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CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SERIES "A," IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500 MILLION. ON PAGE 35, FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET RESOLUTION ITEMS 50 THROUGH 55. THESE ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. ON PAGE 41, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW TAKE PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ALL AGENDA ITEMS. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN INFORMATION THAT WAS ALSO PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA, AND EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING RULES TO THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE CALLING IN TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO OFFER PUBLIC COMMENT SHOULD CALL 877-226-8163, AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE

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1 NUMBER 133-6503. TO REPEAT: PLEASE CALL 877-226-8163, AND USE
2 PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 133-6503. DO NOT CALL THAT NUMBER IF
3 YOU ONLY WANT TO LISTEN TO THE MEETING. TO LISTEN ONLY, PLEASE
4 CALL 877-873-8017, AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS. TO MEMBERS OF
5 THE PUBLIC CALLING IN, WHEN IT IS YOUR TURN TO SPEAK, PLEASE
6 STATE YOUR NAME AND WHICH AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH TO SPEAK ON.
7 YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE TO SPEAK ON ONE AGENDA ITEM, OR TWO
8 MINUTES TO SPEAK ON TWO OR MORE AGENDA ITEMS. IN ADDITION
9 THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD WITH GENERAL PUBLIC
10 COMMENT WILL BE PROVIDED ONE ADDITIONAL MINUTE, FOR A MAXIMUM
11 TOTAL UP TO 3 MINUTES. WE WILL ALLOCATE 90 MINUTES FOR PUBLIC
12 COMMENT ON ALL OF THE ITEMS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO ACCEPT ALL
13 WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING THE MEETING, WHICH WILL
14 BECOME PART OF THE RECORD. WHEN SPEAKING ON THE AGENDA ITEM,
15 YOU MUST BE ON TOPIC. OUR GOAL IS TO GET THROUGH AS MANY
16 SPEAKERS AS WE CAN. IF YOU'RE NOT SPEAKING ON A TOPIC, OR IF
17 WE CANNOT TELL IF YOU ARE SPEAKING ON AN AGENDA ITEM, YOU WILL
18 GET ONE WARNING FROM COUNTY COUNSEL OR THE CHAIR. IF YOU DO
19 NOT IMMEDIATELY OR CLEARLY GET ON TOPIC, OR IF YOU STRAY OFF
20 TOPIC AGAIN, YOUR WILL FORFEIT THE REST OF YOUR TIME, AND THE
21 CHAIR WILL MOVE TO THE NEXT SPEAKER. PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU ARE
22 ALSO LISTENING TO THE BOARD MEETING ON A COMPUTER OR
23 SPEAKERPHONE, YOU WILL NEED TO TURN DOWN THE VOLUME ON THOSE
24 DEVICES AS SOON AS THE MODERATOR CALLS ON YOU. IF YOU DO NOT

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1 TURN DOWN THE VOLUME, THERE WILL BE AN ECHO. MODERATOR, MAY WE
2 HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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

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

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

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13 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS JOHNNY GRAY. PLEASE STATE
14 THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
15 YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

16

17 **JOHNNY GRAY:** I WILL BE SPEAKING ON ITEM 41-D. MY NAME IS
18 JOHNNY GRAY III. I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
19 STENTORIANS, WITH THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT. I AM
20 CALLING TO SUPPORT ITEM 41-D, WITH THE GIVING BACK OF BRUCE'S
21 BEACH TO THE DESCENDANTS OF CHARLES AND WILLA BRUCE. I JUST
22 WANTED TO SHOW MY SUPPORT, BECAUSE OUR ORGANIZATION AND
23 [INAUDIBLE] WAS CREATED FOR INCLUSION, AND NOT EXCLUSION, AND
24 I THINK IT IS A WONDERFUL THING THAT THE COUNTY SUPERVISORS
25 HAVE DONE, ALONG WITH GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM, TO GIVE THE

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1 DESCENDANTS BACK THE LAND THAT WAS WRONGFULLY TAKEN FROM THEM.
2 AND ON BEHALF OF MY BOARD AND MY MEMBERS, THE L.A. COUNTY
3 STENTORIANS DEFINITELY SUPPORT THIS ITEM, 41-D, AND WE SHOW
4 SUPPORT FOR ALL OF OUR COUNTY SUPERVISORS, AS WELL. AND IF
5 THERE IS ANYTHING ELSE THAT WE CAN DO, AS AN ORGANIZATION, FOR
6 BLACK FIREFIGHTERS, WE ARE ALL INCLUSIVE, AS WELL. SO WE ARE
7 IN LINE WITH WHAT YOU GUYS ARE DOING, AND WE ARE IN LINE WITH
8 WHAT COUNTY SUPERVISORS AND GOVERNOR NEWSOM IS DOING, AND WE
9 ARE PROUD TO BE A PART OF THIS COUNTY, AND WE ARE PROUD TO BE
10 ON RECORD TODAY--

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

14

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

19

20 **SPEAKER:** YES, THIS IS RAY HUMPHREYS, AND ON AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
21 5 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. NUMBER FIVE, I HOPE THAT THE
22 PAPERWORK WILL BE SUBMITTED IN A TIMELY MANNER, OF THIS
23 HOMELESS ISSUE, SO THAT WE DID HAVE AN OCCASION IN THE PAST
24 WHERE PAPERWORK WAS NOT SUBMITTED, THAT WE APPROPRIATED THE
25 FUNDS FROM THE STATE. AND ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT,

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1 SUPERVISOR HAHN, [INAUDIBLE] MOSQUITO ARMAGEDDON INTERVENTION
2 IS LIKE THE BIDEN JAMAICAN BORDER INTERVENTION, AND HIS
3 PERSISTENT FAILURE TO ENFORCE EXISTING CODES, [INAUDIBLE].
4 YOUR FAILURE FOR THE [INAUDIBLE] BENCH IS APPALLING. WHEN
5 OTHERS HAVE AT LEAST TWO, THIS HAS NONE; 800 VIEWS ON YOUTUBE.
6 MAINTAINING A HOMELESS CAMPER AT FAIRWAY CENTER IS GHETTO-
7 FYING ROWLAND HEIGHTS. NICK HOLDEN E-MAILED ME THAT PUBLIC
8 WORKS WOULD CONTACT ME REGARDING FAST-TRACKING THE [INAUDIBLE]
9 STREET-CLEANING SITUATION; NONE TO DATE. AND JOE GAGOSH OWES
10 ME HIS JOB. THE BORDER MAINTAINS ITS QUEST FOR THIRD-WORLD
11 STATUS. AND AS A DEPUTY, DENVER NOTES ROWLAND HEIGHTS IS SO
12 FRAGMENTED, IT IS DIFFICULT TO GET ANYTHING DONE. AND I
13 APPLAUD SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR HER COMMENTS TO NOT USE
14 ANECDOTAL INFORMATION ON THE RENT RELIEF SITUATION, AND TO GET
15 EMPIRICAL DATA ON SAME. THANK YOU.

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

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19 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL BE JESSA WILLIAMS. PLEASE
20 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND
21 WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
22 BEGIN.

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24 **JESSA WILLIAMS:** I AM SPEAKING ON ITEM 41-D. I AM JESSA
25 WILLIAMS. I'M A RESIDENT OF L.A., AND A BLACK WOMAN SURFER,

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1 AND A FOUNDER MEMBER OF INTERSECTION SURF, WHICH SERVES TO
2 UPLIFT AND CELEBRATE GIRLS AND WOMEN OF COLOR IN THE SURF
3 COMMUNITY. TO KNOW THAT WILLA AND CHARLES BRUCE BEAT SO MANY
4 ODDS TO BECOME BLACK ENTREPRENEURS A CENTURY AGO, AND THEN
5 USED THEIR RESOURCES SO THAT PEOPLE JUST LIKE MYSELF COULD
6 ENJOY THE OCEAN SAFELY AND FREELY, IS VERY MOVING. BUT
7 EMOTIONS ASIDE, IT IS A REMINDER ABOUT HOW AND WHY WE ARE HERE
8 NOW, WHERE THE AVERAGE WHITE FAMILY HAS 10 TIMES THE AMOUNT OF
9 WEALTH AS THE AVERAGE BLACK FAMILY, WHITE COLLEGE GRADS 7
10 TIMES MORE WEALTH THAN BLACK COLLEGE GRADS. NO AMOUNT OF
11 PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY, HARD WORK, OR BOOTSTRAPPING CAN ERASE
12 THIS WEALTH GAP, AND THIS HISTORY PAINTS A PICTURE OF HOW AND
13 WHY WE ARE HERE. BECAUSE ONCE-STRIVING ENTREPRENEURS, THE
14 BRUCES SPENT THE REST OF THEIR LIVES WORKING FOR OTHERS AFTER
15 THEY LOST THEIR LAND. SO IT'S MORE THAN JUST BEACHFRONT
16 PROPERTY THAT WAS TAKEN; IT'S GENERATIONS OF OPPORTUNITY THAT
17 WAS STOLEN. AND THAT OPPORTUNITY WAS FOR THE PURSUIT OF
18 HAPPINESS AND A SLICE OF THE CALIFORNIA DREAM. I WANT TO THANK
19 THE SUPERVISORS AND THIS COUNTY, AS WELL AS THE GOVERNOR, FOR
20 SUPPORT OF THIS INITIATIVE. IT IS A HUGE OPPORTUNITY. IT'S A
21 MOMENTOUS OCCASION, AND I DEFINITELY--

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

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1 **JESSA WILLIAMS:** THANK YOU.

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3 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER WILL BE BELEN BERNAL. PLEASE STATE
4 THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
5 YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

6

7 **BELEN BERNAL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD CHAIR AND BOARD SUPERVISORS.
8 MY NAME IS BELEN BERNAL, AND I'M CALLING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM
9 NUMBER 2, WHICH IS SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION TO BRING THE
10 PUENTE HILLS REGIONAL PARK TO FRUITION. I AM THE EXECUTIVE
11 DIRECTOR OF NATURE FOR ALL. A NONPROFIT AND COALITION OF 9
12 ORGANIZATIONS THAT WORK TO BUILD A DIVERSE BASE OF SUPPORT TO
13 ENSURE THAT EVERYONE IN L.A. COUNTY HAS EQUITABLE ACCESS TO
14 THE WIDE RANGE OF BENEFITS ACCESS TO NATURE PROVIDES. AS A
15 FORMER MAYOR WITHIN THE COUNTY, AS WELL AS A FORMER COUNTY
16 SANITATION DISTRICT BOARD MEMBER, I KNOW THAT BRINGING THE
17 PUENTE HILLS REGIONAL PARK TO FRUITION WILL BE A LIFE-CHANGING
18 OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR RESIDENTS. MANY FOLKS WITHIN OUR
19 COMMUNITIES, THAT YOU ALL REPRESENT, HAVE LIMITED ACCESS TO
20 THE OUTDOORS, AND WE NEED TO DO EVERYTHING THAT WE CAN, AT THE
21 COUNTY, AT THE LOCAL, AT THE STATE, FEDERAL LEVEL, TO MAKE
22 SURE THAT OUR RESIDENTS ARE HEALTHY, MENTAL HEALTH-WISE,
23 PHYSICALLY, AND SO MUCH MORE. SO I REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR
24 ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER, ALONG WITH EVERYTHING THAT YOU DO
25 FOR THE RESIDENTS THAT COUNT ON YOUR LEADERSHIP. THANK YOU,

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1 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. HAVE A BEAUTIFUL
2 DAY.

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

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6 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO KRUTI PAREKH. PLEASE STATE THE
7 REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
8 WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

9

10 **KRUTI PAREKH:** HI. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON 4, 5, 41-D, 50, 54,
11 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS KRUTI
12 PAREKH, AND I'M THE COORDINATOR FOR THE LOS ANGELES YOUTH
13 UPRISING COALITION, A GOVERNMENT FOR THE PEOPLE, BY THE
14 PEOPLE. I WOULD LIKE TO CELEBRATE ALL MY LATINX AND INDIGENOUS
15 SOCIAL JUSTICE WARRIORS, WHO CONTINUE TO SERVE THIS COUNTY,
16 AND REMIND US THAT PEOPLE'S HEALTH AND COMMUNITY'S HEALTH, AKA
17 PUBLIC SAFETY, IS INTERCONNECTED. CARE FIRST, JAILS LAST, CAN
18 ONLY HAPPEN IF OUR BUDGET REFLECTS THAT COMMITMENT. I'M AGAIN
19 DISAPPOINTED IN THIS YEAR'S COUNTY BUDGET AND SUPPLEMENTAL
20 RELEASE. THE MOST BASIC DEMONSTRATION OF CARE FIRST, JAILS
21 LAST, IS INVEST IN KIDS, INVEST IN YOUTH, INVEST IN YOUNG
22 PEOPLE. YOUTH JUSTICE REIMAGINED AND THE C.E.O. COULDN'T FIND
23 \$75 MILLION, AND YOU DIDN'T MAKE IT MANDATORY FOR THE C.E.O.
24 TO TAKE UNUSED, UNSPENT PROBATION DOLLARS TO MAKE JUSTICE
25 RIGHT, BY POURING \$75 MILLION INTO THE P.F.U. FOR YOUTH

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1 JUSTICE REIMAGINED: A SET-ASIDE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE, FOR THE
2 BUILD-UP OF A DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT THAT IS WAY MORE
3 THAN FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE IN TROUBLE. IT IS FOR ALL KIDS,
4 SO THEY GET THE SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE THEY NEED FROM THE START;
5 NOT WAY LATE, NOT WAY AFTER THEY HAVE EXPERIENCED TRAUMA AND
6 TRAUMA AND TRAUMA BY OUR SCHOOLS, BY THE STREETS, BY LAW
7 ENFORCEMENT, BUT ACTUALLY BEFORE THAT ALL HAPPENS; AND IF IT
8 HAPPENS, THAT THEY HAVE A COMMUNITY OF SUPPORT WRAPPED AROUND
9 THEM, SO THAT THEY CAN SURVIVE THOSE EPISODES AND HEAL THROUGH
10 THAT PROCESS, SO THAT THEY CAN LIVE PURPOSEFUL LIVES. THE
11 PURPOSE OF YOUTH JUSTICE REIMAGINED IS TO CREATE A MUCH-NEEDED
12 INFRASTRUCTURE. AS I JOINED THE MEETING TODAY, THERE WAS
13 STRONG AWARENESS OF THE OIL SPILL AND WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR
14 ENVIRONMENT. THESE ISSUES ALL ARE INTERCONNECTED. IF WE DON'T
15 LIFT UP THE LEGACY OF STOLEN LAND, STOLEN LABOR, AND STOLEN
16 LIVES, OUR BUDGETS WILL NEVER BE CARE FIRST AND JAILS LAST. WE
17 ARE NOT IN RIGHT RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR ENVIRONMENT. EVERY
18 DECISION IS TOWARDS RIGHT RELATIONSHIP WITH YOUNG PEOPLE, WITH
19 COMMUNITY, AND WITH THE ENVIRONMENT. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO MAKE A
20 DECISION TODAY TO TAKE \$75 MILLION FROM THE PROBATION BUDGET,
21 AND PUT IT INTO THE P.F.U. FOR YOUTH JUSTICE REIMAGINED. THANK
22 YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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

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1 **MODERATOR:** AS A REMINDER, IF YOU DO WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD,
2 IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND THEN 0 AT
3 THIS TIME. DO NOT PRESS 1 AND 0 A SECOND TIME, OR YOU WILL BE
4 REMOVED FROM THE QUEUE. WE'RE GOING TO GO TO SEVAN
5 DERHARBEDIAN. 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:** THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY. MY NAME IS SEVAN
10 DERHARBEDIAN, AND I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A GENERAL COMMENT ABOUT
11 OUR COUNTY'S CURRENT MENTAL HEALTH AND DRUG ADDICTION
12 SITUATION. MY FAMILY IS ONE OF THE MANY FAMILIES CURRENTLY
13 STRUGGLING WITH A LOVED ONE WHO HAS MENTAL ILLNESS AND DRUG
14 ADDICTION. THESE THINGS ARE TWO SEPARATE ISSUES. HOWEVER, MOST
15 PEOPLE WHO ARE ADDICTED TO STRONG SUBSTANCES, THEY DEVELOP
16 PERMANENT MENTAL ILLNESS. THESE LATER RESOLVE INTO
17 HOMELESSNESS AND VARIOUS CONFUSED CRIMES. MANY YEARS OF FAILED
18 POLICIES, SPENDING MONEY WITHOUT A CLEAR VISION AND CLEAR
19 UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT THE TRUE CAUSES ARE, IS JUST A WASTE. I
20 URGE YOU TO PLEASE EVALUATE THE QUALITY OF THE EXISTING
21 PROGRAMS. THE QUALITY IS RIDICULOUSLY BAD. FOR EXAMPLE, THE
22 CALL CENTER FOR URGENT MENTAL HEALTH SITUATIONS, THE TEAM THAT
23 RESPONDS MAINLY LOOKS FOR IMMEDIATE SUICIDE ATTEMPTS AND
24 NOTHING ELSE, AND THAT'S IF THEY GET TO RESPOND SEVERAL HOURS
25 OR DAYS AFTER THE CALL WAS MADE. AND THEN THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO

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1 GENUINELY NEED IMMEDIATE PROFESSIONAL CARE, BUT ARE NOT IN THE
2 RIGHT MENTAL STATE TO EVEN SEEK HELP, THEMSELVES. WE CAN'T
3 IGNORE THESE PEOPLE. MENTAL HEALTH, SUBSTANCE ABUSE,
4 HOMELESSNESS, THEY ARE ALL CONNECTED. HOPING FOR DRUG ADDICTS
5 AND MENTALLY ILL PEOPLE TO GO TO PRISON AFTER MULTIPLE,
6 MULTIPLE CRIMINAL OFFENSES, SO THEY MAY OR MAY NOT GET HELP,
7 IS SIMPLY NOT A SOLUTION. AND SADLY, OUR SYSTEM SEEMS TO BE
8 DESIGNED THIS WAY. PRISON IS NOT THE RIGHT PLACE FOR MENTALLY
9 ILL PEOPLE; NEITHER IS IT RIGHT TO LEAVE THEM AND HOPE FOR THE
10 BEST. WE NEED A CLEAR VISION AND GOOD LEADERSHIP, A THOROUGH
11 EVALUATION OF THESE CURRENT PROGRAMS. THE QUALITY OF THE
12 CURRENT PROGRAMS IS URGENTLY NEEDED. ADDITIONALLY, WE NEED--

13

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

16

17 **SPEAKER:** -- AND COME UP WITH A COMPREHENSIVE SOLUTION.

18

19 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF JUSTIN VERBES.
20 PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING
21 TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
22 YOU MAY BEGIN.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** HI, THERE. I AM JUSTIN VERBES. I AM SPEAKING IN FAVOR
25 OF ITEM 41-D. I AM A MANHATTAN BEACH RESIDENT, AND I KNOW THIS

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1 TOWN. I HAVE LIVED HERE FOR 23 YEARS, AND IT HAS NEVER DONE
2 BLACK PEOPLE RIGHT. YOU HAVE GATEKEEPING IN THE OCEAN, YOU
3 HAVE HATE CRIMES HAPPENING IN THE HILL SECTION, AND THE
4 EFFORTS OF JANICE HAHN AND SENATOR BRADFORD HAVE MY ABSOLUTE
5 SUPPORT. IT'S BEEN TIME FOR THIS TO HAPPEN, AND THIS IS NOT
6 GIFTING LAND, THIS IS RETURNING. SO, I KNOW A BUNCH OF PEOPLE.
7 THE NEW WAVE OF MANHATTAN BEACH IS COMPLETELY IN SUPPORT OF
8 THIS, AND WE REALLY RESPECT AND LOOK UP TO THE WORK THAT
9 JANICE HAHN IS DOING. THANK YOU.

10

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

12

13 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO EZEQUIEL ANDRADE. PLEASE STATE
14 THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
15 YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

16

17 **DR. EZEQUIEL ANDRADE:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DR. ANDRADE,
18 AND I AM HERE TO SPEAK ON PUBLIC COMMENT. I AM A FAMILY
19 MEDICINE PHYSICIAN AT HARBOR-U.C.L.A., AND I'M CALLING IN
20 SUPPORT OF OUR UNION, C.I.R., [INAUDIBLE] EFFORT. I WOULD LIKE
21 TO SPEAK AS TO HOW UNFAIR L.A. COUNTY HAS BEEN DURING OUR
22 NEGOTIATIONS. AS A FRONTLINE HEALTHCARE WORKER, I WORKED
23 TIRELESSLY ALONGSIDE MY COLLEAGUES IN THE I.C.U. DURING THE
24 HEIGHT OF THE PANDEMIC, TAKING CARE OUR PATIENTS. TODAY, I AM
25 HERE TO STATE THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH THE COUNTY FOR

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1 FAIR NEGOTIATIONS. DESPITE THE P.P.E. SHORTAGES, THE RISK OF
2 PERSONAL EXPOSURE, AND THE RISK OF EXPOSING OUR FAMILIES, WE
3 SHOWED UP TO CARE FOR OUR PATIENTS. WE FACED ONGOING
4 UNCERTAINTY AT THE START OF THE PANDEMIC, AND NOW WE ALSO FACE
5 UNCERTAINTY NEGOTIATING OUR CONTRACTS TO IMPROVE RESIDENT
6 WORKING CONDITIONS. JUST LIKE WE SHOWED UP TO DO OUR JOBS, WE
7 ARE ASKING YOU TO SHOW UP TO DO YOURS. WORK WITH US TO ENSURE
8 WE CAN CARE FOR OURSELVES, SO WE CAN CONTINUE TO CARE FOR OUR
9 PATIENTS. THANK YOU.

10

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

12

13 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO ANITA MORALES. PLEASE STATE THE
14 REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER OR
15 NOT YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

16

17 **ANITA MORALES:** HI. MY NAME IS ANITA, AND I AM HERE ON THE
18 BEHALF OF LA PUENTE MUTUAL AID, TO SUPPORT ITEM 2. LA PUENTE
19 MUTUAL AID IS A 100-PERCENT VOLUNTEER-RUN, COMMUNITY-BASED
20 ORGANIZATION THAT HAS PROVIDED VACCINE SITES, BASIC NEED
21 DISTRIBUTIONS, AND OTHER SERVICES TO ALL OUR WORKING-CLASS
22 COMMUNITY. SINCE 1983, COMMUNITY MEMBERS HAVE LIVED NEAR WHAT
23 ONCE WAS ONE OF THE LARGEST LANDFILL SITES IN THE U.S. THESE
24 SAME RESIDENTS WERE PROMISED THAT A REGIONAL PARK WOULD BE
25 BUILT THERE AFTER THE LANDFILLS CLOSED IN 2013. HOWEVER,

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1 ALMOST A DECADE LATER, CONSTRUCTION OF SAID PARK HAS NOT
2 MATERIALIZED. HOWEVER, WITH APPROVAL OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S
3 MOTION, THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS OF PUENTE VALLEY WILL FINALLY
4 HAVE THE REGIONAL PARK THEY WERE PROMISED SO MANY YEARS AGO.
5 WE URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO PLEASE PASS THIS CRITICAL
6 MOTION, WHICH WILL CREATE A SORELY NEEDED GREEN AND OPEN SPACE
7 THAT IS DESPERATELY NEEDED IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. IT IS
8 TIME TO HONOR THE COMMITMENT MADE TO BUILD A REGIONAL PARK FOR
9 THE COMMUNITY SURROUNDING THE FORMER PUENTE HILLS LANDFILL.
10 THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION
11 FORWARD, AND THANK YOU TO THE REST OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
12 FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

13

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

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16 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF OLIVIA SHIELDS.
17 PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH TO ADDRESS
18 TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
19 YOU MAY BEGIN.

20

21 **OLIVIA SHIELDS:** HELLO. MY NAME IS OLIVIA SHIELDS, WITH URBAN
22 PEACE INSTITUTE AND LOS ANGELES YOUTH UPRISING COALITION,
23 COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS 50, 54, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I
24 WANT TO FIRST EXPRESS MY EXCITEMENT AND SUPPORT REGARDING A
25 \$27.4 MILLION INVESTMENT IN THE YOUTH JUSTICE REIMAGINED

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1 DEVELOPMENT FUND. THESE FUNDS REPRESENT A CRUCIAL STEP TOWARDS
2 A HEALTHY AND SAFE COMMUNITY, BY FINANCING ASPECTS OF Y.J.R.,
3 INCLUDING IMPLEMENTING CREDIBLE MESSENGERS, EDUCATIONAL
4 OPPORTUNITIES, AND RESTORATIVE PRACTICES IN SECURE FACILITIES
5 THAT ACT AS ALTERNATIVES TO D.J.J. FURTHERMORE, FULLY FUNDING
6 Y.J.R. AT \$75 MILLION, AND IDENTIFYING ONGOING FUNDING, WILL
7 SUPPORT THE LAUNCH OF THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, THE
8 ESTABLISHMENT OF SAFE AND SECURE HEALING CENTERS, AS WELL AS
9 24-HOUR YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTERS. IT WILL CONTINUE TO
10 PROGRESS OTHER KEY ASPECTS OF REIMAGINE YOUTH JUSTICE. AS WE
11 LOOK FOR ONGOING FUNDING FOR Y.J.R., WE MUST BEGIN BY
12 ADDRESSING THE EVER-GROWING JUVENILE PROBATION BUDGET. THE
13 C.E.O. WANTS TO GIVE PROBATION AN ADDITIONAL \$25 MILLION IN
14 THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET, INCLUDING 28 NEW POSITIONS IN
15 JUVENILE INSTITUTIONS, DESPITE A HIRING FREEZE. WHY ARE THESE
16 POSITIONS BEING INTRODUCED? THE B.S.C.C. JUST FOUND JUVENILE
17 HALLS IN LOS ANGELES UNSUITABLE FOR THE CONFINEMENT OF YOUTH,
18 WHICH MAKES THESE NEW POSITIONS NOT ONLY INEXPLICABLE, BUT
19 ABSOLUTELY UNACCEPTABLE. INSTEAD OF WASTING \$1 MILLION PER
20 YEAR TO INCARCERATE ONE YOUNG PERSON, I ENCOURAGE THE BOARD
21 AND THE C.E.O. TO CUT PROBATION'S GROSSLY INFLATED BUDGET;
22 MOST RECENTLY, A TOTAL OF \$570 MILLION SPENT ON INCARCERATING
23 AND SUPERVISING YOUTH. YOU CAN EASILY DO SO BY CUTTING ALL 400
24 VACANT POSITIONS IN JUVENILE PROBATION'S BUDGET, WHICH AMOUNTS
25 TO BETWEEN \$65 MILLION AND \$78 MILLION EACH YEAR, AND INSTEAD

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1 REDIRECT THIS MONEY INTO A SAVINGS ACCOUNT FOR YOUTH JUSTICE
2 REIMAGINED. IN TERMS OF PHASING OUT PROBATION ENTIRELY, THE
3 BOARD MUST FUND AND SUPPORT A JUST TRANSITION PLANNING TEAM,
4 SO JUVENILE PROBATION JOBS CAN BE TRANSFERRED TO OTHER ASPECTS
5 OF THE COUNTY IN NEED OF WORKFORCE GROWTH. ESSENTIALLY, THANK
6 YOU FOR FUNDING Y.J.R., CONTINUE TO FUND Y.J.R. WITH ONGOING
7 DOLLARS, AND TAKE THESE DOLLARS FROM JUVENILE PROBATION. THANK
8 YOU.

9

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

11

12 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO LORENZO GONZALEZ. PLEASE STATE
13 THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
14 YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

15

16 **DR. LORENZO GONZALEZ:** HI. MY NAME IS DR. LORENZO ANTONIO
17 GONZALEZ, AND I'LL BE SPEAKING ON PUBLIC COMMENT. I'M A FAMILY
18 MEDICINE PHYSICIAN AT HARBOR-U.C.L.A., AND A MEMBER OF C.I.R.
19 I AM HERE BECAUSE OF L.A. COUNTY'S LACK OF CONSIDERATION OF AN
20 EQUITABLE CONTRACT FOR ITS RESIDENT PHYSICIANS, MEANING OUR
21 COUNTY CONTRACT PLACES US AT THE BOTTOM THIRD OF ALL LOS
22 ANGELES COUNTY. SINCE I'M COMPLETING MY RESIDENCY, I WILL NOT
23 SEE THE BENEFITS OF THESE EFFORTS, BUT I BELIEVE LOS ANGELES
24 COUNTY RESIDENTS DESERVE THE BEST PHYSICIANS WHEN THEY'RE
25 SICK. RECRUITMENT OF THESE NEW PHYSICIANS HAS STARTED, BUT

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1 WHAT WE HAVE TO SHOW THEM IS AN EXPIRED CONTRACT, AS OF
2 SEPTEMBER 30TH, AND AN L.A. COUNTY C.E.O. THAT THINKS THE
3 EXPERIENCE OF THE PANDEMIC WAS A BADGE OF HONOR TO PLACE ON
4 YOUR RESUME. I'M HERE BECAUSE I DON'T THINK OUR MESSAGE IS
5 BEING HEARD. WE REACHED OUT TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR
6 MITCHELL A MONTH AGO, AND THEY STILL HAVE NOT GOTTEN BACK TO
7 US. WHAT WE SEEK IS RESPECT AND CARE: CARE FOR US, SO WE CAN
8 CONTINUE TO CARE FOR LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU.

9

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

11

12 **MODERATOR:** AS A REMINDER, TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, IF YOU HAVE
13 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 AT THIS TIME. DO
14 NOT PRESS 1 AND 0 A SECOND TIME, OR YOU WILL BE REMOVED FROM
15 THE QUEUE. NEXT, WE WILL GO TO AMBROSE BROOKS. PLEASE STATE
16 THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
17 YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE GO AHEAD.
18 AMBROSE BROOKS, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

19

20 **AMBROSE BROOKS:** HI. YES, SORRY. THIS IS AMBROSE BROOKS,
21 CAMPAIGN COORDINATOR AT DIGNITY AND POWER NOW, AND AN
22 ORGANIZER WITH JUSTICE L.A., AND I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ON ITEM
23 NUMBER 54 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. HOW CAN THE C.E.O.'S
24 OFFICE IN GOOD FAITH BRING THEIR SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET, AS
25 FOUNDED UPON A CARE FIRST JAILS LAST VISION, WHEN THE COUNTY

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1 WILL ONCE AGAIN SPEND \$3.42 BILLION ON THE SHERIFF'S
2 DEPARTMENT THIS YEAR? THAT'S AMOUNTING TO \$337 PER RESIDENT. A
3 CARE FIRST BUDGET IS NOT THE ONE INTRODUCED BY THE C.E.O.'S
4 OFFICE TODAY. A CARE FIRST APPROACH REQUIRES DIVESTMENT FROM
5 THE COUNTY INSTITUTIONS MOST RESPONSIBLE FOR HARMING AND
6 INCARCERATING OUR COMMUNITIES. HOW DOES A CONTINUED NEARLY \$5
7 BILLION ALLOCATION OF THE SHERIFF AND PROBATION DEPARTMENTS
8 DEMONSTRATE A COMMITMENT TO REIMAGINING JUSTICE AND A CARE
9 FIRST VISION? A TRUE CARE FIRST VISION WILL ONLY BE REALIZED
10 THROUGH TRANSPARENT AND ACCESSIBLE PROCESSES THAT PROMOTE
11 COMMUNITY POWER-SHARING, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND EQUITY. WITH
12 PASSAGE OF MEASURE J, NOW KNOWN AS THE CARE FIRST COMMUNITY
13 INVESTMENT, LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO INCLUDE
14 THE BROADER COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY THOSE MOST IMPACTED BY
15 INCARCERATION, IN AN AUTHENTIC PROCESS THAT SUPPORTS THE
16 EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDING. THIS WILL CREATE A
17 FRAMEWORK FOR THE COUNTY TO UTILIZE IN ANY FUNDING PROCESS, TO
18 ENSURE INVESTMENT IN THE MOST HIGHLY IMPACTED COMMUNITIES,
19 TRUST-BUILDING AND ACCOUNTABILITY WITH THE COMMUNITY, AND TO
20 REDRESS SYSTEMIC AND HISTORIC DIVESTMENT. IT IS QUITE
21 DISAPPOINTING THAT THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE IS FRAMING THE
22 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET AS ONE GROUNDED IN THE CARE FIRST VISION.
23 I WANT TO REMIND THE BOARD THAT THE MEASURE J ADVISORY BODY
24 RECOMMENDED \$900 MILLION FOR COMMUNITY INVESTMENT, AND THE
25 C.E.O.'S OFFICE ONLY ALLOCATED \$100 MILLION FOR MEASURE J

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1 RECOMMENDATIONS. I URGE THE BOARD TO CONTINUE TO PUSH TO FULLY
2 FUND MEASURE J, AND RESPECT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CARE
3 FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT ADVISORY BODY IN YEAR TWO. IT IS
4 QUITE SHOCKING THAT THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE HAS LISTED THIS YEAR'S
5 A.B. 109 FUNDING ALLOCATIONS AS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.
6 MAY I REMIND THE BOARD THAT 65 PERCENT OF A.B. 109 FUNDING
7 WILL GO TO THE SHERIFF AND PROBATION DEPARTMENT? THE C.E.O.'S
8 OFFICE, ALSO IN BAD FAITH, DISREGARDED THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF
9 THE P.S.R.T., AND ORDERED TO CONTINUE TO POUR MONEY INTO THE
10 SHERIFF AND PROBATION DEPARTMENT. THE BUDGET PROCESS DID NOT
11 INCLUDE OR PRIORITIZE COMMUNITY GROUPS, RECOMMENDATIONS WERE
12 IGNORED, AND CRITICAL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WILL END UP WITH A
13 FRACTION OF THE MONEY THEY WERE--

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

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18 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO DAVID DIAZ. PLEASE STATE THE
19 REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
20 WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

21
22 **DAVID DIAZ:** GOOD MORNING. ITEM NUMBER TWO. MY NAME IS DAVID
23 DIAZ. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ACTIVE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY,
24 AND I'M CALLING TO SUPPORT ITEM 2, WHICH IS SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S
25 MOTION TO BRING THE PUENTE HILLS REGIONAL PARK TO FRUITION.

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1 FOR DECADES, THIS LANDFILL WAS ALLOWED TO OPERATE IN OUR
2 COMMUNITIES, WITH THE HOPE THAT ONE DAY IT WOULD BE CONVERTED
3 INTO A REGIONAL PARK. OUR COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR
4 THAT PARK EVER SINCE THE LANDFILL CLOSED ITS DOORS IN 2013;
5 HOWEVER, THAT DREAM HAS NOW BEEN DELAYED FOR ALMOST A DECADE.
6 WE URGE THIS BOARD TO PASS THIS CRITICAL MOTION, WHICH WILL
7 CREATE A SORELY NEEDED OPEN SPACE IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY.
8 THE RESIDENTS HAVE HAD TO ENDURE THE IMPACT OF THIS LANDFILL
9 FOR TOO LONG, AND WE NEED PARK SPACE NOW. THANK YOU,
10 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS MOTION. YOU ALL
11 HAVE A GREAT WEEK.

12

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

14

15 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO HANNAH CARR. PLEASE STATE THE
16 REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
17 WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

18

19 **DR. HANNAH CARR:** HELLO. MY NAME IS DR. HANNAH CARR. I'M A
20 THIRD-YEAR EMERGENCY MEDICINE RESIDENT PHYSICIAN AT HARBOR-
21 U.C.L.A., AND A DELEGATE OF C.I.R./S.E.I.U. I WOULD LIKE THE
22 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK DURING PUBLIC COMMENT. I AM HERE THIS
23 MORNING ASKING FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO ENTER
24 MEANINGFUL CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH OUR UNION, REGARDING OUR
25 SALARY AND WAGES. WE CARRIED THE COUNTY THROUGH THE C.O.V.I.D.

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1 SURGES, TIME AND AGAIN, BUT WHEN IT COMES TIME TO RENEW OUR
2 CONTRACTS TO REFLECT A NATIONAL INFLATION OF 5 PERCENT, AND AN
3 AVERAGE RAISE IN L.A. COUNTY OF 5.4 PERCENT, WE, THE FRONTLINE
4 HEROES, ARE BEING ASKED TO TAKE A SALARY FREEZE AND ROLL OVER
5 FOR SIX MONTHS. WHY? IT'S THE SAME FISCAL YEAR. IT'S THE SAME
6 BUDGET SURPLUS. FOR US, THAT'S ENTIRE RECRUITMENT CYCLE, AND A
7 SIGNIFICANT PROPORTION OF OUR TIME AS TEMPORARY YET FULL-TIME
8 COUNTY EMPLOYEES. WE ARE NOT LIKE THE OTHER UNIONS THAT HAVE
9 ROLLED OVER. FURTHERMORE, OUR CONTRACTS ARE ONE OF THE PRIMARY
10 TOOLS FOR RECRUITMENT OF NEW RESIDENT PHYSICIANS, A PROCESS
11 WE'VE ALREADY BEGUN. WE HAVE NOTHING TO OFFER THESE POTENTIAL
12 APPLICANTS: AN EXPIRED CONTRACT, AND WAGES THAT ARE \$15,000 A
13 YEAR LESS THAN THOSE OF U.C.L.A., AND \$11,000 LESS THAN THOSE
14 AT CEDARS. WE'LL BE HARD PRESSED TO RECRUIT THE BEST
15 PHYSICIANS, THE PATIENTS OUR PATIENTS, DESERVE, WITHOUT COUNTY
16 COMING TO THE TABLE WITH MEANINGFUL OFFERS. WE'RE ASKING YOU
17 TO MEET WITH US, TO ENTER INTO DISCUSSION REGARDING A MODEST
18 INCREASE IN SALARY, TO REFLECT INCREASED COSTS OF LIVING AND A
19 SUBSTANTIAL FINANCIAL BURDEN MOST OF US CARRY FROM MEDICAL
20 SCHOOL. WORK WITH US, YOUR FRONTLINE PHYSICIANS, TO ENSURE WE
21 ARE ABLE TO CARE FOR OURSELVES, BUT WE CAN CONTINUE TO CARE
22 FOR OUR PATIENTS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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

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1 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO PERCIA MARQUEZ. PLEASE STATE
2 THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
3 YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKS SPANISH.]

6

7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WE WILL NOW HEAR THE INTERPRETATION OF THE
8 SPEAKER'S COMMENTS.

9

10 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS PERCIA MARQUEZ, CALLING
11 IN FAVOR OF ITEM NUMBER 2, MOTION BY HILDA SOLIS, FOR THE
12 PUENTE HILLS PARK. OUR COMMUNITY HAS BEEN WAITING FOR OVER
13 DECADE, SINCE 2013. WE ARE HERE IN FAVOR OF APPROVING THIS
14 VITAL MOTION FOR THE SAN GABRIEL AREA. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
15 SOLIS, FOR THIS MOTION.

16

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

19

20 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO CAMILA ALVARADO. PLEASE STATE
21 THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
22 YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

23

24 **DR. CAMILA ALVARADO:** HELLO. MY NAME IS DR. CAMILA ALVARADO.
25 I'M A FAMILY MEDICINE RESIDENT, CALLING FROM HARBOR-U.C.L.A.,

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1 TO SUPPORT CIR'S BARGAINING EFFORTS. FOR THE PAST FEW MONTHS,
2 HUNDREDS OF OUR RESIDENTS HAVE TAKEN THE TIME OUT OF THEIR 80-
3 HOUR WORK WEEKS TO ATTEND WEEKLY MEETINGS WITH COUNTY TO
4 BARGAIN FOR A MORE FAIR CONTRACT. EVERY WEEK, COUNTY REFUSES
5 TO DISCUSS ANY OF OUR ECONOMIC PROPOSALS. WE HAVE BEEN WORKING
6 AT THE FRONT LINE OF THIS PANDEMIC FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS. WE
7 HAVE BEEN CALLED ESSENTIAL WORKERS, HEALTHCARE HEROES, AND
8 FRONTLINE PROVIDERS. WE GOT L.A. THROUGH EVERY SURGE, ALL
9 WHILE PUTTING OUR OWN HEALTH AT RISK. AND HOW DOES COUNTY
10 REPAY US HEALTHCARE HEROES, WHEN WE NEED YOU ALL THE MOST? BY
11 SHUTTING THE DOOR IN OUR FACES, AND REFUSING TO NEGOTIATE OUR
12 PROPOSALS. ALL WE ARE ASKING FOR YOU IS TO MEET WITH US, AND
13 TO WORK WITH US TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE ABLE TO CARE FOR
14 OURSELVES, SO WE CAN CONTINUE TO CARE FOR OUR PATIENTS. THANK
15 YOU.

16

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

18

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

23

24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WE WILL NOW HEAR THE SPANISH
25 INTERPRETATION OF THIS REMINDER. [SPANISH INTERPRETATION.]

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1

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

4

5 **MODERATOR:** WE'RE GOING TO GO TO ALLISON HALES. PLEASE STATE
6 THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
7 YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

8

9 **ALLISON HALES:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS ALLISON
10 HALES. I AM THE FOUNDER OF CULTURE CLUB SOUTH BAY, AND IT'S TO
11 CELEBRATE AND MAKE SPACE WITH DIVERSITY AND CULTURE IN
12 MANHATTAN BEACH AND THE REST OF THE SOUTH BAY. I WOULD LIKE TO
13 SPEAK ON ITEM NUMBER 41-D. I FULLY SUPPORT SUPERVISOR JANICE
14 HAHN AND THE SIGNING OF THE BILL S.B. 796. IT IS A LONG TIME
15 COMING, AND I WANT TO THANK ALL PARTIES INVOLVED IN MAKING
16 THIS HAPPEN. IT IS TRULY HISTORY IN THE MAKING, AND I AM SO
17 HAPPY TO SEE IT HAPPENING. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

18

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

20

21 **MODERATOR:** WE'RE GOING TO GO TO SHARON AKIN. PLEASE STATE THE
22 REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
23 WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

24

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1 **SHARON AKIN:** HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SHARON AKIN. I'M
2 FROM THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CONSERVATION CORPS. WE ARE CALLING
3 TO SUPPORT ITEM 2, WHICH IS SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION TO BRING
4 THE PUENTE HILLS REGIONAL PARK TO FRUITION. FOR DECADES, THIS
5 LANDFILL WAS ALLOWED TO OPERATE IN OUR COMMUNITY, WITH THE
6 HOPE THAT ONE DAY IT WOULD BE CONVERTED INTO A REGIONAL PARK.
7 PUBLIC PARKS ARE IMPORTANT PLACES FOR BUILDING A SENSE OF
8 COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL BELONGING. THEY ARE SPACES THAT BELONG TO
9 EVERYONE, REGARDLESS OF AGE, GENDER, ETHNICITY, RELIGION, OR
10 INCOME. OUR COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR THAT PARK EVER
11 SINCE THE LANDFILL CLOSED ITS DOORS IN 2013; HOWEVER, THAT
12 DREAM HAS BEEN DELAYED FOR ALMOST A DECADE. THAT WILL CHANGE
13 TODAY, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE SUPERVISOR'S MOTION. WE URGE
14 THE BOARD TO PASS THIS CRITICAL MOTION, WHICH WILL CREATE
15 SORELY NEEDED OPEN SPACE IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. RESIDENTS
16 HAVE HAD TO ENDURE THE IMPACT OF THIS LANDFILL FOR FAR TOO
17 LONG. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS
18 MOTION. THANK YOU.

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

21
22 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO MARVIN AMBRIZ. PLEASE STATE
23 THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH TO ADDRESS, AND WHETHER OR
24 NOT YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
25 BEGIN.

