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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2021, 9:30 AM

SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. RIGHT, SO WE'RE GOING TO GET STARTED. OKAY. THANK YOU, EVERYONE, AND GOOD MORNING TO EVERYONE ON THIS BEAUTIFUL TUESDAY, NOVEMBER THE SECOND. THIS IS OUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AS YOU KNOW, AND I WILL CALL ROLL TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. SO, AND WE GO AHEAD AND BEGIN. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL? SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

SUP. KUEHL: HERE.

SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR HAHN?

SUP. HAHN: I AM HERE.

SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR BARGER?

SUP. BARGER: I AM HERE.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, AND SINCE SUPERVISOR MITCHELL ISN'T
12 HERE, I AM GOING TO DEFER TO SUPERVISOR KUEHL, IF YOU WILL
13 LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

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15 **SUP. KUEHL:** HAPPY TO. IF EVERYBODY WOULD STAND AND PUT YOUR
16 HAND OVER YOUR HEART. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE
17 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT
18 STANDS, ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND
19 JUSTICE FOR ALL.

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21 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. AS
22 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, WE WILL BE TAKING TELEPHONIC
23 PUBLIC COMMENTS DURING TODAY'S MEETING. THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE
24 OF THE BOARD RECEIVED OVER 800 WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR
25 TODAY'S MEETING, AND AS THOSE WRITTEN COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED,

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1 ALL OF THEM WERE AVAILABLE TO THE SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR
2 CONSIDERATION, CONSISTENT WITH THE BROWN ACT'S REQUIREMENTS.
3 WE WILL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE THOSE WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS
4 THROUGHOUT THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE OFFICIAL
5 RECORD. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

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7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
8 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 2, SET MATTER,
9 10:30 A.M. ITEM S-1 IS A DISCUSSION OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER
10 RELATED TO C.O.V.I.D.-19. THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR
11 DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 3, SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDA. THIS IS THE
12 AGENDA FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. ITEM
13 4-D IS A RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION DECLARING AN
14 INTENT MY MERCY HOUSING CALIFORNIA 95 L.P. TO UNDERTAKE BOND
15 FINANCING IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$24,310,000 TO FINANCE
16 THE CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE LONG BEACH SENIOR
17 HOME, A 68-UNIT AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT IN THE CITY OF LONG
18 BEACH. ON PAGE SIX, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE REGIONAL PARK
19 AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT. ON PAGE SEVEN, CONSENT CALENDAR,
20 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 24. ON ITEM 1, THIS
21 INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
22 ON ITEM 6, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
23 ON ITEM 7, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE
24 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 8, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS
25 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ALSO ON ITEM 8,

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1 SUPERVISOR KUEHL WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO
2 UPDATE SUPERVISOR BARGER AND HAHN'S MOTION TO ALSO INCLUDE
3 PROPERTY OWNERS WHO RESIDE IN THEIR HOMES, AND DO NOT RECEIVE
4 RENT FOR A ROOM OR DWELLING UNIT ON THE SAME PROPERTY, AS
5 SPECIFIED BY THE COUNTY CODE, TO REGISTER ON THE LOS ANGELES
6 COUNTY RENT REGISTRY. ON ITEM 14, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS
7 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 17, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WOULD
8 LIKE TO AMEND DIRECTIVE NUMBER THREE OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S
9 MOTION TO INSTRUCT THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO
10 DEVELOP A POLICY FOR ALLOCATING THE REMAINING BALLANCE OF THE
11 OAK FOREST SPECIALTY FUND, USING THE EQUITY FRAMEWORK IN
12 COLLABORATION WITH THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE ANTIRACISM AND
13 DIVERSITY INITIATIVE THAT SPECIFICALLY ADDRESSES SHADE
14 INEQUITIES THAT EXIST IN OUR HIGH AND VERY HIGH NEED
15 COMMUNITIES THAT ARE MOST VULNERABLE TO THE EFFECTS OF CLIMATE
16 CHANGE TO THE PRIORITIES THAT COMMUNITIES IN THE FUTURE PLANS
17 ALSO RECOGNIZE THE ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS OF OAK PLANNING AT
18 REGIONAL FACILITIES IN THE COUNTY, AND REPORT BACK TO THE
19 BOARD BEFORE THE NEXT ROUND OF FUNDING TO THE BOARD OF
20 SUPERVISORS WITHIN 90 DAYS FOR APPROVAL. THIS IS ON ITEM 17.
21 ON ITEM 18, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
22 HELD. ON ITEM 19, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
23 HELD. ON ITEM 20, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON
24 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 23, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS,
25 ITEMS 25 THROUGH 59. ON ITEM 25, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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1 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO NOVEMBER 30, 2021, AS
2 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM... HOLD ON. LET'S SEE.
3 ON ITEM 31, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS
4 ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS, TO NOVEMBER 16, 2021. ON ITEM 38,
5 SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM
6 RELATES TO ITEM 61. ON ITEM 40, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS
7 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 42, THIS
8 INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA, WHICH WERE
9 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS
10 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 57-A, SUPERVISOR
11 MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 43,
12 ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEMS 60 AND 61. ON ITEM 61,
13 SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM
14 RELATES TO ITEM 38. ON PAGE 45, PUBLIC HEARING, ITEM 62. THIS
15 ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR HEARING. ON PAGE 46, NOTICE OF CLOSED
16 SESSION. ON ITEM CS-1, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
17 BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS OFFICE. THE REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCES
18 AND THE REFERRED BACK, THROUGH CS-1, ARE BEFORE YOU.

19
20 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY ME AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
21 KUEHL TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS. THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

22
23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA,
24 MADAM CHAIR.

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. BEFORE WE TAKE UP PUBLIC COMMENT
2 ON ALL AGENDA ITEMS, THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER WILL READ THE SHORT
3 TITLE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
4 PLEASE SWEAR IN THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD ON
5 THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEM.

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7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** FOR THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE
8 BOARD ON THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEM, PLEASE PREPARE TO BE SWORN
9 IN. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THE BOARD, DO YOU
10 SOLEMNLY SWEAR TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH, AND NOTHING
11 BUT THE TRUTH, SO HELP YOU GOD? ITEM 62 IS A HEARING ON
12 PROJECT NUMBER 2020-000606, TO APPROVE AN UPDATE TO THE
13 HOUSING ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN FOR THE 2021-2029 PLANNING
14 PERIOD, AND AMEND COUNTY CODE, TITLE 22 - PLANNING AND ZONING,
15 TO ADD DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS PERTAINING TO FLOOR AREA
16 DEDICATED TO RESIDENTIAL USE IN MIXED USE PROJECTS IN THE
17 MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT ZONE. A WRITTEN STATEMENT WAS PROVIDED,
18 AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

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

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2 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AS INDICATED ON
3 THE AGENDA, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO OFFER PUBLIC
4 COMMENT SHOULD CALL (877) 336-4437, AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE
5 NUMBER 136-6786. TO REPEAT: PLEASE CALL (877) 336-4437, AND
6 USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 136-6786. DO NOT CALL THAT NUMBER
7 IF YOU ONLY WANT TO LISTEN TO THE MEETING. TO LISTEN ONLY,
8 PLEASE CALL (877) 873-8017 AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS. TO
9 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CALLING IN: WHEN IT IS YOUR TURN TO
10 SPEAK, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND WHICH AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH
11 TO SPEAK ON. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE TO SPEAK ON ONE AGENDA ITEM,
12 OR TWO MINUTES TO SPEAK ON TWO OR MORE AGENDA ITEMS. IN
13 ADDITION, THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD WITH
14 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE PROVIDED ONE ADDITIONAL MINUTE,
15 FOR A MAXIMUM TOTAL UP TO THREE MINUTES. WE WILL ALLOCATE 60
16 MINUTES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ALL OF THE ITEMS. WE WILL
17 CONTINUE TO ACCEPT ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING
18 THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE RECORD. WHEN
19 SPEAKING ON THE AGENDA ITEMS, YOU MUST BE ON TOPIC. OUR GOAL
20 IS TO GET THROUGH AS MANY SPEAKERS AS WE CAN. IF YOU ARE NOT
21 SPEAKING ON TOPIC, OR IF WE CANNOT TELL IF YOU ARE SPEAKING ON
22 AN AGENDA ITEM, YOU WILL GET ONE WARNING FROM COUNTY COUNSEL
23 OR THE CHAIR. IF YOU DO NOT IMMEDIATELY OR CLEARLY GET ON
24 TOPIC, OR IF YOU STRAY OFF TOPIC AGAIN, YOU WILL FORFEIT THE
25 REST OF YOUR TIME, AND THE CHAIR WILL MOVE TO THE NEXT

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

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

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12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WE WILL NOW HEAR THE SPANISH
13 INTERPRETATION OF THIS REMINDER. [INSTRUCTIONS IN SPANISH.]

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

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18 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. OUR FIRST SPEAKER TODAY IS ADRIENNA
19 WONG. PLEASE STATE WHICH AGENDA ITEMS YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING
20 TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WISH TO ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
21 YOU MAY BEGIN.

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23 **ADRIENNA WONG, WITH [INAUDIBLE] AND A.C.L.U. SOCAL, IN SUPPORT**
24 **OF ITEM NUMBER 16.**

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

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3 **ADRIENNA WONG:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR
4 YOUR ATTENTION TO THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE. EVERY YEAR, L.A.
5 COUNTY EXTRACTS MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN PHONE FEES AND
6 COMMISSARY MARK-UPS FROM FAMILIES OF INCARCERATED PEOPLE--
7 FAMILIES ALREADY UNDER TREMENDOUS ECONOMIC STRAIN. ALTHOUGH
8 THE LAW REQUIRES THE FUNDS SQUEEZED FROM FAMILIES UNDER DURESS
9 BE USED PRIMARILY FOR THE BENEFIT OF INCARCERATED PEOPLE, WE
10 KNOW THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT POCKETS ROUGHLY HALF TO UPHOLD
11 THE JAIL SYSTEM. AND EVEN THE HALF IT PURPORTEDLY USES TO
12 BENEFIT INCARCERATED PEOPLE IS QUESTIONABLE, IN TERMS OF
13 WHETHER IT ACTUALLY GOES TO PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, IN TERMS OF
14 WHETHER THOSE PROGRAMS ARE ACTUALLY BENEFICIAL, AND IN TERMS
15 OF WHETHER THOSE PROGRAMS COULD BE MORE APPROPRIATELY FUNDED
16 THROUGH ALTERNATIVE FUNDING SOURCES. PROGRAMS TO MEET OUR
17 COMMUNITY MEMBERS' HEALTH NEEDS OR TO FACILITATE DIVERSION AND
18 REENTRY CAN AND SHOULD BE SUPPORTED BY ALTERNATIVE FUNDING
19 SOURCES. OTHERWISE, THE COUNTY IS JUST UNDERMINING ITS OWN
20 EFFORTS BY FUNDING THEM THROUGH FEES THAT DESTABILIZE FAMILIES
21 AND SADDLE THEM WITH DEBT THAT MAKES RETURNING TO COMMUNITIES
22 HARDER. FOR ALL THESE REASONS, WE SUPPORT THE COMPREHENSIVE
23 REVIEW AND AUDIT THIS MOTION CALLS FOR, AND URGE THE COUNTY TO
24 EXPEDITIOUSLY CONTINUE THE MOVE TOWARDS ENDING PHONE FEES AND
25 COMMISSARY PRICE GOUGING IN ITS JAILS. THANK YOU.

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

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4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DIEGO RODRIGUEZ. PLEASE
5 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
6 YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

7

8 **DIEGO RODRIGUEZ:** GOOD MORNING. DIEGO RODRIGUEZ, AND I WILL BE
9 SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEMS 19, AND ITEM 67-C. THANK YOU, MEMBERS
10 OF THE BOARD, AND FIRST, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR
11 HILDA SOLIS, FOR HIGHLIGHTING DIABETES PREVENTION THROUGH
12 AGENDA ITEM 19. AS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROVIDERS WITH OVER 45
13 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE, WE KNOW THAT RATES OF DEPRESSION AMONG
14 INDIVIDUALS WITH DIABETES ARE TWO TIMES GREATER THAN IN THE
15 GENERAL POPULATION, AND THAT THOSE WITH DIABETES ARE
16 ESPECIALLY AT A HIGHER RISK FOR POOR PHYSICAL AND MENTAL
17 HEALTH OUTCOMES. AND PEOPLE WITH DIABETES ARE TWICE AS LIKELY
18 TO EXPERIENCE EATING DISORDERS, AMONG MANY OTHER ISSUES. THIS
19 MOTION CREATES A ROADMAP PAVED WITH CLEAR AND ACTIONABLE STEPS
20 TOWARDS EDUCATING, EQUIPPING, AND EMPOWERING INDIVIDUALS AND
21 FAMILIES, INCLUDING CULTURALLY AND LINGUISTICALLY APPROPRIATE
22 EDUCATION CAMPAIGNS, COLLABORATION BETWEEN D.P.H., L.A.C.O.E.,
23 D.M.H., AND D.H.S., TOWARDS ENHANCING STUDENTS' ACCESS TO
24 HEALTH NEEDS AT SCHOOLS, ADVANCING EFFORTS TO PREVENT
25 COMORBIDITIES, AND ENCOURAGING FURTHER PATIENT SCREENING. WE

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1 HAVE SEEN HOW THE INCIDENTS OF CERTAIN HEALTH CONDITIONS HAVE
2 INCREASED DURING THE PANDEMIC. DATA FROM AROUND THE COUNTRY
3 HAS SHOWN US THAT DIABETES IS ONE OF THE TOP RISK FACTORS FOR
4 SEVERE C.O.V.I.D. INFECTION. THIS TIMELY MOTION OFFERS A WELL-
5 CRAFTED, MULTIFACETED RESPONSE TO A VERY TIMELY ISSUE. I ASK
6 YOU TO FULLY SUPPORT IT. ON ITEM 57, VIOLENCE HAS INCREASED
7 SIGNIFICANTLY, INCLUDING IN EAST L.A., WHERE ALMA FAMILY
8 SERVICES HAVE [INAUDIBLE]. WITH THE EXPANSION OF THE TRAUMA
9 PREVENTION INITIATIVE, WE CAN CHANGE THAT. THIS INITIATIVE,
10 THE HOSPITAL INNOVATION STREET OUTREACH PRONGS, WOULD TACKLE
11 VIOLENCE FROM DIFFERENT ANGLES. IT WOULD EMPLOY INDIVIDUALS TO
12 ENGAGE VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE BEDSIDE IN HOSPITALS, PROVIDE PEER
13 SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE AND LINKAGE TO SERVICES, INCLUDING
14 COUNSELING, EMPLOYMENT, SUBSTANCE USE TREATMENT, AND VICTIM
15 COMPENSATION. THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT THE COMMUNITY NEEDS. THANK
16 YOU FOR THIS MOTION, SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HAHN, AND I
17 RESPECTFULLY ASK THE BOARD TO SUPPORT THIS ITEM, AS WELL.
18 THANK YOU.

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

21
22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ROY HUMPHREYS. PLEASE STATE
23 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
24 WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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1 **SPEAKER:** JUST ITEM NUMBER 4 AND PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU HAVE TIME
2 FOR GENDER PARITY ON PHYSICAL AGILITY AND PEACE OFFICER
3 STANDARDS AND TRAINING, AND CAN'T EVEN GET THE NUMBER OF
4 UNPROCESSED SEXUAL ASSAULT KITS, KNOWING HOW MANY CHILDREN ARE
5 SEXUALLY ASSAULTED UNDER CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES EVERY YEAR.
6 Y'ALL ARE THE BEST. AS TO PARITY, MY EX-MARINE SON COULD TELL
7 YOU ABOUT THAT IN FIVE MINUTES. ON PUBLIC COMMENT, YOU ALL
8 RECEIVED COPIES OF U.S. CODES 13, 24, AND 25, ON IMPROPER
9 ENTRY BY ALIENS INTO THE UNITED STATES, AND HARBORING CERTAIN
10 ALIENS, NOTING THAT THESE ARE CRIMINAL ACTS, WITH UP TO 15
11 YEARS IN PRISON AS FELONS. LADIES, YOUR SANCTUARY POLICY AND
12 ACTIONS SEEM TO QUALIFY YOU AS FELONS. NOW, SUPERVISOR BARGER
13 WILL GET SPECIAL CONSIDERATION, BEING THE ONLY ONE WHO VOTED
14 NO ON GIVING 3 MILLION TAX DOLLARS TO ILLEGAL ALIEN DEFENSE.
15 LADIES, WHAT DO YOU TELL THE LITTLE GIRLS AND BOYS ABOUT LAW
16 AND ORDER IN CALIFORNIA, AS PART OF ONE NATION, INDIVISIBLE?
17 LADIES, ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION IS EVERYBODY'S DUTY AND
18 RESPONSIBILITY. AND, SUPERVISOR HAHN, NICK AND LAUREN SHOULD
19 BE MADE TO USE THE PUBLIC BUS SYSTEM FOR ALL DUTIES, UNTIL
20 SUCH TIME AS YOU GET THAT BENCH ON NOGALES FOR OUR BUS
21 PATRONS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?
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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LYNNE PLAMBECK. PLEASE
2 STATE WHICH AGENDA ITEMS YOU'LL BE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND
3 WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
4 BEGIN.

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6 **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** MY NAME IS LYNNE PLAMBECK, AND I AM THE
7 PRESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR PLANNING AND THE
8 ENVIRONMENT, AND I AM OPPOSING ITEM 41, WHICH I BELIEVE YOU
9 ALREADY APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR, WHICH I DON'T KNOW HOW
10 YOU CAN DO THAT BEFORE PEOPLE SPEAK. BUT THE REASON I AM
11 CONCERNED ABOUT IT IS THAT MISSION VILLAGE, WHICH IS THE HUGE
12 TRACT 2 OF NEWHALL RANCH, WHICH THEY ARE CURRENTLY GRADING AND
13 BUILDING, WAS A PRIOR ABANDONED OIL FIELD, AND IT IS OUR
14 UNDERSTANDING THAT, UNDER YOUR REGULATIONS 110.4, HAZARDOUS
15 MITIGATION, THAT THE HOUSING IS NOT SUPPOSED TO BE LOCATED
16 DIRECTLY OVER ABANDONED OIL WELLS. NOW, THESE WELLS, ACCORDING
17 TO REPORTS AT REGIONAL PLANNING, SEEM TO HAVE ALL BEEN
18 PROPERLY ABANDONED, BUT WE CONTINUE TO HAVE A CONCERN ABOUT
19 METHANE LEAKING INTO FUTURE HOMES. AND WE HAVE SUBMITTED
20 COMMENTS, WHERE YOU CAN SEE THAT THERE'S REALLY NO INDICATION
21 ABOUT WHERE THOSE OIL WELLS WERE, OR WHETHER STRUCTURES ARE
22 BEING BUILT DIRECTLY OVER THEM. AND WE WOULD JUST LIKE YOU TO
23 TAKE A LOOK AT THIS BEFORE YOU APPROVE THE FINAL MAP, JUST TO
24 ENSURE THAT FUTURE RESIDENTS ARE SAFE FROM LEAKING METHANE, AS
25 WE ALL REMEMBER HAPPENED AT THAT BELMONT SCHOOL. WE DON'T WANT

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1 TO HAVE THAT HAPPEN OUT IN OUR COMMUNITY, TOO. AND THE OTHER
2 THING THAT I WOULD LIKE TO-- THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF ISSUES
3 WITH-- THIS IS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. WE WOULD ENCOURAGE THE
4 COUNTY TO FORM A CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO REVIEW
5 WHETHER CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL FOR PROJECTS ARE REALLY BEING
6 ENFORCED, BECAUSE IT SEEMS THAT PROJECTS GET APPROVED, AND
7 THEN THAT'S THE END. THERE'S NO ENFORCEMENT. THERE'S NO
8 OVERSIGHT, AND THE COMMUNITY IS NOT PROTECTED WHEN, IN FACT,
9 MANY OF US AGREED OR DIDN'T FIGHT PROJECTS, BECAUSE WE
10 UNDERSTOOD CERTAIN CONDITIONS WERE BEING ADDED TO PROTECT THE
11 COMMUNITY. SO I HAVE REQUESTED--

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

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16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS VICTORIA URENIA. PLEASE
17 STATE WHICH AGENDA ITEMS YOU'LL BE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND
18 WHETHER YOU WISH TO ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
19 BEGIN.

20

21 **VICTORIA URENIA:** I'M VICTORIA URENIA, FROM THE SAN GABRIEL
22 VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, WHO ARE SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF
23 THIS MOTION FOR AGENDA ITEM 14, INTERIM HOUSING SERVICES FUND.
24 THIS WOULD POSITIVELY IMPACT OUR PROJECTS AND THE WORK WE ARE
25 DOING TO BE PART OF THE SOLUTION TO HOMELESSNESS. WE RECENTLY

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1 PARTNERED WITH THE CITY OF BALDWIN PARK AND THE SAN GABRIEL
2 HOUSING TRUST TO DEVELOP THE FIRST TINY HOME BRIDGE HOUSING
3 SITE IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, ESPERANZA VILLA. THIS SITE
4 WILL PROVIDE 25 UNITS OF INTERIM HOUSING PAIRED WITH
5 SUPPORTIVE SERVICES, ON-SITE AMENITIES, FOR INDIVIDUALS
6 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN BALDWIN PARK. A SECOND 25-UNIT
7 TINY HOME SITE HAS ALSO BEEN APPROVED IN THE CITY OF
8 MONTEBELLO. ADDITIONAL FUNDING AND COUNTY SUPPORT WOULD BETTER
9 SUSTAIN CURRENT PROGRAMMING, IN ADDITION TO ALLOWING OUR
10 CITIES TO EXPAND THEIR IMPACT AND FURTHER SERVE PEOPLE
11 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, ULTIMATELY STRENGTHENING THE
12 REGION'S HOMELESS HOUSING AND SERVICES SYSTEM. WE APPRECIATE
13 YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT AND ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER. THANK YOU.

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

16

17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS M.J. KING. PLEASE STATE
18 WHICH AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING, AND WHETHER YOU ARE
19 ADDRESSING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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21 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. THIS IS M.J. KING, AND I AM A RESIDENT
22 OF DISTRICT ONE. I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS FOUR, SIX,
23 16, 30, 44, 57-C, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

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

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2 **SPEAKER:** ON ITEM 4, WHILE I APPLAUD ATTEMPTS AT INCREASING
3 WORKPLACE GENDER EQUITY, REPRESENTATION OF WOMEN IN THE
4 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WILL NOT CHANGE THE FACT THAT L.A.S.D. IS
5 A VICIOUSLY MISOGYNISTIC INSTITUTION THAT HARMS WOMEN AT EVERY
6 TURN. THE COUNTY CANNOT PRETEND THAT HIRING MORE WOMEN TO JOIN
7 THE RANKS OF L.A.S.D. IS A SUDDEN CURE FOR THE GENDER VIOLENCE
8 THAT L.A.S.D. PRACTICES EVERY DAY. THERE IS NO RESEARCH
9 SUPPORTING THE IDEA THAT MORE WOMEN POLICE OFFICERS LEAD TO
10 BETTER POLICING OR COMMUNITY RELATIONS. INSTEAD, WOMEN
11 OFFICERS COMPLETELY GET SUCKED INTO THE SAME INSTITUTIONALIZED
12 VIOLENCE THAT IS INHERENT IN L.A.S.D. AND ALL FORMS OF
13 POLICING. WOMEN CANNOT BE EXPECTED TO COME IN AND FIX A
14 CULTURE OF VIOLENCE THAT UNDERLIES POLICING, AND IT IS WRONG
15 TO EVEN PLACE THAT BURDEN ON THEM IN THE FIRST PLACE. ONE
16 REASON THAT WOMEN DON'T WANT TO JOIN L.A.S.D. IS BECAUSE THEY
17 FACE SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND MISCONDUCT FROM THEIR MALE PEERS.
18 IF THE COUNTY'S CONCERNED WITH GENDER EQUITY, THE BOARD NEEDS
19 TO ACTUALLY ADDRESS THE RAMPANT GENDER VIOLENCE AND MISOGYNY
20 THAT L.A.S.D. INFLECTS, AND THE PATRIARCHAL STRUCTURE THAT
21 L.A.S.D. UPHOLDS. BLACK WOMEN ARE AT HIGHEST RISK OF ANY GROUP
22 FOR EXPERIENCING SEXUAL VIOLENCE PERPETRATED BY LAW
23 ENFORCEMENT. 40 PERCENT OF POLICE OFFICERS ARE DOMESTIC
24 ABUSERS, AND FORCING VIOLENCE ON WOMEN AT MUCH HIGHER RATES
25 THAN THE GENERAL POPULATION. THERE'S WELL DOCUMENTED EVIDENCE

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1 THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT CONSISTENTLY FAILS TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE
2 SUPPORT TO SURVIVORS, INCLUDING INFLICTING VIOLENCE AND
3 CRIMINALIZATION, LEADING TO MORE TRAUMA AND HARM. A STUDY BY
4 THE NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE CONCLUDED THAT TWO IN
5 THREE WOMEN WHO CONTACT THE POLICE REPORT THAT THEY WERE
6 EXTREMELY AFRAID THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT WOULD RETALIATE AGAINST
7 THEM. THE RESULTS OF THE STUDY ALSO SHOW THAT ONE IN FOUR
8 WOMEN WHO HAVE CONTACTED THE POLICE REPORT THEY HAVE BEEN
9 THREATENED WITH ARREST OR ARRESTED WHEN REPORTING THE INCIDENT
10 OF SEXUAL ASSAULT. INCARCERATED WOMEN EXPERIENCE SEXUAL
11 ASSAULT, RAPE, SEXUAL EXTORTION, GROPING DURING BODY SEARCHES,
12 AND BRUTAL RETALIATION IF THEY COMPLAIN ABOUT IT. WOMEN ARE
13 FURTHER TARGETED FOR ABUSE BY L.A.S.D., BASED ON THEIR RACE,
14 SEXUAL ORIENTATION, AND MENTAL ILLNESS. IN A MISSION ADVANCING
15 GENDER PARITY, THE LACK OF WOMEN DEPUTIES AND OFFICERS IS THE
16 LEAST EGREGIOUS OFFENSE THAT L.A.S.D. HAS COMMITTED. IN ORDER
17 TO ADVANCE GENDER PARITY, THE BOARD NEEDS TO FOCUS ON THE MOST
18 VULNERABLE WOMEN IN OUR COMMUNITY, NOT ENCOURAGE MORE
19 REPRESENTATION IN MISOGYNY. THERE ARE DISTURBINGLY HIGH RATES
20 OF SEXUAL AND GENDER VIOLENCE COMMITTED BY L.A.S.D. THAT THE
21 BOARD IS CHOOSING TO IGNORE, IN FAVOR OF HIRING MORE WOMEN TO
22 BE COMPLICIT IN IT. ON ITEM 44, THE SHERIFF'S REQUEST FOR
23 FUNDS DOES NOT SPECIFY WHAT THESE REIMBURSEMENTS ARE FOR; YET
24 ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF THE SHERIFF REFUSING TO ACCOUNTABILITY.
25 THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE. THE SHERIFF COSTS L.A. COUNTY TAXPAYERS

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1 MILLIONS EVERY YEAR. TODAY'S BOARD AGENDA ALONE, L.A.S.D.
2 MISCONDUCT WASTED \$3.3 MILLION IN THE FORM OF SETTLEMENTS.
3 THIS IS A RIDICULOUS AMOUNT OF MONEY FOR US TO BE SPENDING
4 BAILING OUT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR VIOLENCE AND
5 MISCONDUCT, AND WE WATCH IT HAPPEN EVERY TWO WEEKS. STOP
6 FUNDING SHERIFF VIOLENCE. VILLANUEVA MUST GO. THANK YOU FOR
7 YOUR TIME.

8

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

11

12 **MODERATOR:** AS A REMINDER, TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, IF YOU HAVE
13 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS ONE AND THEN ZERO AT THIS
14 TIME.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MY TIMER WAS GOING. COULD YOU HEAR THE
17 BEEPING?

18

19 **MODERATOR:** DO NOT PRESS 1 AND 0 A SECOND TIME, OR YOU WILL BE
20 REMOVED FROM QUEUE. OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS HECTOR FLORES.
21 PLEASE STATE WHICH AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND
22 WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
23 BEGIN.

24

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1 **DR. HECTOR FLORES:** GOOD MORNING. THIS IS DR. HECTOR FLORES. I
2 AM ADDRESSING ITEM 19 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I AM THE
3 CHAIR OF FAMILY MEDICINE AT WHITE MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER,
4 WHERE WE SPENT THE LAST 20 YEARS IMPLEMENTING PREVENTION AND
5 INTERVENTION PROGRAMS FOR DIABETES. I AM ALSO THE MEDICAL
6 DIRECTOR OF A COMMUNITY-BASED MEDICAL GROUP, CALLED FAMILY
7 SPECIALISTS, IN EAST LOS ANGELES, THAT SHARES THAT EXPERIENCE.
8 I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR MAKING THIS MOTION, THE
9 DIABETES AND PRE-DIABETES AWARENESS AND PREVENTION. I THINK IT
10 IS A REALLY IMPORTANT ISSUE. THE MOTION ACTUALLY ADDRESSES THE
11 COMPELLING REASONS TO DO SO AT THIS TIME, AND I WOULD URGE
12 YOUR BOARD TO CONSIDER ESTABLISHING A HEALTH EQUITY COUNCIL OR
13 TASK FORCE TO BUILD ON YOUR SUCCESS. FOR EXAMPLE, I COMMEND
14 YOUR BOARD FOR ALSO ADDRESSING THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF
15 HEALTH IN OUR COUNTY, STARTING WITH AFFORDABLE HOUSING, BUT
16 ALSO ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS, FOOD INSECURITY, TRANSPORTATION,
17 PUBLIC SAFETY, AND THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT; AND MOST RECENTLY, A
18 HISTORIC DECISION TO PILOT A UNIVERSAL BASIC INCOME PROGRAM.
19 OTHER CITIES, LIKE STOCKTON AND OTHER MUNICIPALITIES, HAVE
20 SHOWN THAT PEOPLE ACTUALLY USE THIS MONEY FOR HEALTHY
21 OUTCOMES, INCLUDING, IN THIS CASE, BUYING SOMETIMES A
22 REFRIGERATOR SO THEY CAN ACTUALLY DO THEIR SHOPPING ON A
23 WEEKLY BASIS, RATHER THAN LIVING DAY TO DAY; AND IMPORTANTLY,
24 BEING ABLE TO BUY FRESH FOOD AND OTHER HEALTHY FOOD, RATHER
25 THAN RELYING ON DISCOUNTS FROM FAST-FOOD OUTLETS FOR THEIR

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1 DAILY MEAL. I WOULD ALSO HOPE THAT YOU WOULD CONSIDER PERHAPS
2 BUILDING ON THAT U.B.I. BY WORKING WITH THE STATE, AND
3 ENSURING SOME TYPE OF TAX INCENTIVE OR RELIEF FOR EMPLOYERS
4 WHO ARE WILLING TO STEP UP AND OFFER A LIVING WAGE FOR THEIR
5 EMPLOYEES, SO THAT IT PARALLELS THE UNIVERSAL BASIC INCOME
6 PROGRAM WE HAVE ESTABLISHED. THIS MOTION OUTLINES SPECIFIC AND
7 EFFECTIVE ACTIONS. I COMMEND THAT. AND I WOULD ALSO SUGGEST
8 THAT YOUR BOARD CONSIDER, IF YOU ESTABLISH A HEALTH EQUITY
9 COUNCIL, TO DO SO IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE
10 MOVING TOWARDS HEALTH EQUITY, SUCH AS THE L.A. COUNTY MEDICAL
11 ASSOCIATION, THAT HAS A PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCIL TO PARTNER WITH
12 PUBLIC HEALTH, AND A HEALTH EQUITY COUNCIL; AS WELL AS THE
13 HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, THAT HAS A
14 PROGRAM CALLED COMMUNITIES LIFTING COMMUNITIES, THAT ADDRESSES
15 SOCIAL DETERMINANTS, ALONG WITH HEALTHCARE AND INNOVATION OF
16 MENTAL HEALTH AND OTHER CHALLENGES IN OUR COMMUNITY. BETWEEN
17 THE CLINIC ASSOCIATION AND VALLEY COUNTY, REPRESENTING THE
18 SAFETY NET PROVIDERS, IS ALSO A FORMIDABLE PARTNER, AND LOCAL
19 PROVIDERS WHO ARE WILLING TO STEP UP AND WORK WITH YOU TO
20 ADDRESS THIS ISSUE. SO, AGAIN, I SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF THE
21 MOTION, AND I THANK YOU FOR ALL THE WORK THAT YOU ARE DOING.
22 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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

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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS KATHY SPILLAR. PLEASE STATE
2 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
3 WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4

5 **KATHY SPILLAR:** THANK YOU. I AM SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF MOTION
6 NUMBER FOUR, ON ADVANCING GENDER PARITY AS LEGISLATIVE
7 PRIORITY IN POLICING, AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS KUEHL
8 AND SOLIS FOR PUTTING THAT MOTION FORWARD. MY NAME IS KATHY
9 SPILLAR, AND I AM A MEMBER OF THE WOMEN AND GIRLS ADVISORY
10 COUNCIL, AND WORKED WITH THE JUSTICE AND SECURITY STRATEGIES
11 TO IDENTIFY THE FACTORS BEHIND THE VERY LOW NUMBER OF WOMEN IN
12 THE L.A. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THE LOW NUMBER OF WOMEN IN
13 SWORN POSITIONS DOES IMPACT THE CULTURE AND THE RELATIONSHIP
14 OF THE L.A.S.D. TO THE PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES OF LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY. CONTRARY TO EARLIER TESTIMONY, MULTIPLE STUDIES OVER
16 MORE THAN 40 YEARS SHOW THE IMPACT THAT FEMALE OFFICERS HAVE
17 ON POLICING. FEMALE OFFICERS USE LESS FORCE THAN THEIR MALE
18 COUNTERPARTS. THIS HOLDS ACROSS ALL RACIAL AND ETHNIC GROUPS,
19 AND EVEN IN THOSE SITUATIONS WHERE FORCE IS REQUIRED, FEMALE
20 OFFICERS USE LESS EXTREME FORMS OF VIOLENCE. FEMALE OFFICERS
21 EXHIBIT FEWER CONTROLLING BEHAVIORS. THEY HAVE BETTER
22 COMMUNICATION SKILLS TO RESOLVE AND DEESCALATE DISPUTES, AND
23 THEY ARE LESS LIKELY TO BE INVOLVED IN CORRUPTION AND ENGAGE
24 IN SEXUAL MISCONDUCT. THE J.S.S. STUDY EVALUATED THE RANGE OF
25 PRACTICES THAT CONTRIBUTE TO THE UNDER-REPRESENTATION OF WOMEN

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1 IN THE L.A.S.D. SEXUAL HARASSMENT IS CERTAINLY A FACTOR, BUT
2 THE PHYSICAL AGILITIES EXAM IS ONE OF THE MAJOR OBSTACLES. ALL
3 RECRUITS TO THE L.A.S.D. MUST PASS--

4

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

7

8 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PETER ELIASBERG. PLEASE
9 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
10 YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **PETER ELIASBERG:** YES, HI. PETER ELIASBERG, FROM THE A.C.L.U.
13 OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEM
14 30, AND ALSO GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE
15 AUTHORIZATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HOSPITALS' AWARD TO
16 EXPAND O.D.R.'S INNOVATIVE AND VERY EFFECTIVE WORK ON
17 COMMUNITY-BASED RESTORATION, AND DIVERSION FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE
18 BEEN DESIGNATED AS FELONS AND COMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL. BUT
19 THE PUBLIC COMMENT I WANT TO MAKE IS THAT, EVEN AFTER THE
20 AUTHORIZATION OF THAT AWARD, APPROXIMATELY 360 PEOPLE WILL
21 REMAIN IN THE JAIL. THIS IS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION, BUT
22 IT DOESN'T SOLVE THE PROBLEM. 60% TO 75% OF THOSE PEOPLE WILL
23 BE APPROPRIATE FOR COMMUNITY-BASED RESTORATION OR DIVERSION.
24 GETTING THAT NUMBER TO ZERO, THOSE PEOPLE WHO CAN AND SHOULD
25 BE IN C.B.R. DIVERSION, IS ESSENTIAL, BECAUSE L.A. HAS BEEN

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1 FLAGRANTLY VIOLATING ITS CONSENT DECREE WITH THE UNITED STATES
2 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ON THE TREATMENT OF PEOPLE WITH MENTAL
3 ILLNESS IN THE JAILS. ONE VERY SPECIFIC POINT: THERE'S
4 SUPPOSED TO BE MENTAL HEALTH HOUSING-- MODERATE OR HIGH
5 OBSERVATION HOUSING-- AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY WHEN SOMEONE NEEDS
6 IT. BUT, IN FACT, IN THE LAST REPORT FROM THE MONITOR ON THE
7 CONSENT DECREE, FOR MEN, WHEN HIGH OBSERVATION HOUSING WAS
8 NEEDED, IT WAS NEVER AVAILABLE AND APPROPRIATE IN A TIMELY
9 FASHION. OF THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED [INAUDIBLE] IN
10 THE JAILS, 90% OF THEM ARE EITHER IN MODERATE OBSERVATION
11 HOUSING OR HIGH OBSERVATION HOUSING. THERE IS NO WAY THAT L.A.
12 CAN MEET THE CONSENT DECREE AS LONG AS THOSE PEOPLE ARE USING
13 THAT HOUSING, WHEN THEY COULD BE IN THE COMMUNITY BEING BETTER
14 SERVED. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT LOS ANGELES BRING ITSELF INTO
15 COMPLIANCE WITH THAT CONSENT DECREE, WHICH WAS ENTERED IN
16 2015, AND THE STATE HAS A SIGNIFICANT INCENTIVE TO FUND LOS
17 ANGELES'S FURTHER EXPANSION OF ITS C.B.R. AND O.D.R. WORK,
18 BECAUSE THE STATE HAS ITS OWN OBLIGATIONS TO MOVE PEOPLE OUT
19 OF JAILS AND OTHER PLACES OF CONFINEMENT AND INTO TREATMENT
20 WITHIN 28 DAYS, AND THE SATE IS FALLING DOWN TERRIBLY ON ITS
21 OBLIGATIONS. SO THE STATE HAS MONEY SET ASIDE TO SATISFY ITS
22 OBLIGATIONS UNDER THIS CASE, WHICH IS CALLED [INAUDIBLE]. THE
23 COUNTY HAS AN INCENTIVE TO EXPAND ITS FURTHER C.B.R. AND
24 DIVERSION WORK, AND THE TWO SHOULD BE WORKING TOGETHER. AS I
25 SAID, THIS AWARD IS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION, BUT IT

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1 DOESN'T GO NEARLY FAR ENOUGH, AND I HIGHLY URGE THE COUNTY TO
2 GET IN TOUCH WITH THE STATE RIGHT AWAY AND START WORKING OUT A
3 WAY TO EXPAND THE STATE'S FUNDING OF O.D.R.'S DIVERSION AND
4 C.B.R. WORK. THANK YOU.

