FOR EXAMPLE, THEY DIDN'T HAVE AN END DATE. THEY WERE GOING TO
7 GO ON A YEAR PAST WHENEVER THE EXECUTIVE ORDER WAS LIFTED. I
8 THINK THEIR RESTRICTIONS, THEIR CURRENT MORATORIUM, IS
9 NARROWER AND MUCH MORE RESTRICTIVE THAN THE COUNTY'S. AND AS
10 WE KNOW, THE STATE LEGISLATURE ADJOURNED SESSION FOR THE YEAR
11 WITHOUT CONTINUING PAST SEPTEMBER 30TH. SO I THINK THE ONE
12 THING I WANT TO SAY TO EVERYONE WHO'S LISTENING IS TO GO TO
13 STAYHOUSEDLA.ORG, TO FIGURE OUT WHAT LAW APPLIES TO YOU IN
14 YOUR JURISDICTION. BECAUSE WE MUST ALL ACKNOWLEDGE THAT IT
15 REALLY IS VERY CONFUSING, EVEN THOUGH WE ARE TRYING OUR BEST
16 TO PROVIDE SERVICE AND PROTECTION. I AGREE WITH MADAM
17 CHAIRWOMAN'S USE OF THE TERM "SURGICAL," BECAUSE I THINK EVERY
18 MORATORIUM EXTENSION THIS BOARD HAS VOTED ON HAS TAKEN INTO
19 ACCOUNT WHAT WE HAVE HEARD AND LEARNED FROM CONSTITUENTS--
20 SOME STORIES ANECDOTAL, SOME BEYOND THAT-- IN TERMS OF TRYING
21 TO NARROW IT AND REFINE OUR NEW POLICY TO MEET ONGOING NEEDS.
22 SO I REALLY SUPPORT THAT. I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT THAT I MAY
23 NEED CLARIFICATION, PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO SUPERVISOR
24 HAHN'S LAST QUESTION. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT, THROUGH
25 HOUSINGISKEY.COM, YOU CAN APPLY UP TO SEPTEMBER 30TH. I DON'T

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1 THINK THEY WILL TAKE APPLICATIONS BEYOND SEPTEMBER 30TH,
2 SUPERVISOR HAHN. IF THAT'S WRONG, SOMEONE PLEASE CORRECT ME.
3 THE MONEY, OF COURSE, WILL ROLL OUT POST SEPTEMBER 30TH,
4 BECAUSE WE KNOW HOW LONG IT'S TAKING TO GO THROUGH THAT
5 APPLICATION PROCESS AND GET PAID. BUT I THINK PEOPLE MUST
6 APPLY BY THAT DATE. IF THERE ARE DEPARTMENT HEADS THAT ARE
7 ONLINE, THAT WANT TO CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, PLEASE DO SO,
8 BECAUSE I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT FOR PEOPLE TO KNOW THAT THE
9 APPLICATION DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 30TH, EVEN THOUGH DOLLARS
10 WILL ROLL OUT LATER. HAVE YOU HEARD NO VOICES? I AM GOING TO
11 ASSUME THAT THAT STATEMENT IS CORRECT.

12

13 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH, THAT'S NOT HOW I UNDERSTAND IT, BUT... AND
14 AGAIN, FOR ME, IT WAS, THE LANDLORDS ARE QUESTIONING IT, ARE
15 WONDERING, IF HOUSING IS KEY ENDS SEPTEMBER 30TH, WHAT DO THEY
16 DO FOR THE NEXT FOUR MONTHS?

17

18 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SUPERVISORS?

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20 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH.

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22 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU. THIS IS FESIA. WE DO HAVE
23 THE DIRECTOR OF D.C.B.A. AND L.A.C.D.A. ONLINE. I THINK IT
24 WOULD BE HELPFUL IF RAFAEL OR EMILIO CHIME IN, JUST TO
25 CLARIFY. EMILIO OR RAFAEL, ARE YOU ON THE LINE?

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2 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD. THIS IS RAFAEL
3 CARBAJAL, WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS
4 AFFAIRS. I APOLOGIZE, I WAS MUTED. ACTUALLY, THE STATE WILL
5 CONTINUE TO RECEIVE APPLICATIONS FOR RENTAL ASSISTANCE UNTIL
6 THE FUNDING HAS BEEN EXPENDED. THAT IS A VERY RECENT CHANGE.

7

8 **SUP. MITCHELL:** OKAY, SO THEN HOW ARE WE GETTING THAT MESSAGE
9 OUT? BECAUSE I DON'T THINK THAT IS COMMONLY UNDERSTOOD.

10

11 **RAFAEL CARBAJAL:** WE WERE. THANK YOU, FIRST OF ALL, FOR
12 PLUGGING OUR PARTNERS AT STAY HOUSED L.A. WE CONTINUE TO WORK
13 WITH THEM AND ALL OF OUR STAKEHOLDERS, INCLUDING EVERY SINGLE
14 INDIVIDUAL THAT CALLS OUR EVICTION HOTLINE, TO PROVIDE THEM
15 THAT INFORMATION. WE CONTINUE TO FUND AND PARTNER WITH OUR
16 LOCAL COMMUNITY AGENCIES TO GET THE WORD OUT. AND WE PLAN TO
17 CONTINUE PUTTING OUT ADVERTISEMENTS AND WORKING WITH OUR
18 ETHNIC AND HYPERLOCAL MEDIA TO REACH THOSE HARD-TO-REACH
19 COMMUNITIES THAT WOULD BENEFIT, AND HAVEN'T TAKEN FULL
20 ADVANTAGE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY, AND THAT INCLUDES OUR
21 LANDLORDS. WE KNOW THAT A LOT OF OUR LANDLORDS ARE IMMIGRANTS,
22 AND SOMETIMES WE DON'T HAVE THE DIRECT CONNECTIONS TO THEM
23 THAT WE WOULD LIKE. SO WE'RE DEFINITELY GOING TO LEVERAGE OUR
24 ENTIRE NETWORK TO MAKE SURE THAT THE INFORMATION GETS TO THEM,
25 AS WELL.

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2 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AND SO, AGAIN, IT IS UNTIL THE MONEY RUNS OUT.
3 SO I HOPE WE WILL THEN BE ABLE TO SHIFT OUR MESSAGING, SO WHEN
4 THE MONEY RUNS OUT, WE CAN WAVE THAT RED FLAG SO PEOPLE
5 UNDERSTAND IT IS TOO LATE, DON'T CONTINUE.

6

7 **EMILIO SALAS:** SUPERVISORS.

8

9 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THEY ARE ABLE TO APPLY, NOW, PAST SEPTEMBER
10 30TH, FOR WHAT PERIOD OF TIME THAT THEY HAVE NOT COLLECTED
11 RENT? DO YOU FOLLOW ME?

12

13 **EMILIO SALAS:** YES. THIS IS EMILIO. CAN EVERYONE HEAR ME?

14

15 **SUP. MITCHELL:** YES.

16

17 **EMILIO SALAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISORS. YES, THIS GOES
18 BACK TO THE ORIGINAL TIMELINE OF MARCH OF 2020, MOVING
19 FORWARD. AND JUST KEEP IN MIND THAT, CURRENTLY, AS STATED
20 PREVIOUSLY, THE STATE IS DEPLOYING THE \$330 MILLION THAT THEY
21 RECEIVED UNDER THE CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT, OF WHICH,
22 UP TO TODAY, THEY ARE NEARLY AT \$300 MILLION. THEY WILL THEN
23 IMMEDIATELY PIVOT TO THE \$211 MILLION THAT WERE RECEIVED UNDER
24 THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN. SEPARATE FROM THAT, THERE IS ALSO
25 THE POSSIBILITY THAT TREASURY WILL SWEEP UP ANY UNUTILIZED

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1 FUNDS FROM OTHER JURISDICTIONS THAT HAVE NOT USED THEIR RENT
2 RELIEF FUNDING. THE COUNTY IS IN A VERY STRONG POSITION
3 BECAUSE, CERTAINLY, WE KNOW THE DEMAND IS THERE. THERE ARE
4 OVER 100,000 APPLICATIONS THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN THE QUEUE. AND
5 SO CALIFORNIA, IN AND OF ITSELF, IS IN A VERY STRONG POSITION
6 TO GET ANY RECAPTURED FUNDS FROM OTHER JURISDICTIONS.

7

8 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AND CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, DID NOT THE STATE,
9 IN THEIR LAST BUDGET, PUT ADDITIONAL FUNDS IN FOR THIS USE, AS
10 WELL?

11

12 **EMILIO SALAS:** THE STATE IS ALSO RECEIVING A SEPARATE AND
13 DISTINCT ALLOCATION FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. SO, SIMILAR
14 TO THE CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT, WHERE WE GOT 160, THEY
15 GOT 170. THE SAME WILL HOLD TRUE UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE
16 PLAN.

17

18 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU FOR PROVIDING THAT CLARIFICATION. I
19 THINK IT IS INDICATIVE OF HOW THE GENERAL PUBLIC, ALSO, IS
20 PROBABLY CONFUSED. I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE
21 FACT THAT EVICTIONS CONTINUE TO BE FILED, EVEN WHEN WE HAD
22 SOMETHING CALLED AN EVICTION MORATORIUM IN PLACE AT THE STATE,
23 COUNTY, AND CITY LEVEL. AND ONE OF THE MOST PROFOUND BOOKS I
24 HAVE READ IN THE LAST YEAR AND A HALF WAS A BOOK ENTITLED
25 "EVICTION," WHERE IT FOLLOWED A SERIES OF FAMILIES IN THE

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1 STATE OF MILWAUKEE. BUT MY TAKEAWAY-- PAINFUL TAKEAWAY-- FROM
2 READING THAT CASE STUDY OF REAL-LIFE CIRCUMSTANCES IS, YOU
3 KNOW, AN EVICTION, QUITE FRANKLY, FOR A BLACK WOMAN, IS
4 EQUIVALENT TO AN ARREST AND A CRIMINAL RECORD TO A BLACK MAN.
5 IT IS SOMETHING THAT FOLLOWS YOU AND IMPACTS YOUR ABILITY TO
6 RENT AGAIN. IT IMPACTS THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH YOU ARE ABLE TO
7 RENT. IT LIMITS YOUR OPTIONS, IN TERMS OF WHAT KIND OF
8 LANDLORD WILL ACCEPT SOMEONE WITH AN EVICTION ON THEIR RECORD.
9 SO EVICTIONS ARE VERY, VERY SERIOUS. IT IS A COMPLEX BODY OF
10 LAW THAT PERHAPS NEEDS A LITTLE REFRESH, GENERALLY, MAKING
11 SURE THAT PEOPLE HAVE COUNSEL, SO THEY UNDERSTAND ALL THEIR
12 RIGHTS WHEN THEY ARE FACING AN EVICTION, ON BOTH SIDES-- FOR
13 THE LANDLORD, AS WELL AS THE TENANT. I AM SUPPORTING THE
14 MOTION TODAY, AGAIN, I THINK, USING MADAM CHAIRWOMAN'S ANALOGY
15 ABOUT A SURGICAL APPROACH. THE FACT THAT WE ARE EXPANDING TO
16 COMMERCIAL TENANTS, AS WELL, IS VERY, VERY IMPORTANT, AND
17 PROUD THAT WE ARE USING OUR DOLLARS AT THE COUNTY LEVEL TO
18 STAND UP A COMMERCIAL RELIEF SYSTEM IS VERY IMPORTANT. AND I
19 THINK IT IS KEY THAT WE UNDERSTAND THAT, IN THIS VERSION OF
20 OUR MORATORIUM-- WHICH IS MORATORIUM, I GUESS, 3.0, IF I AM
21 KEEPING TRACK-- WE ARE NOT EXTENDING EVICTION PROTECTIONS FOR
22 NONPAYMENT OF RENT, AT THIS POINT. SO I WANTED TO MAKE SURE
23 THAT I AM CLEAR, AND WE ARE ALL CLEAR, REALLY, ABOUT WHAT THIS
24 MOTION DOES. SUPERVISOR KUEHL, YOU WANTED TO CLARIFY OR
25 CORRECT ME, IF I'M WRONG?

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2 **SUP. KUEHL:** WITH THE CHAIR'S PERMISSION, JUST TO ANSWER.

3

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

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6 **SUP. KUEHL:** THE NOTION OF AN EVICTION MORATORIUM RAISES, I
7 THINK, UNDERSTANDABLE EXPECTATIONS THAT I CANNOT BE EVICTED
8 IF I DON'T PAY RENT. THAT'S WHAT IT SOUNDS LIKE. THAT HAS NOT
9 BEEN THE CASE FOR A WHILE, IN THE COUNTY'S ABILITY. THE STATE
10 SAID THAT, AND SAID, BECAUSE THE STATE SAID THAT, THE COUNTY
11 MAY NOT. AND THAT ENDS IN TWO DAYS. BUT THEY ALSO TOLD US THAT
12 WE CANNOT ENACT A MORATORIUM FOR RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY. WE
13 CAN'T. SO IN TWO DAYS, IF YOU HAVEN'T PAID YOUR RENT,
14 THEORETICALLY, YOUR LANDLORD CAN FILE AN EVICTION RIGHT AWAY.
15 AND I KNOW THAT MANY THOUSANDS WILL. WHAT WE PUT INTO THE
16 MOTION IN 21 WERE A FEW AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES, WHERE YOU WOULD
17 GO AND SAY, "I HAVE BEEN PAYING DOWN THIS DEBT. I HAVE APPLIED
18 FOR THE RENTAL ASSISTANCE AND BEEN TOLD THAT I'M GOING TO GET
19 IT." RENTAL ASSISTANCE IS NOT FOR TENANTS; IT IS FOR
20 LANDLORDS, THROUGH TENANTS, OR DIRECTLY TO LANDLORDS. BUT IT
21 IS KIND OF LIKE, "YEAH, IT HELPS ME PAY MY RENT AND STAY, BUT
22 THE MONEY STILL GOES TO MY LANDLORD." BUT WE ARE NOT HAVING A
23 MORATORIUM ON EVICTIONS FOR RESIDENTIAL TENANTS. THEY ARE
24 GOING TO BE AT RISK. AND, HOLLY, IT IS INTERESTING. WHEN I SAW
25 "NOMADLAND," IT WAS KIND OF THE SAME THING. THESE ARE ALL

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1 PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN EVICTED, LIVING IN THEIR CARS, LIVING IN
2 THEIR TRUCKS, LIVING IN THEIR LITTLE R.V. VANS. THIS IS AN
3 EPIDEMIC IN THE COUNTRY. AND WE HAVE DONE A LITTLE BIT. THE
4 OTHER THING I WANTED TO SAY, JANICE, IS THAT THE "LIKE FOR
5 LIKE" RULES ARE IN OUR PERMANENT RENT STABILIZATION ORDINANCE.
6 IT WASN'T JUST IN THIS TEMPORARY THING. SO WE DIDN'T WANT TO
7 MAKE IT DIFFERENT. BUT, OF COURSE, WE WILL ALWAYS LOOK AT WHAT
8 WE CAN DO TO INCREASE A BALANCE, AND I THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
9 YOUR STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR 21, AS WELL. I THINK WE ARE
10 TRYING TO GET THROUGH AND KEEP PEOPLE IN THEIR HOMES,
11 INCLUDING LANDLORDS, AND, YOU KNOW, GET THROUGH THIS TOGETHER.
12 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

13

14 **SUP. MITCHELL:** I COULDN'T AGREE MORE, AND I WOULD JUST SAY IN
15 CLOSING, IN ADDITION TO YOUR OBSERVATIONS, SUPERVISOR KUEHL,
16 IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT SOMETIMES, WITH AN EVICTION ON
17 YOUR RECORD, YOU CAN'T EVEN BE ADMITTED INTO A SHELTER FOR THE
18 UNHOUSED. AND SO WE NEED TO REALLY UNDERSTAND THE WEIGHT AN
19 EVICTION PUTS ON PEOPLE'S BACKS, THOSE WHO CAN LEAST AFFORD IT
20 OR MANAGE IT. AND AS WE TALK ABOUT OUR UNHOUSED, AND WHY WE
21 HAVE SO MANY ANGELENOS LITERALLY ON THE STREETS, AN EVICTION
22 CAN PREVENT YOU FROM GETTING INTO A SHELTER, WHICH IS REALLY
23 SAD. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR ALLOWING ME TO GET
24 CLARIFICATION. I THINK THIS TERM IS SO BROAD. WE, I, WAS
25 CONFUSED, SO I HOPE, BY ALLOWING US TO WORK THROUGH THIS, AND