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1

2 **DR. MARVIN AMBRIZ:** YES, SO THIS IS DR. MARVIN AMBRIZ, FROM
3 HARBOR-U.C.L.A. I'M A FAMILY MEDICINE RESIDENT. I AM HERE TO
4 SPEAK ON PUBLIC COMMENT, AS WELL AS TO SUPPORT C.I.R.'S
5 BARGAINING EFFORTS. AS AM ESSENTIAL CARE WORKER, WE SHOULD BE
6 GRANTED THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS OUR UPCOMING CONTRACT.
7 THESE TALKS DO HAVE A GREAT IMPACT ON OUR ABILITY TO TRACK
8 COMPETITIVE APPLICANTS THROUGH OUR RESIDENCY PROGRAM, AS OUR
9 APPLICANTS ARE VERY INTERESTED IN KNOWING OUR FINANCIAL
10 SITUATION AND INCREASE IN COSTS IN L.A. COUNTY. IT WOULD BE
11 REASSURING TO TELL OUR APPLICANTS, AS WELL AS OUR HARDWORKING
12 RESIDENTS WHO, OVER THE LAST ONE AND A HALF YEARS, HAVE BEEN
13 COMBATING THE DEADLY PANDEMIC, RISKING OUR LIVES AS FRONTLINE
14 WORKERS, THAT WE ARE HAVING PROPER NEGOTIATIONS WITH L.A.
15 COUNTY. INSTEAD, WE HAVE YET TO HAVE FRUITFUL CONVERSATIONS
16 REGARDING WAGES, IMPROVED SAFETY, AND OVERALL QUALITY OF LIFE
17 FOR OUR RESIDENTS. WE CONTINUE TO WAIT TO HEAR BACK FROM
18 SUPERVISORS AFTER A MONTH OF COMMUNICATION. ALL WE ASK IS TO
19 MEET WITH US AND TO WORK WITH FRONTLINE PROVIDERS TO ENSURE
20 THAT WE ARE ABLE TO CARE FOR OURSELVES, SO WE CONTINUE TO CARE
21 FOR OUR PATIENTS. THANK YOU.

22

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

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1 **MODERATOR:** WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.
2 PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING
3 TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
4 YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON
8 S-1, 4, 8, 12, AND 41-C. S-1, WE NEED TO REALLY LOOK AT THAT,
9 BECAUSE OUR NUMBER OF C.O.V.I.D. HAS REALLY DROPPED DOWN.
10 MAYBE WE CAN RELAX SOME OF THE ISSUES. ON NUMBER 4, I'M
11 TOTALLY IN FAVOR TO HAVE THOSE PHONE CALLS [INAUDIBLE]. AND ON
12 THE 12, THAT L.A.H.S.A., YOU RECEIVED A REPORT, FINALLY, AND
13 FILED IT, BUT GUESS WHAT? THE REPORT'S NOT AVAILABLE TO
14 ANYBODY WHO WANTS IT. AND I WOULD REALLY, REALLY WANT TO HAVE
15 A COPY, SO I WILL ASK MY OWN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, SUPERVISOR
16 BARGER, TO SEND ME A COPY OF THAT REPORT, BECAUSE I WOULD LOVE
17 TO REVIEW IT, BECAUSE L.A.H.S.A. IS NOT DOING ITS JOB, AND I
18 AM CONCERNED ABOUT IT. SO, 41-C, ABOUT THE HAITIAN IMMIGRANTS.
19 I AM TOTALLY IN SUPPORT OF THAT, AND [INAUDIBLE], BECAUSE MANY
20 HAITIANS SPEAK FRENCH, AND [INAUDIBLE] IN THE PAST, SO
21 [INAUDIBLE] SAY GOODBYE. HAVE A GREAT WEEK, AND I HOPE YOU
22 REOPEN THE COUNTY SOON, BECAUSE I WANT TO BE ABLE TO LOOK AT
23 YOU AGAIN, AND TALK, AND [INAUDIBLE], BECAUSE RIGHT NOW, A LOT
24 OF MEETINGS ARE CANCELED, AND SO ON, AND THAT IS NOT THE WAY

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1 TO RUN BUSINESS. ANYWAY, I HOPE YOU REOPEN SOON. HAVE A GOOD
2 WEEK. BYE.

3

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

5

6 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO REVEREND TONY PIERCE. PLEASE
7 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND
8 WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
9 BEGIN.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** YES, THIS IS REVEREND TONY PIERCE. I AM SENIOR PASTOR
12 OF THE WORLD RESTORATION MINISTRIES, GLOBALLY. I AM ALSO THE
13 C.E.O. OF BLACK WALL STREET PROJECT, AND I WANT TO SPEAK TO
14 41-D, TO INITIATE THE PROCESS TO RETURN BRUCE'S BEACH TO THE
15 BRUCE FAMILY. I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR ALL YOUR HARD
16 EFFORTS. I WANT TO THANK, ESPECIALLY, JANICE HAHN FOR
17 SPEARHEADING A LOT OF THE ACTIVITY IN THIS. I WANT TO THANK
18 HOLLY MITCHELL, WHO FOUGHT FOR THIS IN THE SENATE, AND THE
19 SUPERVISORS WHO FOUGHT FOR THIS. I WANT TO THANK STEVE
20 BRADFORD, GOVERNOR NEWSOM, AL MURATSUCHI, ASSEMBLY PERSON
21 BURKE, ASSEMBLY PERSON JONES-SAWYER, AND ET CETERA, EVERYONE
22 THAT HAS BROUGHT THIS TO THIS POINT. NOW WE NEED ACTION. IT IS
23 AN IMPORTANT PIECE OF LEGISLATION; PROBABLY THE MOST IMPORTANT
24 PIECE OF LEGISLATION SINCE THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT, TO RIGHT A

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1 MAJOR WRONG. THERE IS IMMENSE SUPPORT FOR THIS. WE ARE TALKING
2 ABOUT REPARATIONS, AND--

3

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

6

7 **MODERATOR:** WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF MONIQUE HEDMAN. PLEASE
8 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND
9 WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
10 BEGIN.

11

12 **DR. MONIQUE HEDMAN:** HI, MY NAME IS DR. MONIQUE HEDMAN. I AM A
13 FAMILY MEDICINE RESIDENT PHYSICIAN AT HARBOR-U.C.L.A., AND A
14 DELEGATE OF C.I.R./S.E.I.U. I AM CALLING TO PROVIDE GENERAL
15 PUBLIC COMMENT. I'D LIKE TO COMMENT ON THE FACT THAT L.A.
16 COUNTY HAS SHUT THE DOOR ON US, IN TERMS OF FAIR CONTRACT
17 NEGOTIATIONS. SACRIFICING OUR HEALTH AND WELLBEING TO STEER
18 OUR COMMUNITIES THROUGH A DEVASTATING PANDEMIC, ONLY TO BE
19 TOLD THAT WE MUST WAIT TO DISCUSS THE MERE POSSIBILITY OF
20 RECEIVING FAIR PAY FOR THAT CRITICAL WORK, IS THE ULTIMATE
21 INSULT TO INJURY. WE HAVE REACHED OUT TO SUPERVISORS MITCHELL
22 AND SOLIS, WITH NO RESPONSE. HOW CAN YOU BE LABOR-FORWARD, BUT
23 ARE NOT WORKING WITH PHYSICIANS DURING A PANDEMIC? HOW CAN YOU
24 SHUT THE DOOR ON US WHEN WE NEED YOU ALL THE MOST? BY NOT
25 ENGAGING US, YOU ARE SENDING THE MESSAGE THAT YOU DO NOT CARE

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1 ABOUT THE PEOPLE YOU HAVE TASKED WITH GETTING THE COUNTY
2 THROUGH THIS PANDEMIC, AND THEREBY DO NOT CARE ABOUT THE
3 CITIZENS THAT THEY SERVE. IF YOU AFFECT OUR ABILITY TO ATTRACT
4 QUALITY RESIDENTS AND FELLOWS TO OUR HOSPITALS, THEN IT WILL
5 DIRECTLY IMPACT THE PATIENTS THAT ARE CARED FOR IN OUR
6 HOSPITALS, WHO DESERVE NOTHING BUT THE BEST CARE WE CAN
7 POSSIBLY PROVIDE. WE CAME TO WORK FOR THE COUNTY BECAUSE WE
8 WANTED TO PLAY A MAJOR ROLE IN SERVING ITS MOST VULNERABLE
9 RESIDENTS. THE COUNTY'S CURRENT POSITION, IN REFUSING TO
10 NEGOTIATE ECONOMICS WITH ITS FRONTLINE PHYSICIAN WORKFORCE, IS
11 SEVERELY COMPROMISING OUR ABILITY TO DO SO, BOTH NOW AND IN
12 THE FUTURE.

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

16
17 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO ALFONSO JIMENEZ. PLEASE STATE
18 THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
19 YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

20
21 **ALFONSO JIMENEZ:** HELLO. MY NAME IS DR. ALFONSO JIMENEZ,
22 SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS FOR THE HACIENDA LA PUENTE SCHOOL
23 UNIFIED DISTRICT. I AM CALLING TO SUPPORT ITEM 2, WHICH IS
24 SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION TO BRING THE PUENTE HILLS REGIONAL
25 PARK TO FRUITION. FOR DECADES, THIS LANDFILL WAS ALLOWED TO

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1 OPERATE IN OUR COMMUNITIES, WITH THE HOPE THAT ONE DAY, IT
2 WOULD BE CONVERTED INTO A REGIONAL PARK. OUR COMMUNITIES HAVE
3 BEEN WAITING FOR THAT PARK EVER SINCE THE LANDFILL CLOSED ITS
4 DOORS IN 2013; HOWEVER, THAT DREAM HAS NOW BEEN DELAYED FOR
5 ALMOST A DECADE. THAT WILL CHANGE TODAY WITH THE APPROVAL OF
6 THE SUPERVISOR'S MOTION. WE URGE THIS BOARD TO PASS THIS
7 CRITICAL MOTION, WHICH WILL CREATE SORELY NEEDED OPEN SPACE IN
8 THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. RESIDENTS HAVE HAD TO ENDURE THE
9 IMPACTS OF THIS LANDFILL FAR TOO LONG. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
10 SOLIS, FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS MOTION. THANK YOU.

11

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

13

14 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO SHOMARI DAVIS. PLEASE STATE THE
15 REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
16 WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

17

18 **SHOMARI DAVIS:** HELLO. MY NAME IS SHOMARI DAVIS. I AM A
19 BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVE FOR I.B.E.W. LOCAL 11, AND I AM
20 ADDRESSING ITEM 9, WHICH I AM IN SUPPORT OF. THIS INCLUDES THE
21 HARBOR-U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER REPLACEMENT PROJECT, AND ALSO
22 THE WELLNESS VILLAGE. WE REPRESENT ALMOST 12,000 WORKERS IN
23 L.A. COUNTY, THAT ARE ELECTRICAL WORKERS, AND DO ELECTRICAL
24 PRIVATE AND PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION. WE CONSISTENTLY REACH OUT TO
25 OUR COMMUNITIES, MAKING SURE THAT OUR COMMUNITY AND OUR UNION

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1 IS DIVERSE. WE STARTED A TUTORING AND MENTORING PROGRAM MANY
2 YEARS AGO, DURING THE FAITH-BASED INITIATIVE BY VILLARAIGOSA,
3 TO MAKE SURE THAT WE OUTREACH INTO DIVERSE COMMUNITIES TO MAKE
4 SURE THAT OUR UNION LOOKS LIKE LOS ANGELES. SO WE WOULD LIKE
5 TO SEE THIS GO FORWARD, AND KNOW THAT WE CAN MEET THE 50-
6 PERCENT LOCAL HIRE TARGETED. WE DO THAT FOR L.A.U.S.D., AND
7 L.A. COUNTY HAS AN EVEN LARGER AREA, AND SO THAT WE KNOW THAT
8 WE ARE ABLE, AND WE'VE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN DOING IT THERE, AND
9 MANY OTHER PROJECTS IN THE L.A. COUNTY, AND WE CAN DEFINITELY
10 DO IT HERE. SO WE URGE SUPPORT, AND WE THANK SUPERVISOR
11 MITCHELL FOR PUTTING THIS FORWARD. THANK YOU.

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

14
15 **MODERATOR:** AS A REMINDER, IF YOU WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, IF
16 YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 AT THIS
17 TIME. DO NOT PRESS 1 AND 0 A SECOND TIME, OR YOU WILL BE
18 REMOVED FROM THE QUEUE. WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF DR. JULIAN
19 HENSON. 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 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HELLO, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.
24 CAN WE GO TO THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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1 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO EUNISSES HERNANDEZ. 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.

5

6 **EUNISSES HERNANDEZ:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. CAN YOU ALL HEAR
7 ME?

8

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

10

11 **EUNISSES HERNANDEZ:** GREAT, THANK YOU. HI, GOOD MORNING. MY
12 NAME IS EUNISSES HERNANDEZ. SHE/HER/HERS. I AM THE COFOUNDER
13 AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LA DEFENSA, AN ORGANIZATION WORKING
14 TO BUILD UP ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION, AND MOVE DOLLARS
15 INTO BUILDING OUT THE DECENTRALIZED SYSTEM OF CARE THAT WE ARE
16 HOPING TO SEE. I AM CALLING TO SPEAK ON ITEMS THREE, FOUR, AND
17 54, AND PUBLIC COMMENT. I WOULD LIKE TO START OFF BY THANKING
18 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS ON ITEM 3, PROCLAIMING
19 INTERNATIONAL PRONOUNS DAY IN L.A. COUNTY. IT IS INCREDIBLY
20 IMPACTFUL WHEN WE HAVE FOLKS WHO WE'RE WORKING ACROSS THE
21 TABLE ON POLICY, WHO ARE DIRECTLY IMPACTED, WHO ARE TRANS,
22 GENDER NONCONFORMING, TO BE ABLE TO BE RECOGNIZED IN HOW
23 THEY'D LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED IN SOME OF THESE SPACES. AND I
24 SAY THAT BECAUSE, AS EXAMPLES, WHEN WE WERE BUILDING OUT THE
25 CARE FIRST REPORT, USING PRONOUNS WAS SOMETHING THAT WE

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1 INCORPORATED INTO THE COUNTY MEETINGS, WHICH A LOT OF PEOPLE
2 STRUGGLED WITH ON BOTH SIDES, BUT WE GOT TO THE POINT WHERE
3 PEOPLE WERE RESPECTFUL OF PEOPLE'S PREFERRED PRONOUNS. SO I
4 THINK LIFTING THIS UP TO THE COUNTY FOR THE REST OF THE COUNTY
5 TO MODEL IS GREAT. FOR ITEM 4, DURING C.O.V.I.D. LAST YEAR, I
6 THINK AT LEAST A MINIMUM OF \$5 MILLION WAS SPENT, IN ADDITION
7 TO WHAT PHYSICIANS SPENT ON PHONE CALLS AND COMMISSARY ITEMS
8 IN THE JAILS. AND SO JUST THINKING ABOUT AN ADDITIONAL \$5
9 MILLION BEING TAKEN FROM COMMUNITIES THAT ARE ALREADY DIRECTLY
10 IMPACTED, SO THAT THEY COULD COMMUNICATE WITH THEIR LOVED
11 ONES, WHILE THEY COULDN'T VISIT, JUST BOGGLES MY MIND. SO I AM
12 GLAD THAT YOU ALL ARE MOVING FORWARD TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN. SO
13 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR
14 MOVING THIS FORWARD. AND THEN ON ITEM 54, WHICH IS THE
15 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET CHANGES, I JUST WANT TO HIGHLIGHT, YOU
16 KNOW, WE ARE HERE WITH THE BUDGET AND BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS
17 THAT HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED. A LOT OF COMMUNITIES, THIS TIME
18 AROUND, WERE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE AND DEVELOP SOME OF THESE
19 RECOMMENDATIONS, BUT I WILL SAY THAT YOU HAVE GOTTEN AN
20 ADJUSTED SERIES OF RECOMMENDATIONS AND ALLOCATIONS. THERE WERE
21 A LOT OF THINGS THAT COMMUNITY HAD PUT IN, THAT WERE CHANGED
22 BY THE C.E.O.'S DEPARTMENT TO, YOU KNOW, FIT WHATEVER MODELS
23 AND BUDGET THEY NEEDED TO. BUT THIS BUDGET AND THESE
24 SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGES DON'T REFLECT AN OPEN AND TRANSPARENT
25 PROCESS, AND SO, ALTHOUGH SOME OF THESE NUMBERS ARE GREAT,

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1 SOME OF THESE NUMBERS ARE NOT ENOUGH, ESPECIALLY ON THE YOUTH
2 END. AND SO MUCH IS GIVEN TO EXPAND PROBATION JOBS, TO
3 SUPERVISORS, AND TO, LIKE, INCARCERATE YOUNG FOLKS IN
4 PROBATION CAMPS. SO, WHAT I REALLY WANT TO SAY IS THAT THERE
5 IS NO TRANSPARENCY IN THIS BUDGET PROCESS. WE PUT SO MANY
6 HOURS IN TO ONLY SEE A DIFFERENT RESULT OF WHAT WE HAD PUT IN,
7 AND PROVIDE A RECOMMENDATION. SO I URGE YOU ALL THAT I HOPE,
8 FOR NEXT YEAR, WE CAN REALLY TAKE A LOOK AT AND MAKE CHANGES
9 TO THE BUDGET PROCESS, AND TO LIMIT THE SCOPE AND POWER THAT
10 THE C.E.O. HAS OVER DECIDING HOW THINGS ACTUALLY MOVE, BECAUSE
11 THEN IT TAKES AWAY THE POINT OF COMMUNITY EVEN BEING INVOLVED,
12 IF WHAT WE PUT IN IS JUST GOING TO BE DIGESTED AND CHANGED TO
13 SUPPORT AND FUND WHATEVER THE COUNTY C.E.O.'S DEPARTMENT
14 THINKS IT SHOULD GO TO. SO THAT'S WHAT I WOULD SAY ABOUT THE
15 SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGES: THAT SOME OF THEM ARE GREAT, BUT ALSO,
16 THERE IS NO TRANSPARENCY, AND IT IS JUST KIND OF HARD TO SEE
17 THAT THIS PROCESS CONTINUES TO BE, YOU KNOW, SO--

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

21
22 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, I WILL GO TO THE LINE OF NICOLE BROWN. PLEASE
23 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND
24 WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
25 BEGIN.

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1

2 **NICOLE BROWN:** GOOD MORNING. I AM NICOLE BROWN, WITH THE URBAN
3 PEACE INSTITUTE AND L.A. YOUTH UPRISING. I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE
4 COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS 50, 54, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
5 JUST PICKING UP WHERE EUNISSES LEFT OFF, I DO THINK THIS
6 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET MAKES CRUCIAL INVESTMENTS IN THE CARE
7 FIRST AGENDA. BUT, AS EUNISSES POINTED OUT, THESE INVESTMENTS
8 NEED TO BE GREATLY INCREASED AND SUSTAINED. I HOPE THIS WILL
9 BE REFLECTED IN THE C.E.O.'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET NEXT YEAR, AND
10 THAT ONGOING FUNDING WILL BE IDENTIFIED TO BE [INAUDIBLE] TO
11 ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS. ONE MAJOR AREA OF ONGOING FUNDING WHICH I
12 HOPE WILL BE BETTER INVESTED ARE A.B. 109 FUNDS. THE P.S.R.T.
13 HAS DONE SIGNIFICANT WORK CONCEIVING AN IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.
14 NOW, WITH \$350 MILLION THAT HAVE GONE TO THE SHERIFF'S
15 DEPARTMENT AND PROBATION WITH LITTLE SCRUTINY, IT SHOULD BE
16 EVALUATED, AND MAJOR ADJUSTMENTS SHOULD BE MADE. REASONABLE
17 INVESTMENTS CREATE TRUE AND LASTING PUBLIC SAFETY, SUCH AS
18 SUBSTANCE USE TREATMENT, [INAUDIBLE], AND [INAUDIBLE]
19 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES. I ALSO HOPE THE BOARD WILL FULLY
20 RESOURCE THE PROBATION OVERSIGHT COMMISSION, FUND JUST
21 TRANSITION PLANNING, A RECOMMENDATION WHICH WAS UPLIFTED IN
22 THE MEASURE J PROCESS. AND, AS EUNISSES POINTED OUT, WE ALSO
23 NEED TO RESOURCE AND CREATE A MEANINGFUL PROCESS TO GREATLY
24 INCREASE BUDGET TRANSPARENCY, AND TO FUND PARTICIPATORY
25 BUDGETING. IN THIS BUDGET, WE ARE OF COURSE HAPPY TO SEE THE

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1 INVESTMENT OF \$27.4 MILLION TOWARDS THE YOUTH JUSTICE
2 REIMAGINED DEVELOPMENT FUND. WE NEED THIS FUNDING SO WE CAN
3 PUT OUR PLANS INTO ACTION, AND GET YOUNG PEOPLE THE RESOURCES
4 THEY NEED AND DESERVE. I AM HAPPY TO SEE THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE
5 HAS FINALLY HEARD OUR OUTCRY. AFTER FINDING MINIMAL FUNDING IN
6 JUNE, IT IS CLOSER TO THE \$75 MILLION WHICH WE ARE PROMISED,
7 AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO PUSH FOR THIS AND MUCH MORE. IF WE
8 TRULY PLAN TO IMPLEMENT YOUTH JUSTICE REIMAGINED, IT WILL BE
9 NECESSARY TO PHASE OUT JUVENILE PROBATION, AND THIS MEANS
10 THEIR BUDGET, AS WELL. THIS YEAR, PROBATION'S BUDGET HAS ONLY
11 GROWN. IN FACT, THE DEPARTMENT WILL RECEIVE ABOUT \$25 MILLION
12 MORE, TOTAL. TO THEIR BILLION-DOLLAR BUDGET, \$570 MILLION GOES
13 TOWARDS THE INCARCERATION AND SUPERVISION OF YOUTH. THE
14 EASIEST PLACE TO START IS VACANT POSITIONS. A RECENT REPORT-
15 BACK BY THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT SHOWED THAT JUVENILE
16 PROBATION HAS OVER 400 VACANT POSITIONS, A STEADY TREND OVER
17 MULTIPLE YEARS. LOOKING AT THE AVERAGE SALARIES AND BENEFITS,
18 THESE POSITIONS REPRESENT \$55 MILLION TO \$78 MILLION. THESE
19 POSITIONS SHOULD BE CUT, AND THE FUNDS SHOULD BE DIVERTED AS
20 SUSTAINABLE FUNDING FOR Y.J.R. AND THE NEW DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH
21 DEVELOPMENT. WE SUPPORT KEEPING THE HIRING FREEZE [INAUDIBLE]
22 SERVICES, BUT WONDER WHY THIS VERY BUDGET IS GETTING 28 NEW
23 POSITIONS FOR THE JUVENILE HALLS. EVEN AFTER BEING SUED BY THE
24 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, YOUTH PROBATION DEPARTMENT HAS
25 CONTINUED TO FAIL YOUTH, AND JUST WEEKS AGO, THE HALLS WERE

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1 FOUND UNSUITABLE FOR THE CONFINEMENT OF YOUTH BY THE B.S.C.C.,
2 WHICH IS A VERY CONSERVATIVE BODY AND HAS NEVER RULED ANY
3 JUVENILE HALL UNSUITABLE. IN LISTENING TO QUESTIONS BY YOUR
4 JUSTICE DEPUTIES AND PUBLIC SAFETY [INAUDIBLE], IT IS UNCLEAR
5 WHY THESE POSITIONS ARE NEEDED AND WHAT THEY ARE FOR, AND WE
6 NEED TO STOP THROWING MONEY AT A FUNDAMENTALLY FLAWED SYSTEM.
7 WE NEED TO TRY SOMETHING NEW. ANOTHER ADJUSTMENT IN THIS
8 BUDGET THAT IS VERY CONFUSING IS \$8 MILLION--

9

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

12

13 **NICOLE BROWN:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **MODERATOR:** WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF ERIC PREVEN. PLEASE STATE
16 THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
17 YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

18

19 **ERIC PREVEN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. IT IS ERIC PREVEN FROM STUDIO
20 CITY, AND WHAT I'M GOING TO DO IS ADDRESS SEVERAL ITEMS: ITEM
21 55, ITEM 6... YOU KNOW, LET ME JUST GO SEQUENCE BY SEQUENCE.
22 THERE ARE SEVERAL, SO I WILL TAKE THE FULL TWO MINUTES, AND
23 THE ONE MINUTE FOR GENERAL. OKAY? DOES THAT SOUND FAIR,
24 ZAVALA?

25

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

2

3 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH, THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT, FIRST OF ALL, IT IS
4 NICE TO CELEBRATE WHAT AMOUNTS TO, NOW, MULTIPLE DECADES OF
5 SHEILA FIGHTING TO GET INMATE TELEPHONE SYSTEM AND SERVICES
6 MORE ALIGNED WITH COMMON SENSE AND REALITY, SO THANK YOU FOR
7 THE DECADES OF WAIT ON THIS. WE ARE GOING TO HAVE NINETY DAYS
8 ON THE FUNDING ESTIMATES, TO DO SOME UPGRADES. IT FEELS LIKE
9 IT IS SPINNING AROUND ENDLESSLY, BUT LET'S TRY TO STAY
10 OPTIMISTIC THAT WE ARE MOVING IN THE DIRECTION, ON A VERY,
11 VERY SLOW TREADMILL. INTERNATIONAL PRONOUNS DAY-- THIS IS SUCH
12 A ZEITGEISTY THING. FAMILIES EVERYWHERE ARE ADOPTING PRONOUNS
13 THAT ARE CHOSEN BY THE INDIVIDUALS, AND IT IS SO UPLIFTING, IN
14 A WAY, FOR PEOPLE TO FINALLY CHOOSE THE CORRECT PRONOUN THAT
15 THEY ARE HAPPY WITH. IT IS HARD FOR SOME OF THOSE OF US WHO
16 ARE FOLLOWING, BUT WE TRY, AND THERE SHOULD BE NO PENALTIES. I
17 KNOW THAT YOU GUYS LIKE TO ISSUE CITATIONS. THERE SHOULD BE NO
18 PENALTIES FOR GETTING IT WRONG, THOUGH PEOPLE SHOULD TRY TO
19 GET IT RIGHT. LET'S AGREE ON THAT. I KNOW SOLIS JUST HAD A
20 LITTLE-- A LIGHTBULB WENT OFF: "OOH, NOT A BAD IDEA." BUT NO,
21 IT IS A BAD IDEA. AND WHAT IS A BAD IDEA, ALSO, IS, I GOT A
22 LITTLE DISAPPOINTED WHEN I LOOKED AT THE MULTIPLE LANGUAGES
23 THAT THE PRONOUN ADVISORIES WERE. THEY SAY, "NO, NO, NO. THIS
24 IS NOT ENGLISH. BUGGER OFF." THAT DOESN'T SEEM PARTICULARLY
25 INCLUSIVE TO ME. THEN WE HAVE... WHAT WE HAVE IS WE HAVE THE

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1 QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY AWARDS. AND I WANTED TO CALL IT OUT,
2 BECAUSE I KNOW THAT NI HAO, THE QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY CAT,
3 WAS-- MIKE ANTONOVICH HAD THE GREAT INSIGHT TO PROMOTE THIS
4 SMALL, STRAY CAT THAT HAD COME OVER IN A SHIPPING CONTAINER TO
5 A LARGER ROLLOVER THERE. AND THEY HAND OUT IMPORTANT AWARDS,
6 AND YOU ARE IN LINE, AS YOU KNOW, FOR ONE OF THE BIGGEST
7 AWARDS EVER, THE GOLDEN BEAR, WHICH IS AN AWARD THAT SHOWS A
8 JURISDICTION IN CALIFORNIA THAT HAS MOST BRAZENLY AND
9 EGREGIOUSLY VIOLATED THE OPEN MEETING LAWS BY CANCELING THE
10 REGULAR MEETINGS AND REPLACING THEM WITH SPECIAL CLOSED
11 SESSIONS. SO THIS IS A VERY HIGH HONOR, SHEILA. THIS COULD GO
12 RIGHT UP THERE WITH COME OF THE OTHER BIG GETS THAT WE'VE HAD.
13 NOW, I WANTED TO THANK D.A. GASCON, WHO'S IN THERE ON THE
14 BUDGET, FOR GETTING RID OF JOE ESPOSITO, WHO IS THE CHIEF
15 DEPUTY OVER THERE, A DISTRICT ATTORNEY, AND STICKING IN SHARON
16 WOO, WHO OBVIOUSLY IS A LONGTIME APPARATCHIK. BUT IF WOO IS
17 WILLING TO SIT DOWN AND MEET AND CONFER LIKE A GROWNUP, WE
18 COULD GET SOME OF THESE EGREGIOUS VIOLATIONS SQUARED AWAY, AND
19 RE-INVITE THE PUBLIC TO THEIR PUBLIC MEETINGS AND, YOU KNOW,
20 PUT TO REST THE SILLY IDEA THAT SOMEHOW ANYBODY AUTHORIZED,
21 THAT YOU SHOULD BE IN CLOSED SESSION ALL THE TIME, WHILE
22 CANCELING PUBLIC MEETINGS. OR A THIRD ALTERNATIVE, WHICH IS
23 LISTENING TO BARBARA FERRER, CHATTER ON ENDLESSLY--

24

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

3

4 **MODERATOR:** AS A REMINDER, IF YOU WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, IF
5 YOU'VE 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. WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF DAWN HIKANE.
8 PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING
9 TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
10 YOU MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DAWN HIKANE, AND I AM MAKING
13 A GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON BEHALF OF EAST COLLEGIATE ACADEMY.
14 E.C.A. IS A NONPROFIT WITH MINIMAL EDUCATIONAL FUNDING. WE ARE
15 ASKING THE SUPERVISORS TO WORK WITH US AND APPROVE OUR
16 PERMITS, WITHOUT ASKING US TO MAKE OUTLANDISH ACCOMMODATIONS
17 TO THE SITE THAT WE SIMPLY CANNOT AFFORD. OUR STUDENTS AND
18 FAMILIES ARE HARDWORKING COMMUNITY MEMBERS THAT ARE COUNTING
19 ON E.C.A. TO PROVIDE AN INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE EDUCATION
20 FOR THEIR CHILDREN. YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT WILL ENRICH THE
21 EDUCATION OF THESE KIDS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME
22 THIS MORNING.

23

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

25

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1 **MODERATOR:** WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF MAISHA HUDSON. 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.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME'S MAISHA HUDSON, AND I AM A TEACHER STAFF
7 OF EAST COLLEGIATE ACADEMY. I AM ASKING THE BOARD TO RELEASE
8 THE SITE PLAN FOR E.C.A. I'M ALSO ASKING FOR THE BOARD TO
9 REMOVE REQUIREMENTS FOR OUR SCHOOL TO ADD THINGS THAT WE
10 SHOULD NOT BE ADDING, LIKE THE OTHER SCHOOLS HAVE NOT BEEN
11 ASKED TO ADD. WE HAVE TEACHERS AND STUDENTS AND PARENTS, ONCE
12 AGAIN AT THE SCHOOL; STUDENTS HAVE TO BE IN A CLASSROOM, BE
13 ACTIVE WITH THEIR TEACHERS, BE ACTIVE WITH THE STAFF MEMBERS.
14 OUR JOBS ARE ON THE LINE. SO, THIS SCHOOL IS PROVIDING JOBS
15 FOR PEOPLE [INAUDIBLE] REQUIREMENTS FOR US TO GET A PAYCHECK
16 TO LIVE EVERY DAY. THAT'S WHAT I'M ASKING THE BOARD. THANK
17 YOU.

18

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

21

22 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE'LL GO TO MITCH WARD. PLEASE STATE THE
23 REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
24 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

25

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1 **MITCH WARD:** YES, GOOD MORNING. I AM ADDRESSING ITEM 41-B, IN
2 SUPPORT OF BRUCE'S BEACH PROPERTY TRANSFERRING BACK TO WILLA
3 BRUCE AND CHARLES BRUCE'S IMMEDIATE DESCENDANTS. MY NAME IS
4 MITCH WARD. I'M THE FORMER MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER FOR THE
5 CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH. I WAS ELECTED TWICE, AND THE ONLY
6 BLACK TO HAVE HELD OFFICE IN OUR CITY'S 109-YEAR HISTORY. I'M
7 ALSO KNOWN FOR LEADING MY CITY TO RENAME OUR OLDEST PARK TO
8 BRUCE'S BEACH, IN HONOR OF WILLA AND CHARLES BRUCE. THE WHOLE
9 WORLD IS WATCHING THE SUPERVISORS, AND I AM CONFIDENT YOU WILL
10 BRING BACK JUSTICE TO THE BRUCES' FAMILY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH
11 FOR THIS MOMENT.

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

15
16 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE'LL TO GO MICHELLE KING. PLEASE STATE THE
17 REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
18 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19
20 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MICHELLE KING, AND I'M A
21 RESIDENT OF DISTRICT 1. I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS 3,
22 4, 30, 41-A, 41-C, 54, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, PLEASE.

23
24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** YOU MAY BEGIN.

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1 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM 3, I THANK THE BOARD FOR
2 RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF RESPECTING INDIVIDUAL GENDER
3 EXPRESSION AND GENDER PRONOUNS. HOWEVER, THE BOARD SHOULD
4 CONSIDER MORE ROBUST WAYS OF SUPPORTING THE L.G.B.T.Q.+, TWO-
5 SPIRIT, AND GENDER-NONCONFORMING COMMUNITY, SPECIFICALLY WHEN
6 IT COMES TO OUR DISPROPORTIONATE INCARCERATION. THE BOARD
7 SHOULD LOOK TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS PROVIDED BY THE GENDER-
8 RESPONSIVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, A REPORT WHICH OUTLINES HOW ANY
9 DECARCERATION POLICY MUST PRIORITIZE THE RELIEF OF OUR
10 L.G.B.T.Q.+, TWO-SPIRIT, GENDER-NONCONFORMING, AND CISGENDER
11 FEMALE COMMUNITY MEMBERS HOUSED IN C.R.D.F. AND K6-G. ITEM 4:
12 I URGE THE BOARD TO PASS THE MOTION TO ACCELERATE THE
13 ELIMINATION OF [INAUDIBLE] AND COMMISSARY MARK-UPS IN ALL
14 COUNTY JAILS AND JUVENILE CAMPS AND HALLS THAT UNNECESSARILY
15 BURDEN OUR LOW-INCOME NEIGHBORS, AND DISPROPORTIONATELY BURDEN
16 BLACK AND BROWN FAMILIES. ITEM 30: I SUPPORT THE
17 DECRIMINALIZATION OF EXPLOITED YOUTH, AND APPROACHING THEM
18 FROM A TRAUMA-INFORMED LENS. LAW ENFORCEMENT IS NOT THE SAFEST
19 OR MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO DO SO. ITEM 41-A: IT IS IMPERATIVE
20 THAT WE CENTER INDIGENOUS VOICES, AS WE DEVELOP LAND
21 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND LAND ACTIVE POLICY. ITEM 41-C: I THANK
22 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR THIS MOTION, AND I CALL ON THE COUNTY
23 TO IDENTIFY AND CREATE WRAPAROUND SUPPORT SERVICES THAT CAN BE
24 PROVIDE TO HAITIAN IMMIGRANTS AND THEIR FAMILIES, INCLUDING
25 MEDICAL, MENTAL HEALTH, HOUSING AND CAREER SUPPORT, AND LEGAL

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1 SERVICES, INCLUDING THOSE OFFERED IN THE L.A. JUSTICE FUND.
2 THE COUNTY MUST DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PLAN FOR
3 ACCESSIBILITY, TO ENSURE HAITIAN AND ALL BLACK MIGRANTS ARE
4 ABLE TO FULLY ACCESS THESE SERVICES. WE URGE THE BOARD TO
5 DEMAND THAT THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION PUT AN END TO TITLE 42,
6 GRANT HUMANITARIAN PAROLE, END THE METERING SYSTEM, AND STOP
7 ALL EXPULSIONS AND DEPORTATIONS. ON ITEM 54, HOW CAN THE
8 C.E.O.'S OFFICE IN GOOD FAITH BRING A SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET THAT
9 IS FOUNDED UPON A CARE FIRST, JAILS LAST VISION, WHEN THE
10 COUNTY WILL SPEND \$3.42 BILLION ON THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE THIS
11 YEAR? I WOULD LIKE MY \$337 INVESTED IN A REAL CARE FIRST
12 BUDGET. THIS IS NOT A CARE FIRST BUDGET. CARE FIRST REQUIRES
13 DIVESTMENT FROM THE COUNTY INSTITUTIONS MOST RESPONSIBLE FOR
14 HARMING AND INCARCERATING OUR COMMUNITIES. HOW DID THE
15 CONTINUED NEARLY \$5 BILLION ALLOCATION TO SHERIFF AND
16 PROBATION DEMONSTRATE A COMMITMENT TO A CARE FIRST VISION?
17 CARE FIRST MEANS COMMUNITY FIRST. CARE FIRST MEANS INVESTMENT
18 IN COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS THAT PROVIDE THE MOST EFFECTIVE
19 SUPPORT. INVESTING IN COMMUNITY FIRST UNDERLIES ALL THE A.T.I.
20 REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS, AND THIS SHOULD BE BETTER REFLECTED IN
21 THE COUNTY BUDGET. IT'S DISAPPOINTING THAT THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE
22 IS BRINGING THIS SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET AS ONE GROUNDED IN CARE
23 FIRST. THE MEASURE J ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDED \$900 MILLION,
24 AND THE C.E.O. IGNORED THAT RECOMMENDATION TO ALLOCATE ONLY
25 \$100 MILLION. I URGE THE BOARD TO CONTINUE TO FULLY FUND

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1 MEASURE J, AND RESPECT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CARE FIRST
2 COMMUNITY INVESTMENT ADVISORY BOARD. IT'S EMBARRASSING THAT
3 THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE HAS LISTED THIS YEAR'S A.B. 109 FUNDING
4 ALLOCATION AS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. 65% OF A.B. 109
5 FUNDING WILL GO TO THE SHERIFF AND PROBATION, DISREGARDING THE
6 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE P.S.R.T. L.A. COUNTY IS SET TO SPEND
7 OVER \$1 MILLION PER YEAR TO INCARCERATE ONE SINGLE YOUNG
8 PERSON. THIS IS ABSOLUTELY UNACCEPTABLE. WE MUST STOP FUNDING
9 A FAILED DEPARTMENT, AND FUND THE PROMISE OF YOUTH JUSTICE
10 REIMAGINED.

11
12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE
13 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

14
15 **SPEAKER:** THIS CRITICAL INVESTMENT IS CLOSER TO THAT \$75
16 MILLION--

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18 **MODERATOR:** WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF JONES OKEKE. PLEASE STATE
19 THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
20 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN. JONES
21 OKEKE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

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

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1 **MODERATOR:** WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF CHRISTOPHER HANNAN. PLEASE
2 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND
3 WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
4 BEGIN.

5

6 **CHRISTOPHER HANNAN:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE CHAIR, HONORABLE
7 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS CHRIS HANNAN, REPRESENTING THE LOS
8 ANGELES/ORANGE COUNTIES BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES
9 COUNCIL. I'M PROUDLY CALLING IN TO SUPPORT ITEM NUMBER 9. ON
10 BEHALF OF 140,000 UNION MEMBERS WHO ARE THE BEST-TRAINED
11 CRAFTSPEOPLE ANYWHERE, UNDER 48 AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS,
12 WE'RE PROUD TO BE ABLE TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK ON THE
13 HARBOR-U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER, WITH INCLUSION OF THE MENTAL
14 HEALTH OUTPATIENT CLINIC AND THE WELLNESS CENTER. OUR MEMBERS
15 ARE PROUD TO BE ABLE TO GO TO WORK ON FACILITIES THAT ARE
16 GOING TO DELIVER VITAL SERVICES FOR RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY
17 FOR YEARS TO COME. HAVING OPPORTUNITY TO WORK UNDER THEM,
18 UNDER THE COMMUNITY WORKFORCE AGREEMENT, AND HAVING THE
19 VEHICLE TO EMPOWER RESIDENTS TO ENTER OUR TRADES, COULDN'T BE
20 ANY BETTER, AND WE AGAIN PROUDLY SUPPORT ITEM NUMBER 9, AND WE
21 LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING IN AS MANY PEOPLE THAT WANT A CAREER
22 IN CONSTRUCTION AS POSSIBLE, AND EXCEEDING ALL EXPECTATIONS
23 AND ALL GOALS UNDER THE COMMUNITY WORKFORCE AGREEMENT. THANK
24 YOU AGAIN. BYE.

25

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

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

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

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

13

14 **MODERATOR:** WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF DONALD HARLAN. PLEASE STATE
15 THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
16 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS DONALD HARLAN. I LIVE HERE IN LOS
19 ANGELES. I JUST WANT A MINUTE FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

20

21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** PLEASE BEGIN. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** HI. I'M OVER THERE EVERY WEEK. MY NAME IS DONALD. YOU
24 KNOW, THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, YOU GUYS HAVE FAILED
25 THE PEOPLE IN L.A. COUNTY AND CALIFORNIA, MISERABLY. YOU HAVE

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1 ALLOWED THE TRANSFER OF TRILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF MONEY, WEALTH,
2 BUSINESSES, AND PROPERTY OUT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. IT'S
3 YOUR JOB TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE FROM THAT HAPPENING. INSTEAD,
4 YOU GUYS WORKING IN THERE ARE TRANSFERRING OUR COMPANIES AND
5 OUR PROPERTIES TO YOUR HOME STATE, TEXAS. YOU KNOW, THE PEOPLE
6 HERE IN LOS ANGELES, WE NEED OUR MONEY OUT OF ESCROW FROM THE
7 PROPERTIES YOU'RE TRYING TO STEAL FROM US. NOBODY GOT PAID FOR
8 THEIR PROPERTIES IN LOS ANGELES, AND YOU GUYS ARE TRANSFERRING
9 THE PROPERTY MONEY ALL TO THE WRONG PEOPLE. YOU KNOW, THEY'RE
10 AT A POINT WHERE IT'S BEYOND THROWING YOU IN JAIL. IT'S BEYOND
11 ARRESTING YOU. IT'S BEYOND TAKING YOU TO COURT. THEY NEED TO
12 CALL THE MILITARY OVER THERE.

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

16
17 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF JOSH LAFARGA. PLEASE
18 STATE THE REGULAR ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
19 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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21 **JOSH LAFARGA:** HI. I'M JOSH LAFARGA. I'M WITH THE LABORERS
22 UNION. JUST WANT TO ECHO THE TWO PREVIOUS COMMENTS ON SUPPORT
23 FOR ITEM NUMBER 9. WE SUPPORT THE ADDITION TO THE C.W.A., AND
24 LOOK FORWARD TO GETTING THE COMMUNITY TO WORK IN THEIR OWN
25 PROJECTS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. THANKS.

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

4

5 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE'LL GO TO JAVIER GONZALEZ. PLEASE STATE THE
6 REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
7 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

8

9 **JAVIER GONZALEZ:** HI. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JAVIER GONZALEZ,
10 AND I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF EAGLE COLLEGIATE ACADEMY. I'M
11 SPEAKING AS A PARENT, AS I HAVE MY CHILD ENROLLED IN THIS
12 SCHOOL, AND HE CANNOT ATTEND CLASSES IN PERSON, JUST BECAUSE
13 THE FACILITIES, THEY HAVEN'T BEEN APPROVED, AND THEY'RE NOT UP
14 AND RUNNING. MY CHILD IS VERY EXCITED TO LEARN IN PERSON, HAVE
15 A SCHOOL TO GO TO, HAVE TEACHERS TO TEACH HIM AND TALK TO HIM
16 THIS MORNING, AND HE HAS SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS THAT ARE NOT
17 BEING PROVIDED TO HIM IN PERSON, JUST BECAUSE THERE'S NO
18 FACILITY INVOLVED. AND WE'RE ASKING FOR YOU TO MOVE THE MOTION
19 OF APPROVING THE PROCESS AND START MOVING FORWARD, SO THAT WE
20 CAN HAVE OUR FACILITIES FOR OUR STUDENTS. THANK YOU.