5

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

7

8 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS J. STEPHEN BRANTLEY. PLEASE
9 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
10 YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **J. STEPHEN BRANTLEY:** MY NAME IS J. STEPHEN BRANTLEY. I AM A
13 RESIDENT OF DISTRICT FIVE, AND I AM SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF ITEMS
14 16 AND 30, IN OPPOSITION TO 44, AND MAKING GENERAL PUBLIC
15 COMMENT. ON ITEM 16, I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR HEARING
16 THIS MOTION TO ADDRESS THE L.A.S.D.'S EXPLOITATION AND
17 MISMANAGEMENT OF THE INMATE WELFARE FUND. I WAS ENCOURAGED BY
18 THE MOTION EARLIER THIS YEAR, EXPLORING OPTIONS FOR FREE PHONE
19 CALLS AND THE ELIMINATION OF COMMISSARY FEES IN COUNTY
20 DETENTION FACILITIES. THERE CAN BE NO JUSTIFICATION FOR
21 CHARGING FOR THESE ESSENTIAL NEEDS. IT IS CLEARLY YET ANOTHER
22 MONEY GRAB BY AN ALREADY OVERFUNDED DEPARTMENT THAT SEEKS TO
23 DEMONSTRATE ITS POWER BY DOING THE MOST HARM TO THE LEAST
24 POWERFUL. SO I FULLY SUPPORT A COMPREHENSIVE, INDEPENDENT
25 AUDIT OF L.A.S.D.'S USES OF THE MONEY IT HAS RECEIVED FROM

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1 THESE SERVICES, AND WHETHER AND HOW FUNDS HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED
2 THROUGH THE INMATE WELFARE FUND. NO ONE SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO
3 EXPLOIT THE FAMILIES OF OUR INCARCERATED COMMUNITY MEMBERS, OR
4 TO PROFIT FROM THEIR LOVED ONES' BASIC NEEDS, ESPECIALLY LAW
5 ENFORCEMENT. SHOULD THE AUDIT REVEAL THE KIND OF WASTEFUL
6 MISMANAGEMENT WE HAVE COME TO EXPECT FROM L.A.S.D., THE COUNTY
7 MUST HOLD THAT DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTABLE IN A MEANINGFUL,
8 ACTIONABLE WAY. AND I AM ALSO GLAD THAT THIS MOTION CALLS FOR
9 SURVEYS OF INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS TO DETERMINE WHAT THOSE
10 NEEDS MAY BE, BOTH WHILE INSIDE AND UPON REENTRY. I HOPE THE
11 COUNTY WILL MAKE THE FINDINGS OF THESE SURVEYS KNOWN, AND WILL
12 CONSULT WITH DIRECTLY IMPACTED INDIVIDUALS AND THE
13 ORGANIZATIONS THAT REPRESENT THEM, IN MEETING THE NEEDS OF
14 INCARCERATED AND NEWLY RELEASED COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND THEIR
15 FAMILIES. DENYING THE INCARCERATED THEIR DIGNITY DOES NOTHING
16 TO PREVENT CRIME OR CURB VIOLENCE. REAL SUPPORT FROM AGENCIES
17 NOT SEEKING TO PROFIT OFF OUR LOVED ONES' PAIN WILL. ITEM 30:
18 I AND MANY OTHERS HAVE BEEN URGING THE BOARD TO ACCEPT THIS
19 MUCH-NEEDED FUNDING FROM THE STATE TO EXPAND COMMUNITY-BASED
20 SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS FOR SEVERAL
21 MONTHS. I CAN'T IMAGINE WHAT THE HOLD-UP IS, AND I WOULD ASK
22 THE BOARD TO LET FOLKS KNOW WHAT KIND OF OPPOSITION THERE
23 MIGHT BE TO INVESTING IN PROVEN DIVERSION LIKE THE O.D.R.
24 [INAUDIBLE] PROGRAM, WITH MILLIONS MADE AVAILABLE BY THE
25 STATE. MORE THAN 40% OF OUR INCARCERATED POPULATION HAVE

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1 SERIOUS MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS THAT CANNOT BE MET IN DETENTION
2 FACILITIES. ASK ANYONE WHO HAS BEEN INSIDE: NO ONE GETS BETTER
3 IN JAIL. ACCEPTING THIS FUNDING WILL SAVE LIVES, REUNITE
4 FAMILIES, AND REDUCE THE PRISON POPULATION. IT DOESN'T TAKE
5 CARE OF ALL THOSE IN NEED, AND YET IT CAN'T COME TOO SOON. THE
6 SERVICES PROVIDED BY O.D.R.'S PROGRAMS HAVE PROVEN EFFECTIVE
7 IN DECREASING THE NUMBER OF INCARCERATED PEOPLE WITH MENTAL
8 HEALTH CONCERNS, BUT THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH BEDS TO SERVE ALL
9 THOSE IN NEED. PASSING THIS MOTION WOULD AT LEAST BEGIN TO
10 MAKE UP THAT SHORTFALL, AND WOULD SUPPORT THE COUNTY'S
11 COMMITMENT TO A CARE-FIRST VISION. PLEASE DO NOT CONTINUE TO
12 LET THIS ONE DRAG ALONG. ACCEPT THIS FUNDING NOW. ON ITEM 44,
13 I STRONGLY URGE THE BOARD TO REJECT THIS MOTION. THE
14 L.A.S.D.'S REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING, WITHOUT EVEN SAYING
15 WHAT THESE REIMBURSEMENTS ARE FOR, SHOWS US HOW LITTLE THE
16 SHERIFF THINKS OF OUR CALLS FOR TRANSPARENCY AND
17 ACCOUNTABILITY. IT IS AN INSULT TO THE BOARD, TO THE FAMILIES
18 OF LAW ENFORCEMENT VICTIMS, AND TO TAXPAYERS, WHO COVER
19 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS EVERY YEAR FOR POLICE MISCONDUCT,
20 EXCESSIVE FORCE, CIVIL RIGHTS VIOLATIONS, AND WRONGFUL DEATH
21 SETTLEMENTS. SHERIFF VILLANUEVA HAS BEEN INSULTINGLY
22 DISMISSIVE OF OUR CALLS FOR CHANGE. PERHAPS HE WOULD TAKE MORE
23 SERIOUSLY A DENIAL OF TAX DOLLARS. THANK YOU.

24

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

3

4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. PLEASE
5 STATE WHICH AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND IF YOU
6 WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

7

8 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
9 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I WILL SPEAK TO ITEMS S-1, 18, AND 29.
10 I WAS SURPRISED THAT, LAST TIME, S-1 WAS NO LONGER ON THE
11 MEETING WHEN YOU CAME BACK. ITEM 18, IT IS UPSETTING ME TO NO
12 END. I CANNOT BELIEVE SUPERVISOR SOLIS WANTS TO EXTEND THE
13 VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD. IT'S TIME THAT YOU REOPEN THE
14 BOARD. EVERYTHING ELSE HAS REOPENED. THE GAMES, EVERYTHING HAS
15 REOPENED. EVEN THE EMMY'S. DR. FERRER GAVE PERMISSION FOR THE
16 EMMY'S TO MEET WITHOUT MASKS, AND IT WAS A HUGE AMOUNT OF
17 PEOPLE. GET BACK ON THE JOB. HAVE IN-PERSON MEETINGS STARTING
18 NOW, AND NOT EVERY OTHER WEEK, BUT TO EVERY WEEK. IF IT IS AN
19 EMERGENCY, THEN YOU SHOULD MEET EVERY WEEK, NOT EVERY OTHER
20 WEEK. PLEASE GO BACK TO REGULAR MEETINGS. AND ON ITEM 29, AS
21 USUAL, WE ARE GETTING A REPORT, A RECEIVE AND FILE, A REPORT
22 THAT SAYS, "TO BE DETERMINED." TO BE DETERMINED. EVERYTHING IS
23 TO BE DETERMINED. TO ME, THAT'S NOT A REPORT. PLEASE REOPEN
24 THE BOARD.

25

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

3

4 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. AS A REMINDER, TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, IF
5 YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS ONE AND THEN ZERO
6 AT THIS TIME, BUT DO NOT PRESS 1 AND 0 A SECOND TIME, OR YOU
7 WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE QUEUE. OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BELEN
8 MACKENZIE. PLEASE STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING
9 TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
10 YOU MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **BELEN MACKENZIE:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS BELEN MACKENZIE. I
13 AM A REGISTERED NURSE AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR FOR THE
14 TRAUMA CENTER AT POMONA VALLEY HOSPITAL. GOOD MORNING, AND I
15 AM CALLING IN TODAY ON ITEM NUMBER 57-C, IN SUPPORT OF OUR
16 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND OUR SUPERVISOR HAHN'S MOTION TO EXPAND
17 THE TRAUMA PREVENTION INITIATIVE. WITH THIS MOTION, OVER THE
18 COURSE OF THE NEXT YEAR, \$1.15 MILLION WILL BE INVESTED IN
19 HOSPITAL VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAM PROVIDERS WORKING WITH
20 TRAUMA HOSPITALS, TO ADDRESS THE SPECIFIC ISSUES WE ALREADY
21 KNOW EXIST. KNOWING A PROBLEM EXISTS, AND NOT HAVING ENOUGH OF
22 THE MUCH-NEEDED RESOURCES TO LAUNCH AN INTERVENTION, IS
23 UNETHICAL. AS A TRAUMA CENTER, OUR COMMUNITY CONTINUES TO SEE
24 DAILY THE IMPACT VIOLENCE HAS ON OUR COMMUNITIES OF ALL AGES.
25 OUR TRAUMA CENTER HAS WITNESSED A HIGHER FREQUENCY OF GUN-

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1 RELATED VIOLENCE, HIGHER-SPEED MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISIONS, AND
2 SADLY, INTENTIONAL SELF-INFLICTED INJURIES, ALSO KNOWN AS
3 SUICIDE. THESE ADDITIONAL INVESTMENTS WILL CONTRIBUTE
4 SIGNIFICANTLY IN OUTREACH, EDUCATION, SUPPORT FOR SURVIVORS OF
5 VIOLENT CRIME, MENTAL HEALTH, AND SUICIDE PREVENTION.
6 ADDITIONALLY, IT NEEDS TO BE KNOWN THAT OUR YOUTH ARE BECOMING
7 MORE AND MORE INVOLVED IN THESE LIFE-CHANGING TRAUMATIC
8 EVENTS. THESE ADDITIONAL RESOURCES ARE NEEDED TO REDUCE THE
9 SEVERITY OR PREVENT INJURY, BUT ALSO TO PROTECT OUR FAMILIES.
10 THE IMPACT OF THE PANDEMIC, TRAGICALLY, HAS NOT ONLY INCREASED
11 IN THE OCCURRENCES, BUT ALSO SEVERITY IN THE INJURIES THAT WE
12 ARE SEEING IN THE EMERGENCY ROOM. UNFORTUNATELY, THIS IS ALSO
13 OCCURRING DURING A TIME WHEN ALREADY SCARCE RESOURCES HAVE
14 BEEN - -

15

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

18

19 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ELIZABETH CRINER. PLEASE
20 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
21 YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** HI. I AM ADDRESSING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. THREE
24 YEARS AGO TODAY, I MET WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER'S STAFF TO TALK
25 IN DETAIL ABOUT TOXIC AIR POLLUTANTS EMITTED BY HEAVY-DUTY

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1 DIESEL ENGINES BEING USED AT THE DEVIL'S GATE PROJECT,
2 CONDUCTED BY L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. OUR
3 COMMUNITY ADVOCACY EFFORTS INCLUDED MANY PEOPLE, BUT THE ONE I
4 WANT TO HIGHLIGHT IS SUPERVISOR BARGER AND HER LEADERSHIP.
5 WITHOUT IT, WE WOULD NOT HAVE ACHIEVED THE KIND OF SAFEGUARDS
6 THAT EVERY RESIDENT IN L.A. COUNTY DESERVES AND COUNTS ON.
7 THIS WAS A PRODUCT OF MANY MONTHS AND YEARS TO ACHIEVE WHAT
8 HAS NEVER BEEN ACHIEVED BEFORE IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, NOR
9 IN THE UNITED STATES: A CLEAR AND ENFORCEABLE PLAN FOR CONTROL
10 OF TOXIC AIR POLLUTANTS. THIS MEETING THAT TOOK PLACE THREE
11 YEARS AGO CAME AT THE 13TH HOUR OF THIS LONG-OVERDUE PROJECT,
12 SO NO ONE WAS REAL REALLY INCLINED TO LISTEN, SINCE SO MUCH
13 HAD GONE INTO THE PLANNING. WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL-- "WE,"
14 MEANING THE [INAUDIBLE] PARENT GROUP. WE ARE SO GRATEFUL FOR
15 THE BOARD'S WILLINGNESS TO SUPPORT THESE SAFEGUARDS AND
16 IMPROVEMENTS TO WHAT SEEMED LIKE A DONE DEAL. THANK YOU VERY
17 MUCH, SUPERVISOR BARGER, FOR THIS SUCCESS. OUR INTERACTIONS
18 WITH YOU AND YOUR STAFF, AND THAT OF DIRECTOR MARK PESTRELLA
19 AND HIS STAFF, WERE COLLABORATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL, AND WE
20 CERTAINLY FELT HEARD AND VALUED BY YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER. WE
21 CAN ALL AGREE THAT EVERY RESIDENT OF L.A. DESERVES TO LIVE
22 FREE FROM TOXIC AIR POLLUTANTS, WHETHER YOU ARE A CHILD LIVING
23 NEAR THE PORT OF L.A., IN SUPERVISOR HAHN'S DISTRICT--
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:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVEN. PLEASE STATE
5 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
6 WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

7

8 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. I WILL ADDRESS SEVERAL ITEMS, AS WELL
9 AS THE GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

10

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

12

13 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH. OKAY, WELL, FIRST OF ALL, IT IS A VERY
14 DENSE AGENDA, AND WE HAVE TO MAKE A COMMENT ABOUT THE FACT
15 THAT YOU'VE GOT MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S NAME ON THERE, THE
16 DEFENDANT IN A LAWSUIT. I THINK PEOPLE ARE CONCERNED AND
17 WORRIED ABOUT WHAT THAT IS. AND I WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT HE
18 WAS SUED, AMONG OTHERS, IN HIS PERSONAL CAPACITY, FOR CULPABLE
19 ACTION OR INACTION, THE TRAINING, SUPERVISION, AND CONTROL OF
20 THE SUBORDINATES OVER AT PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE. YOU WILL
21 RECALL NICOLE DAVIS, COUNTY COUNSEL, STEPPED OVER TO BE THE
22 INTERIM LEADER OVER THERE, BRIEFLY. THIS IS REGARDING S.D.P.
23 DETENTION. AND THEY KEPT A GUY WITHOUT A TRIAL FOR OVER 13
24 YEARS. YOU. YOU ALL DID. IT IS AN APPALLING, ASTONISHING
25 NUMBER, ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF THE FACT THAT MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS

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1 HIMSELF IS BEING ADVANCED TO A TRIAL IN JUST A MONTH OR SO. SO
2 IT IS AMAZING. THIS WAS RECKLESS, CALLOUS, AND THEY CALLED IT
3 CALLED IT "DELIBERATE INDIFFERENCE." AND NOW KARLY KATONA'S
4 BEING PROMOTED TO BE HIS CARETAKER OVER AT C.D. 10 DURING THIS
5 PERIOD. ASTONISHING. REALLY, REALLY ASTONISHING. AND YET, YOU
6 HAVE TO TIME TO DELAY THE REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATUS OF
7 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, WHICH IS ITEM 25. YOU KNOW, REALLY.
8 NOT NICE, OKAY? AND THE WOMEN AND GIRLS INITIATIVE, I HAVE
9 BEEN A FAN OF THIS, BECAUSE I HAVE A DAUGHTER, AND I LOVE
10 WOMEN, LIKE THE REST OF US. I DON'T LIKE-- I SAW THE "FIRST TO
11 FIVE" PRODUCTION, WHICH HAS BEEN FLEECE OF MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS,
12 COMPLETELY. THIS IS A VIDEO, A 20-MINUTE VIDEO, ABOUT THE
13 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ALL FIRST FIVE WOMEN SUPERVISORS. IT
14 MADE ME THINK OF THE FIRST FIVE L.A., AND POOR GLORIA MOLINA,
15 DEALING WITH ZEV YAROSLAVSKY AND MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, JOKING
16 AROUND ABOUT THE ADMINISTRATIVE FEES THAT THE COUNTY'S
17 DEPARTMENTS WERE STEALING FROM THE CHILDREN, SHE SAID. THIS IS
18 A RIP-OFF OF THE CHILDREN. YOU ALL OUGHT TO BE ASHAMED. TAG,
19 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. THANK YOU. YOUR TIME IS UP. APPALLING. THE
20 RANCHO LOS AMIGOS REHABILITATION EFFORT, HERE WE HAVE,
21 FINALLY, AN R.F.P. FOR PSYCHIATRIC WORK. I THANK JANICE HAHN
22 FOR BRINGING PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT TO THE BUS SYSTEM, BUT HERE
23 IT IS BEING HANDED OFF TO DIDI HIRSCH. THERE SEEMS TO BE
24 NOBODY INTERESTED IN THESE R.F.P.S WE HAVE, FOR THE NEEDS THAT
25 WE HAVE. I WONDER WHY THAT IS. WELL, IT IS UNCLEAR. NOW WE ARE

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1 SENDING IN THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION, THAT'S BEEN-- NOTHING
2 PERSONAL-- LOAFING AROUND FOR ALL THESE YEARS, AS WE'VE
3 ENDURED BRUTALITY AND MISMANAGEMENT OF OUR DEPARTMENT, AND THE
4 SHERIFF'S CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, YOUR AD HOC POLITICAL
5 GROUP, AND THEY ARE GOING TO BE LOOKING AT WHAT PEOPLE NEED,
6 IN THE WAY OF SERVICES AND PROGRAMMING FOR INCARCERATION. THE
7 ONLY PROBLEM I HAVE WITH THAT IS, WE ARE GETTING OUT OF THE
8 INCARCERATION BUSINESS. WE KNOW WHAT IS NEEDED. AND IT IS JUST
9 ASTONISHING. I ALSO WANTED TO BRING ATTENTION TO THE MAUSER-
10 ALTOBELLI LAWSUIT, WHICH IS REALLY THE BRYANT LAWSUIT
11 CAREFULLY DISGUISED. AND WHY ARE WE GIVING ALMOST \$3 MILLION
12 TO SKIP MILLER, OF MILLER--

13

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

16

17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SANDRA FLORES, PLEASE STATE
18 WHICH AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
19 WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. I AM ADDRESSING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT,
22 IN SUPPORT OF AGENDA ITEM 19. GOOD MORNING, BOARD MEMBERS. MY
23 NAME IS SANDRA FLORES, AND I [INAUDIBLE] PROGRAMS FOR ALMA
24 FAMILY SERVICES IN THE EAST SIDE OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. I
25 AM CALLING IN STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE DIABETES AWARENESS

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1 PREVENTION MOTION. AS AN EDUCATOR, I HAVE WITNESSED FIRSTHAND
2 THE EFFECTS THAT DIABETES HAS ON MY STUDENTS AND THEIR
3 FAMILIES. I HAVE ALSO WITNESSED HOW C.O.V.I.D.-19 CREATED A
4 SEDENTARY LIFESTYLE FOR MANY, INCLUDING CHILDREN. CURRENTLY, I
5 HAVE STUDENTS THAT ARE FIVE YEARS OLD, AND WEARING SIZE TEN IN
6 CLOTHING. SADLY, I HAVE WITNESSED MANY PARENTS WHO LACK
7 INFORMATION AND SUPPORT, ALLOWING THEIR CHILDREN TO OVEREAT,
8 SELECT UNHEALTHY FOOD ITEMS, LIKE CHIPS AND SODA, AND FAILING
9 TO BE A ROLE MODEL FOR HEALTHY LIFESTYLES. YET, THIS COULD ALL
10 CHANGE. AS AN EDUCATOR, I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE TO SHARE MY
11 KNOWLEDGE WITH FAMILIES IN THE COMMUNITY. IT STARTS WITH
12 INFORMING AND COACHING THE PARENTS, AS WELL AS CREATING
13 PROGRAMS WITH ACTIVITIES THAT CAN BE ACCESSIBLE TO EVERYONE.
14 IN MY CLASSROOM, WE PROVIDE NUTRITION CLASSES, AND WORK
15 COLLABORATIVELY WITH OTHER AGENCIES, LIKE W.I.C. AS A TEAM, WE
16 CAN WORK TOGETHER TOWARDS REDUCING THE RISK OF DIABETES FOR
17 CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES. INDIVIDUALS DO NOT HAVE TO
18 CONTINUE TO BE A NEGATIVE STATISTIC. INSTEAD, I BELIEVE WE CAN
19 SHOW HOW CHANGE IS POSSIBLE WHEN THE FUNDS, SUPPORT, AND
20 MOTIVATION ARE ALL INVOLVED. THIS MOTION HAS THE POTENTIAL TO
21 LITERALLY SAVE LIVES BY CHANGING THE TRAJECTORY OF MANY
22 CHILDREN AND PARENTS WITH HEALTHY LIFESTYLES. I THANK
23 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR SPONSORING IT, AND HOPE THE FULL BOARD
24 SUPPORTS THIS MOTION. THANK YOU.

25

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

2

3 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JENNIFER VASQUEZ. PLEASE
4 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
5 YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

6

7 **JENNIFER VASQUEZ:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JENNIFER VASQUEZ,
8 THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF MAYWOOD. I AM SPEAKING IN
9 FAVOR OF AGENDA ITEM 14, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I WOULD
10 LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND BARGER FOR INTRODUCING
11 THIS CRITICAL MOTION, WHICH WILL HELP SUPPORT CITIES THAT WANT
12 TO EXPAND HOMELESS SERVICES IN THEIR JURISDICTION. IN THE CITY
13 OF MAYWOOD, LIKE MANY CITIES ACROSS THE COUNTY, WE ARE DEALING
14 WITH GROWING NUMBERS OF UNHOUSED RESIDENTS. WE KNOW THAT THE
15 SOLUTION OF HOMELESSNESS IS MORE HOUSING, BOTH INTERIM AND
16 PERMANENT. HOWEVER, ONE OF THE REOCCURRING OBSTACLES FOR
17 CITIES, SPECIFICALLY SMALL CITIES, IS THE COST OF OPERATIONS
18 FOR THE INTENSIVE SERVICES NEEDED TO ENSURE PEOPLE LEAVE
19 INTERIM HOUSING AND MOVE ON TO PERMANENT HOUSING. THE CITIES'
20 AND C.O.G.S' INTERIM HOUSING FUND WILL PROVIDE CITIES
21 OPPORTUNITIES TO BUILD OUT THE RESOURCES NEEDED TO SUPPORT
22 HOMELESS RESIDENTS. THIS ADDITIONAL RESOURCE IS A GREAT WAY
23 FOR CITIES, THE COUNTY, AND THE C.O.G.S TO CONTINUE WORKING
24 TOGETHER TO EXPAND HOMELESS SERVICES. MAYWOOD RECOGNIZES THIS
25 FIRSTHAND, AS WE HAVE ALREADY BEEN ABLE TO EXPAND OUR HOMELESS

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1 SERVICES THROUGH A GRANT FROM THE C.O.G.S' INNOVATION FUND. WE
2 LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING MORE WITH THE C.O.G.S' INNOVATION FUND
3 ON THIS NEXT ROUND. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND
4 CONTINUED SUPPORT, AS WE WORK TO EXPAND HOMELESS SERVICES
5 TOGETHER.

6

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

8

9 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MARK GALE. PLEASE STATE THE
10 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL
11 ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

12

13 **MARK GALE:** I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 30 AND PUBLIC COMMENT.
14 MY NAME IS MARK GALE. I AM CRIMINAL JUSTICE CHAIR FOR N.A.M.I.
15 GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I'D LIKE TO THANK DR. GHALY FOR
16 SUBMITTING THE RECOMMENDATION LETTER TO THE BOARD FOR ITEM 30,
17 AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK THE A.C.L.U. AND PETER
18 ELIASBERG FOR MASTERFULLY DRAFTING A LETTER TO THE BOARD ON
19 ITEM 30, THAT SPELLS OUT THE DETAILS OF WHY APPROVING THIS
20 ITEM IS SO IMPORTANT. HE HAS SAID IT SO WELL. I DON'T NEED TO
21 REPORT THE DETAILS. YOU HAVE THE LETTER. I ENCOURAGE ALL OF
22 YOU TO READ IT CAREFULLY. N.A.M.I. G.L.A.C. HAS SIGNED ON TO
23 THE A.C.L.U. LETTER, AND WE WOULD LIKE TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL
24 PUNCTUATION TO OUR LETTER. LONG BEFORE THERE WAS AN O.D.R. AND
25 OUR STRONG DIVERSION EFFORTS, THERE WERE HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE

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1 WHO WERE INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL; BACK THEN, BOTH
2 MISDEMEANOR AND FELONY IN OUR JAIL SYSTEM. AND THEN, WE WERE
3 GOING TO BUILD A MENTAL HEALTH JAIL, AND THERE WERE STILL
4 HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE WHO WERE F.I.S.T. AND THEN THAT PLAN WAS
5 SCRAPPED, BUT HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE STILL REMAINED, BEING HELD
6 INDETERMINATELY, AS M.I.S.T. AND F.I.S.T. CLIENTS. AFTER THAT,
7 WE FINALLY DEVELOPED OUR O.D.R. PROGRAMMING, AND WE HAD YEARS
8 OF OUR A.T.I. INITIATIVE, WHICH, THANK GOD, IS STILL
9 CONTINUING. AND STILL, THERE ARE OVER 500 M.I.S.T. AND
10 F.I.S.T. CLIENTS IN THE JAIL. IT IS LONG PAST THE TIME FOR
11 THIS REMEDY. ITEM 30 IS AN ESSENTIAL START TO SOLVING THIS AND
12 BEGINNING A REMEDY. LET'S NOT STOP HERE. WE MUST CONTINUE
13 FORWARD WITH OUR REFORM EFFORTS, AS OUTLINED IN ALL OF OUR
14 A.T.I. INITIATIVES. WE CAN'T SAY WE'RE CARE FIRST, JAIL LAST,
15 AND LEAVE HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE REMAINING IN THE JAIL. ITEM 30 IS
16 NOT ENOUGH. IT IS AN ESSENTIAL BEGINNING TO REMOVING THE
17 SICKEST OF THE SICK FROM OUR JAILS, AND PUT INTO COMMUNITY
18 RESTORATION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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

21
22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PAMILA LEW. PLEASE STATE
23 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
24 WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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1 **PAMILA LEW:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS PAMILA LEW. I AM A SENIOR
2 ATTORNEY AT DISABILITY RIGHTS CALIFORNIA. I WILL BE SPEAKING
3 TO ITEM 30 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. MARK GALE SPOKE. PETER
4 ELIASBERG SPOKE. WE'VE SUBMITTED A LETTER. THEY'VE LINED THAT
5 ALL OUT, AND I ALSO JOIN WITH MARK IN URGING THE BOARD TO
6 CAREFULLY CONSIDER PETER ELIASBERG'S LETTER ON THIS MATTER, AS
7 HE VERY SKILLFULLY POINTS OUT WHY NOT ONLY ACCEPTING THIS
8 FUNDING, BUT EXPANDING FUNDING, IS VERY CRITICAL, AND ACTUALLY
9 A WIN AND NECESSARY FOR L.A. COUNTY. I WON'T REITERATE WHAT
10 THEY HAVE SAID ALREADY, BUT ONLY JUST ADD THAT I SERVE ON THE
11 DEPARTMENT OF STATE HOSPITALS INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL
12 SOLUTIONS WORKGROUP. THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTIES ACROSS
13 CALIFORNIA, ARE GRAPPLING WITH THIS ISSUE. BY PARTICIPATING IN
14 THOSE WORKGROUPS, I SEE THAT OTHER COUNTIES LOOK TO L.A.
15 COUNTY'S OFFICE OF DIVERSION AND REENTRY AS A GOLD STANDARD,
16 BECAUSE OF ITS INNOVATION AND SUCCESS AT TREATING PEOPLE WITH
17 SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS IN THE COMMUNITY. SO, AS MARK AND PETER
18 HAVE SAID, L.A. COUNTY SHOULD NOT ONLY APPROVE THE EXISTING
19 PROPOSAL, BUT ENGAGE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HOSPITALS TO
20 EXPAND O.D.R.'S IMPORTANT WORK, NOT ONLY TO BRING THE COUNTY
21 INTO COMPLIANCE WITH THE D.O.J.'S CONSENT DECREE, BUT TO
22 REALLY MAKE OUR CARE FIRST, JAILS LAST, A REALITY. THANK YOU.

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

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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ROSA SOTO. PLEASE STATE THE
2 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL
3 ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4

5 **ROSA SOTO:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I AM ADDRESSING ITEM 19
6 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I AM CALLING TODAY IN SUPPORT OF
7 SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION ON DIABETES AND PRE-DIABETES
8 AWARENESS AND PREVENTION IN L.A. COUNTY. I AM EXECUTIVE
9 DIRECTOR OF THE WELLNESS CENTER AT HISTORIC GENERAL HOSPITAL.
10 OUR MISSION IS TO SUPPORT PATIENTS OUTSIDE OF THE DOCTOR'S
11 OFFICE WITH HEALTH AND WELLNESS SERVICES, TO HELP THEM ADDRESS
12 SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH. IN L.A. COUNTY, WITH OVER
13 900,000 ADULTS DIAGNOSED WITH DIABETES, THE IMPACT TO OUR
14 COMMUNITY IS STAGGERING, PARTICULARLY TO OUR LATINX, BLACK,
15 AND NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNITIES. THE DIRECT COST OF DIABETES
16 TREATMENT IN L.A. COUNTY ALONE IS ESTIMATED TO BE AS HIGH AS
17 \$6 BILLION EACH YEAR. THE COST OF OUTREACH EDUCATION AND
18 RESOURCES IS MUCH MORE REASONABLE, AND ENSURES THAT OUR
19 COMMUNITIES HAVE THE TOOLS THEY NEED TO ADDRESS THIS DISEASE.
20 THIS MOTION PARTICULARLY CALLS FOR THE COUNTY TO PARTNER WITH
21 OUR COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS, AND
22 OTHER COMMUNITY PARTNERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, TO IMPROVE
23 ACCESS TO HEALTHY MEALS AT SCHOOLS, INCLUDING REDUCING FOOD
24 WASTE AND CONNECTING SCHOOLS TO HEALTHY FOOD OPTIONS. IT ALSO
25 PROVIDES FOR CULTURALLY RELEVANT MESSAGING TO BE GEARED

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1 TOWARDS STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES, THROUGH PUBLIC CAMPAIGNS
2 AND THROUGH NEW PARTNERSHIPS. IT IS POSSIBLE TO REVERSE THIS
3 EPIDEMIC THAT HAS SO CRITICALLY IMPACTED THE COUNTY'S MOST
4 VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES. I ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION
5 THAT WILL REINFORCE AND COORDINATE OUR EFFORTS HERE IN THE
6 COUNTY, AND RAISE AWARENESS, AND PROVIDE RESOURCES TO HELP
7 REDUCE THE INCIDENCE OF DIABETES. THANK YOU.

8

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

10

11 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS ELLEN GEESEY. PLEASE STATE THE
12 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL
13 ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. MY NAME IS ELLEN GEESEY. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK
16 IN FAVOR OF AGENDA ITEMS SIX, 16, 30, 57-C, AND IN OPPOSITION
17 TO ITEM 44, AND ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. REGARDING ITEM 30--
18 AND AGAIN, THIS IS IN FAVOR-- THE COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TOWARDS
19 A CARE-FIRST VISION IS AN EMPTY PROMISE WITHOUT INVESTING IN
20 PROVEN DIVERSION MODELS. I HAVE CALLED IN AND SPOKEN AND
21 WRITTEN IN REGARDING THE SUCCESS OF O.D.R.'S F.I.S.T. PROGRAM,
22 AND THE PRETRIAL FELONY MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION DIVERSION
23 PROGRAM, AND THESE PROPOSED EXPANSIONS OF THESE PROGRAMS ARE
24 ESSENTIAL TO ACHIEVING A CARE-FIRST VISION OF LOS ANGELES. THE
25 NUMBER OF INCARCERATED PEOPLE WITH SERIOUS MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS

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1 IS RISING RAPIDLY IN COUNTY JAILS, MAKING UP MORE THAN 40% OF
2 THE INCARCERATED POPULATION. AND SUPERVISOR BARGER, MY
3 PERSONAL SUPERVISOR, HAS EVEN SPOKEN ON JUST HOW BAD THE
4 SITUATION IS AT M.C.J., AND HOW MUCH WE NEED TO BE DIVERTING
5 THOSE PEOPLE INTO MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS, AND GETTING THEM THE
6 CARE AND HELP THAT THEY NEED. AND THEN, IN REGARDS TO ITEM 44,
7 AGAIN, STRONGLY OPPOSING. ONCE AGAIN, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
8 WANTING MORE MONEY TO COVER UP THEIR MISTAKES, RATHER THAN
9 TAKING IT OUT OF THEIR ALREADY OVERINFLATED BUDGET TO CONTINUE
10 TO CAUSE HARM IN THE COMMUNITY, AND THEN JUST HAVE TAXPAYER
11 MONEY COVER IT UP IS AN ABSOLUTE HEINOUS ATROCITY, THAT WE
12 HAVE SPOKEN ON THIS MATTER SO MANY TIMES. SO MANY OF US CALL
13 IN, WRITE IN, SPEAKING ON THIS MATTER. THE FACT THAT IT IS
14 STILL COMING UP IS SO DISHEARTENING, WHEN YOU HAVE MADE YOUR
15 STANCE AS A BOARD, AS A COMMITMENT TO A CARE FIRST L.A., THIS
16 IS A STRONG MARK AGAINST THAT COMMITMENT. IN REGARDS TO ITEM
17 16, THIS WELFARE FUND IS SO IMPORTANT. WE NEED MORE THINGS TO
18 HELP, AGAIN, WITH THE CARE-FIRST COMMITMENT THIS BOARD HAS
19 MADE, AND THIS IS ANOTHER ITEM THAT WILL HELP IN THAT. AND
20 THEN FOR ITEM 6, THE INITIATING THE HOLLYWOOD 2.0 PILOT
21 PROJECT, I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR THIS MOTION, AND
22 THE PILOT REPRESENTATIONS REPRESENTS A COMMITMENT TO INVESTING
23 IN COMMUNITY-BASED MODELS FOR MENTAL HEALTHCARE. THE HOLLYWOOD
24 2.0 PILOT HAS THE POTENTIAL TO TRULY BRING HOLISTIC SUPPORT
25 FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTIES IN

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1 UNEMPLOYMENT, HOUSING AVAILABILITY, MENTAL HEALTHCARE, AND
2 SUBSTANCE USE ASSISTANCE. THIS IS A SMART USE OF THE
3 INNOVATIONS FUND, AND I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO FOLLOWING THE
4 PILOT AS IT DEVELOPS, AND HOPEFULLY EXPANDS TO OTHER CITIES
5 THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

6

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

8

9 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SEAN MANN. PLEASE STATE THE
10 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL
11 ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD MORNING. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

14

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

16

17 **SEAN MANN:** HI, GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU. MY NAME IS SEAN MANN.
18 I'M A REPRESENTATIVE WITH THE CARPENTERS' UNION, AND THIS
19 MORNING I WILL SPEAK ON ITEM 62, IN FAVOR OF. THANK YOU VERY
20 MUCH.

21

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

24

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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS RAY BACA. PLEASE STATE THE
2 AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL
3 ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4

5 **RAY BACA:** GOOD MORNING. THIS IS RAY BACA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
6 FOR THE ENGINEERING CONTRACTORS' ASSOCIATION. I AM HERE TO
7 SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 26, REGARDING THE PALMDALE
8 E.I.F.D., AND REALLY TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT FOR APPROVAL OF
9 THE FINANCING PLAN RESOLUTION. WE FEEL THAT THE INFRASTRUCTURE
10 PROJECTS NOT ONLY ARE GREATLY NEEDED TO ENHANCE THE SERVICES
11 AVAILABLE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE AREA, BUT ALSO TO HELP
12 ACCELERATE JOB GROWTH AND ACCESSIBLE HOUSING OPPORTUNITY. OUR
13 ASSOCIATION STANDS READY TO ASSIST IN ANY WAY THAT WE CAN.
14 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

15

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

18

19 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ISABELLA JONES. PLEASE
20 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
21 YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
24 ISABELLA JONES, AND I AM HERE TO SPEAK ON PUBLIC COMMENT. I AM
25 AN EAGLE COLLEGIATE ACADEMY SUPPORTER, AND I AM CALLING FOR

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1 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SUPPORT TO GET THE NECESSARY
2 DEPARTMENTS, ESPECIALLY REGIONAL PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS, TO
3 APPROVE THE SITE PLAN AND PERMITS, SO THAT EAGLE COLLEGIATE
4 ACADEMY CAN OPEN IN PERSON. THIS IS IMPACTING OUR STUDENTS,
5 PARENTS, TEACHERS, AND STAFF, WAITING FOR THE SCHOOL TO BE
6 APPROVED OF THE NECESSARY PLANS, AND NEEDS TO HAVE A FACILITY
7 TO TEACH, LEARN, AND GROW. THANK YOU.

8

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

11

12 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS KRISTEN JAMES. PLEASE STATE
13 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
14 WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** HELLO? CAN YOU HEAR ME?