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1 HAVING DEPARTMENT HEADS PROVIDE CLARIFICATION, AND
2 ACKNOWLEDGING THAT THE POLICY DID CHANGE. THE POLICY DID
3 CHANGE AROUND SEPTEMBER 30TH. THAT'S A GOOD THING, BUT I WOULD
4 STILL ENCOURAGE EVERYONE WHO'S PARTICIPATED IN TODAY'S MEETING
5 TO MAKE SURE YOU GO TO THE WEBSITE, TO MAKE SURE YOU ARE CLEAR
6 ABOUT WHICH JURISDICTION POLICY AND RULES APPLY TO YOU. AND
7 AGAIN, THAT'S STAYHOUSEDLA.ORG. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, ALL OF YOU. I DO WANT
10 TO SAY, ON BEHALF OF OUR CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS
11 DEPARTMENT, THEY HAVE REALLY DONE A GOOD JOB. I MEAN, WE GOT
12 INTO IT, IN THE WEEDS, IN MY OFFICE, ABOUT HOW WE COULD REALLY
13 REACH OUT TO HARD-PRESSED MOM-AND-POP TENANTS AND BUSINESSES,
14 AND WE WERE ON MEETING WITH THE STAFF ALMOST WEEKLY. SO I HAVE
15 TO TELL YOU, I DID SEE SOME GOOD NUMBERS, BETTER THAN THE
16 STATE, OVERALL, AND I THINK THE STATE CAME DOWN TO FIGURE OUT
17 HOW WE DID IT. SO THEY WERE USING OUR MODEL, WHICH IS GOOD,
18 AND MAYBE NOT EVERYBODY REALLY KNOWS THAT. BUT IT DOES TAKE A
19 LOT OF WORK, AND IT IS SOMETHING THAT WE ARE KIND OF INVENTING
20 AS WE GO THROUGH IT, BECAUSE WE HAVE NEVER HAD TO GO THROUGH
21 THIS BEFORE. SO, I KNOW, STAFF, WE ARE LEARNING THROUGH THIS
22 PROCESS, BUT I DO WANT TO SAY THAT THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF GOOD
23 EFFORT PUT FORWARD BY THE LIMITED NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT WE
24 HAVE ON STAFF TO DO THIS JOB, BECAUSE IT'S TREMENDOUS. SO MANY
25 PEOPLE ARE NOT EVEN AWARE OF HOW TO GO ABOUT PROCESSING THIS,

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1 AND PUTTING IN AN APPLICATION, AND TRYING TO FIGURE OUT IF,
2 SOMEHOW, IF THEY DO SOMETHING WRONG, IF IT'S GOING TO COME
3 BACK TO HAUNT THEM. AND SOME PEOPLE, AS YOU KNOW, TRY TO PAY
4 THEIR RENTS-- TENANTS, COMMERCIAL, AS WELL-- AND TOOK OUT
5 LOANS, PERSONAL LOANS, AT VERY HIGH INTEREST RATES. SO THAT'S
6 ANOTHER DOMINO EFFECT THAT'S BEEN HAPPENING WITH SOME OF OUR
7 FOLKS, SO THEY ARE REALLY STRESSED RIGHT NOW. BUT THANK YOU.
8 WITH ALL THAT SAID, THEN, WE HAVE TWO ITEMS BEFORE US,
9 MEMBERS. SO, IF THERE'S NO OTHER COMMENTS, THEN LET US GO ON
10 ITEM 21, WHICH IS BEFORE US. THAT HAS BEEN MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
11 KUEHL. I WILL SECOND, TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE
12 OFFICER, CAN YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL?

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 21 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR
15 MITCHELL?

16

17 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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

21

22 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

23

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

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1 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

4

5 **SUP. BARGER:** ABSTAIN, BUT I APPRECIATE MY COLLEAGUES AND THAT
6 DISCUSSION REGARDING CLARIFICATION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER ABSTAINS. SUPERVISOR
9 SOLIS?

10

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

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 4-0
14 WITH 1 ABSTENTION.

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, GREAT. ITEM 25 IS RECEIVED AND FILED,
17 AND SUPERVISOR BARGER AND HAHN'S MOTION IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
18 SUPERVISOR BARGER, AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE.
19 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

20

21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 25, SUPERVISOR BARGER AND SUPERVISOR
22 HAHN'S MOTION, IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

23

24 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

25

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
2 KUEHL?

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4 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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

7

8 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

11

12 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

13

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

15

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

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

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21 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. THAT WAS A HEAVY LIFT,
22 FOLKS. NOW, ANOTHER HEAVY ITEM BEFORE US. WE WILL TAKE UP ITEM
23 NUMBER 26, REPORT ON UNDERSTANDING SUBGROUPS WITHIN THE
24 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, WHICH I HELD. AND I WANT TO TURN IT OVER
25 TO COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE R.A.N.D. TEAM FOR THEIR

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1 PRESENTATION, BEFORE WE BEGIN ANY QUESTIONING. SO, IF I COULD
2 ASK RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA, OUR CITY COUNSEL, AND MEMBERS OF THE
3 R.A.N.D. TEAM-- SAM PETERSON, JAMES ANDERSON, AND, I BELIEVE,
4 DEON BARNES-- TO PLEASE BEGIN THEIR PRESENTATION.

5

6 **RODRIGO CASTRO-SILVA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. THIS IS ROD
7 CASTRO-SILVA, AND I WILL TURN IT OVER TO THE R.A.N.D. TEAM, TO
8 DO THEIR PRESENTATION. OBVIOUSLY, WE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR
9 QUESTIONS AFTER THAT.

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **SAM PETERSON:** OKAY, THANK YOU. AND GOOD AFTERNOON,
14 SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU ALL FOR INVITING US TO PRESENT OUR
15 RESEARCH TODAY. MY NAME IS SAM PETERSON. I'M A POLICY
16 RESEARCHER AT R.A.N.D., AND I'LL BE PRESENTING OUR FINDINGS ON
17 BEHALF OF OUR RESEARCH TEAM. I WILL DO MY BEST TO BE BRIEF, SO
18 I WILL GET RIGHT INTO IT. FOR OVER 30 YEARS, THE LOS ANGELES
19 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS HAD PROBLEMS WITH SECRET
20 CLIQUES OR GANGS OF DEPUTIES WITHIN ITS RANKS. THEY ARE
21 INVITATION ONLY, AND OWN ASSOCIATED WITH A SHARED TATTOO. THEY
22 HAVE NAMES LIKE THE REGULATORS, JUMP OUT BOYS, GRIM REAPERS,
23 BANDITOS, AND EXECUTIONERS, TO NAME A FEW. THIS RESEARCH WAS
24 CONDUCTED IN AN EFFORT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THESE GROUPS AND
25 THEIR IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITY AND ON THE DEPARTMENT. LOS

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1 ANGELES COUNTY COUNSEL ESTIMATES THAT THE COUNTY-- SLIDE TWO,
2 PLEASE. SORRY. LOS ANGELES COUNTY COUNSEL ESTIMATES THAT THE
3 COUNTY HAS PAID OUT \$55 MILLION TO SETTLE LAWSUITS CONNECTED
4 TO DEPUTY SUBGROUPS SINCE 1990. DESPITE REPEATED LAWSUITS, THE
5 DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSE HAS OFTEN MINIMIZED THE ISSUE IN THE
6 PAST. COMMUNITY MEMBERS HAVE ACCUSED DEPUTIES AND SUBGROUPS OF
7 VIOLATING THEIR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS, USING EXCESSIVE FORCE,
8 GLORIFYING DEPUTY-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS, AND FOSTERING A CODE OF
9 SILENCE, AND THEY HAVE ACCUSED THE L.A.S.D. OF PROTECTING
10 THESE GROUPS. AND THEN, WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT, ALLEGED MEMBERS
11 OF DEPUTY CLIQUES HAVE BEEN ACCUSED OF BULLYING, HARASSMENT,
12 INTIMIDATION, WORKPLACE VIOLENCE, AND RETALIATION AGAINST
13 OTHER DEPARTMENT MEMBERS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. THIS PROJECT
14 FOCUSES ON COMMUNITY PERCEPTIONS OF THESE GROUPS AND L.A.S.D.,
15 THE EXISTENCE OF THESE GROUPS OVER TIME, THE PURPOSE BEHIND
16 CREATING THEM TO BEGIN WITH, THE CRITERIA AND INCENTIVES FOR
17 THOSE THAT JOIN, AND THEIR IMPACT ON L.A.S.D. AND THE
18 COMMUNITY. AND THIS IS THE LIST OF QUESTIONS THAT WE WILL GO
19 THROUGH AS WE PRESENT OUR FINDINGS, REGARDING THESE VARIOUS
20 RESEARCH QUESTIONS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO, THERE HAVE BEEN
21 SEVERAL PRIOR REPORTS THAT TOUCH ON THIS ISSUE, AS WELL AS
22 LAWSUITS AND INVESTIGATIONS, AND WE INCLUDED THESE AND
23 EXISTING POLICING AND ORGANIZATIONAL RESEARCH AS A BACKDROP
24 FOR CONDUCTING OUR STUDY. WE USED A MIXED-METHODS APPROACH TO
25 RESEARCH THIS ISSUE. WE CONDUCTED INTERVIEWS AND FOCUS GROUPS

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1 WITH COMMUNITY MEMBERS, WE CONDUCTED INTERVIEWS WITH MEMBERS
2 OF L.A.S.D. AND COUNTY STAKEHOLDERS, AND WE CONDUCTED A SURVEY
3 OF SWORN PERSONNEL IN THE DEPARTMENT. WE ARE HAPPY TO GO INTO
4 ANY MORE DETAIL OF OUR METHODS, IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, BUT
5 I'LL SKIP RIGHT TO THE FINDINGS, FOR NOW. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.
6 SO, I'D LIKE TO START WITH A DISCUSSION OF OUR COMMUNITY
7 FINDINGS, FOCUSING ON QUESTIONS ABOUT HOW THESE GROUPS IMPACT
8 L.A.S.D.'S IMAGE, AND COMMUNITY MEMBER PERCEPTIONS AND
9 EXPERIENCES AROUND THESE GROUPS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO, IT IS
10 IMPORTANT TO NOTE THE EFFICACY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT HINGES ON
11 COMMUNITY TRUST. THE ISSUE OF SUBGROUPS SPEAKS DIRECTLY TO
12 COMMUNITY MEMBERS' PERCEPTIONS OF TRUST AND LEGITIMACY, AS IT
13 RELATES TO L.A.S.D. AS A WHOLE. SOME COMMON THEMES FROM OUR
14 INTERVIEWS INCLUDE A PERCEIVED LACK OF TRANSPARENCY, A LACK OF
15 TRUST, AND A CULTURE OF AGGRESSIVE POLICING. PEOPLE ALSO FELT
16 THAT OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES THAT ARE ENGAGED WITH THE
17 COMMUNITY-- AND THEY PROVIDED SPECIFIC EXAMPLES OF HOW OTHER
18 AGENCIES DO THIS, AS PART OF A DESIRE TO SEE THE L.A.S.D.
19 ENGAGE IN THESE TYPES OF EFFORTS. AND THESE TWO PRIOR POINTS
20 WERE ALSO PARTICULARLY EVIDENT IN AREAS WITH A HISTORY OF
21 STRAINED RELATIONS WITH L.A.S.D., AND THESE AREAS TEND TO
22 OVERLAP WITH A HISTORY OF THE EXISTENCE OF SUBGROUPS. BUT
23 ALSO, IN OTHER AREAS, AND PARTICULARLY WITH OUR COMMUNITY
24 LEADER PARTICIPANTS, PERCEPTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT SEEM TO BE
25 A LITTLE MORE POSITIVE, PARTICULARLY WHEN THE SHERIFF'S

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1 DEPARTMENT WAS PERCEIVED AS WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY AND
2 GETTING TO KNOW THEM. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO, ON THE TOPIC OF
3 SUBGROUPS, PEOPLE HAD LITTLE DIRECT EXPERIENCE, BUT THEIR
4 INTERPRETATIONS OF DEPUTIES' BEHAVIOR ARE COUPLED WITH
5 PERCEPTIONS THAT SUBGROUPS EXIST. SO, THE INTERPRETATIONS OF
6 DEPUTIES' BEHAVIOR COME FROM MEDIA, OTHER COMMUNITY MEMBERS,
7 DEPARTMENT MEMBERS, AND EVEN SOME PERSONAL EXPERIENCES THAT
8 THEY'VE HAD. AND THEIR AWARENESS VARIED ACROSS OUR
9 PARTICIPANTS, FROM NONE, TO VERY DETAILED. AND ON THIS SLIDE,
10 YOU CAN SEE EXAMPLES OF DEPUTIES' BEHAVIOR THAT COMMUNITY
11 MEMBERS INTERPRETED TO BE SUBGROUP RELATED, INCLUDING ACTIONS
12 TOWARD OTHER DEPUTIES, SUPPORTING A CODE OF SILENCE, AND
13 TARGETING FORMER JAIL INMATES IN AN ENFORCEMENT CONTEXT, AND
14 NEGATIVE INTERACTIONS WITH COMMUNITY MEMBERS. NEXT SLIDE,
15 PLEASE. SO, FOR MANY OF OUR COMMUNITY MEMBER PARTICIPANTS, THE
16 EXISTENCE OF THESE GROUPS REFLECTS A DISCONNECT WITH THE
17 COMMUNITY'S EXPECTATIONS, AND THEY SAW THIS AS AN "US VERSES
18 THEM" MENTALITY. COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO FELT THIS WAY TENDED TO
19 FAVOR INVESTIGATIONS INTO THIS ISSUE, AND DISCIPLINARY ACTION
20 RESULTING FROM THOSE, EVEN UP TO TERMINATION. NEXT SLIDE,
21 PLEASE. NEXT, WE MOVE ON TO THE QUESTION OF WHY THESE GROUPS
22 FORM, TO BEGIN WITH. AND IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE HERE THAT,
23 ACROSS OUR FINDINGS ABOUT SUBGROUPS, THERE ARE A CONTINUUM OF
24 GROUPS, WITH SOME PERCEIVED AS INTERNALLY BENIGN, AND OTHERS
25 PERCEIVED AS DESTRUCTIVE. IT IS ALSO IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER

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1 THAT THE MAIN FINDINGS ABOUT THESE GROUPS ARE BASED ON WHAT
2 PEOPLE WITHIN L.A.S.D. ARE TELLING US, AND WE'RE PRESENTING
3 SOME OF THEIR EXPLANATIONS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. AND ONE MORE
4 CLICK. THANK YOU. SOME OF THE CONTEXT FOR WHY SUBGROUPS FORM
5 INVOLVES THE STRUCTURE OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND COMMON
6 PRACTICES AND ASSUMPTIONS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT. FIRST, THE
7 DECENTRALIZATION OF THE DEPARTMENT CONTRIBUTES TO SOME OF THE
8 UNIQUE CULTURES, SO PEOPLE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT TEND TO THINK
9 ABOUT STATIONS AS INDEPENDENT POLICE DEPARTMENTS, BECAUSE
10 THAT'S HOW THEY OPERATE: SEPARATE DISPATCH, THEY DEAL WITH
11 DIFFERENT CRIME PROBLEMS, AND THEY DEAL WITH DIFFERENT
12 COMMUNITIES. SO THIS CAN LEAD TO SOME VARIATION IN TRAINING,
13 SUPERVISION, AND DISCIPLINE, AND SOMETIMES EVEN, EVENTUALLY,
14 PRACTICE AND POLICY CAN BECOME DISCONNECTED OVER TIME.
15 ADDITIONALLY, AN INDIVIDUAL'S REPUTATION IS REALLY IMPORTANT
16 WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND TRAINING AND WORKING AT
17 SOME PATROL STATIONS IS MORE PRESTIGIOUS. TO SOME, THIS MAKES
18 IT IMPORTANT TO ENSURE THAT A DEPUTY HAS EARNED THE REPUTATION
19 OF WORKING AT A PARTICULAR STATION, BY BEING POSITIVELY
20 EVALUATED BY THEIR PEERS. IN PLACES WITH SUBGROUPS, SUBGROUP
21 MEMBERS ARE OFTEN IN POSITIONS TO EVALUATE OTHERS, AND THIS
22 CONTRIBUTES FURTHER TO A SENSE OF, "THIS IS HOW WE DO THINGS
23 HERE." AND THE QUOTE ON THE RIGHT IS FROM AN INTERVIEWEE WHO
24 EXPLAINED THE IMPORTANCE OF WHERE YOU WORK, AND REPUTATION.
25 AND IN THIS CASE, THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, PARTICULARLY, BEING