21

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

23

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** CALLER, BEFORE YOU HANG UP, I'M SORRY, I
2 WANTED TO KNOW WHERE THE SCHOOL IS LOCATED IN. WHICH
3 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT.

4

5 **JAVIER GONZALEZ:** YES, OUR SCHOOL IS LOCATED IN AGUA DULCE.

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THE FIFTH DISTRICT? OKAY. ALL RIGHT, AND
8 PART OF YOUR QUESTION MIGHT BE DIRECTED TO L.A. COUNTY OFFICE
9 OF EDUCATION, SO WE'LL TRY TO INQUIRE. THANK YOU. BYE.

10

11 **JAVIER GONZALEZ:** NO, WE'VE ALREADY BEEN APPROVED. OUR SCHOOL
12 IS ALREADY APPROVED. THE FACILITIES ARE THE ONES THAT ARE NOT
13 APPROVED YET, AND SO THAT'S WHAT I'M CALLING ABOUT. BECAUSE
14 THE SCHOOL HAS ALREADY STARTED, AND WE'RE EXCITED TO START IN
15 PERSON, BUT WE CAN'T DO THAT, BECAUSE THE FACILITIES HAVEN'T
16 BEEN APPROVED.

17

18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, THANK YOU. WE'LL DIRECT THAT TO THE
19 APPROPRIATE SUPERVISOR. THANK YOU. NEXT CALLER.

20

21 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF KAITLYN QUACKENBUSH.
22 PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY,
23 AND WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
24 BEGIN.

25

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1 **KAITLYN QUACKENBUSH:** HELLO, SUPERVISORS. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

2

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

4

5 **KAITLYN QUACKENBUSH:** OKAY, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS KAITLYN
6 QUACKENBUSH, FROM STRATEGIC ACTIONS FOR A JUST ECONOMY,
7 S.A.J.E., AND THE LOS ANGELES RENTERS' RIGHT TO COUNSEL
8 COALITION, AND I WILL ADDRESS BUDGET MATTERS ITEMS 50 THROUGH
9 55, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET THAT
10 YOU WILL BE VOTING ON TODAY INDICATES A SIGNIFICANT SURPLUS,
11 PROVIDING THE COUNTY WITH MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO MAKE CRITICAL
12 INVESTMENTS IN THE HEALTH AND HOUSING STABILITY OF L.A.
13 COUNTY'S VULNERABLE RESIDENTS. YET, AT THE SAME TIME, WE KNOW
14 THAT TENANTS COUNTYWIDE HAVE EXPERIENCED HIGH RATES OF
15 EVICTION, PRE-PANDEMIC. THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT S.A.J.E. AND THE
16 RIGHT TO COUNSEL COALITION HAS BEEN SEEKING TO ADDRESS FOR
17 YEARS. AND NOW, TODAY, LOW-INCOME TENANTS, ESPECIALLY THOSE
18 OUTSIDE THE CITY OF L.A., ARE AT AN EVEN HIGHER RISK OF
19 DISPLACEMENT, GIVEN THE EXPIRATION OF THE STATE PROTECTIONS
20 LAST WEEK, AND THE SLOW AND LIMITED BAR OF THE EMERGENCY
21 RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. STAY HOUSED L.A. COUNTY'S TENANT
22 OUTREACH EDUCATION AND EVICTION DEFENSE SERVICES HAVE BEEN SO
23 IMPORTANT THESE PAST 18 MONTHS, IN ENSURING HOUSING STABILITY
24 AMIDST THIS PANDEMIC. AND YET, IN RECENT MONTHS, LEGAL
25 SERVICES UNDER STAY HOUSED HAVE BEEN NEARING CAPACITY, WHICH

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1 IS DEMONSTRATING HOW GREAT THE NEED IS IN THE COUNTY, AND WE
2 KNOW THIS NEED IS ONLY GOING TO INCREASE SIGNIFICANTLY, NOW
3 THAT THE STATE PROTECTIONS HAVE EXPIRED. SO, WITH ALL OF THAT
4 IN MIND, WE CALL ON THE COUNTY TO CODIFY THE RIGHT TO COUNSEL
5 FOR TENANTS IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS, AND KEEP COUNTYWIDE
6 SERVICES UNDER THE WORKING PROGRAM OF STAY HOUSED L.A. COUNTY.
7 WE HAVE SHARED A PLAN THAT WOULD COST LESS THAN \$10 MILLION
8 PER YEAR TO PROVIDE THIS CRITICAL SUPPORT FOR HOUSING
9 STABILITY, AND ENSURE VULNERABLE RESIDENTS IN THE COUNTY CAN
10 STAY IN THEIR HOMES. A RIGHT TO COUNSEL IS THE LAW: A RIGHT
11 THAT MAKES, REALLY, ALL OTHER TENANT RIGHTS REAL. THANK YOU
12 FOR YOUR TIME.

13

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

16

17 **MODERATOR:** WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF PEARL MARSHALL. PLEASE
18 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND
19 WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
20 BEGIN.

21

22 **PEARL MARSHALL:** YES, HI. THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO
23 SPEAK. I'LL BE SPEAKING ON 41, 54, AND GENERAL PUBLIC
24 COMMENTS. ON 41, I THINK THAT THAT SHOULD GO TO A VOTE BY THE
25 PEOPLE, ON WHETHER THEY WANT TO SPEND THEIR TAXPAYER MONEY TO

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1 GIVE FREE PHONE CALLS. THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY ON THAT ONE.
2 ON 54, I AM OPPOSED TO NUMBER 2. WE'RE SENDING THE HARD HIRING
3 FREEZE FOR ALL DEPARTMENTS, EXCEPT PROBATION AND THE SHERIFF'S
4 DEPARTMENT. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WAS ON THE PARTIAL HIRING
5 FREEZE IN 2019 BECAUSE OF THE BUDGET, THE ARGUMENTS BETWEEN
6 THE SHERIFF AND THE C.E.O. AT THE TIME. THEN THEY TURN AROUND
7 AND WENT TO THE HARD HIRING FREEZE, WHICH I UNDERSTAND. THERE
8 ARE OVER 80 PROFESSIONAL STAFF WHOSE PROMOTIONS WERE DENIED,
9 INCLUDING MY OWN. WE TOOK CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS-- THESE EXAMS
10 ARE NOT EASY TO PASS-- WENT THROUGH NUMEROUS INTERVIEWS, ONLY
11 TO BE DENIED, AND THEN TO HAVE TO RETEST, YET OTHER PEOPLE
12 WERE BEING PROMOTED, NOT IN OUR DEPARTMENT BUT IN OTHER
13 DEPARTMENTS. THESE POSITIONS ARE POSITIONS THAT ARE NOT NEW.
14 THEY ARE BUDGETED IN AN ORDINANCE, SO IT'S NOT ADDING ANY COST
15 TO THE COUNTY, BECAUSE THEY'RE ALREADY BUDGETED IN OUR
16 BUDGETS, YET WE HAVE TO JUSTIFY EVERY SINGLE REQUEST FOR ANY
17 POSITION, EVEN THE ONES THAT WERE EXEMPT, AND THAT IS NOT A
18 FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE WAY OF DOING ANY TYPE OF BUSINESS. AS FAR
19 AS THE COMMENTS THAT PEOPLE HAVE MADE ABOUT THE A.B. 109, IF
20 YOU READ THE ASSEMBLY BILL, IT'S KNOWN AS A REALIGNMENT. IT
21 WAS PASSED IN 2011 BY THE CALIFORNIA VOTERS. IT DIVERTS
22 DEFENDANTS CONVICTED OF LESS SERIOUS FELONIES TO THE LOCAL
23 JAILS. WELL, THAT'S A COST TO THE COUNTY, SO THE FUNDING IS
24 SUPPLEMENTING THE COUNTY. AND MEASURE J DID TAKE AWAY-- I
25 WORKED FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. MEASURE J DID TAKE AWAY

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1 FUNDING. THEY DID ELIMINATE A LOT OF POSITIONS. SO, SAYING
2 THAT THE MONEY-- THERE'S STILL A COST OF DOING BUSINESS, AND I
3 THINK THAT THE PUBLIC MAY NOT UNDERSTAND THAT. THE NEXT THING
4 I WANT TO GO TO IS GOING TO BE ABOUT ALL THE DOCTORS THAT HAVE
5 CALLED IN. I THINK THAT IT WOULD REALLY BE GREAT IF THE BOARD
6 OF SUPERVISORS ATTENDED SOME OF THESE NEGOTIATIONS. THE
7 C.E.O.'S OFFICE, WHO SENDS THEIR NEGOTIATORS, ARE PEOPLE THAT
8 ARE ON THE MAP TIER PROGRAM WHO HAVE NO SKIN IN THE GAME, SO
9 THEY ARE VERY CONDESCENDING. THEY ARE NOT WILLING TO
10 NEGOTIATE. THEY DO NOT LOOK AT THE COST OF LIVING. THEY DO NOT
11 LOOK AT THE SACRIFICES. I WANT TO KNOW HOW MANY BOARD OF
12 SUPERVISORS ATTENDED, OR PEOPLE FROM THE C.E.O.'S ATTENDED. I
13 LOST FRIENDS TO C.O.V.I.D. I'M SURE THAT THERE ARE DOCTORS
14 THAT DIED. THERE'S NURSES THAT DIED. DID YOU ATTEND THEIR
15 SERVICES? SO, WHEN YOU TURN AROUND AND SAY, YOU KNOW, THAT
16 YOU'RE FOR, "LET'S MAKE EVERYBODY HEALTHY," BUT THEN YOU TURN
17 AROUND AND THIS IS HOW THE NEGOTIATIONS ARE GOING, WHERE THEY
18 TURN AROUND AND WALK AWAY FROM THE TABLE, DON'T OFFER ANY TRUE
19 INCENTIVES, AND THE REASON IS, IS BECAUSE THEY GET THEIR
20 RAISES ANNUALLY, BASED ON THEIR EVALS, WHERE THE REST OF US
21 HAVE TO GO AND ASK, I THINK THERE'S A HUGE PROBLEM IN THE
22 C.E.O.'S OFFICE. I THINK THERE'S A HUGE PROBLEM WITH THEM
23 DOING PROPER CLASSIFICATION BENCHMARKS FOR THE TYPES OF
24 SERVICE, THE PEOPLE THAT YOU HAVE WORKING FOR YOU IN THE

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1 COUNTY. AS FAR AS DURING THE PANDEMIC, WE HAD TO PURCHASE OUR
2 OWN P.P.E.

3

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

6

7 **MODERATOR:** WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF JARED O'BRIEN. PLEASE STATE
8 THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
9 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD MORNING. I'M ADDRESSING PUBLIC COMMENT 50,
12 54, AND PUBLIC COMMENT. I'M GOING TO START NOW. PEACE. MY NAME
13 IS JARED O'BRIEN, ALSO KNOWN AS JABO. I'M 22 YEARS OLD. I LIVE
14 IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. AT THE AGE OF 16, I FOUND MYSELF
15 HOMELESS, HUNGRY, AND ALONE IN THE CITY, THAT I DIDN'T KNOW NO
16 ONE, AND HAD NO FRIENDS TO HELP ME OUT, NO FAMILY. I WAS
17 CAUGHT INTO THE HANDS OF THE SYSTEM IN THIS TENDER AGE, AND
18 PLACED ON PROBATION, AND THEY GAVE ME COMMUNITY SERVICE. BUT
19 WHAT I REALLY NEEDED WAS CARE, AND A CARE-BASED FIRST
20 INITIATIVE AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT. WE CONTINUE TO FAIL YOUTH
21 LIKE MYSELF, WHILE WE ALL TALK ABOUT THE COUNTY OFFICIALS WHO
22 LEAD THE COUNTY AND MAKE DECISIONS FOR US. IT'S A SHAME AND
23 IT'S A DISAPPOINTMENT THAT YOU ALL ARE OUR LEADERS. OUR CARE
24 FIRST BUDGET IS NOT THE ONE INTRODUCED BY THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE
25 TODAY. A CARE FIRST APPROACH REQUIRES DIVESTMENT FROM THE

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1 COUNTY INSTITUTIONS MOST RESPONSIBLE FOR HARMING AND
2 INCARCERATING OUR COMMUNITY YOUTH. HOW DOES A CONTINUED NEARLY
3 \$5 BILLION ALLOCATION TO SHERIFF AND PROBATION DEPARTMENTS
4 DEMONSTRATE A COMMITMENT TO A CARE FIRST VISION? CARE FIRST
5 MEANS COMMUNITY FIRST. CARE FIRST MEANS INVESTIGATING IN
6 COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS BY PROVIDING THE MOST TOTAL AND
7 EFFECTIVE SUPPORT. INVESTING IN COMMUNITY FIRST ARE A.T.I.
8 RECOMMENDATIONS, AND THEY SHOULD BE BETTER REFLECTED IN THE
9 COUNTY BUDGET. WE SHOULD INVEST IN THINGS LIKE YOUTH JUSTICE
10 REIMAGINED. HOW DOES PROBATION GET MORE MONEY, BUT YOUTH
11 JUSTICE REIMAGINED DOESN'T GET FULLY FUNDED? WE'RE ONLY ASKING
12 FOR \$75 MILLION, AND YOU ALL CAN'T EVEN DO THAT. I'VE BEEN
13 DOING THIS WORK FOR FIVE YEARS, AND I'VE BEEN ASKING FOR THE
14 SAME THING FOR FIVE YEARS, AND IT'S TAKING YOU ALL SO LONG
15 JUST TO MAKE UP YOUR MIND THAT YOU ALL SHOULD GIVE US MONEY.
16 THE C.E.O. SHOULD BE ASHAMED OF HERSELF THAT SHE EVEN IS
17 REPRESENTING US AND CARES ABOUT YOUNG PEOPLE. YOU UNDERSTAND
18 WHAT I'M SAYING? THE COUNTY DOESN'T CARE ABOUT NONE OF US. I'M
19 AT THE POINT WHERE I KNOW THAT THE COUNTY DOESN'T CARE ABOUT
20 NONE OF US, BECAUSE Y'ALL AREN'T DOING WHAT Y'ALL ARE SUPPOSED
21 TO DO. THANK YOU.

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

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1 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, GO TO THE LINE OF JOSEPH RIZA. PLEASE STATE
2 THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH TO ADDRESS TODAY, AND
3 WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
4 BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS.

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** YOU MAY BEGIN.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. HI. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOSEPH, AND A FEW
11 WEEKS AGO, I SPOKE WITH SOMEONE FROM THE EAST L.A. ROAD
12 MAINTENANCE DIVISION ABOUT THE STREET SWEEPING, AND THEY TOLD
13 ME THAT THE SWEEPER WOULD ONLY COME TWICE A MONTH. I'M ASKING
14 THAT YOU WOULD RECONSIDER AND CHANGE THE STREET SWEEPING BACK
15 TO EVERY WEEK, TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE HERE IN THE
16 UNINCORPORATED AREA OF EAST L.A. SO, AGAIN, WOULD YOU PLEASE
17 CHANGE THAT POLICY, IN ORDER FOR THE STREET SWEEPER TO COME
18 EVERY WEEK? THANKS SO MUCH FOR HEARING ME, AND THAT BEING
19 SAID, I WAS WONDERING IF SOMEONE WOULD BE ABLE TO CONTACT ME,
20 OR I CAN FOLLOW UP AND CONTACT SOMEONE FROM YOUR OFFICE. THANK
21 YOU SO MUCH.

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, CALLER. THIS IS SUPERVISOR
24 SOLIS, REPRESENTING THE 1ST DISTRICT. SOMEONE ON MY STAFF WILL
25 CALL YOU, AND WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC

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1 WORKS ON THIS ISSUE. WE'VE HEARD FROM MANY CONSTITUENTS. THANK
2 YOU FOR CALLING IN. WE WILL CALL YOU.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. APPRECIATE IT.

5

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

8

9 **MODERATOR:** WE'RE GOING TO GO TO THE LINE OF SILVIA MARROQUIN.
10 PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY,
11 AND WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
12 BEGIN.

13

14 **SILVIA MARROQUIN:** THANK YOU. SO, YES, MY NAME IS SILVIA
15 MARROQUIN. I'M WITH S.A.J.E., STRATEGIC ACTIONS FOR JUST
16 ECONOMIES. I WILL BE ADDRESSING THIS ONE TO PUBLIC COMMENT. I
17 MEAN, GENERAL COMMENTS, AND ITEMS 50 THROUGH 55, I BELIEVE.
18 SO, MY EXPERIENCE WITH S.A.J.E. HAS BEEN FOR FIVE YEARS, AS
19 THE COMMUNITY ORGANIZER. AND, YES, WE HAVE BEEN HELPING A LOT
20 OF PEOPLE TO STAY AWAY FROM BEING EVICTED, BY LETTING THEM
21 KNOW THEIR RIGHTS AS TENANTS. BUT IT'S SO MUCH DIFFICULT, NOW,
22 TO HELP THEM. SO MANY ARE FACING EVICTIONS, FROM ONE DAY TO
23 THE NEXT. YESTERDAY, A COUPLE OF FAMILIES WERE BEING EVICTED,
24 I'M NOT SURE IF ILLEGALLY OR LEGALLY. BUT TODAY, FIVE MORE
25 FAMILIES ARE BEING EVICTED, AND WE NEED TO STOP THAT. I MEAN,

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1 YOU GUYS ARE HELPING A LOT BY CREATING NEW PROGRAMS TO KEEP
2 FAMILIES FROM STAYING OFF THE STREETS OR BEING HOMELESS, BUT
3 SO MUCH MORE NEEDS TO BE DONE. STAY HOUSED IS A GREAT PROGRAM,
4 BUT WE NEED TO MAKE IT INTO A CODIFIED RIGHT TO COUNSEL. I
5 THINK THAT THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY, ESPECIALLY NOW, WITH
6 THE BUDGET BEING REVISED. \$10 MILLION IS NOT A LOT OF MONEY TO
7 PROTECT FAMILIES IN NEED. SO I'M URGING YOU TO PLEASE, PLEASE
8 RECONSIDER THAT THIS IS A DIRE NEED. THE RIGHT TO COUNSEL IS
9 THE THING TO DO. THIS IS GOING TO KEEP OUR FAMILIES HEALTHIER,
10 ALSO. IT'S GOING TO SAVE LIVES. SO MANY PEOPLE ARE STILL
11 DYING, AND WE NEED TO DO THE HUMANE THING. LET US NOT DIE ON
12 THE STREETS. THANK YOU.

13

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

16

17 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF JONES OKEKE. PLEASE
18 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH TO ADDRESS TODAY, AND
19 WHETHER YOU'LL BE ADDRESSING ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU
20 MAY BEGIN.

21

22 **JONES OKEKE:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JONES OKEKE. I'M PART OF
23 EAGLE COLLEGIATE ACADEMY. THIS IS A GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT
24 ABOUT THE IN-PERSON LEARNING OF THIS YEAR. THE FACULTY AND
25 STAFF OF THIS YEAR ARE ON THE VERGE OF LOSING OUR JOBS,

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1 BECAUSE THE DIRECTOR OF THE COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
2 THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND THE REGIONAL PLANNING
3 DEPARTMENT ARE HOLDING PERMITS [INAUDIBLE] TO OPEN THIS YEAR
4 FOR STUDENTS' IN-PERSON LEARNING. I THEREFORE CALL ON YOU,
5 BOARD MEMBERS, TO PLEASE COME TO OUR AID, AS TEACHERS,
6 [INAUDIBLE] SCHOOL, BECAUSE OUR KIDS WOULD LOVE TO BE WITH US,
7 ACTUALLY HAVING DIFFICULTY WITH THE VIRTUAL LEARNING THAT WE
8 ARE OPERATING RIGHT NOW. WE NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE, PLEASE.
9 THANK YOU SO MUCH.

10

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

13

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

17

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

20

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

23

24 **MODERATOR:** CHAIRPERSON, AT THIS TIME, WE HAVE NO ONE ELSE IN
25 QUEUE.

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1

2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, I UNDERSTAND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL
3 WANTED TO BE RECOGNIZED FOR CLARIFICATION. GO AHEAD.

4

5 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I JUST WANTED
6 TO PROVIDE SOME CLARIFICATION. WE HEARD FROM SEVERAL CALLERS
7 FROM HARBOR-U.C.L.A., REPRESENTING C.I.R./S.E.I.U., AND I
8 COMPLETELY HEAR AND UNDERSTAND THEIR FRUSTRATION. THE ONLY
9 POINT I WANTED TO PROVIDE CLARIFICATION WAS THE REPEATED
10 COMMENTS THAT THEY HAD NOT MET WITH MY OFFICE OR HAD NOT BEEN
11 RESPONDED TO, AND I JUST WANT TO PROVIDE SOME DATES, AND
12 AGAIN, THE CLARIFICATION. I'M PROUD TO SAY THAT MARISSA ZEPPS,
13 THEIR POLITICAL COORDINATOR, PULLED TOGETHER ABOUT FIVE OF
14 THEIR MEMBERS AND MET WITH MY LEADERSHIP TEAM ON MAY 18TH,
15 WITH A FOLLOW-UP MEETING JUNE 10TH. AND I ACTUALLY WAS ON
16 CAMPUS MAY 24TH, AND HAD INDIVIDUAL, PERSONAL CONVERSATIONS
17 WITH SEVERAL MEMBERS OF C.I.R. SO I APPRECIATE THAT LABOR
18 NEGOTIATIONS CAN BE LONG AND DIFFICULT, BUT AGAIN, I JUST
19 WANTED TO PROVIDE CLARIFICATION THAT NUMEROUS MEMBERS OF
20 C.I.R./S.E.I.U. HAVE MET WITH ME AND MY STAFF OVER THE COURSE
21 OF THE LAST TWO TO THREE MONTHS. SO I WANTED TO PROVIDE THAT
22 FACTUAL UPDATE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. I, TOO,
25 WANT TO ALSO OFFER UP CLARIFICATION, BECAUSE MY OFFICE, WHILE

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1 I MAY NOT HAVE BEEN IN THE MEETINGS, MY STAFF HAS BEEN MEETING
2 WITH THE BARGAINING GROUPS, AS WELL, SO I DID WANT TO ALSO
3 OFFER THAT, AND HOPE SOON THAT WE CAN SEE SOME RESOLUTION. I
4 THINK WE'RE ALL TRYING TO WORK TOWARDS THAT. THANK YOU VERY
5 MUCH. AND, MEMBERS, JUST FOR CLARIFICATION OVERALL, WE ARE
6 GOING TO ALLOW FOR-- AS YOU KNOW, WE'RE ALLOWING FOR THE FULL
7 90 MINUTES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT, SO WE WILL HOLD THE CALL-IN
8 LINE OPEN UNTIL 11:08, IF WE HAVE ANY OTHER CALLERS, AND THAT
9 WILL MEET OUR STANDARD THAT WE HAVE SET, SO THANK YOU. SO
10 WE'LL JUST HOLD ON FOR THOSE MINUTES, UNLESS SOMEONE CALLS IN.
11 THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE.

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, MEMBERS, OUR TIME FOR PUBLIC SPEAKERS
14 HAS ENDED. I WANT TO THANK ALL OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT
15 CALLED IN TO SPEAK, AND IF YOU WERE UNABLE TO PROVIDE YOUR
16 COMMENTS, YOU CAN STILL SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS, AS INDICATED
17 ON THE AGENDA, AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO ACCEPT ALL WRITTEN
18 COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME
19 PART OF THE RECORD. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE INDICATE
20 THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS ON WHICH WE WILL BE VOTING.

21

22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU: 1-D
23 THROUGH 6-D, 1 AS REVISED, 2 AND 3, 4 AS REVISED, 5 THROUGH 8,
24 10 THROUGH 31, 32 WITH SUPERVISOR MITCHELL ABSTAINING FROM THE
25 VOTE, 35 THROUGH 40, 41-A AND 41-B, AND 41-E, 46 THROUGH 49.

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1

2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY MYSELF, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
3 MITCHELL TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
4 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN:** MADAM CHAIR, CAN I JUST GET A CLARIFICATION ON...
7 WERE WE HAVING A ROLL CALL VOTE ON 33, 44, 34, AND 45?

8

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

10

11 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY. THANK YOU.

12

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

14

15 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

16

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

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

20

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

22

23 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

24

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

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1

2 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

3

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

5

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

7

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

9

10 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** NOW, MEMBERS, WE WILL VOTE ON ITEMS 33 AND
11 44, WHICH ARE RELATED, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY
12 SUPERVISOR KUEHL. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
13 ROLL.

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** ITEMS 33 AND 44 ARE BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR
16 MITCHELL?

17

18 **SUP. MITCHELL:** NO.

19

20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, NO. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

21

22 **SUP. KUEHL:** NO.

23

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

25

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1 **SUP. HAHN:** NO.

2

3 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, NO. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

4

5 **SUP. BARGER:** NO.

6

7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, NO. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** NO.

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, NO. MOTION FAILS TO PASS,
12 0-5.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS, WE'LL NOW VOTE ON ITEMS 34 AND 45,
15 WHICH ARE ALSO RELATED. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SECONDED
16 BY SUPERVISOR BARGER. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
17 ROLL.

18

19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** ITEMS 34 AND 45 ARE BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR
20 MITCHELL?

21

22 **SUP. MITCHELL:** NO.

23

24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, NO. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

25

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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** NO.

2

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

4

5 **SUP. HAHN:** NO.

6

7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, NO. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

8

9 **SUP. BARGER:** NO.

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, NO. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** NO.

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, NO. MOTION FAILS TO PASS,
16 0-5.

17

18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MEMBERS. TODAY, AS
19 YOU KNOW, WE'LL BEGIN WITH THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET ITEMS, 50
20 THROUGH 55, FOLLOWED BY THE SET ITEM, S-1, THEN ITEM 9, ITEM
21 41-C, AND FINISHING WITH ITEM 41-D. WITH THAT, MEMBERS, THE
22 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER WILL BEGIN WITH THE PRESENTATION, AND
23 THEN PRESENT EACH OF THE BUDGET ITEMS IN NUMERICAL ORDER. IF
24 MY COLLEAGUES HAVE STATEMENTS THEY WOULD LIKE TO MAKE ON THE
25 OVERALL BUDGET, I WOULD ASK THAT THEY HOLD THEM UNTIL WE GET

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1 TO ITEM 54, AND AT THAT POINT, EACH BOARD MEMBER WILL HAVE AN
2 OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE COMMENTS. SO WITH THAT, OUR CHIEF
3 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, FESIA DAVENPORT, WILL NOW PROVIDE A
4 PRESENTATION, AND THEN INTRODUCE ITEM 50. FESIA, PLEASE BEGIN.

5

6 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND GOOD
7 MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. IT IS HARD TO BELIEVE THAT IT
8 HAS BEEN JUST 168 DAYS SINCE I APPEARED BEFORE YOU TO PRESENT
9 MY FIRST RECOMMENDED BUDGET AS C.E.O., EARLIER THIS YEAR.
10 THESE 168 DAYS HAVE BEEN SOME OF THE MOST DYNAMIC AND
11 CHALLENGING IN OUR COUNTY'S HISTORY. THE \$39.3 BILLION
12 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET I WILL PRESENT TO YOU TODAY REPRESENTS
13 MORE THAN JUST THE END OF OUR ANNUAL BUDGET CYCLE. IT IS A
14 MILESTONE OF ALL THE PROGRESS WE HAVE MADE UNDER YOUR BOARD'S
15 LEADERSHIP, AS WE MOVE THROUGH THE PANDEMIC AND TOWARD A MORE
16 JUST AND MORE EQUITABLE FUTURE FOR ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS.
17 ALTHOUGH WE ARE FAR FROM THE END OF OUR JOURNEY, WE HAVE
18 TRAVELED A LONG WAY IN A REMARKABLY SHORT PERIOD OF TIME.
19 THERE IS MORE WORK TO BE DONE FOR SURE. I'D LIKE TO SHARE A
20 BRIEF PRESENTATION THAT HIGHLIGHTS SOME OF OUR ACHIEVEMENTS
21 AND INVESTMENTS ALONG THE WAY, AND PROVIDES A BIG-PICTURE
22 OVERVIEW OF WHERE WE ARE NOW. SO, IF WE CAN TURN TO SLIDE
23 NUMBER 2, PLEASE. I'LL BEGIN BY HIGHLIGHTING ONE OF OUR MOST
24 IMPORTANT PRIORITIES: ADVANCING THE BOARD'S CARE FIRST, JAILS
25 LAST VISION. DURING THIS BUDGET YEAR, WE HAVE TAKEN

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1 SIGNIFICANT STEPS TO MEET THE MOMENT WE ARE IN, UNDERSTANDING
2 THAT THERE IS MORE WORK TO BE DONE. IN BUDGETARY TERMS, THIS
3 TRANSLATES TO NEARLY HALF A BILLION DOLLARS TO BUILD AND
4 REINFORCE A STRONG FOUNDATION TO IMPLEMENT AND ACCELERATE THE
5 BOLD CHANGES YOUR BOARD HAS DIRECTED US TO ACHIEVE. THIS
6 FISCAL YEAR, WE ARE INVESTING A TOTAL OF \$461.5 MILLION IN
7 CARE FIRST, JAIL LAST PROGRAMS AND SERVICES. THIS IS OVER AND
8 ABOVE THE SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENTS MADE IN PREVIOUS BUDGET
9 YEARS. ON THE PROGRAMMATIC SIDE, WE CONTINUE TO LAUNCH AND
10 EXPAND KEY, INTERRELATED INITIATIVES THAT WORK TOGETHER TO
11 ADDRESS LONGSTANDING ISSUES AND INEQUITIES. THESE INCLUDE
12 ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION; ANTIRACISM, DIVERSITY, AND
13 INCLUSION; THE POVERTY ALLEVIATION INITIATIVE; AND THE JAIL
14 CLOSURE IMPLEMENTATION TEAM TO DECOMPRESS AND CLOSE MEN'S
15 CENTRAL JAIL. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. AS YOU KNOW, BUILDING THE
16 COUNTY'S BUDGET IS AN ITERATIVE PROCESS, WITH EACH NEW PHASE
17 LAYERING ON NEW FUNDING FROM MULTIPLE SOURCES TO SUPPORT KEY
18 PROGRAMS, AND THAT IS WHAT THIS SLIDE IS INTENDED TO PRESENT
19 TO YOU TODAY. THIS IS WHAT WE MEAN BY BUILDING MOMENTUM FOR
20 CHANGE. AND LET'S TAKE CARE FIRST, JAILS LAST AS AN EXAMPLE.
21 WE BEGAN WITH AN INITIAL INVESTMENT OF \$156 MILLION, INCLUDING
22 \$100 MILLION FOR CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT, ALSO KNOWN
23 AS MEASURE J, IN APRIL'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET, AND HAVE NOW
24 ADDED AN ADDITIONAL \$305 MILLION THROUGH SUBSEQUENT BUDGET
25 ACTIONS, FOR A TOTAL OF \$461.5 MILLION. YOUR BOARD'S ADOPTION

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1 OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET WILL RESULT IN A COUNTY BUDGET
2 TOTALING \$39.3 BILLION. THAT DOES NOT YET INCLUDE THE \$975
3 MILLION IN YEAR ONE OF OUR AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN STIMULUS
4 FUNDING, WHICH WILL BE USED TO SUPPORT A BROAD AND EQUITABLE
5 RECOVERY ACROSS THE COUNTY. EVEN THOUGH TODAY'S SUPPLEMENTAL
6 BUDGET PHASE MARKS THE OFFICIAL END OF OUR THREE-PART ANNUAL
7 BUDGET PROCESS, WE CAN STILL MAKE ADJUSTMENTS THROUGHOUT THE
8 YEAR. THIS IS WHAT WE INTEND TO DO TO INCORPORATE OUR AMERICAN
9 RESCUE PLAN FUNDING INTO THE BUDGET IN THE NEAR FUTURE. NEXT
10 SLIDE, PLEASE. SO, AS A RECAP, HERE'S A CLOSER LOOK AT THE
11 VARIOUS FUNDING STREAMS AND BUDGET PHASES THAT HAVE BEEN
12 LAYERED TOGETHER TO REACH THE \$461.5 MILLION FOR CARE FIRST,
13 JAIL LAST, BEGINNING WITH RECOMMENDED BUDGET BACK IN APRIL,
14 ALL THE WAY THROUGH TODAY. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. NOW I'D LIKE TO
15 SHARE A CLOSER LOOK AT HOW THESE HISTORIC LEVELS OF FUNDING,
16 AND THE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES THEY SUPPORT, ARE GOING TO WORK
17 IN THE REAL WORLD. THIS SLIDE SHOWS THE A.T.I.'S INTERCEPT
18 MODEL. THIS IS A POWERFUL TOOL FOR SHOWING THE MANY
19 TOUCHPOINTS WE HAVE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN AN INDIVIDUAL'S
20 LIFE, INCLUDING THE OPPORTUNITIES WE HAVE TO HEAD OFF
21 INVOLVEMENT IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEM, BEFORE IT EVEN BEGINS. THIS
22 SLIDE ILLUSTRATES THE THREE BROAD CATEGORIES OF PROGRAMS AND
23 SERVICES. THEY ARE COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS, SUPPORTING CRISIS
24 INTERVENTIONS, LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTACT THROUGH COURT
25 ADJUDICATION, REENTRY, RELEASE, AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT. EACH

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1 CATEGORY REPRESENTS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE COUNTY TO REACH
2 PEOPLE AT CRITICAL MOMENTS IN THEIR LIVES, WITH INTERVENTIONS
3 THAT CAN LEAD TO POSITIVE OUTCOMES, BOTH FOR INDIVIDUALS AND
4 ENTIRE COMMUNITIES. THE DETAILS OF THESE PROGRAMS, AND THEIR
5 ALIGNMENT WITH THESE CATEGORIES IN THE INTERCEPT MODEL, ARE
6 BEING PROVIDED TO YOUR BOARD IN A SEPARATE HANDOUT. NEXT
7 SLIDE, PLEASE. SO, I SPOKE EARLIER ABOUT THE LAYERING OF
8 DIFFERENT FUNDING SOURCES THROUGH MULTIPLE BUDGET PHASES. THIS
9 SLIDE HIGHLIGHTS JUST ONE OF THOSE FUNDING SOURCES, A.B. 109.
10 THE CIRCULAR CHART ON THE RIGHT-HAND SIDE SHOWS THE OVERALL
11 BREAKDOWN OF ALLOCATIONS FOR THE ADDITIONAL \$123.6 MILLION IN
12 A.B. 109 FUNDING AWARDED TO US BY THE STATE, INCLUDING \$31.4
13 MILLION FOR DIVERSION AND REENTRY, PREVENTATIVE HOUSING,
14 TREATMENT AND SERVICES; \$3 MILLION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH; AND
15 \$16.6 MILLION FOR IN-CUSTODY HARM-REDUCTION PROGRAMS. THE
16 CHART ON THE LEFT SHOWS A CLOSING OF A GAP IN A.B. 109
17 FUNDING. SPECIFICALLY, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL
18 BUDGET SHARE CONTINUES TO DECREASE, WHILE THE SHARE DEVOTED TO
19 TREATMENT AND SERVICES HAS INCREASED. AND THAT CHART'S FOCUS
20 IS THE TIME PERIOD COVERING FISCAL YEAR 2011 THROUGH 2012, AND
21 SHOWS THAT GAP DECREASING AS WE GET TO FISCAL YEAR 2021
22 THROUGH 2022. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. A FOCUS ON YOUTH. WE HAVE
23 ALSO CREATED A NEW YOUTH JUSTICE REIMAGINED DEVELOPMENT FUND,
24 WITH AN INITIAL INVESTMENT OF \$27.4 MILLION. THIS WILL SUPPORT
25 THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW YOUTH DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT. IN

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1 ADDITION, \$43.6 MILLION FROM A VARIETY OF FUNDING SOURCES HAVE
2 BEEN COMMITTED TOWARDS YOUTH-FOCUSED PROGRAMMING. TAKEN
3 TOGETHER, THESE ADD UP TO \$71 MILLION TOWARD TRANSFORMING OUR
4 APPROACH TO YOUTH JUSTICE, WHILE INVESTING IN THE WELLBEING OF
5 OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. I'LL TAKE THE NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. TO SUM UP
6 THOSE LAST FEW SLIDES, WE ARE BUILDING OUR INVESTMENTS IN CARE
7 FIRST, JAIL LAST OVER MULTIPLE BUDGET PHASES, USING A.T.I.'S
8 INTERCEPT MODEL TO FOCUS OUR WORK. WE ARE INVESTING IN OUR
9 YOUTH. AND THROUGH SUSTAINED INVESTMENTS, WE ARE SETTING THE
10 FOUNDATION TO ACHIEVE THE BOARD'S VISION OF A MORE JUST AND
11 MORE EQUITABLE L.A. COUNTY FOR ALL. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. ON
12 THESE FINAL SLIDES, I'D LIKE TO BRIEFLY HIGHLIGHT SEVERAL
13 OTHER PROGRAMS AND SERVICES OF SPECIAL NOTE, AND I'LL START
14 WITH ANTIRACISM, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION. NOTABLE INVESTMENTS
15 IN THIS AREA INCLUDE THE L.A. VS. HATE PROGRAM, THE
16 L.G.B.T.Q.+ SUPPORT SERVICES, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN
17 AND FAMILY SERVICES, AND A PILOT PROGRAM TO DEVELOP A COLOR-
18 BLIND CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM TO GUARD AGAINST RACIAL BIAS. NEXT
19 SLIDE, PLEASE. WE ARE ALSO MOBILIZING TO BETTER SERVE OUR
20 SENIORS, AND TO REALIGN OUR EXTENSIVE ECONOMIC AND WORKFORCE
21 DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS. WE HAVE INITIATED A THREE-PHASE PROCESS
22 TO REALIGN THE DEPARTMENT OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, AGING AND
23 COMMUNITY SERVICES INTO TWO NEW DEPARTMENTS: THE DEPARTMENT OF
24 AGING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC
25 AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT. LIKE OTHER EFFORTS MENTIONED

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1 EARLIER IN MY PRESENTATION, THIS IS FOUNDATIONAL WORK TO
2 ACHIEVE THE BOARD'S OBJECTIVE OVER MULTIPLE BUDGET CYCLES.
3 THIS SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET ALLOCATES \$1.6 MILLION FOR THE FIRST
4 PHASE OF THE WORK. NEXT STEPS INCLUDE BRINGING ON NEW
5 EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP, AND REALIGNING W.D.A.C.S.'S ORIGINAL
6 FRAMEWORK TO CREATE THESE TWO NEW DEPARTMENTS. NEXT SLIDE,
7 PLEASE. CONTINUING THE FIGHT AGAINST HOMELESSNESS. SO I'LL
8 CLOSE WITH A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF OUR EXTENSIVE EFFORTS TO
9 SUPPORT YOUR BOARD'S LONGSTANDING COMMITMENT TO FIGHTING
10 HOMELESSNESS. WE RECOGNIZE THAT THIS CRISIS HAS BEEN
11 EXACERBATED DURING THE PANDEMIC. IN RESPONSE, WE ARE
12 COMMITTING HISTORIC LEVELS OF FUNDING TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS:
13 \$527 MILLION, WHICH INCLUDES \$494 MILLION FOR MEASURE H. THESE
14 INVESTMENTS WILL ENABLE US TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR PERMANENT
15 HOUSING SOLUTIONS; EXPAND OUR SUPPLY OF INTERIM HOUSING;
16 ENHANCE THE EMERGENCY SHELTER SYSTEM; BRING PROTECTIVE
17 SERVICES, SUPPORTS, TO OLDER ADULTS WHO ARE HOMELESS OR AT
18 RISK OF BECOMING HOMELESS; AND TO ESTABLISH THE NEW BLUE
19 RIBBON COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO,
20 THIS CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION. I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD
21 OFFICES FOR ALLOWING ME TIME TO PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION. I
22 WILL NOW MOVE ON TO AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 50, WHICH ARE ITEMS
23 FROM PREVIOUS BOARD MEETINGS DEFERRED TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL
24 BUDGET. AGENDA ITEM 50 INCLUDES 9 REPORT-BACKS BY THE C.E.O.'S
25 OFFICE, REGARDING A VARIETY OF TOPICS AND FUNDING ISSUES. MANY

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1 OF THE REPORT-BACKS SPEAK TO PRIORITIES OF YOUR BOARD ON A
2 RANGE OF ISSUES, OF THE 9 REPORTS WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO EITHER
3 IDENTIFY FUNDING OR IDENTIFY A PATH MOVING FORWARD TO
4 IMPLEMENT THE BOARD'S VISION. I'M HAPPY TO ADDRESS ANY
5 QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE ON THE REPORT-BACKS, AND IF THERE ARE
6 NO QUESTIONS, I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT YOUR BOARD MOVE TO
7 RECEIVE AND FILE AGENDA ITEM 50.

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION ON THIS
10 ITEM. ITEM 50 IS BEFORE US TO RECEIVE AND FILE THESE REPORTS.
11 IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER. MOVING ON
12 NOW TO ITEM 51, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. PLEASE BEGIN.

13

14 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AGENDA ITEM
15 51 IS THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S FINAL BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR
16 FISCAL YEAR 2021. THIS IS LARGELY AN ADMINISTRATIVE AND
17 TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENT TO CLOSE OUT THE FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUDGET.
18 THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, MS. ARLENE BARRERA, IS AVAILABLE TO
19 ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ON THIS MATTER. AND IF THERE ARE NO
20 QUESTIONS, I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT YOUR BOARD MOVE AND APPROVE
21 THIS ITEM.

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SEEING NO QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS, ITEM 51
24 IS BEFORE US, MOVED BY MYSELF, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL

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

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** ITEM 51 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

7

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

9

10 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

11

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

13

14 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

15

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

17

18 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

19

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

21

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

23

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

25

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL NOW HEAR FROM CHIEF
2 EXECUTIVE OFFICER FESIA DAVENPORT ON ITEM NUMBER 52.

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4 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AGENDA ITEM
5 NUMBER 52 IS THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES' FINAL BUDGET
6 ADJUSTMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019 TO 2020. THESE THREE BUDGET
7 ADJUSTMENTS AND APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENTS ARE ADMINISTRATIVE
8 AND TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS TO CLOSE OUT FISCAL YEAR 2021, THE
9 2021 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. THERE ARE
10 THREE ACTIONS BEING RECOMMENDED. THE FIRST ITEM IS THE YEAR-
11 END BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES.
12 THE SECOND ITEM IS A BUDGET ADJUSTMENT TO REALLOCATE FUNDS
13 WITHIN THE MEASURE B SPECIAL REVENUE FUND AMONG THREE D.H.S.
14 HOSPITALS. AND FINALLY, IS AN APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT TO
15 ADJUST THE LONG-TERM RECEIVABLES FOR THE COST-BASED
16 REIMBURSEMENT CLINICS, ENHANCED PAYMENT PROGRAM, AND THE
17 QUALITY INCENTIVE PROGRAM REVENUES AT THE VARIOUS D.H.S.
18 FACILITIES. THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES, DR. CHRISTINA
19 GHALY, IS AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS. IF THERE ARE NO
20 QUESTIONS, I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT YOUR BOARD MOVE AND APPROVE
21 THIS ITEM.

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS, ITEM 52, SECTIONS 1 THROUGH 3, ARE
24 BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SECOND BY SUPERVISOR

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1 HAHN TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
2 CALL THE ROLL.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** ITEM 52, SECTIONS 1 THROUGH 3, ARE BEFORE
5 YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

6

7 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

8

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

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11 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

12

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

14

15 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

18

19 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

22

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

24

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

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2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL NOW HEAR FROM OUR CHIEF
3 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, FESIA DAVENPORT, ON ITEM NUMBER 53.