17

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

19

20 **SPEAKER:** HI. I'M KRISTEN JAMES, AND I AM SPEAKING ON GENERAL
21 PUBLIC COMMENT. I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF EAGLE COLLEGIATE
22 ACADEMY, AND I'M ASKING AGAIN FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO
23 ASSIST REGIONAL PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS TO RELEASE THE
24 PERMITS, SO WE CAN OPEN OUR FACILITIES TO OUR FAMILIES,

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1 TEACHERS, AND STUDENTS. PLEASE HELP, AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR
2 TIME.

3

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

5

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

10

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

13

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

15

16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS FAIZAH MALIK. PLEASE STATE
17 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
18 WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19

20 **FAIZAH MALIK:** GOOD MORNING. FAIZAH MALIK, FROM PUBLIC COUNSEL.
21 I AM CALLING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 62, ON THE HOUSING ELEMENT,
22 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

23

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

25

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1 **FAIZAH MALIK:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. TOGETHER WITH THE
2 EASTSIDE L.E.A.D.S. COALITION, PUBLIC COUNSEL SUBMITTED A
3 COMMENT LETTER ON THE DRAFT. WHILE WE SUPPORT MANY OF THE
4 PROGRAMS OUTLINED IN THE HOUSING ELEMENT, WE URGE THE BOARD TO
5 TAKE FURTHER STEPS TO STRENGTHEN ITS PROGRAMS THROUGH STRONGER
6 AFFORDABILITY IN TENANT PROTECTION. IN PARTICULAR, THE DRAFT
7 HOUSING ELEMENT IDENTIFIES A NUMBER OF SITES IN UNINCORPORATED
8 EAST L.A. FOR THE SITE INVENTORY AND REZONING PROGRAM. AS
9 NOTED IN THE HOUSING ELEMENT, EAST L.A. IS AN AREA AT RISK OF
10 DISPLACEMENT, AND AMONG THE AREAS WHERE FAIR HOUSING ISSUES
11 ARE MOST PREVALENT. BY IDENTIFYING SITES IN EAST L.A. FOR THE
12 INVENTORY, BUT WITHOUT ANY CORRESPONDING INCLUSIONARY HOUSING
13 REQUIREMENT, THE HOUSING ELEMENT WILL EFFECTIVELY INCREASE
14 DISPLACEMENT PRESSURES IN AN ALREADY RAPIDLY GENTRIFYING
15 NEIGHBORHOOD. THEREFORE, THE COUNTY MUST EXTEND INCLUSIONARY
16 HOUSING REQUIREMENTS TO EAST L.A. AND OTHER SUBMARKETS BEFORE
17 ANY REZONING TAKES PLACE. THE COUNTY CANNOT EXPECT TO HAVE
18 AFFORDABLE HOUSING BUILT ON THESE SITES, AND COUNT THEM FOR
19 THE LOW-INCOME ARENA, WITHOUT A MECHANISM TO ENSURE SUCH
20 HOUSING IS ACTUALLY BUILT, SUCH AS AN INCLUSIONARY
21 REQUIREMENT. EXTENDING INCLUSIONARY WOULD ALSO AID THE COUNTY
22 IN MEETING DUTIES TO AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHER FAIR HOUSING. AS A
23 BLUEPRINT FOR DEVELOPMENT IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS FOR THE
24 NEXT 8 YEARS, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THE HOUSING ELEMENT NOT
25 ONLY PLAN FOR DEVELOPMENT OF MUCH-NEEDED HOUSING FOR LOW-

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1 INCOME RESIDENTS, BUT ALSO INCLUDES STRONG PROGRAMS TO
2 PRESERVE EXISTING AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND RENT-STABILIZED
3 HOUSING, AND PREVENT DISPLACEMENT AND PROTECT TENANTS. THANK
4 YOU.

5

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

7

8 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS GILBERT SALDATE. PLEASE
9 STATE WHICH AGENDA ITEMS YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND IF
10 YOU WISH TO ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **GILBERT SALDATE:** YES, THIS IS GILBERT SALDATE, FROM THE
13 GATEWAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, AND SPEAKING ON--

14

15 **MODERATOR:** ONE MOMENT, PLEASE.

16

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

18

19 **MODERATOR:** MR. SALDATE, COULD YOU START OVER?

20

21 **GILBERT SALDATE:** OH, OKAY. GILBERT SALDATE, WITH THE GATEWAY
22 CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS. I AM SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEM
23 14, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. FIRST OFF, I WOULD LIKE TO
24 THANK SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND BARGER FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF THE
25 MOTION TO EXPAND INTERIM HOUSING AND SERVICES TO CITIES ACROSS

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1 L.A. COUNTY, AND I AM IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION. HOMELESSNESS
2 HAS INCREASED ACROSS L.A. COUNTY, AND INTERIM HOUSING IS
3 NEEDED JUST AS MUCH AS PERMANENT HOUSING. THIS FUNDING IS
4 NEEDED TO SUPPORT CITIES TO ADDRESS HOMELESS ISSUES THAT OUR
5 HOMELESS NEIGHBORS FACE. THIS FUNDING WILL POSITIVELY IMPACT
6 AND BRING MUCH-NEEDED RESOURCES TO INDIVIDUALS IN ENDING THEIR
7 HOMELESSNESS, AND BRING HOPE BACK TO THEM WITHIN THE CITIES OF
8 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. ONCE AGAIN, THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS SOLIS
9 AND BARGER.

10

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

12

13 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHUCK POWELL. PLEASE STATE
14 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
15 WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

16

17 **CHUCK POWELL:** YES, I'D LIKE TO ADDRESS PUBLIC COMMENT, AND I
18 AM SPEAKING ON NUMBER 62. HI, MY NAME IS CHUCK POWELL. I AM A
19 MEMBER OF THE SOUTHWEST REGIONAL COUNSEL OF CARPENTERS. I
20 RESIDE IN WEST HILLS, AND I LIVE AND WORK IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
21 ANGELES. I BELIEVE THAT I WILL BE IMPACTED-- ENVIRONMENTALLY
22 IMPACTED-- OF THE PROJECT. THE COUNTY SHOULD REQUIRE HOUSING
23 PROJECTS, DEVELOPMENT, PURSUANT TO THE HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE
24 TO BE BUILT, UTILIZING A LOCAL SKILLED AND TRAINED WORKFORCE.
25 LOCAL HIRE AND SKILLED AND TRAINED WORKFORCE REQUIREMENTS

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1 REDUCE CONSTRUCTION-RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS, WHILE
2 BENEFITTING THE LOCAL ECONOMY. IN THE RECENT 2020 REPORTS,
3 TITLED "PUSHING CALIFORNIA TO A HIGH ROAD: A JOB AND CLIMATE
4 ACTION PLAN FOR 2030," THE CALIFORNIA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
5 BOARD CONSIDERED THAT INVESTING IN GROWTH, DIVERSITY, AND
6 UPSCALING CALIFORNIA WORKERS' WORKFORCE CAN POSITIVELY AFFECT
7 RETURNS ON CLIMATE MITIGATION EFFORTS. MOREOVER, JUST THIS
8 YEAR, THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT FOUND
9 THAT USING A LOCAL STATE CERTIFIED APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM, OR
10 A SKILLED AND TRAINED WORKFORCE WITH A LOCAL HIRE COMPONENT,
11 CAN REDUCE THE AIR POLLUTION REDUCTION. RECENTLY, THE CITY OF
12 HAYWARD, IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, ADOPTED A SKILLED AND TRAINED
13 WORKFORCE REQUIREMENT INTO THE GENERAL PLAN AND MUNICIPAL
14 CODE. LOCAL SKILLED AND TRAINED WORKFORCE REQUIREMENTS CAN
15 BOOST ECONOMY, DEVELOP AND MITIGATE TRANSPORTATION GREENHOUSE
16 GASES' IMPACT BY MINIMIZING VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED. THE COUNTY
17 SHOULD ADD LOCAL SKILLED AND TRAINED WORKFORCE REQUIREMENTS
18 FOR FUTURE HOUSING PROJECTS, TO ADDRESS REGIONAL HOUSING
19 NEEDS, TO BENEFIT THE COMMUNITIES' ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AS
20 WELL AS ENVIRONMENTAL. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR TIME.

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

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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS RICHARD CORRAL. PLEASE
2 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
3 YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4

5 **RICHARD CORRAL:** GOOD MORNING. I AM ADDRESSING ITEM NUMBER 14,
6 INTERIM HOUSING SERVICES FUND FOR CITIES AND COUNCILS OF
7 GOVERNMENTS COMBATING HOMELESSNESS, AUTHORED BY SUPERVISORS
8 SOLIS AND BARGER. GOOD MORNING, EVERYBODY. MY NAME IS RICHARD
9 CORRAL. I'M THE HOMELESS COORDINATOR IN THE CITY OF SOUTH EL
10 MONTE. OUR CITY HAS SEEN MORE CALLS FROM HOMELESS FAMILIES
11 THAT ARE SEEKING ASSISTANCE, OFTEN WITH TWO OR THREE CHILDREN.
12 THE PARENTS ARE RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS DUE TO
13 C.O.V.I.D. FOR THE PAST YEAR, BUT WERE CUT OFF RECENTLY, DUE
14 TO THE PROGRAM ENDING, AND OUR COORDINATED ENTRY SYSTEM IS
15 HAVING DIFFICULTIES PLACING FAMILIES IN SHELTERS. OUR CITY,
16 ALONG WITH THE CITIES OF EL MONTE AND BALDWIN PARK, HAVE
17 TEAMED UP TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS, REGIONALLY, THROUGH THE
18 MIDVALLEY COLLABORATIVE ON HOMELESSNESS. AS PART OF THIS
19 EFFORT, OUR COHORT CITIES HAVE CONDUCTED STUDIES AND ADVOCATED
20 FOR FUNDING ON SEVERAL TEMPORARY HOUSING PROJECTS, INCLUDING
21 TWO HOMEKEY SITES IN EL MONTE, A TINY HOME VILLAGE PROJECT IN
22 BALDWIN PARK, THE BACK HOME INITIATIVE TO BUILD A.D.U.S IN
23 SOUTH EL MONTE AND THROUGHOUT OUR COHORT CITIES, AS WELL AS
24 REDEVELOPMENT OF SCHOOL SITES TO HOUSE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
25 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN SOUTH EL MONTE. A SIGNIFICANT

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1 CHALLENGE TO STAY IN THESE SITES IS SECURING FUNDS FOR THE
2 ONGOING OPERATIONS, AND SERVICE DOLLARS, SO THE CREATION OF A
3 \$10 MILLION C.O.G.S AND CITIES INTERIM HOUSING SERVICES FUND
4 IS VERY MUCH NEEDED AND APPRECIATED. THANK YOU SO MUCH,
5 SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND BARGER, FOR DOING THIS. AND I WOULD LIKE
6 TO NOTE THAT THE PROVISION OF HOMELESS SERVICES DOES NOT EXIST
7 IN A VACUUM, AND REQUIRES DEDICATED CITY STAFF TO COORDINATE
8 ACROSS NUMEROUS PARTNERS, INCLUDING OUR INDIVIDUALS AND
9 FAMILIES EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, CITY STAFF, PARTNER
10 CITIES, SERVICE PARTNERS, COORDINATED ENTRY SYSTEM LEADS,
11 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, ETC. THEY ALSO NEED TO ATTEND ALL RELEVANT
12 MEETINGS, INCLUDING CITY, COHORT, COUNTY, AND C.O.G. MEETINGS,
13 COMPLETE AND SUBMIT FUNDING REQUESTS TO THE C.O.G., AS WELL AS
14 TO THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE FOR THE COUNTY, AS WELL AS
15 DOCUMENTATION AND INVOICES TO SECURE AND ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY
16 AND REIMBURSEMENTS. FOR MANY SMALL CITIES, LIKE SOUTH EL
17 MONTE, THE ABOVE TASKS ARE TAKEN ON BY RECREATION AND PARKS,
18 PUBLIC WORKS, AND EVEN CITY MANAGEMENT.

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

22
23 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ANGELICA PALMEROS. PLEASE
24 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU WILL ADDRESS TODAY, AND IF YOU WISH
25 TO ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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1

2 **ANGELICA PALMEROS:** HELLO. MY NAME IS ANGELICA PALMEROS. I AM
3 THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR WITH THE MONTEBELLO FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND I
4 AM SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 14, AND GENERAL PUBLIC
5 COMMENT. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR
6 BARGER FOR INTRODUCING THIS CRITICAL MOTION, WHICH WILL HELP
7 CITIES LIKE OURS, THAT WANT TO EXPAND ON HOMELESS SERVICES IN
8 OUR JURISDICTION, AND ALSO SUPPORT CITIES ACROSS THE COUNTY,
9 AS WE CONTINUE TO FIND EFFICIENT SOLUTIONS TO ADDRESS OUR
10 HOMELESS NEEDS, AND ADDRESS THE GROWING NUMBER OF OUR UNHOUSED
11 RESIDENTS. I KNOW THAT ONE OF OUR SOLUTIONS, OR ONE OF THE
12 MANY SOLUTIONS TO HOMELESSNESS, IS TO ADDRESS HOUSING, BOTH
13 INTERIM AND PERMANENT. YET, AS MANY SAY, OUR CITIES HAVE
14 LIMITED TO NO FUNDING TO SET UP THESE INTERIM HOUSING PLANS OR
15 PROJECTS. AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, OFTEN, WE DON'T HAVE FUNDS TO
16 PAY FOR THE DEDICATED STAFF, AND ALSO FOR DIRECT SERVICES THAT
17 ARE MUCH NEEDED TO SUPPORT THOSE ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS. SO,
18 IN THE CITY OF MONTEBELLO, WE RECENTLY LAUNCHED A PARAMEDICS
19 AND EMERGENCY BEHAVIORAL MODEL THROUGH OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT, TO
20 ADDRESS OUR UNHOUSED COMMUNITY. BUT, OBVIOUSLY, WE DIDN'T HAVE
21 A LOCATION TO STABILIZE THEM AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT.
22 SO, RECENTLY, WE WERE ABLE TO GET A GRANT WITH THE SAN GABRIEL
23 VALLEY C.O.G., WHICH IS HELPING THE CITY OF MONTEBELLO DEVELOP
24 A PROJECT FOR THE TINY HOMES, WHICH IS CALLED OPERATION STAY
25 SAFE, TO PROVIDE OUR INDIVIDUALS A STABLE PLACE TO RECEIVE

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1 SERVICES. THE CITIES' AND THE C.O.G.S' INTERIM HOUSING WILL
2 HELP MORE CITIES BUILD OUT THE RESOURCES NEEDED TO SUPPORT
3 HOMELESS RESIDENTS. WITH THIS FUNDING, WE WILL BE ABLE TO OPEN
4 MORE INTERIM HOUSING SITES WITHIN OUR JURISDICTION TO BETTER
5 SERVE OUR HOMELESS RESIDENTS. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT ISSUE RIGHT
6 NOW FOR US, ESPECIALLY HAVING SO MANY OF OUR CLIENTS WITH
7 MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, AND JUST THE ABILITY TO GET THEM THROUGH
8 THIS PROCESS OF BEING ASSISTED. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR
9 CONSIDERATION ON THIS MATTER.

10

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

12

13 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ZEKE SANDOVAL. PLEASE STATE
14 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU WILL ADDRESS TODAY, AND IF YOU WISH TO
15 ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

16

17 **ZEKE SANDOVAL:** GOOD MORNING. CAN YOU HEAR ME OKAY?

18

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

20

21 **ZEKE SANDOVAL:** GREAT. THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. THIS IS ZEKE
22 SANDOVAL, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF P.A.T.H., PEOPLE ASSISTING THE
23 HOMELESS, REGARDING ITEMS 6 AND 14.

24

25 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES. PLEASE BEGIN.

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1

2 **ZEKE SANDOVAL:** GREAT. THANK YOU SO MUCH. REGARDING ITEM 6,
3 P.A.T.H. MAINTAINS A SIGNIFICANT PRESENCE IN HOLLYWOOD,
4 COMMENSURATE WITH THE AREA'S ACUTE NEED. OUR OUTREACH, HOUSING
5 NAVIGATION, AND RAPID REHOUSING TEAMS CONDUCT DAILY STREET
6 OUTREACH IN HOLLYWOOD AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS. WE ALSO
7 OPERATE BOTH INTERIM AND PERMANENT HOUSING SITES IN THE AREA,
8 INCLUDING TWO BRIDGE HOME SHELTERS, A PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE
9 HOUSING SITE FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES, AND A PROJECT
10 HOMEKEY SITE, NOW ACTING AS PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING. SO
11 WE KNOW FROM EXPERIENCE THAT PERSON-CENTERED, TRAUMA-INFORMED
12 SERVICES, LIKE HOLLYWOOD 2.0, CAN CHANGE THE TRAJECTORY OF AN
13 UNHOUSED RESIDENT'S LIFE, AND WE ARE VERY EXCITED TO SUPPORT
14 THIS MOTION, AND VERY GRATEFUL TO SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR HER
15 LEADERSHIP AND PERSISTENCE. REGARDING ITEM 14, P.A.T.H.
16 OPERATES 8 INTERIM HOUSING SITES ACROSS THE COUNTY, AND
17 PARTNERS WITH MANY C.O.G.S IN SIMILAR CITIES ON STREET
18 OUTREACH, BUT OFTEN REFERS PEOPLE INTO INTERIM HOUSING. WE
19 HAVE SEEN THAT SUPPORTIVE SERVICES ON SITE AT INTERIM HOUSING
20 CAN HELP AN INDIVIDUAL ADDRESS THEIR IMMEDIATE NEEDS AND START
21 THEIR JOURNEY BACK INTO STABLE HOUSING. SO WE ARE VERY
22 THANKFUL FOR SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND BARGER FOR APPORTIONING
23 THESE FUNDS FOR CITIES OF EVERY SIZE, TO ASSIST COMMUNITIES
24 GRAPPLING WITH THIS STATEWIDE CRISIS, AND CURRENTLY LACKING
25 THE RESOURCES TO MATCH THE NEED. WE DO WANT TO REEMPHASIZE

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1 THAT THE MOST EFFECTIVE LONG-TERM STRATEGY TO END THE
2 HOMELESSNESS CRISIS AND RELIEVE THE BURDEN ON CITIES OF EVERY
3 TYPE IS TO INCREASE COUNTY INVESTMENT IN PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE
4 HOUSING. INTERIM HOUSING CAN BE A LIFESAVING STOP GAP.
5 PERMANENT HOUSING IS THE LIFE-CHANGING SOLUTION, PROVIDING
6 PEOPLE IN SHELTERS, OR ON OUR STREETS, WITH EXITS OUT OF
7 HOMELESSNESS AND INTO LONG-TERM HOUSING. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

8

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

10

11 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS GWENDOLYN SNYDER. PLEASE
12 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
13 YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS GWEN SNYDER. I AM FROM DISTRICT THREE.
16 I WILL BE SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEMS 4, 16, 44, AND GENERAL
17 PUBLIC COMMENT. SO, FOR ITEM 6, I AM IN FAVOR. I WANT TO THANK
18 SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR THIS MOTION, INITIATING THE HOLLYWOOD 2.0
19 PILOT PROJECT. THE PILOT REPRESENTS A COMMITMENT TO INVESTING
20 IN COMMUNITY-BASED MODELS OF MENTAL HEALTH CARE. THE HOLLYWOOD
21 2.0 PILOT HAS THE POTENTIAL TO TRULY BRING HOLISTIC SUPPORT
22 FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS EXPERIENCING DIFFICULTIES IN EMPLOYMENT,
23 HOUSING AVAILABILITY, MENTAL HEALTH CARE, AND SUBSTANCE USE
24 ASSISTANCE. THIS IS A SMART USE OF INNOVATION FUNDS, AND I AM
25 LOOKING FORWARD TO FOLLOWING THE PILOT AS IT DEVELOPS, AND

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1 HOPEFULLY EXPANDS TO OTHER CITIES THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY. THIS
2 PILOT PROGRAM HAS IMMENSE POTENTIAL, AND I ENCOURAGE D.M.H.
3 AND THE COUNTY TO DIRECT FOCUS TOWARDS THE L.G.B.T.Q.I.+
4 POPULATION. THE BUILDING OUT OF JOBS, RISK SITE LOCATIONS, AND
5 PEER-TO-PEER SUPPORT TEAMS MUST BE DONE IN A MANNER THAT IS
6 INFORMED BY THE DEMOGRAPHIC MAKEUP OF HOLLYWOOD. I ENCOURAGE
7 THE BOARD AND D.M.H. TO WORK CLOSELY WITH THE LOS ANGELES
8 L.G.B.T. CENTER WHEN BUILDING OUT THE HOLLYWOOD 2.0 PILOT. THE
9 L.G.B.T. CENTER HAS PROVIDED LOS ANGELES [INAUDIBLE] COMMUNITY
10 AND HEALTHCARE COUNSELING, JOB TRAINING, AND COMMUNITY
11 BUILDINGS FOR DECADES. FOR ITEM 16, I'M IN FAVOR. I THANK
12 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR THIS NECESSARY MOTION TO ADDRESS THE
13 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S EXPLOITATIONS OF INCARCERATED PERSONS
14 AND THEIR FAMILIES. THE BOARD'S MAIN MOTION EXPLORING OPTIONS
15 FOR FREE PHONE CALLS AND ELIMINATING COMMISSARY FEES WAS A
16 GREAT FIRST STEP, AND I AM ENCOURAGED TO HEAR THAT AN
17 INDEPENDENT AUDITOR IS AUDITING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S
18 USES OF FUNDS. THIS MOTION IS ROBUST, IN THAT IT CALLS FOR
19 ADDITIONAL AUDITS AND TAKES ON AN INDIVIDUAL FOCUS OF
20 INCARCERATED PERSONS. I ENCOURAGE THE BOARD TO PASS THIS
21 MOTION WHOLEHEARTEDLY, AND TO COMMIT TO MAKING THE RIGHT
22 CHOICES, ONCE THE AUDITOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS ARE RETURNED. WHAT
23 IS ALREADY CLEAR IS THAT THERE IS NO LEGITIMATE JUSTIFICATION
24 FOR THE FEES ASSOCIATED WITH PHONE CALLS AND COMMISSARY, AND
25 THEREFORE THEY SHOULD BE ELIMINATED. AND FOR ITEM 44, I

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1 STRONGLY OPPOSE THE SHERIFF'S REQUEST FOR FUNDS, BECAUSE THEY
2 DO NOT SPECIFY WHAT THESE REIMBURSEMENTS ARE FOR, YET ANOTHER
3 EXAMPLE OF THE SHERIFF REFUSING TRANSPARENCY AND
4 ACCOUNTABILITY. THE SHERIFF COSTS L.A. COUNTY TAXPAYERS
5 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS EACH YEAR. ON TODAY'S BOARD AGENDA ALONE,
6 L.A.S.D. MISCONDUCT WASTED \$3.3 MILLION IN THE FORM OF
7 SETTLEMENTS FOR ACCIDENTS, EXCESSIVE FORCE, WRONGFUL DEATHS,
8 CIVIL RIGHTS VIOLATIONS, AND MORE. THIS IS AN EGREGIOUS AMOUNT
9 OF MONEY FOR TAXPAYERS TO BE SPENDING ON BAILING OUT THE
10 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR VIOLENCE AND MISCONDUCT. AND
11 EVERY TWO WEEKS, TAXPAYERS WATCH MILLIONS OF DOLLARS BE
12 DISPENSED TO COVER MISCONDUCT AT THE HANDS OF L.A.S.D. EVERY
13 DOLLAR THAT GOES TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS STOLEN FROM
14 OUR COMMUNITY AND USED TO FUND SHERIFF'S VIOLENCE IN L.A.
15 COUNTY. AND SO ITEM 57-C, I AM IN FAVOR, AND I WANT TO THANK
16 SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HAHN FOR CONTINUING TO BE CHAMPIONS FOR
17 COMMUNITY-DRIVEN PUBLIC SAFETY INITIATIVES. A CARE-FIRST
18 APPROACH TO VIOLENCE PREVENTION MUST PRIORITIZE COMMUNITY-
19 BASED PROGRAMS AND STRATEGIES THAT ARE DELIVERED BY PEOPLE
20 WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE. INVESTING MORE MONEY INTO EXPANSION OF
21 THE TRAUMA PREVENTION INITIATIVE IS A GREAT STEP TOWARDS
22 REORIENTING PUBLIC SAFETY--

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

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1

2 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JOSHUA CHRISTENSEN. PLEASE
3 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU WILL ADDRESS TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
4 WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **JOSH CHRISTENSEN:** YEAH, MY NAME IS JOSH CHRISTENSEN. I WILL BE
7 SPEAKING ON ITEM 62.

8

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

10

11 **JOSH CHRISTENSEN:** YEAH, MY NAME IS JOSH CHRISTENSEN. I'M A
12 REPRESENTATIVE WITH THE SOUTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL OF
13 CARPENTERS. BEFORE WE PASS THIS ITEM, WE'D LIKE TO MAKE SURE
14 THAT ALL THINGS ARE LINING UP IN LINE. IN HOUSING INDUSTRY, IN
15 THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA LAST YEAR, \$3 BILLION OF TAX REVENUE
16 WENT TOWARDS HEALTH FUNDS FOR UN-HEALTHCARED WORKERS. THEY
17 USED MEDICARE, MEDICAID, ALL THESE DIFFERENT TYPES OF
18 SERVICES. WE GOT TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE WHO BUILD THESE
19 PROJECTS HAVE HEALTHCARE, HAVE GOOD-PAYING JOBS, AND WE'RE
20 ASKING THAT YOU DO NOT PASS THIS AGENDA ITEM UNTIL THOSE ARE A
21 REQUIREMENT IN THIS AGENDA, IN THIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT. THANK
22 YOU MUCH.

23

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

25

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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS HARVEY MILLER. PLEASE STATE
2 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU WILL ADDRESS TODAY, AND IF YOU WILL
3 ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** I AM SPEAKING ONLY IN OPPOSITION TO ITEM 5, FOR
6 ATTORNEY HARVEY MILLER, WHO'S UNABLE TO ATTEND TODAY'S
7 MEETING. HE'S SEEKING AN IMPORTANT CLARIFICATION FOR HIS
8 CLIENTS, THIS BEING WHETHER THE PROPOSED ARMORY PROJECT WOULD
9 SERVICE ONLY VETERANS. IF THE PURPOSE IS TO SERVICE ANY AND
10 ALL HOMELESS, THEN THE BOARD SHOULD KNOW, AN UNDERLYING
11 RESTRICTED COVENANT BARS THE ARMORY PROPERTY FROM BEING USED
12 FOR ANY PURPOSE OTHER THAN FOR VETERANS. THAT COVENANT IS
13 CONTAINED IN THE DEED THAT WAS A MATERIAL ISSUE IN LITIGATION
14 BROUGHT BY THE A.C.L.U. AGAINST THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS
15 AFFAIRS. THAT LITIGATION, KNOWN AS THE BALENTI CASE, WAS
16 SETTLED OUT OF COURT. HOWEVER, IF THE BOARD PROCEEDS WITH A
17 PROJECT THAT VIOLATES THAT COVENANT, THE BOARD SHOULD BE
18 FOREWARNED THAT THE FORMIDABLE LEGAL ISSUES THE A.C.L.U.
19 RAISED IN THE BALENTI ARE LIKELY TO BE REVISITED. THERE ARE
20 ALSO SIGNIFICANT PUBLIC POLICY ARGUMENTS AGAINST BUILDING ANY
21 HOMELESS PROJECT ON THE ARMORY PROPERTY. SUCH A PROJECT WOULD
22 FURTHER CONCENTRATE THE HOMELESS AROUND AN ALREADY HEAVILY
23 IMPACTED WEST L.A. V.A. CAMPUS AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITY. AS
24 WE KNOW FROM EXPERIENCE, IN DOWNTOWN L.A., SUCH CONCENTRATION
25 CAN ONLY BE UNHEALTHY, UNPRODUCTIVE, AND TRAGIC. THANK YOU.

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1

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

4

5 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS FABIAN GARCIA. PLEASE STATE
6 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
7 WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

8

9 **FABIAN GARCIA:** HI, GOOD MORNING. IT'S FABIAN GARCIA,
10 ADDRESSING ITEM 57-C. I AM WITH HOMEBOY INDUSTRY, AND FIRST OF
11 ALL, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR
12 INTRODUCING THE MOTION. AT HOMEBOY INDUSTRIES, AS YOU MIGHT
13 KNOW, WE BELIEVE IN SECOND CHANCES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR
14 PEOPLE, AND WE THINK THAT FAST-TRACKING AND GETTING SOME
15 FUNDING OUT INTO THE COMMUNITY, THROUGH O.V.P. AND SOME OF THE
16 STRUCTURES AND STRATEGIES THAT WE CURRENTLY HAVE IN PLACE, IS
17 SUPER IMPORTANT, ESPECIALLY RIGHT NOW. AS WE EXIT C.O.V.I.D.,
18 OR AS WE ARE EXITING C.O.V.I.D., THE COMMUNITY DEFINITELY
19 NEEDS EXTRA SUPPORT AND RESOURCES, AND THE COUNTY CAN DO THAT,
20 AND NOT WAIT UNTIL THE END OF 2022, BY PASSING THIS MOTION.
21 SO, AGAIN, FABIAN GARCIA, IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION, ENSURING
22 THAT WE GET THE FUNDING TO IMPLEMENT HOSPITAL-BASED
23 INTERVENTION AND COMMUNITY-BASED INTERVENTION SERVICES
24 IMMEDIATELY. THANK YOU.

25

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

2

3 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PAMELA AUGUSTIN. PLEASE
4 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
5 YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

6

7 **PAMELA AUGUSTIN:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, THIS IS
8 PAMELA AUGUSTIN, WITH EASTSIDE L.E.A.D.S. I AM SPEAKING ON
9 AGENDA ITEM 62, IN SUPPORT. SO, SUPERVISORS, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

10

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

12

13 **PAMELA AUGUSTIN:** OH, OKAY. THANK YOU. SUPERVISORS, AS MY
14 COLLEAGUE FAIZAH MALIK MENTIONED TO YOU EARLIER, EASTSIDE
15 L.E.A.D.S., IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PUBLIC COUNSEL, SUBMITTED A
16 COMMENT LETTER TO YOUR OFFICES YESTERDAY, AND WE INCLUDED IN
17 THIS LETTER RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 10 SPECIFIC HOUSING ELEMENT
18 PROGRAMS, NUMBERS 8, 9, 17, 22, 38, 40, 41, 45, TO 47.
19 SPECIFICALLY, FOR PROGRAM 8 THE METRO AREA PLAN, WE RECOMMEND
20 THAT IT PRIORITIZE DEEPLY AND EXTREMELY LOW-INCOME AFFORDABLE
21 HOUSING, ALONG WITH STRONG TENANT PROTECTIONS AND PRESERVATION
22 OF EXISTING AFFORDABLE HOUSING. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS IS
23 IMPORTANT, BECAUSE A MAJORITY OF THE 11 COMMUNITIES THAT THE
24 METRO AREA PLAN WILL ENGAGE IN ARE COMMUNITIES THAT THE
25 HOUSING ELEMENT ITSELF IDENTIFIES AS HAVING HIGHER

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1 CONCENTRATIONS OF [INAUDIBLE] THAT ARE CONSIDERED COMMUNITIES
2 THAT FACE RISK OF DISPLACEMENT. OTHER COMPONENTS IN OUR M.A.P.
3 RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDE--

4

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

7

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

12

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

15

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

17

18 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DAWN HAKIM. PLEASE STATE
19 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
20 WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

21

22 **DAWN HAKIM:** HI. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS DAWN
23 HAKIM, AND I AM SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF EAGLE COLLEGIATE
24 ACADEMY. AS A TAXPAYER PARENT AND COMMUNITY MEMBER, I AM
25 REALLY DISAPPOINTED AND APPALLED AT THE DELAY TACTICS BY THE

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1 ANTELOPE VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING BOARD. IT IS INEXCUSABLE
2 THAT THERE ARE NEW THINGS THAT COME UP EVERY WEEK. AS A
3 PUBLICLY FUNDED CHARTER SCHOOL, WHAT THEY ARE ASKING FOR IS
4 REALLY RIDICULOUS, IN TERMS OF MAKING THE PRESENCE A WESTERN
5 THEME. SCHOOLS DO NOT HAVE THIS TYPE OF FUNDING, AND REALLY,
6 HONESTLY, I THINK ALL TAXPAYERS SHOULD BE SUPER UPSET THAT
7 THIS IS MORE IMPORTANT: A LOOK, OR HAVING SOME THEME, IS MORE
8 IMPORTANT THAN CHILDREN'S EDUCATION. AND EVERY MONEY THAT IS
9 RECEIVED SHOULD BE GOING TOWARDS THE ENRICHMENT OF THESE
10 CHILDREN, WHO ARE NOW DOING SCHOOL VIRTUALLY, BECAUSE OF THESE
11 DELAYS THAT HAVE HAPPENED FOR OVER FIVE MONTHS. AGAIN, PLEASE,
12 HELP EAGLE COLLEGIATE ACADEMY GET THESE KIDS BACK IN SCHOOL,
13 AS THE ONLY K-3 INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE--

14

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

17

18 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS RED CHIEF HUNT. PLEASE
19 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
20 YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

21

22 **RED CHIEF HUNT:** YES, THIS IS THE RED CHIEF HUNT. 19, 14, AND
23 PUBLIC COMMENT, AND 62. I WOULD LIKE TO START WITH NUMBER 19.
24 THE REDUCTION, OR THE PROACTIVENESS, IN DIABETES STARTS IN THE
25 SCHOOLS, WITH THE KIDS. NUMBER 14: I'D LIKE TO THANK THE

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1 SUPERVISORS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THIS INTERIM HOUSING, AND STUFF
2 LIKE THAT. ALTHOUGH WE KNOW WE NEED 21,000 PEOPLE TO GO
3 THROUGH INTERIM HOUSING IN THE COUNTY, WE HAVE A LONG WAYS TO
4 GO. I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS PUBLIC COMMENT TO SUPERVISOR HAHN.
5 I WENT BY IN PARAMOUNT. I WAS A VOLUNTEER AT ONE OF YOUR
6 SITES, AT EXODUS IN HOUSING FOR HELP. IT IS A GREAT SITE. IF I
7 WERE YOU, I WOULD INVOLVE, LIKE, FIVE MORE L.B.N.S FOR THE 80
8 RESIDENTS THAT NEED MEDICAL TREATMENT, AND THINGS LIKE THAT.
9 THAT IS VERY IMPORTANT. IT IS A GREAT SITE, IT IS HELPING A
10 LOT OF PEOPLE, AND WE HAVE A LONG WAYS TO GO, SO 21 MORE
11 THOUSAND PEOPLE NEED TO BE HOUSED. TEAR DOWN THE PROJECTS AND
12 REBUILD THEM, AND LET'S GET ON BOARD AND GET THIS DONE, RIGHT?
13 THE LOGISTICS-- OR, THE STATISTICS ARE RIGHT, BUT THE
14 LOGISTICS ARE WRONG. WE NEED TO START THINKING OUT OF THE BOX
15 [INAUDIBLE] PROJECTS, AND GET PEOPLE HOUSED IN A TIMELY
16 MANNER, IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS. THE RED CHIEF HUNT. THANK YOU
17 FOR YOUR TIME.

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

20
21 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MILINDA KAKANI. PLEASE
22 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
23 YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

24
25 **MILINDA KAKANI:** HI. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

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1

2 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, WE CAN.

3

4 **MILINDA KAKANI:** OKAY. HI. THIS IS MILINDA KAKANI, FROM
5 CHILDREN'S DEFENSE FUND CALIFORNIA, AND THE LET'S GET FREE
6 COALITION. I'LL BE SPEAKING ON ITEM NUMBER 16, AND GIVING
7 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I JUST WANTED TO THANK SUPERVISOR
8 SOLIS, AND VOICE MY VERY STRONG SUPPORT FOR A PROGRAMMATIC
9 AUDIT OF THE INMATE WELFARE FUND. AS IT EXISTS RIGHT NOW, THAT
10 \$15 MILLION THAT IS SUPPOSED TO GO TO THE SUPPORT OF FOLKS WHO
11 ARE CURRENTLY STUCK, TRAPPED, ENSNARED IN OUR COUNTY JAIL
12 SYSTEM, ONLY 51 PERCENT OF THAT GOES TO PROGRAMMING, WHILE 49
13 PERCENT GOES TO MAINTENANCE, AND THAT'S THE SPLIT THAT'S
14 DECIDED BY THE SHERIFF, NOT DECIDED BY THE FOLKS WHO ARE
15 INCARCERATED, AND WHOSE DOLLARS ACTUALLY FUND THAT FUND. I
16 JUST WANTED TO NOTE THAT THE SHERIFF GETS \$3.3 BILLION EVERY
17 YEAR, SO IT IS UNCLEAR WHY THEY NEED AN ADDITIONAL,
18 ESSENTIALLY, 7 AND A HALF MILLION DOLLARS TO MAINTAIN THOSE
19 FACILITIES. THOSE DOLLARS SHOULD COME OUT OF THEIR \$3.3
20 BILLION BUDGET. SECOND, AS IT RELATES TO THE SPECIFICS OF THE
21 INMATE WELFARE FUND, I JUST WANT TO NOTE SOME OF THE ODDITIES
22 WITHIN THE LINE ITEMS OF THAT FUND. \$10,000 ARE ALLOCATED FOR
23 MOVIE VIDEOS FOR JUSTICE-INVOLVED POPULATIONS IN 2021. NO
24 ONE'S USING VIDEOS. \$11,000 ARE MARKED FOR "AS-NEEDED TRAVEL
25 AND TRAINING EXPENSES RELATED TO IDENTIFYING IMPROVEMENTS IN

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1 JUSTICE-INVOLVED POPULATION PROGRAMMING." WHAT DOES THAT EVEN
2 MEAN? \$50,000 OF THE INMATE WELFARE FUND IS BEING USED TO
3 AUDIT THE INMATE WELFARE FUND. IT FEELS INCREDIBLY STRANGE AND
4 QUESTIONABLE THAT DOLLARS THAT ARE COMING FROM THE COMMUNITY
5 ARE THEN BEING USED TO AUDIT THE WAY THE SHERIFF IS USING
6 THOSE DOLLARS. \$2.3 MILLION ARE BEING MARKED FOR UNION HALL
7 STAFF EMPLOYEE BENEFIT COSTS. THAT DOES NOT SEEM LIKE IT
8 SUPPORTS THE REENTRY, REHABILITATION, AND GENERAL SATISFACTION
9 OF FOLKS WHO ARE CURRENTLY INCARCERATED. SO THIS PROGRAMMATIC
10 AUDIT IS WILDLY OVERDUE. THE SHERIFF, THE I.S.D., THE AUDITOR-
11 CONTROLLER, HAVE BEEN CONSTANTLY PUSHING--

12

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

15

16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS EMMANUEL ESTRADA. PLEASE
17 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
18 YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19

20 **EMMANUEL ESTRADA:** HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS EMMANUEL
21 ESTRADA. I'M THE MAYOR OF BALDWIN PARK. I AM SPEAKING ON
22 AGENDA ITEM 14, AND TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I WANT TO
23 THANK SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND BARGER FOR INTRODUCING THIS
24 MOTION. INCREASING AND EXPANDING HOMELESS SERVICES IS VITAL,
25 NOW MORE THAN EVER, ESPECIALLY AFTER THE PANDEMIC. HERE IN THE

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1 CITY OF BALDWIN PARK, EVEN PRE-PANDEMIC, WE HAVE SEEN OUR
2 NUMBERS DOUBLE AND DOUBLE, YEAR AFTER YEAR. HERE IN THE CITY,
3 WE ARE ALSO ON PATH TO OPENING THE VERY FIRST TINY HOME
4 VILLAGE IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, WHICH WILL BE KNOWN AS
5 ESPERANZA VILLA, AND THIS WILL PROVIDE INDIVIDUALS A STABLE
6 PLACE TO RECEIVE SERVICES, AND IT IS SLATED TO OPEN AT THE END
7 OF NOVEMBER. THE SUPPORT OF THE C.O.G. AND THE REGIONAL
8 HOUSING TRUST WAS INSTRUMENTAL TO BRINGING THIS PROJECT TO
9 FRUITION, AND THE INTERIM HOUSING FUND FOR CITIES AND C.O.G.S
10 WILL HELP MORE CITIES BUILD OUT THE RESOURCES NEEDED TO
11 SUPPORT HOMELESS RESIDENTS, LOCALLY. THE CITY OF BALDWIN PARK
12 IS SPEARHEADING EFFORTS IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, AND IN
13 SEPTEMBER, WE ALSO ACQUIRED A SECOND SITE, IN WHICH WE PLAN TO
14 OFFER EMERGENCY HOUSING FOR FAMILIES. FUNDS LIKE THE ONES
15 STATED IN ITEM 14 CAN HELP CITIES LIKE OURS CONTINUE OUR
16 AMBITIOUS EFFORTS, AND ENCOURAGE OUR NEIGHBORS TO MAKE AN
17 EFFORT TO INITIATE THEIR OWN LOCAL EFFORTS. SO, ONCE AGAIN, I
18 JUST WANTED TO SHOW SUPPORT FOR ITEM NUMBER 14, AND THANK OUR
19 SUPERVISORS FOR TAKING ON THIS MOTION. THANK YOU.