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1 IMPORTANT FOR BEING ABLE TO SHOW THAT YOU CAN HANDLE THE
2 PRESSURE AT HIGH-CRIME STATIONS. IT ALSO SHOWS HOW SOME OF THE
3 SELF-SORTING BEGINS IN THE JAILS, AS DEPUTIES ARE ALLOWED TO
4 GENERALLY SELECT ASSIGNMENTS THAT THEY PREFER. AND
5 POTENTIALLY, THE SAME PEOPLE WORK IN JAIL AND PATROL TOGETHER.
6 BECAUSE OF THESE DIVIDING LINES ACROSS DIFFERENT UNITS IN THE
7 DEPARTMENT, THE IMPORTANCE OF WORK HISTORY AND PERSONAL
8 REPUTATION, PEOPLE MAY END UP FEELING MORE CONNECTED TO THEIR
9 CURRENT ASSIGNMENT OR TO WHERE THEY WENT THROUGH PATROL
10 TRAINING THAN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, OVERALL. NEXT SLIDE,
11 PLEASE. AND TWO MORE CLICKS, I THINK. THANK YOU. SO, L.A.S.D.
12 INTERVIEWEES IDENTIFIED THREE COMMON JUSTIFICATIONS FOR
13 FORMING THESE GROUPS, AND UNDERSTANDING THIS IS IMPORTANT FOR
14 UNDERSTANDING THE APPEAL OF THESE GROUPS TO DEPUTIES. SO, FOR
15 ONE, SOME JUSTIFIED GROUPS FORMING TO RECOGNIZE SHARED PRIDE
16 IN WORK, AND TO SHOW THAT THEY ACCEPT ONE ANOTHER. SO, OFTEN
17 THIS WAS LINKED TO PERCEIVED COMPETENCE, AS ILLUSTRATED IN
18 THIS QUOTE, WHICH HIGHLIGHTS SOME OF THE STRESS THEY FEEL THAT
19 IS INHERENT IN THE JOB, AND NEEDING TO RELY ON OTHERS FOR YOUR
20 SAFETY. ADDITIONALLY, THERE'S A PERCEPTION THAT FORMAL
21 PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS ARE INADEQUATE. AND GROUPS ALSO FORM
22 FOR SOCIAL REASONS, SUCH AS DRINKING BUDDIES. AND BEING
23 SOCIALLY DEFINED, YOU SEE SOME EXAMPLE OF GROUPS SPLINTERING,
24 OR OTHER GROUPS FORMING IN RESPONSE TO EXISTING GROUPS. AND
25 THIS IS WHERE WE HEARD EXAMPLES OF WHERE GROUP SELECTION MAY

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1 BECOME LESS FOCUSED ON WORK, AND POSSIBLY MORE FOCUSED ON
2 PEOPLE WHO ARE WILLING TO DO THINGS FOR THE GROUP. NEXT SLIDE,
3 PLEASE. SO, THINKING ABOUT WHY GROUPS FORM HAS IMPLICATIONS
4 FOR WHO GETS INVITED, AND WHAT THE GROUPS DO. NEXT SLIDE,
5 PLEASE. 16% OF OUR SURVEY RESPONDENTS REPORTED BEING INVITED
6 TO JOIN ONE OF THESE GROUPS. DEPUTIES WHO JOIN SUBGROUPS ARE
7 PERCEIVED TO BE ALIGNED WITH THE IDENTITY OF BEING A HARD
8 CHARGER, OR BEING PROACTIVE AND MAKING ARRESTS. AND THIS
9 SUGGESTS A CERTAIN GROUP CHARACTER OF VALUING AGGRESSIVE
10 POLICE WORK. THE PERCEPTION OF SUBGROUP MEMBERS AS HARD
11 WORKERS MAY ALSO CONTRIBUTE TO GOOD FAITH THAT THEY ARE
12 BEHAVING AS DESIRED. AND KEEP IN MIND, THE DEPUTIES ARE
13 DEFINING THESE CRITERIA, WHICH MAY OR MAY NOT CORRESPOND WITH
14 THE BEST POLICING PRACTICES OR OFFICIAL POLICIES. CAN YOU
15 CLICK, PLEASE? TWICE. GROUPS MAY ALSO CHANGE CRITERIA FOR WHO
16 GETS INVITED, OVER TIME, LEADING TO A BLEND OF MEMBERS.
17 ADDITIONALLY, PEOPLE WHO JOIN THESE GROUPS, WHO ARE PERCEIVED
18 TO DESIRE PEER ACCEPTANCE, MAY DO THINGS OF VALUE FOR THE
19 GROUP, OR MAY BE SIMPLY LIKED FOR VARYING REASONS. WE ALSO
20 HEARD FROM PEOPLE WHO WERE INVITED AND DECIDED NOT TO JOIN,
21 AND THEY TENDED TO THINK OF THE GROUPS AS SILLY OR JUVENILE,
22 OR THEY WANTED TO MAINTAIN THEIR INDEPENDENCE. NEXT SLIDE,
23 PLEASE. SO, NEXT, IN THINKING ABOUT SOME OF THE FUNCTIONS OF
24 THESE GROUPS, IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT SOME OF THE
25 PERCEIVED BENEFITS ONLY ACCRUE TO MEMBERS OF THE GROUP. AND

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1 AGAIN, THESE ARE THINGS THAT APPEAL TO DEPUTIES, AND ARE
2 CREATED INFORMALLY BY THESE GROUPS. WE EVEN HEARD FROM SOME
3 COMMAND STAFF WHO PERCEIVED SUBGROUP MEMBERS TO BE HARD
4 WORKERS, AND THAT THEY JOINED THESE GROUPS FOR MENTORSHIP AND
5 GUIDANCE. SO, WHAT THIS MAY SUGGEST IS THAT THESE THINGS ARE
6 DEFICIENT IN THE FORMAL ASPECTS OF THE ORGANIZATION, IN
7 LEAVING DEPUTIES TO RELY ON INFORMAL SUPPORTS. ADDITIONALLY,
8 MANY PEOPLE NOTED THAT CAMARADERIE AND A SOCIAL BOND PROVIDED
9 BY BEING IN THE GROUP AS ONE OF THEIR CORE FUNCTIONS. AND
10 WHILE RECOGNIZING THIS, MANY ALSO RECOGNIZED THAT IT CAN
11 POTENTIALLY BE AN UNHEALTHY WAY TO DEAL WITH STRESS, AS THE
12 GROUP ACTIVITIES MAY INVOLVE DRINKING OR WORKING TOO MUCH, AND
13 BEING COMPLETELY CONSUMED BY THE DEPUTY IDENTITY, TO THE
14 DETRIMENT OF THEIR PERSONAL LIVES. ONE MORE CLICK, PLEASE.
15 THESE GROUPS ALSO PROVIDE A SENSE OF SUPERIORITY AND
16 EXCLUSIVITY. PEOPLE OFTEN REFER TO NONGROUP MEMBERS AS LAZY,
17 AND PROVIDE JUSTIFICATIONS FOR OSTRACIZING THEM, OR EVEN
18 BULLYING THEM OR HARASSING THEM. AND MEMBERS OF THE GROUP
19 OCCASIONALLY GET SPECIAL PRIVILEGES AT WORK. NEXT SLIDE,
20 PLEASE. NEXT, WE DISCUSS THE VARIOUS RISKS IDENTIFIED BY OUR
21 RESEARCH, AND WE ATTEMPTED TO UNDERSTAND HOW SOME OF THE
22 NEGATIVE OUTCOMES THAT YOU MAY HEAR ABOUT IN THE MEDIA, OR IN
23 LAWSUITS, COME TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH GROUPS OVER TIME. NEXT
24 SLIDE, PLEASE. SO, MANY OF OUR INTERVIEWEES NOTED THAT GROUPS
25 CARRIED RISKS OF NEGATIVE OUTCOMES. THESE ARE RISKS IN TERMS

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1 OF BEHAVIOR TO THE DEPARTMENT AND TO THE COMMUNITY. SO,
2 STARTING WITH NOT-SO-OBVIOUS RISKS, A COMMON FEATURE OF THESE
3 GROUPS IS SECRECY AND EXCLUSION, AND THE CREATION OF,
4 ESSENTIALLY, AN INFORMAL HIERARCHY WITHIN THE UNIT. SO THIS
5 CREATES AN ADDITIONAL LAYER OR ALTERNATIVE LEADERSHIP
6 STRUCTURE FOR OFFICIAL MANAGEMENT TO DEAL WITH. NEXT, SOME
7 GROUP-LEVEL BEHAVIORS THAT INCREASE THE RISK INCLUDING
8 OSTRACISM, DISRESPECT, EMPHASIZING AGGRESSIVE POLICING, OR
9 HAVING THEIR OWN CODES OF CONDUCT, AND UNHEALTHY COPING AND
10 WORKAHOLISM. AND THESE MAY CONTRIBUTE TO MORE SERIOUS NEGATIVE
11 OUTCOMES AT THE TOP. SO, IN THIS HIGH-RISK CATEGORY, INCLUDE
12 THINGS LIKE UNNECESSARY OR EXCESSIVE FORCE, AND HARASSING
13 OTHER DEPUTIES, WHICH ARE OUTCOMES THAT HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO
14 THE WIDELY RECOGNIZED LITIGATION ISSUE, AND A REPUTATION ISSUE
15 FOR THE DEPARTMENT. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO, WE ALSO WANTED TO
16 KNOW MORE ABOUT WHEN AND HOW RISKS TURN INTO SOME OF THE
17 NEGATIVE OUTCOMES WE'VE SEEN, AND THREE FACTORS WERE COMMONLY
18 IDENTIFIED, INCLUDING THE TYPE OF GROUP, OR THE DISTANCE OF
19 OTHER GROUPS WITHIN A UNIT, WHICH CAN CREATE CONFLICT; POOR
20 SUPERVISION, OR SUPERVISORS BEING HESITANT TO INTERVENE; AND A
21 SELF-PERPETUATING HISTORY OR THE PERSPECTIVE OF THE GROUP, FOR
22 INSTANCE, WHETHER THEY ARE INTERESTED IN STATUS AND
23 CONTROLLING THE STATION. THE NEXT QUESTION IS HOW GROUPS MIGHT
24 CONTRIBUTE TO THESE BAD DECISIONS. OUR INTERVIEWEES OFTEN
25 MENTIONED KEY FACTORS OF AN "US VERSUS US VERSUS THEM"

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1 MENTALITY; SO, SEEING BOTH OTHER DEPUTIES AND COMMUNITY
2 MEMBERS AS "OTHERS." AND THIS CAN CONTRIBUTE TO WORKPLACE
3 INCIVILITY, DISRESPECT, BULLYING, AND ULTIMATELY VIOLENCE, AS
4 WE HAVE SEEN IN A COUPLE EXAMPLES. BUT IT CAN ALSO CONTRIBUTE
5 TO HARDENED ATTITUDES ABOUT THE COMMUNITY, OR SEGMENTS OF THE
6 COMMUNITY. AND ULTIMATELY, THE GROUP CAN PROVIDE A SOURCE OF
7 MOTIVATION OR COVER FOR THESE BEHAVIORS, OR ENCOURAGE PEOPLE
8 TO DO THINGS THEY MIGHT NOT HAVE DONE, OTHERWISE; FOR
9 INSTANCE, WITH BULLYING OR HARASSMENT. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. AND
10 ONE MORE. SO, THIS SUBJECT IS DIVISIVE WITHIN L.A.S.D. ONE KEY
11 THING WE WANTED TO DO WITH THE SURVEY IS ASK ABOUT A SET OF
12 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGE, TO GAUGE CURRENT PERSPECTIVES
13 WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT. MANY RESPONSES SUGGEST THE STATUS QUO
14 NEEDS TO CHANGE. SO, IN PARTICULAR, PEOPLE AGREE THAT THE
15 DEPARTMENT SHOULD BREAK UP GROUPS THAT ENGAGE IN PROBLEMATIC
16 BEHAVIORS, AS WELL AS PROVIDE MORE TRAINING AND SUPPORT TO
17 SUPERVISORS. ABOUT TWO-FIFTHS FAVORED PROHIBITING SUBGROUPS
18 COMPLETELY, WHILE ONE-FIFTH BELIEVED NOTHING SHOULD BE DONE.
19 NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. AND ONE MORE, PLEASE. SO, OUR SET OF
20 RECOMMENDATIONS FOCUS ON SUPPORTING ORGANIZATIONAL AND
21 CULTURAL CHANGE ON THIS ISSUE, STARTING WITH POLICY, BUT ALSO
22 BUILDING AROUND A POLICY TO TRULY SUPPORT CHANGE. AND IN
23 PARTICULAR, A POLICY SHOULD CONNECT TO A VISION FOR THE
24 DEPARTMENT, AND ESPECIALLY TO SEPARATE FROM THE PAST. AND PART
25 OF THE KEY TO SEPARATING FROM THE PAST IS COMMUNICATING THIS

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1 VISION, AND ENSURING IT IS SUPPORTED THROUGHOUT THE
2 ORGANIZATION. WE ALSO NOTE THAT UNIT COMMANDERS ARE
3 PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT FOR MAKING CHANGE. SIMILARLY, THE
4 REPORTING AND INVESTIGATIONS BUCKET INCLUDES RECOMMENDATIONS
5 FOR IMPROVING SYSTEMS FOR INTERNAL REPORTING AND CONFRONTING
6 RETALIATION, WHILE ALSO ENHANCING INTERNAL INVESTIGATIONS AND
7 COLLABORATING WITH EXTERNAL ENTITIES, LIKE THE INSPECTOR
8 GENERAL. THE TRAINING BUCKET INCLUDES IMPROVING SUPERVISORS'
9 ABILITY TO RECOGNIZE THESE ISSUES, TRAINING TO IMPROVE PEER
10 INTERVENTION, AND TRAINING TO IMPROVE INTERACTIONS WITH THE
11 COMMUNITY. AND THE ACCOUNTABILITY BUCKET INCLUDES BOTH
12 INTERNAL ACCOUNTABILITY IN THE FORM OF ENSURING POLICIES ARE
13 IMPLEMENTED, MONITORED, AND ENFORCED, BUT ALSO EXTERNAL, IN
14 THE FORM OF IMPROVING TRANSPARENCY AND OPENNESS. NEXT SLIDE,
15 PLEASE. SO, THE POLICY ON EMPLOYEE GROUPS, AS IT CURRENTLY
16 EXISTS, DOES NOT EXPLICITLY PROHIBIT SECRETIVE SUBGROUPS, AND
17 RECENT STATEMENTS BY THE SHERIFF HAVE PROVIDED CONTRADICTIONARY
18 EXPECTATIONS ABOUT HOW IT WOULD BE IMPLEMENTED. SO, ONE OF OUR
19 RECOMMENDATIONS IS THAT THE POLICIES SHOULD INCLUDE LANGUAGE
20 THAT CLEARLY PROHIBITS THESE GROUPS, AND IT SHOULD EXPLAIN
21 WHAT IS PROHIBITED, AS WELL AS THE CONSEQUENCES OF VIOLATING
22 THIS POLICY, AND THE JUSTIFICATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT MOVING
23 IN THIS DIRECTION; AND SPECIFICALLY, HOW THESE GROUPS CONFLICT
24 WITH THE DEPARTMENT'S CORE VALUES. THE POLICY SHOULD GIVE
25 DEPUTIES THE WHY, IN TERMS OF WHY THE DEPARTMENT IS MOVING IN

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1 THIS DIRECTION. I SHOULD ALSO NOTE THAT THERE ARE OTHER
2 RELATED CHALLENGES IDENTIFIED IN OUR STUDY, THAT MAY HAVE
3 POLICY IMPLICATIONS, LIKE FAVORITISM, BULLYING, HARASSMENT,
4 AND RETALIATION, AND ALL THESE BEHAVIORS ARE EXTREME FORMS OF
5 UNFAIR TREATMENT THAT THE DEPARTMENT NEEDS TO ADDRESS
6 EFFECTIVELY. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. FOR TRAINING RECOMMENDATIONS,
7 WE NOTE THAT SERGEANTS ARE THE MOST CRITICAL SUPERVISORY
8 POSITION, AND THEY NEED TO BE TRAINED AND SUPPORTED TO BETTER
9 RECOGNIZE AND INTERVENE WITH SOME ISSUES THAT ARE ASSOCIATED
10 WHEN SUBGROUPS START TO DEVELOP. UNFORTUNATELY, FORMAL
11 RESEARCH IN THIS AREA IS LIMITED. NEXT, PEER INTERVENTION
12 RECOGNIZES THE IMPORTANCE OF DEPUTIES INTERVENING TO PREVENT
13 MISCONDUCT, AND MANY DEPARTMENTS ARE REQUIRING A POLICY OF A
14 DUTY TO INTERVENE IF ANOTHER OFFICER IS ABOUT TO
15 INAPPROPRIATELY USE FORCE, BUT OFFICERS SHOULD BE TRAINED TO
16 DO THIS. THERE IS AN EXISTING FRAMEWORK FOR IMPROVING PEER
17 INTERVENTION, AND IT HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED ELSEWHERE. ITS
18 EFFECTS ON OUTCOMES ARE LESS CLEAR, HOWEVER, AND IT IS
19 IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT SUCH AN APPROACH REQUIRES A FIRM
20 COMMITMENT FROM THE DEPARTMENT. PEER INTERVENTION HAS TO BE
21 EMPHASIZED AND SUPPORTED, IF YOU'RE GOING TO TRY IT.
22 INSTITUTIONALIZING PROCEDURAL JUSTICE EMPHASIZES A COMMITMENT
23 TO IMPROVING TREATMENT OF THE COMMUNITY, BUT HAS INTERNAL
24 BENEFITS, AS WELL. SO, INSTITUTIONALIZING PROCEDURAL JUSTICE
25 INCLUDES ENSURING SUCH PRINCIPLES ARE INCORPORATED INTO ALL