4

5 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** MADAM CHAIR, AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 53 IS
6 THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S BUDGET RESOLUTION SUPPLEMENTING THE
7 FISCAL YEAR 2021 BUDGET, WHICH WAS ADOPTED ON JUNE 28, 2021.
8 THIS RESOLUTION ESTABLISHED THE ACTUAL FUND BALANCE FOR ALL
9 BUDGETARY FUNDS, SINCE THE ADOPTED BUDGET INCLUDED ESTIMATED
10 FUND BALANCES. THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER IS AVAILABLE TO ANSWER
11 ANY OF YOUR QUESTIONS. AND IF THERE ARE NO QUESTIONS, I WOULD
12 RECOMMEND THAT YOUR BOARD MOVE AND APPROVE THIS ITEM.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ITEM 53, MEMBERS, IS BEFORE US,
15 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY MYSELF TO APPROVE THE
16 ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** ITEM 53 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

19

20 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

21

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

23

24 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

25

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

2

3 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

4

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

6

7 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

8

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

10

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

12

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

14

15 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL NOW HEAR FROM CHIEF
16 EXECUTIVE OFFICER FESIA DAVENPORT ON ITEM 54. AFTER FESIA
17 PRESENTS ITEM 54, WE WILL HEAR FROM EACH OF THE SUPERVISORS IN
18 THE DISTRICT NUMBER ORDER, BEGINNING WITH MYSELF. CHIEF
19 EXECUTIVE OFFICER DAVENPORT, YOU'RE ON.

20

21 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AGENDA ITEM
22 54 CONTAINS THE C.E.O.'S FISCAL YEAR '21-'22 SUPPLEMENTAL
23 BUDGET REQUEST THAT REFLECTS VARIOUS BUDGET CHANGES, AND
24 PROVIDES AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE FUNDING AGREEMENTS. THERE
25 ARE THREE ACTIONS BEING RECOMMENDED BY OUR OFFICE. THE FIRST

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1 ITEM IS TO ADOPT THE ATTACHED SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET CHANGES TO
2 THE FISCAL YEAR '21-'22 ADOPTED BUDGET. THE SECOND ITEM IS TO
3 RESCIND THE HARD HIRING FREEZE FOR ALL DEPARTMENTS, EXCEPT THE
4 PROBATION DEPARTMENT, JUVENILE JUSTICE INSTITUTION SERVICES
5 BUDGET UNIT, AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. IN ADDITION, WE ARE
6 RECOMMENDING THAT THE FREEZE ON NONESSENTIAL SERVICES AND
7 SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT BE RESCINDED. AND THIRD IS TO AUTHORIZE
8 THE C.E.O. TO EXECUTE A VARIETY OF FUNDING AGREEMENTS WITH
9 VARIOUS ENTITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS. I'M AVAILABLE TO ADDRESS
10 ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE REGARDING THE SUPPLEMENTAL
11 BUDGET REQUESTS.

12
13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, FESIA, FOR YOUR PRESENTATION,
14 AND I'LL START. FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO THANK YOU AND YOUR
15 ENTIRE TEAM, WHO HAVE WORKED ALONGSIDE WITH MY STAFF,
16 ESPECIALLY MATT MCGLOIN AND HIS BUDGET AND CLASSIFICATION
17 TEAMS. I WANT TO ALSO THANK TIM PESCATELLO AND HIS EMPLOYEE
18 RELATIONS TEAM FOR WORKING WITH OUR LABOR PARTNERS, AND SAMARA
19 ASHLEY AND THE LEGISLATIVE TEAM FOR ADVOCATING IN SACRAMENTO,
20 AS WELL AS IN WASHINGTON, D.C. AND I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK
21 VANESSA MOODY AND HER TEAM FOR WORKING WITH MY STAFF
22 THROUGHOUT THE YEAR ON PROJECTS THAT ARE PRIORITY FOR
23 RESIDENTS IN MY OWN DISTRICT. AND I THANK ALL OF OUR
24 DEPARTMENT HEADS AND THEIR STAFF FOR ALL THEIR HARD WORK
25 DURING THESE UNPRECEDENTED TIMES. AS YOU KNOW, TODAY'S

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1 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET WILL ADJUST THE FINAL BUDGET WE ADOPTED
2 THIS PAST JUNE, BY ADDING \$2.8 BILLION AND 224 POSITIONS, SO
3 THAT OUR CURRENT BUDGET IS NOW \$39.3 BILLION, JUST OVER
4 11,000... I AM SORRY, 111,000 POSITIONS. IT IS HARD TO BELIEVE
5 THAT ONLY A YEAR AGO, WE WERE FACING LAYOFFS. FOR THE FIRST
6 TIME SINCE THE GREAT RECESSION, IT WAS POSSIBLE THAT COUNTY
7 EMPLOYEES WERE GOING TO BE LET GO. WE ENACTED, HOWEVER,
8 SEVERAL PAINFUL CURTAILMENTS, AND IMPLEMENTED A HIRING AND
9 SPENDING FREEZE ON ALL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. AND YET, DESPITE
10 THE PANDEMIC AND ITS EFFECT ON OUR ECONOMY, THE COUNTY OF LOS
11 ANGELES HAS DEMONSTRATED BUDGET RESILIENCE. IN FACT, JUST THIS
12 PAST WEEK, STANDARD AND POOR'S MOVED THE COUNTY'S TRIPLE-A
13 RATING, THE HIGHEST RATING POSSIBLE FROM THE CREDIT RATING
14 AGENCY, BACK TO STABLE, FROM THE NEGATIVE OUTLOOK WE SCORED
15 LAST YEAR, DUE TO C.O.V.I.D. AND I WANT TO ESPECIALLY THANK
16 OUR TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR KEITH KNOX, AND OUR AUDITOR-
17 CONTROLLER ARLENE BARRERA, OUR DIRECTOR OF DEPARTMENT OF
18 HEALTH SERVICES DR. CHRISTINA GHALY, AND OF COURSE OUR C.E.O.
19 FESIA DAVENPORT, AND THEIR TEAMS, WHO WERE ALL INSTRUMENTAL IN
20 THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL MEETING WITH THE THREE CREDIT RATING
21 AGENCIES. THE COUNTY'S STRONG FISCAL STANDING IS DUE TO OUR
22 PRUDENT, LONGSTANDING FISCAL POLICIES, WHICH THE C.E.O.
23 CONSISTENTLY REINFORCES TO KEEP US ON BUDGET. WE ALSO NEED TO
24 RECOGNIZE THE FINANCIAL SUPPORT WE RECEIVED THIS PAST YEAR
25 THROUGH PRESIDENT JOE BIDEN AND GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM. WE

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1 WOULD NOT HAVE MADE IT THROUGH THE BUDGETARY TURMOIL CAUSED BY
2 THE PANDEMIC AS WELL AS WE DID WITHOUT THE ONE-TIME FUNDING
3 FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND THE STATE. AND BECAUSE OF A
4 LOT OF HARD WORK, WE WERE ABLE TO SHIELD OUR EMPLOYEES FROM
5 ANY FINANCIAL IMPACT OF C.O.V.I.D., REGARDLESS OF THE TOLL IT
6 HAD ON OUR BUDGET. QUITE FRANKLY, THERE WERE NO LAYOFFS, AND I
7 WOULD ALSO LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT AND THANK OUR LABOR PARTNERS, WHO
8 AGREED THIS YEAR TO NOT HAVING A COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT,
9 WHICH GAVE THE COUNTY A LITTLE ROOM TO SHORE UP THE BUDGET.
10 HOWEVER, AS YOU KNOW, WE ARE NOT OUT OF THE WOODS YET. THERE
11 ARE STILL BUDGETARY UNCERTAINTIES AND CONSISTENT PRESSURES ON
12 THE BUDGET, SO WE HAVE TO REMAIN DILIGENT. EITHER WAY, WE CAN
13 SAY THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BUDGET IS AS HEALTHY AS CAN
14 BE AT THIS MOMENT IN TIME, AND I AM PLEASED TO SEE THAT THE
15 BUDGET CONTINUES TO MOVE IN THE DIRECTION OF EQUITY, AND
16 INCLUDES MANY OF MY PRIORITIES TO AFFECT OUR MOST VULNERABLE
17 RESIDENTS: \$1.1 MILLION TO ESTABLISH A NEW HEALTH CENTER IN
18 WESTLAKE AREA OF MY DISTRICT, WHICH IS WHERE THE PANDEMIC
19 REALLY IMPACTED MANY OF OUR RESIDENTS, AND HAD ONE OF THE
20 HIGHEST NUMBER OF C.O.V.I.D. CASES IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES;
21 \$1.5 MILLION FOR OPERATIONAL COSTS FOR A NEW URGENT CARE
22 CENTER AT THE EL MONTE COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER; \$2.1
23 MILLION TO FUND POSITIONS FOR THE NEWLY CREATED JAIL CLOSURE
24 IMPLEMENTATION TEAM, A TEAM THAT WAS ESTABLISHED AND DEDICATED
25 TO LEAD THE BOARD'S MANDATE TO DEPOPULATE AND DEMOLISH MEN'S

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1 CENTRAL JAIL; AND \$5 MILLION IN MEASURE B FUNDING TO EXPAND
2 THE TRAUMA PREVENTION INITIATIVE TO INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF
3 GANG PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION SERVICES IN OUR MOST IMPACTED
4 COMMUNITY. THIS IS IN ADDITION TO THE \$20 MILLION OF THESE
5 SERVICES IN THE FEDERAL AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDING, AND
6 \$24.4 MILLION IN ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE YOUTH JUSTICE
7 REIMAGINED DEVELOPMENT PLAN, AND \$601,000 AND A NET INCREASE
8 OF 26 POSITIONS TO SUPPORT VARIOUS PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS,
9 SUCH AS TOBACCO CONTROL, PREVENTION, H.I.V. SERVICES, AND
10 COMMUNICABLE DISEASES. AND ALTHOUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
11 HEALTH HAS BEEN LASER-FOCUSED ON THE PANDEMIC'S RESPONSE, IN
12 REALITY, THE DEPARTMENT HAS OVER 39 PROGRAMS. INFECTIOUS
13 DISEASES IS ONLY ONE OF THEIR MANY MANDATED RESPONSIBILITIES,
14 AND \$6.5 MILLION WAS BEING AVAILABLE FOR THE GUARANTEED BASIC
15 INCOME PILOT PROGRAM THAT WILL GET MONEY DIRECTLY TO
16 TRANSITION-AGED YOUTH, RECEIVING GENERAL RELIEF TO HELP WITH
17 LIVING EXPENSES; AND \$114,000 TO INCREASE THE COUNTY'S 2-1-1
18 HOTLINE SERVICES FOR THE L.A. VS. HATE PROGRAM, TO PROVIDE
19 VICTIMS OF HATE CRIME WITH INFORMATION AND RESOURCES; AND \$2.5
20 MILLION FOR THE CANNABIS CONSUMER HEALTH AND SAFETY TASK
21 FORCE, TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY-OF-LIFE ISSUES AND ADDRESS THE
22 ILLEGAL DISPENSARIES IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS COUNTYWIDE, AND
23 ILLEGAL GROWS IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY; \$217,000 TO FUND A
24 POSITION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND CULTURE, FOR THE
25 CULTURE POLICY CROSS-SECTOR PROGRAM, WHICH IS PART OF THE

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1 CULTURAL EQUITY AND INCLUSION INITIATIVE; AND \$2.4 MILLION TO
2 EXPAND THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION D.C.F.S. UP-FRONT FAMILY
3 FINDING PROGRAM, TO ENSURE CHILDREN ARE PLACED WITH THEIR
4 RELATIVES WHEN THEY COME INTO FOSTER CARE; \$35,000 FOR THE
5 ANNUAL HARLENE DE L.A. ARTISTS IN GRAND PARK; AND THE BUDGET
6 ALSO INCLUDES PHYSICIAN TRANSFERS, AS THE FIRST STEP TO
7 STANDING UP THE NEW ECONOMIC AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
8 DEPARTMENT, AND DEPARTMENT OF AGING. AND LASTLY, THE
9 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET ESTABLISHES A BUDGET SPECIFICALLY FOR THE
10 CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FUNDING, OR C.F.C.I.,
11 PREVIOUSLY KNOWN AS MEASURE J. THIS \$100 MILLION FOR A ONE-
12 YEAR INVESTMENT, THAT WE APPROVED IN AUGUST, IS HAPPENING, AND
13 I WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE FUNDING FOR BEDS OF ALL TYPES TO
14 ADDRESS OUR HOMELESS CRISIS, WHETHER IT IS PERMANENT OR
15 INTERIM SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING
16 HOMELESSNESS, LIKE THE BEDS AT THE NEWLY BUILT CARE FIRST
17 VILLAGE AT THE VIGNES SITE, OR AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO PREVENT
18 PEOPLE FROM FALLING INTO HOMELESSNESS TO BEGIN WITH, WHICH IS
19 WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO STAND UP AT L.A.C.+U.S.C. CAMPUS. WE
20 SIMPLY AND OBVIOUSLY NEED MORE BEDS, AND I HAVE SAID DURING
21 EVERY BUDGET CYCLE, FOR THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS, "EQUITY" CAN'T
22 JUST BE A BUZZWORD. C.O.V.I.D.-19 MADE THAT VERY CLEAR TO OUR
23 RESIDENTS. EQUITY DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING UNTIL YOU PUT A DOLLAR
24 BEHIND IT. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET, IN MY OPINION,
25 DEMONSTRATES OUR COMMITMENT TO EQUITY. AND LASTLY, I WANT TO

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1 STRONGLY ENCOURAGE EVERYONE WHO IS NOT YET VACCINATED,
2 INCLUDING OUR COUNTY'S OWN EMPLOYEE WORKFORCE, TO PLEASE GET
3 VACCINATED. IF NOT FOR YOURSELF, THEN DO IT TO SAVE THE LIVES
4 OF PEOPLE AROUND YOU: YOUR FAMILIES, YOUR FRIENDS, YOUR LOVED
5 ONES IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE WILL BE IN THE HOLIDAY WINTER SEASON
6 VERY SOON, AND WE WANT TO DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO AVOID
7 ANOTHER SURGE, AND THE FRIGHTENING SURGE WE EXPERIENCED LAST
8 HOLIDAY SEASON STILL IN OUR REAR-VIEW MIRROR. THE COUNTY CAN'T
9 CONTROL THE PANDEMIC ON OUR OWN, AND IT IS GOING TO TAKE EACH
10 AND EVERY ONE OF US TO DO OUR PART TO KEEP OURSELVES AND OUR
11 LOVED ONES AND OUR COMMUNITIES HEALTHY, AND OUR ECONOMY
12 RUNNING. THANK YOU SO MUCH, COLLEAGUES, AND I DO HAVE ONE
13 QUESTION FOR C.E.O. DAVENPORT. FESIA, I WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU
14 IF YOU COULD PLEASE EXPLAIN MORE ABOUT THE COUNTY'S MULTIPHASE
15 BUDGET PROCESS, AND HOW IT WORKS, AND HOW MONEY IS LAYERED
16 INTO THE BUDGET DURING THE FISCAL YEAR. AND ALSO, IT IS MY
17 UNDERSTANDING THAT NEARLY \$1 BILLION FROM THE FIRST ROUND OF
18 THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDING HAS NOT YET BEEN ADDED.
19 THIS BIG-PICTURE VIEW IS IMPORTANT, AND I WOULD APPRECIATE
20 SOME CLARIFICATION ON THOSE POINTS.

21
22 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** YES. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND SO,
23 AS I ILLUSTRATED ON ONE OF THE PRIOR SLIDES, WE HAVE A 3-PHASE
24 BUDGET PROCESS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. WE START WITH OUR
25 RECOMMENDED BUDGET IN APRIL. WE MOVE TO OUR FINAL CHANGES

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1 BUDGET IN JUNE, AND THEN WE CONCLUDE WITH OUR SUPPLEMENTAL
2 BUDGET, NORMALLY IN SEPTEMBER, BUT THIS YEAR IN OCTOBER. AND
3 IT REALLY IS, SUPERVISOR, AN ITERATIVE PROCESS. OUR
4 RECOMMENDED BUDGET CONTAINS A LOT OF FUNDING ESTIMATES, AND
5 ESTIMATES RELATED TO REVENUE. AND GENERALLY, WHAT WE LIKE TO
6 DO IS WE LIKE TO WAIT UNTIL AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S REVISE THAT
7 OCCURS IN MAY OF EACH YEAR TO SHORE UP OUR ESTIMATES, AND ALSO
8 TO SHORE UP AND FURTHER REFINE ANY ADDITIONAL FUNDING THAT WE
9 MAY BE RECEIVING FROM THE STATE. AND SO, AFTER WE DO THAT, AND
10 THEN WE ARE NOW IN JUNE, WITH OUR FINAL CHANGES BUDGET. ONCE
11 WE GET TO SEPTEMBER, WITH OUR SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET, IN MANY
12 INSTANCES, THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET, SOMETIMES IT IS A TRUE-UP.
13 IT IS A FURTHER REFINEMENT OF OUR ESTIMATES, IN OUR
14 EXPENDITURES, IN OUR REVENUES, THAT THE BOARD ADOPTED IN JUNE.
15 AND THEN SOMETIMES, IT ALSO ALLOWS US TO BUDGET ADDITIONAL
16 FUNDING THAT WE MAY RECEIVE, FOR EXAMPLE, WITH A.B. 109. I
17 THINK THE MAJOR TAKEOUT POINT HERE, SUPERVISOR, IS, BUDGETING
18 IS AN ONGOING PROCESS, AND MY OFFICE IS ESSENTIALLY IN BUDGET,
19 PROBABLY, ABOUT 9 MONTHS OUT OF THE YEAR. AND SO, IF THERE IS
20 A BUDGET REQUEST THAT IS NOT GRANTED, OR THERE ISN'T A
21 DECISION IN ONE PHASE OF THE BUDGET, IT DOESN'T NECESSARILY
22 MEAN THAT IT CAN'T HAPPEN. IT MEANS THAT WE'RE TRYING TO TAKE
23 THE 30,000- OR EVEN THE 60,000-FOOT VIEW OF THE BUDGET, WE ARE
24 LOOKING AHEAD, WE'RE LOOKING AT OUR REVENUES, TO SEE WHEN WE
25 MIGHT BE ABLE TO FUND SOMETHING. SO THE FACT THAT SOMETHING

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1 MAY NOT BE FUNDED IN A PARTICULAR PHASE, IT MAY NOT
2 NECESSARILY MEAN A NO. IT MAY JUST BE A "NOT NOW," AS WE
3 CONTINUE TO WORK TO REFINE OUR REVENUES AND OUR RESOURCES.
4 WITH REGARD TO THE A.R.P. FUNDING QUESTION, WE WILL BE
5 BUDGETING A.R.P. IN A SEPARATE BUDGET ACTION. WE WILL BE
6 BRINGING A BOARD LETTER TO THE BOARD, SHORTLY. THE BOARD HAS
7 ALREADY APPROVED THE PROGRAMMING. WE ARE LAUNCHING THOSE
8 PROGRAMS AS WE SPEAK. WE ARE USING AN EQUITY TOOL TO GET THAT
9 DONE. IN TERMS OF MOVING THE FUNDING, ACTUALLY, FROM ITS
10 CURRENT HOLDING SPOT INTO THE BUDGETS OF EACH DEPARTMENT, THAT
11 IS WHAT WE EXPECT TO BE HAPPENING. WE WILL BE BRINGING TO YOUR
12 BOARD A REQUEST VERY SHORTLY.

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE CLARIFICATION.
15 AND I APPRECIATE, AGAIN, ALL YOUR ASSISTANCE: THAT OF YOUR
16 STAFF, ALL OUR DEPARTMENTS, AND EVERYBODY THAT HAD INPUT,
17 INCLUDING OUR STAKEHOLDERS AND OUR COMMUNITY RESIDENTS. THANK
18 YOU VERY MUCH. WITH THAT, MEMBERS, WE WILL TURN NOW TO
19 SUPERVISOR HOLLY MITCHELL.

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21 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANKS TO
22 MS. DAVENPORT FOR THE POWERPOINT. I KNOW THAT THERE WAS A LINK
23 INCLUDED IN THE PRESS RELEASE THAT WENT OUT, BUT I HOPE THAT
24 THAT POWERPOINT IS HOUSED SOMEPLACE ON THE COUNTY WEBSITE,
25 BECAUSE JUST THE VISUAL REPRESENTATION OF THE COMPLEXITY OF

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1 BUDGETING, OF THE LAYERING-- TO USE HER TERM-- EFFECT OF
2 MULTIPLE SOURCE OF DOLLARS, THE VARIOUS CATEGORIES, IS REALLY
3 IMPORTANT, AND I THINK THAT THE PIE CHART AND YOUR VISUAL
4 REPRESENTATION WAS VERY HELPFUL. SO I HOPE THAT REMAINS ON OUR
5 COUNTY WEBSITE FOR PEOPLE TO REFER TO. I WANT TO ECHO MADAM
6 CHAIR'S THANKS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ALL OF THOSE IN THE
7 C.E.O.'S OFFICE, AND OTHERS, WHO WORK TO COMPILE A BUDGET.
8 THANK YOU, THANK YOU. AND A POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE: I
9 WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE SECOND-DISTRICT BUDGET TEAM, KIRK
10 SHELTON AND MAY GIZA, FOR THEIR WORK IN HELPING ME TRANSITION
11 OUT OF 10 YEARS OF STATE BUDGET PROCESSING THAT IS IN MY HEAD,
12 INTO THE COUNTY BUDGET PROCESS, WHICH WAS A LEARNING CURVE FOR
13 MYSELF, AS WELL AS HELPING ME OPERATIONALIZE, KIND OF, MY
14 VISION AND MY CAREER-LONG COMMITMENT, IN TERMS OF REALLY
15 TRYING TO ENGAGE THE COMMUNITY, AND SPECIFICALLY MY
16 CONSTITUENTS, IN THE PROCESS. AND SO I APPRECIATE THE TOWN
17 HALLS THEY CONVENED TO EXPLAIN THE COUNTY BUDGET PROCESS TO
18 HUNDREDS OF COUNTY RESIDENTS, SECOND-DISTRICT RESIDENTS WHO
19 PARTICIPATED, AND THE FOLLOW-UP TOWN HALLS, SOLICITING INPUT
20 FOR A.R.P. DOLLARS, AND ALL THE WORK THEY DID TO BRING THAT
21 VISION TO REALITY. SO, THANK YOU AGAIN TO THE SECOND-DISTRICT
22 BUDGET TEAM. YOU KNOW, I AM VERY PROUD THAT THIS BUDGET
23 REFLECTS OUR CORE VALUES, AS A COUNTY. IT ALLOWS THE COUNTY TO
24 REACH OUT TO OUR HARDLY SERVED COMMUNITIES, AND PRIORITIZE
25 RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE FOR THOSE SAME COMMUNITIES:

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1 COMMUNITIES OF COLOR AND THOSE HARDEST-HIT BY THIS DUAL
2 PANDEMIC, THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND ECONOMIC PANDEMIC. EQUITY MUST
3 BE AT THE FOREFRONT OF ALL ASPECTS OF OUR BUDGET PROCESS, IN
4 DETERMINING THE ALLOCATION OF THE COUNTY'S RESOURCES. WE MUST
5 INVEST IN COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE BEEN HISTORICALLY
6 DISENFRANCHISED. THAT IS WHAT WE, AS THE SAFETY-NET LEVEL OF
7 GOVERNMENT, ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR DOING. I AM HONORED TO SERVE
8 ON A BOARD THAT SHARES A VISION TO STRIVE FOR A MORE JUST AND
9 EQUITABLE L.A. COUNTY FOR ALL. I AM PLEASED TO SEE THAT THE
10 '21-'22 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET IS MAKING THIS A REALITY BY
11 PRIORITIZING EQUITABLE INVESTMENTS, AND TRULY STRIVING TO
12 ENSURE OUR COUNTY EMERGES FROM THE PANDEMIC BETTER AND
13 STRONGER THAN BEFORE. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD FOR
14 EMBRACING THE CARE FIRST, JAILS LAST VISION, AND I APPLAUD THE
15 WORK OF THE C.E.O. TO BEGIN THIS TRANSITION THROUGHOUT THE
16 BUDGET PROCESS THIS YEAR. AND I EMPHASIZE "BEGIN THIS
17 TRANSITION." I THINK ONE OF THE CHARTS THAT SHE SHOWED
18 REFLECTS WHERE WE STARTED 10-PLUS YEARS AGO. SO THIS IS INDEED
19 GOING TO BE A PROCESS THAT WILL ULTIMATELY GET US TO THE
20 SHARED VISION WE ALL SHARE. IT IS A GOOD START. IT IS A GOOD
21 START, AND THERE IS MORE THAT WE WILL AND MUST CONTINUE TO DO.
22 FUNDING SUPPORTIVE HOUSING NOW, AND TAKING URGENT ACTION TO
23 HELP THOSE WITH SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS, WHO ARE SUFFERING IN
24 THE JAILS, IS AT THE HEART OF OUR SHARED VISION FOR A CARE
25 FIRST MODEL. WE HAVE KNOWN FOR OVER A YEAR, SINCE THE R.A.N.D.

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1 RESEARCHERS CONFIRMED EARLIER FINDINGS FROM A COUNTY STUDY,
2 THAT 61 PERCENT OF THE JAIL MENTAL HEALTH POPULATION ARE
3 APPROPRIATE CANDIDATES FOR DIVERSION. THE COUNTY, I BELIEVE,
4 HAS A MORAL OBLIGATION TO PROTECT THE HEALTH AND
5 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS OF THOSE COMMITTED TO ITS CARE. IN 2020,
6 USING A MULTIFACETED APPROACH, THE JAIL POPULATION WAS REDUCED
7 FROM APPROXIMATELY 17,000 TO 12,000. THE COUNTY RECOGNIZED
8 THAT WE WERE IN A STATE OF EMERGENCY, DUE TO THIS GLOBAL
9 PANDEMIC. MY TEAM RECENTLY VISITED THE INMATE RECEPTION
10 CENTER, THE I.R.C. I KNOW OTHER BOARD OFFICES HAVE ALSO
11 VISITED, AND WE'VE SEEN WHAT INCARCERATED PEOPLE AND COUNTY
12 STAFF ARE DEALING WITH EVERY DAY. THERE IS NO DOUBT IN MY MIND
13 THAT WE ARE STILL IN A STATE OF EMERGENCY. THE CURRENT
14 DEPLORABLE CONDITIONS IN THE I.R.C. MERIT REVISITING PREVIOUS
15 APPROACHES, AND TO DO THAT, I BELIEVE, WE MUST REMOVE THE BED
16 CAP ON THE OFFICE OF DIVERSION AND REENTRY PERMANENT
17 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING SLOTS. I APPRECIATE THAT THE C.E.O. HAS SET
18 ASIDE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO ADDRESS THIS CRISIS. THE O.D.R.
19 PROVED IN 2020, AND HAS CONTINUED PROVING INTO THIS YEAR, THAT
20 IT CAN PUT INVESTED FUNDS TO IMMEDIATE AND EFFECTIVE USE. SO
21 I'D LIKE TO SEE THE PLAN FOR HOW WE PROPOSE TO USE THESE FUNDS
22 TO ADDRESS CONDITIONS AT I.R.C., AND WHY WE BELIEVE THAT \$25
23 MILLION IS SUFFICIENT TO ADDRESS THIS PROBLEM. FOR FAR TOO
24 LONG, THE DETERIORATING CONDITIONS OF THE JAILS HAVE GREATLY
25 UNDERMINED OUR EFFORTS TO PROVIDE A SAFE AND HUMANE

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1 ENVIRONMENT FOR THOSE WHO OCCUPY OUR JAILS, AND THOSE WHO WORK
2 IN THEM. THIS BOARD IS IN THE PROCESS OF TAKING A THOUGHTFUL
3 APPROACH TOWARDS THE COMPLEX WORK OF CLOSING A PUNITIVE
4 FACILITY, MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, AND DEVELOPING REHABILITATIVE
5 ALTERNATIVES. HOWEVER, WITHOUT URGENT ACTION, WE WILL FAIL TO
6 A MEET OUR BASIC OBLIGATION TO THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE AND WORK IN
7 OUR JAIL SYSTEM NOW. I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD AND THE C.E.O.
8 FOR TAKING ACTION TO DECREASE THE JAIL POPULATION BY EXPANDING
9 DIVERSION PROGRAMS, BECAUSE IT IS IMPORTANT TO BUILD ON THE
10 SUCCESS OF PROGRAMS THAT WORK, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO THE
11 C.E.O.'S JAIL CLOSURE IMPLEMENTATION TEAM CARRYING OUT THE
12 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE M.C.J. CLOSURE AND ALTERNATIVES TO
13 INCARCERATION WORK GROUPS. IN ADDITION, FOR THE LONG TERM, I
14 WOULD LIKE TO REVISIT THE DISCUSSION ON HOW TO MAKE OUR A.B.
15 109 BUDGET ALIGN MORE WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PUBLIC
16 SAFETY REALIGNMENT TEAM. TO BETTER ALIGN OUR BUDGET WITH THE
17 BOARD'S CARE FIRST, JAILS LAST VISION, THE P.S.R.T.
18 RECOMMENDED A VERY DIFFERENT BUDGET THAN THE ONE THAT IS
19 BEFORE THE BOARD TODAY. SO WE CLEARLY HAVE MORE WORK TO DO TO
20 MAKE THAT A REALITY. AS I SAID, THIS IS AN IMPORTANT START,
21 ACKNOWLEDGING WE HAVE A WAYS TO GO. OUR COUNTY FACES COMPLEX
22 SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CHALLENGES THAT REQUIRE INNOVATIVE POLICY
23 AND FUNDING SOLUTIONS. DUE TO THESE CHALLENGES IN THE CARE
24 FIRST, JAILS LAST TRANSFORMATION, I SUPPORT THE CONTINUED
25 HIRING FREEZE FOR PROBATION'S JUVENILE INSTITUTION SERVICES

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1 BUDGET UNIT, AS WELL AS THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. I HAVE
2 LISTENED TO THE CONSTITUENTS OF THE SECOND DISTRICT, AND THEY
3 WANT TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE INVESTING IN PEOPLE AND SYSTEMS, SO
4 THAT GOVERNMENT CAN CREATE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ANGELENOS TO
5 THRIVE. AFFORDABLE HOUSING. IT IS GREAT TO SEE THE AFFORDABLE
6 HOUSING PROGRAM FULLY FUNDED, AND I APPRECIATE THE C.E.O. TEAM
7 THINKING ABOUT HOW TO BEST LEVERAGE THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING
8 FUNDS, GIVEN THE AVAILABLE ONE-TIME AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN
9 HOUSING FUNDS. I ALSO APPRECIATE THE FLEXIBILITY AND THE
10 PROPOSAL FOR PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS WHICH CAN SUPPORT DIVERSITY
11 IN OUR COUNTY'S HOUSING STOCK. WE ARE ALSO TAKING THE
12 MONUMENTAL STEP OF BEGINNING PHASE ONE TO ESTABLISH THE
13 STRUCTURE FOR TWO NEW COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. FIRST, A DEPARTMENT
14 DEDICATED TO WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, MIDDLE-CLASS
15 JOBS, AND BUSINESS SUPPORT AND GROWTH; AND SECOND, A
16 DEPARTMENT DEDICATED TO THE CARE AND NURTURE OF OLDER AND
17 DEPENDENT ADULTS. OUR ECONOMIC AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
18 DEPARTMENT, WE ARE COMBINING FUNCTIONS FROM FOUR DIFFERENT
19 DEPARTMENTS INTO ONE, TO MORE EFFECTIVELY, EFFICIENTLY, AND
20 EQUITABLY SERVE OUR WORKERS, BUSINESSES, AND COMMUNITIES. I
21 LOOK FORWARD TO ENSURING THAT WE IMPROVE JOB QUALITY AND
22 UPLIFT WORKER VOICES FOR OUR MOST MARGINALIZED RESIDENTS, AND
23 PROVIDING A NO-WRONG-DOOR APPROACH TO SERVING OUR BUSINESS
24 COMMUNITY, PARTICULARLY OUR WOMEN-OWNED AND BUSINESSES OF
25 COLOR. THIS IS ALSO OUR OPPORTUNITY TO REALIZE THE FULL

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1 POTENTIAL OF OUR AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ECONOMIC RECOVERY
2 INVESTMENTS. I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING HOW OUR NEW STRUCTURE
3 HELPS US TO MAXIMIZE OUR EQUITABLE SHARE OF FEDERAL AND STATE
4 ECONOMIC RECOVERY DOLLARS, FROM INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS TO
5 CLOSING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE PERMANENTLY, TO HIGH-ROAD JOB
6 CREATION WITH OUR PARTNERS IN LABOR, AND FINALLY THE SOCIAL
7 ENTERPRISE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP GROWTH. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT
8 WE ENSURE THE SUCCESS OF THIS NEW ECONOMIC AND WORKFORCE
9 DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT BY APPROPRIATELY RESOURCING IT TO
10 SUCCEED AROUND THE BOLD VISION THE BOARD HAS SET. THIS
11 INCLUDES RESOURCES FOR COMMUNITY OUTREACH, ADVOCACY, ECONOMIC
12 MODELING, AND STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS. OUR AGING AND COMMUNITY
13 SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL PARTNER SERVICES FOR OLDER AND
14 DEPENDENT ADULTS WITH OUR COUNTY'S COMMUNITY CENTERS, TO BE A
15 FOCAL POINT OF SERVICE DELIVERY IN ALL AREAS OF THE COUNTY.
16 AGAIN, I CONTINUE TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT INCREASED FUNDING TO
17 THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET. WHILE THE ENFORCEMENT OF WATER THEFT AND
18 GROWING ILLEGAL CANNABIS HAS BECOME A SIGNIFICANT PRIORITY, I
19 WOULD LIKE TO SEE ANY INCREASED BUDGET FOR ENFORCEMENT COUPLED
20 WITH A VIABLE PATH FORWARD, TO EQUITABLY PROVIDE ECONOMIC
21 OPPORTUNITIES ASSOCIATED WITH CANNABIS LEGALIZATION. I WOULD
22 LIKE TO EXTEND GRATITUDE TO OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND
23 ADVOCATES WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING TIRELESSLY ON THE ISSUES OF
24 JUSTICE, HOUSING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND THE PUBLIC'S
25 HEALTH. YOUR WORK WITH THE COUNTY AND OUR COMMUNITIES AND WITH

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1 OUR OFFICE IS RECOGNIZED AND GREATLY APPRECIATED. AS WE MOVE
2 FORWARD WITH OUR CARE FIRST, JAILS LAST VISION, I SEE THE
3 COUNTY AND OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS WORKING TOGETHER TO MAKE
4 THIS SHARED VISION A REALITY, AND AN L.A. COUNTY WE ALL WILL
5 BE PROUD TO GROW OLD IN AND RAISE OUR CHILDREN IN. THANK YOU
6 VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

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8 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.
9 NOW WE WILL RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR SHEILA KUEHL, FROM THE THIRD.

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11 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. THESE ARE THE
12 LONGEST SPEECHES THAT WE MAKE DURING THE YEAR, AND I THINK THE
13 REASON IS THAT WE-- THIS IS OUR OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY TALK
14 ABOUT VALUES. SO I WANT TO THANK OUR C.E.O., FESIA DAVENPORT,
15 AND YOUR ENTIRE BUDGET STAFF AND BEYOND, FOR TRULY TIRELESS
16 WORK. I MEAN, I REMEMBER REACHING YOU AT A VERY LATE HOUR A
17 COUPLE OF NIGHTS, AND PRESENTING A BALANCED BUDGET WITH
18 INVESTMENTS IN JUSTICE REFORM, ADDRESSING LONGSTANDING
19 INEQUITIES. IN ESSENCE, THIS BUDGET PUTS OUR MONEY WHERE OUR
20 MOUTHS ARE, LITERALLY, BECAUSE WE HAVE ARTICULATED OUR GOALS,
21 AND NOW WE ARE FUNDING THEM. I ALSO WANT TO THANK MY
22 INCREDIBLE BUDGET DEPUTY, ANGELICA AYALA, WHO HAS REALLY MADE
23 SO MUCH CLEAR TO ME THAT WAS MUD BEFORE, ABOUT BUDGETS. SHE IS
24 EXTRAORDINARY. AND ALSO, THE REST OF MY DEPUTIES, MY SUBJECT-
25 MATTER DEPUTIES, WHO ALWAYS WEIGH IN TO HELP US UNDERSTAND

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1 EACH PART OF THE BUDGET. I WANT TO TALK FIRST ABOUT JUSTICE
2 REFORM. I THINK THERE'S A THEME GOING HERE, AND I AM VERY
3 PROUD TO BE ON THIS BOARD WITH FOUR COLLEAGUES WHO HAVE
4 CONTRIBUTED SO MUCH TO THIS SHARED VISION ABOUT JUSTICE
5 REFORM. I AM VERY PLEASED THAT WE'RE INVESTING \$461 MILLION IN
6 NEW FUNDING FOR CARE FIRST, JAILS LAST INITIATIVES. IT IS
7 UNPRECEDENTED. IT DOES REFLECT OUR PRIORITIES. I WAS
8 LISTENING. I KNOW THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT SATISFIED WITH
9 THE PACE AT WHICH THE COUNTY IS IMPLEMENTING THE CARE FIRST
10 APPROACH. BUT I WANT TO SUGGEST, THIS INVESTMENT IS
11 IRREFUTABLE EVIDENCE THAT WE ARE SINCERE IN THIS INTENT. WE
12 ARE GOING TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THESE INVESTMENTS IN COMMUNITY
13 HEALTH AND SAFETY, AS AN ASPECT OF JUSTICE REFORM. THE
14 ALLOCATION OF \$2 MILLION AND 6 POSITIONS FOR THE JAIL CLOSURE
15 IMPLEMENTATION TEAM WILL HELP CREATE A FOCUS TEAM TO
16 COORDINATE THE EFFORTS TO DEPOPULATE THE COUNTY'S WHOLE JAIL
17 SYSTEM, AND ESPECIALLY TO CLOSE MEN'S CENTRAL. I AM ALSO VERY
18 PLEASED TO SEE THE OFFICE OF DIVERSION AND REENTRY STRUCTURAL
19 DEFICIT WILL DECREASE FROM ALMOST \$100 MILLION-- EXCUSE ME,
20 FROM ALMOST \$100 MILLION TO \$42 MILLION, WITH AN INFUSION OF
21 MONEY BEING ALLOCATED IN THIS BUDGET, INCLUDING \$51 MILLION OF
22 ONGOING FUNDING FROM OUR LOCAL FUNDS, AND FROM A.B. 109. I
23 HEARD IN THE PAST THAT PEOPLE THINK I, FOR SOME REASON, DON'T
24 SUPPORT O.D.R., BUT I DO, AND I AM VERY HAPPY TO SUPPORT THIS
25 PART OF THE BUDGET. THEY HAVE AN IMPORTANT SLICE OF THE

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1 CONTINUUM OF HOW WE ARE GOING TO DO THE ENTIRE JUSTICE REFORM.
2 I AM ALSO EXCITED TO SEE \$428,000 ALLOCATED TOWARD A JUSTICE
3 REFORM EXECUTIVE OVERSIGHT POSITION TO PROVIDE THE KIND OF
4 NEEDED, DEDICATED OVERSIGHT FOR JUSTICE REFORM-RELATED
5 PROGRAMS WITHIN THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE. THIS POSITION WILL BE
6 VERY IMPORTANT IN BRINGING TOGETHER AND COORDINATING VARIOUS
7 CRITICAL BODIES, INCLUDING ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION.
8 NOBODY DOES THIS WORK ALONE, BUT I AM VERY PROUD OF HAVING
9 BROUGHT THE ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION MOTION TO THE BOARD,
10 AND GOTTEN YOUR SUPPORT, WITH A VISION TO FOCUS THE
11 CONVERSATION AWAY FROM INCARCERATION. THIS BUDGET REFLECTS
12 THAT VISION THROUGH THE ALLOCATION OF CARE FIRST COMMUNITY
13 INVESTMENT AND A.B. 109 FUNDING TOWARD THE PRIORITIES THAT
14 WERE IDENTIFIED BY COMMUNITY MEMBERS. THEY REFLECT A NEED TO
15 BUILD UP TREATMENT AND SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITY TO KEEP
16 PEOPLE SAFE AND HEALTHY, AND DIVERT THEM, OR KEEP THEM OUT IN
17 THE FIRST PLACE, FROM OUR CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEMS.
18 ADDITIONALLY, AS YOU KNOW, WE BROUGHT THIS MOTION TO THE BOARD
19 TO PUT MEASURE J ON THE BALLOT, WHICH PASSED PRETTY HANDILY,
20 AND I AM EXCITED TO SEE THE TRANSFER OF \$100 MILLION THE FIRST
21 YEAR FOR C.F.C.I. FUNDING, THE NEW WAY OF DECIDING WHERE IT
22 GOES, APPROVED BY THE BOARD IN AUGUST. THIS ALLOWS FUNDING TO
23 START FLOWING INTO THE COMMUNITIES. I KNOW PEOPLE SAY, "OH, WE
24 WANTED MORE. WE WANTED MORE." HEY, THAT'S YOUR JOB. I WAS AN
25 ADVOCATE MUCH LONGER THAN I HAVE BEEN AN ELECTED. I GET IT.