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

22
23 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JAVIER GONZALEZ. PLEASE
24 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
25 YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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2 **SPEAKER:** HI. I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS PUBLIC COMMENT. I'M A
3 PARENT IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, AND I AM CALLING BECAUSE
4 REGIONAL PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS HAVE BEEN DELAYING THE
5 PROCESS OF OUR SCHOOL, EAGLE COLLEGIATE ACADEMY. I AM A
6 PARENT, AND MY CHILD HAS BEEN WAITING ANXIOUSLY TO GO IN
7 PERSON, AND THERE HAS JUST BEEN DELAY AFTER DELAY, AND
8 THERE'S NO ANSWER FROM PUBLIC WORKS ON WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE
9 GOING TO APPROVE THE PERMITS, AND WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE
10 GOING TO RELEASE THEM, SO THAT WE CAN GO IN PERSON. WE HAVE
11 BEEN WAITING FOR OVER FIVE MONTHS NOW, JUST WAITING TO SEE
12 WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN NEXT, AND THERE IS STILL NO ANSWER
13 FROM REGIONAL PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS. IF YOU CAN HELP US
14 OUT AND RELEASE THE PERMITS SO THAT OUR CHILDREN CAN GO TO
15 SCHOOL IN PERSON, BECAUSE, HONESTLY, YOU KNOW, GOING VIRTUAL
16 ONLINE IS NOT THE BEST. OUR CHILDREN WANT TO INTERACT WITH THE
17 TEACHERS. THEY WANT TO INTERACT WITH--

18

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

21

22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS YURIKO RUIZESPARZA. PLEASE
23 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
24 WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

25

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1 **YURIKO RUIZESPARZA:** MADAM CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
2 YURIKO RUIZESPARZA, COMMUNITY SERVICES SUPERVISOR FOR THE CITY
3 OF BALDWIN PARK, SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 14,
4 INTERIM HOUSING SERVICES FOR CITIES AND COUNCILS OF
5 GOVERNMENT. WE EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE FOR THE LEADERSHIP OF
6 SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND BARGER, FOR THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT IN
7 THE UNPRECEDENTED EFFORTS TO COMBAT HOMELESSNESS ACROSS L.A.
8 COUNTY. LOCALLY, IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, WHICH WE HAVE BEEN
9 REPRESENTED, IS AN OVERWHELMING ACTION-DRIVEN OF COHORTS
10 CITIES, COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENT, WORKING TOGETHER TO LEVERAGE
11 RESOURCES AND SEEK SOLUTIONS TO JOIN TOGETHER TO IMPLEMENT THE
12 COORDINATED STRATEGIES IN OUR COMMUNITY. THE CITY OF BALDWIN
13 PARK HAS ADVOCATED FOR LOCAL HOMELESS SERVICES SUPPORTS SINCE
14 2017, AND HAVE WITNESSED FIRSTHAND HOW THESE FUNDING
15 OPPORTUNITIES CAN STRENGTHEN CITIES AND C.O.G.S TO BRING LOCAL
16 SOLUTIONS. ESPERANZA VILLA, THE BRIDGE HOUSING TINY HOME SITE
17 IN BALDWIN PARK, WILL BE THE FIRST OF ITS KIND IN THE SAN
18 GABRIEL VALLEY, AND WILL SERVE AS THE MODEL FOR THE REGION.
19 THE SITE WILL CONSIST OF 25 UNITS FOR INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING
20 HOMELESSNESS, AND WE URGE YOU TO APPROVE THE MOTION THAT WILL
21 ALLOW ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT CITIES IN THEIR
22 EFFORTS TO PROVIDE SUSTAINABLE, INDIVIDUAL ON-SITE SERVICES
23 AND CASE MANAGEMENT, AS WELL AS SECURITY AND OTHER SERVICES
24 THAT CITY DEPARTMENTS NEED, IN ORDER TO PROVIDE A HOLISTIC
25 APPROACH FOR INTERIM HOUSING SOLUTIONS. WE THANK YOU AGAIN FOR

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1 YOUR EFFORTS, AND HOPE THAT YOU CONTINUE TO FIND ADDITIONAL
2 RESOURCES AND FUTURE FUNDING THAT CAN ACHIEVE THE GOALS OF OUR
3 HOMELESS PLAN. THANK YOU.

4

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

6

7 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JESSICA SANCHEZ. PLEASE
8 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND IF YOU
9 WILL BE ADDRESSING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** HELLO, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. PLEASE BEGIN.

12

13 **JESSICA SANCHEZ:** HELLO?

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES, PLEASE BEGIN. YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

16

17 **JESSICA SANCHEZ:** YES. HI. MY NAME IS JESSICA SANCHEZ, AND I AM
18 CALLING IN SUPPORT OF HILDA SOLIS'S MOTION TO CREATE IMMEDIATE
19 SERVICES FOR COMMUNITY-BASED INTERVENTION, AND HOSPITAL-BASED
20 INTERVENTION. I AM CALLING ON BEHALF OF HOMEBOY INDUSTRIES,
21 AND I JUST WANT TO SAY HOW IMPORTANT THIS MOTION IS, AND I
22 JUST WANT TO THANK HILDA SOLIS FOR PUTTING IT ON, AND I JUST
23 WANTED TO SAY I AM IN SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

24

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

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2 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS UZO MADUSKE. PLEASE STATE
3 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU
4 WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS UZO
7 MADUSKE. I'LL BE ADDRESSING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, AND IT IS
8 ABOUT HOW LONG THE ANTELOPE VALLEY OFFICE OF REGIONAL PLANNING
9 IS TAKING TO APPROVE AND RELEASE EAGLE COLLEGIATE ACADEMY SITE
10 PLAN, BECAUSE OF FRIVOLITIES LIKE WAGON WHEELS. I MEAN, IT IS
11 APPALLING, AND IT IS NOT FAIR TO ALL TAXPAYING PARENTS, WHO
12 HAVE BEEN LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS SCHOOL BEING OPEN, SO OUR
13 KIDS CAN START IN-CLASS LEARNING. AND WE FEEL THAT A TOTAL
14 DISREGARD FOR THE WELFARE AND EDUCATION OF STUDENTS SHOULD BE
15 CORRECTED IMMEDIATELY. BECAUSE THIS IS THE SCHOOL OF OUR
16 CHOICE IN OUR AREA, WE ARE JUST BEGGING AND PLEADING THAT YOU
17 DO SOMETHING FOR OUR CHILDREN. AND WE THANK YOU, IN
18 ANTICIPATION.

19

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

22

23 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MONIQUE ALVAREZ. PLEASE
24 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
25 YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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2 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MONIQUE ALVAREZ, AND I
3 AM A THIRD-GENERATION RESIDENT OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA. I AM IN
4 FAVOR OF AGENDA ITEM 57-A AND 57-D, THE PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL
5 EMERGENCY AND PROVISION OF CRITICAL ACTIONS. ON BEHALF OF OUR
6 DISPLACED AND SICK AND DESPERATE COMMUNITY, I AM IMPLOING THE
7 L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO TAKE CHARGE OF THIS HEALTH
8 CRISIS AND ESCALATE THIS ISSUE TO FEDERAL INTERVENTION. WE'VE
9 HAD ENOUGH. THE MITIGATING FACTORS AND REMEDIATION PLANS FROM
10 L.A. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND L.A. PUBLIC WORKS HAVE BEEN
11 IMPRACTICAL, AND AT THIS POINT, INHUMANE. WE HAVE PEOPLE THAT
12 ARE GOING THROUGH BODILY INJURIES AND SICKNESSES, AND NOW IT
13 IS MENTAL TRAUMA. WE HAVE BEEN ONE MONTH DEALING WITH THIS
14 CRISIS, AND WE HAVE NO TANGIBLE RESOURCES TO THIS DAY, OTHER
15 THAN A PURIFIER FROM L.A. COUNTY. THAT IS UNACCEPTABLE. IT IS
16 ALSO INCREDIBLY INSULTING TO MINIMIZE THIS AS AN ODOR EVENT,
17 WHEN OUR BODIES ARE CRYING OUT THAT THERE IS DANGER IN OUR
18 HOMES. AND WE HAVE STEVE BRADFORD, THE SENATOR, ON RECORD, ON
19 1025 PRESS CONFERENCE, DECLARING THIS AS A POISON BEING
20 RELEASED IN OUR COMMUNITY. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH, AND WE ARE CRYING
21 OUT FOR HELP AT THIS POINT. WE NEED ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER.
22 TO THIS DAY, NOT ONE PERSON IN OUR COMMUNITY HAS BEEN
23 REIMBURSED FOR THE EXPENSES THAT HAVE BEEN INCURRING THROUGH
24 THIS CRISIS, AND WE REALLY ARE DESPERATE FOR ATTENTION AND
25 FEDERAL ASSISTANCE AT THIS POINT. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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

3

4 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER SPEAKERS IN THE
5 QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I UNDERSTAND THAT SUPERVISOR
8 BARGER WOULD LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO PROVIDE
11 SOME CLARITY ON COMMENTS MADE BY SOME OF THE CALLERS DURING
12 PUBLIC COMMENT TODAY. I BELIEVE THERE HAVE BEEN MULTIPLE
13 COMMENTS RELATED TO PERMITTING OF A NEW CHARTER SCHOOL IN AGUA
14 DULCE, KNOWN AS EAGLE COLLEGIATE ACADEMY. AND I WANT TO
15 CLARIFY THAT THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND MY OFFICE HAVE BEEN
16 WORKING WITH THE LEADERSHIP OF EAGLE COLLEGIATE ACADEMY FOR
17 SEVERAL MONTHS, TO HELP THEM NAVIGATE THE COUNTY'S PERMITTING
18 PROCESS. THE PROCESS INCLUDES REQUIREMENT BY THE COUNTY TO
19 HAVE THE SCHOOL MAKE NECESSARY IMPROVEMENTS ON AND OFF SITE,
20 TO ENSURE THAT THE SCHOOL CAN SAFELY OPERATE, FOR THE
21 CHILDREN, TEACHERS, AND ADMINISTRATIVE SCHOOL PRESENT DAILY.
22 SO I JUST WANT TO MAKE CLEAR TO THE PARENTS, I DON'T KNOW WHAT
23 INFORMATION YOU HAVE BEEN PROVIDED BY THE SCHOOL, BUT WE ARE
24 INVOLVED, AND THE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION IS VERY AWARE OF THE
25 REQUIREMENTS THAT THE COUNTY HAS IN PLACE. PUBLIC WORKS AND

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1 REGIONAL PLANNING HAVE HAD MEETINGS, AS HAS MY OFFICE, WITH
2 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION. THEY KNOW WHAT THEY NEED TO DO. WE WILL
3 CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THEM, BUT WE WILL NOT CUT CORNERS, IN
4 ORDER TO ACCOMMODATE WHAT THEY PERCEIVE AS UNNECESSARY RULES
5 AND REGULATIONS, AS IT RELATES TO COUNTY REQUIREMENTS, AND
6 ALSO STATE REQUIREMENTS, BY THE WAY. SO I JUST WANTED TO MAKE
7 THAT CLEAR TO THE PARENTS, AND I WILL BE PUTTING SOMETHING UP
8 ON MY WEB PAGE, OUTLINING WHAT WE HAVE DONE, SO THAT THERE IS
9 NO MISCOMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE PARENTS, MY OFFICE, AND THE
10 ADMINISTRATION. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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12 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE STILL HAVE ANOTHER CALLER ON
13 THE LINE, SO I WANT TO RECOGNIZE THEM, AND THEN I WILL GO TO
14 SUPERVISOR HAHN, WHO WANTS TO MAKE A COMMENT.

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16 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. THE PARTICIPANT IS SEAN MANN. PLEASE
17 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
18 YOU WILL ADDRESS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19
20 **SEAN MANN:** HI. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I APOLOGIZE, EARLIER. I
21 MISUNDERSTOOD. BUT I AM SEAN MANN. I'M A LOCAL UNION CARPENTER
22 REPRESENTATIVE WHO LIVES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND I WOULD
23 LIKE TO SEE LABOR STANDARDS AND A COMMUNITY-WEALTH POLICY
24 INCLUDED IN THIS GENERAL PLAN FOR THE HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE.
25 IN FUTURE PROJECTS UNDER THESE PLANS, THE COUNTY SHOULD

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1 INCORPORATE LANGUAGE REQUIRING FAMILY-SUPPORTING WAGES, YOU
2 KNOW, CONTRACTORS THAT PROVIDE FULL FAMILY HEALTH PLANS,
3 SKILLED AND TRAINED WORKFORCE STANDARDS, CERTIFIED
4 APPRENTICESHIP, PAID SICK LEAVE, PENSION, VACATION, HOLIDAY
5 PAY, AND LOCAL HIRE. WE BELIEVE THAT, YOU KNOW, THE RESIDENTS
6 OBVIOUSLY DESERVE AN INNOVATIVE ECONOMIC SOLUTION THAT PUTS
7 THEM ON THE PATH TO BUILD BETTER CAREERS, INCREASES ACCESS TO
8 FAMILY HEALTHCARE, AND ENRICHES THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE. THANK
9 YOU VERY MUCH.

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

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13 **MODERATOR:** AND ONCE AGAIN, MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER
14 SPEAKERS IN QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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16 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THEN, I WILL NOW RECOGNIZE
17 SUPERVISOR HAHN, WHO IS OUR LAST SPEAKER.

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19 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH, THANKS, MADAM CHAIR. I JUST WANTED TO ALSO
20 MAKE A CLARIFICATION ABOUT AN EARLIER CALLER, WHO REFERENCED
21 THE LACK OF A BUS BENCH ON NOGALES STREET IN HACIENDA HEIGHTS.
22 MY TWO DEPUTIES, LAUREN AND NICK, WHO WERE CALLED OUT AS WELL,
23 HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THIS, AND I WANTED TO JUST LET THE
24 COMMUNITY OF HACIENDA HEIGHTS KNOW THAT PUBLIC WORKS WILL BE
25 INSTALLING A BUS BENCH BY THE END OF THIS MONTH. SO I JUST

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1 WANTED THAT COMMUNITY TO KNOW, THERE WILL BE A BUS BENCH
2 INSTALLED BY OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BY THE END OF THIS
3 MONTH. THANK YOU.

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5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. THANK YOU. MEMBERS, THAT CONCLUDES
6 OUR 90 MINUTES OF PUBLIC COMMENT, AND OUR TIME HAS ENDED. SO I
7 WANT TO THANK EVERYBODY THAT CALLED IN. IF YOU WERE UNABLE TO
8 PROVIDE YOUR COMMENTS, YOU CAN STILL SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS,
9 AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA, AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO ACCEPT ALL
10 WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING THE MEETING, WHICH WILL
11 BECOME A PART OF OUR RECORD. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
12 INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS ON WHICH WE WILL BE VOTING.

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU: 1-D
15 THROUGH 4-D, 1-P, 1 THROUGH 5, 7, 8 AS REVISED, 9 THROUGH 13,
16 15 AND 16, 17 AS REVISED, 20 THROUGH 24, 26 THROUGH 30, 32
17 THROUGH 37, 39 THROUGH 56, 57-B THROUGH 57-D, AND 60.

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19 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND SECONDED BY
20 SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS. MADAM EXECUTIVE
21 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

22

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

24

25 **SUP. MITCHELL:** GOOD MORNING. AYE.

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

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5 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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

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9 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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13 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

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

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19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-
20 0.

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22 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. TODAY, MEMBERS, WE WILL BEGIN
23 WITH THE SET ITEM, S-1, FOLLOWED BY ITEMS 6, 14, 18, AND 19;
24 THEN ITEM 38, WHEN WILL BE TAKEN UP WITH ITEM NUMBER 61, AND
25 THEN ITEM 57-A, AND FINISHING OFF WITH ITEM 62. SO, AS WE MOVE

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1 TO THE SET ITEM, ON S-1, THIS IS, AS YOU KNOW, THE PUBLIC
2 OPPORTUNITY FOR THE BOARD TO DISCUSS THE PANDEMIC TRENDS, SO
3 WE WILL NOW HEAR FROM DR. BARBARA FERRER. WE WILL WELCOME HER,
4 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH; AND DR. CHRISTINA GHALY, DIRECTOR
5 OF HEALTH SERVICES. DR. FERRER?

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7 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** GOOD MORNING, AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
8 SOLIS, AND TO THE ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AS ALWAYS, I
9 WANT TO START BY ACKNOWLEDGING EACH OF YOU, AND OUR GRATITUDE
10 FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, SUPPORT, AND TIRELESS ADVOCACY. I AM
11 GRATEFUL FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT TO YOU AND THE PUBLIC
12 THE LATEST ON THE STATUS OF THE ONGOING C.O.V.I.D.-19
13 PANDEMIC, HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. THIS MORNING, I WILL BE TALKING
14 ABOUT OUR PROGRESS ON PROVIDING VACCINATIONS EQUITABLY,
15 COUNTYWIDE, INCLUDING BOOSTER DOSES, AND WILL ALSO SHARE
16 INFORMATION ABOUT OUR PLANS TO VACCINATE CHILDREN BETWEEN THE
17 AGES OF 5 TO 11; OUR PROPOSED FRAMEWORK FOR DETERMINING WHEN
18 TO LIFT MASKING REQUIREMENTS; AND SOME TIPS FOR PLANNING AHEAD
19 FOR A SAFE AND HEALTHY THANKSGIVING. I WILL TAKE THE FIRST
20 SLIDE. YESTERDAY'S NUMBERS ARE SHOWN ON THE SLIDE, BUT TODAY'S
21 NUMBERS JUST CAME IN, AND I AM SAD TO REPORT 17 ADDITIONAL
22 DEATHS TODAY. AT LEAST 11 OF THE PEOPLE WHO PASSED AWAY HAD
23 UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITIONS. THIS DOES BRING THE TOTAL NUMBER
24 OF DEATHS TO 26,661 IN L.A. COUNTY. OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO
25 ALL THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING THE LOSS OF A FRIEND, NEIGHBOR,

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1 COWORKER, AND LOVED ONE AT THIS TIME, AND OUR PRAYERS AND
2 THOUGHTS REMAIN WITH YOU. WE'RE ALSO REPORTING 896 NEW CASES
3 TODAY, BRINGING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES IN L.A. COUNTY TO
4 1,495,014. TO DATE, MORE THAN 9 MILLION PEOPLE HAVE BEEN
5 TESTED AND HAD TEST RESULTS REPORTED IN L.A. COUNTY. OUR DAILY
6 TEST POSITIVITY RATE IS AVERAGING ABOUT 1 PERCENT. OUR DAILY
7 AVERAGE CASE RATE, WITH WHAT WE CALL A 3-DAY LAG, IS NOW 9
8 CASES PER 100,000 PEOPLE. THIS IS A SLIGHT INCREASE FROM LAST
9 WEEK'S CASE RATE OF 8 CASES PER 100,000 PEOPLE. C.D.C.
10 ESTIMATES OUR WEEKLY CASE RATE IS 80 NEW CASES PER 100,000
11 RESIDENTS, REFLECTING CONTINUED SUBSTANTIAL TRANSMISSION
12 ACROSS THE COUNTY, AND A SMALL INCREASE FROM LAST WEEK'S CASE
13 RATE OF 72 NEW CASES PER 100,000 RESIDENTS. THERE ARE 659
14 PEOPLE CURRENTLY HOSPITALIZED WITH C.O.V.I.D.-19, AND THIS IS
15 AN INCREASE OF 30 PEOPLE OVER THE PAST WEEK. CURRENTLY, WE
16 HAVE 136 OPEN OUTBREAK INVESTIGATIONS. THESE ARE HAPPENING AT
17 BOTH RESIDENTIAL SETTINGS AND NONRESIDENTIAL SETTINGS. FOR
18 THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE WATCHING THE NUMBERS CLOSELY, YOU WILL
19 NOTE THAT WE ARE SEEING SMALL INCREASES ACROSS SEVERAL OF OUR
20 METRICS. OUR WEEKLY CASE RATE IS UP ABOUT 10 PERCENT FROM LAST
21 WEEK, AS ARE DAILY HOSPITALIZATIONS, WHICH NOW AVERAGE ABOUT
22 650 HOSPITALIZATIONS EACH DAY. THIS CORRESPONDS TO UPTICKS
23 REPORTED FROM OTHER COUNTIES IN THE STATE, INCLUDING SANTA
24 BARBARA AND SAN DIEGO, AND ELSEWHERE IN THE WESTERN UNITED
25 STATES, INCLUDING COLORADO AND NEW MEXICO. WE ARE ALSO SEEING

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1 SIMILAR TRENDS, INTERNATIONALLY, IN THE UNITED KINGDOM,
2 FRANCE, GERMANY, AND ITALY. THE TRENDS IN OTHER PLACES SIGNIFY
3 THE NEED TO REMAIN VIGILANT AND FOCUSED ON PREVENTING A
4 SIGNIFICANT WINTERTIME SURGE. CURRENT EFFORTS THAT REDUCE
5 CROWDING AT WORKSITES, THAT ENSURE EMPLOYEES CAN REMAIN HOME
6 WITHOUT FINANCIAL PENALTIES WHEN ILL, AND THAT ENCOURAGE FULL
7 COMPLIANCE WITH MASKING, REMAIN ESSENTIAL. NEXT SLIDE. AT THIS
8 TIME LAST YEAR, WE STARTED SEEING THE MAJOR UPTICK OF OUR
9 WINTER SURGE, WHERE DAILY CASES ROSE FROM ABOUT 1,200 IN THE
10 MIDDLE OF OCTOBER, TO ABOUT 2,000 IN EARLY NOVEMBER, AND THEN
11 KEPT GOING UP. BECAUSE THIS YEAR WE FIND OURSELVES WITH MANY
12 OF OUR RESIDENTS VACCINATED AGAINST C.O.V.I.D.-19, OFFERING A
13 POWERFUL LAYER OF PROTECTION, WE HOPE TO PREVENT THE ENORMOUS
14 SUFFERING WE ENDURED LAST WINTER. WE ARE PARTICULARLY
15 GRATIFIED TO SEE THAT OUR OLDER RESIDENTS ARE VACCINATED AT
16 HIGH LEVELS. AS OF OCTOBER 28TH, 94 PERCENT OF L.A. COUNTY
17 RESIDENTS 65 AND OVER RECEIVED AT LEAST ONE DOSE OF THE
18 VACCINE, AS HAVE 80 PERCENT OF ALL RESIDENTS 12 AND OVER. 72
19 PERCENT OF RESIDENTS 12 AND OVER ARE NOW FULLY VACCINATED, AND
20 73 PERCENT OF L.A. TEENS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 12 AND 17 HAVE
21 RECEIVED AT LEAST ONE DOSE OF THE VACCINE, AND 64 PERCENT ARE
22 FULLY VACCINATED. SO FAR, NEARLY 560,000 RESIDENTS HAVE
23 RECEIVED A BOOSTER DOSE. THE NUMBERS SHOWN ON THIS SLIDE IS
24 SLIGHTLY OUT OF DATE, AS I WAS ABLE TO UPDATE THE INFORMATION
25 THIS MORNING. BOOSTER DOSES ARE NOW AVAILABLE TO PEOPLE WHO

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1 RECEIVED THEIR SECOND DOSES OF PFIZER AND MODERNA VACCINES AT
2 LEAST SIX MONTHS AGO, AND ARE 65 AND OLDER, OR 18 AND OLDER
3 WITH UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITIONS, OR AN OCCUPATIONAL OR
4 INSTITUTIONAL EXPOSURE. BOOSTER DOSES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE TO
5 THOSE WHO RECEIVED A JOHNSON & JOHNSON VACCINE AT LEAST TWO
6 MONTHS AGO. WHILE OVER 3.5 MILLION RESIDENTS MAY BE ELIGIBLE
7 FOR A BOOSTER, WE KNOW THAT THE UPTAKE OF BOOSTER DOSES IS NOT
8 EVENLY DISTRIBUTED ACROSS THE MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS OF OUR
9 COUNTY. WE WILL GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE. WE ARE WORKING HARD TO
10 ENSURE THAT THE 53 PERCENT OF OUR RESIDENTS WHO LIVE IN OUR
11 HARDEST HIT COMMUNITIES CAN EASILY RECEIVE THEIR BOOSTER
12 DOSES, WHEN ELIGIBLE. LOOKING EXCLUSIVELY AT THESE PEOPLE WHO
13 ARE AT LEAST SIX MONTHS OUT FROM A TWO-DOSE PFIZER SERIES
14 ACROSS THE COUNTY, WE FOUND THAT, IN THE FIRST MONTH OF
15 OFFERING THE PFIZER BOOSTERS, WHICH WAS IN OCTOBER, 2 PERCENT
16 OF THESE INDIVIDUALS LIVING IN OUR HIGH-NEED NEIGHBORHOODS
17 RECEIVED ADDITIONAL OR BOOSTER DOSES OF THE VACCINE, COMPARED
18 WITH 4 PERCENT OF THOSE LIVING IN THE OTHER ZIP CODES. IF YOU
19 LOOK AT THESE BY YOUNGER AND OLDER ADULTS, WE FOUND THAT WHILE
20 1 PERCENT OF YOUNGER ADULTS, AGE 18-64, IN HIGH-NEED
21 COMMUNITIES RECEIVED ADDITIONAL DOSES, TWICE AS MANY, 2
22 PERCENT, OF ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS IN WEALTHIER ZIP CODES RECEIVED
23 BOOSTERS. THE DIFFERENCE IS ALSO NOTABLE AMONG SENIORS, OF
24 WHOM 9 PERCENT IN HIGH-NEED AREAS, COMPARED WITH MORE THAN 13
25 PERCENT IN WEALTHIER AREAS, RECEIVED ADDITIONAL DOSES. WHILE

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1 THESE DIFFERENCES ARE SLIGHTLY MISLEADING, BECAUSE THEY DON'T
2 ACCOUNT FOR DIFFERENCES IN THE TIMING OF FIRST DOSES BETWEEN
3 RESIDENTS LIVING IN HIGH-NEED NEIGHBORHOODS AND OTHER
4 NEIGHBORHOODS, IT IS NONETHELESS IMPORTANT TO CLOSE THESE GAPS
5 AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS, AS WE CONTINUE
6 TARGETING OUTREACH AND VACCINE DOSES IN OUR HARD-HIT
7 COMMUNITIES. NEXT SLIDE. WE ARE ALSO WORKING TO MAKE SURE THAT
8 BOOSTER DOSES ARE EASY TO GET IN THE AREAS WHERE NEED AND
9 VULNERABILITY ARE THE HIGHEST. ON THIS MAP, YOU CAN SEE WHERE
10 THE [INAUDIBLE]-PLUS ZIP CODES ARE MARKED IN PALE GREEN, AND
11 YOU CAN THEN LOOK AT THE 834 FIXED D.P.H. AND PARTNER SITES
12 THAT WE HAVE COUNTYWIDE, WHERE RESIDENTS CAN GET BOOSTER DOSES
13 OF ALL THREE VACCINES, AS WELL AS THEIR PRIMARY SERIES OF
14 VACCINE. 44 PERCENT OF OUR FIXED VACCINATION SITES ARE LOCATED
15 IN HIGH-NEED COMMUNITIES, WHICH IS WHY OUR MOBILE TEAMS BECOME
16 AN IMPORTANT TOOL IN CLOSING GAPS. AND WE CAN GO TO THE NEXT
17 SLIDE. HUNDREDS OF MOBILE VACCINATION TEAMS CONTINUE TO WORK
18 IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS WHERE UNVACCINATED PEOPLE LIVE AND WORK,
19 TO ADMINISTER FIRST, SECOND, AND BOOSTER DOSES OF VACCINES.
20 ALMOST ALL OF OUR MOBILE TEAMS CARRY BOTH EITHER PFIZER OR
21 MODERNA AND JOHNSON & JOHNSON, SO THAT THEY'RE ABLE TO GO
22 AHEAD WITH BOOSTER DOSES PRETTY EASILY, AT THIS POINT. AS YOU
23 CAN SEE ON THIS MAP, THERE ARE 427 MOBILE UNIT VISITS
24 SCHEDULED THIS WEEK, AND THEY ARE FOCUSED ON ALWAYS BRINGING
25 VACCINATIONS TO PLACES WHERE COMMUNITY RESIDENTS ALREADY ARE

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1 AT. ANYONE CAN REQUEST A MOBILE TEAM ON OUR WEBSITE, AND WE
2 WILL COME TO A COMMUNITY SITE, OR A WORK SITE. AS A REMINDER,
3 ALL YOU NEED TO BRING WITH YOU TO YOUR APPOINTMENT, IF YOU
4 WANT A BOOSTER DOSE, IS PROOF OF YOUR PRIMARY VACCINE SERIES,
5 AND THAT CAN BE YOUR WHITE VACCINATION CARD, A PHOTO OF YOUR
6 VACCINATION CARD, A MEDICAL RECORD, OR YOUR DIGITAL VACCINE
7 RECORD. AND AT MOST SITES, YOU DON'T NEED AN APPOINTMENT, AS
8 WELL. YOU CAN JUST WALK IN. NEXT SLIDE. BECAUSE SKILLED
9 NURSING FACILITIES PROVIDE CARE TO SO MANY OF OUR RESIDENTS,
10 FOR WHOM BOOSTER DOSES ARE MOST IMPORTANT, WE ARE WORKING
11 CLOSELY WITH THE FACILITIES TO ENSURE THEIR EASY ACCESS TO
12 BOOSTER DOSES. MANY OTHER SKILLED NURSING FACILITIES HAVE
13 RELATIONSHIPS WITH LONG-TERM CARE PHARMACIES, AND THEY RECEIVE
14 BOOSTER DOSES FROM THESE PHARMACIES. WHERE THE RELATIONSHIPS
15 DON'T EXIST-- AND THERE ARE FEW OF THOSE-- OUR MOBILE
16 VACCINATION TEAMS ARE WORKING TO FILL IN THE GAPS. ON A RECENT
17 SURVEY WE CONDUCTED A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO, TO ASSESS THESE
18 FACILITIES' PROGRESS IN PROVIDING BOOSTER DOSES TO THEIR
19 RESIDENTS, WE FOUND THAT OF THE 342 SKILLED NURSING FACILITIES
20 COUNTYWIDE, 9 PERCENT COMPLETED BOOSTER CLINICS OR
21 ADMINISTERED BOOSTERS ALREADY TO THEIR ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS. 20
22 PERCENT ARE SCHEDULED FOR MOBILE VACCINE CLINIC OR VACCINE
23 DELIVERY FROM THEIR LONG-TERM CARE PHARMACY. 23 PERCENT HAVE
24 FINISHED ASSESSING RESIDENTS TO KNOW HOW MANY DOSES THEY
25 NEEDED TO ORDER, AND THEY'RE PENDING THE SCHEDULING OF THAT

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1 VACCINE CLINIC. 42 PERCENT ARE STILL IN THE PROCESS OF
2 ASSESSING ELIGIBILITY, AND WE ARE STILL IN THE PROCESS OF
3 ESTABLISHING CONTACT WITH A SMALL NUMBER OF THESE FACILITIES--
4 6 PERCENT-- WHO DID NOT RESPOND TO THE SURVEY. WE ANTICIPATE
5 COMPLETING ADMINISTERING BOOSTERS TO ELIGIBLE NURSING HOME
6 RESIDENTS WHO WISH TO RECEIVE AN ADDITIONAL DOSE BY NOVEMBER
7 20TH. IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT MOST SKILLED NURSING
8 FACILITY RESIDENTS RECEIVED MODERNA VACCINE, AND THEY WERE NOT
9 ELIGIBLE FOR A BOOSTER DOSE UNTIL THE F.D.A.'S APPROVAL OF
10 MODERNA BOOSTERS AND A MIX-AND-MATCH STRATEGY, AND THAT DID
11 NOT HAPPEN UNTIL OCTOBER 20TH. NEXT SLIDE. OUR MOBILE VACCINE
12 PARTNERS ARE ALSO A CRITICAL PART OF EFFORTS TO PROVIDE
13 HOMEBOUND PEOPLE WITH BOOSTER DOSES, AS WELL AS SOME OF OUR
14 PARTNERING AGENCIES. OUR STRATEGY INCLUDES A PLAN FOR ACTIVE
15 PHONE OUTREACH TO MANY OF THE APPROXIMATELY 6600 HOMEBOUND
16 PEOPLE THAT RECEIVED THEIR VACCINES, AS OF OCTOBER 19TH OF
17 THIS YEAR, SO THAT WE CAN IDENTIFY THOSE THAT ARE CANDIDATES
18 FOR BOOSTER DOSES, AND OFFER HOME VISITS FOR ADMINISTERING
19 THOSE ADDITIONAL DOSES. WE ARE COMMITTED TO ENSURING THAT THE
20 PEOPLE THAT STAND TO BENEFIT MOST FROM THE AVAILABILITY OF
21 BOOSTER DOSES HAVE THE SIMPLEST PATH TO OBTAINING THESE DOSES,
22 AND WE ARE GRATEFUL TO THE MOBILE VACCINATION PARTNERS THAT
23 ARE MAKING IT POSSIBLE FOR US TO REACH SO MANY OF OUR COUNTY'S
24 VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS WITH LIFESAVING VACCINES. AS A REMINDER
25 FOR ANYBODY WHO IS HOMEBOUND, YOU CAN REFER YOURSELF TO THE

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1 PROGRAM, BUT ALSO CAREGIVERS, FAMILY MEMBERS, LOVED ONES,
2 HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS, ORGANIZATIONS, AND OTHERS CAN MAKE
3 REFERRALS FOR HOMEBOUND RESIDENTS. YOU CAN VISIT OUR IN-HOME
4 VACCINATION REQUEST FORM AT OUR VACCINATELACOUNTY.COM SITE, OR
5 YOU CAN CALL US AT 833-540-0473, BETWEEN 8:00 A.M. AND 8:30
6 P.M., 7 DAYS A WEEK. SO, AGAIN, THIS IS OUR STRATEGY FOR
7 HELPING. I WANT TO NOTE, THERE ARE THOUSANDS OF ADDITIONAL
8 HOMEBOUND RESIDENTS IN L.A. COUNTY THAT ARE BEING SERVED BY
9 THEIR HEALTH PLANS AND BY HOME HEALTHCARE AGENCIES, AND THAT
10 IS APPROPRIATE, AS WELL, BUT WE ARE HERE TO FILL IN THE GAP,
11 AND ALL WE NEED IS A CALL, AND WE'LL BE ABLE TO GO AHEAD AND
12 SCHEDULE THOSE VISITS, WHERE WE CAN PROVIDE VACCINATIONS TO
13 THOSE WHO CANNOT LEAVE THEIR HOMES. NEXT SLIDE. AS MANY OF YOU
14 KNOW, CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 5 AND 11 WILL LIKELY BE
15 ELIGIBLE FOR C.O.V.I.D.-19 VACCINATIONS, AS EARLY AS LATER
16 TODAY OR TOMORROW. WE ARE WELL PREPARED TO VACCINATE CHILDREN,
17 ONCE THE C.D.C. GRANTS FINAL APPROVAL. BEFORE I SHARE WITH YOU
18 OUR VACCINATION PLANS, I JUST WANT TO UPDATE YOU ON THE IMPACT
19 OF C.O.V.I.D.-19 ON OUR COUNTY'S YOUNG PEOPLE. SINCE MARCH OF
20 2020, L.A. COUNTY HAS SEEN NEARLY 80,000 CASES OF C.O.V.I.D.-
21 19 AMONG CHILDREN AGES 5-11, IN ADDITION TO ABOUT 37,000 CASES
22 IN CHILDREN UNDER 5, AND ABOUT 90,000 CASES IN TEENS AGED 12-
23 17. WE'VE ALSO SEEN 635 HOSPITALIZATIONS IN CHILDREN UNDER 5,
24 377 HOSPITALIZATIONS AMONG CHILDREN 5-11, AND ALMOST 750 AMONG
25 TEENS AGED 12-17. IN ALL, THERE HAVE ONLY BEEN A FEW PEDIATRIC