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1 ASPECTS OF THE DEPARTMENT, BEGINNING IN THE ACADEMY. NEXT
2 SLIDE, PLEASE. COMMAND STAFF, NAMELY CAPTAINS, ARE A CRITICAL
3 POSITION FOR MANAGING SUBGROUPS THAT EXIST. THEY SHOULD BE
4 SUPPORTIVE, BUT ALSO HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR ENSURING THAT ISSUES
5 ARE RESPONDED TO BEFORE THEY ESCALATE. AND THIS INCLUDES
6 MAKING SURE THEY ARE COMMUNICATING WITH THEIR LIEUTENANTS AND
7 SERGEANTS AND DEPUTIES UNDER THEIR SUPERVISION. ON THE
8 COMMUNITY SIDE, OPENING UP MORE TO THE COMMUNITY, TO
9 UNDERSTAND THEIR ISSUES AND TO GIVE THEM GREATER INPUT ABOUT
10 THE DEPARTMENT, IS A KEY FACTOR FOR ACCOUNTABILITY AND SHOWING
11 THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS RESPONSIVE. ANOTHER PART OF
12 ACCOUNTABILITY IS THIS IDEA OF RECONCILIATION, OR RECOGNIZING
13 AND APOLOGIZING FOR PAST HARMS, AND THIS INCLUDES EVENTS FROM
14 PRIOR ADMINISTRATIONS, EVEN. PART OF THIS MIGHT INVOLVE
15 LISTENING SESSIONS TO FULLY UNDERSTAND THE TRUE IMPACT OF
16 HARM, AND DEVELOP PLANS TO ENSURE THAT SUCH HARM WILL NOT
17 RECUR. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO, CULTURE HAS TO BE MANAGED, BUT
18 IT REQUIRES AN UNDERSTANDING OF HISTORY AND TRADITIONS, AND
19 SUSPICIONS AND REVELATIONS ABOUT SUBGROUPS PREVENT L.A.S.D.
20 FROM MOVING ON FROM THE PAST AND CHANGING THEIR PUBLIC IMAGE.
21 IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT ANY CHANGE EFFORT CAN FAIL OR
22 BACKFIRE. IN PARTICULAR, THE SECRECY OF THESE GROUPS OFTEN
23 OBSTRUCTS DIRECT OBSERVATION, MAKING PROBLEMS HARD TO DETECT.
24 INCREASING SCRUTINY MAY MAKE GROUPS MORE SECRETIVE AND
25 RESISTANT TO SUPERVISION, OR COULD RESULT IN A GENERAL SHIFT

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1 IN THE NATURE OF THE GROUPS. AS SOME OF OUR INTERVIEWEES
2 NOTED, THE ACCEPTANCE AND SOCIAL BONDS AFFORDED BY THE GROUP
3 IS THEIR MOST ATTRACTIVE FEATURE, AND IS LIKELY IN STRONGER
4 DEMAND IN TODAY'S ENVIRONMENT. SO THE DEPARTMENT NEEDS TO
5 FIGURE OUT A WAY TO SUPPORT THIS, WITHOUT CREATING EXCLUSIVE
6 GROUPS. AND LASTLY, WITHOUT A CLEAR PLAN AND COORDINATED
7 EFFORTS TO IMPLEMENT A NEW POLICY, ALONG WITH RESOURCES AND
8 SUPPORT, EFFORTS ARE LIKELY TO SUBSIDE OVER TIME. AND SO THE
9 EMPHASIS SHOULD BE ON PREVENTION, AND NOT NECESSARILY JUST
10 RESPONDING WHEN THINGS GO WRONG. AND WITH THAT, I WOULD BE
11 HAPPY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS.

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13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR PRESENTATION,
14 SAM. AND I WANT TO BEGIN, SINCE I HELD THE ITEM, AND I WANT TO
15 BE ABLE TO ASK SOME QUESTIONS, AND THEN GO TO THE OTHER BOARD
16 MEMBERS, AND THEN I HAVE A MOTION. BUT FIRST OFF, I WOULD LIKE
17 TO THANK EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED IN THIS REPORT, THAT
18 ACTUALLY TOOK MANY YEARS, I THINK, TO COMPILE. AND I
19 ESPECIALLY WANT TO THANK THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS, THE ADVOCACY
20 GROUPS, AND EVEN THOSE SHERIFFS THAT WERE OPEN AND HONEST
21 ABOUT RESPONDING TO THIS SURVEY AND REPORT THAT WAS PUT
22 TOGETHER. I KNOW THAT THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT TOPIC FOR MANY
23 OF US ON THE BOARD, BECAUSE I THINK THAT WHAT IT HELPS TO
24 INFORM US IS, THINGS THAT WE PERHAPS ALREADY KNEW: THAT,
25 LITERALLY, THE DEPUTY GANGS HAVE BEEN RUNNING UNCHECKED AND

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1 WITH VERY LITTLE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE LAST FEW DECADES; NOT
2 JUST THIS LAST YEAR ALONE, BUT MUCH LONGER THAN THAT. AND, OF
3 COURSE, WE HAVE 200-PLUS PAGES OF WHAT WE HAVE KNOWN, AND IS
4 AGAIN REAFFIRMING DEPUTY GANGS OF THEIR EXISTENCE, AND EVEN IF
5 THE SHERIFF DOESN'T BELIEVE THAT OR WANTS TO MINIMIZE THEIR
6 EXISTENCE. AND, YOU KNOW, IT TOOK SOME TIME, I BELIEVE, FOR
7 R.A.N.D. TO ISSUE THE STUDY, LARGELY BECAUSE OF C.O.V.I.D.-19.
8 BUT THAT DOESN'T COME AS A SURPRISE TO SOME OF US, AND ALSO TO
9 THE PUBLIC. BUT I DO HAVE SOME QUESTIONS FOR THE R.A.N.D.
10 RESEARCHERS, AND I WOULD LIKE TO BEGIN, IF I MIGHT. I'D LIKE
11 TO POINT OUT THAT I BELIEVE THAT THERE'S AN ERROR IN THE
12 REPORT. ON PAGE TWO, IT SAYS THE BOARD PASSED A MOTION TO
13 REVISE THE COUNTY CHARTER. I WANT TO CLARIFY THAT THAT HAS NOT
14 HAPPENED, TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT IS CORRECTED. CAN YOU RESPOND
15 TO THAT, MR. PETERSON?

16

17 **SAM PETERSON:** YES. I BELIEVE WE HAVE SINCE CORRECTED THAT. WE
18 WERE INFORMED OF THAT ERROR, AND WE HAVE CORRECTED THE VERSION
19 THAT IS CURRENTLY ON OUR WEBSITE.

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. AND ALSO, DO WE KNOW WHAT THE
22 DECIDING FACTORS WERE, AS TO WHY THIS SURVEY WAS NOT PROVIDED
23 TO NONSWORN L.A.S.D. STAFF? BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT THERE ARE
24 ABOUT 18,000 STAFF, OF WHICH 10,000 ARE SWORN, WHICH MEANS
25 THAT A LITTLE UNDER HALF DID NOT HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO OPINE

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1 ON THIS TOPIC. AND WHAT WAS THE DECISION BEHIND WHY CUSTODY
2 ASSISTANTS WERE NOT ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS SURVEY?

3

4 **SAM PETERSON:** ORIGINALLY, WHEN WE WERE FORMULATING THE IDEA
5 FOR THIS PROJECT, THIS WAS PRESENTED TO US AS AN ISSUE THAT
6 AFFECTED DEPUTIES, SPECIFICALLY. AND SO, AS ONE OF THE FIRST
7 EFFORTS TO BETTER UNDERSTAND AND KIND OF EXPLORE THIS ISSUE
8 FROM A RESEARCH PERSPECTIVE, WE THOUGHT IT MADE SENSE TO
9 REALLY KEEP IT WITHIN ONE POPULATION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT,
10 NOTING THAT FURTHER EFFORTS MAY BRANCH OUT AND REACH THE
11 CIVILIAN COMPONENT OF THE DEPARTMENT. SO IT WAS ABOUT FOCUSING
12 ON ONE SPECIFIC POPULATION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** I THINK SOMETHING THAT WE KNOW IS THAT,
15 WHEN YOU ARE HIRED ON AS A DEPUTY, YOU TYPICALLY BEGIN YOUR
16 TIME IN CUSTODY. AND SOMETIMES, THAT HAS LED US TO UNDERSTAND
17 THAT THAT'S WHERE, PERHAPS, SOME OF THESE BAD HABITS MAY HAVE
18 BEEN TAKEN UP. AND SO I THINK THAT'S WHAT MY CONCERN IS HERE:
19 THAT YOU REALLY SHOULD HAVE HAD A MUCH BROADER SURVEY OF
20 EVERYONE, BECAUSE IT WOULD HELP TO REVEAL WHAT IS GOING ON,
21 CURRENTLY, IN THE JAILS. THAT'S MY OPINION. AND FOR COUNTY
22 COUNSEL, I WANTED TO ASK ROD, WHEN WAS THE DUAL-TRACK OPTION
23 REMOVED FOR DEPUTIES TO BE ABLE TO PROMOTE IN CUSTODY?

24

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1 **SPEAKER:** SO, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. MY UNDERSTANDING,
2 SUPERVISOR, IS THAT THAT OPTION WAS REMOVED BY SHERIFF
3 VILLANUEVA. THE PRIOR ADMINISTRATION HAD INSTITUTED A PROGRAM
4 WHERE DEPUTIES COULD PROMOTE BOTH WITHIN CUSTODY AND IN
5 PATROL, AND THEN THAT POLICY CHANGED WHEN SHERIFF VILLANUEVA
6 TOOK OFFICE.

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, AND I BELIEVE YOU'RE CORRECT IN
9 STATING IT WAS INSTITUTED BACK IN 2014. THAT'S WHEN HE CAME ON
10 BOARD.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** I BELIEVE THAT THAT IS CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YEAH. AND THIS IS A RESULT-- AND IN 2014,
15 PER A RECOMMENDATION MADE BY THE CITIZENS' COMMISSION ON JAIL
16 VIOLENCE IN 2012, TO RESOLVE THE ISSUE OF CUSTODY FEELING
17 DEVALUED COMPARED TO PATROL. CORRECT?

18

19 **SPEAKER:** I BELIEVE THAT IS CORRECT, SUPERVISOR. IT WAS AS A
20 RESULT OF THAT COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION.

21

22 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND DID THE L.A. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAVE
23 AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW OR PROVIDE EDITS TO THE REPORT? AND
24 IF THEY DID, HOW LONG DID THEY HAVE THE REPORT?

25

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1 **SPEAKER:** SO, IN THE --

2

3 **SAM PETERSON:** OH, SORRY. GO AHEAD.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** GO AHEAD.

6

7 **SAM PETERSON:** OH, SURE. YES, THEY DID HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
8 REVIEW AND PROVIDE EDITS ABOUT FACTUAL ERRORS AND THINGS OF
9 THAT NATURE. THIS WAS IN MARCH OF 2021.

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND I'LL RAISE THAT, BECAUSE I UNDERSTAND
12 THE SHERIFF HAS MADE COMMENTS IN THE PAST, WHERE HE DIDN'T
13 HAVE TIME TO RESPOND TO THE REPORT, BECAUSE HE HADN'T READ IT.
14 AND THIS IS A QUESTION FOR R.A.N.D. THE SHERIFF SAID AT A
15 PRESS CONFERENCE ABOUT THE REPORT, AGAIN, QUOTE, THAT HE,
16 QUOTE, "READ THROUGH THE ENTIRE REPORT" AND SAID THAT THERE
17 WAS NO REFERENCE TO HIS POLICY, OR THAT HE HAD STAFF WATCH A
18 VIDEO ABOUT DEPUTY GANGS. HOWEVER, THAT IS INACCURATE. THERE
19 ARE ACTUALLY A COUPLE OF PAGES THAT ADDRESS THE REFORMS THAT
20 HE STATED HE MADE. BUT R.A.N.D. AND OTHER OVERSIGHT BODIES,
21 LIKE THE O.I.G. AND C.O.C., HAVE INDICATED THERE ARE
22 INCONSISTENCIES AND A LACK OF CLARITY AROUND SUCH REFORMS.
23 SPECIFICALLY, ON PAGE 170 OF THE REPORT, IT TALKS ABOUT THE
24 VIDEO. AND ON PAGE 171 OF THE REPORT, IT ALSO SAYS THAT HE

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1 CREATED A POLICY. CAN R.A.N.D. SHARE ITS CONCERNS AND PROBLEMS
2 WITH HIS CURRENT POLICY?

3

4 **SAM PETERSON:** SO, I THINK ONE OF THE CLEAR THINGS ABOUT THE
5 POLICY, THAT WE RECOMMEND, IS THAT IT SHOULD PROHIBIT DEPUTY
6 SUBGROUPS, AND IT SHOULD HAVE CLEAR LANGUAGE ABOUT WHAT
7 EXACTLY IS PROHIBITED. SO, WHEN YOU ARE THINKING ABOUT HOW THE
8 POLICY MIGHT BE USED, THERE SEEMS TO BE SOME AMBIGUITY AROUND
9 WHAT EXACTLY WAS ALLOWED, AND WHAT WAS NOT ALLOWED. THAT WAS
10 ONE OF THE KEY THINGS. AND THEN, IN TERMS OF ENFORCING A
11 POLICY, IT WASN'T CLEAR WHETHER IT MIGHT APPLY TO EVERYONE IN
12 A GROUP, OR JUST SELECTED INDIVIDUALS WITHIN THE GROUP, AS
13 WELL.

14

15 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SO, WHAT IS YOUR OVERALL EVALUATION OF HIS
16 SO-CALLED POLICY?

17

18 **SAM PETERSON:** I THINK WE RECOGNIZE IT AS A FIRST STEP, AND I
19 THINK OUR RECOMMENDATIONS ARE FOCUSED ON SORT OF CLARIFYING
20 AND IMPROVING THE POLICY. I THINK, CERTAINLY, IT COULD BE
21 IMPORTANT TO-- SINCE THE CURRENT POLICY IS FOCUSED ON
22 MISCONDUCT, IT IS IMPORTANT TO CLARIFY WHAT TYPES OF
23 MISCONDUCT ARE SORT OF INCLUDED UNDER THAT PROVISION. AND
24 THEN, TOO, SORT OF EXPLAINING WHY THE DEPARTMENT IS MOVING IN

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1 THIS DIRECTION, ARE SOME KEY THINGS THAT COULD BE ADDED TO
2 THAT POLICY.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND I WAS ALSO CONCERNED THAT THERE WASN'T
5 REALLY I THINK, AN OUTWARD MOVEMENT TO GET MORE COMMUNITY
6 INPUT. I WAS RATHER SURPRISED ABOUT THAT. AND I KNOW
7 C.O.V.I.D. WAS OBVIOUSLY IMPACTING THE ABILITY TO DO SOME OF
8 THIS, BUT WHAT COULD WE HAVE DONE BETTER?

9

10 **SAM PETERSON:** YOU KNOW, I THINK OUR COMMUNITY OUTREACH WAS
11 FAIRLY BROAD. SO, WE FOCUSED ACROSS THE COUNTY, AND WE WORKED
12 WITH A VARIETY OF EXISTING STAKEHOLDERS, AND DID SOME OF OUR
13 OWN RESEARCH. WE SUBMITTED FACEBOOK ADVERTISEMENTS AND
14 INSTAGRAM ADVERTISEMENTS, I BELIEVE. AND SO I THINK YOU'RE
15 RIGHT, THAT C.O.V.I.D. WAS CERTAINLY A CHALLENGE. THAT KIND OF
16 HIT RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF OUR COMMUNITY DATA COLLECTION. AND
17 THEN THERE'S THE MATTER OF TIME AND EFFORT EXPENDED ON THAT
18 COMPONENT OF THE PROJECT, AS WELL, COMPARED TO THE SHERIFF'S
19 DEPARTMENT COMPONENT. SO, I THINK ONE OF OUR RECOMMENDATIONS
20 IS CERTAINLY TO DEVELOP A COMMUNITY SURVEY, TO GET A BETTER
21 SENSE OF WIDESPREAD COMMUNITY ATTITUDES ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT,
22 IN A WAY THAT IS QUANTIFIABLE, ESSENTIALLY.

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. I WILL LEAVE IT AT THAT, FOR NOW. I
25 KNOW WE HAVE QUESTIONS BY MY OTHER COLLEAGUES, SO I WILL

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1 RECOGNIZE SOME OF THOSE THAT HAVE THEIR HANDS UP. SUPERVISOR
2 MITCHELL? QUESTION?