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1 BUT I TELL YOU, THIS IS GOING TO ALLOW FUNDING DIRECTED TOWARD
2 THE DEVELOPMENT OF PRETRIAL SERVICES, THE CREATION OF A FIRE
3 CAMP JOB TRAINING PROGRAM, COMMUNITY-BASED LEGAL SERVICES, AND
4 I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING THESE FUNDS AND OUR INVESTMENTS IN
5 CARE FIRST INCREASE OVER THE NEXT YEARS. ALSO WANT TO THANK
6 THE P.S.R.T. FOR YOUR EFFORTS IN SUBMITTING FORWARD-THINKING
7 RECOMMENDATIONS, WITH A FOCUS ON CARE FIRST, FOR THE
8 ALLOCATION OF A.B. 109 FUNDING. THE \$123.6 MILLION IN NEW
9 FUNDING BEING ALLOCATED TO THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS, INCLUDING A
10 50-PERCENT ALLOCATION OF ALL THE NEW A.B. 109 FUNDING TO THE
11 OFFICE OF DIVERSION AND REENTRY, AS DIRECTED BY A MOTION I
12 BROUGHT AWHILE AGO, AND WAS APPROVED BY THE BOARD. I LOOK
13 FORWARD, ESPECIALLY, TO SEEING A.B. 109 DOLLARS CONTINUOUSLY
14 SHIFTED AWAY FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT AND INTO TREATMENT SERVICES
15 IN THE NEXT BUDGET CYCLE. THE PROPOSED OVER \$2.5 MILLION FOR
16 ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT TO EVALUATE AND PROVIDE ACTUAL
17 PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR A.B. 109 PROJECTS WILL BE CRITICAL TO
18 INFORM THE P.S.R.T., AND ALL OF OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, ABOUT
19 IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES. WE HAVE TO KEEP ENSURING THAT CARE
20 FIRST, JAIL LAST IS PRIORITIZED FOR A.B. 109 FUNDING.
21 ADDITIONALLY, HOWEVER, I SAW, AND IT HAS BEEN MENTIONED,
22 THERE'S BEEN NO NEW FUNDING DEDICATED TO THE FAMILY ASSISTANCE
23 PROGRAM. I REALLY WANT TO JOIN MY COLLEAGUES IN SAYING, WE'VE
24 GOT TO IDENTIFY RESOURCES FOR THIS CRITICAL PROGRAM. AND I AM
25 HAPPY TO HEAR THE C.E.O. TALK ABOUT OUR FLEXIBILITY, EVEN AS

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1 WE GO THROUGH THE YEAR. WE HAVE TO SUPPORT THESE FAMILIES THAT
2 LOST THEIR LOVED ONES IN THE JAILS OR TO DEPUTY-INVOLVED
3 SHOOTINGS. IT IS ANOTHER PROGRAM REQUESTED BY THE COMMUNITY,
4 DEVELOPED BY THE CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION AND DEPARTMENT
5 STAKEHOLDERS, AND I WANT US TO INVEST IN THESE SUPPORTS BY
6 CONTINUING TO INTEGRATE THE FAMILY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM INTO OUR
7 EXISTING VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND MENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVES. WE
8 ALSO-- AND I CAN'T UNDERSCORE THIS STRONGLY ENOUGH-- HAVE TO
9 PRIORITIZE CARE FIRST, JAILS LAST IN THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT
10 BUDGET. UNFORTUNATELY, WE WERE OBLIGATED TO ENTER INTO YET
11 ANOTHER LEGAL SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OVER
12 THE CONDITIONS IN OUR JUVENILE HALLS. AND AS A RESULT, THIS
13 BUDGET ALLOCATES FUNDING FOR 28 COMPLIANCE-RELATED POSITIONS
14 FOR THE JUVENILE INSTITUTION'S OPERATION, EVEN THOUGH WE'VE
15 MAINTAINED A HIRING FREEZE ON ANYTHING IN PROBATION THAT
16 RELATES TO JUVENILE JUSTICE. SO WE HAVE TO ALLOCATE AND FIND
17 THESE POSITIONS, BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN THE MONEY HAS TO BE
18 SPENT ON NEW POSITIONS. THE POSITIONS ARE AUTHORIZED, BUT IT
19 DOESN'T MEAN THEY HAVE TO BE FILLED. MY EXPECTATION IS THAT
20 C.E.O., COUNTY COUNSEL, AND PROBATION WILL WORK TOGETHER TO
21 ENSURE THAT POSITIONS ARE ONLY ADDED AND FILLED IF THEY'RE
22 ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY TO MEET THE LEGAL MANDATE, AND NO STAFF
23 CAN BE REASSIGNED FROM OTHER OPERATIONS TO FILL THE NEEDS OF
24 THOSE 28 POSITIONS. THAT'S ACTUALLY WHAT SHOULD HAPPEN. SO
25 THIS MEANS THAT THE DEPARTMENT LOOKS TO FILL CAPACITY, AS

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1 CAMPUS KILPATRICK WAS DIRECTED TO DO SO IN A MOTION WE ADOPTED
2 RECENTLY BEFORE THIS BOARD. SHOULD THAT RESULT IN THE
3 CONSOLIDATION OF OTHER FACILITIES, STAFF CAN BE REASSIGNED TO
4 FULFILL THE MANDATES OF THE D.O.J. SETTLEMENT. THIS IS NO
5 BLANK CHECK. AND WE ARE WATCHING, BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT THE
6 DEPARTMENT TO GROW ITS FOOTPRINT AT A TIME WHEN YOUTH JUSTICE
7 REIMAGINED CALLS FOR IT TO SHRINK. WE WANT TO BEGIN TO SHIFT
8 INTO OUR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT. SO WE HAVE TO COMPLY
9 WITH THE D.O.J. SETTLEMENT, BUT I REALLY WANT US TO KEEP OUR
10 EYE OUT ON HOW WE CAN FILL THOSE SLOTS WITHOUT NEW HIRING. ON
11 THE AREA OF YOUTH JUSTICE, I AM SO EXCITED ABOUT THE STEPS
12 THAT WE'RE TAKING. \$71 MILLION INVESTMENT IN YOUTH JUSTICE
13 REIMAGINED, AN UNPRECEDENTED SHIFT TOWARD TRULY SUPPORTING OUR
14 YOUTH, AND GUIDING THEM TO SUCCESS WITH A CARE FIRST APPROACH.
15 THE \$27 MILLION, IN A NEWLY CREATED D.Y.D. PROJECT FUND, WILL
16 EMPOWER THE C.E.O. AND THE YOUTH JUSTICE ADVISORY GROUP TO
17 WORK ON FURTHER DEVELOPING YOUTH JUSTICE REIMAGINED, WITH THE
18 SECURITY OF KNOWING THAT WE'VE COMMITTED SEED FUNDING FOR THE
19 NEW YOUTH DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT. I'M VERY EXCITED ABOUT IT,
20 AND I THINK IT WILL SET A MODEL FOR THE STATE AND FOR THE
21 COUNTRY. I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING A PLAN FOR TRANSITIONING
22 DIVERSION AND PREVENTION EFFORTS OUT OF PROBATION, WHICH WE
23 CAN DO WITHOUT NEW LEGISLATION, AS WELL AS AN UPDATED STAFFING
24 FORMULA THAT TALKS ABOUT WHAT ADEQUATE STAFFING NEEDS WOULD
25 LOOK LIKE. ADDITIONALLY, I AM GLAD THAT THE C.E.O. HAS AGREED

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1 TO CONVENE A MEETING TO START DEVELOPING THE YOUTH WORKER
2 POSITION, WHAT IT IS GOING TO LOOK LIKE IN THE NEW DEPARTMENT,
3 TO INFORM STAFF TYPE AND RESOURCE NEEDS, AS WELL AS A
4 LEGISLATIVE STRATEGY TO ESTABLISH THE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
5 DEPARTMENT. EQUALLY IMPORTANT, THE BUDGET ALLOCATES FUNDING TO
6 ENSURE THAT WE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT YOUNG PEOPLE CURRENTLY
7 IMPACTED BY OUR SYSTEM, BECAUSE THEY NEED SERVICES NOW, AND WE
8 HAVE TO MEET THOSE NEEDS WHILE WE WORK ON DEVELOPING A BETTER
9 MODEL FOR THE FUTURE. THIS INCLUDES ARTS EDUCATION PROGRAMS,
10 WHICH ARE ESSENTIAL FOR OUR YOUTH; NOT ALWAYS SEEN IN TERMS OF
11 THE HELP THAT THEY TRULY PROVIDE TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE,
12 PARTICULARLY THOSE IN THE JUVENILE SYSTEM. THE ADDITION OF
13 \$236,000 AND ONE POSITION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND
14 CULTURE, TO SUPPORT THIS ARTS EDUCATION PROGRAM, ENSURES THE
15 STUDENTS IN THE COUNTY RECEIVE QUALITY ARTS INSTRUCTION, AS
16 NOT ONLY PART OF A WELL-ROUNDED PUBLIC EDUCATION, BUT ALSO IN
17 TERMS OF WHAT IT DOES FOR MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS. AN ALLOCATION
18 OF \$6.5 MILLION TO THE GUARANTEED INCOME PILOT PROGRAM, TO
19 PROVIDE \$1,204 PER MONTH, OVER A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS, TO 150
20 OF OUR RESIDENTS BETWEEN 18 AND 24 YEARS OLD, WHO ARE
21 TRANSITIONING OUT OF FOSTER CARE OR PROBATION, AND WHO ALREADY
22 GET GENERAL RELIEF, IS CRITICAL TO ENSURING THAT THEY HAVE THE
23 RESOURCES THEY NEED. A FIRST-YEAR INVESTMENT OF \$2.6 MILLION
24 TO SUPPORT L.G.B.T.Q.+ YOUTH-- VERY CLOSE TO MY HEART, OF
25 COURSE-- COUPLED WITH \$945,000 FROM THE STATE, A TOTAL OF 3.6

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1 MILLION, IT IS REALLY WONDERFUL, AND IT IS REALLY NEEDED. WHEN
2 WE PROVIDE TARGETED RESOURCES TO THOSE IN THIS POPULATION, WHO
3 ARE OVERREPRESENTED IN BOTH THE FOSTER AND THE JUVENILE
4 JUSTICE SYSTEM, WE SEE BETTER OUTCOMES IN EVERY WAY, FROM
5 MENTAL HEALTH TO FINANCIAL STABILITY. OUR COMMITMENT TO THE
6 WELLBEING OF OUR L.G.B.T.Q.+ YOUTH, AND TO THE ADULTS THAT
7 THEY BECOME, HAS TO BE BACKED UP WITH TANGIBLE RESOURCES, AND
8 THIS IS A GREAT START. IN HOUSING, I LOVE THE CONTINUING
9 COMMITMENT TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING. IN OCTOBER OF 2015, I'D
10 BARELY SORT OF MOVED INTO MY OFFICE, AND I BROUGHT IN A
11 MOTION, THANKFULLY SUPPORTED BY MY COLLEAGUES, THAT THE BOARD
12 WOULD CREATE A NEW, AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM BUDGET UNIT,
13 AND PUT IN \$100 MILLION EVERY YEAR FROM THEREON. IT WAS KIND
14 OF A HAIL MARY PASS FOR A NEW MEMBER, I HAVE TO SAY. BUT NOT
15 ONLY HAS C.E.O.-- MORE THAN ONE C.E.O.-- MET THE COMMITMENT,
16 BUT AN ADDITIONAL INVESTMENT OF \$58.5 MILLION IN A.R.P. FUNDS
17 WILL BE LEVERAGED TO SUPPLEMENT L.A.C.D.A.'S N.O.F.A. BY \$40
18 MILLION, AND \$18.5 MILLION FOR TENANT AND HOMEOWNER SUPPORTS,
19 INCLUDING STAY HOUSED L.A., MORTGAGE RELIEF, LANDLORD-TENANT
20 MEDIATION, ALL OF THEM MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER. AFFORDABLE
21 HOUSING AND EVICTION PREVENTION CONTINUE TO BE A TOP PRIORITY.
22 IT IS THE BEST WAY TO DEAL WITH HOMELESSNESS BEFORE IT EVEN
23 STARTS. ADDITIONALLY, I WANT TO UPLIFT THE COUNTY'S ONGOING
24 INVESTMENT INTO PERMANENT HOUSING SOLUTIONS. I LOVE THE CROSS-
25 DEPARTMENTAL COLLABORATION TO QUICKLY LEASE UP THE INFUSION OF

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1 EMERGENCY HOUSING VOUCHERS THAT L.A.C.D.A. RECENTLY RECEIVED.
2 I ALSO WANT TO SEE OUR INVESTMENTS INTO OUR LOCALLY FUNDED
3 HOUSING VOUCHERS, THE FLEXIBLE HOUSING CAPITAL FUNDING POOL,
4 CONTINUE TO GROW. THE FLEX POOL IS A GREAT TOOL IN ADDRESSING
5 HOMELESSNESS, AND ALTHOUGH THE BOARD-APPROVED A.R.P. SPENDING
6 PLAN INCLUDES A THOUSAND NEW FLEX POOL SLOTS, THIS IS ONE-TIME
7 FUNDING, SO WE REQUIRE ONGOING DOLLARS. I WANT TO SEE THOSE
8 INVESTMENTS GROW, AND I HOPE WE CAN IDENTIFY ONGOING DOLLARS.
9 FINALLY, LET ME ECHO COMMENTS ABOUT WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.
10 NOW, I MAY BE ALONE, BUT I WOULD REALLY LIKE THE NEW
11 DEPARTMENT TO BE CALLED THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND ECONOMIC
12 DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, RATHER THAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND
13 WORKFORCE. I'LL TELL YOU WHY. NAMES ARE IMPORTANT, IDEAS ARE
14 IMPORTANT, AND I ALWAYS BELIEVE THAT WHEN PEOPLE NEED TO GET
15 ON THEIR FEET AND STAY ON THEIR FEET, THEY NEED THREE THINGS,
16 KIND OF LIKE LEGS ON A STOOL: HEALTH, HOUSING, AND WORK. AND
17 WE'VE PRIORITIZED HEALTH ALL ALONG, AND WE'VE PRIORITIZED
18 HOUSING IN THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS. WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT IS
19 THE FINAL LEG ON THE STOOL. SO I AM REALLY PLEASED TO SEE
20 ALMOST \$4 MILLION AND 16 POSITIONS TO CREATE WHAT I AM ALWAYS
21 GOING TO CALL THE WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
22 DEPARTMENT. AND I WANT TO EMPHASIZE, FOR ME, THE KEY WORD IS
23 "WORKFORCE." PEOPLE NEED JOBS. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IS
24 IMPORTANT, BUT SOME OF IT IS MORE ABOUT TRICKLE-DOWN JOBS, AND
25 I WOULD LIKE TO SEE US REALLY WORKING DIRECTLY WITH MAKING

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1 SURE THAT PEOPLE ARE TRAINED, AND GET HELP GETTING SOME WORK.
2 I'D LOVE TO SEE \$1.6 MILLION GO INTO W.D.A.C.S. TO SUPPORT THE
3 PHASE-1 EFFORTS, TEMPORARY IMPLEMENTATION TEAM STAFFING, THE
4 NEW AGING DEPARTMENT, THE WORKFORCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
5 DEPARTMENT. \$5.1 MILLION AND TWO POSITIONS TO FULLY OFFSET
6 WITH FEDERAL FUNDING FOR THE CALFRESH EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING
7 PROGRAM: A GREAT PROGRAM WITH VOCATIONAL TRAINING, JOB
8 READINESS WORKSHOPS, AND PAID WORK EXPERIENCE OPTIONS. THESE
9 ALL REPRESENT, IN CLOSING, A CONTINUATION OF OUR EXPRESSION OF
10 VALUES AND, AS I SAID, PUTTING OUR MONEY WHERE OUR MOUTH IS. I
11 WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR SUPPORTING THIS, FOR WORKING SO
12 HARD ON IT, FOR THE COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE COME TOGETHER AND
13 SAID, "THESE MUST BE DONE, BUT YOU HAVE TO DO IT." SO, TODAY,
14 WE ARE TAKING SIGNIFICANT STEPS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR KUEHL.
17 THOSE ARE VERY RIGHT-ON WORDS OF ENTHUSIASM AND SUPPORT. THANK
18 YOU. SO, NEXT, WE WILL GO ON TO THE FOURTH DISTRICT,
19 SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN.

20

21 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU TO MY
22 COLLEAGUES WHO SPOKE BEFORE ME, FOR HIGHLIGHTING SO MANY
23 PIECES OF THIS BUDGET, FOR THE PUBLIC TO REALLY HEAR OUR
24 PRIORITIES IN A VERY EMPHASIZED WAY. THANK YOU, FESIA, FOR THE
25 PRESENTATION. THANK YOU TO MY BUDGET STAFF IN THE FOURTH

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1 DISTRICT, AS WELL AS EVERY OTHER SUPERVISOR'S BUDGET STAFFS.
2 THEY HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THIS TOGETHER FOR A WHILE. I REALLY
3 BELIEVE THIS IS A GOOD BUDGET THAT DOES ECHO OUR VALUES ON
4 THIS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. FESIA, YOU EMPHASIZED SOME
5 EXCEPTIONAL PROGRAMS THAT WE'RE FUNDING THIS YEAR, AS WELL AS
6 MY COLLEAGUES HAVE POINTED OUT A FEW. I WANTED TO ALSO
7 HIGHLIGHT A FEW THAT I THINK ARE IMPORTANT. FIRST OF ALL, I AM
8 VERY PROUD OF THE WORK THAT THIS COUNTY HAS DONE, MAKING
9 MENTAL HEALTHCARE A PRIORITY AND IMPROVING OUR RESPONSE TO
10 MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS, AND THERE ARE SOME GREAT PROGRAMS IN
11 THIS BUDGET THAT ARE BEING EXPANDED. HOW WE RESPOND TO AN
12 ESCALATING MENTAL HEALTH SITUATION NEEDS TO BE DONE IN A
13 CAREFUL, CONSTRUCTIVE, AND SAFE MANNER FOR ALL INVOLVED. OUR
14 MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATION TEAMS, OUR M.E.T. TEAMS, HAVE BEEN A
15 GREAT OPTION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT TO RESPOND TO EXTREME
16 SITUATIONS, WHERE MENTAL HEALTH APPEARS TO BE THE PRIMARY
17 DRIVER OF AN INCIDENT. I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE'RE
18 APPROVING, TODAY, FIVE NEW M.E.T. TEAMS THAT ARE BEING ADDED,
19 THAT ARE SPECIFICALLY DEDICATED TO THE UNIQUE NEEDS OF OUR
20 VETERANS. AND I THINK THE PUBLIC WILL REALLY APPRECIATE THAT.
21 WE KNOW THAT OUR VETERANS DO HAVE UNIQUE NEEDS, AND WHEN
22 THEY'RE INVOLVED IN A MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS, I'M PLEASED THAT
23 THESE TEAMS WILL HAVE PEOPLE WHO HAVE THAT KIND OF EXPERTISE
24 AND EXPERIENCE TO REALLY HELP THEM THROUGH THEIR CRISIS. THIS
25 BRINGS OUR TOTAL TO 38 M.E.T. TEAMS IN THE COUNTY, AND I KNOW

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1 WE WANT TO KEEP EXPANDING THAT. I KNOW I DO, AND HOPEFULLY,
2 EVERY BUDGET, WE CAN ADD TO THAT. THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL \$20
3 MILLION IN THIS BUDGET THAT IS GOING TO OUR COUNTY'S
4 PSYCHIATRIC MOBILE RESPONSE TEAMS, WHICH WILL ALLOW US TO
5 EXPAND THAT PROGRAM TO OPERATE 24/7, AND PROVIDE QUICKER
6 RESPONSE TIMES BEFORE THAT NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS LINE,
7 THAT 9-8-8 LINE, GOES LIVE NEXT SUMMER. AND THAT HAS REALLY
8 BEEN SOMETHING, I THINK, WE'VE WANTED TO DO. I APPRECIATE DR.
9 SHERIN'S LEADERSHIP HERE. FOLKS ARE EXPERIENCING MENTAL HEALTH
10 CHALLENGES AND MENTAL HEALTH CRISES ALL HOURS OF THE DAY AND
11 NIGHT, ALL DAYS OF THE WEEK, AND FOR THAT PROGRAM NOT TO BE
12 ACTIVE 24/7 DOES A REAL DISSERVICE TO THOSE WHO ARE DESPERATE
13 FOR OUR HELP. THIS IS PART OF THE ALTERNATE CRISIS RESPONSE
14 NETWORK THAT IS SET UP, SO THAT WHEN ANYONE CALLS, NO MATTER
15 WHAT THE CRISIS, THEY WILL GET THE APPROPRIATE RESPONSE. AN
16 ADDITIONAL \$10 MILLION FOR OUR CRISIS CALL CENTER IS EXACTLY
17 WHAT WE NEED TO HELP FAMILIES IN CRISIS. NO LONGER WILL
18 FAMILIES JUST HAVE AVAILABLE TO THEM 9-1-1, WITH A LAW
19 ENFORCEMENT RESPONSE. BUT NOW, THE CALL CENTERS WILL BE ABLE
20 TO DIRECT THE RIGHT RESPONSE TO THE APPROPRIATE PERSON IN
21 NEED. SECOND, AS FESIA MENTIONED THROUGHOUT HER PRESENTATION,
22 AS WELL AS MY COLLEAGUES, OUR CARE FIRST, JAILS LAST PRIORITY
23 OF THIS BOARD REALLY SHOULD NOT BE UNDERSTATED. IN ADDITION TO
24 ALL THAT WAS PRESENTED, THERE WILL BE OVER 90 NEW STAFF FOR
25 OUR PUBLIC DEFENDER'S AND OUR ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S

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1 DEPARTMENTS, TO HANDLE THE INCREASE IN CASE LOADS DUE TO THE
2 PANDEMIC-RELATED BACKLOG, AS WELL AS JUSTICE REFORM EFFORTS
3 AND INDIGENT REPRESENTATION. AND I AM REALLY PLEASED ABOUT
4 THAT. THEY DO SUCH GREAT WORK. I KNOW IT IS TOO LATE FOR THIS
5 BUDGET CYCLE, BUT I JUST WANTED TO MENTION HOW GREAT IT WAS TO
6 SEE, RECENTLY, OUR PUBLIC DEFENDER, RICARDO GARCIA, OUR
7 ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER, ERIKA... I ALWAYS CAN NEVER SAY
8 YOUR NAME GOOD. ANZOÁTEGUI? "ERICA A." IS WHAT I'M GOING TO
9 SAY. REALLY WANTED TO SEE YOU, OUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY GEORGE
10 GASCON, AND OUR C.E.O. FESIA DAVENPORT, AT THE REDONDO BEACH
11 HOMELESS COURT LAST WEEK. THERE ARE SO MANY MOVING PIECES TO
12 JUSTICE REFORM. THERE ARE SO MANY PIECES TO GETTING OUR
13 POPULATIONS WHO ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS OFF THE STREETS
14 AND INTO A PATHWAY TO A BETTER LIFE. AND I THINK, IF ALL OF
15 OUR DEPARTMENTS CAN SUPPORT THE EXPANSION OF THE HOMELESS
16 COURT, THEN THERE IS A BETTER CHANCE FOR PEOPLE LIVING ON THE
17 STREETS TO BE ABLE TO GET THEIR LIFE IN ORDER, WITHOUT LOOMING
18 CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS. AND I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH
19 YOU, FESIA, TO SEE IF WE CAN GET SOME MONEY IN NEXT YEAR'S
20 BUDGET TO SUPPORT EXPANDING THAT THROUGHOUT UNINCORPORATED
21 COUNTY. THIRD, THE PANDEMIC HAS DEMONSTRATED HOW FOOD
22 INSECURITY WAS AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE PREVALENT FOR OUR
23 COUNTY RESIDENTS. A FEW EXAMPLES OF HOW WE PROVIDED THESE
24 BASIC NEEDS RANGE FROM GROCERY VOUCHERS, TO DRIVE-THROUGH FOOD
25 DISTRIBUTION EVENTS, AND FEEDING OUR ELDERLY AND THOSE WITH

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1 DISABILITIES. HOWEVER, MORE NEEDS TO BE DONE, AND SECURING
2 MONEY FOR THE ELDER NUTRITION PLUS PROGRAM, THAT CONTINUES TO
3 FEED OVER 10,000 OLDER ADULTS, IS SOMETHING TANGIBLE THAT THE
4 COUNTY CAN CONTINUE FUNDING. FINALLY, I KNOW THAT I ASKED TO
5 EXPAND THE HOURS OF OUR POOLS AT OUR PARKS, AND ONCE AGAIN, I
6 ASKED A LITTLE TOO LATE IN THE SEASON. BUT I JUST-- I THINK
7 ALL OF US EXPERIENCED LAST WEEK, AND CONTINUING THIS WEEK, 90-
8 PLUS DEGREES, WELL INTO OCTOBER. AND I HOPE, AS WE MOVE
9 FORWARD FOR THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR F.Y. '22-'23, WE
10 ALLOCATE THE FUNDING NEEDED TO EXPAND OUR SUMMER SWIM PROGRAM
11 THROUGH OCTOBER. THAT IS CERTAINLY AN ACTIVITY THAT MANY
12 PEOPLE CAN AVAIL THEMSELVES OF. IT'S OUTSIDE, IT IS GOOD
13 EXERCISE, IT IS GOOD FAMILY TIME, AND I REALLY THINK WE NEED
14 TO GET OUT OF THE MENTALITY OF JUNE THROUGH AUGUST AS A TIME
15 WHEN PEOPLE CAN USE OUR POOLS. AND, WHILE NORMA GARCIA WAS
16 ABLE TO QUANTIFY EXACTLY HOW MUCH IT WOULD COST TO PROVIDE
17 FREE SWIM PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS AND THOSE WITH DISABILITIES,
18 WHICH I KNOW HOLLY MITCHELL IS ALSO AN ADVOCATE FOR, I KNOW
19 THAT IT DIDN'T MAKE IT INTO THIS BUDGET, EITHER. BUT I THINK
20 FINDING \$1.5 MILLION FOR SENIORS AND THOSE WITH DISABILITIES
21 SHOULD BE PRIORITIZED, GOING INTO THE EXPANDED SWIM SEASON OF
22 2022. I KNOW THAT OUR UPCOMING AGING AND DISABILITIES
23 DEPARTMENT CAN AND WILL PRIORITIZE INITIATIVES LIKE THIS, AND
24 I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO THAT. THANKS AGAIN, FESIA, YOUR WHOLE

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1 BUDGET TEAM, FOR GETTING US TO A ROBUST AND HEALTHY AND
2 IMPORTANT \$39 BILLION COUNTY BUDGET. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN. NEXT, WE WILL
5 HEAR FROM THE 5TH DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR KATHRYN BARGER.

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7 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, AND I WILL GO LAST AND BASICALLY ECHO
8 ALL THE COMMENTS THAT MY COLLEAGUES HAVE MADE. AND I WANT TO
9 THANK C.E.O. FESIA DAVENPORT AND YOUR BUDGET TEAM, LED BY MATT
10 MCGLOIN, AND I JUST WANT MATT TO KNOW HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATE
11 THE WORK HE DOES, NOT JUST ON THIS BUDGET, BUT YEAR ROUND.
12 MATT, YOU ARE TRULY A TREASURE TO THIS COUNTY, AND I KNOW
13 YOU'VE WORKED HARD ON THIS BUDGET. I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE
14 MY STAFF-- MICHELLE VEGA, AS WELL AS MY ENTIRE STAFF-- WHO
15 COLLABORATIVELY WORKED TOGETHER TO ADDRESS THE BUDGET ISSUES
16 FOR EACH DEPARTMENT. I BELIEVE THIS IS A REMARKABLE BUDGET,
17 WITH MORE THAN \$39 BILLION THAT WE ARE APPROVING TO HELP SERVE
18 THE RESIDENTS WITHIN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I DO REMAIN COMMITTED
19 TO FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY, AS A STEWARD OF PUBLIC FUNDS, AND I
20 BELIEVE WE CAN CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN PRUDENCE, WHILE STILL
21 ENSURING THAT THE COUNTY PROVIDES THE ESSENTIAL SERVICES FOR
22 WHICH MILLIONS OF PEOPLE RELY UPON EACH AND EVERY DAY. I AM
23 ALSO MINDFUL OF OUR ROLE TO HELP PROTECT THE PUBLIC AND CREATE
24 SAFE COMMUNITIES. TO THAT END, I AM GRATEFUL THAT THE C.E.O.'S
25 OFFICE HAS IDENTIFIED FUNDING TO HELP FIGHT THE ILLEGAL

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1 CANNABIS GROWS THAT ARE PERVADING THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. THIS IS
2 AN ISSUE THAT WE HAVE DISCUSSED BEFORE, AND I APPRECIATE THE
3 SUPPORT OF MY COLLEAGUES TO ADDRESS THE WATER THEFT,
4 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT, AND RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY DAMAGE THAT THE
5 ILLEGAL CANNABIS GROWS CONTINUE TO CAUSE IN THE NORTH COUNTY
6 REGION. I ALSO WANT TO EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION FOR THE
7 EXPANDED MENTAL EVALUATION TEAM THAT WILL BE DEDICATED TO
8 ASSISTING VETERANS IN MOMENTS OF MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS. I SHARE
9 SUPERVISOR HAHN'S COMMITMENT TO CONTINUE TO FOCUS ON MENTAL
10 HEALTH SERVICES, NOT ONLY AS IT RELATES TO PUBLIC SAFETY, BUT
11 ACROSS THE BOARD. ESPECIALLY WITH C.O.V.I.D., WE RECOGNIZE
12 THAT MENTAL HEALTH IN OUR SCHOOLS IS NECESSARY, AND WE NEED TO
13 DO A BETTER JOB OF EXPANDING AND GIVING ACCESS TO SERVICES,
14 AND ENSURING PARITY, BOTH FOR MENTAL HEALTH, BUT ALSO FOR
15 HEALTHCARE. THE M.E.T. TEAMS HAVE BEEN AN EXTRAORDINARY
16 SUPPORT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE ON-THE-GROUND MENTAL HEALTH
17 CONNECTIONS FOR THE VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS. I'M PLEASED THAT
18 THROUGH THIS PROGRAM, KNOWN AS VET M.E.T., WE WILL BE
19 EXPANDING SERVICES TO OUR VETERANS, WHO HAVE GIVEN SO MUCH FOR
20 OUR SAKE. THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET ADDS AND ALLOCATES RESOURCES
21 TO SUPPORT AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND PROVIDE SERVICES, RENTAL
22 SUBSIDIES, AND SHELTER FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS,
23 INCLUDING TRANSITION-AGED YOUTH AND OLDER ADULTS WITH OPEN
24 ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES CASES. THESE ARE SOME OF THE MANY
25 WAYS THAT WE CAN UPLIFT THE UNHOUSED AND PREVENT THOSE ON THE

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1 CUSP FROM TRANSITIONING TO HOMELESSNESS. I'D ALSO LIKE TO TAKE
2 A MOMENT, AS I DO EVERY YEAR, TO HIGHLIGHT OUR RAINY DAY FUND.
3 THANK YOU, FESIA, FOR ALLOCATING RESOURCES TO PRESERVE 10
4 PERCENT IN THE RAINY DAY FUND. JUST LAST WEEK, AS CHAIR SOLIS
5 MENTIONED, THE STANDARD AND POOR'S GLOBAL RATING AGENCY
6 REMOVED THE NEGATIVE OUTLOOK FROM OUR TRIPLE-A RATING, AND
7 MOVED US BACK TO "STABLE." IN DOING SO, THEY HIGHLIGHTED THAT
8 WE WERE ABLE TO WEATHER THE C.O.V.I.D. PANDEMIC WITHOUT HAVING
9 TO TAP OUR RESOURCES; AND INSTEAD, WE WERE ABLE TO ADD TO OUR
10 RESERVES, DUE TO PRUDENT FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND FEDERAL
11 STIMULUS DOLLARS. THEY ALSO NOTED OUR VERY STRONG RESERVES
12 OVER THE NEAR TERM. THIS RESERVE REMAINS CRITICAL TO ENSURING
13 THE PROVISION OF SERVICES IN THE FACE OF ECONOMIC CHALLENGES.
14 WE HAVE MORE THAN 111,000 EMPLOYEES, AND TOGETHER WE SERVE 10
15 MILLION RESIDENTS, AND THOUSANDS OF BUSINESSES AND
16 ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS THE ENTIRE REGION. THIS IS AN ENORMOUS
17 RESPONSIBILITY FOR US ALL, AND I KNOW WE TAKE THIS
18 RESPONSIBILITY SERIOUSLY. AT THIS TIME, I DON'T HAVE ANY
19 SPECIFIC QUESTIONS OR REQUESTS, BUT I DO WANT TO REITERATE MY
20 THANKS TO FESIA AND HER TEAM, AS WELL AS ALL THE DEPARTMENT
21 HEADS WHO APPROACHED THIS PROCESS IN A THOUGHTFUL AND
22 RESPONSIVE MANNER, AS WELL AS MY COLLEAGUES. AS I SAID
23 EARLIER, I RECOGNIZE THE HARD WORK PUT INTO THIS, AND I
24 APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED DEDICATION TO SMART AND EFFECTIVE
25 FISCAL PRACTICES. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR BARGER. TO
3 ALL MY COLLEAGUES, THANK YOU, AND TO OUR C.E.O. AND ALL THE
4 STAFF, AND ESPECIALLY MY OWN STAFF. I WANT TO THANK TAMI
5 OMOTO-FRIAS, ALSO, FOR DOING A GREAT JOB OF WORKING WITH ALL
6 THE OTHER BUDGET DEPUTIES DURING THE TIME THAT I AM SERVING AS
7 CHAIR. SO, AGAIN, APPLAUD EVERYONE FOR THEIR WORK. AND,
8 MEMBERS, WITH THAT, THIS ITEM, ITEM 54, SECTIONS 1 THROUGH 3,
9 ARE BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SECONDED BY
10 SUPERVISOR KUEHL TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
11 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 54, SECTIONS 1 THROUGH 3, ARE BEFORE
14 YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

15

16 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

17

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

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21 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

22

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

24

25 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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4 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

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

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

11 0.

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13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM OUR CHIEF

14 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, FESIA DAVENPORT, ON ITEM NUMBER 55.

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16 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THIS IS MY

17 LAST ITEM: AGENDA ITEM 55, THIS FINAL ITEM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR

18 '21-'22 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET, AND IS THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S

19 FINAL BUDGET RESOLUTION, WHICH CONFIRMS THE SUPPLEMENTAL

20 CHANGES TO THE COUNTY BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR '21-'22, FOR ALL

21 THE ITEMS THAT WERE APPROVED TODAY. IF THERE ARE NO QUESTIONS,

22 I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT YOUR BOARD MOVE AND APPROVE THIS ITEM.

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MEMBERS, ITEM 55

25 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR

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1 BARGER TO ADOPT THIS ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
2 CALL THE ROLL.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 55 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR
5 MITCHELL?

6

7 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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

11

12 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

13

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

15

16 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

17

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

19

20 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

21

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

23

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

25

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

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU TO ALL, AND AGAIN, OUR C.E.O. AND
5 ALL YOUR TEAM, AND EVERYBODY THAT HAD A HAND IN THIS, AND THAT
6 INCLUDES THE PEOPLE FROM OUR COMMUNITIES, AND OUR RESIDENTS.
7 THANK YOU AGAIN. AS HAS BEEN SAID OVER AND OVER, OUR VALUES
8 ARE SHOWN IN OUR BUDGET, WHERE WE PUT OUR FUNDING.

9

10 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** MADAM CHAIR, IF I COULD JUST MAKE MY
11 FINAL REMARKS?

12

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

14

15 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** YES, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO TAKE THE
16 OPPORTUNITY TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR ALL OF YOUR
17 SUPPORT DURING THE BUDGET PROCESS. WE ALL KNOW THAT THE BUDGET
18 IS COMPLEX, IT IS ONGOING, AND YOUR LEADERSHIP IS ESSENTIAL TO
19 US BEING ABLE TO GET IT DONE. I KNOW THAT THE INTERESTS OF
20 EACH OF YOUR BOARD OFFICES, THEY ARE NOT ALWAYS IDENTICAL, BUT
21 THEY ARE ALIGNED, AND I BELIEVE THAT IT PROVIDES THE C.E.O.'S
22 OFFICE WITH OUR NORTH STAR. AND SO WE KNOW THE DIRECTION THAT
23 THE BOARD WANTS TO HEAD IN, WITH THINGS LIKE CARE FIRST, JAIL
24 LAST. AND SO I DO WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, AND
25 FOR YOUR SUPPORT. AND I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK-- ALTHOUGH IT HAS

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1 ALREADY BEEN SAID, I WANT TO GO AHEAD AND JUST THANK,
2 INDIVIDUALLY, EACH OF YOUR BUDGET STAFF, BECAUSE THEY ARE IN
3 CONSTANT COMMUNICATION WITH OUR BUDGET TEAM, SOMETIMES UP
4 UNTIL THE VERY LAST MINUTE BEFORE WE PRESENT THE BUDGET. SO,
5 TO THE FIRST DISTRICT, TAMI OMOTO-FRIAS; THE SECOND DISTRICT,
6 KIRK SHELTON; THE THIRD DISTRICT, ANGELICA AYALA; THE FOURTH
7 DISTRICT, MARK BACAM; AND THE FIFTH DISTRICT, MICHELLE VEGA,
8 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL OF YOUR COOPERATION, AND ALL THE
9 HARD WORK, AND ALL OF THE LAST-MINUTE, EXPEDITED REQUESTS FOR
10 INFORMATION. AND THEN I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THE
11 DEPARTMENT HEADS, WHO WORK WITH OUR OFFICE, SUBMIT BUDGET
12 REQUESTS, ALSO ENGAGE MY TEAM IN SOMETIMES WHAT IS A BACK-AND-
13 FORTH, AND FOR ALSO UNDERSTANDING THAT WE HAVE A LARGE BUDGET,
14 BUT OUR NEEDS ARE GREATER. AND SO WE ARE NOT ALWAYS ABLE TO
15 GRANT EVERYONE'S BUDGET REQUESTS, BUT I APPRECIATE THE
16 PARTNERSHIP AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH ALL OF OUR
17 DEPARTMENTS, AND WITH ALL OF YOUR OFFICES, MOVING FORWARD.
18 THANK YOU.

19
20 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU AGAIN, SO MUCH. THANK YOU ALL.
21 MEMBERS, NOW WE'RE GOING TO MOVE ON TO OUR SET MATTER. THAT IS
22 ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER. THIS IS A PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY FOR
23 THE BOARD TO DISCUSS THE PANDEMIC TRENDS. WE HAVE DR. FERRER
24 AND DR. GHALY, WHO WILL PROVIDE US WITH UPDATES. SO WE'LL
25 BEGIN WITH DR. BARBARA FERRER, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AND

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1 THEN DR. CHRISTINA GHALY, DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES. THANK
2 YOU.

3

4 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. CAN YOU HEAR ME,
5 SUPERVISOR?

6

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

8

9 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** OKAY, PERFECT. YEAH, THANK YOU SO MUCH,
10 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AND TO THE ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I
11 WANT TO EXPRESS MY AND THE DEPARTMENT'S SINCERE APPRECIATION
12 FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND TIRELESS ADVOCACY. AS ALWAYS, I'M
13 GRATEFUL FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT TO YOU AND THE PUBLIC
14 THE LATEST ON THE STATUS OF THE ONGOING C.O.V.I.D.-19 PANDEMIC
15 IN L.A. COUNTY. THIS MORNING, I WILL BRIEFLY SHARE INFORMATION
16 ABOUT OUR METRICS AND SOME DATA ON SCHOOL OUTBREAKS, AS WELL
17 AS AN UPDATE ON OUR PROGRESS WITH VACCINATION, INCLUDING
18 BOOSTER SHOTS. I'LL ALSO UPDATE YOU ON THE TARGETED
19 VACCINATION VERIFICATION REQUIREMENTS ACROSS OUR COUNTY, AND
20 OUR EFFORTS TO SUPPORT BUSINESSES AND CITIES IMPLEMENTING
21 THESE REQUIREMENTS. I WILL TAKE THE NEXT SLIDE. THIS SLIDE HAS
22 YESTERDAY'S NUMBERS ON IT, BUT I DO HAVE SOME UPDATED NUMBERS
23 THAT I JUST GOT TODAY. I AM SAD TO REPORT 35 ADDITIONAL DEATHS
24 TODAY. THAT BRINGS OUR TOTAL NUMBER OF DEATHS TO 26,195. AND
25 AGAIN, OUR PRAYERS AND HEARTS ARE WITH EVERYONE WHO'S LOST A

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1 LOVED ONE. WE ARE REPORTING 964 NEW CASES, SO THE TOTAL NUMBER
2 OF CASES IS NOW 1,464,793. AND OUR TEST POSITIVITY IS ABOUT 1
3 PERCENT, WHICH IS PRETTY SIMILAR TO WHAT IT WAS LAST WEEK. THE
4 AVERAGE DAILY CASE RATE IS 10 CASES PER 100,000. THAT IS A
5 SMALL DECREASE FROM LAST WEEK, WHERE WE HAD ABOUT 11 CASES PER
6 100,000. THERE ARE 786 PEOPLE THAT ARE CURRENTLY HOSPITALIZED
7 WITH C.O.V.I.D. THIS IS A DECREASE OF 122 PEOPLE OVER THE PAST
8 WEEK. THERE ARE 122 OPEN INVESTIGATIONS AT RESIDENTIAL
9 CONGREGATE SETTINGS AND NONRESIDENTIAL SETTINGS, WITH AT LEAST
10 ONE CONFIRMED CASE OF C.O.V.I.D. WE CAN GO ON TO THE NEXT
11 SLIDE. AND WE OBVIOUSLY REMAIN IN THE SUBSTANTIAL CATEGORY OF
12 TRANSMISSION, AS DESIGNATED BY THE C.D.C. SO OUR NUMBERS, THEY
13 CERTAINLY HAVE DECLINED OVER THE LAST MONTH, BUT WE STILL HAVE
14 SUBSTANTIAL TRANSMISSION. ON THIS GRAPH, YOU SEE OUR TRENDS IN
15 CASES, HOSPITALIZATIONS, AND DEATHS, SINCE THE BEGINNING OF
16 THE PANDEMIC THROUGH THE END OF SEPTEMBER. WE ARE REASSURED
17 THAT WE CONTINUE TO SEE THAT DOWNWARD TREND IN CASES,
18 HOSPITALIZATIONS, AND DEATHS. OUR 7-DAY DAILY CASE AVERAGE, AT
19 THE END OF THE MONTH, WAS ABOUT 1,050 NEW CASES. THAT'S A
20 DECREASE OF 57 PERCENT FROM A MONTH EARLIER. HOSPITALIZATIONS
21 AND DEATHS ALSO DECLINED BY 45 PERCENT, ALTHOUGH ON SEPTEMBER
22 27TH, WE ARE AVERAGING STILL ABOUT 14 DEATHS A DAY, WHICH IS A
23 PARTICULAR TRAGEDY, BECAUSE LOTS OF THESE ARE PREVENTED BY THE
24 VACCINES. NEXT SLIDE. THE SLOWING OF COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION IS
25 ALSO REFLECTED IN THE NUMBER OF NEW CASES AT SCHOOLS. THE

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1 OVERALL CASE NUMBER IN SCHOOLS CONTINUES TO DECREASE. I'M NOT
2 SHOWING THE DATA HERE, BUT LAST MONTH, WE HAD SLIGHTLY UNDER
3 600 NEW STUDENT CASES-- I MEAN, LAST WEEK, FOR THE WEEK THAT
4 ENDED SEPTEMBER 26 THROUGH OCTOBER 1-- AND OUR STAFF CASES
5 ALSO DECREASED TO ABOUT 82. THIS IS A 54% DECREASE FROM THE
6 PRIOR WEEK FOR STUDENTS, AND A 51% DECREASE FOR STAFF. ON THIS
7 SLIDE, YOU CAN SEE THE FACT THAT MOST OF OUR CASES ARE NOT
8 ASSOCIATED WITH ANY OUTBREAKS AT SCHOOLS, BUT WHEN WE HAVE
9 THREE OR MORE CASES THAT ARE LINKED AT A SCHOOL OR SCHOOL-
10 BASED ACTIVITY, THESE ARE CONSIDERED TO BE PART OF AN
11 OUTBREAK, AND WE HAVE ADDITIONAL RESOURCES THAT ARE DEDICATED
12 TO INVESTIGATING AND STOPPING TRANSMISSION. AS YOU CAN SEE ON
13 THIS SLIDE, THE NUMBER OF OUTBREAKS DECREASED AGAIN, SIMILAR
14 TO THE CASE NUMBERS, BY ABOUT HALF OVER A TWO-WEEK PERIOD. WE
15 HAD 12 OUTBREAKS THE WEEK THAT ENDED SEPTEMBER 26TH, AND WE
16 HAD FIVE OUTBREAKS THE WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 2ND. THAT INCLUDED
17 AN OUTBREAK IN YOUTH SPORTS, AND TWO OUTBREAKS EACH IN
18 ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS. THIS LOW NUMBER IS QUITE
19 REMARKABLE, WITH OVER 3,000 SCHOOLS NOW OPEN COUNTYWIDE, AND
20 IT REALLY REFLECTS THE HARD WORK OF ALL OF OUR SCHOOL
21 COMMUNITY MEMBERS. NEXT SLIDE. OBVIOUSLY, ONE OF THE REASONS
22 WHY TRANSMISSION HAS DECLINED IS BECAUSE WE HAVE LOTS OF
23 PEOPLE VACCINATED, AND SO WE DO REMAIN FOCUSED ON INCREASING
24 VACCINATION RATES AS A STRATEGY FOR AVOIDING FUTURE INCREASES
25 IN CASES. BUT WE HAVE COME A LONG WAY OVER THE SUMMER AND THE