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1 DEATHS IN L.A. COUNTY, 7 IN TOTAL, THAT OCCURRED DURING OR
2 SHORTLY AFTER OUR CASE SURGES. OUR HEARTS BREAK FOR THEIR
3 FAMILIES AND FRIENDS. 5 OF THESE DEATHS WERE IN CHILDREN AGED
4 12-17, ONE WAS UNDER 5, AND ONE WAS A CHILD BETWEEN THE AGES
5 OF 5 AND 11. NEXT SLIDE. ON THIS SLIDE, YOU CAN SEE THE TRENDS
6 IN CASES AMONG EACH OF THE SAME AGE GROUPS OVER THE COURSE OF
7 THE PANDEMIC. UNTIL OUR LATEST SURGE, TEENS BETWEEN THE AGES
8 OF 12 AND 17, REPRESENTED BY THE GREEN LINE, HAD THE HIGHEST
9 CASE RATE AMONG CHILDREN. HOWEVER, OVER THE LAST FEW MONTHS,
10 TEENS' INFECTION RATES DROPPED BELOW THOSE OF 5- TO 11-YEAR-
11 OLDS, WHICH IS REPRESENTED BY THE BLUE LINE. THIS CHANGED
12 DYNAMIC IS LIKELY A CONSEQUENCE OF INCREASING VACCINATION
13 LEVELS AMONG TEENS, AND HAVING NO VACCINATIONS AVAILABLE FOR
14 THOSE CHILDREN 5 TO 11. AND THOSE CHILDREN ARE PRIMARILY BACK
15 AT SCHOOL. AS IN OTHER AGE GROUPS, WE FOUND THAT UNVACCINATED
16 TEENS ARE FAR MORE LIKELY TO BECOME INFECTED THAN THOSE WHO
17 HAVE BEEN VACCINATED. THE CASE RATES AMONG UNVACCINATED 12- TO
18 17-YEAR-OLDS ARE 8 TIMES WHAT THEY ARE AMONG VACCINATED YOUTH,
19 WHILE HOSPITALIZATIONS ARE MORE THAN 6 TIMES AS LIKELY AMONG
20 UNVACCINATED TEENS; AND UNVACCINATED TEENS NOW HAVE THE
21 HIGHEST CASE RATE AMONG ALL GROUPS, OF ALL AGES, THAT ARE
22 CURRENTLY ABLE FOR VACCINATION, SERVING AS DRIVERS FOR MUCH OF
23 THE SPREAD. NEXT SLIDE. IT'S BECAUSE OF C.O.V.I.D.'S IMPACT ON
24 CHILDREN'S HEALTH, AND ON THE HEALTH OF THOSE THEY LIVE WITH
25 AND HAVE CLOSE CONTACT WITH, THAT WE HAVE SO KEENLY

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1 ANTICIPATED FEDERAL APPROVAL AND RECOMMENDATION OF PEDIATRIC
2 VACCINES. IN L.A. COUNTY, 900,000 CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES OF
3 5 AND 11 WILL LIKELY BECOME NEWLY ELIGIBLE FOR VACCINATION
4 THIS WEEK. PEDIATRIC DOSES OF PFIZER VACCINE ARE SMALLER THAN
5 THE ADULT AND TEEN VACCINE DOSES-- 10 VERSUS 30 MICROGRAMS--
6 BUT THE DOSING SCHEDULE IS THE SAME. FOR CHILDREN, TEENS, AND
7 ADULTS, TWO DOSES ARE GIVEN, 21 DAYS APART. THE PACKAGING FOR
8 TEEN AND ADULT AND PEDIATRIC DOSES IS DIFFERENT. CHILDREN
9 GETTING VACCINATED WILL NEED TO BRING WITH THEM A CONSENT
10 FORM, SIGNED BY AN ADULT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CHILD. AT SOME
11 VACCINATION SITES, INCLUDING THOSE RUN BY PUBLIC HEALTH,
12 CHILDREN UNDER 16 MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT. YOU DON'T
13 NEED TO SHOW IDENTIFICATION IN ORDER TO GET A VACCINE, NOR DO
14 YOU NEED TO BE A U.S. CITIZEN TO BE VACCINATED. CURRENTLY, WE
15 EXPECT TO GET NEARLY 300,000 DOSES AS PART OF OUR FIRST THREE
16 WAVES OF VACCINE SUPPLY, WITHIN THE NEXT WEEK TO TEN DAYS. OUR
17 FIRST PEDIATRIC DOSES ARRIVE TODAY, WITH ADDITIONAL DOSES
18 SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE LATER THIS WEEK. IF THE C.D.C. GRANTS
19 FINAL APPROVAL TODAY, SITES THAT RECEIVE DOSES TODAY MAY BE
20 ABLE TO START VACCINATING AS EARLY AS TOMORROW AFTERNOON, OR
21 ON THURSDAY. DOSES ARE BEING ALLOCATED TO US AND THE REST OF
22 THE COUNTRY ON A PRO RATA BASIS. WE DON'T ANTICIPATE SCARCITY,
23 AND WE EXPECT THAT THERE WILL BE AMPLE VACCINE TO MEET DEMAND.
24 NEXT SLIDE. A NETWORK OF NEARLY 900 PROVIDERS COUNTYWIDE IS
25 PREPARED TO PROVIDE VACCINES TO CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES OF

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1 FIVE AND 11. THIS MAP SHOWS PROVIDERS PLANNING TO OFFER
2 C.O.V.I.D. VACCINES TO CHILDREN, SUPERIMPOSED OVER A MAP
3 SHOWING THE DENSITY OF CHILDREN IN THIS AGE GROUP ACROSS THE
4 COUNTY. THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF FIVE- TO 11-YEAR-OLDS LIVE IN
5 THE AREAS THAT ARE SHADED DARKER GREEN, WHILE LOWER NUMBERS
6 LIVE IN THE LIGHTER-COLORED AREAS. APPROVED PROVIDERS,
7 INCLUDING HOSPITALS, PHARMACIES, FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH
8 CENTERS, COUNTY SITES, PEDIATRICIAN AND FAMILY MEDICINE
9 PRACTICES, AND CLINICS, ARE SHOWN IN THE MULTICOLORED MARKERS.
10 I WANT TO NOTE THAT JUST ABOUT EVERY FEDERALLY QUALIFIED
11 HEALTH CENTER IS OFFERING PEDIATRIC VACCINES, AND THEY ARE
12 LISTED HERE IN MULTIPLE CATEGORIES, INCLUDING AS FIXED-SITE
13 CLINICS, MOBILE TEAM SITES, OR "VACCINE FOR CHILDREN" SITES.
14 FOR THIS WEEK, WE ENCOURAGE PARENTS TO CALL AHEAD OF TIME TO
15 THE PROVIDERS LISTED ON THE MAP. YOU CAN GO TO
16 VACCINATELACOUNTY.ORG TO GET CONNECTED TO ANY OF THESE
17 PROVIDERS, JUST TO BE SURE THAT THEY RECEIVED THEIR PEDIATRIC
18 DOSES AND ARE ABLE TO START VACCINATING THIS WEEK. ALL SIX OF
19 THE D.P.H. COMMUNITY SITES WILL BE READY TO GO TOMORROW
20 AFTERNOON, IF THE C.D.C. GRANTS FINAL APPROVAL LATER TODAY. AS
21 YOU CAN SEE, THERE ARE ALSO SEVERAL AREAS IN THE SAN FERNANDO
22 VALLEY, ANTELOPE VALLEY, AND SOUTH CENTRAL L.A., WHERE THE
23 NUMBER OF PROVIDERS IS NOT WELL-MATCHED TO THE NUMBER OF
24 CHILDREN WHO WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR VACCINATIONS. IN THESE
25 AREAS, OUR MOBILE VACCINATION TEAMS WILL WORK HARD TO

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1 SUPPLEMENT VACCINATIONS OFFERED BY EXISTING PROVIDERS, SO THAT
2 CHILDREN HAVE EASY ACCESS TO OUR MOST POWERFUL PROTECTION FROM
3 C.O.V.I.D. SCHOOL VACCINATION SITES FORM ANOTHER PILLAR IN OUR
4 VACCINATION PLAN. MANY PARENTS HAVE REQUESTED THAT WE OFFER
5 VACCINES TO CHILDREN AND TEENS AT SCHOOLS, BECAUSE THESE ARE
6 FAMILIAR AND TRUSTED PLACES. SCHOOL VACCINATION CLINICS HAVE
7 ALREADY BEEN AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR COMMUNITY VACCINATION
8 STRATEGY. OVER THE COURSE OF THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, VACCINES
9 FOR CHILDREN WILL BE OFFERED AT 480 SCHOOL-BASED EVENTS, WITH
10 A FOCUS ON SCHOOLS IN HIGH-NEED AREAS. NEXT SLIDE. WHILE WE'RE
11 LASER-FOCUSED ON REDUCING TRANSMISSION LEVELS AND INCREASING
12 VACCINATION RATES BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS, MANY PEOPLE ARE ASKING
13 WHAT OUR FRAMEWORK WILL BE FOR DETERMINING UNDER WHAT
14 CONDITIONS WOULD IT MAKE SENSE TO REMOVE EXISTING MASKING
15 REQUIREMENTS. IN DEVELOPING THIS FRAMEWORK, WE LOOKED AT
16 EMERGING SCIENCE AND C.D.C. GUIDANCE, INCLUDING THEIR
17 RECOMMENDATION FOR INDOOR MASKING FOR ALL COUNTIES
18 EXPERIENCING HIGH OR SUBSTANTIAL TRANSMISSION. WE PRIORITIZED
19 OUR IMPERATIVE TO PROTECT THE HOSPITAL SYSTEM, AND CONSIDERED
20 CURRENT BED AVAILABILITY, WHAT OUR HOSPITALIZATION VOLUME
21 WOULD LOOK LIKE DURING A NORMAL FLU SEASON, AND WHAT WE CAN
22 EXPECT IN TERMS OF I.C.U. BED AVAILABILITY WITH FLU AND
23 C.O.V.I.D. CIRCULATING SIMULTANEOUSLY. WE ALSO PRIORITIZED
24 REDUCING VACCINE-PREVENTABLE MORBIDITY AND MORTALITY. ON THIS
25 SLIDE, YOU CAN SEE OUR PROPOSED CRITERIA FOR REMOVING MASKING

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1 REQUIREMENTS IN CERTAIN OUTDOOR AND INDOOR SETTINGS. FOR
2 OUTDOOR MEGA-EVENTS INVOLVING MORE THAN 10,000 PEOPLE, WE
3 PROPOSE THAT BEFORE MASKING REQUIREMENTS ARE LIFTED, THE
4 FOLLOWING CRITERIA ARE MET: L.A. COUNTY METRICS MUST
5 DEMONSTRATE THREE CONSECUTIVE WEEKS AT OR BELOW MODERATE
6 TRANSMISSION, AS DEFINED BY THE C.D.C. THAT IS LESS THAN 50
7 NEW WEEKLY CASES PER 100,000 RESIDENTS. A SECOND METRIC IS
8 THAT WE HAVE THREE CONSECUTIVE WEEKS OF HOSPITALIZATIONS
9 REMAINING LOW AND STABLE, AT OR BELOW 600 DAILY C.O.V.I.D.
10 HOSPITALIZATIONS. A THIRD METRIC IS, 80% OR MORE OF COUNTY
11 RESIDENTS 12 AND OLDER ARE FULLY VACCINATED. AND A FOURTH
12 METRIC IS THAT THERE ARE NO EMERGING REPORTS OF SIGNIFICANTLY
13 CIRCULATING NEW VARIANTS OF CONCERN THAT THREATEN VACCINE
14 EFFECTIVENESS. FOR MASKING REQUIREMENTS TO BE LIFTED AT INDOOR
15 EVENTS OR ESTABLISHMENTS INVOLVING FEWER THAN 1,000 PEOPLE,
16 INCLUDING INDOOR OFFICES AND WORKSITES, THE SITE MUST HAVE A
17 VACCINATION VERIFICATION PROCESS IN PLACE, AND ALL EMPLOYEES
18 AND CUSTOMERS MUST BE FULLY VACCINATED, ACCOMMODATING WITH
19 ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS THOSE EMPLOYEES WITH APPROVED
20 EXEMPTIONS. ADDITIONALLY, L.A. COUNTY METRICS MUST MEET THE
21 SAME STANDARDS AS FOR LIFTING MASKING REQUIREMENTS AT OUTDOOR
22 MEGA-EVENTS. I WANT TO NOTE THAT EVEN WHEN THESE REQUIREMENTS
23 ARE MET, INDOOR MASKING WILL REMAIN MANDATORY, DUE TO FEDERAL
24 AND STATE REQUIREMENTS, IN PUBLIC TRANSIT AND TRANSPORTATION
25 HUBS, AT T.K.-12 SCHOOLS, CHILDCARE, YOUTH SETTINGS,

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1 HEALTHCARE SETTINGS, CORRECTIONAL SETTINGS, HOMELESS AND
2 EMERGENCY SHELTERS AND COOLING CENTERS, AND INDOOR MEGA-EVENTS
3 INVOLVING MORE THAN 1,000 PEOPLE. WE WILL CONTINUE VIGILANTLY
4 TRACKING VARIANTS OF CONCERN THAT MAY EVADE VACCINE
5 PROTECTIONS, BECAUSE IN THOSE SCENARIOS, MASKING BECOMES A
6 PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT TOOL FOR PREVENTING TRANSMISSION. WE
7 ARE HOPEFUL THAT WITH CONTINUED INCREASES IN VACCINATIONS AND
8 BOOSTERS, AND ADHERENCE TO THE EXISTING COMMONSENSE SAFETY
9 PRECAUTIONS, WE CAN REACH A LOWER LEVEL OF COMMUNITY
10 TRANSMISSION THAT POSITIONS US TO USE THE CRITERIA NOTED ON
11 THIS SLIDE TO LIFT THE MASKING REQUIREMENTS. UNTIL THEN, WHILE
12 TRANSMISSION REMAINS SUBSTANTIAL, WE NEED TO CONTINUE LAYERING
13 ON PROTECTIONS, UNDERSTANDING THAT SIGNIFICANT SPREAD OF THE
14 VIRUS AFFECTS UNVACCINATED INDIVIDUALS, AND INCREASINGLY
15 RESULTS IN POST-VACCINATION INFECTIONS AMONG THOSE VACCINATED.
16 SUBSTANTIAL SPREAD ALSO CREATES A FERTILE BREEDING GROUND FOR
17 NEW VARIANTS THAT CAN THREATEN OUR PROGRESS, TO DATE. LET'S
18 CONTINUE TO DO WHAT IT TAKES TO ENABLE EVERYONE TO CELEBRATE
19 THE UPCOMING HOLIDAYS WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS, RATHER THAN
20 BEING QUARANTINED, SICK, OR HOSPITALIZED. NEXT SLIDE. AND AS
21 THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS APPROACH, IT CAN BE HELPFUL TO PLAN
22 AHEAD, IN ORDER TO HAVE THE SAFEST AND HEALTHIEST GATHERING
23 POSSIBLE. GETTING YOURSELF AND YOUR LOVED ONES VACCINATED NOW
24 GIVES YOU THE BEST CHANCE AT HAVING PROTECTION FROM C.O.V.I.D.
25 OVER THE HOLIDAYS. WE RECOMMEND STAYING LOCAL UNTIL EVERYONE

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1 IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD IS FULLY VACCINATED. AND IF YOU TRAVEL WITH
2 UNVACCINATED FAMILY MEMBERS, INCLUDING YOUNG CHILDREN,
3 PLANNING ENOUGH TRAVEL TIME TO COMPLETE QUARANTINE BEFORE
4 JOINING A HOLIDAY GATHERING IS BEST. GATHERING OUTDOORS IS
5 ALWAYS SAFEST, ESPECIALLY WHEN MASKS ARE OFF FOR EATING AND
6 DRINKING. IF OUTDOORS IS IMPOSSIBLE OR IMPRACTICAL, IMPROVE
7 THE AIRFLOW INDOORS BY OPENING WINDOWS AND DOORS, USING FANS
8 AND PORTABLE AIR CLEANERS, AND RUNNING THE HEATING OR AIR
9 CONDITIONER WITH UPGRADED OR REPLACED FILTERS. IT IS ALWAYS
10 GOING TO BE BEST, WHILE WE ARE IN THE MIDDLE OF A PANDEMIC, TO
11 KEEP YOUR GATHERING SMALL, AND DON'T BE AFRAID TO ASK ABOUT
12 PEOPLE'S VACCINATION STATUS AND RECENT RISK BEFORE JOINING A
13 THANKSGIVING GATHERING. TAKE EXTRA PRECAUTIONS IF YOU'LL BE
14 GATHERING WITH HIGH-RISK FOLKS OR PEOPLE FROM OTHER PARTS OF
15 THE COUNTRY, OR YOU'RE A PERSON AT HIGHER RISK. AVOID CROWDED
16 INDOOR SPACES AND PLACES IN THE WEEK LEADING UP TO THE
17 HOLIDAYS, AND GET TESTED BEFORE MEETING UP. WHEN IT COMES TO
18 MAKING THANKSGIVING SAFE, A LITTLE EXTRA PLANNING CAN GO FOR A
19 LONG WAY. THANKS, AND I WILL BE ABLE TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS
20 WHEN APPROPRIATE.

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22 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, DR. BARBARA FERRER. NEXT, WE
23 WILL HEAR FROM DR. CHRISTINA GHALY. THANK YOU.

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1 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** YEAH, HI. GOOD AFTERNOON, OR GOOD
2 MORNING, SUPERVISORS. THANKS FOR THE CHANCE TO ADDRESS THE
3 BOARD. I WILL RUN THROUGH SOME SLIDES ON HOSPITALIZATIONS,
4 VACCINATION, AND THEN TESTING, AND THEN PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF
5 YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. IF YOU COULD GO TO SLIDE TWO, THIS
6 SHOWS OUR CURRENT HOSPITALIZATIONS ACROSS THE FOUR D.H.S.
7 HOSPITALS, FOR OUR INPATIENTS WITH C.O.V.I.D.-19. YOU CAN SEE
8 THE TREND HAS GONE DOWN FROM WHERE IT WAS IN EARLY OCTOBER,
9 AND WE ARE NOW SITTING AROUND 50 OR SO; 50 TO 55 PATIENTS
10 ADMITTED IN THE HOSPITAL, ON ANY GIVEN DAY, WITH C.O.V.I.D. IN
11 THE FOUR D.H.S. HOSPITALS. YOU WILL SEE A SLIGHT POSSIBLE
12 UPTICK THAT WE ARE MONITORING CLOSELY ON TOP OF WHAT DR.
13 FERRER ALREADY SHARED, AS COUNTYWIDE DATA ON C.O.V.I.D.
14 HOSPITALIZATIONS, AND WE WILL KEEP YOU POSTED THERE. JUST TO
15 SET THE CONTEXT FOR THESE NUMBERS, IF YOU COULD GO TO SLIDE
16 THREE, PLEASE, JUST RECALL THAT THESE NUMBERS ARE STILL MUCH
17 LOWER THAN WHAT WE EXPERIENCED EARLIER IN THE PANDEMIC, IN THE
18 PEAK IN THE WINTER, DURING THE WINTER SURGE. WE ARE ENCOURAGED
19 THAT THE NUMBERS ARE STILL REMAINING AT THIS LOWER LEVEL, BUT
20 WE ARE WORRIED ABOUT THE SLIGHT UPTICK THAT HAS BEEN SEEN IN
21 OTHER JURISDICTIONS, AND WE'RE WATCHING THIS CLOSELY,
22 ESPECIALLY AS WE NOTICE SOME OF THE SEASONAL VARIATION AND
23 PERIODICITY THAT THE VIRUS SEEMS TO DISPLAY. AND I WOULD JUST
24 ENCOURAGE, AS DR. FERRER JUST DID, FOR EVERYONE REALLY TO
25 REMAIN VIGILANT OVER THE COURSE OF THE HOLIDAYS THAT ARE

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1 COMING UP. IT IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO SEE FAMILY AND FRIENDS
2 AND LOVED ONES, AND I HOPE THAT EVERYONE HAS A CHANCE TO
3 CELEBRATE, BUT WE WANT PEOPLE TO DO THAT SAFELY. SO PLEASE, DO
4 BE CAREFUL TO FOLLOW ALL OF THE RULES AND EXPECTATIONS AND
5 GUIDELINES THAT HAVE BEEN SET FORWARD, SO THAT WE CAN PRESERVE
6 A SAFE HOLIDAY FOR EVERYONE IN OUR COMMUNITY. ON THE NEXT
7 SLIDE, I JUST WANTED TO SHARE BRIEFLY WHAT WE HAVE SEEN ON
8 TRENDS IN THE AGE OF INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE BEEN ADMITTED TO
9 D.H.S. HOSPITALS OVER THE COURSE OF THE PANDEMIC. AND YOU'LL
10 SEE THE RED LINE IN PARTICULAR. IT BOUNCES AROUND A LOT, BUT
11 YOU CAN SEE A CLEAR TREND, WHERE NOW THE RED LINE, WHICH IS
12 INDIVIDUALS AGED 18 TO 49, NOW MAKE UP HALF OR OVER HALF OF
13 THE C.O.V.I.D.-POSITIVE INPATIENTS IN OUR D.H.S. HOSPITALS,
14 AND THIS WAS NOT SOMETHING THAT WE DEFINITELY SAW EARLIER IN
15 THE PANDEMIC. THAT POPULATION WAS MORE ABOUT A THIRD OF THE
16 PATIENTS THAT WE HAD ADMITTED TO THE HOSPITAL. AND THIS JUST
17 IS CONSISTENT WITH SOME OF THE LOWER RATES OF UPTAKE OF
18 VACCINATION AMONG THAT POPULATION. IF YOU COULD GO TO THE NEXT
19 SLIDE, SLIDE FIVE, I WILL SHIFT TO VACCINATIONS. AS DR. FERRER
20 JUST MENTIONED, WE ARE EAGERLY ANTICIPATING THE LIKELY
21 APPROVAL OF THE VACCINE FOR CHILDREN AGED FIVE TO 11, AND WE
22 WILL BE READY TO ROLL OUT THE VACCINE AS SOON AS THE C.D.C.
23 GIVES THE GREEN LIGHT TO GO FORWARD. WE ARE BUSY PROVIDING
24 VACCINE BOOSTER DOSES, IN LINE WITH C.D.C. GUIDELINES. WE HAVE
25 PROVIDED A LITTLE OVER 6,000 DOSES, TO DATE, FOR D.H.S.

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1 PATIENTS. THAT INCLUDES INDIVIDUALS IN THE CORRECTIONAL HEALTH
2 SERVICES SYSTEM, AS WELL AS IN HOUSING FOR HEALTH AND ALMOST
3 7,000 VACCINES TO D.H.S. WORKFORCE MEMBERS WHO ARE SEEKING
4 THEIR BOOSTER DOSE. IN ADDITION TO THIS, WE CONTINUE, ALSO, TO
5 GIVE FIRST AND SECOND DOSES TO INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE NOT YET
6 STARTED THEIR VACCINATION SERIES. ON THE NEXT SLIDE, I WILL
7 TALK BRIEFLY ABOUT THE EFFORTS TO GET TO FULL COMPLIANCE WITH
8 THE D.H.S. WORKFORCE. THE SOLID LINES ON THIS CHART REPRESENT
9 FULL VACCINATION STATUS, AND THE DOTTED LINES REPRESENT
10 PARTIAL VACCINATION STATUS, AND BOTH OF THOSE LINES ARE BROKEN
11 DOWN BY WORKFORCE GROUPINGS. YOU'LL SEE THAT OUR HIGHEST
12 VACCINATION RATE IS, AND HAS CONSISTENTLY BEEN, AMONG OUR
13 PHYSICIANS, WITH VIRTUALLY 100% OF OUR PHYSICIANS BEING FULLY
14 VACCINATED AT THIS TIME. BOTH OUR NURSES AND OUR NON-NURSING,
15 OTHER CLINICAL STAFF ARE NOW ABOVE THE 90-PERCENT MARK FOR
16 FULL VACCINATION, AND WE'VE ALSO SEEN AN INCREASE IN THE RATE
17 OF FULL VACCINATION AMONG OUR NONCLINICAL STAFF, WHICH IS THAT
18 YELLOW LINE. AND THAT'S CONSISTENTLY BEEN THE LOWEST WORKFORCE
19 GROUPING THROUGHOUT THE PANDEMIC, BUT WE CONTINUE TO SEE SOME
20 STRIDES IN THE VACCINATION RATES AMONG THAT POPULATION.
21 SHIFTING NOW TO THE DOTTED LINE, WHICH IS BELOW, THE ACCESS
22 FOR THAT IS ON THE RIGHT-HAND SIDE, AND YOU'LL SEE THAT WE
23 HAVE HAD, AT SEVERAL POINTS OVER THE PAST COUPLE OF MONTHS, A
24 BUMP IN THE RATE OF PARTIAL VACCINATION. THAT'S REFLECTING
25 INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE COMING IN OR GIVING US PROOF OF THEIR

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1 FIRST DOSE OF VACCINATION. AND WE SAW THAT IN LATE AUGUST,
2 EARLY SEPTEMBER, WHEN THE INITIAL NOTIFICATIONS WENT OUT ABOUT
3 THE COUNTY'S VACCINE MANDATE, IN COMBINATION WITH THE STATE
4 AND COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER ORDERS; AND THEN AGAIN IN EARLY
5 OCTOBER, WHEN WE COMPLETED THE REASSIGNMENTS OF INDIVIDUALS
6 WHO WERE NOT FULLY VACCINATED, AND THUS COULD NO LONGER WORK
7 IN CLINICAL AREAS, PER THE COUNTY AND STATE HEALTH OFFICER
8 ORDERS. SHIFTING TO THE NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE, SLIDE 7. I WILL
9 TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT TESTING, AND THEN CLOSE FOR QUESTIONS.
10 SO, THERE'S THREE SLIDES HERE ON TESTING. THESE BARS SHOW, IN
11 BLUE, TESTING THAT HAS BEEN COMPLETED AT COMMUNITY SITES OVER
12 THE COURSE OF THE PANDEMIC; AND THEN, IN YELLOW, SHOWS UNUSED
13 CAPACITY. YELLOW, AND ALSO THE GREEN BAR, SHOW UNUSED
14 CAPACITY. AND AS YOU CAN SEE, WE STILL HAVE OVER 50% OF THE
15 CAPACITY THAT EXIST AT COMMUNITY TESTING SITES BEING CURRENTLY
16 UNUSED. AS YOU CAN SEE HERE, WE DO RAMP UP AND DOWN THE
17 CAPACITY AT THE SITES THAT ARE MADE AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE
18 COMMUNITY, BASED ON DEMAND, BUT WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO RAMP
19 THAT BACK UP, IF THERE'S DEMAND TO DO SO. TESTING REMAINS
20 WIDELY AVAILABLE AT THE COMMUNITY SITES, BUT ALSO AT A NUMBER
21 OF OTHER SITES ACROSS THE COUNTY. AND SO, REMEMBER THAT THIS
22 DATA DOESN'T REFLECT ALL OF THE VARIOUS PLACES IN WHICH PEOPLE
23 CAN GO TO GET A C.O.V.I.D. TEST, AND THOSE TESTS ARE REALLY,
24 NOW, VIRTUALLY AVAILABLE AT MANY, MANY SITES, INCLUDING, AS
25 YOU KNOW, AT PLACES OF WORK, OFTEN THROUGH SCHOOLS, AS WELL AS

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1 THROUGH THE ESTABLISHED HEALTHCARE SYSTEM, MUCH MORE SO THAN
2 IT WAS EARLIER IN THE PANDEMIC. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. I'M NOT
3 SURE IF THIS SLIDE IS NOT SHOWING, BUT THIS SHOULD BE SHOWING
4 A MAP OF ALL OF THE DIFFERENT SITES AT WHICH YOU CAN GET
5 TESTING IN THE COUNTY. BUT IT LOOKS LIKE IT IS NOT SHOWING, SO
6 I WILL MOVE TO THE NEXT SLIDE, SLIDE 8. OR, SORRY, SLIDE 9. I
7 AM NOT SURE IF THERE'S A SLIDE PROBLEM, BUT THIS SLIDE ALSO
8 SHOULD BE SHOWING THE RATE OF TESTING AMONG THE P.E.H.
9 POPULATION: PERSON'S EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. THE STREET
10 OUTREACH TEAMS REMAIN ACTIVE IN TESTING AMONG THE SHELTERED
11 AND UNSHELTERED POPULATION THAT'S EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS.
12 THERE HAS BEEN A SMALL INCREASE, RECENTLY, IN THE TEST
13 POSITIVITY RATE AMONG THE UNSHELTERED HOMELESS POPULATION, BUT
14 THE SHELTERED HOMELESS POPULATION REMAINS LOW, AND ANYTIME AN
15 INDIVIDUAL IS TESTED POSITIVE IN THE UNSHELTERED SETTING, WE
16 ALWAYS ARE OFFERING OPPORTUNITIES FOR THEM TO COME TO
17 QUARANTINE AND ISOLATION SITES, AND TO ASSIST THEM. I WILL
18 CLOSE THERE, BUT MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER QUESTIONS, IF THERE
19 ARE ANY. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, DR. GHALY AND DR. FERRER. I JUST
22 WANT TO START. AGAIN, I KNOW IT'S BEEN A WHILE. WE HAVEN'T
23 HEARD FROM YOU, AND WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR TIME AND EFFORT
24 AND THE REPORTING THAT YOU PROVIDED. SO MUCH HAS CHANGED IN
25 JUST A MATTER OF WEEKS, AND I CONTINUE TO REMAIN DEEPLY

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1 CONCERNED ABOUT THE GAPS THAT STILL EXIST IN THE HARD-HIT
2 AREAS OF OUR COMMUNITIES, THE ONES THAT ARE HARD TO REACH. AND
3 LOOKING AT ONE OF THE SLIDES THAT DR. FERRER PUT UP, REGARDING
4 OUR YOUTH, THE 12-PLUS POPULATION, AND 12 TO 64, THE NUMBERS
5 IN THE HARDEST-HIT NEIGHBORHOODS ARE VERY LOW-- PARTICIPATION
6 RATES. SO, HOPING THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO HAVE ACCESSIBILITY
7 TO THE MOBILE UNITS, AND THAT THAT OCCUR, ALSO, IN CONJUNCTION
8 WITH OUR SCHOOLS ON WEEKENDS AND IN LATE EVENING, BECAUSE WE
9 HAVE MANY PARENTS THAT ARE WORKING AND CAN'T TAKE TIME OFF TO
10 ACCOMPANY THEIR CHILD, IF THEY HAVE TO HAVE A GUARDIAN, OR
11 THEY MAY NOT HAVE A GUARDIAN TO BE ABLE TO GO AND VERIFY THAT
12 THEY INDEED CAN RECEIVE THE VACCINE. SO I HOPE THAT WE WILL
13 ADDRESS THAT IN SOME WAY, AND WE CAN CLOSE THOSE GAPS. AND
14 SOMETHING I WANTED TO ASK YOU, DR. FERRER, IN YOUR
15 PRESENTATION, AS YOU STARTED, YOU STATED THAT WE ARE STILL IN
16 A SUBSTANTIAL TRANSMISSION AREA. IS THAT CORRECT?

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18 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YES.

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

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22 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** ABSOLUTELY. YES. WE STILL HAVE A LOT OF
23 TRANSMISSION. IF WE WERE BACK TO THE COLOR-CODED SYSTEM WE HAD
24 LAST YEAR, WE WOULD BE IN RED.

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, AND THAT-- OF COURSE, I AM CONCERNED,
2 BECAUSE I SEE THAT THE NUMBERS, AS YOU KNOW, HAVE TICKED UP A
3 BIT NOW, AND NOW WITH FLU SEASON AND WINTER COMING IN. AND I
4 AM EVEN MORE CONCERNED THAT OUR YOUNG PEOPLE, AND THOSE THAT
5 ARE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 18 TO 49, WE STILL DON'T HAVE THE
6 LEVEL OF PARTICIPATION THERE, AND WONDERING, WHAT ELSE CAN WE
7 DO TO ENCOURAGE OR TO MAKE THESE INDIVIDUALS AWARE THAT IT IS
8 REALLY GOING TO IMPACT OUR ABILITY TO GET OUT OF WEARING
9 MASKS, GOING TO EVENTS, IF WE DON'T-- HOW COULD I SAY--
10 SOMEHOW PARTICIPATE AND TAKE SOME RESPONSIBILITY? SO, JUST
11 YOUR THOUGHTS ON THAT.

12

13 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH, THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.
14 AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK YOU, BECAUSE ONE OF THE EFFORTS THAT
15 WE KNOW IS MAKING A DIFFERENCE IS WHAT YOU AND THE OTHER
16 SUPERVISORS ARE DOING, AND YOUR TEAMS ARE DOING. BECAUSE AT
17 THIS POINT, IT IS A PERSONAL TOUCH, AND IT IS RECEIVING
18 MESSAGES FROM PEOPLE THAT THOSE THAT ARE UNVACCINATED FEEL
19 COMFORTABLE HEARING FROM. AND HAVING AN ABILITY TO HAVE A
20 CONVERSATION, I THINK, MAKES A BIG DIFFERENCE. YOU KNOW I WORK
21 AT THE VACCINATION SITES, AT OUR VACCINATION SITES, ON
22 SATURDAY, AND IT GIVES ME A REALLY GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO TALK
23 WITH FOLKS. AND THE PEOPLE COMING IN NOW TO GET VACCINATED,
24 PARTICULARLY FOR THEIR FIRST DOSES, ARE PEOPLE WHO HAVE A LOT
25 OF CONCERNS, STILL, AND A LOT OF FEAR, AND A LOT OF

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1 MISINFORMATION. AND IT HAS TAKEN THEM A LOT OF COURAGE TO COME
2 IN. BUT EVERY SINGLE PERSON THAT'S COMING IN IS COMING IN
3 BECAUSE SOMEONE ELSE REALLY INFLUENCED THEIR DECISION. SOMEONE
4 ELSE REALLY MADE A DIFFERENCE, OR REALLY MADE A PLEA. SOME OF
5 THEM ARE WORRIED NOW ABOUT BEING ABLE TO GET TOGETHER FOR THE
6 HOLIDAYS, OR TRAVEL FOR THE HOLIDAYS. AND THEN, WE HAVE
7 DEFINITELY SEEN AN INCREASE, PARTICULARLY AMONGST TEENS, AS
8 YOU NOTED, BECAUSE OF THE L.A.U.S.D. REQUIREMENT THAT THOSE
9 TEENS NEED TO GET VACCINATED IF THEY WANT TO CONTINUE TO PLAY
10 SPORTS. SO, WHILE WE ALL WISH THAT WE DIDN'T NEED TO HAVE
11 TARGETED MANDATES AT THIS POINT, WITH US HAVING VACCINES
12 AVAILABLE NOW FOR MONTHS, FOR SOME PEOPLE, THAT'S A HELPFUL
13 REMINDER ABOUT HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO GET VACCINATED, IN ORDER
14 TO BE ABLE TO FULLY PARTICIPATE. IT IS PEOPLE'S CHOICE, BUT
15 THEN THERE ARE LIMITS TO WHAT THE ACTIVITIES ARE THAT ARE
16 AVAILABLE. AND I SHARED THE DATA BEFORE, AROUND TEENS. FIRST
17 OF ALL, THEY HAVE THE HIGHEST CASE RATE RIGHT NOW, IN THE
18 ENTIRE COUNTY, AMONG ALL AGE GROUPS. SO, IT USED TO BE YOUNG
19 ADULTS. IT'S NOW TEENS. AND SECOND OF ALL, ONE OF THE FEW
20 PLACES WHERE WE SEE A LOT OF OUTBREAKS AT SCHOOLS IS ON THE
21 SPORTS TEAMS, WHERE THERE'S JUST A LOT MORE INTERMINGLING.
22 PEOPLE ARE A LOT CLOSER TOGETHER, A LOT MORE SOCIALIZING, AND
23 IT IS PRIMARILY DRIVEN BY PEOPLE WHO ARE UNVACCINATED. SO, I
24 AM SO GRATEFUL FOR ALL YOUR OFFICES. I ALSO WANT TO
25 ACKNOWLEDGE, WE HAVE ALMOST 400 COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS THAT

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1 ARE OUT EVERY DAY, EVENINGS, WEEKENDS, KNOCKING ON PEOPLE'S
2 DOORS IN OUR PARKS, AT COMMUNITY EVENTS, TRYING AGAIN TO
3 ANSWER PEOPLE'S QUESTIONS. THE GOAL HERE IS TO PROVIDE AS MUCH
4 INFORMATION AS WE CAN, TO COUNTER SOME OF THE FALSE
5 INFORMATION THAT HAS BEEN CIRCULATING, AND GET PEOPLE TO FEEL
6 COMFORTABLE WITH COMING IN TO GET VACCINATED.

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, DR. FERRER, AND I KNOW YOU GAVE
9 US YOUR HANDOUT FOR THE MASK REQUIREMENTS, AND I KNOW THAT
10 THAT WAS A SUBJECT THAT WE WANTED TO TALK ABOUT IN THE PAST.
11 AND YOU ARE PROVIDING US WITH AN OUTLINE HERE, A FORMAT TO
12 FOLLOW, AND I AM GOING TO LET MY COLLEAGUES GO INTO THAT MORE,
13 BECAUSE I KNOW THEY MAY HAVE QUESTIONS. SO, AT THIS POINT,
14 THANK YOU BOTH FOR PROVIDING THIS REPORT AND INFORMATION, AND
15 WHAT WE NEED TO DO TO MOVE AHEAD. WE JUST CAME AWAY FROM
16 HALLOWEEN. I GUESS WE WON'T KNOW HOW THAT LOOKS LIKE FOR
17 ANOTHER TWO WEEKS. IS THAT-- YOU KNOW, TYPICALLY WAIT TWO OR
18 THREE WEEKS TO SEE IF THERE WAS ANY...

19

20 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH, IT WILL TAKE US TWO TO THREE WEEKS.

21

22 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT, RIGHT. HOPEFULLY, WE DID WELL. BUT
23 IN ANY EVENT, THEN, I AM GOING TO TURN TO MY COLLEAGUES. I
24 HAVE SUPERVISOR BARGER, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND
25 MITCHELL, IN THAT ORDER. OKAY, THANK YOU. GO AHEAD.