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. A STATEMENT,
5 AND THEN A QUESTION, JUST BASED ON THE POWER OF THE
6 PRESENTATION WE JUST SAW. YOU KNOW, THE SHERIFF, AT A RECENT
7 PRESS CONFERENCE, SHOWED PICTURES OF SEVERAL OF US ON THE
8 BOARD, MYSELF INCLUDED, AND REFERRED TO US AS HAVING, QUOTE,
9 "SOLD OUR SOULS TO THE DEVIL." I AM CERTAIN I DO NOT KNOW WHAT
10 FACT-BASED STATEMENT I HAVE MADE THAT WOULD SUGGEST THE
11 APPROPRIATENESS OF SUCH A REMARK OF ONE DULY ELECTED OFFICIAL
12 ABOUT ANOTHER. BUT I WILL SAY, UPON READING THE R.A.N.D.
13 STUDY, WHICH I HAVE DONE, AND HEARING TODAY THE SUMMARY, A
14 COUPLE THINGS STRIKE ME. FIRST OF ALL IS A DEEP SENSE OF
15 SADNESS. I FULLY RESPECT AND APPRECIATE THE COMPLEXITY AND THE
16 DIFFICULTY OF THE JOB THAT MEN AND WOMEN WHO TAKE AN OATH TO
17 PROTECT AND SERVE ALL ENCOUNTER. IT TRULY, I BELIEVE, IS A
18 CALLING. I HAVE READ THE NATIONAL STUDIES AND HEARD TESTIMONY,
19 WHEN I WAS IN SACRAMENTO, FROM MEMBERS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT WHO-
20 - AND READ THESE STUDIES THAT TALK ABOUT HEIGHTENED LEVELS OF
21 SUICIDE, HEIGHTENED LEVELS OF ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE,
22 HEIGHTENED LEVELS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, ALL AS A DIRECT RESULT
23 OF THEM ATTEMPTING TO MANAGE THE STRESS AND STRESSORS
24 ASSOCIATED WITH THE JOB. I HEAR THAT, AND I GET THAT. BUT WHAT
25 IS TRAGIC, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, IS THAT THERE IS A DEPARTMENT

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1 WHERE THERE ARE MEN AND WOMEN, SWORN OFFICERS, WHO, THEIR ONLY
2 OUTLET IN DEALING WITH THE STRESSORS OF THAT JOB IS A
3 CAMARADERIE ASSOCIATED WITH A GANG: GANGS THAT GO BY THE NAMES
4 OF THE JUMP OUT BOYS AND THE EXECUTIONERS; GANGS WHO,
5 ACCORDING TO THE R.A.N.D. REPORT, HAVE ACQUIRED, QUOTE,
6 "HARDENED ATTITUDES TOWARD SEGMENTS OF THE COMMUNITY"; GANGS
7 THAT FEEL THAT IF THEY JOIN, THEY CAN GET SPECIALIZED
8 PRIVILEGES AT WORK. THAT'S WHAT IS TRAGIC TO ME. GANGS THAT
9 SAY, "IF THEY DON'T WANT TO HAVE TO WORK WITH C-GRADE
10 OFFICERS, YOU JOIN THE GANG, SO YOU COULD WORK WITH A-GRADE
11 OFFICERS." THAT IS WHAT IS TRAGIC, BECAUSE THAT, TO ME, SHOWS
12 A HISTORY OF IGNORING THE NEEDS OF THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE
13 DEPARTMENT, AND NOT TRULY LEADING AND CREATING A CULTURE IN A
14 WAY THAT SUPPORTS THEM, AND THE NATURE OF THE WORK THAT THEY
15 DO ON OUR COLLECTIVE BEHALF. THAT'S WHAT IS TRAGIC: THAT THEIR
16 NEEDS HAVE BEEN IGNORED, AND THIS OPTION OF MANAGING ONE'S
17 STRESS, AND CREATING A WORK LIFE WHERE YOU FEEL SAFE DOING A
18 JOB BASED ON THE CAPACITY OF YOUR COLLEAGUE, WOULD SUGGEST
19 THAT YOU NEED TO JOIN A GROUP WITH NAMES LIKE THE JUMP OUT
20 BOYS AND THE EXECUTIONERS. NOT TO MENTION, AS WE JUST FINISHED
21 A CONVERSATION ABOUT RESOURCES AND OUR NEED TO INVEST TO
22 SUPPORT ANGELENOS, NOT TO MENTION THAT SINCE 1990, THAT WE
23 KNOW OF, \$55 MILLION HAVING BEEN PAID OUT AS A RESULT OF THESE
24 ACTIVITIES, ALL IN A SYSTEM THAT IS FORMED AND MODELED AFTER A
25 MILITARISTIC SYSTEM OF COMMAND, WHERE OUR CURRENT SHERIFF AND

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1 HIS PREDECESSORS HAVE ALL SAID, THEY HAVE TRIED TO INSTITUTE
2 POLICIES, BUT THEY CAN ONLY GO SO FAR, IN A SYSTEM THAT IS
3 BASED ON COMMAND, AND THAT COMMANDS BE FOLLOWED. IT IS ALL
4 VERY CURIOUS TO ME, BUT THE MORE I READ THE REPORT, THE MORE I
5 LISTEN TO YOU, I AM TAKEN BY HOW TRAGIC IT REALLY IS; NOT ONLY
6 AS MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE ON THE RECEIVING END OF GANG
7 ACTIVITY, BUT FOR THOSE WHO FEEL THAT THEY HAVE NO OTHER
8 CHOICE IN THEIR PLACE OF WORK. THAT'S REALLY UNFORTUNATE. MY
9 QUESTION IS, IF YOU COULD TELL US, FROM YOUR PERSPECTIVE, AS
10 ALL RESEARCH STUDIES HAVE LIMITATIONS, WHAT WERE THE
11 LIMITATIONS, FROM YOUR PERSPECTIVE, OF YOUR STUDY?

12

13 **SAM PETERSON:** SO, WE DEFINITELY DOCUMENT SOME OF THOSE IN THE
14 REPORT, BUT I THINK ONE OF THE KEY THINGS THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN
15 IDEAL, WHICH IS VERY DIFFICULT IN THIS KIND OF STUDY, IS TO BE
16 ABLE TO SPEAK TO MORE PEOPLE WHO ARE A PART OF THESE GROUPS.
17 OF COURSE, INTERVIEWEES-- YOU KNOW, WE COULDN'T FORCE ANYONE
18 TO PARTICIPATE. RESEARCH PARTICIPATION IS VOLUNTARY. AND I
19 THINK THAT THAT WAS SOMETHING THAT WOULD HAVE DEFINITELY
20 HELPED OUR FINDINGS, AND HELPED OUR CONCLUSIONS. I WILL SAY,
21 WE ATTEMPTED TO ACCOUNT FOR THAT BY USING THE SURVEY. AND SO,
22 OBVIOUSLY, YOU WANT TO SEE A SURVEY RESPONSE RATE THAT'S AS
23 HIGH AS POSSIBLE, AND OUR RESPONSE RATE WAS IN LINE WITH OTHER
24 LARGE SURVEYS OF POLICE DEPARTMENTS. BUT, OF COURSE, IF THAT

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1 COULD HAVE BEEN IMPROVED, THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN A BENEFIT, AS
2 WELL.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AND ONE FINAL QUESTION, MADAM CHAIR, IF I MAY.
5 WE TALKED EARLIER ABOUT THE NATIONAL TREND AROUND POLICE
6 TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY. ONE OF MY COLLEAGUES
7 MENTIONED EARLIER, THOSE ARE TWO STANDARDS THAT WE HOLD EVERY
8 LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT TO, EVERY DEPARTMENT-- I THINK IT WAS
9 SUPERVISOR BARGER-- TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY. AND SO,
10 NATIONALLY, ARE YOU AWARE OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS WHO SUFFER FROM
11 A SIMILAR CULTURE, PARTICULARLY ONE LIKE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF,
12 THAT HAS BEEN SUBJECTED TO THESE KINDS OF ACTIVITIES FOR, NOW,
13 DECADES, UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF MULTIPLE SHERIFFS?

14

15 **SAM PETERSON:** SO, WE LOOKED INTO THAT A LITTLE BIT FOR OUR
16 REPORT, FOR SOME OF OUR BACKGROUND RESEARCH. THERE ARE
17 CERTAINLY SOME EXAMPLES OF GROUPS WITHIN LAW ENFORCEMENT
18 HAVING NAMES, HAVING INITIATION CRITERIA, BUT NOTHING THAT WAS
19 AS PERVASIVE AS THIS, FOR AS LONG A PERIOD OF TIME.

20

21 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I APPRECIATE YOUR RESEARCH
22 AND THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT YOU HAVE BROUGHT FORWARD FOR US
23 TO CONSIDER. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

24

25 **SAM PETERSON:** THANK YOU.

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1

2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT, I WILL RECOGNIZE
3 SUPERVISOR HAHN.

4

5 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU
6 FOR THAT PRESENTATION. IT WAS A LONG REPORT, AND I LIKE THE
7 WAY YOU LAID OUT THE FINDINGS FOR US. I THINK IT WAS VERY EASY
8 TO UNDERSTAND. AND JUST TO CONFIRM, FOR THE PUBLIC WHO MIGHT
9 BE LISTENING, DID YOU INTERVIEW THE SHERIFF HIMSELF, AND THE
10 UNDERSHERIFF?

11

12 **SAM PETERSON:** WE'RE NOT ABLE TO COMMENT ON RESEARCH
13 PARTICIPANTS. WE NEED TO KEEP CONFIDENTIALITY.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY.

16

17 **SAM PETERSON:** WE CERTAINLY HAD MEETINGS WITH THE SHERIFF AND
18 THE UNDERSHERIFF.

19

20 **SUP. HAHN:** OH, OKAY. ALL RIGHT. SO, I KNOW WE ARE ALL
21 REFERRING TO SOME OF HIS PRESS CONFERENCES, BUT THE PRESS
22 CONFERENCE LAST WEEK, THE SHERIFF SAID THAT HIS DEPARTMENT HAS
23 ALREADY IMPLEMENTED 30 OF THE 37 RECOMMENDATIONS SUGGESTED BY
24 R.A.N.D. WOULD YOU HAVE MADE THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS, KNOWING

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1 THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAD ALREADY IMPLEMENTED THEM? AND IF NOT,
2 HOW DO YOU RESPOND TO THE SHERIFF MAKING THAT CLAIM?

3

4 **SAM PETERSON:** WELL, I GUESS MY RESPONSE IS, AT THE TIME OF OUR
5 RESEARCH, WHICH, YOU KNOW, OUR OFFICIAL DATA COLLECTION
6 CONCLUDED LAST FALL, WITH OUR SURVEY. THOSE THINGS DID NOT
7 APPEAR TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN THE DEPARTMENT AT THAT TIME. AND
8 ADDITIONALLY, WHEN WE PROVIDED THE DEPARTMENT WITH THE REPORT
9 IN MARCH, WE DIDN'T GET FEEDBACK THAT "WE WERE ALREADY DOING,
10 YOU KNOW, 30 OF THE 37." I WOULD HAVE TO LOOK INTO EXACTLY HOW
11 MANY RECOMMENDATIONS WE MAKE IN THE REPORT. BUT WE CERTAINLY
12 COULD HAVE CONSIDERED THAT, AT THAT TIME, AS WELL, BECAUSE THE
13 REPORT HADN'T BEEN PUBLISHED.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN:** AND, I MEAN, DO YOU AGREE WITH THAT NOW?

16

17 **SAM PETERSON:** SORRY, WHICH ASPECT?

18

19 **SUP. HAHN:** THAT THEY HAVE IMPLEMENTED 30 OF THE
20 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT YOU HAVE MADE, OUT OF 37?

21

22 **SAM PETERSON:** I AM NOT SURE WHICH RECOMMENDATIONS ARE BEING
23 REFERRED TO, OR-- YOU KNOW, WE ENDED DATA COLLECTION, SO I
24 REALLY CAN'T SAY, FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE.

25

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1 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY. SO, I THINK, FOR ALL OF US-- I MEAN, I KNOW,
2 SINCE I HAVE BEEN A COUNTY SUPERVISOR, I'VE BELIEVED IN
3 BANNING THESE SUBGROUPS, THESE GANGS. I THINK THEY'RE
4 ABSOLUTELY INAPPROPRIATE FOR OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, FOR ALL
5 THE REASONS THAT WE KNOW. THE SHERIFF INSISTS THAT HE CANNOT
6 BAN SUBGROUPS OUTRIGHT, BECAUSE IT COULD BE UNCONSTITUTIONAL.
7 CERTAINLY, THOUGH, ONE OF YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS IS, THE SHERIFF
8 SHOULD BAN THESE SUBGROUPS. DO YOU KNOW IF THERE IS ANY LEGAL
9 PRECEDENT TO BANNING SUBGROUPS, OR IF A COURT HAS RULED ON THE
10 CONSTITUTIONALITY OF BANNING SUBGROUPS BEFORE?

11

12 **SAM PETERSON:** THAT, SPECIFICALLY, WAS NOT SOMETHING WE LOOKED
13 INTO. I THINK, YOU KNOW, PART OF OUR PERSPECTIVE IS THAT, OF
14 COURSE, COUNTY COUNSEL WOULD WEIGH IN ON THAT, EXACTLY, AS
15 WELL.

16

17 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY. WELL, I AM STRIKING OUT WITH YOU ON THIS. I'M
18 GOING TO GET MY STAFF AFTER THIS. SO, YOU MADE A LOT OF
19 RECOMMENDATIONS AT THE END OF THE REPORT. ACCORDING TO WHAT
20 YOU THINK YOU KNOW ABOUT THE SUPERVISOR'S AUTHORITY TO
21 IMPLEMENT ANY OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS, DO YOU HAVE SOME THAT
22 YOU THINK SHOULD BE PRIORITIZED FOR US, AS WE MOVE FORWARD?

23

24 **SAM PETERSON:** THAT IS A GREAT QUESTION.

25

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1 **SUP. HAHN:** OH, THANK YOU.

2

3 **SAM PETERSON:** YOU KNOW, I THINK ONE OF THE KEY THINGS THAT WE
4 HEARD IN INTERVIEWS AND THROUGHOUT, FROM OUR SURVEY FINDINGS,
5 PARTICULARLY FROM WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT, IS THE IDEA OF
6 SUPERVISORS, AND SPECIFICALLY SERGEANTS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT,
7 BEING CRITICAL AGENTS OF SUPERVISING NOT ONLY DEPUTY
8 SUBGROUPS, BUT DEPUTY GROUPS. WE'VE HEARD A LOT ABOUT
9 CHALLENGES THE DEPARTMENT IS FACING ON THAT SPECIFIC SUBJECT,
10 AND I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU ALL TO GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT
11 WHAT, SPECIFICALLY, THOSE CHALLENGES ARE, AND POTENTIALLY HOW
12 THEY CAN BE, YOU KNOW, AMELIORATED. AND THEN, TWO, TO THE
13 EXTENT THAT YOU CAN, AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COMMUNITY, YOU
14 KNOW, SUPPORT AND PROMOTE EFFORTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO, YOU
15 KNOW, IMPROVE THEIR RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE COMMUNITY. SO WE
16 MAKE A FEW RECOMMENDATIONS ABOUT INSTITUTIONALIZING PROCEDURAL
17 JUSTICE. SO, REVAMPING THE ACADEMY TO ENSURE THAT THOSE
18 PRINCIPLES ARE SORT OF FOREFRONT; INCLUDING COMMUNITY SURVEYS
19 AS A COMPONENT FOR GETTING FEEDBACK FROM THE COMMUNITY. AND
20 SO, THINGS OF THAT NATURE. YEAH, I GUESS THAT WOULD BE...

21

22 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY. WELL, THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND I KNOW,
23 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I THINK YOU ARE GOING TO READ IN A MOTION IN
24 RESPONSE TO THIS, SORT OF WHAT OUR NEXT STEPS ARE, SO I THINK
25 THAT IS IMPORTANT TO TAKE THIS REPORT AND THE FINDINGS, AND

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1 MAYBE ONCE AND FOR ALL DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS. THANK YOU,
2 MADAM CHAIR.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

5

6 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO THANK
7 THE PRODUCERS OF THE REPORT AND THEIR RESEARCH FOR THIS WORK,
8 AND I LOOK FORWARD TO THE MOTION, BECAUSE I THINK WE'RE GOING
9 TO ASK A GROUP THAT ACTUALLY HAS SOME LAW PROFESSORS ON IT TO
10 TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT WE COULD DO, AND THAT'S VERY GOOD. I HAVE
11 TO SAY, I LIKE LAW PROFESSORS. BUT MY QUESTION TO R.A.N.D. IS,
12 MY IMPRESSION IS THAT, AMONG THE RECOMMENDATIONS-- AND I WILL
13 CHARACTERIZE IT THIS WAY-- THERE IS REALLY ONLY ONE THAT IS
14 REALLY CONCRETE, AND THAT IS TO BAN THESE GANGS, OR GROUPS.
15 AND OTHERS ARE REALLY ABOUT CULTURE CHANGE, WHICH, OF COURSE,
16 CAN BE VERY DIFFICULT TO IMPLEMENT, ESPECIALLY IF YOU DON'T
17 HAVE MUCH DEVOTION AT THE TOP, REALLY, TO DOING IT. IT IS JUST
18 A LOT OF-- I WILL JUST SAY THIS, PERSONALLY-- BLOVIATING, AND
19 IT'S LIP SERVICE, I THINK WE WOULD'VE CALLED IT. SO, AM I
20 CORRECTLY CHARACTERIZING THE RECOMMENDATIONS AS SAYING
21 CONCRETELY, THE GROUPS COULD BE BANNED, THE REST IS SORT OF
22 CULTURE CHANGE?