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1 EARLY FALL. AS OF SEPTEMBER 30TH, 92% OF L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS
2 65 AND OVER HAD AT LEAST ONE DOSE OF THE VACCINE. 78% OF
3 RESIDENTS 16 AND OVER, AND 12 AND OVER, ALSO HAD ONE DOSE OF
4 THE VACCINE. AND 69%-- REALLY, WE'RE JUST ABOUT AT 70%-- OF
5 RESIDENTS 12 AND OVER ARE NOW FULLY VACCINATED. ON SEPTEMBER
6 24TH, WE BEGAN ADMINISTERING BOOSTER DOSES, AS WELL AS THE
7 ADDITIONAL DOSES WE'VE BEEN ADMINISTERING TO IMMUNOCOMPROMISED
8 PEOPLE. SO FAR, ALMOST 150,000 ADDITIONAL OR BOOSTER DOSES
9 HAVE BEEN ADMINISTERED IN L.A. COUNTY. IMPRESSIVE AS THESE
10 NUMBERS ARE, WE DO HAVE A WAY TO GO BEFORE WE HAVE ENOUGH
11 PEOPLE VACCINATED THAT THE VIRUS, OR A NEW VARIANT OF THE
12 VIRUS, WOULD HAVE TROUBLE GAINING TRACTION. THE MANY POCKETS
13 OF UNVACCINATED INDIVIDUALS ARE UNFORTUNATELY A BREEDING
14 GROUND FOR TRANSMISSION AND MUTATION. NEXT SLIDE. WE'RE
15 COMMITTED TO ENSURING THAT THE 53% OF RESIDENTS WHO LIVE IN
16 OUR HARDEST HIT COMMUNITIES ARE RECEIVING BOOSTER DOSES AT
17 SIMILAR RATES AS RESIDENTS OF OTHER NEIGHBORHOODS. IF YOU LOOK
18 EXCLUSIVELY AT THE 800,000 PEOPLE WHO ARE AT LEAST SIX MONTHS
19 OUT FROM A SECOND-DOSE PFIZER SERIES ACROSS THE COUNTY, WE
20 FOUND THAT IN THE FIRST WEEK OF OFFERING BOOSTERS, 5% OF THESE
21 INDIVIDUALS LIVING IN THE H.I.P.-PLUS COMMUNITIES-- AND THESE
22 ARE THE ONES THAT WE DESIGNATED AS OUR HIGHEST-NEED
23 NEIGHBORHOODS-- HAD RECEIVED ADDITIONAL OR BOOSTER DOSES OF
24 THE VACCINE. THAT COMPARES TO ABOUT 7% OF THOSE LIVING ACROSS
25 ALL THE OTHER ZIP CODES. IF YOU LOOK AT THIS BY YOUNGER AND

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1 OLDER ADULTS, WE FOUND THAT 3.3% OF YOUNGER ADULTS AGE 18 TO
2 64 IN HIGHER-NEED ZIP CODES RECEIVED ADDITIONAL DOSES. THAT'S
3 SLIGHTLY LESS THAN THE 4.7% OF ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS IN THE
4 BETTER-RESOURCED ZIP CODES HAD INDICATED THAT THEY'VE RECEIVED
5 BOOSTERS. THE DIFFERENCE IS MORE NOTICEABLE AMONG SENIORS,
6 AMONG WHOM ABOUT 7.3% OF SENIORS IN OUR HIGH-NEED AREAS
7 RECEIVED BOOSTERS, COMPARED TO ALMOST 10% IN WEALTHIER AREAS
8 HAVING RECEIVED THEIR ADDITIONAL DOSES. AFTER SO MUCH INEQUITY
9 ALREADY BEEN SUFFERED DURING THIS PANDEMIC, WE'RE WORKING TO
10 ENSURE THAT THOSE QUALIFIED FOR BOOSTERS KNOW THAT THEY'RE
11 ELIGIBLE, WHERE TO GO TO GET THEM, AND HOW EASY IT IS TO GET A
12 BOOSTER. OUR CALL CENTER HAS INCREASED STAFFING, SO WE CAN
13 HELP RESIDENTS, PARTICULARLY THOSE THAT ARE OLDER OR MAY HAVE
14 SOME DISABILITIES, IN SCHEDULING APPOINTMENTS, GETTING FREE
15 TRANSPORTATION TO A SITE, OR GETTING ANSWERS TO THEIR
16 QUESTIONS. AND AGAIN, THAT CALL CENTER NUMBER IS 833-540-0473.
17 WE'RE OPEN SEVEN DAYS A WEEK, FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 8:30 AT NIGHT.
18 AND OUR OUTREACH WORKERS, MOBILE TEAMS, AND SOCIAL MEDIA
19 PLATFORMS ARE ALSO SPREADING THE WORD ABOUT BOOSTERS AND FIRST
20 DOSES. AS WE AWAIT THE F.D.A. REVIEW OF MODERNA AND J&J DATA
21 ON THE NEED FOR THOSE VACCINES TO USE BOOSTERS, WHICH WILL
22 COME LATER THIS MONTH, OUR NETWORK CONTINUES TO PREPARE FOR
23 SIMPLIFIED ACCESS, SO THAT OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS, WE CAN
24 ENSURE THAT THOSE THAT NEED A BOOSTER ARE EASILY ABLE TO GET
25 THIS ADDITIONAL DOSE. WE CAN GO ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE. WHILE WE

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1 HAVE OVER 1306 SITES OFFERING VACCINATION ACROSS THE COUNTY
2 THIS WEEK, AND MANY ARE LOCATED IN THE H.P.I.-PLUS
3 COMMUNITIES, YOU CAN SEE ON THIS MAP THAT NOT ALL OF THESE
4 SITES ARE CURRENTLY OFFERING THE PFIZER BOOSTERS, AND THIS IS
5 BECAUSE MANY SITES ARE NOT EQUIPPED TO HANDLE THE SPECIFIC
6 COLD CHAIN REQUIREMENTS OF PFIZER. THEY NEVER OFFERED THE
7 PFIZER VACCINE AS ONE OF THE OPTIONS. NONETHELESS, YOU CAN SEE
8 THERE ARE 752 SITES MARKED IN ORANGE THAT ARE OFFERING
9 VACCINES, INCLUDING THE BOOSTERS. NEXT SLIDE. WITH A LITTLE
10 OVER HALF OF THE FIXED SITES OFFERING THE PFIZER VACCINE
11 BOOSTERS, OUR MOBILE TEAMS ARE FOCUSED ON FILLING IN THE GAP,
12 TO ENSURE EASY ACCESS TO BOOSTERS ACROSS THE COUNTY. AS YOU
13 CAN SEE ON THIS MAP, 97% OF OUR 395 MOBILE UNIT VISITS
14 SCHEDULED THIS WEEK ARE CARRYING PFIZER VACCINES. I WANT TO
15 THANK THE TEAMS FOR STEPPING UP WITH THIS. AND THESE SITES ARE
16 MARKED IN ORANGE. THE PRIORITY OF OUR MOBILE TEAM IS TO GET
17 VACCINATIONS TO NEIGHBORHOOD GATHERING PLACES AND BUSINESSES
18 WHOSE EMPLOYEES NEED VACCINATIONS, ESPECIALLY IN OUR HIGHEST-
19 NEED AREAS. ANYBODY CAN REQUEST A MOBILE TEAM ON OUR WEBSITE,
20 AND WE CAN COME TO A COMMUNITY SPOT OR WORKSITE. AND OUR
21 MOBILE TEAMS OFFER FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD DOSES, WORKING
22 HARD TO BRING VACCINES TO THOSE THAT ARE NOT YET VACCINATED.
23 NEXT SLIDE. L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS, AS MANY PEOPLE KNOW, ARE
24 SUBJECT TO A VARIETY OF TARGETED VACCINATION VERIFICATION
25 REQUIREMENTS, AS THIS TIMELINE SUMMARIZES MANY OF THE

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1 IMPORTANT DATES. EXCEPT WHERE THEY'RE SPECIFIED, THESE ARE
2 DATES WHEN REQUIREMENTS TO VERIFY FULL VACCINATION ARE GOING
3 INTO EFFECT. AS OF SEPTEMBER 20TH, PROOF OF VACCINATION STATUS
4 OR A NEGATIVE TEST RESULT IS REQUIRED AT ALL INDOOR EVENTS IN
5 L.A. COUNTY WITH MORE THAN 1,000 ATTENDEES. SEPTEMBER 30TH WAS
6 THE DEADLINE FOR HEALTHCARE AND HOME CARE WORKERS ACROSS L.A.
7 COUNTY TO BE VACCINATED FULLY, AND I WANT TO THANK ALL OF OUR
8 HEALTHCARE PARTNERS. THE NUMBERS ARE PROMISING, AND WE
9 CONTINUE TO GET REPORTS IN ON SUCCESSFUL COMPLIANCE. AND L.A.
10 COUNTY EMPLOYEES HAD UNTIL OCTOBER 1ST, AND L.A. CITY
11 EMPLOYEES HAVE UNTIL TODAY, OCTOBER 5TH, TO VERIFY THAT
12 THEY'RE FULLY VACCINATED. ON OCTOBER 7TH, THERE'S PROOF OF
13 FULL VACCINATION OR A NEGATIVE TEST RESULT REQUIRED TO ENTER
14 INTO AN OUTDOOR MEGA-EVENT WITH MORE THAN 10,000 INDIVIDUALS,
15 AND PROOF OF AT LEAST ONE DOSE OF THE VACCINE IS REQUIRED TO
16 ENTER OR WORK IN THE INDOOR PORTION OF BARS, LOUNGES,
17 NIGHTCLUBS, BREWERIES, WINERIES, OR DISTILLERIES IN THE
18 COUNTY. ON NOVEMBER 4TH, BARS IN THE SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS
19 WILL BE REQUIRED TO VERIFY FULL VACCINATION OF PATRONS AND
20 EMPLOYEES PRIOR TO ENTRY INTO THESE INDOOR PORTIONS OF THEIR
21 ESTABLISHMENTS. SO, FOR THOSE THAT ARE FREQUENTING THOSE
22 ESTABLISHMENTS, AND YOU'RE NOT YET VACCINATED, YOU NEED TO GET
23 STARTED NOW, SO THAT YOU WILL HAVE YOUR SECOND DOSE IN TIME TO
24 MEET THAT NOVEMBER 4TH DEADLINE. THE SAME DAY ON NOVEMBER 4TH,
25 A SIMILAR REQUIREMENT FOR INDOOR SPACES GOES INTO EFFECT IN

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1 WEST HOLLYWOOD. UNDER STATE ORDER, K-12 SCHOOL STAFF ACROSS
2 THE COUNTY ARE REQUIRED TO BE VACCINATED BY OCTOBER 15TH, OR
3 TEST WEEKLY. L.A.U.S.D. STUDENTS THAT ARE PARTICIPATING IN
4 EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES MUST BE FULLY VACCINATED BY OCTOBER
5 31ST, AND CULVER CITY STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BE FULLY
6 VACCINATED BY NOVEMBER 19TH. ALL L.A.U.S.D. STUDENTS 12 AND
7 OVER ARE GOING TO NEED TO BE FULLY VACCINATED BY DECEMBER
8 19TH. THERE ARE ALSO FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING PRESIDENT
9 BIDEN'S EXECUTIVE ORDER, THAT REQUIRES FEDERAL WORKERS TO BE
10 FULLY VACCINATED BY NOVEMBER 22ND. OVER THE COURSE OF THE
11 PANDEMIC, WE'VE SEEN HIGH RATES OF COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER
12 SAFETY MEASURES, AND WE ANTICIPATE SIMILAR COOPERATION AS
13 WE'RE WORKING TOGETHER TO ADD THIS ADDITIONAL, POWERFUL
14 PROTECTION OF VACCINATIONS FOR WORKERS, CUSTOMERS, STUDENTS,
15 AND FAMILIES. NEXT SLIDE. THERE ARE A COUPLE OF NEW ORDERS AND
16 ORDINANCES RELATED TO VACCINE REQUIREMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN
17 ANNOUNCED THIS WEEK. TOMORROW, THE L.A. CITY COUNCIL IS
18 EXPECTED TO VOTE ON A PROPOSED ORDINANCE THAT WOULD REQUIRE
19 PROOF OF VACCINATION WHEN ENTERING INTO CERTAIN INDOOR
20 ESTABLISHMENTS, SUCH AS RESTAURANTS, GYMS, MUSEUMS, BOWLING
21 ALLEYS, PERSONAL CARE ESTABLISHMENTS, AND CITY FACILITIES.
22 THIS ORDINANCE WOULD ALSO CREATE A NEW CATEGORY OF WHAT I'M
23 GOING TO CALL LARGE OUTDOOR EVENTS BETWEEN 5,000 AND 9,999,
24 THAT WILL MIRROR THE REQUIREMENTS FOR OUR MEGA-EVENTS. PEOPLE
25 WILL NEED TO VERIFY FULL VACCINATION OR HAVE A NEGATIVE TEST

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1 RESULT. AND AS I NOTED, PEOPLE ENTERING INTO CITY FACILITIES
2 WILL NEED TO VERIFY THEIR VACCINATION STATUS, AS WELL. LAST
3 WEEK, GOVERNOR NEWSOM ANNOUNCED THE STATE'S PLAN TO REQUIRE
4 C.O.V.I.D. VACCINATION OF ALL STUDENTS AND STAFF AT PRIVATE
5 AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS STATEWIDE, AS A CONDITION OF IN-PERSON
6 ATTENDANCE. THIS REQUIREMENT WILL BE EFFECTIVE FOR EACH
7 STUDENT, BEGINNING THE TERM FOLLOWING A FULL F.D.A. APPROVAL
8 OF THE VACCINE FOR TWO PARTICULAR GRADE SPANS, BEGINNING WITH
9 STUDENTS IN GRADES 7 THROUGH 12, AND THEN THAT'S FOLLOWED BY
10 STUDENTS IN GRADES K THROUGH 6. DEPENDING ON THE TIMING OF
11 THESE APPROVALS BY THE F.D.A., THIS LIKELY MEANS THE
12 REQUIREMENT CAN GO INTO EFFECT BEGINNING IN JANUARY, OR
13 PERHAPS NOT UNTIL JULY 1ST OF 2022. NEXT SLIDE. BUSINESSES AND
14 CITIES IMPLEMENTING THESE TARGETED VACCINATION MANDATES ARE
15 SUPPORTED BY TEAMS AT PUBLIC HEALTH. AS I NOTED EARLIER, OUR
16 MOBILE VACCINATION TEAMS GO ALL OVER THE COUNTY TO HELP GET
17 VACCINATIONS TO EMPLOYEES WHEREVER THEY'RE NEEDED, AND WE ALSO
18 ARE HELPING TO CONNECT BUSINESSES WITH TESTING VENDORS, TO
19 PROVIDE THE NECESSARY TESTING FOR UNVACCINATED EMPLOYEES AND
20 PATRONS. THERE'S A TOOLKIT THAT WE'VE CREATED, AND WE HAVE
21 SENT IT OUT TO TENS OF THOUSANDS OF BUSINESSES, AND IT'S
22 ONLINE, THAT REALLY HELPS BUSINESSES THROUGH ALL STAGES OF
23 IMPLEMENTATION OF VACCINATION VERIFICATION REQUIREMENTS. I'M
24 GRATEFUL TO ALL OF OUR PARTNERS, INCLUDING THE MANY COMMUNITY
25 CITIES AND BUSINESSES THAT MAKE L.A. COUNTY SUCH A VIBRANT

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1 PLACE TO LIVE AND WORK, AND THEY'VE ALL BEEN HARD AT WORK,
2 MAKING THEIR BUSINESSES SAFE PLACES FOR OUR RESIDENTS AND OUR
3 WORKERS TO BE. NEXT SLIDE. IN CLOSING, I DO WANT TO NOTE THAT
4 SO MANY OF US ARE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT OUR HOLIDAY PLANS. AS
5 HALLOWEEN APPROACHES, AND THANKSGIVING AND THE DECEMBER
6 HOLIDAY SEASON ARE ALSO ON THE HORIZON, WE'RE HOPEFUL THAT
7 WITH CONTINUED DECLINES IN CASES, WE CAN PLAN FOR GATHERINGS,
8 PARTIES, AND PERHAPS TRAVEL, TO BE ABLE TO CELEBRATE WITH
9 FAMILY AND FRIENDS. WHILE WE CONTINUE TO LIVE WITH THE
10 UNCERTAINTIES POSED BY A MUTATING VIRUS, ONE THING IS CERTAIN:
11 WHATEVER YOUR PLANS, THEY'LL BE SAFER IF YOU AND YOUR LOVED
12 ONES ARE VACCINATED. TO BE BEST PROTECTED, IT'S HELPFUL TO
13 MAKE SURE YOU GET YOUR VACCINE IN TIME TO BE FULLY PROTECTED
14 FOR THE HOLIDAYS. FOR THOSE NOT YET VACCINATED, YOU'RE ONLY
15 CONSIDERED FULLY PROTECTED TWO WEEKS AFTER ALL YOUR DOSES ARE
16 COMPLETE. FOR THE ONE-DOSE JOHNSON & JOHNSON VACCINE, AS YOU
17 CAN SEE HERE, THAT MEANS THAT YOU'D BE CONSIDERED FULLY
18 PROTECTED AFTER YOUR FIRST SHOT. FOR PFIZER AND MODERNA, AS
19 I'LL SHOW YOU ON THE NEXT SLIDE, YOU NEED TO GET YOUR DOSES A
20 FEW WEEKS APART. IF YOU'RE UNVACCINATED TODAY, AND YOU WALK
21 INTO ONE OF THE VACCINATION SITES AND GET JOHNSON & JOHNSON
22 VACCINE, WHICH IS OFFERED AT ALL OF THE COUNTY-RUN SITES, TWO
23 WEEKS LATER, YOU'LL BE CONSIDERED FULLY VACCINATED, AND YOU'D
24 BE READY FOR A GOOD TIME WITH OTHERS BY HALLOWEEN. NEXT SLIDE.
25 IF YOU'RE GOING TO OPT FOR PFIZER, YOU COULD GET YOUR FIRST

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1 VACCINE DOSE TODAY, AND YOUR SECOND VACCINE THE WEEK BEFORE
2 HALLOWEEN. YOU WON'T BE FULLY PROTECTED UNTIL NOVEMBER, BUT
3 THAT WOULD BE WELL AHEAD OF THANKSGIVING, AND THE SAME-- IF
4 YOU GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE-- THE SAME WOULD APPLY IF YOU OPT FOR
5 MODERNA. YOU COULD GET YOUR FIRST VACCINE TODAY, YOUR SECOND
6 VACCINE FOUR WEEKS LATER, IN EARLY NOVEMBER, AND YOU'D ALSO BE
7 IN GREAT POSITION TO GATHER SAFELY WITH OTHER VACCINATED
8 PEOPLE FOR THE HOLIDAY. YOU CAN GO TO OUR WEBSITE, AT
9 VACCINATELACOUNTY.COM, OR CALL US, AGAIN, AT 833-540-0473, TO
10 HELP FIND A SITE NEAR YOU, OR ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS, OR GET
11 TRANSPORTATION TO A VACCINATION SITE. AND I DO WANT TO NOTE,
12 IF YOU'RE IN THE ELIGIBLE GROUP FOR BOOSTERS, YOU SHOULD
13 SCHEDULE THESE IN ADVANCE OF TRAVELING OR HEADING TO YOUR
14 HOLIDAY GATHERING. THANK YOU, AND I'LL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER
15 QUESTIONS AFTER DR. GHALY'S PRESENTATION.

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17 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. DR. GHALY?

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19 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** YEAH, GOOD AFTERNOON. CAN YOU HEAR ME
20 OKAY? ARE YOU ABLE TO HEAR ME?

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

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24 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** I'LL PROVIDE A BRIEF UPDATE ON D.H.S.
25 ACTIVITIES, AND THEN MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS

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1 YOU MIGHT HAVE. SO, OUR HOSPITALIZATIONS OF C.O.V.I.D.
2 INPATIENTS HAS CONTINUED TO TREND DOWN. OUR AVERAGE RANGE IS
3 FROM THE HIGH 70S TO THE LOW 80S, AND THAT'S THE NUMBERS
4 ACROSS ALL FOUR OF OUR D.H.S. ACUTE-CARE HOSPITALS. THIS
5 MORNING, THERE WERE 82 INDIVIDUALS WITH C.O.V.I.D. WHO WERE
6 HOSPITALIZED, AND THAT INCLUDES ONE INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS LESS
7 THAN AGE 18. WE ARE VERY ENCOURAGED BY THE DOWNWARD TREND OVER
8 THE PAST COUPLE OF WEEKS, BUT WE REALIZE THAT BOTH THIS COULD
9 CHANGE IF WE MOVE INTO THE WINTER AND HOLIDAY SEASON IF PEOPLE
10 AREN'T CAREFUL, AND THAT, ALSO, IF WE DON'T MAINTAIN MOMENTUM
11 ON INCREASING VACCINATIONS RATES ON THE COUNTY, THIS COULD
12 CHANGE, AS WELL. ON THE NEXT-- SORRY, COULD YOU GO TO THE NEXT
13 SLIDE? SORRY. THANKS. WITH RESPECT TO VACCINATIONS, D.H.S. HAS
14 PROVIDED ALMOST 240,000 VACCINES, INCLUDING OVER 3,000 BOOSTER
15 SHOTS, TO OUR PATIENTS AND STAFF. ON THE NEXT SLIDE, A LOT OF
16 OUR EFFORTS HAVE BEEN FOCUSED ON CONTINUING OUR VACCINATION
17 EFFORTS AMONG D.H.S. STAFF AND CONTRACTORS WHO WORK IN THOSE
18 AREAS OF D.H.S. THAT ARE SUBJECT TO BOTH THE L.A. COUNTY AND
19 THE STATE HEALTH OFFICER ORDERS, WHICH MANDATED THAT ALL STAFF
20 IN PATIENT CARE FACILITIES MUST BE VACCINATED BY SEPTEMBER
21 30TH. D.H.S.'S OVERALL VACCINATION RATE ACROSS ALL OF OUR
22 EMPLOYEES IS CURRENTLY AT 84%. 84% OF OUR EMPLOYEES ARE THOSE
23 THAT WE HAVE FULL DOCUMENTATION OF THEIR VACCINATION STATUS,
24 AND THERE'S AN ADDITIONAL 3% WHO ARE PARTIALLY VACCINATED, AND
25 AWAITING EITHER THAT TWO-WEEK PERIOD WHERE THEY'RE FULLY

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1 VACCINATED, OR AWAITING THEIR SECOND DOSE OF MODERNA OR PFIZER
2 VACCINE. THE REMAINING 13% IS EITHER UNVACCINATED, OR
3 POTENTIALLY IS VACCINATED AT A NON-D.H.S. FACILITY, BUT THEY
4 HAVE NOT YET PROVIDED TO US PROOF OF THAT DOCUMENTATION
5 STATUS. TO DATE, WE HAVE RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 750 REQUESTS
6 FOR RELIGIOUS EXEMPTIONS, AND 30 REQUESTS FOR INDIVIDUALS
7 SEEKING A MEDICAL EXEMPTION. PLEASE KNOW THAT NOT ALL OF THE
8 13% OF THE D.H.S. EMPLOYEE WORKFORCE WHO ARE NOT YET FULLY
9 VACCINATED OR PARTIALLY VACCINATED ARE SUBJECT TO THE HEALTH
10 OFFICER ORDER. MANY WORK IN ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE BUILDINGS OR
11 WORK IN CLINICAL PROGRAMS THAT ARE NOT IN ONE OF THE
12 FACILITIES THAT ARE SUBJECT TO THE MANDATE. THE PORTION THAT
13 IS SUBJECT TO THE MANDATE WILL BE REASSIGNED TO APPROPRIATE
14 WORK IN OTHER LOCATIONS. WITH RESPECT TO OUR NON-COUNTY
15 WORKFORCE MEMBERS, AMONG ALL OF THOSE INCLUDED IN OUR
16 DATABASE, APPROXIMATELY 50% HAVE SUBMITTED PROOF OF FULL
17 VACCINATION STATUS. PLEASE KNOW THAT OUR DATABASE DOES INCLUDE
18 DATA ON ALL NON-COUNTY INDIVIDUALS, PAID OR UNPAID, WHO SPEND
19 ANY TIME IN A D.H.S. FACILITY, OR THOSE WHO WORK REMOTELY--
20 FOR EXAMPLE, SOMETIMES I.T. STAFF OR CONSULTING STAFF-- WHO
21 WORK OUTSIDE OF D.H.S., AND DON'T EVER TOUCH D.H.S.
22 FACILITIES. SIMILAR TO THE EMPLOYEE DATA, NOT ALL INDIVIDUALS
23 WHO ARE NON-COUNTY WORKFORCE MEMBERS AFFILIATED WITH D.H.S.,
24 THEN, ARE SUBJECT TO THE MANDATE. IT ALSO INCLUDES DATA ON
25 STUDENTS AND VOLUNTEERS, AND THUS DOES NOT SOLELY FOCUS ON

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1 JUST THE CONTRACTOR CATEGORY. ALSO, WITH RESPECT TO BOOSTERS,
2 WE HAVE PROVIDED, AS I MENTIONED, NEARLY 3,000 BOOSTERS TO
3 D.H.S. STAFF OVER THE PAST WEEK, AND 500 BOOSTER SHOTS TO
4 PATIENTS. WE WILL KEEP ROLLING OUT THE BOOSTER SHOTS. THEY ARE
5 WIDELY AVAILABLE, IF YOU MEET THE C.D.C. CRITERIA FOR ONE OF
6 THE CATEGORIES THAT SHOULD OR COULD RECEIVE A BOOSTER SHOT.
7 FINALLY, ON THE NEXT SLIDE, TESTING UTILIZATION CONTINUES TO
8 TREND DOWN. THE MOST RECENT DATA IS THAT FOR BOTH OUR POP-UP
9 AND OUR FIXED SITES, THEY'RE USING ABOUT HALF OR A THIRD OF
10 THEIR AVAILABLE CAPACITY. TESTING IS WIDELY AVAILABLE IN OTHER
11 LOCATIONS ACROSS THE COUNTY, SO PLEASE UNDERSTAND THAT THE
12 REDUCED UTILIZATION OF THE COUNTY-SUPPORTED TESTING SITES IS
13 NOT NECESSARILY REFLECTIVE OF OVERALL DECLINES IN UTILIZATION
14 OF C.O.V.I.D. TESTING OVERALL. STILL, I ENCOURAGE ANYONE WHO
15 HAS SYMPTOMS OF C.O.V.I.D., REGARDLESS OF THEIR VACCINATION
16 STATUS, TO SEEK A TEST. YOU CAN COME TO ONE OF THE COUNTY-
17 SUPPORTED SITES OR ONE OF THE COMMUNITY PARTNER SITES LOCATED
18 ACROSS THE COUNTY. THOSE ARE LISTED ON THE COUNTY WEBSITE.
19 TESTING IS ALSO WIDELY AVAILABLE IN A VARIETY OF OTHER
20 LOCATIONS, INCLUDING RETAIL PHARMACIES, PROVIDER OFFICE
21 BUILDINGS, AND OTHER LOCATIONS. I WOULD ALSO ENCOURAGE ANYONE
22 WHO IS UNVACCINATED, AND WHO MIGHT HAVE GOTTEN POTENTIAL
23 EXPOSURE TO C.O.V.I.D., TO SEEK TESTING, AS WELL. I WILL
24 CLOSE, BUT MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER QUESTIONS, IF THERE ARE
25 ANY. THANKS VERY MUCH.

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2 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, BOTH OF YOU. AND I
3 JUST WANT TO START, JUST VERY BRIEFLY. THANK YOU, DR.
4 CHRISTINA GHALY, FOR SHARING THE INFORMATION ON THE SLIDES,
5 SHOWING EMPLOYEE VACCINATION AND PERCENTAGE. AND I NOTE THAT,
6 ON THE NURSING COLUMN, THAT THERE'S 1,150 THAT HAVE NO
7 DOCUMENTED VACCINATION. HOW ARE WE REACHING OUT TO THOSE
8 INDIVIDUALS THAT FALL IN THAT GRAY AREA, IN THE VARIOUS, I
9 GUESS, THREE OR FOUR COLUMNS THERE? BECAUSE THAT SEEMS A BIT--
10 I DON'T KNOW. SOUNDS PRETTY HIGH, ESPECIALLY FOR THE NURSING
11 STAFF.

12

13 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** YEAH, SUPERVISOR. IT STILL REPRESENTS A
14 LOT OF NURSES THAT ARE NOT YET FULLY VACCINATED WITHIN D.H.S.
15 WE ARE ENCOURAGED THAT A NUMBER OF NURSES, AS WELL AS
16 INDIVIDUALS IN OTHER DISCIPLINES AND CLASSIFICATIONS ACROSS
17 D.H.S., HAVE JUST RECENTLY BEGUN TO GET VACCINATED, AND SO OUR
18 NUMBERS OF PARTIAL VACCINATION ARE TRENDING UP AT A STEEPER
19 RATE THAN WHAT THEY WERE, PREVIOUSLY. SO WE'RE VERY ENCOURAGED
20 THAT PEOPLE ARE TAKING THAT FIRST STEP TOWARD VACCINATION, SO
21 I ANTICIPATE THAT YOU'LL SEE THOSE NUMBERS DECLINE, IN TERMS
22 OF THE UNVACCINATED COHORT, OVER THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS. BUT
23 WE KEEP REACHING OUT. WE HAVE REGULAR E-MAIL BLASTS THAT GO
24 OUT TO ALL STAFF. WE HAVE REGULAR COMMUNICATIONS. THERE'S
25 SCREEN-SAVERS, TOWN HALL MEETINGS, TO BE ABLE TO ANSWER

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1 QUESTIONS FOR A VARIETY OF PEOPLE, BOTH WITHIN D.H.S., AS WELL
2 AS THOSE ORGANIZED BY THE COUNTY. WE'RE ALSO DOING OTHER
3 OUTREACH EFFORTS THROUGH EMPLOYEE HEALTH SERVICES, TO THOSE
4 STAFF FOR WHOM WE DON'T YET HAVE DOCUMENTATION AND VACCINATION
5 STATUS, TO UNDERSTAND IF IT'S A SITUATION THAT THEY ACTUALLY
6 ARE VACCINATED, AND THEY JUST HAVEN'T PROVIDED US THE
7 DOCUMENTATION-- THAT'S CERTAINLY THE CASE FOR SOME PEOPLE-- OR
8 IF IT'S TRULY THAT THEY ARE NOT VACCINATED, AND THEN
9 UNDERSTAND WHETHER THEY INTEND TO SUBMIT AN EXEMPTION REQUEST
10 OR NOT. AND SO WE'RE WORKING THROUGH THOSE NUMBERS AS MUCH AS
11 POSSIBLE, TRYING TO ALWAYS ANSWER PEOPLE'S QUESTIONS ABOUT THE
12 VACCINE, AND WORK THROUGH ANY CONCERNS THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE,
13 WITH A FOCUS ON GIVING PEOPLE FACT-BASED INFORMATION ABOUT THE
14 VACCINE, ABOUT ITS SIDE EFFECTS, ABOUT THE DATA, REGARDING
15 EFFICACY AND SAFETY, RELATED TO DEVELOPMENT OF THE VACCINE,
16 AND ANY OTHER CONCERNS THEY MIGHT HAVE. AND WE WILL KEEP THOSE
17 EFFORTS GOING AS MUCH AS IS NEEDED, UNTIL WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO
18 ANSWER AND ADDRESS ALL OF OUR STAFF'S POTENTIAL QUESTIONS AND
19 CONCERNS.

20
21 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, DR. GHALY. DR. FERRER, JUST, YOU
22 KNOW, GIVEN THAT WE ARE RIGHT NOW GOING PAST THE OCTOBER 1ST
23 DATE FOR OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO BE FULLY VACCINATED, I JUST
24 WANTED TO GET YOUR INPUT ON HOW YOU SEE THAT MOVING ALONG, IN
25 TERMS OF EMPLOYEES THAT STILL MAY BE RESISTANT. WHAT ARE YOU

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1 HEARING? I KNOW THAT WE'VE DONE BETTER OVERALL, AND PERHAPS
2 FESIA MIGHT BE ABLE TO ANSWER SOME OF THIS, AS WELL. OUR
3 TRENDING.

4

5 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH. THANKS SO MUCH. I CAN TALK A LITTLE
6 BIT ABOUT D.P.H., AND I CAN TALK ABOUT QUESTIONS WE'VE BEEN
7 ANSWERING FROM EMPLOYEES ACROSS THE ENTIRE COUNTY FAMILY. YOU
8 KNOW, HERE, WE'VE HAD ABOUT 91% OF OUR EMPLOYEES COMPLETED
9 THEIR REGISTRATION THROUGH THE SYSTEM, SO WE ACTUALLY CAN
10 TRACK EXACTLY WHERE THEY ARE. IF YOU LOOK AT ALL OF OUR COUNTY
11 EMPLOYEES, ABOUT 86% OF THEM, WE HAVE DOCUMENTATION ON FULL OR
12 PARTIAL VACCINATION. WE HAVE A SMALL NUMBER, SLIGHTLY LESS
13 THAN 6%, THAT ARE INDICATING THEY ARE NOT VACCINATED, AND THEN
14 WE HAVE A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF FOLKS, ABOUT 280, HAVE NOT YET
15 ENTERED IN ANY OF THEIR DATA. ABOUT A THIRD OF THEM ARE ON
16 LEAVE, SO IT'S GOING TO TAKE US SOME TIME TO GET TO THEM. BUT
17 IN GENERAL, YOU KNOW, RELATIVELY HIGH COMPLIANCE, SO WE ARE
18 WORKING WITH EVERYBODY WHO HASN'T YET, OBVIOUSLY, SUBMITTED
19 THEIR REQUESTED AND, REALLY, REQUIRED INFORMATION INTO THE
20 SYSTEM, TO GET IT IN. AND THEN WORKING, AS WE HAVE IN THE
21 COMMUNITY, WE'RE TRYING TO EXPLAIN TO PEOPLE BOTH THE
22 REQUIREMENTS, NOW, FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO GET VACCINATED, BUT
23 ALSO TAKE TIME TO ANSWER THEIR QUESTIONS. BECAUSE OUR NUMBERS
24 OF FOLKS WHO ARE NOT VACCINATED AT ALL, AND NOT REGISTERED,
25 ARE RELATIVELY SMALL, WE ARE DOING A MORE PERSONAL TOUCH, AND

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1 MAKING SURE THAT A PERSON ACTUALLY SPEAKS TO THEM AND FINDS
2 OUT HOW WE CAN BE HELPFUL. AND MOST IMPORTANTLY RIGHT NOW WITH
3 REGISTERING, AND IF THEY WANT AN EXEMPTION, AND THEY FEEL LIKE
4 THEY'RE ELIGIBLE FOR AN EXEMPTION, WE'RE STARTING THAT
5 PROCESS. BUT I'M GRATEFUL TO OUR LABOR PARTNERS, AND OBVIOUSLY
6 TO ALL OF THE EMPLOYEES, FOR REALLY GETTING THIS DONE AND
7 MAKING SURE THAT THEY'RE IN COMPLIANCE. WE HAVE A LOT OF
8 CONTRACT STAFF THAT'S A LITTLE BIT HARDER FOR US, WHO HAVE
9 BOTH EPISODIC OR AT-WILL EMPLOYMENT, AND WE HAVE ABOUT 50% OF
10 THEM THAT HAVE NOT ENTERED IN THEIR DATA YET, SO THAT IS
11 TAKING US A LITTLE WHILE LONGER. THAT'S ABOUT 2500 TOTAL
12 EMPLOYEES, WITH 1200 OF THEM NOT YET ENTERING IN THEIR DATA.
13 SO, AGAIN, LOTS OF WORK FOR US THERE. MANY OF OUR CONTRACTS
14 FOR TEMP WORKERS AND AT-WILL WORKERS ARE SORT OF ON AN AS-
15 NEEDED BASIS. I WILL SAY, WE ARE 100% IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE
16 HEALTH OFFICER ORDER FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS, AND ALL OF OUR
17 HEALTHCARE WORKERS THAT ARE AT ANY CLINICAL OR HEALTHCARE
18 SETTINGS ARE, AT THIS POINT, FULLY VACCINATED. AND THERE WAS A
19 SMALL NUMBER THAT NEEDED REASSIGNMENTS, AND THOSE HAVE
20 HAPPENED, AS WE WORK THROUGH AN EXEMPTION PROCESS. BUT
21 EVERYBODY AT THE CLINICAL SITES, FOR US, IS NOW FULLY
22 VACCINATED.

23
24 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND, FESIA, JUST A QUESTION FOR YOU. GIVEN
25 THE PAST WEEK AND WHERE WE ARE TODAY, WHAT TRENDS ARE YOU

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1 SEEING WITH OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES, IN TERMS OF THEIR
2 ENROLLMENT, AND ALSO VACCINATION?

3

4 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. SO, AS OF 9:00
5 THIS MORNING, THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES WHO ARE REGISTERED IN
6 THE SYSTEM IS OVER 81%. IN TERMS OF THE TRENDS, WE ARE SEEING
7 A GRADUAL UPTICK WITH EACH DAY. WE PULL THIS INFORMATION NOT
8 ONLY DAILY, BUT A COUPLE OF TIMES A DAY. OUR DEPARTMENT OF
9 HUMAN RESOURCES PULLS THE INFORMATION, AND IN TERMS OF A
10 TREND, WE ARE SEEING UPTICKS EVERY DAY.

11

12 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, GREAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, BOTH OF
13 YOU, FOR YOUR ONGOING WORK. I'LL RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR HAHN.
14 SHE HAD HER HAND UP. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

15

16 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU TO BOTH
17 DOCTORS. IT'S STARTING TO LOOK LIKE OUR NUMBERS ARE POSITIVE,
18 BUT I KNOW I'M KIND OF FEELING WE'VE BEEN HERE BEFORE, WHEN WE
19 THOUGHT IT WAS POSITIVE, AND WE WERE GOING IN THE RIGHT
20 DIRECTION, AND THEN I THINK A LOT OF US ARE WONDERING IF WE
21 NEED TO BRACE FOR ANOTHER WINTER SURGE, OR IF IN FACT THE
22 WORST IS BEHIND US. BUT I'M PERSONALLY HOPEFUL THAT, THIS TIME
23 AROUND, THE VACCINES WILL MAKE THE DIFFERENCE, EVEN IF WE HAVE
24 ANOTHER SURGE. SO, I HAVE ONE QUESTION, DR. FERRER OR DR.
25 GHALY. I'VE BEEN GETTING ASKED-- OH, I DON'T HAVE ONE

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1 QUESTION. THIS IS THE FIRST QUESTION. I'VE BEEN GETTING
2 QUESTIONS FROM PEOPLE WHO HAVE HAD C.O.V.I.D., AND THEY FEEL
3 LIKE THEY DON'T NEED TO GET VACCINATED. CAN YOU EXPLAIN WHY
4 PEOPLE WHO HAVE ALREADY HAD C.O.V.I.D. ARE NOT EXEMPT FROM
5 BEING VACCINATED, FROM THESE VACCINE REQUIREMENTS?

6

7 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** THANKS SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR. I'LL GET
8 STARTED. HAPPY TO HAVE DR. GHALY CHIME IN. THE DIRECTIVES ARE
9 CLEAR, BECAUSE THE EVIDENCE IS FAIRLY CONCLUSIVE THAT, WHILE
10 PEOPLE WHO HAVE, IN FACT, BECOME INFECTED WITH C.O.V.I.D., THE
11 PROTECTION DOESN'T LAST FOREVER, AND IT LOOKS LIKE YOUR
12 PROTECTION MAY VARY, DEPENDING ON WHO YOU ARE, AS WELL, AS AN
13 INDIVIDUAL, AND THE COURSE THAT THE ILLNESS TOOK. SO THERE'S A
14 LOT OF UNKNOWNNS ABOUT THE SPECIFICS FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL
15 PERSON. OVERALL, THE WAY THE C.D.C. LOOKS AT THIS IS, IN
16 GENERAL, THREE MONTHS AFTER YOU'VE BEEN INFECTED, IT'S ASSUMED
17 THAT YOU HAVE HAD ENOUGH WANING IMMUNITY THAT IF YOU WERE TO
18 TEST POSITIVE AGAIN, YOU WOULD BE TREATED AS A NEW CASE. SO,
19 LOTS OF SUGGESTIONS IN THE RESEARCH THAT YOU DO HAVE THAT
20 NATURAL IMMUNITY, AND WE APPRECIATE THAT FOLKS WANT THAT
21 RECOGNIZED, BECAUSE IT IS ABSOLUTELY TRUE: YOU HAVE SOME
22 IMMUNITY. BUT IT DOESN'T LAST FOR VERY LONG, OR FOR LONG
23 ENOUGH, GIVEN HOW LONG THE PANDEMIC IS GOING ON. I THINK
24 THERE'S MORE COMPELLING EVIDENCE THAT INDICATES, IF YOU'VE
25 BEEN INFECTED, YOU REALLY BENEFIT TREMENDOUSLY FROM GETTING

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1 VACCINATED, AND THAT IT REALLY BOOSTS YOUR SYSTEM, THAT HAS
2 ALREADY RECOGNIZED AND FOUGHT AGAINST THE VIRUS, TO BE
3 PREPARED TO FEND OFF THE VIRUS THE NEXT TIME THERE'S A THREAT
4 TO YOUR BODY. SO THERE'S SUPER-GOOD RESEARCH THAT SHOWS HOW
5 POWERFUL THE VACCINES ARE FOR PEOPLE WHO ALREADY WERE ILL. BUT
6 I KNOW THAT WE'VE GOTTEN A LOT OF QUESTIONS, PARTICULARLY FOR
7 THOSE 90 DAYS RIGHT AFTER PEOPLE HAVE BEEN ILL, IS WHY CAN'T
8 THEY BE TREATED AS IF THEY WERE VACCINATED. AND RIGHT NOW, THE
9 C.D.C. IS CLEAR IN THEIR GUIDANCE THAT, YOU KNOW, WE REALLY
10 WANT THESE LIMITED, TARGETED VACCINATION VERIFICATIONS TO
11 INCLUDE THAT VERIFICATION, BECAUSE WE HAVE A LOT OF STUDIES
12 THAT SHOW HOW EFFECTIVE THE VACCINES ARE; MUCH LESS STUDIES ON
13 THE VARIABILITY ABOUT HOW EFFECTIVE THAT NATURAL IMMUNITY IS
14 ON REALLY PROTECTING YOU FROM EVERYTHING, ESPECIALLY FROM THE
15 VARIANTS. SO, I DO UNDERSTAND THAT FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN
16 RECENTLY INFECTED, THEY'RE WONDERING WHY THERE'S SUCH A BIG
17 PUSH, STILL, TO VACCINATE.

18
19 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU. DR. GHALY, DID YOU WANT TO ADD SOMETHING
20 TO THAT?

21
22 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** YEAH, JUST ONE SMALL POINT. I THINK DR.
23 FERRER COVERED IT VERY WELL, BUT WE ALSO GET A LOT OF
24 QUESTIONS FROM STAFF WHO INDICATE THAT THEY HAD C.O.V.I.D.
25 BEFORE, HAVE THE NATURAL IMMUNITY, AND THEN SPECIFICALLY ARE

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1 ASKING ABOUT THEIR ANTIBODY TITERS, AND WHETHER OR NOT THEY
2 CAN TRACK THOSE ANTIBODY TITERS AS REFLECTIVE OF THE DEGREE OF
3 THEIR NATURAL IMMUNITY, AND WHETHER IT'S WANING. AND I JUST
4 WANT TO POINT OUT THAT, AT THIS POINT, THERE IS NOT EVIDENCE
5 THAT ALLOWS US TO MAKE ANY DIRECT CORRELATION BETWEEN THE
6 ANTIBODY TITERS, AS THEY'RE MEASURED IN A LAB, AND WHAT THE
7 STATE OF THE WANING OF THAT NATURAL IMMUNITY IS. SO, AS MUCH
8 AS WE MIGHT LIKE TO READ INTO THAT, THE EVIDENCE JUST ISN'T
9 THERE TO SUPPORT THAT KIND OF ANALYSIS AT THIS POINT. IT'S A
10 GREAT QUESTION.