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2 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU, DR. FERRER, AND THANK
3 YOU, DR. GHALY. I WANT TO UNDERSTAND THE MASK ISSUE, BECAUSE
4 WE ALL RECOGNIZE THAT THE VACCINE IS OUR BEST PROTECTION,
5 WHICH WE ALL AGREE. AGAIN, SEVERE IMPACTS OF C.O.V.I.D. AND WE
6 WANT TO INCENTIVIZE OUR BUSINESSES TO REQUIRE THE VACCINATION
7 VERIFICATION, IN ORDER TO COME INDOORS. GIVEN THAT ALMOST ALL
8 OTHER AREAS OF THE COUNTRY HAVE REMOVED THE MASK MANDATE, I AM
9 BEING ASKED-- AND I KNOW, JANICE, YOU GET THE SAME QUESTIONS
10 FROM YOUR COMMUNITY, AS WELL, BECAUSE YOU BROUGHT THIS UP
11 BEFORE-- THEY ARE ASKING WHY WE ARE STILL MANDATING THE
12 REQUIREMENT, REGARDLESS OF THE FACT THAT THE PEOPLE ARE
13 VACCINATED, AND THAT THEY SHOULD USE THAT AS AN INCENTIVE TO
14 LET PEOPLE NOT HAVE TO WEAR A MASK. AND I WAS TALKING TO MY
15 OFFICE. WE ARE 100% VACCINATED HERE IN THE OFFICE, AND NO
16 PUBLIC ACCESS TO OUR OFFICE. BUT YET, WE ARE UNDER A MANDATE
17 THAT EVERYONE HAS TO BE MASKED WHEN THEY'RE IN THE OFFICE. AND
18 SO, ONE OF THE QUESTIONS IS A LACK OF CLARITY OR CONSISTENCY,
19 AS IT RELATES TO WHY THE MASK IS NECESSARY, IF IN FACT WE ARE
20 PUSHING FOR VACCINATION, AND USING A PERCENTAGE, 80% OR MORE,
21 TO RELIEVE PEOPLE OF HAVING TO WEAR A MASK.

22

23 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH, THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR
24 BARGER, AND I APPRECIATE THE QUESTION, AND I KNOW IT'S TOP OF
25 MIND FOR TENS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE ACROSS THE COUNTY. I DO

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1 WANT TO NOTE THAT THE C.D.C. MAKES IT VERY CLEAR THAT MASKS
2 ARE AN ESSENTIAL LAYER OF PROTECTION, IF YOU HAVE A LOT OF
3 TRANSMISSION. BECAUSE THE PROBLEM WITH HAVING A LOT OF
4 TRANSMISSION-- AND WE SEE THAT IN OUR OWN DATA-- IS THAT BOTH
5 UNVACCINATED PEOPLE HAVE MUCH GREATER CHANCE OF GETTING
6 INFECTED. BUT, UNFORTUNATELY, WITH THIS MUCH TRANSMISSION, WE
7 HAVE A FAIR NUMBER OF VACCINATED PEOPLE. I THINK WE ARE WELL
8 OVER 70,000 FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE HAVE BECOME INFECTED SINCE
9 JANUARY IN L.A. COUNTY, WITH INCREASING NUMBERS AS WE GET MORE
10 AND MORE PEOPLE VACCINATED, OBVIOUSLY. THAT MATH MAKES SENSE.
11 BUT WHEN YOU HAVE SO MUCH TRANSMISSION, IT DOESN'T JUST AFFECT
12 UNVACCINATED PEOPLE. UNFORTUNATELY, IT AFFECTS THOSE OF US WHO
13 ARE FULLY VACCINATED, AS WELL. THAT'S WHY THE DRIVE TO
14 INCREASE THE PERCENT OF PEOPLE VACCINATED, BECAUSE THAT SHOULD
15 RESULT IN DRIVING DOWN THE RATE OF COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION. SO
16 IT IS IMPORTANT, WHEN YOU HAVE THIS MUCH TRANSMISSION. I MEAN,
17 IF WE ALL REMEMBER BACK TO WHAT WE HAD TO DO WHEN WE WERE IN
18 RED LAST YEAR, EVERYTHING WAS PRETTY MUCH-- THINGS WEREN'T
19 REALLY OPEN, AND THERE WERE LOTS AND LOTS OF RULES FOR THOSE
20 THINGS THAT WERE OPEN. WE DON'T HAVE TO DO THAT, BECAUSE WE DO
21 HAVE VACCINES, AND THEY ARE SUPER POWERFUL, PARTICULARLY
22 AGAINST THAT DEVASTATING INFECTION. BUT IT IS HARD TO
23 UNDERSTAND HOW IMPORTANT IT IS, BUT VACCINATED PEOPLE NOW CAN
24 INFECT OTHER VACCINATED PEOPLE, WHEN THERE'S THIS MUCH
25 TRANSMISSION. SO, WE ARE REALLY ALIGNING WITH THE C.D.C., THAT

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1 SAYS, WHEN YOU HAVE THESE HIGH RATES OF TRANSMISSION, THE BEST
2 ADDITIONAL LAYER OF PROTECTION TO ADD IS THOSE MASKS, WHEN
3 PEOPLE ARE INDOORS, OR THESE HUGE OUTDOOR AREAS THAT ARE
4 SUPER, SUPER CROWDED.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER:** RIGHT, SO YOU DON'T THINK CREATING AN INCENTIVE
7 PROGRAM TO ALLOW BUSINESSES AND OFFICES THAT MANDATE
8 VACCINATION OF STAFF AND CUSTOMERS TO NO LONGER REQUIRE
9 MASKING WOULD BENEFIT THE PUBLIC, IF IT WAS USED AS AN
10 INCENTIVE TYPE OF PROGRAM? BECAUSE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT
11 INCENTIVES TO TRY TO GET PEOPLE VACCINATED, TRYING TO GET
12 BUSINESSES TO COMPLY. AND, YOU KNOW, WHEN I TALK WITH
13 BUSINESSES, THAT'S ONE OF THEIR FRUSTRATIONS, IS THE MASKING
14 REQUIREMENT. SO I AM JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND ON THAT.

15

16 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** I APPRECIATE THAT STRATEGY. I THINK IT IS
17 TOO RISKY. SO I WOULDN'T WANT US TO BE TAKING OFF OUR MASKS
18 INDOORS, WHEN WE ARE AT SUBSTANTIAL TRANSMISSION, AND WE'RE
19 HEADED INTO THE WINTER. THIS, FOR ME, WOULD BE A RISK THAT I
20 WOULDN'T ENCOURAGE ANY OF US TO TAKE.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER:** AND I APPRECIATE THAT, DR. FERRER, AND I KNOW
23 THAT. I AM JUST TRYING TO SEE, AGAIN, CONSISTENCY AND CLARITY.
24 PEOPLE RESPOND FAR BETTER WHEN THEY HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING, AND
25 TO SOME, THERE'S AN INCONSISTENCY ON THIS. SO I AM JUST TRYING

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1 TO FLESH THAT OUT, SO THAT WE CAN MESSAGE WHAT YOUR THOUGHT
2 PROCESS IS, A PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER, ON THAT. AND WHILE THE
3 80% OF L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS 12 AND OLDER HAVE RECEIVED AT
4 LEAST ONE DOSE OF THE VACCINE, THE DATA SHOWS THAT THERE'S AT
5 LEAST A THREE-MONTH LAG BEFORE OUR FULLY VACCINATED RATE
6 CATCHES UP. ACKNOWLEDGING THIS, IS YOUR RECOMMENDATION, THEN,
7 THAT WE DO NOT REMOVE THE MASK MANDATE FOR FULLY VACCINATED
8 ENVIRONMENTS UNTIL NEXT FEBRUARY? IS THAT THE DATE YOU'RE
9 LOOKING AT?

10

11 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** I DON'T THINK IT'S BEEN TAKING US THREE
12 MONTHS TO MOVE FROM FIRST DOSES TO SECOND DOSES. AS A MATTER
13 OF FACT, WE'VE STARTED SEEING AN INCREASE. AS WE ARE GOING
14 OUT, MESSAGING THE IMPORTANCE OF BOOSTERS, IT'S ALSO REMINDED
15 PEOPLE THE IMPORTANCE OF GETTING YOUR FULL SERIES TAKEN CARE
16 OF, SO MORE PEOPLE SEEM TO BE COMING IN ON TIME FOR THOSE
17 SECOND DOSES. SO I DON'T ANTICIPATE IT BEING THREE MONTHS
18 BEFORE WE REACH THAT 80% MARK. AND AGAIN, IF ALL OF OUR OTHER
19 MEASURES LOOKED REALLY GOOD, WE WOULD OBVIOUSLY SIT DOWN AND
20 EXPLORE ANY ONE METRIC FROM KEEPING US FROM GETTING THERE. I
21 MEAN, IN MY MIND, THE CASE NUMBERS AND THE VACCINATION NUMBERS
22 ARE KIND OF MARCHING VERY MUCH TOGETHER. THE MORE PEOPLE WE
23 HAVE FULLY VACCINATED, THE QUICKER WE DRIVE DOWN THAT RATE OF
24 INFECTION. AND YOU NOTICED WE DID NOT INCLUDE IN A MEASURE FOR
25 THE FIVE- TO 11-YEAR-OLDS, AND ADDED THEM TO THE DENOMINATOR,

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1 BECAUSE WE THINK, AGAIN, WE HAVE A LOT OF QUESTIONS TO ANSWER
2 FOR PARENTS THERE, AND IT MAY TAKE SOME TIME FOR THE MAJORITY
3 OF PARENTS TO COME IN AND GET THEIR CHILDREN VACCINATED. SO WE
4 WOULD JUST BE USING THE 12-PLUS NUMBER, BECAUSE WE'VE HAD A
5 MUCH LONGER TIME TO WORK WITH THAT POPULATION. BUT I DO
6 ANTICIPATE US MAKING FASTER PROGRESS, TO BE HONEST.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY, SO FEBRUARY IS PROBABLY WORST-CASE
9 SCENARIO, AS IT RELATES TO GETTING TO 80%.

10

11 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH. I I HOPE THAT WE ARE AT 80% BY THE
12 WINTER HOLIDAYS, TO BE HONEST. WE ARE DEFINITELY SEEING MORE
13 PEOPLE COMING IN, SO MY HOPE IS THAT WE MOVE PRETTY QUICKLY TO
14 GET TO 80%, AND IT ONLY TAKES US ANOTHER SIX TO EIGHT WEEKS TO
15 GET OURSELVES THERE. BECAUSE THAT'S OUR BEST PROTECTION, AND
16 YOU HAVE NOTED THAT, AND I KNOW YOU ARE 100% RIGHT ON THAT.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER:** RIGHT.

19

20 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** THE BEST PROTECTION FOR EVERYTHING IS
21 GETTING PEOPLE VACCINATED.

22

23 **SUP. BARGER:** GOT IT. AND THEN MY LAST QUESTION, AND I DON'T
24 KNOW IF THIS IS FOR FESIA AND/OR DR. GHALY AND DR. FERRER, OR
25 ALL OF THE ABOVE. WE HAVE TWO SETS OF TESTING. WE HAVE THOSE

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1 THAT ARE TESTING OUT OF REQUIREMENT, WHETHER THEY ARE GOING TO
2 GO TO SPORTS. I KNOW, WITHIN THE COUNTY FAMILY, WE HAVE GOT
3 REQUIREMENTS FOR PEOPLE TO GET TESTED; IN THE SHERIFF'S
4 DEPARTMENT, FIRE, I MEAN, ETC. AND THEN WE'VE GOT THOSE THAT
5 ARE GOING TO TEST SITES BECAUSE THEY DON'T FEEL WELL, AND
6 THEY'RE TESTING FOR C.O.V.I.D. AND WHAT I AM TOLD IS THAT THE
7 LINES ARE INCREDIBLY LONG FOR THOSE THAT ARE GOING IN JUST TO
8 GET A ROUTINE TEST FOR SPORTS, FOR CLEARANCE, OR FOR OTHER
9 THINGS. ARE WE THINKING ABOUT TRIAGING OR PRIORITIZING HOW WE
10 ARE DOING TESTING FOR THOSE THAT WE HAVE MANDATED A
11 REQUIREMENT THEY GET TESTED TO FILL-IN-THE-BLANK, WHATEVER
12 THAT IS, VERSUS THOSE THAT ARE ACTUALLY FEELING... EITHER HAVE
13 BEEN EXPOSED AND ARE ASYMPTOMATIC, OR SYMPTOMATIC, FROM
14 GETTING TESTING?

15

16 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** I MEAN, I WOULD DEFER TO DR. GHALY,
17 BECAUSE, I MEAN, SHE HAS DATA ABOUT THE WHOLE COMMUNITY
18 SYSTEM. WE HAVEN'T GOTTEN A LOT OF COMPLAINTS, SUPERVISOR
19 BARGER, HERE ABOUT THE ROUTINE TESTING, PARTICULARLY FOR
20 SCHOOLCHILDREN, NOW THAT WE HAVE DONE A BETTER JOB WITH OUR
21 DISTRICTS, AND MOST DISTRICTS HAVE OPENED UP THEIR TESTING
22 PROGRAMS. BUT DR. GHALY MAY HAVE MUCH MORE INFORMATION ON THE
23 LINES THAT MIGHT BE HAPPENING IN OTHER PLACES.

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1 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH, AND I'LL PUT IT IN CONTEXT. I MEAN, I AM
2 TALKING ABOUT COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE SAID THEY HAVE TO WAIT
3 45 MINUTES TO AN HOUR. AND THAT'S COUNTY TIME, BECAUSE THEY'RE
4 COUNTY TIME TO DO IT. AND I JUST WANT TO SEE IF THERE'S A WAY
5 TO EXPEDITE AND TRIAGE FOR THOSE THAT WE'RE JUST SAYING
6 ROUTINE, VERSUS THOSE THAT TRULY DO HAVE SYMPTOMS OR BEEN
7 EXPOSED TO IT. THANK YOU, DR. GHALY.

8

9 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** YEAH, THANKS FOR THE QUESTION. I'LL LET
10 FESIA CHIME IN, ALSO. THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES IS
11 MANAGING THE L.A. COUNTY EMPLOYEE TESTING SITES. FOR THE
12 COMMUNITY TESTING SITES FOR INDIVIDUALS, THE VAST MAJORITY OF
13 PEOPLE THAT ARE COMING TO THOSE SITES INDICATE THAT THEY ARE
14 THERE FOR, AS YOU MENTIONED, EITHER SYMPTOMS, OR BECAUSE THEY
15 BELIEVE THAT THEY HAVE HAD AN EXPOSURE. WE DO HAVE CAPACITY
16 AND AVAILABILITY AND THE OPTION FOR PEOPLE TO COME THERE,
17 ALSO, IF THEY ARE JUST SEEKING SCREENING FOR THINGS SUCH AS
18 YOU MENTIONED-- SPORTS REQUIREMENTS, OTHER THINGS. BUT
19 OFTENTIMES, THOSE INDIVIDUALS ARE GETTING THE TESTING THROUGH
20 THEIR YOUTH SPORTS LEAGUE, OR THROUGH THEIR SCHOOL, OR IN THE
21 SETTING THAT YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT: THROUGH THEIR EMPLOYER.
22 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES IN CONSULTATION, I KNOW,
23 WITH C.E.O. AND A NUMBER OF OTHER ENTITIES, HAVE SET UP A
24 LARGE NETWORK, A NUMBER OF SITES, WHERE COUNTIES CAN GET
25 TESTING. AND I KNOW THERE'S SOME CONCERNS ABOUT LONG LINES AT

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1 CERTAIN SITES, AND D.H.R. IS ACTIVELY EXPANDING THE NUMBER OF
2 SITES THAT ARE AVAILABLE, WITH AN INCREASED NUMBER OF SITES
3 PLANNED TO ROLL OUT OVER THE NEXT WEEK OR TWO.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY, SO WE'RE GOING TO BE ADDRESSING THAT SIDE
6 OF IT. THAT WAS REALLY, I GUESS, MY QUESTION FOR THE EMPLOYEE
7 SIDE. GO AHEAD, FESIA.

8

9 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SUPERVISOR, THIS IS FESIA DAVENPORT,
10 FROM THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE. WE HAVE WORKED WITH D.H.R. TO
11 OPERATIONALIZE ABOUT 16 SITES THAT ARE SPECIFIC TO COUNTY
12 EMPLOYEES. WE WILL GO BACK AND WORK WITH D.H.R. TO SEE WHAT
13 THOSE WAIT TIMES ARE, TO SEE IF WE HAVE FOLKS THAT ARE WAITING
14 AN EXCESSIVE AMOUNT OF TIME, EVEN IF THEY ARE ABLE TO USE
15 COUNTY TIME FOR THE TESTING. AND IF WE FIND THAT THOSE NUMBERS
16 ARE HIGH, THEN WE WILL WORK TO OPERATIONALIZE ADDITIONAL
17 SITES.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER:** GREAT, GREAT. ALL RIGHT, WELL, THANK YOU VERY
20 MUCH. I APPRECIATE YOUR ANSWERS, AND THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

21

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

23

24 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AND FIRST OF
25 ALL, THANK YOU TO DR. FERRER, AND TO DR. GHALY. IT HAS BEEN

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1 OVER A YEAR AND A HALF, AND YOU HAVE BEEN NONSTOP ON THIS, BY
2 NECESSITY. I'M FIRMLY CONVINCED THAT THE FIRMNESS OF YOUR
3 APPROACH HAS SAVED LIVES AND A LOT OF HEALTH OUTCOMES ALL OVER
4 THE COUNTY. AND AS YOU KNOW, I HAVE BEEN SUPPORTIVE OF STRONG
5 MEASURES, SO I WANT TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THE METRICS THAT YOU
6 SET OUT, IN TERMS OF MASKING. I DO UNDERSTAND, YOU KNOW, MY
7 COLLEAGUE, SUPERVISOR BARGER, REFERRED TO IT AS A KIND OF
8 REWARD; THAT YOU'VE BEEN VACCINATED, SO NOW YOU CAN TAKE YOUR
9 MASK OFF. I FEEL DIFFERENTLY ABOUT IT. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF
10 RESTAURANTS, I AM SURE, IN HER DISTRICT-- CERTAINLY IN MINE,
11 AND I KNOW IN JANICE'S-- WHERE IT SAYS, "NO SHIRT, NO SHOES,
12 NO SERVICE." AND SO, I DON'T ARGUE, "WELL, I HAVE NEVER GOTTEN
13 ANY FOOT DISEASE, SO I DON'T HAVE TO WEAR ANY SHOES." I MEAN,
14 THERE IS SORT OF A CONSTANT RISK THAT WE HAVE TO TAKE INTO
15 ACCOUNT. MANY OF THE PEOPLE COMING INTO, LET'S SAY, MY JEWELRY
16 SHOP HAVE CHILDREN. THEY ARE NOT OLD ENOUGH TO BE VACCINATED
17 YET. I AM EXPOSED TO THEM ALL THE TIME. I AM VACCINATED, BUT,
18 AS I THINK WE LEARNED FROM THE SCIENCE, WHAT OUR IMMUNE
19 SYSTEMS DO IS REALLY WORK HARD TO PROTECT ORGANS AND VERY
20 VULNERABLE AREAS; DO NOT WORK THAT HARD TO PROTECT THE NASAL
21 PASSAGES. SO THAT'S WHY PEOPLE TEST POSITIVE, BUT MAY NOT HAVE
22 SYMPTOMS. BUT, AS DR. FERRER AND DR. GHALY HAVE INDICATED,
23 VACCINATED PEOPLE CAN CARRY THIS TO OTHER VACCINATED PEOPLE.
24 SO I AM NOT CERTAIN THAT EVERYONE SEES WEARING A MASK AS A
25 BURDEN. AS YOU KNOW, KATHRYN, WHEN WE WERE TALKING IN THE

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1 VALLEY TO OUR CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE, THERE WERE SOME PEOPLE WHO
2 SPOKE TO ME AHEAD OF TIME ABOUT THE FACT THAT PEOPLE FELT
3 SAFER GOING INTO PLACES, BECAUSE THEY KNEW EVERYBODY HAD BEEN
4 VACCINATED. BUT I THINK WE ARE KIND OF GETTING USED TO WEARING
5 THESE MASKS, AND EVEN FEELING SAFER. I MEAN, WE CAN DISAGREE.
6 SOME PEOPLE HATE IT, BUT IT JUST SEEMS LIKE NOT SUCH A BIG
7 DEAL, WHEN WE STILL NEED TO BE PROTECTED. SO I LIKE THE IDEA
8 OF HAVING METRICS THAT WILL SHOW US THAT WE HAVE GONE LOW
9 ENOUGH, SO THAT WE CAN MAYBE DO THIS. BUT I THINK-- I DO NOT
10 SEE IT AS A REWARD TO STOP PROTECTING MYSELF. AND I THINK THIS
11 IS SOMETHING THAT NO ONE IN OUR GENERATIONS, ACROSS THE BOARD,
12 HAVE GONE THROUGH, EVER: A WORLDWIDE EPIDEMIC-- PANDEMIC--
13 LIKE THIS. SO, I SUPPORT STRONG MEASURES AND CAUTIOUS BACKING
14 AWAY FROM THEM, NO MATTER HOW MANY PEOPLE SAY, "I REALLY HATE
15 MY MASK." MAYBE THEY SHOULD GET A WONDER WOMAN MASK, LIKE MY
16 GREAT-NEPHEWS GAVE ME. IT'S FUN TO WEAR. THE OTHER QUESTION I
17 WANTED TO ASK, THOUGH, WAS, ONE OF THE SLIDES, DR. FERRER,
18 THAT YOU SHOWED, SHOWED THOSE AREAS OF THE COUNTY WITH THE
19 HIGHEST CONCENTRATION OF CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES OF FIVE AND
20 11. AND I NOTICED, BECAUSE MY EYE IS ALWAYS ON, OF COURSE, MY
21 DISTRICT, THAT THERE IS A BROAD SWATH OF THE DARKEST GREEN
22 COLOR-- WHICH MEANS THE HIGHEST NUMBER, PERCENTAGE-WISE, OF
23 YOUNG CHILDREN-- ACROSS THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. AND I THINK
24 THAT PEOPLE DO NOT REALLY KNOW OR GRASP THAT THE VALLEY--
25 WELL, MORE THAN HALF THE VALLEY-- IS IN THE SORT OF HIGH-NEED

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1 ZIP CODE CATEGORY. THEY THINK OF THE VALLEY AS A PRIVILEGED
2 PLACE, BUT IF YOU LOOK AT NORTH HOLLYWOOD, YOU LOOK AT VAN
3 NUYS, PACOIMA, SYLMAR, THE EASTERN PART OF THE VALLEY-- I
4 THINK SUPERVISOR SOLIS KNOWS VERY WELL, BECAUSE THE LINES ARE
5 ARTIFICIAL BETWEEN OUR DISTRICTS, AND THEY JUST KIND OF RUN
6 TOGETHER THERE. AND WE HAD, OVER LAST YEAR, THE HIGHEST NUMBER
7 EVERY WEEK IN PACOIMA, SYLMAR, ETC. AND THAT VARIES. WE HAVE
8 ALL SHARED THAT, IN VARIOUS PARTS OF OUR DISTRICT. BUT I ALSO
9 SAW FROM YOUR SLIDE THAT THERE WERE FEWER PLACES FOR PEOPLE TO
10 GET VACCINATED. I DON'T KNOW WHETHER IT'S DRUGSTORES OR WHAT,
11 BUT YOU KIND OF SAID THAT WE WOULD HAVE MOBILE UNITS
12 AUGMENTING THAT. SO, COULD YOU TELL ME, FOR THAT AREA, AND
13 ALSO, I THINK... THERE WAS A HEAVY CONCENTRATION, I THINK, IN
14 SOUTH L.A., AS WELL, BUT IT LOOKED LIKE, JANICE, IT WAS
15 ACTUALLY, IN YOUR DISTRICT, THE FARTHEST SOUTH. AND I DIDN'T
16 SEE A LOT OF PROVIDERS THERE, AS WELL, BUT A HIGH
17 CONCENTRATION OF YOUNG KIDS. SO I GUESS I WANT TO UNDERSTAND
18 HOW THE MOBILE UNIT ROLLOUT GOES, WHERE WE WANT TO GET OUR
19 YOUNGEST KIDS VACCINATED, AND THE HIGHEST CONCENTRATIONS ARE
20 IN THOSE AREAS.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER:** AND, SHEILA, I SAID "INCENTIVE," NOT "REWARD." I
23 AGREE: NOT REWARDING, BUT INCENTIVIZING.

24

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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** I DO UNDERSTAND. THANK YOU. I HOPE YOU DIDN'T TAKE
2 THAT AS A NEGATIVE. I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT I THOUGHT...

3

4 **SUP. BARGER:** I DIDN'T, BUT I AGREE, NOT REWARD. I WANT TO
5 INCENTIVIZE PEOPLE TO GET VACCINATED. SO, I DID NOT TAKE IT AT
6 ALL. WE ARE GOOD.

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL:** GREAT. WELL, MY INCENTIVE IS, YOU CAN'T EVEN COME
9 IN UNLESS YOU ARE VACCINATED, SO THERE'S AN INCENTIVE, BUT
10 WE'LL CONTINUE TO TALK ABOUT THAT. BUT, BARBARA, IF YOU COULD,
11 ABOUT THAT PARTICULAR MATTER ABOUT OUR KIDS.

12

13 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** RIGHT. ONE REASON WHY WE PLOTTED IT THIS
14 WAY IS, WE ALSO NEEDED TO KNOW, BASED ON A VERY DIFFERENT
15 CONSTRUCT, WHICH IS, HOW MANY KIDS ARE LIVING WHERE; WHAT WE
16 NEED TO DO TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S EASY ACCESS. BECAUSE
17 THAT'S GOING TO BE AT THE HEART OF THIS, AS WELL. AND UNLIKE
18 OTHER PEDIATRIC VACCINES, WHICH A PEDIATRICIAN JUST GIVES OUT
19 OF THEIR OFFICE, UNFORTUNATELY, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
20 REQUIRES PEDIATRICIANS TO GET ACTUALLY ET APPROVED TO
21 ADMINISTER THE C.O.V.I.D. VACCINE. SO YOU CAN'T JUST ORDER THE
22 C.O.V.I.D. VACCINE, IF YOU'RE A PEDIATRICIAN. YOU ACTUALLY
23 HAVE TO BE APPROVED, AND YOU HAVE TO BE REGISTERED. AND WE'VE
24 SPENT MONTHS, NOW, TRYING TO SIGN UP MORE PEDIATRIC PROVIDERS,
25 BECAUSE SO MANY FAMILIES WOULD JUST RATHER GO TO A PEDIATRIC

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1 OFFICE, WHERE THEY NORMALLY TAKE THEIR CHILD FOR CARE, TO GET
2 A VACCINATION. BUT BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE EVERY PEDIATRICIAN
3 ABLE TO GO AHEAD AND VACCINATE AT THIS POINT, WE HAD TO PUT UP
4 THIS MAP, AND WE HAD TO ACTUALLY SHOW, WHERE ARE THERE GOING
5 TO BE THESE HIGH CONCENTRATIONS OF CHILDREN; AND THEN, WHAT
6 DOES IT LOOK LIKE WITH THE PROVIDERS THAT ARE REGISTERED? SO
7 WE HAVE A LOT. WE HAVE OVER 800 PROVIDERS CAPABLE OF DOING
8 THIS, AND ACTUALLY RECEIVING VACCINE THIS WEEK AND PREPARED TO
9 GO AHEAD AND VACCINATE CHILDREN. BUT ANTELOPE VALLEY, PARTS OF
10 THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, SOUTH AND SOUTH CENTRAL L.A. HAVE, AS
11 YOU CAN SEE CLEARLY, LESS SITES THAN THEY OUGHT TO HAVE OF
12 THESE FIXED SITES, WHICH IS WHY WE ARE JUST, THEN, REDEPLOYING
13 OUR MOBILE TEAMS TO FIND PARTNERS AND GO INTO PLACES THERE--
14 COMMUNITY SITES, PARKS, ETC., SAME THING WE HAVE BEEN DOING
15 FOR THE LAST FEW MONTHS ON ADULT VACCINES AND ON TEEN
16 VACCINES, BUT TO CONCENTRATE IN THESE THREE COMMUNITIES THAT I
17 NOTED. NOT TO THE EXCLUSION OF OTHERS, BECAUSE THERE'S POCKETS
18 EVERYWHERE, BUT NOTING THE BIG GAP THAT WE SAW WHEN WE PLOTTED
19 THIS. AND WE WERE GOING TO ADDRESS IT WITH THE MOBILE TEAMS,
20 BECAUSE WE HAVE BEEN WORKING, TRYING TO GET MORE PEDIATRIC
21 PROVIDERS SIGNED UP, I WOULD SAY, FOR ALMOST SIX MONTHS. SO
22 THAT IS A SLOW ROAD, AND IT'S GOING TO BE FASTER TO JUST
23 REDEPLOY OUR MOBILE TEAMS. AND I WANT TO GIVE A LOT OF CREDIT
24 TO THE MOBILE TEAMS. THEY ALL HAD TO GET TRAINED ON DOING
25 PEDIATRIC DOSING. IF YOU GO TO ANY ONE OF OUR SITES, YOU'LL

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1 SEE THERE'S FOUR DIFFERENT LANES: A LANE IF YOU ARE GETTING
2 PFIZER, A LANE IF YOU'RE GETTING MODERNA, A LANE IF YOU'RE
3 GETTING JOHNSON & JOHNSON, AND THEN A LANE FOR PEDIATRIC
4 PATIENTS, SO THAT THERE'S NO MISTAKING ON THE DOSING. AND
5 ALSO, OUR SITES, ALSO, A LANE FOR PEOPLE WANTING FLU. BUT WE
6 HAD TO TRAIN EVERYBODY, AND WE HAD TO TRAIN ALL THE MOBILE
7 TEAMS TO BE ABLE TO ADMINISTER A PEDIATRIC DOSE. SO, BUT WE
8 HAVE DONE-- I WANT TO GIVE A LOT OF CREDIT TO OUR TEAM AND ALL
9 OF THE PROVIDERS WHO GOT THE TRAINING, SET THEMSELVES UP TO BE
10 ABLE TO MANAGE PFIZER AND THE COLD CHAIN REQUIREMENTS ON THE
11 MOBILE TEAMS, AND WILL BE OUT THERE TRYING TO FILL IN THESE
12 GAPS AS QUICKLY AS WE CAN.

13

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

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16 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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18 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANKS TO BOTH OF THE
19 DOCTORS FOR THESE UPDATES AND EVERYTHING WE ARE STILL DOING TO
20 MAKE SURE PEOPLE HAVE ACCESS TO VACCINATION SHOTS, TO BOOSTER
21 SHOTS. I WAS AT A TERRIFIC EVENT IN WILMINGTON OVER THE
22 WEEKEND, THAT ASSEMBLY MEMBER MIKE GIBSON SPONSORED, WHERE WE
23 HAD TONS OF VOLUNTEERS, AND THEY, ALONG WITH THE ASSEMBLY
24 MEMBER AND MYSELF, WE WENT DOOR TO DOOR IN WILMINGTON,
25 KNOCKING ON DOORS, AND THE VACCINATION CLINIC WAS ACROSS THE

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1 STREET FROM MOST OF THE HOMES WE WERE TALKING TO. IT WAS A
2 SCHOOL, AND THEY OFFERED VACCINES ALL THAT DAY. AND IT WAS
3 REALLY-- IT WAS GREAT. AND I WANTED TO GIVE A SHOUT-OUT TO OUR
4 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE STRIKE TEAM. SO, THEY WERE NOT ONLY GIVING
5 VACCINATIONS THAT DAY IN THE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM; THEY WERE
6 GOING TO THE HOMEBOUND SENIORS INSIDE THEIR HOME THAT DAY, AND
7 GIVING THEIR SHOTS. I KNOW WE DO THIS ALL OVER THE COUNTY, BUT
8 JUST REALLY WANTED TO GIVE A SHOUT-OUT TO YOUR TEAM, AND HOW
9 IMPORTANT THAT IS IN GETTING PEOPLE VACCINATED. I WANTED TO
10 TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE PEDIATRIC SHOTS, AND IT JUST SEEMS
11 TO ME THAT STILL THE BEST, EASIEST, MOST TRUSTWORTHY,
12 EFFICIENT METHOD WOULD BE TO BE AT THE SCHOOL SITES, LIKE ALL
13 THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS. IT JUST SEEMS LIKE THAT'S ONE LESS
14 THING THAT THE PARENTS HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT-- MAKING ANOTHER
15 APPOINTMENT IN THEIR PEDIATRICIAN'S OFFICE. LET'S FACE IT, A
16 LOT OF FAMILIES DON'T HAVE A REGULAR DOCTOR THAT THEY EVEN GO
17 TO, SO WHAT WOULD IT TAKE, DR. FERRER, TO HAVE VACCINE CLINICS
18 AT ALL OF THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS IN L.A. COUNTY? IS THAT EVEN
19 A REASONABLE GOAL? AND I KNOW, SHEILA, DO YOU REMEMBER? YOU
20 ARE ALMOST MY AGE. YOU'RE MAYBE A COUPLE YEARS OLDER THAN ME,
21 BUT DO YOU REMEMBER TAKING THE POLIO VACCINE ON THE SUGAR CUBE
22 AT SCHOOL? I MEAN, BASICALLY, WE WERE JUST CALLED TO GO TO THE
23 HEALTH OFFICE. WE ALL MARCHED IN AND TOOK OUR SUGAR CUBE OFF A
24 LITTLE SILVER TRAY, AND WENT BACK TO OUR CLASS, AND WE WERE

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1 VACCINATED AGAINST POLIO. SO, I DON'T EVEN KNOW IF OUR PARENTS
2 HAD TO GIVE PARENTAL PERMISSION SLIPS. THEY PROBABLY DID.

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4 **SUP. KUEHL:** YEAH, BUT EVERYBODY WAS SO SCARED, BECAUSE THEY
5 RECOGNIZED THE DANGER OF IT. YOU SAW KIDS IN IRON LUNGS, YOU
6 KNOW? I MEAN, IT WAS TERRIBLE.

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8 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH. SO, I STILL THINK THAT IS A GREAT MODEL, DR.
9 FERRER, AND I AM WONDERING WHAT IT WOULD TAKE. AND AGAIN, IS
10 THAT A GOAL?

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12 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** NO, I TOTALLY AGREE WITH YOU. I MEAN, WE
13 HAVE 480 SITES JUST THIS MONTH, IN NOVEMBER, THAT WILL BE AT
14 SCHOOLS, PRIMARILY. I MEAN, IT DEPENDS ON HOW THE DISTRICT IS
15 CONFIGURED IN THEIR SCHOOLS, WHETHER WE ARE GETTING TO EVERY
16 SINGLE SCHOOL, OR THE DISTRICTS ARE DOING SOME THAT ARE
17 COMBINED. BUT I TOTALLY AGREE WITH YOU. I MEAN, OUR AIM IS TO
18 GO TO AS MANY SCHOOLS AS WE CAN, AND GET THERE BETWEEN NOW AND
19 THE WINTER HOLIDAYS. I WILL SAY, THERE ARE SOME CHALLENGES TO
20 BEING ABLE TO GO TO EVERY SCHOOL, AND WE HAVE GOTTEN A LOT OF
21 REQUESTS ABOUT THE FACT THAT, FOR MANY PARENTS, THEY DON'T
22 TAKE THEIR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL.

23

24 **SUP. HAHN:** WHAT WOULD IT TAKE? WHAT ARE THE CHALLENGES, AND
25 WHAT CAN WE DO TO BE IN EVERY SCHOOL? BECAUSE IT JUST FEELS

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1 LIKE THAT WOULD BE THE EASIEST, MOST EFFICIENT, MOST
2 TRUSTWORTHY PLACE TO GET YOUR PEDIATRIC SHOT: AT YOUR SCHOOL,
3 DURING THE DAY.

4

5 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** I THINK THE BIG-- I MEAN, I THINK THE
6 ISSUES ARE, IT WORKS FOR SOME PARENTS; IT DOESN'T WORK FOR
7 OTHERS. THEY WORK. THEY DON'T COME TO SCHOOL ON A REGULAR
8 BASIS. AN OLDER CHILD OR A FRIEND IS TAKING THEIR CHILDREN TO
9 SCHOOL. AND AGAIN, WE HAVE CONSENT FORMS, AND WE MAKE IT
10 PRETTY EASY, BUT FOR YOUNGER CHILDREN, MOST FOLKS WANT A
11 RESPONSIBLE ADULT WITH THAT CHILD WHEN THEY'RE GETTING
12 VACCINATED. AND SO, FOR SOME FAMILIES, IT'S NOT GOING TO WORK.
13 AND I THINK IN OTHER PLACES, AT THE SCHOOLS, THEY HAVE
14 INDICATED EITHER THEY ARE WORRIED ABOUT A CAPACITY ISSUE-- YOU
15 KNOW, WE HAVE TO HAVE SOME SPACE TO ACTUALLY RUN THESE FLU
16 VACCINATION CLINICS. MANY OF THESE SCHOOLS ARE DOING TESTING,
17 AND WE'RE TRYING TO WORK OUT, IS THERE A WAY TO USE THAT SAME
18 SPACE THAT THERE IS SET UP FOR TESTING TO DO SOME
19 VACCINATIONS? BUT I THINK YOU'RE GOING TO SEE THE VAST
20 MAJORITY OF SCHOOLS WILL HAVE OFFERED A CLINIC OR TWO, BEFORE
21 WE GET TO THE HOLIDAYS. I MEAN, THAT IS OUR GOAL. IT IS NOT
22 NECESSARILY A STAFFING ISSUE AS MUCH AS IT IS A WORKING WITH
23 OUR PARTNERS AT THE SCHOOLS, TO MAKE SURE THIS IS SOMETHING
24 THAT THEY THINK WILL WORK FOR THEM AND FOR THEIR FAMILIES. IN
25 THE MEANTIME, WE ARE RELYING HEAVILY, AGAIN, ON INDEPENDENT

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1 AND CHAIN PHARMACIES WHO, AS IN THE PAST, HAVE STEPPED UP BIG
2 TIME, BECAUSE THEY ARE OPEN WEEKENDS, EVENING HOURS. THEY'RE
3 DOING-- I WANT TO GIVE A LOT OF CREDIT TO SOME OF THEM.
4 THEY'RE BEING SUPER CREATIVE ABOUT MAKING THIS EASIER FOR
5 CHILDREN. SOME OF OUR SITES, ALSO, HAVE GONE TO GREAT LENGTHS.
6 THEY ARE DECORATING THE SPACE WHERE KIDS ARE. THEY'VE GOT
7 VIDEOS GOING, AGAIN, TO TRY TO REMEMBER THAT THESE ARE NOT
8 LITTLE ADULTS. THESE ARE CHILDREN, AND THEY HAVE THEIR OWN
9 ISSUES AROUND GETTING VACCINATED. BUT I TOTALLY AGREE WITH
10 YOU, AND WE ARE DOING EVERYTHING WE CAN TO HAVE AS MANY
11 SCHOOLS BE ABLE TO OFFER THIS AS POSSIBLE.