23

24 **SAM PETERSON:** THAT'S A DIFFICULT-- I'M TRYING TO THINK HERE.
25 YOU KNOW, WE DO MAKE SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR PROCESS IMPROVEMENT.

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1 HOWEVER, I THINK YOU ARE GENERALLY ACCURATE, THAT A LOT OF OUR
2 RECOMMENDATIONS, OTHER THAN THE POLICY RECOMMENDATION, ARE
3 ABOUT SUPPORTING THAT RECOMMENDATION WITH THINGS THAT ARE
4 GOING ON IN THE DEPARTMENT, TO INCLUDE CULTURE CHANGE, WHICH,
5 ON THAT SUBJECT, IT IS REALLY IMPORTANT TO DEFINE WHAT THE
6 CULTURE CHANGE SHOULD BE. SO, DEVELOPING A CULTURE, A
7 DEFINITION OF CULTURE IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AS PART OF
8 THAT RECOMMENDATION FOR SETTING A VISION FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO
9 MOVE FORWARD. SO, GENERALLY, I WOULD AGREE WITH YOUR
10 ASSESSMENT.

11

12 **SUP. KUEHL:** I THINK WE HAVE THE SAME ISSUE IN EVERY LEVEL OF
13 GOVERNMENT IN WHICH WE'VE BEEN, AND ON THIS BOARD, WE HAVE
14 BEEN AT EVERY LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT. AND THAT IS SORT OF A TOP-
15 DOWN, "DO IT OR I WILL BANG YOU ON THE HEAD," KIND OF MAKE A
16 RULE, MAKE A LAW, SAY, "YOU MUST DO IT." AND, HONESTLY, WHERE
17 CULTURE CHANGE HAS NOT LOOKED TO BE VERY EFFICACIOUS, LIKE
18 WORKING AGAINST RACISM, AND WORKING AGAINST ANY OTHER KINDS OF
19 DISCRIMINATION, WE HAVE CHOSEN TO SAY, "OH, AND BY THE WAY,
20 WE'RE GOING TO MAKE IT ILLEGAL, AND NOW WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL
21 EMBRACE CULTURE CHANGE." BECAUSE CULTURE DEVELOPS BECAUSE IT
22 SERVES SOMEONE-- GENERALLY, THE MOST POWERFUL-- IN A
23 PARTICULAR GROUP. AND APPARENTLY, GIVEN THE LONG STANDING OF
24 THESE GANGS, IT IS CERTAINLY SERVING SOME OF THOSE IN THE
25 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND HAS FOR A LONG TIME. AND I DON'T

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1 THINK THAT IT IS ONLY, "OH, I NEED, YOU KNOW, BUDDIES, AND SO
2 I WILL JOIN THIS GANG." I THINK IT HAS TO DO WITH, REALLY,
3 WORSE BEHAVIORS THAN THAT: DISRESPECT OF THE COMMUNITY, AND
4 THE WAY-- I MEAN, JUST LOOK AT THE WAY YOU SORT OF PILE UP
5 POINTS; DISRESPECT FOR SOME OF YOUR OWN COLLEAGUES, WHO MAY
6 NOT BE LIKE YOU; AND JUST THE GENERAL, "LET'S HAVE A GANG OF
7 OUR OWN THAT IS JUST LIKE US, BECAUSE THAT IS FOR US, AND THEN
8 EVERYBODY ELSE IS NO GOOD, BECAUSE WE'RE THE GREAT KIDS IN
9 SCHOOL." SO I THINK THAT THE MOTION WILL BE VERY HELPFUL IN
10 SORT OF IDENTIFYING IF THERE IS ANYTHING ELSE, BUT I HONESTLY
11 DON'T THINK THAT WE WOULD RUN INTO A CONSTITUTIONAL BARRIER IN
12 BANNING THE GANGS. I THINK THAT THE SHERIFF, IN TALKING ABOUT
13 THAT IN THE PAST, HAS CONFUSED THAT WITH THE NOTION OF
14 TATTOOS, LIKE, "IF I PUT SOMETHING ON MY BODY, IS THAT AN
15 EXPRESSION OF-- YOU KNOW, I AM PROTECTED BY THE FIRST
16 AMENDMENT." AND THE ANSWER MIGHT BE, "WELL, THE TATTOO MIGHT
17 BE, BUT YOUR MEMBERSHIP, AND WHAT YOU DO IN THAT MEMBERSHIP,
18 IS NOT." SO I LOOK FORWARD TO MORE WORK ON THIS, AND I DIDN'T
19 MEAN IT AS A CRITIQUE. I THINK IF I HAD BEEN CHARGED WITH
20 WRITING RECOMMENDATIONS, I WOULD HAVE SAID, "BAN THE THINGS."
21 OTHERWISE, EVERYTHING YOU HAVE TO DO IS JUST TO SAY, "CAN'T
22 WE-- CAN'T YOU, LIKE, ALL GET ALONG? CAN'T WE DO BETTER?"
23 PERHAPS WE HAVE A SOFTER APPROACH. SO, NO CRITIQUE THERE, BUT
24 I THINK THAT IS SORT OF WHAT WE'RE LEFT WITH. THANK YOU VERY
25 MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

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2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ANY OTHER MEMBERS WISHING TO BE
3 RECOGNIZED? SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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5 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AS A SUPERVISOR WHO'S
6 CURRENTLY FIGHTING GANG SITUATIONS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA,
7 I DON'T TOLERATE GANGS IN OR OUT OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.
8 I THINK THAT TWO WRONGS DON'T MAKE A RIGHT. AND CLEARLY, IN
9 THIS REPORT, I FELT THAT YOU WERE VERY TEMPERED WITH HOW YOU
10 PRESENTED THE FACTS. AND SO I WAS VERY DISTURBED TO HEAR THE
11 SHERIFF'S CRITICISM, BECAUSE, IN FACT, I THOUGHT THIS REPORT
12 WAS VERY BALANCED IN TERMS OF SOME OF THE PROBLEMS THAT WE
13 KNOW EXIST, BUT ALSO RECOGNIZING THAT SOME OF THESE SUBGROUPS
14 ARE NOT NECESSARILY-- I THINK IT'S A-- I THINK NOT ALL HAVE
15 DEMONSTRATED PROBLEMATIC BEHAVIOR. SO I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT
16 FOR US TO DISTINGUISH THAT. AND I WANT TO KNOW, WERE THERE ANY
17 SUBGROUPS IDENTIFIED THAT HAD A PERCEPTION THAT WAS NOT
18 NEGATIVE?

19

20 **SAM PETERSON:** SO, YES. SO, WE TALK ABOUT THIS, GENERALLY, AS
21 THERE BEING A CONTINUUM OF GROUPS. SO, ANOTHER COMMON TYPE OF
22 GROUP, YOU MIGHT SAY, ARE PEOPLE WHO GET STATION TATTOOS; SO,
23 A TATTOO THAT REFLECTS THE LOGO OF THE STATION THAT THEY WORK
24 AT. THAT TYPE OF TATTOO IS USUALLY OPEN TO EVERYBODY TO GET.
25 AND WE ALSO HEARD ABOUT, FOR INSTANCE, YOU KNOW, A SET OF

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1 TRAINING OFFICERS WHO ALL GOT A COLLECTIVE TATTOO, AND IT WAS
2 OPEN TO ALL OF THEM, DIDN'T GO BEYOND THAT, THAT KIND OF
3 THING. OR YOU HEAR ABOUT SOME DRINKING GROUPS; FOR EXAMPLE, A
4 CERTAIN STATION WHERE IT IS ESSENTIALLY OLDER DEPUTIES WHO
5 PEOPLE FELT WERE NOT REALLY DOING ANYTHING IN THE WORKPLACE.
6 SO I THINK THE KEY SORT OF CRITERIA IS WHERE IT STARTS TO
7 AFFECT THE WORKPLACE, AND AFFECT BOTH RELATIONSHIPS, AS WELL
8 AS DECISIONS THAT ARE BEING MADE IN THE WORKPLACE.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND THEN, YOUR REPORT TALKED ABOUT
11 DEPUTIES IN THE DEPARTMENT LESS THAN 7 YEARS, WHO'VE REPORTED
12 HAVING LESS KNOWLEDGE OF SUBGROUPS. SO AM I TO CONCLUDE, THEN,
13 THAT MAYBE THE NEW DEPUTIES COMING IN ARE NOT ENGAGING IN THIS
14 BEHAVIOR, OR IS THAT JUST A HUGE ASSUMPTION?

15

16 **SAM PETERSON:** THAT WOULD BE ONE WAY TO LOOK AT IT. I THINK IT
17 IS ALSO IMPORTANT TO CONSIDER THAT IT MAY TAKE A LITTLE WHILE
18 BEFORE NEW DEPUTIES ARE SORT OF TRUSTED WITH THAT INFORMATION.
19 YOU KNOW, THERE'S SORT OF AN EVALUATION PROCESS, AS DEPUTIES
20 AND SUBGROUPS WILL TRY TO LEARN, "WHAT IS THIS PERSON ABOUT,
21 AND CAN WE SORT OF TRUST THEM TO GIVE THEM MORE INFORMATION?"
22 ALSO, NEW DEPUTIES START IN CUSTODY, AND WE CERTAINLY HEARD
23 ABOUT SOME GROUPS WITHIN CUSTODY, BUT THEY CERTAINLY SEEM TO
24 BE LESS PERVASIVE THERE; AT LEAST, CURRENTLY. SO I THINK THOSE
25 ARE TWO OTHER FACTORS THAT SORT OF GO ALONG WITH IT: JUST

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1 GENERAL EXPERIENCE, AND THEN THE OTHER DEPUTIES' PERCEPTION OF
2 THEIR EXPERIENCE.

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4 **SUP. BARGER:** WELL, BECAUSE I KNOW THAT, IN THE JAILS, I THINK
5 THAT WAS AT LEAST GROUND ZERO FOR OPENING UP THE WHOLE
6 DISCUSSION AND BRINGING LIGHT ONTO THE SITUATION REGARDING
7 GANGS. AND THAT IS WHY I THINK, UNDER SHERIFF MCDONNELL, THEY
8 BEGAN ROTATING THEM OFF OF CERTAIN FLOORS, AS A RESULT OF THE
9 GANGS THAT WERE IN THE JAILS. SO, I THINK THAT-- I DON'T KNOW
10 THAT I AGREE WITH THAT COMMENT, AS IT RELATES TO MAYBE NOT AS
11 PREVALENT IN OUR JAILS. SO, I HAVE ONE MORE QUESTION. WAS
12 THERE AN IDENTIFICATION OF BEST PRACTICES OR METHODS TAKEN BY
13 A CAPTAIN IN THE SUCCESSFUL IDENTIFICATION AND MITIGATION OF A
14 SUBGROUP?

15

16 **SAM PETERSON:** SO, I THINK THE ONE THING WE HEARD FROM SOME
17 CAPTAINS-- AND AS WE'VE TALKED TO CAPTAINS, IT WAS THEM
18 FIGURING OUT THEIR OWN APPROACH. SO, IN ONE LOCATION, THIS
19 CAPTAIN HAD TWO GROUPS THAT EXISTED THERE, AND SO PART OF WHAT
20 HE DID WAS EMPHASIZE THE UNIT IDENTITY, THE IDENTITY OF THE
21 UNIT, SO THAT EVERYONE AT THIS STATION SHOULD REPRESENT THAT.
22 AND THEN THE OTHER THING HE DID WAS OPENLY COMMUNICATE ACROSS
23 ALL LEVELS WITHIN THE STATION, SO ALL THE WAY DOWN TO
24 DEPUTIES, LIEUTENANTS, SERGEANTS, FIELD TRAINING OFFICERS, AND
25 DOWN TO DEPUTIES. AND THAT WAS ONE EXAMPLE OF THAT, THAT

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1 DIDN'T MAKE IT INTO OUR RECOMMENDATIONS, ABOUT HOW
2 COMMUNICATING ABOUT THESE THINGS CAN ACTUALLY SET EXPECTATIONS
3 AND POTENTIALLY PREVENT SOME OF THE ISSUES THAT YOU SEE
4 OCCURRING.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER:** AND THEN, CAN YOU GIVE ME THE DEFINITION OF A
7 SUBGROUP VERSUS A GANG?

8

9 **SAM PETERSON:** WELL, FOR OUR PURPOSES, WE WERE INTERESTED IN
10 THE CONTINUUM OF GROUPS THAT EXIST. SO, HOW WE DEFINED IT WAS
11 A SUBSET OF DEPUTIES WHO IDENTIFY WITH A COMMON SYMBOL, ARE
12 EXCLUSIVE, AND NOT OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT.
13 THAT WAS OUR SORT OF WORKING DEFINITION OF A SUBGROUP. AND
14 THEN, YOU KNOW, I THINK THERE ARE VARYING DEFINITIONS OF A
15 GANG. I THINK, YOU KNOW, AS I'VE HEARD, AND THE SHERIFF STATED
16 IN THE PAST, HE USES THE CALIFORNIA CRIMINAL LAW DEFINITION,
17 WHICH IS A GROUP OF TWO OR MORE WHO ARE ENGAGED PRIMARILY IN
18 CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. I'M PARAPHRASING THERE. I DON'T KNOW THE
19 LANGUAGE, EXACTLY. AND SO I THINK THAT WAS-- I THINK MAYBE
20 YOU'RE ASKING ABOUT THIS DISTINCTION OF THE TERM WE USE, AND
21 THAT WAS PRIMARILY WHY WE USE THE TERM SUBGROUP. IT IS MORE OF
22 AN ORGANIZATIONAL AND A SOCIOLOGICAL TERM, WITHOUT NECESSARILY
23 IMPLYING THAT THERE IS CRIMINAL BEHAVIOR, BECAUSE WE WANTED
24 TO LEARN ABOUT THE VARYING GROUPS THAT EXISTED.

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1 **SUP. BARGER:** ALL RIGHT. AND THEN, IN CLOSING, I WILL JUST SAY
2 THAT THE SHERIFF, WHO ACTUALLY, I THINK, WAS IN THE EAST L.A.
3 STATION, HAS ACKNOWLEDGED THE BANDITOS, AND SO THERE IS
4 KNOWLEDGE OF GANGS OR SUBGROUPS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT. AND I
5 APPRECIATE THIS REPORT, BECAUSE I, AGAIN, DO BELIEVE IT IS
6 TEMPERED, AND I THINK IT'S CONSTRUCTIVE, IN TERMS OF MOVING
7 FORWARD, AND IT ACKNOWLEDGES THAT NOT ALL SUBGROUPS ARE
8 NECESSARILY BAD, BUT THEY CAN AT SOME POINT CROSS THAT LINE,
9 AND THE QUESTION IS, HOW DO WE MAKE SURE THAT THEY DON'T CROSS
10 THAT LINE? AND SO I APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT YOU HAVE DONE ON
11 THIS REPORT, AND LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR MOTION, CHAIRWOMAN
12 SOLIS. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE EVERYBODY'S
15 QUESTIONS, MY COLLEAGUES, ON THE MATTER. AND I BROUGHT
16 FORWARD, I THINK, THE ORIGINAL MOTION A COUPLE YEARS BACK,
17 BECAUSE OF THE STRONG, COMPELLING INFORMATION THAT I RECEIVED
18 REGARDING THE GANGS THAT WERE FESTERING, AND HAVE BEEN, FOR
19 THE LAST 50 YEARS; NOT JUST IN L.A., BUT CENTURY AND OTHER
20 PARTS OF THE COUNTY. AND I DON'T THINK ANY OF US HAVE REALLY
21 NOT BEEN, MAYBE, APPROACHED ABOUT WHAT THIS REALLY MEANS TO
22 US, IN TERMS OF THE COUNTY. IT IS SO DISRESPECTFUL. AND I DO
23 FEEL BAD FOR THOSE GOOD DEPUTIES, ESPECIALLY THE NEW TRAINEES
24 THAT WERE BEATEN UP BY THE SO-CALLED GANG IN EAST L.A. I MEAN,
25 THEY DIDN'T EVEN BEGIN THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES, BECAUSE THEY