11

12 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY. WELL, THANK YOU TO BOTH OF YOU. SO, OUR NEW
13 PROOF-OF-VACCINATION REQUIREMENT WILL BE IN EFFECT IN JUST A
14 COUPLE OF DAYS, STARTING OCTOBER 7TH, FOR BARS, LOUNGES,
15 NIGHTCLUBS, WINERIES, BREWERIES, AND MEGA-EVENTS. AND JUST
16 WANTED TO THANK DR. FERRER, YOU AND YOUR TEAM, FOR WORKING SO
17 HARD TO EDUCATE, TO OUTREACH, TO MAKE SURE BUSINESSES
18 UNDERSTAND WHAT THIS MEANS. AND I DID WANT TO THANK YOU,
19 BECAUSE I FEEL LIKE YOU LANDED ON A WORKABLE SOLUTION LAST
20 WEEK FOR OUR THEME PARKS, AND I APPRECIATE THAT-- THE EXTRA
21 TIME YOU GAVE THEM TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY WERE READY TO
22 IMPLEMENT THAT. ONE OF THE THINGS I WAS-- IT'S PROBABLY TOO
23 EARLY, BUT IN ANTICIPATION OF THIS REQUIREMENT, DR. FERRER,
24 HAVE YOU SEEN ANY UPTICK IN YOUNG ADULTS BEING VACCINATED?

25

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1 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** I WOULD SAY THAT, IN GENERAL, NO, BUT ALL
2 I HAVE ARE LAST WEEK'S DATA. I DO WANT TO NOTE THAT WHAT WE'RE
3 ACTUALLY HEARING FROM SOME OF THE ESTABLISHMENTS THAT ALREADY
4 HAVE BEEN REQUIRING THIS IS, YOU KNOW, A FEW PLACES, THE ABBEY
5 WAS ONE, THEY OFFERED PEOPLE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET VACCINATED
6 RIGHT THERE. WE HAVE A FEW SPORTS TEAMS DOING THE SAME. AND
7 THERE'S DEFINITELY AN UPTICK THERE. SO, AT THOSE EVENTS, WHICH
8 I WANT TO GIVE THANKS, ESPECIALLY TO THE SPORTS TEAMS, BECAUSE
9 THEY'VE BEEN RUNNING THEM SINCE MAY. THE UPTICK IS DEFINITELY
10 GREATER, NOW THAT PEOPLE KNOW, YOU KNOW, THIS IS THEIR EASIEST
11 WAY TO GET IN. AND WE APPRECIATE ALL THE STUFF THAT THEY ARE
12 DOING.

13

14 **SUP. HAHN:** OH, GO AHEAD.

15

16 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** OUR OVERALL NUMBERS OF C.O.V.I.D.
17 INCREASED.

18

19 **SUP. HAHN:** JUST KEEP US POSTED ON THAT, BECAUSE I KNOW, YOU
20 KNOW, I MEAN, THAT'S CERTAINLY THE OVERALL GOAL, IS TO
21 CONTINUE TO GET THOSE WHO ARE NOT VACCINATED, VACCINATED;
22 ALSO, OBVIOUSLY, TO KEEP THOSE OF US WHO ARE VACCINATED,
23 GIVING A US A SAFE ENVIRONMENT IN WHICH TO PARTAKE OF SOME OF
24 THESE VENUES. SO I THINK IT'S TWOFOLD. SO KEEP US UPDATED ON
25 IF YOU ACTUALLY THINK THERE'S AN UPTICK IN, PARTICULARLY,

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1 YOUNG PEOPLE GETTING VACCINATED. I KNOW THERE'S GOING TO BE A
2 MOBILE CLINIC IN SAN PEDRO THIS THURSDAY. WE HAVE THIS ONCE-
3 A-MONTH, FIRST-THURSDAY EVENT. IT'S KIND OF AN ART WALK--
4 PEOPLE WALKING AROUND, EATING. AND THAT'S IN THE CITY OF L.A.,
5 AND I KNOW THEY'RE READY TO VOTE ON THEIR INDOOR PROOF-OF-
6 VACCINATION ORDINANCE. I THINK THEY'RE GOING TO VOTE TODAY, SO
7 MAYBE THAT WILL ENCOURAGE MORE PEOPLE TO ACCESS OUR MOBILE VAN
8 IN SAN PEDRO. AND LAST QUESTION THAT I GET IS, OKAY, NOW THAT
9 OUR RATES ARE GOING DOWN, VACCINES ARE GOING UP, DO YOU SEE A
10 SCENARIO ON THE HORIZON WHERE THE MASK MANDATE WOULD BE PHASED
11 OUT?

12

13 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH, SURE. I MEAN, I'M VERY COGNIZANT
14 THAT WHEN WE INTRODUCED THE MASK MANDATE IN JUNE, WE NOTED
15 THAT IT WAS REALLY RELATED TO INCREASED TRANSMISSION AND
16 FEELING LIKE WE NEEDED TO ADD ANOTHER LAYER OF PROTECTION. AND
17 I THINK WE DID THE RIGHT THING, BUT I ALSO AM AWARE THAT WHEN
18 WE HAVE VERY LOW TRANSMISSION AND MORE PEOPLE VACCINATED, IT
19 DOESN'T NECESSARILY MAKE SENSE TO KEEP THAT MASK MANDATE
20 EVERYWHERE, ASSUMING, OF COURSE, THAT WE DON'T HAVE A
21 DANGEROUS VARIANT THAT'S NEW, THAT WE NEED TO PROTECT
22 OURSELVES FROM. SO, WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT, WITH LOWER
23 TRANSMISSION AND MORE PEOPLE VACCINATED, WE WOULD BE ABLE TO
24 LIFT THAT MASK MANDATE IN PLACES WHERE YOU CAN COUNT ON HAVING
25 LOTS AND LOTS OF PEOPLE FULLY VACCINATED. I WILL SAY, YOU

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1 KNOW, THE MASKING MANDATE AT SCHOOLS IS LIKELY TO REMAIN,
2 PARTICULARLY IN THE YOUNGER GRADES, WHERE STUDENTS AREN'T
3 PROTECTED, AND IN OTHER SETTINGS WHERE YOU'RE NOT VERIFYING
4 VACCINATION STATUS, AND THERE'S LARGE CROWDS. SO, YOU KNOW, I
5 THINK WE'RE GOING TO LIVE WITH MASKING AS A TOOL FOR A WHILE
6 TO COME, BUT I DO SEE THE DAY WHERE, WITH LOWER RATES OF
7 TRANSMISSION, SIGNIFICANTLY LOWER RATES OF TRANSMISSION, AND
8 MANY MORE PEOPLE VACCINATED, WHICH IS WHAT IT WILL TAKE TO GET
9 US TO VERY LOW TRANSMISSION--

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** BARBARA, YOU'RE GOING IN AND OUT.

12

13 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** OH, SORRY. I DO SEE THAT THERE IS A DAY ON
14 THE HORIZON WITH-- IS IT BETTER NOW? I DO SEE THAT, WITH LOWER
15 RATES OF TRANSMISSION AND MORE PEOPLE VACCINATED, WE'RE GOING
16 TO BE IN A DIFFERENT SPACE, AND WE WOULD ABSOLUTELY NOT NEED
17 THOSE MASKS EVERYWHERE WE NEED THEM NOW.

18

19 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU FOR THAT, AND THAT'LL WRAP IT UP FOR ME,
20 MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OKAY. IN THE FOLLOWING
23 ORDER, WE'LL HEAR FROM SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND SUPERVISOR
24 BARGER. SO WE'LL START WITH SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

25

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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I JUST HAD ONE
2 QUESTION. DR. GHALY, I WAS KIND OF SURPRISED AT THE HIGH
3 NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO HAD REQUESTED RELIGIOUS EXEMPTIONS IN
4 YOUR DEPARTMENT, AND I WONDER IF THERE-- YOU SAID THEY WEREN'T
5 ALL PEOPLE THAT WERE COVERED BY THE STATE ORDER, BUT... I
6 DON'T MEAN THERE'S A CORRELATION, BUT I MEAN IN THE
7 DEPARTMENT. BUT I WONDER, DOES YOUR DEPARTMENT HAVE A
8 REQUIREMENT FOR ANY OTHER KIND OF VACCINATION FOR THESE
9 WORKERS?

10

11 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
12 SERVICES, THROUGH THE PRE-EMPLOYMENT PHYSICAL PROCESS, ARE
13 TYPICALLY REQUIRED, YES, TO RECEIVE A NUMBER OF VACCINATIONS,
14 INCLUDING M.M.R., VARICELA, HEPATITIS B. THERE'S A NUMBER OF
15 VACCINATIONS THAT ARE ROUTINELY REQUIRED IN HEALTHCARE
16 ENVIRONMENTS, YES.

17

18 **SUP. KUEHL:** SO, I'M ASSUMING THE RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION, WHICH I
19 THINK WE HAVE A PANEL TO EXPLORE THE REASONS THAT EACH
20 INDIVIDUAL STATES, COULD NOT BE RELATED JUST TO VACCINATION,
21 PER SE, BECAUSE OF THAT. SO, THAT WAS REALLY THE ONLY QUESTION
22 I HAD, BECAUSE I THINK, YOU KNOW, ALL THE RESEARCH THAT I HAVE
23 DONE FAILS TO INDICATE ANY KIND OF RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION WOULD
24 BE SUPPORTABLE, BUT I DO KNOW THAT WE NEED TO ALLOW IT AND

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1 EXPLORE THE SINCERITY OF IT. SO, THAT WAS MY ONLY QUESTION.

2 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

3

4 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SUPERVISOR
7 MITCHELL?

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9 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU
10 AGAIN TO THE DOCTORS FOR THE PRESENTATION. I JUST WANTED TO
11 ACKNOWLEDGE, YES, IT'S GREAT THAT OUR NUMBERS ARE GOING DOWN,
12 BUT THOSE ARE THE COUNTY'S AVERAGE POSITIVITY RATE. AND AS I
13 UNDERSTOOD FROM YOUR PRESENTATION, DR. FERRER, THE COUNTY'S
14 AVERAGE IS ABOUT 1.06, BUT I JUST HAVE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT AT
15 THE M.L.K. TESTING SITE IN SOUTH L.A., THAT POSITIVITY RATE IS
16 STILL HOVERING AT ABOVE 4%. SO I JUST WANT US TO BE MINDFUL,
17 AS WE TALK ABOUT LIFTING MASKING REQUIREMENTS AND OTHERS, THAT
18 THE RATE HAS NOT LOWERED EQUALLY ACROSS THE COUNTY, AS A
19 WHOLE. THAT'S OUR AVERAGE RATE. AND SO, GIVEN THAT, I'M
20 WONDERING, WHAT ARE WE CONTINUING TO DO TO ENABLE AND
21 ENCOURAGE THE COMMUNITIES THAT STILL HAVE A HIGHER-THAN-
22 AVERAGE TEST POSITIVITY RATE TO GET VACCINATED?

23

24 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH. THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR
25 MITCHELL, AND YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY CORRECT: IT'S AN AVERAGE. AND

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1 IT REALLY-- IT'S DRIVEN, IN LARGE PART, AT THIS POINT, BY THE
2 FACT THAT WE HAVE SO MUCH ROUTINE TESTING GOING ON ACROSS OUR
3 SCHOOLS. AND THOSE ARE, YOU KNOW, PEOPLE WHO ARE ASYMPTOMATIC.
4 SO WE'RE GOING TO BE PICKING UP CASES, OTHERWISE, WE WOULDN'T
5 PROBABLY KNOW ABOUT, BUT THE VAST MAJORITY OF THOSE TEST
6 POSITIVITY RATES ARE EVEN BELOW 1% IN THOSE SETTINGS. SO IT IS
7 SKEWED, AND IT DOESN'T REFLECT, AS YOU JUST NOTED, THAT WE
8 HAVE POCKETS WHERE TRANSMISSION IS STILL OF SIGNIFICANT
9 CONCERN. AND THOSE POCKETS ARE, AS WE'VE NOTED BEFORE, THEY'RE
10 IN COMMUNITIES WHERE WE HAVE THE LOWER VACCINATION RATES. AND
11 WHILE THERE'S A LOT OF ATTENTION RIGHT NOW ON GETTING PEOPLE
12 THEIR BOOSTERS-- OBVIOUSLY, CORRECTLY-- WHO NEED THOSE
13 BOOSTERS, THE ONLY WAY THAT WE END THE PANDEMIC IS IF WE GET
14 UNVACCINATED PEOPLE VACCINATED, AND THAT IS THE HIGHEST
15 PRIORITY, AND THAT IS HOW WE ACTUALLY DETERMINE WHERE THE
16 MOBILE TEAMS ARE GOING. WE LOOK AT THOSE COMMUNITY RATES, AND
17 WE'RE OUT THERE, AND THAT IS ALSO HOW WE ASSIGN COMMUNITY
18 HEALTH WORKERS AND WORK WITH OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS TO DO
19 EVERYTHING WE CAN TO ANSWER PEOPLE'S QUESTIONS, MAKE SURE THAT
20 THEY'VE GOT GOOD ACCESS TO INFORMATION, AND THEN HELP THEM,
21 YOU KNOW, MAKE WHAT FOR THEM IS A VERY COURAGEOUS STEP AT THIS
22 POINT: A STEP INTO GETTING VACCINATED. OUR SITES, OUR
23 COMMUNITY SITES, ARE FILLED WITH PEOPLE WHO ARE VERY HESITANT
24 ABOUT GETTING THE VACCINES. AND THEY'VE WAITED THIS LONG
25 BECAUSE THEY WANTED MORE EVIDENCE THAT THE VACCINES WERE SAFE,

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1 AND BECAUSE THEY HAD THEIR OWN PERSONAL CONCERNS AND FEARS
2 ABOUT GETTING VACCINATED. AND WE HAVE TO CONTINUE TO SORT OF
3 WORK WITH PEOPLE ON HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO OVERCOME THE
4 HESITANCY AT THIS POINT, GET VACCINATED, PARTICULARLY TO AVOID
5 WHAT I THINK SUPERVISOR HAHN RIGHTFULLY NOTED WOULD BE ANOTHER
6 DEADLY WINTER SURGE. AND THE WAY WE AVOID THAT IS, WE DO HAVE
7 TO STAY VERY, VERY FOCUSED ON GETTING UNVACCINATED PEOPLE
8 THEIR DOSES.

9

10 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, SUPERVISOR SOLIS IS
15 HAVING TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES.

16

17 **SUP. BARGER:** I'LL MAKE THIS SHORT. THERE IS SOME CONFUSION
18 REGARDING WHAT IS PERCEIVED TO BE A COUNTY PASSPORT PROGRAM,
19 AND COULD YOU EXPLAIN? I MEAN, I DON'T KNOW WHERE IT'S COMING
20 FROM. PEOPLE ARE CALLING, ASKING WHAT OUR COUNTY PASSPORT
21 PROGRAM IS, AND I KNOW THAT WE USE A WEBSITE TO UPLOAD YOUR
22 VACCINATION RECORD, BUT I DON'T THINK WE HAVE A PASSPORT, PER
23 SE, OR ARE YOU DEVELOPING SOMETHING THAT I DON'T KNOW ABOUT?

24

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1 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** NO, WE'RE NOT DEVELOPING ANYTHING. FROM
2 THE VERY BEGINNING, WE HAVE CONTRACTED WITH HEALTHVANA TO
3 PROVIDE PEOPLE WITH A DIGITAL RECORD OF THEIR VACCINATIONS, IF
4 THEY WERE VACCINATED IN L.A. COUNTY, OR THEY'RE AN L.A. COUNTY
5 RESIDENT; SO, TWO GROUPS OF PEOPLE. IF YOU GOT VACCINATED
6 SOMEWHERE HERE, YOU'RE GOING TO GET A MESSAGE AFTER YOU GOT
7 VACCINATED, FROM HEALTHVANA, OFFERING YOU ACCESS TO A DIGITAL
8 RECORD. IT'S NOT REALLY A PASSPORT, BUT IT ALLOWS YOU TO HAVE
9 A DIGITAL RECORD ON YOUR PHONE. YOU DON'T REALLY HAVE TO DO
10 ANYTHING EXCEPT CLICK ON THAT MESSAGE, OPEN IT, AND THEN
11 DOWNLOAD YOUR MEDICAL RECORD. LOTS OF PEOPLE DON'T EVER DO
12 THAT. THEY DON'T DOWNLOAD THAT. THE MORE POPULAR OPTION AT
13 THIS MOMENT IS AN OPTION THE STATE OFFERS EVERYBODY IN THE
14 STATE, FOR WHOM THERE IS A RECORD IN THE STATE'S IMMUNIZATION
15 REGISTRY, WHICH REALLY SHOULD BE EVERYBODY WHO GOT VACCINATED
16 HERE AND IS A RESIDENT. THEY OFFER YOU AN OPTION TO GO IN AND
17 DOWNLOAD-- IT'S VERY SIMILAR-- DOWNLOAD YOUR RECORD OF YOUR
18 IMMUNIZATION. IT'S LINKED TO THE IMMUNIZATION REGISTRY. FOR
19 SOME PEOPLE, IT'S BEEN A LITTLE BIT CUMBERSOME. LET'S SAY YOUR
20 NAME GOT ENTERED IN INCORRECTLY WHEN YOU GOT IMMUNIZED, AND
21 YOU HAVE TO GO THROUGH A PROCESS WITH THE STATE TO FIND THAT
22 RECORD, AND YOU HAVE TO ACTUALLY GO AND SEEK OUT THAT
23 ELECTRONIC, THAT DIGITAL RECORD, YOU KNOW, IF YOU WANT IT. SO
24 WE HAVE INSTRUCTIONS, YOU KNOW, ALL OVER OUR WEBSITES, AND AT
25 ALL OF OUR SITES WHERE PEOPLE ARE GETTING VACCINATED, LETTING

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1 THEM KNOW OF BOTH OPTIONS, BUT WE'RE NOT DEVELOPING ANYTHING
2 NEW. WE'VE HAD THIS CONTRACT WITH HEALTHVANA SINCE MARCH, I
3 THINK. WE'RE ACTUALLY ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO USE THE STATE
4 SYSTEM.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY, SO WHEN PEOPLE CALL, THEN WE SHOULD DIRECT
7 THEM TO THE STATE SYSTEM, IN ORDER TO DOWNLOAD THOSE
8 DOCUMENTS. THERE IS NO COUNTY PASSPORT. ALL RIGHT, I JUST
9 WANTED TO SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT ON THAT. WE'VE BEEN GETTING
10 CALLS, AND THE ASSUMPTION, YOU KNOW, OF A COUNTY PASSPORT. I
11 THOUGHT MAYBE I'D MISSED SOMETHING. AND THEN LAST, BUT NOT
12 LEAST --

13

14 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** NO, NO, WE JUST HAVE HEALTHVANA, THIS
15 PARTNERSHIP WITH HEALTHVANA. SO, JUST ABOUT EVERYBODY IN THIS
16 COUNTY SHOULD HAVE GOTTEN A MESSAGE, IF THEY GOT VACCINATED IN
17 THIS COUNTY, FROM HEALTHVANA, SAYING, "YOU HAVE GOT THIS
18 OPPORTUNITY, IF YOU WANT IT, TO GET A DIGITAL RECORD OF YOUR
19 VACCINE."

20

21 **SUP. BARGER:** GOT IT. AND THEN LAST, BUT NOT LEAST, I'VE READ,
22 AND I THINK IT WAS FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS, THAT YOU CAN,
23 IN FACT, GET VACCINATED AND GET THE FLU SHOT AT THE SAME TIME.

24

25 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YES.

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1

2 **SUP. BARGER:** ARE WE OFFERING FLU SHOTS AT LOCATIONS WHERE WE
3 ARE DOING THE VACCINATIONS, IN ORDER TO GET PEOPLE VACCINATED
4 FOR THE FLU? BECAUSE FLU SEASON IS COMING UP.

5

6 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** IT'S A GREAT QUESTION, AND I REALLY
7 APPRECIATE YOUR ADVOCACY ON THIS. ABSOLUTELY. I MEAN, WE HAVE
8 PLANS AT OUR SITES, AND WE'RE WORKING, OBVIOUSLY, WITH SOME OF
9 THE OTHER SITES TO SEE IF THEY HAVE THE STAFFING, SO THAT THEY
10 CAN DO BOTH, AS WELL. IT IS ABSOLUTELY APPROVED BY BOTH THE
11 F.D.A. AND C.D.C. FOR YOU TO GET A C.O.V.I.D. VACCINE AT THE
12 SAME TIME YOU GET A FLU VACCINE, AND FOR MANY PEOPLE, YOU
13 KNOW, SORT OF THE HASSLE OF GOING TO GET VACCINATED MAKES IT A
14 GOOD IDEA FOR THEM TO KNOCK OFF BOTH. BECAUSE WE DIDN'T HAVE A
15 LOT OF FLU CIRCULATING LAST YEAR, I WOULD SAY NONE OF US ARE
16 BENEFITING FROM ANY SORT OF THAT KIND OF IMMUNITY THAT WE
17 MIGHT HAVE DEVELOPED FROM HAVING THE FLU CIRCULATING LAST
18 YEAR, SO EVERYBODY'S A LITTLE BIT WORRIED ABOUT HAVING A TOUGH
19 FLU SEASON THIS YEAR. AND CHILDREN ARE BACK AT SCHOOL, AND
20 CHILDREN REALLY ARE GOOD TRANSMITTERS OF FLU. SO WE WOULD
21 ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO DO THAT. AND YOU'RE GOING TO SEE MORE AND
22 MORE SITES. NOW THAT THE VACCINE IS MORE READILY AVAILABLE FOR
23 FLU, YOU'RE GOING TO SEE MORE AND MORE OF OUR SITES OFFERING
24 THAT FLU VACCINE AT THE SAME TIME. BUT I WANT TO NOTE AND
25 THANK THE PHARMACIES. THEY ALREADY DO THIS. THEY OFFER BOTH,

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1 AND THEY'VE BEEN PROMOTING-- YOU KNOW, WHEN PEOPLE ARE COMING
2 IN FOR ONE OR THE OTHER, THEY ARE CHECKING TO REALLY SEE IF
3 PEOPLE ARE WILLING TO GET BOTH. SO YOU GET ONE IN EACH ARM.
4 AND IF YOU'RE NOT COMFORTABLE WITH THAT, BECAUSE YOU'RE
5 WORRIED ABOUT SIDE EFFECTS, THEN COME BACK, DO ONE, YOU KNOW,
6 AND WAIT A COUPLE OF DAYS, AND THEN COME BACK AND DO YOUR
7 OTHER, BUT THERE'S NO COUNTERINDICATIONS TO DOING BOTH OF THEM
8 AT THE SAME TIME.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER:** THIS IS MY LAST QUESTION, BECAUSE YOU JUST SAID
11 SOMETHING THAT TRIGGERED THIS QUESTION. WHAT IS THE YOUNGEST
12 AGE FOR A CHILD TO GET A FLU SHOT?

13

14 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** SIX MONTHS. SO, FLU SHOTS HAVE BEEN
15 AVAILABLE FOREVER, FOR VERY YOUNG CHILDREN. THEY'RE VERY SAFE.
16 THEY'VE BEEN TESTED. THERE'S ALSO DIFFERENT PRODUCTS FOR
17 PEOPLE 65 AND OLDER. SO IF YOU ARE OLDER, YOU MIGHT WANT TO
18 TALK WITH YOUR PHYSICIAN ABOUT WHETHER YOU SHOULD GET THE
19 PRODUCT THAT'S SPECIFIC FOR OLDER PEOPLE; THE FLU VACCINE FOR
20 OLDER PEOPLE.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER:** GREAT. THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU, DR. GHALY, FOR
23 YOUR WORK. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

24

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

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1

2 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU BOTH FOR YOUR WORK. WE STILL HAVE
5 A WAYS TO GO, BUT THANK YOU BOTH FOR BEING STALWART OUT THERE.
6 HEARING NO OTHER COMMENTS ON ITEM S-1, THE REPORT IS A
7 RECEIVE-AND-FILE, SO HEARING NO OBJECTIONS, THAT WILL BE THE
8 ORDER. MEMBERS, NOW WE'RE GOING TO GO ON TO ITEM NUMBER 9,
9 ENHANCING LOCAL AND TARGETED WORKER PARTICIPATION FOR HARBOR-
10 U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER CAPITAL PROJECTS, WHICH WAS HELD BY
11 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

12

13 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. COLLEAGUES,
14 HARBOR-U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER CAMPUS IS ON THE PRECIPICE OF A
15 MAJOR TRANSFORMATION, AS THE COUNTY GETS READY TO BUILD A NEW
16 HOSPITAL, A NEW OUTPATIENT CENTER, A NEW MENTAL HEALTH CENTER,
17 AND OTHER STRUCTURES TO IMPROVE SERVICE DELIVERY. WITH THESE
18 LARGE COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS BRINGS A TREMENDOUS
19 OPPORTUNITY TO MAXIMIZE OUR INVESTMENTS IN OUR LOCAL
20 COMMUNITIES. THIS MOTION ESTABLISHES A GROUNDBREAKING
21 ASPIRATIONAL GOAL OF 50% LOCAL WORKER HIRE ON OUR HARBOR-
22 U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM, AND THE
23 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH OUTPATIENT CLINIC AND WELLNESS
24 CENTER PROJECTS. THIS MOTION ALSO ENCOURAGES THAT WE REACH OUR
25 10% TARGETED WORKER HIRE GOAL FOR WORKERS WITH BARRIERS TO

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1 EMPLOYMENT. THIS COULD YIELD HUNDREDS OF NEW JOBS IN
2 CONSTRUCTION. ADDITIONALLY, THIS MOTION INCLUDES OUR CAPITAL
3 PROJECTS AT HARBOR-U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER IN THE COUNTY'S
4 COMMUNITY WORKFORCE AGREEMENT. I'M PROUD THAT THE COUNTY WILL
5 BE WORKING WITH THE LOCAL COMMUNITY AND OUR LOS ANGELES AND
6 ORANGE COUNTY CONSTRUCTION AND BUILDING TRADES TO CREATE
7 PATHWAYS INTO STABLE CAREERS FOR OUR LOWER-INCOME COMMUNITIES
8 AND COMMUNITIES OF COLOR. TARGETED HIRING PROGRAMS GO BEYOND
9 LOCAL HIRE, BY REQUIRING THE HIRING OF LOCAL WORKERS WHO ARE
10 TRADITIONALLY UNDERREPRESENTED IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY.
11 WE WANT TO ENSURE THAT WE SET AN EXAMPLE BY INVESTING COUNTY
12 DOLLARS INTO GOOD JOBS WITH FAMILY-SUSTAINING WAGES. THIS
13 MOTION WILL ENSURE MEANINGFUL WORK IN THE COMMUNITIES,
14 INCLUDING CARSON WEST CARSON, GARDENA, LAWDALE, WEST RANCHO
15 DOMINGUEZ, WILLOWBROOK, AND BEYOND, TO BUILD A PIPELINE OF
16 APPRENTICES INTO GOOD-PAYING, CAREER-PATHWAY JOBS IN
17 CONSTRUCTION. I ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION. THANK
18 YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

19
20 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.
21 ARE ANY OTHER MEMBERS WISHING TO SPEAK ON THE ITEM? OKAY.
22 SEEING NONE, HEARING NO OTHER COMMENTS, ITEM 9 IS BEFORE US.
23 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AND I WILL SECOND IT TO APPROVE
24 THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** ITEM 9 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

2

3 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

4

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

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

9

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

11

12 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

13

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

15

16 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

17

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

19

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

21

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

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. THANK YOU. MEMBERS, NOW WE'LL MOVE

25 ON TO ITEM NUMBER 41-C, SUPPORTING HAITIAN IMMIGRANTS AND

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1 THEIR FAMILIES, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

2 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH ONCE AGAIN, MADAM CHAIR AND
5 COLLEAGUES. THIS MOTION BEFORE US SEEKS TO SHINE A LIGHT ON A
6 TROUBLING MOMENT IN OUR NATION'S IMMIGRATION HISTORY. IMAGES
7 OF U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION AGENTS ON HORSEBACK,
8 CHARGING AT AND CHASING HAITIAN IMMIGRANTS WITH WHIPS IN HAND
9 ARE APPALLING. SINCE THE MIDDLE OF SEPTEMBER, MULTIPLE MEDIA
10 OUTLETS HAVE REPORTED ON THE THOUSANDS OF HAITIAN IMMIGRANTS
11 CAMPED OUT UNDER THE INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE IN THE CITY OF DEL
12 RIO, TEXAS, IN OVERCROWDED, DEPLORABLE CONDITIONS. THESE
13 IMAGES ARE A PAINFUL REMINDER THAT THE SITUATION IN HAITI IS
14 SO DIRE THAT EVEN A SLIM CHANCE OF A BETTER LIFE IS WORTH ALL
15 THE RISK. THE HAITIAN PEOPLE WITNESSED THE ASSASSINATION OF
16 THEIR PRESIDENT IN JULY OF 2021, A DEVASTATING EARTHQUAKE IN
17 AUGUST, AND A DIRECT HIT FROM MAJOR TROPICAL STORM GRACE IN
18 THAT SAME MONTH. THESE DEVASTATING EVENTS STRUCK A PEOPLE WHO
19 WERE STILL STRUGGLING TO RECOVER FROM THE CATASTROPHIC 2010
20 EARTHQUAKE THAT, ACCORDING TO WORLD VISION, TOOK AS MANY AS
21 250,000 LIVES, LEFT 300,000 PEOPLE INJURED, AND DISPLACED 1.5
22 MILLION HAITIANS. IN ADDITION, AS OF MID-SEPTEMBER, ONLY 21%
23 OF HAITIAN RESIDENTS HAVE RECEIVED ONE DOSE OF THE C.O.V.I.D.-
24 19 VACCINE, AND ONLY 16% HAD BEEN FULLY VACCINATED. SINCE
25 THOSE IMAGES APPEARED ON OUR SCREEN, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

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1 HAS REPORTED THAT MANY OF THE FAMILIES AND CHILDREN WHO TOOK
2 SHELTER UNDER THE DEL RIO INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE WERE ALLOWED TO
3 ENTER THE UNITED STATES. HOWEVER, ABOUT 5,000 MIGRANTS ARE
4 STILL BEING PROCESSED, AND SOME 8,000 MIGRANTS CHOSE TO RETURN
5 TO MEXICO, RATHER THAN RISK REMOVAL FROM THE U.S. TO HAITI.
6 ADDITIONALLY, THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY HAS
7 DEPORTED OVER 2,000 MIGRANTS BACK TO HAITI, UNDER THE
8 CONTROVERSIAL TITLE 42 PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITY. THIS WEEKEND,
9 AND AS RECENTLY AS THIS MORNING, ON THE C.B.S. NATIONAL NEWS,
10 THIS WEEKEND, THE NEW YORK TIMES RAN A SERIES ABOUT THE
11 PERILOUS AND DESPERATE JOURNEY MANY HAITIAN MIGRANTS ARE
12 TAKING THROUGH THE NOTORIOUSLY DANGEROUS DARIEN PATH. THE
13 DARIEN IS A NARROW SWATH OF LAND FILLED WITH TURBULENT RIVERS,
14 RUGGED MOUNTAINS, AND VENOMOUS SNAKES. MANY HAITIAN FAMILIES
15 MAKING THE JOURNEY DO NOT SURVIVE. THE C.B.S. MORNING SHOW
16 "THIS MORNING" FOLLOWED ONE FAMILY UP TO THE DARIEN PATH, AND
17 ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THEY DON'T KNOW IF THIS YOUNG FAMILY, WITH A
18 YOUNG CHILD UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE, MADE IT THROUGH. THOSE WHO
19 SURVIVE THIS, OR OTHER LONG AND OFTEN LIFE-THREATENING
20 JOURNEYS THROUGH SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA TO REACH THE U.S. -
21 MEXICO BORDER, HOPING TO BE ADMITTED INTO THE U.S., ARE NOW
22 BEING TURNED BACK TO THE UNSTABLE AND POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS
23 COUNTRY THEY FLED. AND THOSE WHO WERE ADMITTED INTO THE U.S.
24 ARE LEFT FACING A DIFFICULT, COMPLEX, LENGTHY, AND UNCERTAIN
25 LEGAL JOURNEY TO FIGHT FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO STAY HERE. SOME

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1 OF THESE FAMILIES WILL SURELY MAKE THEIR HOME IN L.A. COUNTY.
2 THE BOARD HAS PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED NUMEROUS POLICIES TO WELCOME
3 AND SUPPORT ALL IMMIGRANTS WHO CHOOSE TO MAKE THIS COUNTY
4 THEIR HOME. IN ADDITION, WE UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE MOTION,
5 ON JULY 27TH OF THIS YEAR, IN SUPPORT OF HOW WE CAN BETTER
6 MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR BLACK IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES. THIS MOTION
7 IS AN EXTENSION OF THAT WORK. SO TODAY I ASK THAT WE EXTEND
8 OUR SUPPORT TO HAITIAN IMMIGRANTS AND THEIR FAMILIES WHO SEEK
9 REFUGE IN OUR COUNTY, SO THEY CAN THRIVE AND MAKE THE COUNTY A
10 BETTER PLACE FOR US ALL. FURTHERMORE, I HOPE THAT WE WILL
11 INFORM THE FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION THAT WE STAND BEHIND ALL
12 EFFORTS TO SUPPORT HAITIAN IMMIGRANTS TO REMAIN AND THRIVE IN
13 THIS COUNTRY, AND THAT WE STRONGLY CONDEMN INEQUITABLE ACTIONS
14 AND POLICIES AND PROCESSES THAT UNFAIRLY IMPACT THEIR RIGHTS
15 AND WELLBEING. WITH THAT, I ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS
16 MOTION.

17
18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. AND I JOIN
19 YOU, AND CONCUR, AND WAS APPALLED TO SEE THE TREATMENT OF THE
20 HAITIAN IMMIGRANTS AT THE BORDER, ESPECIALLY WITH RESPECT TO
21 THE BORDER PATROL AGENTS THAT WERE ON HORSEBACK. AND I KNOW
22 THAT IT WAS A VERY DESPICABLE AND VERY SHAMEFUL TIME, FOR TO
23 US SEE SOMETHING LIKE THAT. AND YOU AND I, AND I KNOW MANY OF
24 THE BOARD MEMBERS HERE, AGREE THAT OUR COUNTRY HAS ALWAYS BEEN
25 WELCOMING OF IMMIGRANTS, ESPECIALLY REFUGEES. SO AT THIS

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1 POINT, I KNOW THAT THIS IS SOMETHING GOOD THAT WE HAVE TO DO.
2 WE HAVE TO HONOR IT AND KEEP PUSHING FORWARD, SO WE KIND OF
3 END DISCRIMINATION, TOO, AGAINST IMMIGRANTS FROM OTHER
4 COUNTRIES, AS WELL AS THOSE THAT ARE DISCRIMINATED BASED ON
5 THEIR ETHNICITY AND THEIR BACKGROUND, BECAUSE MANY ARE FLEEING
6 WAR-TORN COUNTRIES, AND FOR ECONOMIC REASONS, AND POLITICAL
7 STRIFE. SO I STAND WITH YOU, AND URGE OUR MEMBERS, ALSO, TO
8 VOTE ALONG WITH YOU. ANY MEMBERS WISHING TO BE RECOGNIZED ON
9 THIS ITEM? NO? SEEING NONE, THEREFORE, ITEM 41-C IS BEFORE US.
10 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. I'LL SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM.
11 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O:** 41-C IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

14

15 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

16

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

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

21

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

23

24 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

25

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

2

3 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

4

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

6

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

8

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

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NOW WE'LL TURN TO ITEM NUMBER

12 41-D, INITIATE PROCESS TO RETURN BRUCE'S BEACH TO THE BRUCE

13 FAMILY, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. SUPERVISOR HAHN,

14 THE FLOOR IS YOURS.

15

16 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. COLLEAGUES, THE MOTION IN

17 FRONT OF US TODAY GETS US ONE STEP CLOSER TO RETURNING THE

18 PROPERTY KNOWN AS BRUCE'S BEACH TO ITS RIGHTFUL OWNERS. TO

19 REMIND EVERYBODY ABOUT THIS STORY, IN 1912, AN AFRICAN-

20 AMERICAN COUPLE NAMED WILLA AND CHARLES BRUCE BOUGHT

21 BEACHFRONT PROPERTY IN MANHATTAN BEACH, AND TURNED IT INTO A

22 THRIVING RESORT. FOR YEARS, IT WAS ONE OF THE ONLY PLACES THAT

23 AFRICAN AMERICANS COULD ENJOY WHAT SO MANY OF US TAKE FOR

24 GRANTED, AND THAT'S A DAY AT THE BEACH. BUT THIS ANGERED MANY

25 OF THE LOCAL RESIDENTS, WHO STARTED HARASSING AND INTIMIDATING

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1 THE BRUCES, TRYING TO RUN THEM OUT OF TOWN. BUT WHEN THAT
2 FAILED, THEY PERSUADED THE THEN-MANHATTAN BEACH CITY COUNCIL
3 TO USE EMINENT DOMAIN TO SEIZE THE PROPERTY UNDER THE GUISE OF
4 BUILDING A PARK. FAST-FORWARD LAST YEAR, WHEN I REALIZED THAT
5 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ACTUALLY OWNED THE VERY PARCELS THAT
6 WERE ONCE THIS BRUCE BEACH RESORT. I WENT RIGHT TO OUR COUNTY
7 LAWYERS AND ASKED IF IT WAS POSSIBLE FOR US TO GIVE IT BACK.
8 THEY TOLD ME, "ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE," BUT WE NEEDED THE LAW TO
9 CHANGE, BECAUSE WHEN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TRANSFERRED THAT
10 PROPERTY TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, IT CAME WITH
11 RESTRICTIONS, SAYING THAT THE COUNTY COULD NEITHER TRANSFER OR
12 SELL OR PROFIT OFF OF THIS PROPERTY. WE COULD NOT RETURN THIS
13 LAND UNTIL THE STATE PASSED A LAW THAT REMOVED THOSE
14 RESTRICTIONS. SO, WHEN I RAN INTO SENATOR STEVE BRADFORD, I
15 SAID WE NEEDED HELP IN THE COUNTY TO DO THE RIGHT THING, AND
16 WE NEEDED THE LAW CHANGED. SENATOR BRADFORD, ASSEMBLYMEMBER AL
17 MURATSUCHI, DECIDED TO CO-AUTHOR A BILL, AND SENATOR
18 BRADFORD'S S.B. 796 WAS THAT BILL TO REMOVE THE RESTRICTIONS.
19 AT FIRST, I MUST CONFESS I WAS A LITTLE CONCERNED ON WHETHER
20 OR NOT THE MOOD OF SACRAMENTO WOULD AGREE WITH WHAT WE WERE
21 DOING, BUT S.B. 796 GOT THE UNANIMOUS, BIPARTISAN SUPPORT OF
22 BOTH THE ASSEMBLY AND THE SENATE. AND THEN LAST WEEK, GOVERNOR
23 NEWSOM CAME TO MANHATTAN BEACH, AT THE VERY SITE OF BRUCE'S
24 BEACH, AND SIGNED S.B. 796 INTO LAW, WITH THE GREAT-GREAT-
25 GRANDSON OF WILLA AND CHARLES BRUCE STANDING NEXT TO HIM,

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1 WATCHING HIM SIGN THAT BILL INTO LAW. AND THAT WAS HISTORIC,
2 AND IT WAS A PIVOTAL MOMENT FOR US TO RETURN THE LAND. BUT TO
3 BE CLEAR, THAT BILL DID NOT ACTUALLY TRANSFER THE LAND. THAT
4 STEP IS NOW UP TO THE COUNTY, AND SPECIFICALLY, COLLEAGUES, IT
5 IS UP TO US TO DO THAT. SO, NOW THAT THAT LAW HAS BEEN SIGNED,
6 THE RESTRICTIONS WILL BE REMOVED, THE DEED AMENDED. THE MOTION
7 TODAY IS ABOUT THE OFFICIAL PROCESS OF RETURNING THE LAND.
8 MANY PEOPLE ARE PROBABLY GOING TO START GETTING IMPATIENT. WHY
9 CAN'T WE JUST TRANSFER THE LAND? BUT TO BE HONEST WITH YOU, WE
10 JUST STARTED THIS PROCESS IN APRIL, AND THE FACT THAT THERE'S
11 ALREADY BEEN A LAW SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR, MOVING US ONE STEP
12 CLOSER, WE ARE ACTUALLY DOING THIS PRETTY QUICKLY. AND THIS IS
13 THE FIRST TIME, BY THE WAY, THAT ANY LOCAL GOVERNMENT HAS
14 RETURNED LAND THAT WAS UNJUSTLY TAKEN FROM AFRICAN AMERICANS.
15 SO WE ARE SETTING A PRECEDENT, AND FORGING THE WAY FOR OTHERS
16 WHO MIGHT WANT TO LOOK AT THEIR OWN HISTORY AND FOLLOW OUR
17 EXAMPLE, SO I BELIEVE IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE GET THIS RIGHT.
18 WHAT WE ARE DOING TODAY, COLLEAGUES, IS WE'RE DIRECTING OUR
19 C.E.O., OUR COUNTY COUNSEL, TO BEGIN THE PROCESS OF
20 DETERMINING THE LEGAL HEIRS, WHICH INCLUDES SETTING UP A
21 SYSTEM TO VET ANY POTENTIAL CLAIMS, AND THEN TO GIVE EVERYONE
22 A ROADMAP OF WHERE WE'RE GOING AFTER THAT. ONCE WE OFFICIALLY
23 DETERMINE THE HEIRS, WE WILL THEN ENTER INTO FORMAL
24 DISCUSSIONS WITH THEM TO DETERMINE THE ACTUAL CONDITIONS OF
25 THE TRANSFER. AND THEN WE WILL MAKE HISTORY. WE WILL RETURN

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1 THE LAND THAT WAS STOLEN FROM WILLA AND CHARLES BRUCE NEARLY
2 100 YEARS AGO, TO THEIR GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. I REALLY WANT TO
3 TAKE THIS MOMENT TO THANK EVERYONE WHO HAS COME ALONG THIS
4 HISTORIC JOURNEY WITH US. PARTICULARLY WANT TO THANK OUR
5 COUNTY STAFF, WHO ALSO HAVE NEVER BEEN INVOLVED IN ANYTHING
6 LIKE THIS BEFORE, BUT HAVE BEEN STEADFASTLY PASSIONATE ALONG
7 WITH ME, TO MAKE SURE THAT WE DO THIS RIGHT. AND I ALSO WANT
8 TO SAY THAT THIS IS A BEGINNING OF A LONG ROAD TO RIGHT THE
9 INJUSTICES OF OUR PAST. AND I DO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE FIRST
10 PEOPLES OF THIS UNCEDED LAND, WHICH WE OCCUPY, CURRENTLY. AND
11 I WANT TO STATE MY SUPPORT FOR THE NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN
12 COMMISSION, AND THE WORK THEY ARE EMBARKING ON TO DOCUMENT THE
13 TRUTH, HEALING, AND TRANSFORMATION OF OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH
14 THE FIRST PEOPLE'S COMMUNITY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I EXPECT
15 THAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS WILL COME OUT OF THAT WORK, WILL HELP
16 US TRANSFORM OUR RELATIONSHIPS, AND ADDRESS MANY HISTORIC
17 INJUSTICES. THIS NATION HAS A LOT OF WORK TO DO. BRUCE'S
18 BEACH, FOR US, IS JUST THE BEGINNING, AND THANK YOU TO
19 EVERYONE WORKING ON THIS. AND I ESPECIALLY WANT TO THANK MY
20 CO-AUTHOR ON BOTH MOTIONS THAT WE'VE BROUGHT BEFORE THE
21 COUNTY, REGARDING THIS: HOLLY MITCHELL, WHO HAS ALSO BEEN SUCH
22 AN IMPORTANT VOICE ON THIS MATTER. AND I REALLY APPRECIATE
23 YOUR CHAMPIONING THIS, AS WELL, AND I'D LIKE TO PASS IT ON TO
24 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, IF SHE WOULD LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS.