12

13 **SUP. HAHN:** RIGHT. SO, I AM GOING TO PIVOT TO THE MASK MANDATE.
14 AND YEAH, I MEAN, I TOTALLY, YOU KNOW, AGREE. AND KATHRYN
15 KNOWS THAT SOME OF MY CITIES HAVE BEEN PUSHING BACK HARD,
16 BECAUSE THEY WROTE YOU A LETTER, TOO. I THINK THEY C.C.'D YOU
17 ON THE LETTER THEY WROTE TO ME, SO THEY ALSO FEEL LIKE THEY
18 HAVE BEEN-- THEIR CITIES ARE 90, 95 PERCENT VACCINATED. THEIR
19 COMMUNITY CASE TRANSMISSION IS VERY LOW, SO THEY WANT TO KNOW,
20 CAN WE TREAT THEM DIFFERENTLY, A REGIONAL APPROACH? I AM
21 PRETTY SURE I KNOW WHAT YOU ARE GOING TO SAY TO THAT. WE HAVE
22 TRIED THAT BEFORE. WE ASKED THE GOVERNOR, I THINK, TO TREAT
23 CERTAIN REGIONS DIFFERENTLY, AND WE GOT A RESOUNDING NO FROM
24 THE GOVERNOR; THAT, AGAIN, BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE WALLED-OFF
25 CITIES, PEOPLE ARE CAPABLE OF MOVING ABOUT FREELY, AND THAT'S

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1 JUST NOT GOING TO, PROBABLY, WORK. BUT I THINK IT IS STILL
2 SOMETHING WE SHOULD LOOK AT, PARTICULARLY BECAUSE I KNOW YOU
3 HAVE REGIONAL HEALTH MANAGERS THAT ARE SORT OF ALIGNED WITH
4 THE S.P.A. DISTRICTS. SO IT MIGHT BE SOMETHING WE COULD
5 CONTINUE TO LOOK AT IN THE FUTURE. JUST BACK TO-- I APPRECIATE
6 HAVING METRICS. I THINK THAT'S WHAT EVERYONE IS SAYING. WE
7 LIKE THE METRICS. I THINK YOU EXPLAINED HOW YOU GOT THERE,
8 BECAUSE I THINK COMMUNITIES NEED TO BE ABLE TO LOOK AT, ARE WE
9 THERE? ARE WE NOT THERE? HOW DO WE GET THERE? WHEN CAN WE LIFT
10 THIS MASK MANDATE? BUT JUST READING THIS, JUST WANTED YOU TO
11 MAKE IT CLEAR, DR. FERRER: WE HAVE TO MEET ALL THOSE METRICS,
12 RIGHT? NOT JUST ONE. SO IT'S NOT JUST 80% OF RESIDENTS 12 AND
13 OLDER ARE FULLY VACCINATED. FOR INDOOR EVENTS, IT IS THREE
14 CONSECUTIVE WEEKS OF MODERATE TRANSMISSION. IT IS THREE
15 CONSECUTIVE WEEKS OF HOSPITALIZATIONS LOW AND STABLE, AND NO
16 EMERGING REPORTS OF SIGNIFICANTLY CIRCULATING VARIANTS. SO, WE
17 ARE NOT EVEN CLOSE TO MEETING THAT, CURRENTLY. CAN YOU PREDICT
18 A TIME IN THE FUTURE THAT YOU ACTUALLY THINK WE WOULD MEET ALL
19 THOSE METRICS, LET'S JUST SAY, FOR INDOOR REQUIREMENTS TO BE
20 LIFTED?

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22 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH, THANKS SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR HAHN,
23 ALSO, FOR ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT. AND I KNOW PEOPLE WERE THRILLED
24 THAT YOU WERE THERE FOR THE OUTREACH EVENT, SO THANK YOU. OUR
25 TEAM REPORTED BACK HOW EXCITED THEY WERE THAT YOU WERE THERE,

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1 SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND FOR YOUR KINDNESS TO THEM, AS
2 WELL. I DO WANT TO NOTE, WE DO NEED TO MEET THEM ALL. THEY DO
3 MARCH HAND IN HAND. IT IS NOT-- IT IS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO
4 THINK THAT HOSPITALIZATIONS WILL BE LOW IF CASES ARE HIGH.
5 ALSO, IF WE HAVE A NEW VARIANT OF CONCERN, WE ARE GOING TO SEE
6 THAT IN OUR CASE NUMBERS, AS WELL. SO, THEY DO ALIGN WITH EACH
7 OTHER, AND THEY DO INFLUENCE EACH OTHER. AND THAT'S WHY MY
8 SENSE IS THAT, ONCE WE GO DOWN TO MODERATE TRANSMISSION, ALL
9 OF THESE OTHER THINGS ARE PROBABLY IN PLAY, AS WELL, INCLUDING
10 THAT VACCINATIONS HAVE GONE UP, BECAUSE THAT'S GOING TO BE THE
11 FASTEST ROUTE TO LOWER TRANSMISSION. SO I DO THINK THEY MARCH
12 TOGETHER. I WISH I COULD SAY FOR SURE WHEN WE GET THERE. I
13 THINK OUR ANXIETY LEVEL HERE AT THE DEPARTMENT WOULD GO WAY
14 DOWN IF WE COULD DO THAT. WE ARE WORRIED ABOUT THE WINTER.
15 I'LL JUST BE HONEST. WE DON'T LIKE WHAT WE ARE SEEING IN
16 EUROPE. WE KNOW THERE'S SEASONALITY TO THIS VIRUS. WE CAN'T
17 ESCAPE THAT REALITY. WE KNOW THAT PEOPLE GO INDOORS MORE, EVEN
18 HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, WHEN THE WEATHER GETS COLDER. AND WE KNOW
19 THE HOLIDAYS ARE COMING. WE ALSO KNOW WE HAVE A LOT MORE
20 PEOPLE VACCINATED. I MEAN, WE HAVE PEOPLE VACCINATED. WE
21 DIDN'T HAVE THAT BEFORE, AND THAT WILL BLUNT, FOR SURE, WHAT
22 GOES ON THIS WINTER. BUT BECAUSE OF THE UNKNOWN, OF SORT OF
23 WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN HERE THIS WINTER, WE DON'T HAVE THE
24 CRYSTAL BALL. I WOULD SAY, IF WE DIDN'T HAVE WINTER COMING, IF
25 THIS WAS THE SUMMER AGAIN, I WOULD SAY WE WOULD BE THERE IN

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1 EIGHT WEEKS, EASILY; SOMEWHERE BETWEEN SIX AND EIGHT WEEKS.
2 BUT WITH WINTER-- WINTER, FLU, I MEAN, ALL THESE OTHER THINGS
3 THAT POTENTIALLY CAN WREAK SOME HAVOC ON US, OUR HEALTHCARE
4 SYSTEM, AND HAVE TO BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT-- I THINK, MAKES IT
5 A LITTLE BIT MORE DIFFICULT TO PROJECT WITH CERTAINTY HOW FAST
6 WE'RE GOING TO SEE THAT DECLINE. I WILL SAY, THE MOST
7 IMPORTANT THING FOR US IS TO GET COMMUNITY TRANSMISSION RATES
8 DOWN. THAT KEEPS OUR SCHOOLS OPEN. THAT HAS LESS OUTBREAKS. I
9 MEAN, THAT'S JUST-- WE JUST GET TO LESS TRANSMISSION.

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11 **SUP. HAHN:** WELL, THANK YOU FOR THAT. BUT IT IS STILL GOOD, AND
12 I THINK THE PUBLIC NEEDS TO BE BROUGHT ALONG AS WE'RE DOING
13 THIS, AND UNDERSTAND WHAT THE METRICS ARE: HOW MANY WEEKS WE
14 HAVE TO ACHIEVE THEM, AND IF WE CAN ACTUALLY GET THERE.
15 FINALLY, MADAM CHAIR, I WAS JUST GOING TO QUICKLY TALK ABOUT
16 THE PROOF OF VACCINATION REQUIREMENT THAT I BELIEVE GOES INTO
17 EFFECT ON NOVEMBER 4. I THINK THE CITY OF L.A.'S GOES INTO
18 EFFECT ON NOVEMBER 8. AND I DO KNOW THAT THIS BOARD ASKED FOR
19 A REPORT-BACK SEVERAL MONTHS AGO ABOUT WHAT IT WOULD LOOK LIKE
20 TO IMPLEMENT THIS, WHETHER OR NOT WE WANTED TO IMPLEMENT THIS,
21 AND WE GOT A PRETTY EXTENSIVE REPORT-BACK ON WHAT IT WOULD
22 LOOK LIKE TO DO THIS. WE ARE DOING THIS. ONE OF THE THINGS IN
23 THAT REPORT WAS CLEARLY A ROBUST PUBLIC OUTREACH CAMPAIGN TO
24 EDUCATE OUR BUSINESSES ON THESE NEW REQUIREMENTS. WE ARE, OF
25 COURSE, DIFFERENT THAN THE CITY. THE CITY IS ASKING FOR PROOF

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1 OF VACCINATION IN RESTAURANTS. THE COUNTY DID NOT ASK FOR
2 THAT. HOW ARE WE DOING? HOW DO YOU THINK YOU HAVE DONE, DR.
3 FERRER, ON THIS ROBUST OUTREACH EDUCATION? ARE PEOPLE STILL
4 FEELING CONFUSED? HAVE YOU HAD YOUR VERY SUCCESSFUL
5 TELECONFERENCE CALLS WITH THE STAKEHOLDERS? HOW IS THAT GOING?
6 I MEAN, THERE'S ANXIETY, I THINK, OUT THERE. WE ARE ALL IN
7 FAVOR OF IT. I KNOW I AM. BUT HOW DO YOU FEEL LIKE THAT ONE
8 PIECE OF WHAT IT WOULD TAKE TO MAKE THIS SUCCESSFUL ON
9 EDUCATION AND OUTREACH GOING, DO YOU THINK?

10

11 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH, I APPRECIATE THAT QUESTION, AND,
12 OBVIOUSLY, I'D START BY THANKING ALL OF OUR BUSINESSES. I
13 MEAN, PERHAPS BECAUSE WE WERE STRATEGIC WITH THIS ROLLOUT, AND
14 WE REALLY WENT TO A SMALLER GROUP OF BUSINESSES AND
15 ESTABLISHMENTS, I THINK WE HAVE HAD HIGHER SUCCESS AND HIGHER
16 COMPLIANCE. WE REALLY HAVE FOUND VERY LITTLE FLAGRANT, "I AM
17 JUST NOT DOING THIS," AND MUCH MORE SORT OF AGREEMENT THAT
18 THIS IS IMPORTANT, AND GOOD ATTEMPTS AT GETTING IT DONE. IT
19 DOESN'T MEAN IT IS PERFECT. ABOUT 20% OF THE SITES THAT HAVE
20 BEEN VISITED HAVE NEEDED SOME TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. BUT I WANT
21 TO SAY, JUST LIKE YOU NOTED, WE CONTINUE TO DO COMPREHENSIVE
22 MESSAGING. BECAUSE I THINK PART OF IT HERE IS ALSO PATRONS, OR
23 CUSTOMERS, NEED TO UNDERSTAND THE RULES, AS WELL. SO, PART OF
24 IT IS ALSO THE BROADER SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGNS. BUT WE CONTINUE
25 WITH OUR TELEBRIEFINGS. WE ARE USING, OBVIOUSLY, ETHNIC MEDIA,

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1 AS WELL AS WE HAVE A C.O.V.I.D. NEWSLETTER NOW, THAT GOES OUT
2 EVERY WEEK TO TENS OF THOUSANDS OF ESTABLISHMENTS. YOU CAN
3 SIGN UP FOR SORT OF LITTLE REMINDER MESSAGES. WE HAVE YOUTUBE
4 TOWN HALLS THAT WE ARE DOING, AS WELL, AGAIN, SO THAT WE ARE
5 HITTING LOTS OF DIFFERENT PEOPLE WHO WILL HAVE AN IMPACT ON
6 WHAT HAPPENS AT A PARTICULAR BUSINESS. WE ALSO HAVE OUR
7 TOOLKIT. I THINK... WE'D HAVE TO NOTE THAT THE DIFFERENCE
8 BETWEEN WHAT THE COUNTY IS REQUIRING, AND WHAT THE CITY OF
9 L.A. WILL BE REQUIRING, HAS REQUIRED A LOT OF CONVERSATIONS
10 WITH US AND THE CITY, AND FIGURING OUT HOW TO DO A GOOD JOB
11 COMMUNICATING WHAT WILL CHANGE AT CITY ESTABLISHMENTS. AND THE
12 CITY WILL GIVE, REALLY, OVER A MONTH OF HAVING TIME TO EDUCATE
13 FOLKS, AS WELL, BEFORE THERE'S ANY MOVE INTO CITATIONS OR
14 COMPLIANCE. THEY HAVE PRETTY STEEP CITATION FEES, BUT NONE OF
15 THAT WILL GO INTO EFFECT FOR MANY WEEKS, BECAUSE THAT'S A MUCH
16 BROADER GROUP OF ESTABLISHMENTS THAT NEEDS TO BE REACHED OUT
17 TO. WE ARE READY. WE ARE HOLDING TELEBRIEFINGS, ETC., JUST
18 GETTING PEOPLE PREPARED. WE WILL HAVE A TRAINING PROGRAM THAT
19 ANYBODY CAN USE, WHO WANTS TO DO VACCINATION VERIFICATION. SO
20 IT'S NOT LIMITED TO THOSE WHO HAVE TO DO IT. BUT WE'RE GOING
21 TO DO SOMETHING SIMILAR TO WHAT SUPERVISOR BARGER ASKED US TO
22 DO A LONG TIME AGO WITH BUSINESSES, WHICH IS A SELF-TRAINING
23 PROGRAM THAT THEN ALLOWS FOR SELF-ATTESTATION AND A
24 CERTIFICATE THAT YOU CAN POST. BECAUSE ONE OF THE QUESTIONS WE
25 GET A LOT FROM CONSUMERS IS, "HOW WILL I KNOW IF A PLACE IS

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1 FOLLOWING THE RULES?" YOU KNOW, WITH THE BARS, IT IS A SMALL
2 SUBSET, BUT ONCE YOU START RESTAURANTS, MOVIE THEATERS, FAMILY
3 ENTERTAINMENT PLACES, PEOPLE WANT TO KNOW, "HOW WILL I KNOW IF
4 THIS IS A SITE THAT IT'S SAFE FOR ME TO GO TO?" BECAUSE I DO
5 AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR KUEHL THAT, FOR MANY FAMILIES, THEY WANT
6 TO GET BACK TO SOME OF THESE ACTIVITIES, BUT THEY ONLY WANT TO
7 GO SOMEPLACE WHERE IT'S GOING TO BE SUPER SAFE. AND THEY WANT
8 SOME VISIBLE WAY OF NOTING THAT. SO WE ARE WORKING ON THAT
9 TRAINING PROGRAM, AND THANK YOU AGAIN, SUPERVISOR BARGER, FOR
10 THAT SUGGESTION BEFORE. WE ARE REDOING THE TRAINING, SO THAT
11 IT WILL BE GERMANE TO JUST VACCINATION VERIFICATION ISSUES,
12 BUT THAT IS ANOTHER WAY FOR FOLKS TO GET IN. WE HAD THOUSANDS
13 AND THOUSANDS OF EMPLOYEES GO THROUGH THAT TRAINING PROGRAM,
14 AND BUSINESSES, SO IT WAS VERY EFFECTIVE AS ANOTHER WAY FOR
15 PEOPLE TO GET GOOD INFORMATION, BUT IT ALSO GAVE THEM A
16 VISIBLE CERTIFICATE THAT THEY COULD POST. AND THE POSTING ON
17 THAT INCLUDES THE NUMBER FOR PEOPLE TO CALL IF THEY HAVE
18 COMPLAINTS, AND THAT IS SORT OF THE SELF-PROTECTION THAT
19 PEOPLE ARE REALLY GOING TO ADHERE TO THE RULES, BECAUSE RIGHT
20 ON THERE, YOU HAVE TO POST A NUMBER WHERE A CONSUMER COULD
21 CALL IF YOU WEREN'T REALLY IN COMPLIANCE.

22
23 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH, WELL, THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND AGAIN, I THINK
24 THAT'S THE OVERALL PUBLIC OPINION, HONESTLY, IS THAT, I MEAN,
25 THE MORE PEOPLE THAT GET VACCINATED, THE MORE PEOPLE ARE GOING

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1 TO WANT TO BEGIN TO GO TO PLACES WHERE THEY CAN FEEL LIKE
2 EVERYONE ELSE THERE IS VACCINATED, AS WELL. SO I THINK WE
3 DEFINITELY HAVE PUBLIC OPINION ON OUR SIDE ON THIS ONE, AS
4 WELL AS THE SCIENCE, AND I... AGAIN, WE WANT TO BE SUPPORTIVE.
5 I LIKE THE FACT THAT YOU HAVE TOOLS IN YOUR TOOLBOX TO HELP
6 BUSINESSES, BECAUSE MANY OF THEM WERE WORRIED THAT THEY WOULD
7 HAVE TO HIRE EXTRA PEOPLE TO VERIFY VACCINATION STATUS, OR
8 THEY WOULD HAVE TO TURN INTO POLICE OFFICERS. AND I DON'T KNOW
9 IF THAT'S REALLY GOING TO BEAR OUT, PARTICULARLY IF WE CAN
10 SUPPORT THEM. BUSINESS AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS CAN SUPPORT THEM.
11 WE CAN GIVE THEM ALL THE RESOURCES THEY NEED TO MAKE SURE
12 THEIR EMPLOYEES AND THEIR CUSTOMERS ARE SAFE, AS WE MOVE
13 FORWARD. SO, THANK YOU, DR. FERRER. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

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17 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. FIRST OF ALL,
18 DR. FERRER, I AM GOING TO TALK ABOUT IT IN A LATER AGENDA
19 ITEM, BUT LET ME JUST THANK YOU, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
20 HEALTH, FOR ALL THE WORK YOU HAVE DONE TO THE RESIDENTS OF
21 CARSON. I'LL GO INTO DETAILS LATER, BUT YOUR DOOR-TO-DOOR
22 OUTREACH IN THE LAST FOUR WEEKS, HITTING 8,000 HOUSEHOLDS, IS
23 PHENOMENAL. SO LET ME THANK YOU WHILE WE HAVE YOU HERE PRESENT
24 WITH US. SECONDLY, AS I SIT HERE AND LISTEN TO THIS
25 CONVERSATION, I AM REMINDED OF SO MANY OTHER KIND OF PUBLIC

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1 HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY MESSAGES AND CULTURE SHIFTS THAT I
2 HAVE JUST EXPERIENCED IN MY OWN LIFETIME. I THINK ABOUT
3 MANDATORY HELMETS FOR MOTORCYCLES AND BICYCLES, AND HOW THE
4 PUBLIC-- I THINK, SHEILA, YOU MAY HAVE BEEN IN THE LEGISLATURE
5 THEN. I WAS STAFF THEN, TO SEE THE PUBLIC OUTCRY, WHERE THEY
6 DIDN'T WANT TO WEAR HELMETS. FROM MANDATORY SEAT-BELT WEARING.
7 I THINK ABOUT THE NO GLOVE, NO LOVE, MESSAGING. AND ALL OF
8 THAT JUST REMINDS ME THAT THESE ARE CULTURE SHIFTS THAT ARE
9 GOING TO HAVE TO TAKE PLACE, EVEN IF IT IS OVER TIME. AND SO,
10 AS WE CONTINUE TO TALK ABOUT IT, AND CONTINUE TO CREATE
11 OPPORTUNITIES TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT THINGS WE CAN DO,
12 WHETHER IT'S GOVERNMENT-MANDATED OR NOT, TO INCREASE OUR OWN
13 SAFETY, I THINK IT IS JUST AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR PUBLIC
14 DISCOURSE. SO I THINK WE WILL PROBABLY CONTINUE TO TALK ABOUT
15 MASKS, AS WELL AS MANDATORY VACCINES, FOR QUITE SOME TIME, AND
16 WE WILL WAKE UP ONE DAY, AND THE CULTURE SHIFT WOULD HAVE
17 HAPPENED, AND WE WILL SEE PEOPLE, AS I'VE EXPERIENCED IN
18 TRAVELING AROUND THE WORLD, WHERE MASK-WEARING JUST BECOMES
19 KIND OF A PART OF OUR NORMS; IF YOU ARE FEELING ILL, AND
20 YOU'RE RIDING PUBLIC TRANSPORT, THAT PEOPLE JUST WEAR A MASK,
21 AND NO ONE THINKS ANYTHING OF IT. SO I HOPE THAT'S WHERE WE
22 ARE KIND OF GOING, QUITE FRANKLY, AS A SOCIETY. ONE QUICK
23 QUESTION. YOU GOT MY ATTENTION INSTANTLY, DR. FERRER, WHEN YOU
24 MENTIONED IN YOUR PRESENTATION THAT OUR CURRENT NUMBERS WOULD
25 PUT US IN THE RED TIER, IF WE WERE STILL IN THE TIERING SYSTEM

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1 THAT THE GOVERNOR PUT IN PLACE LATE LAST YEAR. COULD YOU
2 CLARIFY THAT, OR RESTATE THAT, JUST TO MAKE SURE WE ARE ALL
3 CLEAR ABOUT WHAT THAT MEANS?

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5 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH. AND THANKS SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR
6 MITCHELL, FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT, AND FOR YOUR TEAM'S SUPPORT. I
7 DO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE DR. DAVIS HERE, AND LIZA FRIAS, WHO
8 HAVE BEEN REALLY HEADING UP A LOT OF THAT WORK, AND THE VAST
9 NUMBER OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMPLOYEES THAT HAVE BEEN, REALLY,
10 UNDER YOUR LEADERSHIP, GOING OUT THERE AND DOING THE DOOR-TO-
11 DOOR, AND IT IS A HORRIBLE SITUATION. BECAUSE, AGAIN, THESE
12 ISSUES THAT WE THINK ARE GOING TO QUICKLY RESOLVE THEMSELVES,
13 THAT THEN DON'T QUICKLY RESOLVE THEMSELVES, CREATE, IN THIS
14 CASE, BOTH A LOT OF ANXIETY, BUT ALSO LOTS OF PEOPLE NOT
15 FEELING WELL. SO, THANK YOU AND YOUR TEAM FOR ALL YOU'VE BEEN
16 DOING TO SORT OF LEAD THE WAY ON THIS, AND I AM GRATEFUL,
17 OBVIOUSLY, FOR THE TEAM HERE, AND ALL THEY ARE DOING, AS WELL.
18 BUT I FEEL VERY BAD FOR ALL OF THE RESIDENTS THAT CONTINUE TO
19 SORT OF DEAL WITH WHAT, AT THIS POINT, SEEMS LIKE A NEVER-
20 ENDING PROBLEM. HAVING ONCE LIVED SOMEWHERE WHERE I
21 EXPERIENCED THE SEWER GAS, AND I HAD JUST COME HERE TO L.A.,
22 AND I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO; IT WAS SO BAD. AND I COULDN'T
23 STAY IN MY APARTMENT. SO I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT IT MAY NOT
24 BE AT A HIGH ENOUGH LEVEL TO CAUSE ANY DAMAGE, BUT IT IT'S NOT
25 POSSIBLE TO NECESSARILY BE ABLE TO LIVE WITH IT, EITHER. SO MY

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1 HEART GOES OUT TO ALL THE RESIDENTS THAT HAVE BEEN STRUGGLING
2 SO MUCH. IN TERMS OF YOUR QUESTION ABOUT SORT OF THE RED TIER,
3 I MEAN, REMEMBER, WE DIDN'T HAVE VACCINES LAST YEAR. AND WHAT
4 WE HAD FROM THE STATE WAS A WAY TO REALLY MARK OUR PROGRESS
5 ON, AGAIN, REDUCING TRANSMISSION TO LOWER LEVELS. AND IF WE
6 COULD REDUCE TRANSMISSION TO LOWER LEVELS-- IT WAS THE SAME
7 PRINCIPLE-- THEN YOU COULD, IN FACT, REMOVE SOME OF THE
8 RESTRICTIONS. SO I DON'T THINK THAT PRINCIPLE HAS CHANGED.
9 WHEN YOU HAVE A LOT OF TRANSMISSION, YOU HAVE TO DO EVERYTHING
10 YOU CAN POSSIBLY DO: USE EVERY TOOL YOU HAVE TO TRY TO GET THE
11 NUMBERS TO DROP, BECAUSE THE NUMBERS OF PEOPLE INFECTED DRIVES
12 THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT GET HOSPITALIZED, WHICH DRIVES,
13 UNFORTUNATELY, THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO PASS AWAY. AND SO,
14 EVERYTHING THAT YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN BE DOING, YOU ARE GOING
15 TO DO, TO GET THOSE TRANSMISSION NUMBERS TO GO DOWN, AND
16 THAT'S GOING TO REQUIRE THAT WE INTRODUCE SAFETY MEASURES.
17 NOW, WE ARE LUCKY THIS YEAR, BECAUSE WE DO HAVE THESE POWERFUL
18 VACCINES, AND IT'S A TOOL WE DIDN'T HAVE LAST YEAR. IT IS WAY
19 MORE POWERFUL THAN DISTANCING. IT IS MORE POWERFUL THAN
20 CAPACITY LIMITS. IT IS EVEN MORE POWERFUL THAN THE MASKS WE
21 WEAR, IN TERMS OF THE LEVEL OF PROTECTION. BUT IT'S NOT
22 SUFFICIENT, WHEN YOU HAVE A LOT OF TRANSMISSION, TO JUST DO
23 VACCINATIONS. SO, JUST LIKE WE DID WHEN WE WERE IN THE PURPLE
24 TIER AND THE RED TIER, WE HAVE TO KEEP IN PLACE ADDITIONAL
25 LAYERS. AND THE MOST IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL LAYER THAT WE HAVE

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1 IS THAT MASKING. AND FRANKLY, THE MASKING IS POWERFUL ENOUGH
2 THAT, HOPEFULLY, IT DOESN'T REQUIRE US TO PUT BACK ANY OF THE
3 MORE ONEROUS SAFETY MEASURES THAT REALLY INTERRUPTED A LOT OF
4 THE BUSINESSES FROM THEIR CUSTOMARY PRACTICES. SO MY HOPE IS
5 WE HAVE SEEN THAT MASKING, CAREFUL ATTENTION, MONITORING OF
6 OUTBREAKS, ALL THAT CONTACT TRACING, REALLY CAN GET US
7 THROUGH, AS LONG AS WE KEEP MAKING PROGRESS ON VACCINATIONS.
8 BUT THE PRINCIPLE THAT WE HAD LAST YEAR IS STILL THE SAME.
9 YOU'VE GOT TO DO EVERYTHING YOU CAN DO TO LOWER TRANSMISSION
10 AND GET US TO A BETTER PLACE.

11

12 **SUP. MITCHELL:** I APPRECIATE THAT. AND JUST ONE LAST QUESTION.
13 NOW, YOU MENTIONED EARLIER THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE ONE-ON-ONE
14 OUTREACH TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO BE VACCINATED. SO, WHEN WE
15 THINK ABOUT KIND OF THE POPULATIONS THAT WE ARE FOCUSING ON
16 NOW, GIVEN YOUR REPORT THAT THE UNVACCINATED TEENS ARE REALLY
17 FUELING INFECTIONS, AND RECOGNIZING THAT WE NOW TRANSITIONING,
18 PARTICULARLY FOR OUR HARDLY REACHED AND OUR ELDERLY, THE
19 BOOSTER SHOTS, HOW CAN WE KIND OF UNIQUELY DEVELOP OUR
20 MESSAGING TO MEET THOSE POPULATIONS? I THINK THE TEENS, THOSE
21 OF US WHO ARE OR HAVE PARENTED TEENS, UNDERSTAND THAT THAT'S A
22 UNIQUE POPULATION TO GET A MESSAGE TO. HOW ARE WE TAPPING INTO
23 THE INFLUENCERS THAT THEY PAY ATTENTION TO? ARE WE TWEAKING
24 OUR OUTREACH, OUR MESSAGES, OUR MESSENGERS, IN SUCH A WAY THAT

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1 WE ARE ACKNOWLEDGING YET A NEW MESSAGE, A NEW SEGMENT OF THE
2 POPULATION, THAT WE REALLY HAVE TO TARGET?

3

4 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** YEAH, I THINK IT IS A REALLY IMPORTANT
5 QUESTION, AND SO, OBVIOUSLY, WE ARE LOOKING, AND WE PAY FOR...
6 I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU CALL THIS. WE PAID FOR SOME OF THE MEDIA
7 INFLUENCERS, THE SOCIAL INFLUENCERS, TO CARRY A MESSAGE AROUND
8 THE IMPORTANCE OF GETTING VACCINATED. AND THESE ARE
9 INFLUENCERS WHO, JUST LIKE YOU, NOTED, REALLY, YOUNGER PEOPLE
10 ARE LISTENING TO THEM AND FOLLOWING THEM, SO WE ARE USING
11 THAT. BUT I ALSO WANT TO SAY, WE ARE DOING A COUPLE OF OTHER
12 THINGS. ONE IS, WE HAVE A STUDENT AMBASSADOR PROGRAM, WHICH IS
13 REALLY THE MODEL OF PEER-TO-PEER, BECAUSE WE KNOW YOUNG PEOPLE
14 TEND TO LISTEN TO THEIR FRIENDS.

15

16 **SUP. MITCHELL:** RIGHT.

17

18 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** MORE THAN THEY WANT TO LISTEN TO ME. AND I
19 AM COMFORTABLE WITH THAT, AS LONG AS WE CAN MAKE SURE THAT WE
20 GIVE YOUNG PEOPLE REALLY GOOD INFORMATION, SO THAT THEY CAN
21 SHARE GOOD INFORMATION. SO THAT'S THE YOUTH AMBASSADOR
22 PROGRAM, THE STUDENT AMBASSADOR PROGRAM. SO, WE HAVE ALREADY
23 TRAINED, I WANT TO SAY, WELL OVER 300 YOUNG PEOPLE AT SCHOOLS
24 TO DO THIS, AND WE ARE GOING TO CONTINUE. NOW, WE ARE WORKING
25 A LOT WITH SCHOOL DISTRICTS. WE HAVE A PARENT AMBASSADOR

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1 PROGRAM, AS WELL; PEER-TO-PEER WITH PARENTS, PEER-TO-PEER WITH
2 YOUNG PEOPLE. WE THINK THAT'S GOING BE HELPFUL; NOT JUST FOR
3 THIS, BUT, FRANKLY, BECAUSE C.O.V.I.D. IS GOING TO BE AROUND
4 FOR A WHILE, JUST FOR MESSAGING AROUND HOW TO KEEP OURSELVES,
5 OUR SCHOOLS, COMMUNITIES, SAFE, AND PARTICIPATE FULLY IN THOSE
6 OPPORTUNITIES THAT ARE THERE. SO WE ARE GOING TO DO THAT. I
7 ACTUALLY... I RECEIVED A VIDEO FROM A GROUP OF STUDENTS-- I AM
8 GOING TO GIVE THEM A SHOUT-OUT, BECAUSE THEY'RE AMAZING-- AT
9 WILSON HIGH SCHOOL. IT WAS AN AMAZING VIDEO. THEY HAD GATHERED
10 TOGETHER, ALL OF THE STUDENT LEADERS IN THAT SCHOOL-- THE
11 SPORTS LEADERS, THE STUDENT COUNCIL LEADERS, THE CLUB LEADERS,
12 SORT OF THEIR OWN INFLUENCERS-- AND THEY PRODUCED, ON THEIR
13 OWN, A VIDEO OF THE IMPORTANCE OF GETTING VACCINATED. AND IT
14 WAS REALLY WAS, "I GOT VACCINATED." AND I WENT WITH THE
15 SUPERINTENDENT. AFTER I SAW THE VIDEO, I ASKED, "COULD I GO
16 MEET THE KIDS?" BECAUSE THEY WERE AMAZING. IT WAS A SUPER-
17 POWERFUL VIDEO. IT JUST BROUGHT TEARS TO MY EYES, BECAUSE THE
18 MESSAGE WAS REALLY, REALLY POWERFUL. AND I WENT, AND I HAD A
19 CHANCE TO VISIT WITH THESE YOUNG PEOPLE. IT WAS LIKE 50 OF
20 THEM, AND THEY WERE AMAZING, AND EACH ONE OF THEM HAD THEIR
21 OWN STORY ABOUT WHY THEY DECIDED TO GET VACCINATED. AND I
22 THINK ANYTHING THEY SAID WAS GOING TO BE MORE IMPORTANT THAN
23 ANYTHING I WAS ABLE TO SAY. AND THAT SCHOOL, I THINK, HAS LIKE
24 87% OF THEIR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS VACCINATED, WHICH IS--
25 AGAIN, I MEAN, THAT'S SO MUCH HIGHER THAN WHAT WE HAVE AT

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1 OTHER SCHOOLS, AND IT IS BEING LED BY THIS AMAZING GROUP OF
2 STUDENT LEADERS. SO, I SAW HOW POWERFUL THIS COULD BE, AND IT
3 WAS THEIR OWN INITIATIVE, THEIR OWN WORK, AND I THINK WE HAVE
4 TO LIFT UP THOSE STORIES, BECAUSE I THINK WE FORGET ABOUT HOW
5 AMAZING SOME OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE ARE-- MANY OF OUR YOUNG
6 PEOPLE ARE-- AND HOW MUCH THEY CARE ABOUT THEIR SCHOOL
7 COMMUNITY AND THEIR FAMILIES. BECAUSE THAT WAS WHAT DROVE THEM
8 TO GET VACCINATED AND PRODUCE THE VIDEO. AND I THINK THAT
9 SCHOOL IS IN YOUR-- I'M PRETTY SURE THAT SCHOOL'S IN EAST
10 L.A., SUPERVISOR. I KNOW I TOLD YOU ABOUT IT. AND YOU HAVE
11 VISITED THERE, ALSO. IT'S AN AMAZING SCHOOL. THEY HAVE AN
12 AMAZING PRINCIPAL AND STAFF, BUT MOST AMAZING OF ALL WERE
13 THEIR STUDENTS.

14
15 **SUP. MITCHELL:** SO, DR. FERRER, IF YOU WOULD SHARE THAT VIDEO
16 WITH THE REST OF US, I WOULD LOVE TO SEE IT.

17
18 **DR. BARBARA FERRER:** IT IS POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE. I ASKED FOR
19 PERMISSION TO USE IT. SO, YES, I WILL MAKE SURE THAT WE SEND
20 IT TO ALL OF YOU.