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1 WERE BEATEN UP, AND NOW WE ARE GOING THROUGH LITIGATION. SO
2 THAT IS GOING TO END UP BEING ANOTHER, WHO KNOWS HOW MANY MORE
3 MILLION, UNFORTUNATELY? AND IT HAS TO STOP. SO, WHETHER IT IS
4 INTIMIDATING OTHER STAFF, DEPUTIES, OR INTIMIDATING OUR
5 COMMUNITY, MINIMIZING THEM AND TREATING THEM AS THE
6 PERPETRATORS, AND REFERRING TO OUR COMMUNITY AS "GHETTO"-- I
7 MEAN, THOSE ARE VERY OFFENSIVE THINGS TO ME, AND I THINK, AS A
8 PUBLIC OFFICIAL, WE HAVE TO DO EVERYTHING IN OUR POWER TO
9 BEGIN TO CHANGE THIS DISCOURSE. AND IT IS TIME. AND I THINK
10 THERE IS A LOT OF PUBLIC SENTIMENT TO MOVE IN THAT DIRECTION,
11 AND I DO HOPE THAT OUR COUNTY COUNSEL WILL HELP US UNDERSTAND
12 WHAT REAL AUTHORITY WE HAVE HERE, AND GET THE BEST
13 INFORMATION, BECAUSE THIS HAS BEEN STUDIED. AND I WANT TO SAY
14 IT'S ALMOST BEEN STUDIED TO DEATH, BUT MAYBE NOT TOTALLY IN
15 THE WAY THAT WE WANT IT TO BE STUDIED, OR WANT TO BETTER
16 UNDERSTAND, SO WE HAVE THE RIGHT TOOLS TO MAKE THOSE
17 CORRECTIONS. AND THAT IS WHERE I WANT TO GO TODAY WITH MY
18 MOTION. AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR CO-
19 AUTHORIZING. AND I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE THIS AND READ THE
20 FOLLOWING DIRECTIVE, AND IT READS AS FOLLOWS: "DIRECT THE
21 SHERIFF CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION TO REVIEW THE R.A.N.D.
22 STUDY AND ANY OTHER PRIOR REPORTS AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS
23 RELATED TO DEPUTY GANGS THAT IT DEEMS RELEVANT, AND REPORT
24 BACK TO THE BOARD WITHIN 90 DAYS, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE
25 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, THE COUNTY COUNSEL, THE DISTRICT

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1 ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER, THE
2 OFFICE OF THE ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER, AND THE L.A.
3 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND AFTER SOLICITING PUBLIC INPUT WITH
4 TANGIBLE IMPLEMENTATION PLANS FOR THE BOARD TO ADDRESS THE
5 ISSUE OF DEPUTY GANGS AND ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS. THE REPORT
6 SHOULD CONSIDER AMONG OTHER THINGS THE BOARD'S EXISTING
7 MOTIONS AND POLICIES THAT THE BOARD MAY ISSUE UNDER RELEVANT
8 STATE AND LOCAL LAWS AND ORDINANCES." AND I AM LOOKING FORWARD
9 TO A PLAN THAT CLEARLY LAYS OUT WHAT THE BOARD HAS THE
10 AUTHORITY TO DO, AS I SAID EARLIER, INCLUDING SUPPORTING ANY
11 STATE AND FEDERAL POLICIES, AS TO WHAT THE SHERIFF SHOULD BE
12 DOING TO ADDRESS DEPUTY GANGS AND DEPUTY MISCONDUCT. THE
13 PROCESS HAS BEGUN ALREADY THROUGH MANY MOTIONS THAT SEVERAL OF
14 US HAVE PUT FORWARD, EXPLORING THOSE OPTIONS TO CREATE AN
15 EXTERNAL, COMPLIANT MECHANISM, SO THAT RESIDENTS WHO WANT TO
16 MAKE COMPLAINTS ABOUT DEPUTIES CAN DO SO, ALSO, WITHOUT FEAR
17 OF RETALIATION; CREATING AN INDEPENDENT OFFICE OF LAW
18 ENFORCEMENT STANDARDS TO OPERATE INDEPENDENTLY OF L.A.S.D.;
19 AND FINDING A SUSTAINABLE FUNDING SOURCE TO SUPPORT THE FAMILY
20 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, TO PROVIDE GRIEF COUNSELING AND BURIAL
21 SERVICES. THIS IS A PRIORITY FOR ME, AND I KNOW IT IS ONE FOR
22 SOME OF YOU, AND ESPECIALLY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AND WE WILL
23 CONTINUE TO PUSH FOR THIS. COLLEAGUES, I RESPECTFULLY ASK FOR
24 YOUR AYE VOTE. ANY OTHER COMMENTS, MEMBERS? OKAY. HEARING
25 NONE, WE WANT TO ACCEPT THE R.A.N.D. REPORT AS A RECEIVED AND

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1 FILED, ITEM 26, AND THIS IS MY MOTION BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE,
2 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, TO APPROVE THIS ITEM, 26.
3 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL?

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5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 26 IS A RECEIVE-AND-FILE, AND
6 SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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8 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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

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13 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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

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17 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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21 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

24

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

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

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5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, COLLEAGUES. I KNOW THIS IS VERY
6 CONSEQUENTIAL, AND I THANK ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.
7 MEMBERS, NOW MOVING ON TO SPECIALS, I SEE THAT THERE ARE NO
8 SPECIALS TODAY, SO WE WILL MOVE RIGHT INTO ADJOURNMENTS AT
9 THIS TIME. IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO HEAR ADJOURNMENTS, AND
10 WE WILL BEGIN WITH THE FOURTH DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

11

12 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE TODAY THAT WHEN WE
13 ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF GERRY MCDANIEL, WHO WAS
14 CO-CHAIR OF THE L.A. COUNTY FAITH COLLABORATIVE, AND PASSED
15 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 68. FOR OVER 10 YEARS, GERRY'S BEEN A
16 STAUNCH ADVOCATE AND DRIVING FORCE IN THE SOUTH BAY FAITH
17 COUNCIL. FROM THE ONSET OF HIS ROLE AS A VOLUNTEER, GERRY
18 ACTED WITH DETERMINATION ON ANY MATTER THAT BENEFITED FOSTER
19 YOUTH. HE WORKED TO RECRUIT FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO ADOPT
20 GROUP HOMES, FAMILIES, AND EVEN INDIVIDUAL SOCIAL-WORK UNITS
21 AT THE TORRANCE REGIONAL OFFICE. HE PLAYED AN ACTIVE ROLE IN
22 THE INCREASE OF FAMILY VISITATION, BY CREATING A VISITATION
23 CENTER IN THE TORRANCE REGIONAL OFFICE, WITH OTHER D.C.F.S.
24 VOLUNTEERS. HIS EXEMPLARY WORK AND OUTSTANDING SERVICE EARNED
25 HIM THE D.C.F.S. VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD, WHICH THE BOARD

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1 OF SUPERVISORS HAD THE HONOR TO PRESENT TO HIM. GERRY WILL
2 TRULY BE MISSED, LEAVING BEHIND A LEGACY OF GREAT ACTS OF
3 KINDNESS, IMPACTING THE LIVES OF COUNTLESS INDIVIDUALS. HIS
4 LEGACY WILL LIVE ON THROUGH THE TORRANCE FAITH COUNCIL, AND
5 THOSE FORTUNATE TO WORK WITH HIM. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,
6 CHERYL MCDANIEL, DAUGHTER REBEKAH MCDANIEL, AND SON PATRICK
7 MCDANIEL. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN
8 IN THE MEMORY OF IRVIN "MIKE" NISSEN. EVERYONE CALLED HIM
9 MIKE, BUT I KNEW HIM AS MR. NISSEN, BECAUSE HE TAUGHT 6TH
10 GRADE AT MY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND MY BROTHER JIM WAS ONE OF
11 HIS STUDENTS. AND ONE TIME, I GOT REACQUAINTED WITH HIM MANY,
12 MANY, MANY YEARS LATER, HERE IN SAN PEDRO. WE WERE AT THE
13 PORTS O'CALL RESTAURANT, AND MR. NISSEN SAT DOWN TO ME, AND
14 JUST HAD TO REMIND ME THAT MY BROTHER JIM HAD THE HIGHEST I.Q.
15 OF ANY STUDENT HE'D EVER TAUGHT. I REALLY DIDN'T NEED TO HEAR
16 THAT, BUT HE WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT I HEARD THAT. AS A YOUNG
17 MAN, MR. NISSEN JOINED THE NAVY, AND WAS STATIONED IN SAN
18 DIEGO. UPON HIS DISCHARGE, HE BECAME A TEACHER IN THE
19 INGLEWOOD SCHOOL DISTRICT, WHERE I WENT TO SCHOOL, AT DANIEL
20 FREEMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. HE SUBSEQUENTLY EARNED HIS MASTER'S
21 IN SCHOOL EDUCATION FROM U.S.C., AND BECAME THE SUPERINTENDENT
22 OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS FOR THE INGLEWOOD DISTRICT. AFTER 28
23 YEARS, MIKE RETIRED FROM EDUCATION AND WENT TO WORK IN THE
24 SHIPPING INDUSTRY. I'M JUST GRATEFUL THAT YOU DON'T REALLY
25 BECOME FRIENDS WITH YOUR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHERS, AND IT

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1 WAS REALLY SPECIAL THAT I GOT REACQUAINTED WITH HIM. AND I
2 ALWAYS CALLED HIM MR. NISSEN. HE WAS 91 WHEN HE PASSED AWAY.
3 BUT I AM GLAD THAT WE BECAME FRIENDS IN THIS LAST DECADE, HERE
4 IN SAN PEDRO. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
5 THE MEMORY OF JAMES YAMAMOTO, WHO WAS A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF
6 RANCHO PALOS VERDES, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 85. JAMES
7 WAS HEAD OF YAMAMOTO BROS., INC., A FAMILY OWNED BUSINESS,
8 WHICH SUPPLIED PROVISIONS TO CARGO SHIPS. JAMES ONCE SERVED AS
9 WILMINGTON'S HONORARY MAYOR, AND WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE
10 WILMINGTON ROTARY CLUB. HE ALSO ASSISTED WITH THE BOY SCOUTS
11 OF AMERICA AND THE LONG BEACH BUDDHIST CHURCH. HE IS SURVIVED
12 BY HIS WIFE ANN, HIS CHILDREN MARK, SUSAN, AND JORDAN, FIVE
13 GRANDCHILDREN, AND THREE GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. I ALSO MOVE THAT
14 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF TIM
15 DESMOND, WHO WAS 74 WHEN HE PASSED AWAY. HE WAS DESCRIBED AS A
16 TECH WIZARD. HIS PASSIONS TO ASSEMBLE, CREATE, AND ANALYZE,
17 KNEW NO BOUNDS. HE NEVER ENCOUNTERED AN EXPERIMENT THAT FAILED
18 TO FASCINATE HIM. TIM HAD A LONG AND SUCCESSFUL CAREER
19 TEACHING MATH AND COMPUTER SCIENCE FOR 35 YEARS AT FLEMING
20 JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL IN LOMITA. HE WAS PROUD OF HIS NATIONAL
21 BOARD OF PROFESSION TEACHING STANDARDS CERTIFICATION, ALWAYS
22 LOOKING TO IMPROVE HIMSELF AS AN EDUCATOR AND GIVE HIS VERY
23 BEST TO HIS STUDENTS. HE DEVOTED HIMSELF TO MANY ACTIVITIES AT
24 ST. MARGARET MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH IN LOMITA, INCLUDING MANY
25 YEARS ASSISTING THE ANNUAL LOMITA FAIR FUNDRAISER. HIS

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1 VOLUNTEERING ACTIVITIES INCLUDED OVER THREE DECADES OF
2 SERVICE, IN BOTH CUB SCOUTS, BOY SCOUTS, AND IN VARIOUS ROLES,
3 INCLUDING DEN LEADER AND SCOUT LEADER. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
4 WIFE OF 47 YEARS, ELIZABETH, THEIR TWO CHILDREN, AND TWO
5 BROTHERS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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7 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. MEMBERS, I WANTED TO
8 ALLOW FOR SUPERVISOR KUEHL TO READ IN HER ADJOURNMENTS, AND
9 SHE HAS TO LEAVE FOR ANOTHER APPOINTMENT. SO, SUPERVISOR
10 KUEHL, YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

11

12 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU,
13 SUPERVISOR BARGER, WHO DIDN'T EVEN KNOW YOU WERE GOING TO
14 ALLOW THIS. BUT I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN
15 IN MEMORY OF VIRGINIA KAZOR, AN ART HISTORIAN KNOWN AS
16 "GINNY." DEVOTED 40 YEARS TO THE CITY OF L.A., THE DEPARTMENT
17 OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS. IN 1978, SHE BECAME THE HISTORIC SITE
18 CURATOR FOR FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT'S HOLLYHOCK HOUSE, IN
19 HOLLYWOOD. HER CONTRIBUTIONS INCLUDED SPEARHEADING THE
20 RENOVATION AND RESTORATION OF THIS FAMOUS 1920S FRANK LLOYD
21 WRIGHT MASTERPIECE, AND IN 2002, SHE RECEIVED THE WRIGHT
22 SPIRIT AWARD FOR HER WORK IN PRESERVING HOLLYHOCK HOUSE. IN
23 2019, HOLLYHOCK HOUSE WAS INSCRIBED ON U.N.E.S.C.O.'S WORLD
24 HERITAGE LIST. FROM 1991 TO 2010, SHE WAS ALSO CURATOR OF
25 SIMON RODIA'S WATTS TOWERS, THE INTERNATIONALLY KNOWN CULTURE

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1 HERITAGE MONUMENT IN LOS ANGELES. GINNY ALSO SERVED ON THE
2 BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ARCHITECTURAL FOUNDATION OF L.A.,
3 TALIESIN FELLOWS, THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER OF THE
4 SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIANS, AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD
5 CONSERVATION COMMITTEE OF THE LOS ANGELES CONSERVANCY. IN HER
6 COMMUNITY, SHE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CREATION OF THE WILTON
7 HISTORIC DISTRICT IN THE LATE '70S, WHICH STOPPED THE
8 DEMOLITION OF MANY EARLY-20TH-CENTURY HOMES IN THAT DISTRICT.
9 SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, TOM, AND HER BROTHER WILLIAM.
10 AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
11 PATRICIA KUHLMAN, WHO DIED ON MARCH 10TH. SHE WORKED AT
12 A.B.C.'S PROSPECT STUDIOS IN THE '70S AND '80S, AND ONCE HELD
13 THE TITLE OF REGIONAL V.P. FOR THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
14 BROADCAST EMPLOYEES AND TECHNICIANS. SHE WAS A PIONEER OF
15 FEMALE LEADERSHIP IN T.V. PRODUCTION, HONORED IN A 1989
16 GRADUATION CEREMONY BY HARVARD'S TRADE UNION PROGRAM. IN 1991,
17 SHE WON AN EMMY NOMINATION FOR HER WORK AS AN AUDIO MIXER ON
18 "GENERAL HOSPITAL." AFTER LEAVING THE PRODUCTION SIDE OF SHOW
19 BIZ, SHE WAS A PROUD MEMBER OF THE SCREEN ACTOR'S GUILD, AND
20 THE ACADEMY OF MOTION PICTURE ARTS AND SCIENCES. AND I MOVE
21 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF AN
22 EXTRAORDINARY AND WONDERFUL WOMAN, RITA LOWENTHAL, WHO DIED ON
23 SEPTEMBER 19TH. SHE WAS AN EDUCATOR, A COMMUNITY ORGANIZER, A
24 SOCIAL ACTIVIST, AND JUST A LOVER OF ALL THINGS THAT HAD TO DO
25 WITH JUSTICE AND THE BETTERMENT OF ANY ASPECT OF SOCIETY. SHE

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1 TAUGHT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH'S SCHOOL OF SOCIAL
2 WORK, AND U.S.C. SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK, AND TAUGHT COMMUNITY
3 ORGANIZING AT HEBREW UNION COLLEGE JEWISH INSTITUTE OF
4 RELIGION. SHE'S THE RECIPIENT OF MANY, MANY LOCAL AWARDS, FOR
5 ACTIVITIES RELATED TO SOCIAL JUSTICE AND INTERNATIONAL PEACE,
6 AND SERVED AS A MENTOR TO MANY, MANY BELOVED FRIENDS AND
7 EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBERS. MAYBE MOST IMPORTANTLY, OR AT LEAST
8 SOMETHING THAT WAS UNKNOWN TO US, BUT MEANT A LOT TO US, SHE
9 WAS THE AUTHOR OF A BOOK CALLED "ONE-WAY TICKET," WHICH WAS AN
10 EXTREMELY COURAGEOUS AND PERSONAL MEMOIR ABOUT HER SON'S
11 ADDICTION TO HEROIN. SHE WAS A FABULOUS AND WONDERFUL,
12 BEAUTIFUL WOMAN, AND SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER SON, MARK. AND I
13 MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
14 WILLIAM GARSON PASZAMANT, WHO WE KNEW AS BILL GARSON, WHO DIED
15 ON SEPTEMBER 21ST. WILLIE GARSON WAS A MEANINGFUL ACTOR TO HIS
16 MANY FANS AND THROUGHOUT THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY, NOTED
17 ACTOR OF STAGE, FILM, AND TELEVISION, MAYBE BEST KNOWN FOR HIS
18 ROLE IN THE ICONIC H.B.O. T.V. SERIES, "SEX AND THE CITY." AS
19 STANFORD BLATCH, CARRIE BRADSHAW'S BEST MALE FRIEND, GARSON
20 WAS NEVER AT A LOSS FOR A CAUSTIC QUIP. FOR THE LAST FOUR
21 DECADES, HE APPEARED IN OVER 300 T.V. SHOWS AND 70 MOVIES,
22 INCLUDING MEMORABLE SUPPORTING ROLES IN "WHITE COLLAR,"
23 "HAWAII FIVE-O." WORKED WITH MANY NOTABLE DIRECTORS-- THE
24 FARRELLY BROTHERS, MICHAEL BAY, SPIKE JONES, MIKE NICHOLS.
25 ALSO, VERY DEEPLY INVOLVED IN MANY CHARITIES: A.M.F.A.R., CAMP

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1 JOSLIN FOR DIABETES, DOCTORS WITHOUT BORDERS, HABITAT FOR
2 HUMANITY, AND ESPECIALLY THE ALLIANCE FOR CHILDREN'S RIGHTS,
3 WHICH FACILITATES ADOPTIONS IN L.A. COUNTY. THIS HAS A VERY
4 SPECIAL PLACE IN THE GARSON FAMILY, AS WILLIE ADOPTED HIS SON,
5 NATHAN, IN LOS ANGELES IN 2010, AND TWICE SERVED AS NATIONAL
6 SPOKESMAN FOR NATIONAL ADOPTION DAY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON
7 NATHAN, HIS BROTHER JOHN, AND HIS SISTER LISA. THOSE ARE MY
8 ADJOURNMENTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU
9 FOR LETTING ME GO OUT OF ORDER.