25

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1 **SUP. MITCHELL:** YES, GO RIGHT AHEAD, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

2

3 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT
4 I AM DEEPLY PROUD TO BE A MEMBER OF A BOARD WHO IS
5 OPERATIONALIZING AN ANTIRACIST POLICY AGENDA. THAT MEANS A
6 GREAT DEAL TO ME, ON A VERY PERSONAL LEVEL, AND AS A NATIVE
7 ANGELENO. AND LET ME JUST SAY THAT, AS SUPERVISOR HAHN SAID,
8 THIS IS A PROCESS. IT'S A PROCESS THAT WE ARE UNFOLDING AND
9 FIGURING OUT AS WE GO ALONG, FROM THE TRANSFER OF THE
10 PROPERTY, FROM GETTING PERMISSION FROM THE STATE, BUT ALSO IN
11 THINKING THROUGH VERY STICKY POLICY ISSUES AROUND TAXATION-- A
12 SERIES OF ISSUES THAT WE WILL STILL HAVE TO CONTINUE TO WORK
13 AND GRAPPLE WITH, TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS IS DONE RIGHT AND
14 WELL AND FAIR. SO, AGAIN, SUPERVISOR HAHN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR
15 COURAGEOUS, VISIONARY LEADERSHIP ON STEPPING INTO THE BATTER'S
16 BOX, IF YOU WILL, ON THIS ISSUE, AND KNOW THAT YOU CAN
17 CONTINUE TO COUNT ON ME TO BE A THOUGHT PARTNER AND FELLOW
18 ADVOCATE IN DOING THE RIGHT THING IN RETURNING PROPERTY THAT
19 GOVERNMENT WAS AT THE FOREFRONT OF, THROUGH RACIST POLICIES,
20 ABSCONDING AWAY WITH. SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE
21 OPPORTUNITY, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO VOTING ON TODAY'S MOTION.

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23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SHEILA KUEHL?

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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANKS TO
2 THE CO-AUTHORS OF THIS MOTION, AND THE CO-HEAVY LIFTERS OF THE
3 WORK ON BRUCE'S BEACH. BOTH OF YOU REALLY-- AND TO SEE
4 BRADFORD AND ALL THOSE WHO SUPPORTED HIS BILL. THIS,
5 UNFORTUNATELY, IS JUST THE TIP OF A VERY DIFFICULT ICEBERG. I
6 THINK THERE'S A LOT OF CONVERSATION IN THIS COUNTRY ABOUT
7 WHETHER OR NOT WE SHOULD KNOW THE TRUTH ABOUT WHAT WE DID
8 WRONG, AND WHETHER THAT IS SOMEHOW DESTRUCTIVE, LIKE WE'RE
9 SUPPOSED TO LOVE THIS COUNTRY, AND THEN, IF WE FIND OUT IT DID
10 SOMETHING WRONG, SUDDENLY WE'RE NOT GOING TO LOVE IT. BUT IN
11 THE OLD DAYS, DURING THE VIETNAM WAR, THE PEOPLE WHO DIDN'T
12 LIKE US ANTIWAR PEOPLE WOULD SAY, YOU KNOW, "AMERICA: LOVE IT
13 OR LEAVE IT." AND I MADE A BUMPER STICKER THAT SAID, "AMERICA:
14 THOSE WHO LOVE IT, STAY HERE AND FIX IT." AND I THINK THAT,
15 LOOKING AT MY OWN TOWN AT THE MOMENT, SANTA MONICA IS HAVING A
16 HARD LOOK AT ITSELF, ABOUT THE WAY IT TREATED A VERY VIBRANT
17 BLACK COMMUNITY THAT WAS DESTROYED, NOT ONLY BY A FREEWAY
18 GOING THROUGH, BUT BY, YOU KNOW, DELIBERATE WORK BY A MUCH
19 DIFFERENT CITY COUNCIL BACK THEN; THE VERY VIBRANT BEACHFRONT
20 AREA THAT WAS NICKNAMED THE INKWELL, BECAUSE IT, TOO, WAS A
21 SAFE PLACE FOR AFRICAN AMERICANS TO GO TO THE BEACH. SO WE
22 STILL HAVE A LOT TO DO, TOO. I THINK THE DIFFICULT QUESTIONS
23 ARE GOING TO COME, JUST AS THEY ARE WITH THE CHAIR'S MOTION
24 ABOUT LOOKING AT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT ABOUT WHOSE LAND WE LIVE ON,
25 AND HOW IT WAS ACQUIRED, IN TERMS OF OUR NATIVE AMERICAN FOLKS

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1 AND INDIGENOUS FOLKS, AND THE DIFFICULTY COMES TO THOSE PEOPLE
2 WHO BUY IN GOOD FAITH. THEY DON'T KNOW. AND NOW PRIVATE, YOU
3 KNOW, PEOPLE OWN PROPERTY THAT SHOULD BE RESTORED. BUT I
4 HONESTLY THINK, IF WE CONTINUE TO WORK ON THIS, WE CAN FIGURE
5 IT OUT. BECAUSE YOU CAN'T SAY, "OH, WELL, WE DIDN'T HAVE
6 ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE BAD STUFF IN THOSE DAYS, SO WE DON'T
7 NEED TO HELP FIX IT." BUT THAT IS JUST WRONG. WE NEED TO HELP
8 FIX ALL OF THESE INJUSTICES. AND AS HOLLY HAS POINTED OUT, ONE
9 OF THE MOST DEVASTATING TOOLS OF RACISM, ALL THE WAY BACK TO
10 THE FOUNDING OF THIS COUNTRY, HAS BEEN TO DENY THE ABILITY TO
11 ACCRUE ANY WEALTH. AND A VERY POWERFUL PART OF THIS IS TO DENY
12 THE ABILITY TO OWN PROPERTY, AND TO KEEP IT WHEN YOU OWN IT.
13 SO, GOOD ON YOU GUYS FOR DOING THIS, AND EVERYBODY INVOLVED,
14 AND I SEE THIS AS A REALLY, REALLY GREAT MODEL AND INSPIRATION
15 FOR ALL OF OUR NEXT STEPS. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU,
16 MADAM CHAIR.

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18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND TO OUR AUTHOR AND CO-AUTHOR,
19 THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS UP. I COULD SEE THE HEAVY LIFTING
20 THAT YOU BOTH DID, AND HAPPY THAT WE HAD SO MANY PARTNERS IN
21 SACRAMENTO, AND ESPECIALLY OUR GOVERNOR, AND HOW QUICKLY
22 GOVERNMENT CAN ACT WHEN THERE IS AN URGENCY. SO THANK YOU
23 BOTH, AND I LOVE THAT THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO OPEN UP OTHER
24 GROUPS THAT HAVE ALSO BEEN DISCRIMINATED AGAINST. THERE WERE
25 WOMEN THAT WERE STERILIZED AT L.A.C.+U.S.C. IN THE '50S AND IN

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1 THE '60S, AND WE SAW, ALSO, PROPERTIES TAKEN TO BUILD STADIUMS
2 AND FREEWAYS IN CHAVEZ RAVINE AND BOYLE HEIGHTS, AND DIFFERENT
3 AREAS, AS WELL. SO WE'VE GOT A WAYS TO GO, BUT I AM GLAD WE
4 ARE STARTING SOMEWHERE, SO THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATIONS TO
5 BOTH OF YOU, AND TO ALL THOSE THAT PUT SO MUCH WORK BEHIND IT.
6 SO, IF THERE ARE NO FURTHER COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS, THEN THIS
7 ITEM, 41-D, IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED
8 BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE
9 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 41-D IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR
12 MITCHELL?

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14 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
17 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, 5-
9 0.

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11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. CONGRATULATIONS. MEMBERS, MOVING ON
12 TO SPECIALS. THERE ARE NO SPECIALS TODAY, SO WE WILL SKIP
13 THAT. AND WITH THAT, WE WILL HEAR ADJOURNMENTS, AND WE WILL
14 BEGIN WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER, FROM THE 5TH.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
17 ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF LEWIS "LEW" ARNOLD, AN
18 ANTELOPE VALLEY NATIVE, WHO DIED ON SEPTEMBER 3RD AT THE AGE
19 OF 87. KNOWN AS THE LOCAL HIGH-SCHOOL SPORTS COACH, HE WAS
20 BELOVED BY HIS STUDENTS AND ATHLETES THAT HE TAUGHT THROUGHOUT
21 THE YEARS. LEW EARNED A BACHELOR'S DEGREE AT FRESNO STATE
22 UNIVERSITY, AND A MASTER'S DEGREE FROM PASADENA CITY COLLEGE.
23 HIS FIRST TEACHING JOB WAS IN 1958, AT TRONA HIGH SCHOOL,
24 WHERE HE WAS THE ASSISTANT FOOTBALL COACH. JUST ONE YEAR
25 LATER, HE MOVED TO PALMDALE HIGH SCHOOL TO TEACH GEOGRAPHY,

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1 AND TO COACH FOOTBALL AND BASEBALL. AS THE PALMDALE HIGH
2 SCHOOL VARSITY BASEBALL COACH, HE NEVER HAD A LOSING SEASON.
3 HE RETIRED IN 1990 AND WAS INDUCTED INTO THE ANTELOPE VALLEY
4 COLLEGE HALL OF FAME IN 2014, FOR HIS COACHING AND ATHLETIC
5 CAREER. IN THE SAME YEAR OF HIS RETIREMENT, HE MARRIED THE
6 LOVE OF HIS LIFE, PAT. TOGETHER, THEY PURSUED A CAREER IN
7 COUNTRY-WESTERN DANCING, WHERE THEY AMASSED HUNDREDS OF
8 TROPHIES. LEW SPENT THE LATTER YEARS OF HIS LIFE OPERATING
9 RITTER PARK SPORTSMAN'S RANCH, WORKING AS A PRIVATE PILOT WITH
10 HIS OWN PLANE, PARTICIPATING IN STATE AUCTIONS, AND WORKING AS
11 A DOG TRAINER. ADDITIONALLY, HE IS REMEMBERED AS ONE OF THE
12 BEST SCUBA DIVER INSTRUCTORS IN THE COUNTY, HOLDING THE
13 NUMBER-15 INSTRUCTOR CARD. LEW IS REMEMBERED BY HIS FAMILY AND
14 FRIENDS AS A DEDICATED FAMILY MAN, COACH, AND TEACHER, WHO
15 ALWAYS REFLECTED CHRIST'S LOVE IN EVERYTHING HE DID. LEW IS
16 SURVIVED BY HIS DEVOTED WIFE, PAT, AND THEIR COMBINED FAMILY
17 OF 7 CHILDREN, 12 GRANDCHILDREN, AND 9 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN.
18 ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GEORGE EDWARD MOSS,
19 AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN AS "BUDDY," WHO WAS A LONGTIME RESIDENT
20 OF LA CANADA, AND PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 89. BORN
21 IN LOS ANGELES, HE ATTENDED HARVARD-WESTLAKE HIGH SCHOOL, AND
22 CONTINUED HIS EDUCATION AT POMONA COLLEGE. HE GRADUATED WITH A
23 DEGREE IN ECONOMICS IN 1952. FOLLOWING HIS EDUCATION, HE
24 ENLISTED IN THE ARMY AND WAS COMMISSIONED AS 2ND LIEUTENANT AT
25 FORT BENNING, GEORGIA. HE WAS LATER PROMOTED TO 1ST LIEUTENANT

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1 AT CAMP IRWIN. UPON RETURNING HOME FROM SERVICE TO THE
2 MILITARY, HE BEGAN HELPING HIS FATHER WITH THE FAMILY BUSINESS
3 AS A DRILLER'S ASSISTANT FOR ROSCOE MOSS COMPANY. HE QUICKLY
4 PROGRESSED TO ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR OF MANUFACTURING. IN 1977,
5 HE AND HIS BROTHER BECAME CO-PRESIDENTS OF THE COMPANY.
6 BECAUSE OF THEIR WELL-RESPECTED BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP, THEY
7 GREW THE COMPANY FROM A REGIONAL CONTRACTOR IN CALIFORNIA, TO
8 AN INTERNATIONALLY RESPECTED LEADER IN MANUFACTURING OF WATER
9 WELL CASING AND SCREEN. BUDDY HAD A TRUE PASSION FOR THE WATER
10 BUSINESS, AND AS A RESULT, HE WAS THE AUTHOR OF SEVERAL BOOKS
11 ON THE TOPIC. IN THE LATER YEARS OF HIS LIFE, HE DEDICATED HIS
12 TIME GIVING BACK TO HIS ALMA MATER, POMONA COLLEGE, AND HE WAS
13 A PROUD GRADUATE AND WAS ALWAYS THANKFUL FOR THE EDUCATION HE
14 RECEIVED. HIS GENEROSITY MADE IT POSSIBLE TO IMPLEMENT MANY
15 NEW PROGRAMS. ADDITIONALLY, HE ALSO IMPACTED MANY OTHER LOCAL
16 INSTITUTIONS, INCLUDING HIS FORMER HIGH SCHOOL, HARVARD-
17 WESTLAKE HIGH SCHOOL, HUNTINGTON HOSPITAL, AND THE HUNTINGTON
18 LIBRARY, ART MUSEUM, AND BOTANICAL GARDEN. BUDDY LOVED TO
19 TRAVEL AND ADVENTURE. SOME OF HIS FAVORITE HOBBIES INCLUDED
20 TREKKING AND HIKING, FISHING, READING, AND HIS GARDENING. HIS
21 FAVORITE SONG, "MY WAY," BY FRANK SINATRA, WAS A PERFECT
22 REPRESENTATION OF HIS LIFE. HE TRULY DID ALL OF IT HIS WAY,
23 AND HIS LEGACY AND IMPACT IS REMEMBERED WITH FONDNESS AND WITH
24 GRATITUDE. BUDDY IS SURVIVED BY HIS LOVING WIFE OF 11 YEARS,
25 THUY, AND HIS TWO SONS, JOHN AND GEORGE. ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN

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1 IN MEMORY OF BETTY TENNYSON, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF DUARTE.
2 BETTY WAS A LOVING WIFE AND MOTHER WHO DEDICATED HER LIFE TO
3 SERVING HER COMMUNITY AND THE LOCAL CHURCH. SHE SPENT MANY
4 YEARS WORKING WITH THE PASADENA COVENANT CHURCH, HELPING THOSE
5 AROUND HER CONNECT WITH GOD AND SUPPORTING THEIR FAITH
6 JOURNEYS. BETTY LOVED TO SING. HER VOICE WAS HEARD THROUGHOUT
7 LOCAL CHURCHES ACROSS HER ENTIRE LIFE. BETTY'S WARM PRESENCE
8 AND FRIENDLY DEMEANOR WILL BE FELT DEEPLY AND MOURNED
9 THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY. SHE IS REMEMBERED BY HER FAMILY AND
10 FRIENDS AS LOVING, BEAUTIFUL, GRATEFUL, AND KIND. BETTY IS
11 SURVIVED BY HER FOUR CHILDREN, RUTH, PAUL, TIM, AND MARTHA
12 HOUSMAN; AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN, WILLIAM, ELIZABETH, GRACE,
13 AND PAUL. AND LAST, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ARTHUR GRANER
14 THORNE III, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF PASADENA, WHO PASSED AWAY
15 ON SEPTEMBER 22ND, AT THE AGE 88. ARTHUR ATTENDED THE
16 POLYTECHNIC SCHOOL IN PASADENA BEFORE ATTENDING DARTMOUTH IN
17 1951. IN 1952, ARTHUR TRANSFERRED TO U.C. BERKELEY. ONE YEAR
18 INTO HIS TIME AT BERKELEY, HE ENLISTED IN THE ARMED FORCES,
19 WHERE HE WAS STATIONED AT FORT LEWIS, WASHINGTON. AFTER
20 SERVING IN THE ARMY AS A MEDIC, HE RETURNED TO U.C. BERKELEY
21 AND COMPLETED HIS DEGREE IN PHYSICS. IN HIS LAST YEAR AT
22 BERKELEY, HE MET THE LOVE OF HIS LIFE, BOBBIE. THEY WERE
23 MARRIED IN 1958, AND IN THE SHORT YEARS AFTER, THEY HAD TWO
24 CHILDREN TOGETHER. ARTHUR'S CAREER BEGAN WITH THE AEROSPACE
25 INDUSTRY. HE STARTED WORK WITH NORTH AMERICAN AVIATION IN

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1 1958, AND LATER WORKED WITH AMPEX AND SIEMENS, BEFORE STARTING
2 UP HIS OWN AEROSPACE COMPANY, WHICH HE OPERATED FOR MORE THAN
3 35 YEARS. IN ADDITION TO MANAGING HIS OWN BUSINESS, ARTHUR'S
4 INNOVATIVE MIND TRANSFORMED HIS FAMILY VINEYARD INTO ONE OF
5 THE PREMIER VINEYARDS IN THE SANTA BARBARA WINE COUNTRY
6 REGION. ARTHUR LOVED NATURE, AND SPENT A MAJORITY OF HIS TIME
7 BACKPACKING AND ROCK-CLIMBING IN YOSEMITE VALLEY AND WESTERN
8 CANADA. ARTHUR LIVED A WONDERFUL LIFE, FULL OF TRAVELING,
9 ADVENTURES, AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP, AND HIS LEGACY IS REMEMBERED
10 AND CHERISHED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. ARTHUR IS SURVIVED BY
11 HIS WIFE BOBBIE, HIS CHILDREN KAREY AND JOHN, HIS 5
12 GRANDCHILDREN, AND 6 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. THANK YOU, MADAM
13 CHAIR.

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15 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER. I MOVE TODAY
16 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF LUIS
17 B. GARCIA, WHO WAS BORN ON AUGUST 28TH, 1937, IN MEXICO. LUIS
18 WAS THE SON OF FARMHANDS WHO TAUGHT HIM THE VALUES OF LOVE,
19 FAITH, FAMILY, INTEGRITY, WORK, STEWARDSHIP OF LAND AND WATER,
20 AND DISCIPLINE. IN 1956, HIS FAMILY IMMIGRATED TO CALIFORNIA,
21 WHERE HE STRUGGLED AND WORKED SEVERAL JOBS, STARTING AS A
22 FARMWORKER, AND EVENTUALLY AS A PROUD UNION WORKER FOR THE
23 VONS COMPANY FOR OVER 30 YEARS, UNTIL HE RETIRED. DON LUIS, AS
24 HE WAS KNOWN, WAS A FAMILY MAN WHO, TOGETHER WITH THE LOVE OF
25 HIS LIFE AND HIS WIFE, GUADALUPE GARCIA, RAISED A STRONG

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1 FAMILY IN EL MONTE, AND TWO DAUGHTERS WHO WOULD GROW UP TO
2 BECOME, ONE, A SUPERINTENDENT OF THE EL MONTE CITY SCHOOL
3 DISTRICT, AND OUR VERY OWN DIRECTOR OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
4 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, NORMA GARCIA. DON LUIS WAS
5 A CHARITABLE MAN FULL OF GRACE AND COMPASSION. AS A PROACTIVE
6 LEADER AT NATIVITY CATHOLIC CHURCH, HE WAS ON THE FRONT LINES
7 OF MANY LOCAL CAUSES, DOING HIS PART, HELPING MANY IN NEED. HE
8 WAS A WONDERFUL, GREGARIOUS, AND CHARISMATIC SOUL. WITH HIS
9 FEDORA HAT AND INFECTIOUS SMILE, HE WAS THE LIFE OF THE PARTY,
10 CONNECTOR OF PEOPLE, AND BACKYARD BANDLEADER WHEN THE MUSIC
11 PLAYED. HE LOVED SPENDING MEMORABLE TIME WITH HIS FAMILY,
12 GRANDCHILDREN, AND ABOVE ALL, HOLDING LANDS WITH DONA LUPE,
13 WHETHER IT WAS ON THE FRONT PORCH OR STROLLING THROUGH THE
14 FARAWAY PLAZA. THEY RECENTLY CELEBRATED THEIR 50TH ANNIVERSARY
15 IN FEBRUARY. DON LUIS IS A REPRESENTATION OF LIFE WELL LIVED,
16 AND HIS SPIRIT LIVES ON. MAY HE REST IN PEACE. I WOULD THINK
17 THAT MAYBE SOME OF OUR COLLEAGUES WANT TO JOIN. THIS IS NORMA
18 GARCIA'S PARENT. SHEILA? THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
19 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ED APODACA. HE WAS
20 RAISED IN THE SILVER CITY AREA OF NEW MEXICO, AND SPENT FOUR
21 DECADES IN HIGHER EDUCATION, WITH A LASER FOCUS ON PREPARING,
22 SUPPORTING, AND MENTORING STUDENTS FROM UNDERREPRESENTED
23 BACKGROUNDS, ESPECIALLY FROM THE LATINO COMMUNITY, TO SUCCEED
24 IN HIGHER EDUCATION AND PURSUE PROFESSIONAL CAREERS. HE SERVED
25 HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN THREE STATES:

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1 MASSACHUSETTS, TEXAS, AND CALIFORNIA. AMONG HIS SIGNIFICANT
2 ACCOMPLISHMENTS WAS THE CREATION OF A NEW AND MORE HOLISTIC
3 APPROACH TO ADMISSIONS TO THE ELITE HIGHER EDUCATIONAL
4 INSTITUTIONS, ESPECIALLY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA,
5 WHERE HE SERVED IN VARIOUS CAPACITIES ON THE RIVERSIDE AND
6 SANTA BARBARA CAMPUSES, AT THE SYSTEMWIDE OFFICE AS DIRECTOR
7 OF ADMISSIONS. HE EVENTUALLY TOOK HIS PASSION AND SKILLS TO
8 THE UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS, AMHERST, SAN FRANCISCO STATE
9 UNIVERSITY, AND THE UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON. ED IS REMEMBERED
10 FONDLY AS A KEY ORGANIZER OF STATEWIDE EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCES
11 THAT FOCUSED ON THE NEEDS OF LATINO STUDENTS, STAFF, AND
12 FACULTY. MANY LEADERS IN CALIFORNIA HIGHER EDUCATION WERE
13 MENTEES OF ED. I WAS ONE OF THEM. HE WAS SMART, HE WAS
14 UNAFRAID, HE WAS OUTSPOKEN, AND HE ALWAYS ADVOCATED FOR
15 STUDENTS TO GET INTO HIGHER EDUCATIONAL SYSTEMS, KNOWING THAT
16 THEY MAY HAVE BEEN THE FIRST IN THEIR FAMILY TO GO TO COLLEGE.
17 HE PASSED AWAY IN HOUSTON ON OCTOBER 4TH, 2021. HE IS SURVIVED
18 BY HIS WIFE LAVERNE, FOUR CHILDREN, AND MANY GRANDCHILDREN.
19 MAY HE REST IN PEACE. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE
20 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GUADALUPE MARTINEZ. SHE WAS BORN ON
21 DECEMBER 12TH, 1965, IN MEXICO CITY, AND PASSED AWAY ON
22 SEPTEMBER 26TH, 2021. SHE WAS 55 YEARS OLD. COMING TO THE
23 UNITED STATES AND SETTLING IN THE CITY OF CUDAHY FOR OVER 25
24 YEARS, GUADALUPE OVERCAME CANCER, AND AS A CANCER SURVIVOR,
25 SHARED HER JOYS, HER HOPES, AND GRATITUDE WITH OTHERS AS A

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1 COMMUNITY LEADER. SHE WAS COMMITTED TO THE WELLBEING OF HER
2 COMMUNITY, AND ADVOCATED FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING, WOMEN'S
3 RIGHTS, IMMIGRANT'S RIGHTS, AND THE ENVIRONMENT IN VARIOUS
4 ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING I HEART S.E.L.A., PADRES LIDERES EN
5 ACCION, S.E.L.A. HEALTH ALLIES WITH ALTAMED, UNIDOS POR
6 CUDAHY, AND THE COUNCIL OF MEXICAN FEDERATIONS IN NORTH
7 AMERICA, KNOWN AS C.O.F.E.M. SHE WAS PART OF A TEAM THAT
8 HELPED BUILD PLAZA MILAGRO, A COMMUNITY GATHERING REST AREA
9 THAT FEATURES SEATING AND GREENERY FOR THE COMMUNITY TO ENJOY
10 ON SANTA ANA STREET AND WILCOX AVENUE IN THE CITY OF CUDAHY.
11 AS HER HEALTH WORSENEED OVER THE YEARS, SHE MAINLY PHONE-
12 BANKED TO GET OUT THE VOTE AND PROMOTED HEALTHY EATING.
13 GUADALUPE'S LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP, LOVE, AND KINDNESS WILL LIVE
14 ON FOR GENERATIONS THROUGH HER FAMILY, HER FRIENDS, AND ALL
15 WHO KNEW HER. SHE WILL BE DEARLY MISSED AND REMEMBERED FONDLY
16 BY HER HUSBAND, CECILIO CRUZ, HER SONS CESAR AND EMANUEL CRUZ,
17 AND HER GRANDDAUGHTER CELENE CRUZ, AND HER COMMUNITY. MAY SHE
18 REST IN PEACE. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS. THANK YOU. NEXT, I
19 WILL RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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21 **SUP. HAHN:** BEFORE SUPERVISOR MITCHELL GOES, MADAM CHAIR, I
22 WOULD LIKE TO BE ADDED ON TO NORMA GARCIA'S FATHER, AND OUR
23 CONDOLENCES, OF COURSE, TO NORMA. THANK YOU.

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25 **SUP. MITCHELL:** VERY GOOD. AND, HOLLY MITCHELL, THANK YOU.

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2 **SUP. MITCHELL:** YES, MADAM CHAIR, IF YOU'D ADD ME, AS WELL.
3 THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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5 **SUP. KUEHL:** SHOULD BE ALL MEMBERS, YOU GUYS.

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7 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** IT SHOULD BE ALL MEMBERS, YEAH. OKAY, VERY
8 GOOD. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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10 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I APPRECIATE THIS
11 OPPORTUNITY, AND I AM GOING TO ASK THAT WE ALL JOIN ME IN
12 ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF THREE RESIDENTS, TODAY, OF THE SECOND
13 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, AND WE WILL START WITH KAWEN T. YOUNG.
14 MS. YOUNG, A PILLAR OF THE SAMOAN AND ASIAN AMERICAN, NATIVE
15 HAWAIIAN, AND PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITY, WAS BORN ON MARCH
16 1ST, 1960, IN L.A., AND TRAGICALLY PASSED AWAY THIS SEPTEMBER
17 27TH FROM HEART DISEASE. AT THE TIME OF HER PASSING, MS. YOUNG
18 WAS THE LEAD OF THE SOCAL PACIFIC ISLANDER C.O.V.I.D.-19
19 RESPONSE TEAM, AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NATIVE
20 HAWAIIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER ALLIANCE, A NATIONAL ADVOCACY
21 ORGANIZATION BASED IN GARDENA. A PUBLIC SERVANT AT HEART, SHE
22 GRADUATED WITH A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN CRIMINAL
23 JUSTICE FROM CAL STATE LONG BEACH. SHE BEGAN HER CAREER
24 WORKING FOR THE SAMOAN FEDERATION AND THE OFFICE OF SAMOAN
25 AFFAIRS. FOLLOWING THIS, SHE WORKED FOR U.S. CONGRESSMAN ENI

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1 FALEOMAVAEGA FOR 18 YEARS IN VARIOUS CAPACITIES, AT BOTH HIS
2 WASHINGTON, D.C., AND AMERICAN SAMOA OFFICES. AFTER ACQUIRING
3 THIS WEALTH OF KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE, SHE RETURNED TO L.A.
4 AND ACTIVELY PARTICIPATED IN LOCAL COMMUNITY ADVOCACY FOR
5 PACIFIC ISLANDERS. MS. YOUNG SERVED ON NUMEROUS DISTINGUISHED
6 COMMITTEES, INCLUDING THE U.S. CENSUS BUREAU OF RACE AND
7 ETHNIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE; THE ASIAN AMERICAN, NATIVE
8 HAWAIIAN, AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HEALTH INITIATIVE COMMITTEE;
9 THE CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES; AND THE
10 CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION CITIZEN TASK FORCE. SHE WILL
11 BE REMEMBERED AS A RENOWNED COMMUNITY LEADER AND ACTIVIST, AND
12 A POLICY SHAPER. MS. YOUNG'S HUMILITY, CONSISTENT ADVOCACY,
13 AND COLLABORATION WILL BE TRULY MISSED. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER
14 6 SIBLINGS ALEXANDER, DONOVAN, DORIS, E. MALUA, EKELANI, AND
15 MARJORIE, AND HER STAFF AND COLLEAGUES AT N.H.P.I.A., AND A
16 HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO ALL BELIEVE THAT HER
17 LEGACY WILL CONTINUE TO INSPIRE THOSE WITH WHOM SHE WORKED
18 ALONGSIDE TO ACHIEVE EQUITY FOR ALL. NEXT, I ASK THAT YOU JOIN
19 ME IN ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF JOHN AUGUST SWANSON. MR.
20 SWANSON, A SKILLED VISUAL ARTIST WHOSE ARTWORK IS FEATURED AT
21 THE SMITHSONIAN, THE VATICAN, THE CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY OF
22 ANGELS, AND VARIOUS MUSEUMS AROUND THE WORLD, WAS BORN ON
23 JANUARY 11TH, 1938, IN THE BOYLE HEIGHTS AREA OF LOS ANGELES.
24 HE PASSED AWAY ON SEPTEMBER 23RD, AT THE SAINT JOHN OF GOD
25 RETIREMENT AND CARE CENTER IN THE JEFFERSON PARK AREA, AT THE

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1 AGE OF 83, AFTER A BATTLE WITH CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE. MR.
2 SWANSON'S NOTABLE CAREER OF MORE THAN 50 YEARS IS PROOF THAT
3 HE ACCOMPLISHED HIS GOAL OF BRINGING TOGETHER ART, JUSTICE,
4 AND FAITH. HIS BRIGHT AND VIVID OIL PAINTINGS AND SCREEN
5 PRINTS WERE HEAVILY INFLUENCED BY HIS CULTURAL UPBRINGING AS
6 THE SON OF A MEXICAN MOTHER AND A SWEDISH FATHER, WHO BOTH
7 FLED THEIR COUNTRIES FOR A BETTER LIFE IN THE U.S. HE WILL BE
8 REMEMBERED AS A STORYTELLER, VISIONARY, AND ACTIVIST. HE WILL
9 ALSO BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS BIBLICAL ART, WHICH PAID HOMAGE TO
10 HIS CATHOLIC UPBRINGING AND HIS STUDIES AT IMMACULATE HEART
11 COLLEGE. HE ATTENDED MASS AT LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY EVERY
12 MORNING, AND ENJOYED PLAYING THE VIOLIN, WHICH HE LEARNED TO
13 PLAY AS A CHILD. HIS ARTWORK IS FEATURED AT NUMEROUS
14 UNIVERSITIES, INCLUDING L.M.U., YALE, NOTRE DAME, AND EMORY.
15 HE HAS RECEIVED NUMEROUS AWARDS AND ACCOLADES, INCLUDING THE
16 MOTHER TERESA AWARD FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE IN 2005, AND AN
17 HONORARY DOCTOR OF LETTERS DEGREE IN 2018. IN AUGUST OF 2021,
18 HE RECEIVED THE L.M.U.'S PRESIDENT AWARD. HIS FINAL PIECE,
19 ENTITLED "THE STORM," RELEASED IN 2020, SHOWED THAT WE ARE ALL
20 EXPERIENCING THE SAME EMOTIONS AND BATTLES DURING THE
21 PANDEMIC, AND WE'LL NEED TO WORK TOGETHER TO OVERCOME IT. MR.
22 SWANSON LEAVES BEHIND TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS BELOVED FAMILY
23 AND FRIENDS, HIS NEIGHBOR AND DEAR FRIEND CECILIA GONZALEZ AND
24 OTHER L.M.U. COLLEAGUES, HIS STAFF AT THE SWANSON GALLERY, AND
25 ALL THE PEOPLE WHOM HIS ARTWORK HAS TOUCHED FOR DECADES. AND

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1 FINALLY, COLLEAGUES, I ASK YOU TO HELP ME ADJOURN IN THE
2 MEMORY OF DR. SAUNDRA ANN WAKEFIELD-DAVIS. DR. DAVIS, THE
3 FIRST AFRICAN AMERICAN TO BE ELECTED TO PUBLIC OFFICE IN
4 CULVER CITY, WAS BORN MAY 14TH IN 1952, RIGHT HERE IN LOS
5 ANGELES, AND PASSED AWAY ON SEPTEMBER 23RD AFTER A COURAGEOUS
6 BATTLE WITH CANCER. A FIRM BELIEVER AND ADVOCATE FOR
7 EDUCATION, SAUNDRA RECEIVED A BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN
8 INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES, A MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN
9 BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE AND NEGOTIATION CONFLICT MANAGEMENT, A
10 DEGREE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION, AND AN HONORARY DOCTORATE
11 DEGREE IN EDUCATION. IN MAY OF 1977, DR. DAVIS MET THE LOVE OF
12 HER LIFE, REVEREND BILSON DAVIS. THE TWO WERE MARRIED SEVEN
13 MONTHS LATER, ON DECEMBER 24TH. THE DAVISES BECAME A BLENDED
14 FAMILY OF 5, AND HAD FIVE ADDITIONAL CHILDREN, TWO OF WHOM
15 WERE ADOPTED. DR. DAVIS LOVED BEING A WIFE AND MOTHER. AS A
16 STAY-AT-HOME MOM, SHE DEVELOPED A DEEP INTEREST IN EARLY
17 CHILDHOOD EDUCATION, AND REALIZED SHE HAD A GIFT FOR TEACHING
18 AND HELPING OTHERS. AS A RESULT, SHE BECAME THE
19 ADMINISTRATOR/DIRECTOR OF HOLY TEMPLE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL. DR.
20 DAVIS WAS ELECTED TO THE CULVER CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
21 BOARD OF EDUCATION IN 2000, WHERE SHE WORKED ON THE DISTRICT'S
22 DIVERSITY TASK FORCE, AND LATER BECAME PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD
23 FOR 8 YEARS. DR. DAVIS ALSO SERVED ON CULVER CITY'S STRATEGIC
24 PLANNING TEAM, AND MORE RECENTLY SHE SERVED ON CONGRESSWOMAN
25 DIANE WATSON'S CONGRESSIONAL ADVISORY COMMISSION, THE FREMONT

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1 COMMUNITY ADULT SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND CO-CHAIR
2 THEN-ASSEMBLYWOMAN KAREN BASS'S EDUCATION COMMISSION. DR.
3 DAVIS WILL BE REMEMBERED AS AN EXPERT IN THE FIELD OF
4 EDUCATION, AND A TRAILBLAZER WHO WAS INVESTED IN MINORITY AND
5 LOW-INCOME CHILDREN, WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, AND HAVING
6 EQUITABLE ACCESS TO A QUALITY EDUCATION FOR ALL. SHE WAS A
7 PROUD MEMBER OF ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC., AND THE
8 LINKS, INC. WHILE DR. DAVIS WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HER
9 PARENTS CLARENCE AND CONNIE, AND 3 SIBLINGS DEAN, GEORGE, AND
10 RUDOLPH, SHE LEAVES BEHIND TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER LOVING
11 HUSBAND OF ALMOST 44 YEARS, BILSON; 8 CHILDREN, CAMERON, DEAN,
12 EUMONDI, LATANIEL, MARI, MICHAELA, MYKI, AND TREMECE; 5
13 GRANDCHILDREN; AND MANY BELOVED FAMILY AND FRIENDS, WHO WILL
14 MISS HER DEARLY. SHE WAS A TRUE LEADER IN THE CULVER CITY
15 COMMUNITY, A LEADER IN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, AND A FRIEND TO
16 MYSELF AND MANY, AND WE WILL MISS HER LIGHT IN HER EYES WHEN
17 SHE TALKED ABOUT HER CHILDREN AND HER GRANDCHILDREN, AND HER
18 COMMUNITY ADVOCACY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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20 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. SUPERVISOR
21 SHEILA KUEHL?

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23 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I WANTED TO ADD,
24 HOLLY, ABOUT JOHN AUGUST SWANSON, I THOUGHT IT WAS INTERESTING
25 THAT HE ACTUALLY STUDIED WITH SISTER CORITA KENT FOR A WHILE,

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1 AND YOU KNOW THAT SOLID COLOR USE AND THAT SIMPLIFICATION, AND
2 EVERYTHING. NOT THAT HE HAD A LOT TO LEARN, BUT WHAT A GREAT
3 ARTIST HE WAS. THANK YOU FOR ADJOURNING FOR HIM. I'D ASK,
4 COLLEAGUES, IF YOU'D JOIN ME TODAY IN ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF
5 DARWIN MILLER, WHO DIED ON SEPTEMBER 25TH, AND WHO ACTUALLY
6 HAD TWO VERY FULFILLING CAREERS: A 20-YEAR CAREER AS THE OWNER
7 OF KAYE AND MILLER MACHINE CO., BUT 50 YEARS AS A SOLO
8 ENTREPRENEUR IN THE JEWELRY BUSINESS. HE WAS A DEDICATED
9 MEMBER OF OUR JEWISH COMMUNITY, SERVING AS A BOARD MEMBER AND
10 PRESIDENT AT TEMPLE VALLEY BETH SHALOM, AND ALSO SERVED AS AN
11 ACTIVE MEMBER AND PRESIDENT OF THE WESTERN DIVISION OF UNITED
12 SYNAGOGUES OF AMERICA, AS WELL AS ON THE BOARD OF L.A. HEBREW
13 HIGH SCHOOL. DURING WORLD WAR II, HE SERVED IN THE ARMY AIR
14 CORPS AS A TAIL GUNNER. HE FLEW 35 MISSIONS IN SERVICE TO THIS
15 COUNTRY. AND DECADES LATER, HE JOINED THE GROUP WINGS OVER
16 WENDY'S, AN INCLUSIVE GROUP OF WORLD WAR II VETERANS FROM
17 COUNTRIES ALL OVER THE WORLD. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE
18 BERNICE, AND HIS DAUGHTERS MARSHA AND SHOSHANA. AND I ASK THAT
19 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MARIAN COLLIER
20 NEUMAN, WHO DIED ON SEPTEMBER 3RD. SHE WAS A WONDERFUL, SWEET,
21 FUNNY ACTRESS, THE LAST LIVING MEMBER OF THE ALL-GIRL BAND IN
22 THE BILLY WILDER COMEDY "SOME LIKE IT HOT." SHE ALSO APPEARED
23 IN THE MOVIES "BELLS ARE RINGING," "PAY OR DIE," "ROAD
24 RACERS," AND HAD THE DISTINCTION OF PLAYING THREE DIFFERENT
25 PEOPLE IN THE "LETHAL WEAPON" FILMS. SHE WAS ALSO IN A LOT OF

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1 TELEVISION SHOWS, NOTABLY INCLUDING THE EARLY 1960S EMMY-
2 NOMINATED SERIES "MR. NOVAK." SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER
3 STEPCHILDREN, ERIC, JOHN, ZACHARY, VICTORIA, AND CLAUDIA. AND
4 FINALLY, I ASK WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
5 SIDNEY WALTON, ONE OF THE LAST REMAINING-- AND THE OLDEST--
6 WORLD WAR II VETERAN, WHO DIED ON OCTOBER 2ND, AT THE AGE OF
7 102. HE DROPPED OUT OF COLLEGE TO JOIN THE ARMY, BECAUSE HE
8 REALLY, REALLY WANTED TO GO AND FIGHT HITLER, HE SAID. AND
9 AFTER FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE, HE WENT BACK TO COLLEGE, THEN
10 ATTENDED GRADUATE SCHOOL AT YALE, TAUGHT GEOLOGY AT DUKE
11 UNIVERSITY AND NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY, AND MOVED HIS
12 FAMILY TO SAN DIEGO, WHERE HE WORKED AS A CIVILIAN CHEMICAL
13 ENGINEER AT NORTH ISLAND NAVAL AIR STATION. HE HAD ONLY ONE
14 REGRET IN LIFE. IN 1939, HE PASSED ON AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET A
15 GROUP OF AGING CIVIL WAR VETERANS WHO GATHERED AT THE WORLD'S
16 FAIR IN HIS HOMETOWN OF NEW YORK. HE MENTIONED THIS REGRET TO
17 HIS CHILDREN NUMEROUS TIMES, AND ON HIS 99TH BIRTHDAY, HIS
18 CHILDREN SUGGESTED THAT THEY GO ON TOUR ACROSS THE COUNTRY,
19 THAT THEY MEET WITH EVERY GOVERNOR IN EVERY STATE, AND MEET
20 WITH AS MANY PEOPLE AS THEY COULD ALONG THE WAY. THIS WOULD
21 GIVE EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THEM AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET AN
22 ACTUAL WORLD WAR II VETERAN BEFORE IT WAS TOO LATE FOR ANYONE
23 TO DO SO. SO HE LAUNCHED HIS NATIONAL "NO REGRETS" TOUR, WITH
24 THE GOAL OF VISITING ALL 50 STATES, MEETING ALL 50 GOVERNORS,
25 AND TO RAISE AWARENESS OF THE DIMINISHING NUMBER OF WORLD WAR

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1 II VETERANS, AND THE SACRIFICES THAT THEY HAD MADE. BEFORE
2 PASSING, HE VISITED 40 STATES, AND MET WITH GOVERNORS,
3 PRESIDENTS, WORLD LEADERS, CELEBRITIES, AND EVEN TOSSED THE
4 COIN AT THE 2020 SUPER BOWL. HE WANTED HIS TOUR TO BE
5 REMEMBERED AS A SYMBOL OF UNITY FOR THIS COUNTRY THAT
6 DEFINITELY NEEDS IT. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON PAUL, AND HIS
7 TWO DAUGHTERS, JUDY AND ELLIE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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9 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR HAHN, LAST
10 BUT NOT LEAST.

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12 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
13 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF WYATT EDDY, WHO WAS A
14 RESIDENT OF TORRANCE, WHO PASSED AWAY TOO SOON AS A RESULT OF
15 A TRAGIC SURFING ACCIDENT. WYATT WAS A GAMER, A SURFER, A STAR
16 STUDENT, A LOVING SON, AND A FIERCE AND LOYAL CHAMPION OF HIS
17 BROTHER. HIS SMILE LIT UP THE ROOM, AND HIS LAUGH WAS
18 INFECTIOUS. WYATT IS SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS DAVID AND WENDY,
19 AND HIS BROTHER WADE. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY,
20 WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF NADINE MCCOWAN, A LONGTIME
21 RESIDENT OF SAN PEDRO, WHO WAS 100 WHEN SHE JUST PASSED AWAY.
22 NADINE AND HER HUSBAND OWNED AND OPERATED MCCOWAN'S MARKET IN
23 SAN PEDRO FOR 50 YEARS, WHICH SPECIALIZED IN CROATIAN
24 DELICACIES. A GRADUATE OF U.C.L.A., NADINE VOLUNTEERED HER
25 TIME TO THE SCHOOL'S SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, AND SERVED ON THEIR

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1 BOARD OF DIRECTORS. SHE WAS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE GOLD SHIELD
2 ALUMNI ASSOCIATION. NADINE WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HER
3 HUSBAND, ADRIAN. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN KATHLEEN,
4 ADRIENNE, AND MICHAEL, 6 GRANDCHILDREN, AND 9 GREAT-
5 GRANDCHILDREN. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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7 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, ALL MEMBERS. WE WILL TAKE ALL
8 THE MOTIONS AS SECONDED. IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION TO A
9 UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ACTION. MEMBERS, NOW, CLOSED-
10 SESSION ITEMS CS-1, CS-2, CS-3, WILL BE CONTINUED TO OCTOBER
11 12TH, 2021. HEARING NO OBJECTIONS, THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.
12 AND, MEMBERS, THAT CONCLUDES TODAY'S MEETING. PLEASE NOTE THAT
13 THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE A SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION MEETING ON
14 OCTOBER THE 6TH, 2021, AND OCTOBER 12TH, 2021. THE NEXT
15 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER
16 THE 19TH, 2021. THANK YOU, MEMBERS. AND TO ALL THAT HAVE
17 LISTENED TO US TODAY, WE APPRECIATE YOU, AND WE APPRECIATE OUR
18 COUNTY FAMILY AND ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS AND CONSTITUENTS. THANK
19 YOU. WE ARE ADJOURNED.

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21 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. BYE, JANICE. BYE, SHEILA.
22 BYE, HOLLY.

23

24 **SUP. KUEHL:** GOOD NIGHT.

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