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11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR KUEHL.
12 OKAY, KATHRYN BARGER. THANK YOU.

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14 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
15 ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF ARTHUR CHARLES DEVINE, A
16 RESIDENT OF GLENDALE, WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY ON SEPTEMBER
17 9TH, AT THE AGE OF 82. HE GRADUATED FROM U.C. BERKELEY WITH A
18 BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN CIVIL ENGINEERING, AND RECEIVED
19 A MASTER'S IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION FROM U.S.C. HE WAS A STATE
20 LICENSED CIVIL, STRUCTURAL, AND FIRE PROTECTION ENGINEER, AND
21 HELD VARIOUS POSITIONS DURING HIS 36-YEAR CAREER WITH THE CITY
22 OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND SAFETY. DURING THIS
23 TIME, HE MET AND MARRIED PAULA, THE LOVE OF HIS LIFE, AND THEY
24 SHARED A BEAUTIFUL LIFE TOGETHER. AFTER RETIRING IN 1997, ART
25 VOLUNTEERED AT VARIOUS PLACES SUCH AS THE WILDLIFE WAYSTATION,

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1 THE BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU, AND C.B.S., TO NAME A FEW, WITH
2 THE GOAL OF GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY. ART CONTINUED HIS
3 VOLUNTEER WORK, AND SERVED AT THE GLENDALE BOARD OF ZONING
4 APPEALS, THE GLENDALE BUILDING AND FIRE BOARD OF APPEALS, AND
5 THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION. ASIDE FROM HIS VOLUNTEER WORK,
6 HE AND PAULA TRAVELED EXTENSIVELY TO ALL CORNERS OF THE WORLD,
7 SPANNING ALMOST EVERY CONTINENT. ART AND PAULA WERE FIXTURES
8 IN THE COMMUNITY, DEDICATED TO IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE
9 FOR EVERYONE. HE LOVED PAULA VERY MUCH, AND HE WAS HER ROCK,
10 SUPPORTING HER THROUGH ALL HER VOLUNTEER EFFORTS, AS WELL AS
11 HER SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGN TO SERVE ON THE GLENDALE CITY COUNCIL,
12 WHERE SHE IS NOW THE MAYOR. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,
13 PAULA. I ALSO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF CAMERON
14 FISH, A LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTY, WHO TRAGICALLY
15 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 33, ON SEPTEMBER 16TH, AFTER A
16 SINGLE-VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENT. DEPUTY FISH, A 12-YEAR
17 L.A.S.D. VETERAN, JOINED THE DEPARTMENT ON MAY 15TH, 2009, AND
18 GRADUATED FROM THE ACADEMY ON SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2009. IN HIS
19 TIME WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, DEPUTY FISH WAS ASSIGNED
20 TO CUSTODY DIVISION AND THE COURT'S SERVICES DIVISION. HE
21 SERVED WITH DISTINCTION AS A BAILIFF AT CLARA SHORTRIDGE FOLTZ
22 CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER. DEPUTY FISH IS SURVIVED BY HIS
23 MOTHER, NANETTE FISH, A FORMER TEMPLE CITY MAYOR AND
24 COUNCILMEMBER, SISTER LAINIE, UNCLE DARRYL FISH, AND AUNTS PAM
25 AND YOLANDA. ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GEORGE ROBERT

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1 KEENE, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF NEWHALL, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE
2 AGE OF 98. AT THE AGE OF 17, HE ENLISTED IN THE U.S. NAVY. HE
3 ATTENDED BASIC TRAINING IN SAN DIEGO, AND WAS INITIALLY
4 ASSIGNED TO THE U.S.S. IDAHO, THEN REASSIGNED TO THE
5 MINESWEEPER U.S.S. HOPKINS, STATIONED IN HAWAII. HE SURVIVED
6 THE DECEMBER 1941 BOMBING OF PEARL HARBOR WITH A SHRAPNEL
7 INJURY, AND LATER, HE WAS ABOARD THE U.S.S. HOPKINS AS IT
8 ESCORTED THE FIRST MARINES INTO GUADALCANAL. AFTER THE WAR, HE
9 WORKED FOR THE LOS ANGELES TIMES AS AN ELECTRICIAN, AND
10 REMAINED AT THE TIMES UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT. HE MOVED HIS WIFE
11 AND YOUNG FAMILY TO NEWHALL IN 1967. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE
12 LOCAL MASONIC LODGE AND A PEARL HARBOR SURVIVORS' GROUP. HE
13 RETURNED SEVERAL TIMES TO HAWAII FOR PEARL HARBOR MEMORIALS.
14 GEORGE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE GWEN, THEIR DAUGHTERS BETH AND
15 SUE, SIX GRANDCHILDREN, AND NINE GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO,
16 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BOBBY LA MAR STUCKEY, A LONGTIME
17 RESIDENT OF VALENCIA. HE WAS BORN IN RAYVILLE, RICHLAND
18 PARISH, LOUISIANA. HE GRADUATED FROM RAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL,
19 WHERE HE EXCELLED IN BASEBALL. HE WENT ON TO PLAY MINOR LEAGUE
20 BASEBALL BEFORE BEING DRAFTED INTO SERVICE WITH THE U.S. ARMY
21 IN 1965. AFTER BEING HONORABLY DISCHARGED, HE WENT TO WORK FOR
22 OSCAR MEYER IN SAN DIEGO. HE WAS A TOP SALES REP FOR THE
23 COMPANY, AND GOT TO DRIVE THE WIENERMOBILE FOR A SHORT TIME.
24 HE OPENED THE FIRST TWO HONEY BAKED HAM FRANCHISES IN SAN
25 DIEGO, WHICH HE SOLD PRIOR TO HIS MOVE TO VALENCIA, WHERE HE

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1 RAN ALL THE HONEY BAKED HAM STORES IN THE SANTA CLARITA
2 VALLEY. BOB IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE LOUPITTA, SONS ROBBY AND
3 CHRISTOPHER, DAUGHTER FRANCESCA, SISTERS FRANCES AND LINDA,
4 AND BROTHER EDWARD. AND I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
5 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE
6 IDENTIFIED AS INDIGENT VETERANS BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
7 MEDICAL EXAMINER, AND WERE SUBSEQUENTLY BURIED WITH DIGNITY
8 AND HONOR AT RIVERSIDE NATIONAL CEMETERY IN THE LAST MONTH:
9 JOHN HENRY BAKER, ARMY; RANDOLPH ALAN BATCHELOR, COAST GUARD;
10 BENNY BIRD, NAVY; DAVID RAY BOOTH, AIR FORCE; RICHARD EDWARD
11 BRIDGES, AIR FORCE; STANTON KENNER COLLINS, ARMY; DAVID WAYNE
12 GOSSETT, AIR FORCE; FREDERICK JOHN LIDENFELD, ARMY; JOHN
13 LOUDON NORRIS, NAVY; ANGEL RONQUILLO, JR., ARMY; PERCY CHESTER
14 VERNON, MARINE CORPS; FILIMON YBARRA, ARMY. MAY THEIR
15 CONTRIBUTIONS AND SACRIFICES IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY NEVER
16 BE FORGOTTEN. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER. OH, I'M UP.
19 OKAY, HERE WE GO. ALL RIGHT.

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21 **SUP. MITCHELL:** OH, BECAUSE THEY WENT OUT OF ORDER.

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23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YEAH, WE WENT OUT OF ORDER. I MOVE THAT
24 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF HENRY FRAIJO
25 HERRERA, AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN AS "JIGGS." HE PASSED WAY ON

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1 SEPTEMBER THE 7TH, 2021. HE WAS THE GREAT-GRANDSON OF GREGORIO
2 AND FRANCISCA FRAIJO, WHO WERE ONE OF THE FOUNDING FAMILIES OF
3 THE TOWN OF IRWINDALE IN THE 1870S. JIGGS WAS BORN IN
4 IRWINDALE, AND MET HIS FUTURE WIFE, ALICE, WHEN THEY WERE BOTH
5 TEENAGERS. HE WAS PROUD U.S. ARMY VETERAN, WHO SERVED IN
6 KOREA; A HARDWORKING, PROUD MEXICAN MAN, WHO STARTED WORKING
7 AT THE AGE OF 9 YEARS OLD, AND ALWAYS PROVIDED FOR HIS FAMILY.
8 HE WORKED AS A LABORER, A TRUCK DRIVER, A SELF-TAUGHT
9 MECHANIC, AND WAS ALSO KNOWN AS "TATA" TO GENERATIONS OF
10 CHILDREN IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. HE LIVED IN BALDWIN PARK SINCE
11 1956. HE IS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS WIFE OF 67 YEARS IN 2013,
12 ALICE RIOS HERRERA, AND HIS SON, GREG, WHO DIED IN 1995. HE IS
13 SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN, KATHY, HENRY, BERNIE, AND ALFRED,
14 WHO IS A PERSONAL FRIEND OF MINE, AND RAMONA. HE WAS ALSO
15 BLESSED WITH 19 GRANDCHILDREN, 53 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, AND 44
16 GREAT-GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, AND A HOST OF NEPHEWS, NIECES, AND
17 OTHER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HIS LEGACY WILL BE REMEMBERED AND
18 CARRIED ON THROUGH HIS CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN, AND MAY HE
19 REST IN PEACE. THAT IS MY ONLY ADJOURNMENT. SUPERVISOR
20 MITCHELL, YOU ARE RECOGNIZED FOR YOUR ADJOURNMENTS.

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22 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I HAVE TWO
23 TODAY, AND I AM GOING TO START AND ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
24 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF CRAIG BATISTE. MR. BATISTE,
25 ALSO KNOWN AS "BIG," WAS BORN ON JULY 23RD IN 1967, HERE IN

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1 L.A., AND PASSED AWAY THIS PAST SEPTEMBER 8TH, AS A RESULT OF
2 GUN VIOLENCE, AT THE AGE OF 54. HE LIVED IN THE WESTMONT AREA
3 OF MY DISTRICT HIS ENTIRE LIFE, AND WAS NAMED "THE MAYOR OF
4 WESTERN" BY HIS COMMUNITY. HE GRADUATED FROM WESTCHESTER HIGH
5 SCHOOL IN 1985. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A COMMUNITY LEADER
6 THROUGH HIS INVOLVEMENT AS A PEACEMAKER WITH THE CITY OF
7 L.A.'S GANG REDUCTION AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT. HE WAS
8 ALSO INVOLVED WITH L.A.'S SAFE PASSAGE PROGRAM, WHICH HELPED
9 ENSURE TEENAGERS IN SOUTH L.A. MADE IT TO SCHOOL SAFELY,
10 WITHOUT BEING INFLUENCED BY NEGATIVE SURROUNDINGS. THROUGH HIS
11 INVOLVEMENT WITH THESE COMMUNITY GROUPS, HE HOPED TO INSPIRE
12 THE YOUNGER GENERATION TO LEARN FROM HIS PAST MISTAKES AND
13 CHOOSE A DIFFERENT ROUTE, OTHER THAN GANG AFFILIATION OR
14 CRIME. HE EXHIBITED A PASSION FOR MENTORSHIP AND HELPING
15 OTHERS. HE ALSO ENJOYED RIDING MOTORCYCLES AND SPENDING TIME
16 WITH HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HIS MEMORY WILL BE CHERISHED BY
17 HIS CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN, BELOVED G.R.Y.D. COLLEAGUES,
18 THE YOUTH WHOSE LIVES HE POSITIVELY IMPACTED AND A HOST OF
19 FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND MEMBERS IN THE WESTMONT COMMUNITY, WHO
20 WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. LASTLY, WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, I ASK
21 THAT YOU JOIN ME IN ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF JOAN BARBARA
22 WALKER, AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN AS "MOTHER WALKER." MOTHER WALKER
23 WAS BORN ON APRIL 28TH, 1933, IN ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND
24 PASSED, HERE IN LOS ANGELES, AT THE AGE OF 88, ON SEPTEMBER
25 14TH. SHE WAS RAISED BY HER GRANDPARENTS, WHO INSTILLED IN

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1 HER, AT A VERY YOUNG AGE, THE IMPORTANCE OF BELIEVING IN GOD
2 AND PUTTING FAMILY FIRST. AT THE AGE OF 13, SHE JOINED HER
3 MOTHER AND FOUR YOUNGER SIBLINGS IN WASHINGTON, D.C., WHERE
4 SHE LIVED UNTIL SHE WAS 22. BEFORE RELOCATING TO L.A. IN 1955,
5 SHE MARRIED ROGER YOUNG, AND OF THIS UNION CAME HER, QUOTE, "7
6 JEWELS," HER CHILDREN. IN LOS ANGELES, MOTHER WALKER FOLLOWED
7 HER PASSION TO SERVE OTHERS BY ENROLLING IN NURSING SCHOOL AT
8 L.A. TRADE-TECH. AFTER GRADUATION, SHE BEGAN WORKING AS AN
9 EMERGENCY ROOM AND SURGICAL NURSE ON THE CARDIAC ARREST TEAM
10 AT KAISER PERMANENTE, FROM WHICH SHE RETIRED AFTER 30 YEARS OF
11 DEDICATED SERVICE. LATER, SHE REMARRIED LENARD WALKER, AND
12 TOGETHER THEY ESTABLISHED THE YOUNG-WALKER FOSTER CARE HOME,
13 WHICH PROVIDED LOVE AND SUPPORT TO MORE THAN 50 CHILDREN IN
14 OUR COUNTY FOSTER CARE SYSTEM, TWO OF WHICH THE COUPLE
15 ADOPTED. IN 1994, SHE WAS SELECTED AS THE SUPERVISOR OF WOMEN
16 FOR SOUTHWEST ECCLESIASTICAL JURISDICTION, A POSITION WHICH
17 SHE HELD FOR OVER 20 YEARS. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED MOST FOR
18 BEING A GREAT MOTHER, A CHILD OF GOD, AND A PASSIONATE,
19 PASSIONATE LAKERS FAN. HER LOVE OF LIVE AND POSITIVE ATTITUDE
20 WILL CONTINUE TO INSPIRE ALL THOSE WHO KNEW HER. MRS. WALKER
21 IS SURVIVED BY HER 8 CHILDREN, ADRIENNE, CATALINA, DEMITRA,
22 FLORETTA, JUAN, MORRIUM, ROBERT, AND WILLIAM; THREE SIBLINGS;
23 15 GRANDCHILDREN; 20 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN; AND A HOST OF
24 EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO WILL REMEMBER HER ALWAYS.
25 THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

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2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AND
3 I WANT TO THANK ALL OF MY COLLEAGUES. WE WILL TAKE ALL THE
4 MOTIONS AS SECONDED, AND IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION TO A
5 UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ACTION. MEMBERS, NOW WE HAVE
6 COME TO CLOSED SESSION, SO I WILL HAVE MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER
7 PLEASE READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. IN ACCORDANCE WITH
10 BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD
11 OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM
12 CS-1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING ANTICIPATED
13 LITIGATION; ITEM CS-2, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATION;
14 AND ITEM CS-3, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR FESIA
15 DAVENPORT AND DESIGNATED STAFF, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND
16 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS. THANK YOU.

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CLOSED SESSION ITEMS FOR SEPTEMBER 28, 2021

CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

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

Significant exposure to litigation (three cases). (20-2580)

No reportable action was taken.

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

Department Head performance evaluations. (11-1977)

No reportable action was taken.

CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6)

Agency designated representatives: Fesia Davenport, Chief Executive Officer, and designated staff.

Employee Organization(s) for represented employees: The Coalition of County Unions, AFL-CIO; Local 721, SEIU, Union of American Physicians and Dentists; Peace Officers Counsel of California; Association of Public Defender Investigators; Association of Deputy District Attorneys; Los Angeles County Association of Environmental Health Specialists; and

Unrepresented employees (all). (17-0363)

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No reportable action was taken.

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1 I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number
2 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do
3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors September 28, 2021, were
6 thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my direction and
7 supervision;

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

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

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 11th
16 day of October 2021, for the County records to be used only
17 for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts as
18 on file of the office of the reporter.

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20 JENNIFER A. HINES

21 CSR No. 6029/RPR/CRR

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