21
22 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AND JUST, LASTLY-- I DO WANT TO SEE THAT,
23 BECAUSE THAT SOUNDS GREAT. LASTLY, I WOULD JUST SAY THAT I
24 HAVE THIS FANTASY, THIS IDEA, BASED ON NOTHING, JUST THE
25 THINGS THAT POP INTO YOUR MIND AT 3:00 IN THE MORNING; THAT

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1 BECAUSE WE ARE THE ENTERTAINMENT CAPITAL OF THE WORLD, WHEN
2 YOU THINK ABOUT THE INFLUENCE OF NO MORE SMOKING IN MOVIES AND
3 TELEVISION, THOSE KINDS OF THINGS, AND WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT
4 THE INFLUENCE AT AWARDS SHOWS, WHEN THE CREATIVES HAVE USED
5 THEIR PLATFORM TO TALK ABOUT A PUBLIC POLICY ISSUE, JUST
6 WHATEVER WE COULD DO, IF WE WERE TO SEE REFERENCES TO GETTING
7 VACCINATED IN SPEECHES MADE BY CREATIVES, IN STORYLINES FOR
8 UPCOMING MOVIES, WHATEVER, JUST AGAIN TO CREATE ANOTHER
9 OPPORTUNITY, ANOTHER WAY IN WHICH WE CAN NORMALIZE THIS NEW
10 PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE, WOULD JUST BE GREAT. AND SO I AM HOPING
11 THAT WE CAN ALL USE OUR INFLUENCE TO TRY TO GET THAT INDUSTRY
12 TO, AGAIN, TALK ABOUT IT OPENLY AND CONSISTENTLY, TO TRULY
13 NORMALIZE, KIND OF, OUR NEW NORMAL AROUND COMBATING
14 C.O.V.I.D.-19 AND THE VARIOUS VARIANTS THAT WILL PERHAPS,
15 ALSO, SOON COME. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

16
17 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** WOW. POWERFUL. THANK YOU. YOU KNOW, YOU
18 JUST SPARKED MY INTEREST, HOLLY, BECAUSE I THINK ABOUT WHAT WE
19 HAVE BEEN THROUGH IN THE LAST 19 MONTHS, AND MENTAL HEALTH.
20 YOU JUST THINK ABOUT ALL THE PEOPLE THAT HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO
21 ARTICULATE THE SUFFERING, THE ISOLATION, THE LOSS OF DIGNITY,
22 RESPECT, BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE A JOB, OR THEY FEEL
23 WORTHLESS; NOT JUST ADULTS AND SENIORS, BUT OUR KIDS. AND I
24 REALLY HOPE THAT WE ALSO MASTER THAT, AS A PART OF WHATEVER
25 THIS NORMAL IS, BECAUSE I KEEP HEARING ABOUT THAT FROM OUR

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1 FAMILIES AND FROM YOUNG PEOPLE, AND HOW ISOLATED THEY FELT,
2 AND FEEL. AND I REALLY HOPE THAT, PERHAPS, THE THIRD WHEEL
3 HERE IS MAKING SURE THAT MENTAL HEALTH IS TAG-TEAMING ON
4 EVERYTHING WE DO HERE. SO I THINK THAT'S THE NEXT CHAPTER THAT
5 WE REALLY HAVE TO FOCUS, AND NEED TO BE DOING IT NOW. I AM
6 SURE IT IS HAPPENING IN SOME WAY, BUT NOT AT THE RATE WHERE
7 SOME OF OUR FAMILIES-- HOLLY, YOU AND I KNOW OUR FAMILIES
8 RARELY EVEN SEE A DOCTOR-- ARE NOT ABLE TO, IN MANY INSTANCES-
9 - AND DON'T HAVE ANYBODY TO CONFIDE IN. THEY'RE EVEN AFRAID TO
10 GO TO CHURCH, BELIEVING THAT, PERHAPS, THEY ARE GOING TO GET
11 INFECTED OR SOMETHING; THEY'RE GOING TO BECOME ILL. BUT I
12 THINK WE HAVE A WAYS TO GO, BUT EVERYONE HERE HAS, I THINK, A
13 SENTIMENT TOWARD GETTING TO A GOOD SPACE, AND CONTINUING A
14 MOVE IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. AND WE CAN'T DO IT ALONE. WE RELY
15 ON OUR CONSTITUENTS AND OUR LEADERS THAT RUN OUR DEPARTMENTS,
16 AND OBVIOUSLY OUR EMPLOYEES WHO ARE OUT THERE, JUST AS
17 EVERYONE HERE HAS ARTICULATED. THEY REALLY ARE THE
18 SUPERHEROES, AND THEY REALLY HAVE TO KNOW WE CARE ABOUT THEM,
19 TOO, BECAUSE THEY'VE BEEN GOING THROUGH A LOT OF SUFFERING, AS
20 WELL. SO, GOOD DISCUSSION. AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH, DR.
21 FERRER-- AND DR. GHALY, TOO-- FOR CONTINUING TO BE OUT THERE,
22 AND SUPPORTING OUR COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, OUR 10 MILLION
23 PEOPLE. THANK YOU. WITH THAT, MEMBERS, THIS IS JUST A RECEIVE-
24 AND-FILE, AND NOW WE WILL GO ON TO OTHER PORTIONS OF OUR
25 AGENDA, STARTING OUT WITH ITEM NUMBER 6, WHICH IS INITIATING

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1 THE HOLLYWOOD 2.0 PILOT PROJECT, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR
2 KUEHL. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I WAS THINKING,
5 WHILE HOLLY WAS TALKING, ABOUT THE VACCINATION SEGMENT THAT I
6 WAS THINKING ABOUT FOR "QUEENS." I DON'T KNOW IF ANYBODY HAS
7 SEEN THIS NEW SERIES, BUT, I MEAN, IT IS FANTASTIC. BRANDY IS
8 IN IT, AMONG OTHERS. SHE WENT TO DORSEY HIGH. WE'RE VERY PROUD
9 OF HER. AND I THINK THE VACCINE SHOW ON "QUEENS" WOULD GO A
10 LONG WAY FOR LETTING PEOPLE KNOW, THIS IS A COOL THING TO DO.
11 OKAY, THAT IS NOT ABOUT ITEM 6, BUT TALKING ABOUT MENTAL
12 HEALTH REALLY IS, AND I THINK THAT'S A GOOD SEGUE. THE FIRST
13 THING THAT PEOPLE SAY TO ME IS, "WHY HOLLYWOOD?" I MEAN,
14 HOLLYWOOD IS SUCH A GLITTERY, YOU KNOW, RICH AREA, OR
15 WHATEVER. SO I WANT TO GIVE YOU A LITTLE PICTURE, FIRST, ABOUT
16 HOLLYWOOD. THE SORT OF GREATER HOLLYWOOD AREA-- WE'RE TALKING
17 UP BY, LET'S SAY, SUNSET AND VINE, AND AREAS BELOW THE HILLS--
18 IT IS REALLY A WORKING-CLASS AREA, AND ALWAYS HAS BEEN. LOTS
19 AND LOTS OF SMALL BUSINESSES, ENTREPRENEURIAL BUSINESSES.
20 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, TO SOME EXTENT, THERE;
21 NONPROFITS, THERE. A LOT OF RENTERS, AND A LOT OF MINIMUM-WAGE
22 JOBS, BUT A LOT OF SMALL BUSINESSES DEFINITELY EMPLOYING
23 PEOPLE. SOME SMALL-HOME OWNERS, IF YOU GO THROUGH ALL WHAT
24 THEY USED TO CALL THE HOLLYWOOD BUNGALOWS. YOU COULD BUY
25 THOSE, INDIVIDUALLY. THEY'RE 900 OR A THOUSAND SQUARE FEET. IT

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1 IS A WORKING-CLASS AREA. AND THREE THINGS COME TOGETHER TO
2 RECOMMEND THIS PROJECT, WHICH HAS BEEN ON THE MINDS OF THE
3 PEOPLE IN THE GREATER HOLLYWOOD AREA FOR A ALMOST A DECADE
4 NOW. ONE IS, HOLLYWOOD HAS ALWAYS BEEN KIND OF A MAGNET FOR
5 PEOPLE WHO ENDED UP ON THE STREET. IT IS A PLACE OF DREAMS.
6 PEOPLE WOULD COME THERE DURING THE '80S. THERE WERE MORE THAN
7 10,000 YOUNG PEOPLE UNDER THE AGE OF 21, LIVING ON THE STREET.
8 ABOUT 40 PERCENT OF THEM WERE GAY-- MAYBE MORE-- AND LESBIAN,
9 TRANSGENDER; THROWAWAY KIDS, TO A GREAT EXTENT. AND NOW WE SEE
10 A HUGE CONFLUENCE OF HOMELESSNESS THERE, AS WELL. THE LAST
11 COUNT, THERE WERE OVER 4,300 PEOPLE, JUST IN THIS SMALL AREA,
12 WHO WERE IN THE COUNT, EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, AND MORE
13 THAN 800 OF THEM WERE IDENTIFIED AS HAVING PRETTY SERIOUS
14 MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES. THE SECOND THING, I THINK, THAT IS
15 REALLY IMPORTANT ABOUT THIS AREA AND THIS PILOT IS THAT, FOR
16 ALMOST A DECADE, MAYBE MORE, STARTING WITH THE HOLLYWOOD BID,
17 THE PEOPLE OF HOLLYWOOD HAVE BEEN COMING TOGETHER TO TALK
18 ABOUT A REAL, UNIFIED SOLUTION TO GETTING THEIR NEIGHBORS OFF
19 THE STREET. AND THEY THINK OF IT THAT WAY: THAT THESE ARE
20 PEOPLE WHO NEED SOMETHING, BUT THEY DON'T ALL NEED THE SAME
21 THING. SO THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY HAS COME TOGETHER, THE
22 LANDLORD COMMUNITY HAS COME TOGETHER, THE C.B.O.S AND
23 NONPROFITS, JUST HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS, EVERYBODY HAVE BEEN
24 MEETING AND MEETING AND MEETING, AND ORGANIZE THEMSELVES INTO
25 HOLLYWOOD FORWARD, TO TRY TO SORT OF CREATE AN ALL-HANDS-ON-

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1 DECK AND WHATEVER PEOPLE WHO ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS
2 NEED, IN ORDER TO GET OFF THE STREET. BUT WE HAVE NEVER BEEN
3 ABLE TO PROVIDE A FULL SUITE OF SERVICES TO A POPULATION LIKE
4 THIS IN THE HOLLYWOOD AREA. THE WONDERFUL SERVICE PROVIDERS WE
5 HAVE THERE ARE NOT ABLE TO OFFER SOME OF THE RESOURCES THAT
6 WE'VE CREATED OTHER PLACES IN THE COUNTY, BECAUSE THEY JUST DO
7 NOT EXIST IN HOLLYWOOD. C.B.O.S HAVE TO DRIVE THEIR CLIENTS TO
8 A NEARBY PSYCHIATRIC E.R., BUT IT IS NOT SO NEARBY. IT IS,
9 LIKE, 8 MILES AWAY. AND IT'S MOVING ONE PERSON, YOU KNOW, TO A
10 PLACE THAT NEEDS CRITICAL HELP. IT IS VERY DIFFICULT, THOUGH
11 WE REALLY APPRECIATE COUNTY S.C. MED CENTER AND THE HELP THAT
12 THEY HAVE BEEN ABLE TO OFFER. BUT IT IS A LONG WAY. SO, WHAT
13 THIS PILOT DOES IS TO GIVE US A CHANCE TO BUILD OUT AN
14 INNOVATIVE SET OF INTEGRATED SERVICES, AND THAT IS REALLY WHAT
15 THE APPLICATION TO THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT INNOVATION
16 FUND SET OUT. THE WILLINGNESS OF THIS COMMUNITY TO ORGANIZE
17 AND PITCH IN AND BE PART OF THE SOLUTION IS A BIG PART OF THE
18 INNOVATION, AND A BIG PART OF THE DECISION ABOUT THE GRANT IN
19 THIS AREA: ITS NEED, AND ALSO COMMUNITY SUPPORT. SO WE
20 ENVISION A FUTURE FOR HOLLYWOOD, WHERE WE CAN OFFER EXTENDED
21 STREET OUTREACH. YOU HEARD FROM SOME OF THE PEOPLE WHO
22 TESTIFIED THIS MORNING. THEY ARE DEEPLY ENGAGED IN STREET
23 OUTREACH, BUT ALSO CRISIS RESIDENTIAL HOUSING AND TREATMENT.
24 THIS WOULD INVOLVE A DROP-IN CENTER, KIND OF LIKE YOU GO IN,
25 WHAT DO YOU NEED? PEER SUPPORT SERVICES AND MENTAL HEALTH

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1 URGENT CARE, ALL PROGRAMS PROVEN TO BE EFFECTIVE ELSEWHERE IN
2 THE COUNTY, AND NOW WE WANT TO BRING THEM TOGETHER TO PROVIDE
3 THE MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT THAT THE COMMUNITY REALLY NEEDS.
4 BUT JUST AS IMPORTANT ARE THE WELLBEING AND SOCIAL SUPPORT
5 SERVICES THAT ARE ALSO TO BE INCLUDED. THIS IS WHERE THE REAL
6 INNOVATION IS, IN THIS PROJECT, I THINK, AND I THINK IT CAUSES
7 A SHIFT IN OUR MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM. IT IS A VISION THAT JON
8 SHERIN HAS PUT FORWARD, EVER SINCE WE INTERVIEWED HIM, TO HIRE
9 HIM, AND ONE THAT HE SO HEARTILY NOT ONLY SUPPORTS, BUT IS
10 PART OF TRYING TO MAKE HAPPEN. BECAUSE THE DEPARTMENT OF
11 MENTAL HEALTH IS WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH ALL THE FACTIONS IN
12 THE COMMUNITY TO BUILD THE KIND OF SERVICES THAT WE'VE SEEN
13 CAN HELP STABILIZE PEOPLE, CONNECT THEM TO THEIR COMMUNITIES,
14 GIVE THEM A SENSE OF CONTROL OVER THEIR OWN LIVES, LIKE
15 SUPPORTIVE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS, AND THAT'S WHERE OUR EMPLOYERS
16 ACROSS THE HOLLYWOOD AREA HAVE SAID, "WE'RE IN. WE'RE PART OF
17 THIS." PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS, PEOPLE EXPERIENCING
18 HOMELESSNESS, ARE MENTORED AND SUPPORTED AS THEY LEARN HOW TO
19 TAKE ON AND KEEP A JOB. OR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SOCIAL
20 COOPERATIVE, WHERE CLIENTS LEARN HOW THEIR WORK CAN CONTRIBUTE
21 TO THE SUCCESS OF A GROUP'S ENTERPRISE. THE PILOT MAY ALSO
22 OFFER SUPPORTED SHARED HOUSING, WHERE CLIENTS CAN LEARN HOW TO
23 NAVIGATE LIVING WITH ROOMMATES, INSTEAD OF ONLY BEING ABLE TO
24 OFFER WHAT MEDI-CAL WILL PAY FOR, AND THAT IS QUITE LIMITED IN
25 MOST OF THESE SITUATIONS. WE WILL BE USING THE M.H.S.A.

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1 INNOVATION GRANT FUNDING TO BUILD OUT THE RESOURCES THAT ARE
2 REALLY NEEDED. SO, AS I SAID, THE NEED IS THERE. HOLLYWOOD HAS
3 SOMETHING THAT VERY FEW OTHER GEOGRAPHIC AREAS HAVE, WHICH IS
4 STRONG SUPPORT, BUILDING OVER A DECADE, FROM THE LOCAL
5 COMMUNITY. THE ORIGINAL IDEA FOR THIS PILOT PROJECT WAS BORN
6 IN THE HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY. IT CAME OUT OF THE WORK THAT WAS
7 BEING DONE TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS IN HOLLYWOOD BY A COALITION
8 OF LOCAL BUSINESS LEADERS, C.B.O.S, FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS
9 ACROSS ALL THE FAITH. AND IT WAS THIS COALITION-- AS I SAID,
10 HOLLYWOOD FORWARD-- THAT STARTED TO LOOK FOR SOLUTIONS, AND
11 THESE ARE NOW THE LEADERS THAT ARE EAGER TO ENGAGE WITH OUR
12 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO SUPPORT THE PILOT, OFFERING
13 POTENTIAL SITES TO HOUSE CLIENTS, CREATE NEW PROGRAMS AND
14 RESOURCES, AND OFFER SUPPORTIVE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES. WE
15 KNOW THAT MANY OF THE INNOVATIVE SERVICES MIGHT BE DIFFICULT
16 IN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTY, AS WELL, BUT THE PILOT, WE ARE
17 TRYING TO SHOW WHAT CAN HAPPEN, AND HOW CAN IT HAPPEN. AND WE
18 ALSO, FRANKLY, WANTED TO SEE IF WE COULD INFLUENCE MEDI-CAL,
19 AND GET IT MAYBE TO EXPAND TO HELP US MORE, BY SHOWING THIS
20 SUCCESS. SO, YOU CAN TELL, PROBABLY, I AM REALLY EXCITED ABOUT
21 THIS, AND VERY, VERY, VERY PROUD OF THE HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE
22 ACROSS THIS COMMUNITY, MANY OF THEM FORMERLY HOMELESS PEOPLE,
23 AND EVEN SOME WHO ARE STILL ON THE STREET, PARTICIPATING, AND
24 TALKING ABOUT WHAT IS NEEDED. AND ONCE WE CAN DEMONSTRATE HOW
25 EFFECTIVE THIS CAN BE, IN A UNIFIED WAY, THEN I THINK IT IS

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1 EASIER TO CONVINCE OTHER COMMUNITIES, YOU CAN STEP UP, TOO,
2 ALL HANDS ON BOARD. YOU CAN STEP UP, TOO, TO SEE WHAT EACH OF
3 THESE PEOPLE NEED TO GET OFF THE STREET, AND DO THIS ON A
4 BROADER BASIS. SO, IF I MAY, MADAM CHAIR, I JUST WANT TO ASK
5 DR. SHERIN ONE QUESTION, IF THAT IS OKAY WITH YOU.

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7 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** SURE, GO RIGHT AHEAD.

8

9 **SUP. KUEHL:** I DON'T KNOW IF HE IS ON THE LINE.

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11 **DR. SHERIN:** YES, I AM WITH YOU.

12

13 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, DR. SHERIN, AND THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR
14 WORK ON THIS OVER EVERY MINUTE; WELL, EVEN BEFORE, WHEN YOU
15 WERE AT THE V.A. WHAT ELEMENTS OF THIS PILOT PROJECT DO YOU
16 THINK MIGHT HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO TRANSFORM OUR LARGER MENTAL
17 HEALTH SYSTEM? BECAUSE I THINK THAT IS IMPORTANT, TOO.

18

19 **DR. SHERIN:** WELL, THANKS VERY MUCH FOR GIVING ME AN
20 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK, AND I HAVE AN AWFUL LOT TO SAY ABOUT
21 THIS PROJECT, WHICH IS, IN MY MIND, LONG OVERDUE. SUPERVISOR,
22 AND TO ALL THE BOARD, ANYTHING THAT WE'RE GOING TO DO, IN
23 ORDER FOR IT TO BE SUSTAINABLE AND REPLICABLE ACROSS THE
24 COUNTY, WHICH IS OBVIOUSLY CORE TO THE WHOLE EFFORT, REQUIRES
25 STATE AND FEDERAL ENGAGEMENT-- AND FUNDING, FRANKLY-- AS WELL

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1 AS MODIFICATIONS ON A LOT OF THE CONSTRAINTS THAT WE WORK WITH
2 IN THE DEPARTMENT. I WILL SAY THAT, BECAUSE OF THIS PROJECT, I
3 WOULD SAY, AT LEAST IN PART, CALA.I.M., THE NEW MEDICAID
4 PROTOCOLS, EMBRACE SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE WERE TRYING TO
5 PUSH; FOR EXAMPLE, IN LIEU OF SERVICES, AND ENHANCED CASE
6 MANAGEMENT. BUT IN ADDITION, WE HAVE TO RECOGNIZE ONE OF THE
7 FUNDAMENTAL CHALLENGES WITH THE POPULATION THAT WE TRY TO
8 SERVE-- THOSE, YOU KNOW, WITH SERIOUS AND PERSISTENT MENTAL
9 HEALTH CHALLENGES, WITH OR WITHOUT ADDICTIONS-- AND THAT IS
10 ENGAGING THE INDIVIDUAL. HISTORICALLY, THE FUNDING THAT WE'VE
11 BROUGHT DOWN HAS BEEN FOR CLINICAL TREATMENT, AND VERY, VERY
12 RESTRICTED TO TREATMENT-ORIENTED PARADIGMS, BUT AND ENGAGEMENT
13 IS MUCH MORE THAN TREATMENT, PARTICULARLY WHEN INDIVIDUALS ARE
14 NOT AWARE THAT THEY HAVE A CHALLENGE, AND THAT THEY NEED
15 TREATMENT; OR, WHEN THEY HAVE ENGAGED WITH THE SYSTEM, IT
16 HASN'T BEEN WELCOMING, THE ENVIRONMENTS HAVE NOT BEEN
17 DIGNIFIED. ONE OF THE OTHER THINGS THAT WE DID IS, THROUGH
18 S.B. 803, WHICH THIS COUNTY, I BELIEVE, PIONEERED AND PUSHED,
19 WE HAVE NOW GOT ACCESS TO PEER CERTIFICATION AND SERVICES
20 THROUGH FEDERAL FUNDING AS MATCHED, WHICH IS A BIG DEAL,
21 BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT LIVED EXPERIENCE IS A BIG PART OF THE
22 REFORM, AND THAT FEE FOR CLINICAL SERVICES AS A WAY TO PAY IS
23 NOT RIGHT. IT'S NOT GOING TO ACHIEVE THE REFORM THAT WE NEED.
24 EXAMPLES OF ADDITIONAL THINGS ARE STANDARD APPROACHES TO
25 ENGAGING PEOPLE. THERE'S A THING CALLED THE CLUBHOUSE MODEL,

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1 WHERE, YOU KNOW, YOU DON'T NEED AN APPOINTMENT TO COME TO JUST
2 A CLINIC. BUT YOU COME, AND YOU CAN ENGAGE WITH OTHER FOLKS,
3 WHETHER THEY'RE CLINICAL, WHETHER THEY'RE INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE
4 HIRED AS PEERS WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE, OR WHETHER THEY ARE
5 OTHER CLIENTS. IT IS NOT ABOUT COMING, NECESSARILY, TO SEE A
6 DOCTOR; IT IS ABOUT BEING CONNECTED. IT IS ABOUT BELONGING IN
7 A PLACE. THERE ARE OTHER EXAMPLES; FOR EXAMPLE, PEER RESPITE,
8 WHICH IS NOT ADEQUATELY FUNDED. YOU MENTIONED SUPPORTED
9 EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL COOPERATIVES. WE LIKE TO TALK ABOUT THE
10 NEED FOR PEOPLE, PLACE, AND PURPOSE IN LIFE, BECAUSE WITHOUT
11 THEM, NO ONE REALLY HAS A CHANCE OF FLOURISHING. AND BY THAT,
12 I MEAN PEOPLE TO LOVE, PLACES TO LIVE, AND PURPOSE IN LIFE.
13 AND THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENT OF WHAT IS KNOWN IN OTHER PARTS OF
14 THE WORLD AS THE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER, AS OPPOSED TO
15 A CLINIC, WE LOOK TO BRING IN THAT TYPE OF PROGRAMMING, SO
16 THAT INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE BEEN SICK AND HAVE BEEN
17 DISCONNECTED, AND DON'T HAVE ACTIVITIES THAT THEY CARE ABOUT,
18 AND MEANING IN THEIR LIFE, WILL GET THAT. AND IF WE CAN DO IT
19 IN HOLLYWOOD, AS A COLLECTIVE, ENGAGING WITH ALL THE GROUPS
20 THAT YOU'VE MENTIONED, WHO HAVE BEEN ADVOCATING FOR LITERALLY
21 DECADES, WE CAN SHOW HOW IT IS DONE, AND WHAT IT WILL ACHIEVE.
22 AND THE OUTCOMES THAT WE NEED TO BE ASSESSING ARE NOT JUST A
23 REDUCTION IN SYMPTOMS, OR COMPLIANCE WITH MEDICATIONS. IT IS
24 MUCH BIGGER. IT IS ABOUT YOUR LIFE, AND IT'S ABOUT HAVING A
25 MORE FULFILLING LIFE, WHICH WE CAN MEASURE.

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2 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, DR. SHERIN. I KNOW OTHER COLLEAGUES
3 HAVE QUESTIONS, BUT I THINK YOU CAN SEE THAT I AM REALLY
4 TICKLED PINK ABOUT THIS, AS WE USED TO SAY, AND I LOOK FORWARD
5 TO YOUR QUESTIONS; BUT EVEN MORE, COLLEAGUES, TO YOUR SUPPORT
6 FOR THIS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY MEMBERS THAT WISH
9 TO BE RECOGNIZED? SUPERVISOR HAHN? GO AHEAD, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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11 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY, THERE WE GO. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND
12 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, FOR THIS MOTION. THANK YOU, DR.
13 SHERIN, FOR ALL THE WORK YOU AND YOUR TEAM HAVE PUT INTO THIS.
14 I REMEMBER YEARS AGO, WHEN WE WERE LOOKING AT A CITY IN ITALY
15 THAT HAD THIS GREAT HOLISTIC APPROACH TO THEIR UNHOUSED AND
16 MENTALLY ILL NEIGHBORS, AND HOW WE WERE WONDERING IF WE COULD
17 ALSO USE THAT APPROACH HERE IN LOS ANGELES, AND HOW EXCITED
18 EVERYBODY WAS TO TRY A NEW MODEL. AND I AM REALLY GLAD TO SEE
19 THIS GOING FORWARD, SHEILA. I THINK THIS PILOT PROGRAM IS
20 ANOTHER PIECE IN OUR OVERALL CONTINUUM OF CARE. AND I KNOW
21 THAT A CORE PART OF THIS PROJECT'S SUCCESS IS GOING TO BE THE
22 FIELD-BASED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, LIKE THE FULL SERVICE
23 PARTNERSHIP TEAMS AND THE HOME TEAMS THAT YOU TALKED ABOUT,
24 THAT WILL MEET PEOPLE WHERE THEY ARE. AND THAT'S SO IMPORTANT
25 WHEN WE ARE TRYING TO REACH PEOPLE WHO ARE UNHOUSED. AND SO I

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1 THINK THE MOTION THAT WE PASSED ON THE LAST BOARD MEETING,
2 THAT WILL ENHANCE THE RECRUITMENT OF OUR FIELD-BASED MENTAL
3 HEALTH POSITIONS, WILL BE VERY USEFUL, AS WE ENSURE THAT THIS
4 PROGRAM IS SUCCESSFUL. AND WE'RE EXPECTING THAT REPORT-BACK, I
5 THINK, IN LESS THAN TWO MONTHS, WITH DIFFERENT OPTIONS THAT
6 THE COUNTY CAN USE TO HELP US RECRUIT FOR FIELD-BASED MENTAL
7 HEALTH POSITIONS. BUT I THINK A PROGRAM LIKE THIS IS SOMETHING
8 WE COULD REALLY POINT TO THAT WOULD EXCITE PEOPLE TO BE
9 RECRUITED TO THIS, AND WOULD INTEREST THEM AS A REAL-LIFE
10 EXPERIENCE ON WHY THEY WOULD WANT TO GO INTO THESE FIELD-BASED
11 MENTAL HEALTH POSITIONS. I LOOK FORWARD, TRULY, TO SEEING THIS
12 PILOT UP AND RUNNING, SEEING ITS IMPACT, KNOWING ABOUT IT
13 BEING A-- I MEAN, I AM HOPING-- I AM PRETTY SURE IT WILL BE--
14 A MODEL THAT WE CAN REPLICATE. AND SO, DR. SHERIN, I WAS JUST
15 GOING TO ASK YOU, DO YOU SEE THIS AS BEING A MODEL THAT COULD
16 SPREAD TO OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTY? DO YOU HAVE OTHER
17 LOCATIONS IN MIND? BECAUSE I REALLY THINK THIS WOULD BE USEFUL
18 AND VALUABLE IN ALL PARTS OF OUR VAST COUNTY.

19
20 **DR. SHERIN:** WELL, SUPERVISOR HAHN, THANKS VERY MUCH FOR THE
21 QUESTION. I MEAN, IF IT WERE UP TO ME, WE WOULD HAVE 50 TO 100
22 COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTERS ACROSS THIS COUNTY, AND WE
23 WOULD HAVE PEOPLE ENGAGED THAT ARE NOT ENGAGED NOW, AND HAVE
24 NEVER BEEN ENGAGED FOR YEARS AND YEARS. IN TRIESTE, ITALY,
25 WHICH IS THE CITY THAT YOU CITED, THERE ARE FOUR COMMUNITY

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1 MENTAL HEALTH CENTERS FOR A MUCH SMALLER POPULATION. ONE OF
2 THE THINGS THAT WE NEED TO BE THINKING ABOUT, WHICH WE ARE,
3 AND WE'RE PUSHING VERY HARD AT THE STATE AND THE FEDERAL
4 LEVEL, ARE THINGS LIKE THE I.M.D. EXCLUSION. IF, FOR EXAMPLE,
5 WE CAN REPEAL THE I.M.D. EXCLUSION, WE CAN USE MONEY FROM THE
6 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO PAY FOR SOME OF THE FACILITY-BASED CARE,
7 AND THEN FREE UP THE MONEY WHICH, BY THE WAY, IS OUR ONLY REAL
8 FLEXIBLE MONEY, TO FUND THESE TYPES OF SERVICES WHICH KEEP
9 PEOPLE ENGAGED, GIVE THEM PEOPLE, PLACE, AND LIFE
10 OPPORTUNITIES, WHICH, ALONGSIDE TREATMENT, IS THE FORMULA FOR
11 RECOVERY. THERE ARE-- I MEAN, I DON'T REALLY KNOW WHAT ELSE TO
12 SAY, OTHER THAN WE HAVE TO LOOK FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO INFLUENCE
13 BOTH THE STATE AND THE FED, AND AS WE'RE ROLLING OUT THIS
14 PROGRAM, THERE'S A KEY DIRECTIVE TO GET AN OUTSIDE EVALUATOR
15 TO STUDY IT, AND I THINK STUDYING IT WILL NOT ONLY LOOK AT
16 WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THIS PILOT, BUT OPPORTUNITIES FOR US TO
17 REPLICATE.

18

19 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, DR. SHERIN. I THINK THAT WILL BE OUR
20 GOAL: TO LOOK FOR MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO REPLICATE THIS. THANK
21 YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANKS, SHEILA, FOR YOUR WORK ON THIS.

22

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

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1 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND I WILL BE
2 SUPPORTING THE MOTION TODAY, AND ANXIOUSLY WATCHING THIS
3 UNFOLD, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, TO SEE, YOU KNOW, THE IMPACT THAT
4 THIS HAS IN YOUR AREA, AND HOW IT CAN BE REPLICATED. I WILL
5 JUST HAVE QUESTIONS GOING FORWARD. I'D HEARD ABOUT THE MODEL
6 FOR YEARS, WAS VERY EXCITED AS I HEARD FROM POLICYMAKERS WHO
7 CAME BACK FROM ACTUALLY SEEING IT IN REAL LIFE, IN TERMS OF
8 HOW THEY FELT, WHAT THEY WITNESSED; AND AGAIN, HOW IT REALLY
9 IS A REFLECTION OF, REALLY, KIND OF THE CULTURE THERE IN
10 TRIESTE, IN TERMS OF HOW PEOPLE PERCEIVE THOSE IN OUR
11 COMMUNITY WHO NEED HELP AND SUPPORT. SO I HOPE WE CAN BEGIN TO
12 EFFECT THE CULTURE SHIFT, THAT WE REALLY WILL HAVE IMPACT,
13 COUNTYWIDE. FINALLY, THE CALA.I.M. 1115 WAIVER HAS COME TO BE,
14 AND SO MY FEAR-- AND, DR. SHERIN, WHAT I WILL BE INTERESTED IN
15 HEARING FROM YOU IS MAKING SURE THAT, "A," PEOPLE AREN'T
16 CONFUSED ABOUT THE TWO PILOTS GOING ON SIMULTANEOUSLY; AND
17 HOW, AFTER FIVE YEARS, WHEN THE 1115 WAIVER EXPIRES, WE WILL
18 BE ABLE TO CONTINUE THIS GOOD WORK BEYOND FIVE YEARS, SO THE
19 PILOT ISN'T JUST A PILOT, BUT THAT IT REALLY BECOMES A NEW,
20 SIGNIFICANT WAY IN WHICH WE CAN USE M.H.S.A. DOLLARS, AND
21 PERHAPS OTHER DOLLARS-- HOPEFULLY, FEDERAL DOLLARS-- ON A GO-
22 FORWARD BASIS. JUST MY LAST QUESTION AND CONCERN IS AGAIN, AS
23 I'VE EXPRESSED BEFORE, HOW YOU AT D.M.H. ARE MANAGING
24 PRIORITIES WITH YOUR STILL RELATIVELY HIGH VACANCY RATE; YOU
25 KNOW, NOT WANTING TO START A PILOT THAT WE'RE NOT ABLE TO

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1 FULLY ROLL INTO, JUST BECAUSE OF A CHALLENGE WITH WOMAN POWER
2 AND MANPOWER. SO, CAN YOU JUST ADDRESS THOSE CONCERNS? BUT,
3 LIKE EVERYBODY ELSE, I AM EXCITED. I WANT TO SEE HOW IT ROLLS
4 OUT, LIKE THE RESTORATIVE CARE VILLAGES. THESE ARE
5 OPPORTUNITIES FOR US TO TRY PILOTS IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE
6 COUNTY; HOPEFULLY, TO FIGURE OUT A PROCESS BY WHICH WE CAN
7 ROLL THEM OUT, COUNTYWIDE.

8

9 **DR. SHERIN:** WELL, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, I APPRECIATE YOUR
10 THOUGHTS AND CONCERNS, AND I'M GLAD YOU BRING UP THE R.C.V.S,
11 THE RESTORATIVE CARE VILLAGES, BECAUSE THOSE ARE REALLY LARGE
12 REGIONAL EFFORTS BASED ON HOSPITAL CAMPUSES, WHICH DO SOME OF
13 WHAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT. THIS IS WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE
14 AT A MORE GRANULAR LEVEL IN COMMUNITIES. WHICH, ULTIMATELY, IF
15 WE ARE SUCCESSFUL, WILL RELIEVE SOME OF THE PRESSURE ON OUR
16 HOSPITAL SYSTEMS AND OTHER BOTTLENECK AREAS. AND YOU, GIVEN
17 YOUR ROLE AT THE STATE, WOULD KNOW AS MUCH ABOUT M.H.S.A. AND
18 THE INNOVATION FUND AS ANYBODY. AND THE GOAL OF THAT FUNDING
19 STREAM, GOING BACK TO ITS INCEPTION IN THE EARLY 2000S, WAS TO
20 INFORM POLICY AT THE STATE, AND THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE
21 FED AND THE STATE, WHICH IS WHY I THINK THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE
22 LEARNING ABOUT SUCCESS AND FAILURE IN REAL TIME, AND WE DON'T
23 NEED TO WAIT 5 YEARS. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE US, YOU KNOW,
24 COLLECTING INFORMATION ABOUT OUTCOMES FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE
25 BEEN IN AND OUT OF THE EMERGENCIES AND THE HOSPITALS, AND ON

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1 AND OFF THE STREETS, AND IN AND OUT OF OUR JAILS, WHO ARE
2 ENGAGED, RECEIVING CARE, AND RECOVERING IN A WAY THAT THEY
3 HAVE NOT IN OUR SYSTEM. AND THIS IS NOT JUST A HUMANITARIAN
4 EFFORT, ALTHOUGH IT IS WHAT PROMPTS THE MOVE. IT IS ALSO, IN
5 MY OPINION, A SOLID INVESTMENT, AND WE WILL SEE A RETURN ON
6 INVESTMENT. AND WE CAN INFORM CALA.I.M., SO THAT WHEN WE
7 REVISE IT AS A STATE IN FIVE YEARS, THAT IT IS GOING TO
8 RECOGNIZE ONE OF THE VERY, VERY CORE CHALLENGES OF THIS FIELD:
9 ENGAGEMENT. PEOPLE NEED TO BE ENGAGED; AND TO ENGAGE THEM, WE
10 HAVE TO ENCULTURATE NEW PROGRAMMING AND A NEW APPROACH TO THE
11 CARE. WITH RESPECT TO THE STAFFING, I LIKE TO THINK THAT THIS
12 TYPE OF APPROACH WILL EXCITE STAFF, THAT IT WILL BREATHE NEW
13 ENERGY INTO INDIVIDUALS IN THE FIELD. AND AS WE LEARN MORE
14 ABOUT THE GREAT RESIGNATION, WE KNOW THAT IT IS NOT JUST ALL
15 ABOUT HOW MUCH YOU MAKE; IT IS ABOUT WHAT YOU DO, AND IT'S
16 ABOUT THE WORK THAT YOU'RE PURSUING ON A REGULAR BASIS. AND I
17 WOULD ALSO SAY THAT, WITH S.B. 803, THE IMPORTANCE OF PEER
18 SUPPORT AND LIVED EXPERIENCE AS A PART OF OUR REFORM, THAT WE
19 ARE GOING TO BE ACTIVATING A NEW, SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF THE
20 WORKFORCE. AND THAT IS MY HOPE. IT IS MY HOPE, NOT JUST IN
21 PROGRAMS LIKE THE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER, BUT ALSO IN
22 OUR EMERGENCY RESPONSE SERVICES, AND AS WE ALL KNOW, THROUGH
23 THINGS LIKE OUR HOME TEAM. AND THE EFFORTS WITH THE HOME TEAM,
24 AND THE ALTERNATIVE CRISIS RESPONSE, ARE CRITICAL TO

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1 SUPPORTING AND FEEDING INDIVIDUALS IN NEED INTO THIS TYPE OF A
2 PROGRAM.

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

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

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8 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND, SUPERVISOR KUEHL,
9 JUST WANT TO CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR WORK, IN REALLY TAKING
10 ON A REALLY TOUGH CHALLENGE THERE IN HOLLYWOOD. IT IS A UNIQUE
11 PLACE. IT'S VERY DIFFERENT. IT CONTINUES TO BE A MAGNET FOR
12 PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD, AND PEOPLE WHO WANT TO COME THERE TO
13 HAVE A DREAM, TO MAYBE START A NEW LIFE OR GET INTO A NEW
14 CAREER, AND SOMETIMES THEY FALL THROUGH THE CRACKS, SO TO
15 SPEAK. THERE ISN'T SOMETIMES A WELCOMING HAND OR A PLACE FOR
16 THEM TO STAY, AND I KNOW THAT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT REALLY
17 NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED. SO, APPRECIATE ALL YOUR WORK, AND THAT
18 OF OUR DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, AND YOUR TEAM. HOPE TO SEE
19 IT REPLICATED. CAN'T WAIT FOR IT TO TAKE OFF, SO THAT WE CAN
20 SHARE IT IN OTHER PARTS OF THE DISTRICT, ESPECIALLY IN MINE.
21 IT DOES NOT NECESSARILY HAVE A BIG INFRASTRUCTURE. SO THANK
22 YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, AND I ALSO INTEND ON SUPPORTING THE
23 MOTION. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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1 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. FIRST OF ALL, SHEILA, CONGRATULATIONS.
2 THIS IS-- I MEAN, DR. SHERIN, YOU KNOW I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN
3 FASCINATED WITH TRIESTE, AND THE WHOLE CONCEPT OF HOW THIS
4 PLAYED OUT OVER IN ITALY, AND I AM EXCITED. I THINK THAT IT IS
5 GOING TO BE INTERESTING TO SEE HOW THIS DOES PLAY OUT HERE,
6 BECAUSE IT IS KIND OF MOVING IN A DIRECTION OF REALLY
7 INCORPORATING THE COMMUNITY IN THE HEALING PROCESS OF
8 INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE ON THE STREETS AND ARE FACING CHALLENGES.
9 SO I THINK IT IS GOING TO BE A TRUE TEST, NOT ONLY OF OUR
10 SYSTEM, BUT ALSO OF THE COMMUNITY, AND I AM EXCITED TO SEE HOW
11 IT PLAYS OUT. I JUST HAD ONE QUESTION, AND IT IS MORE JUST OUT
12 OF CURIOSITY, MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE. WE KNOW WHAT OUR
13 POPULATION LOOKS LIKE ON THE STREET NOW, AND MANY OF THEM HAVE
14 BEEN ON THE STREET FOR A LONG PERIOD OF TIME; SOME, 20 YEARS.
15 IN TRIESTE, WHAT WAS THE DEMOGRAPHICS OF THE POPULATION THAT
16 WAS BEING SERVED THROUGH THE PROGRAM, DR. SHERIN? DOES IT
17 MIRROR WHAT WE'RE GOING TO SEE HERE IN HOLLYWOOD?

18

19 **DR. SHERIN:** WELL, THAT'S A REALLY GOOD QUESTION, AND THE
20 SKEPTICS OF THE WORLD SAY YOU CAN'T DO TRIESTE ANYWHERE OTHER
21 THAN TRIESTE, OR IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND I THINK THAT
22 THEY'RE UNDERESTIMATING WHAT WE CAN AND WILL ACHIEVE. WHEN
23 THERE WAS A DEINSTITUTIONALIZATION MOVEMENT, WHICH REALLY KIND
24 OF GOT KICKED OFF BY J.F.K. IN THE '60S, THERE WERE PARTS OF
25 THE WORLD THAT ACTUALLY EMBRACED THE CONCEPT OF BUILDING UP

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1 COMMUNITY TO GET PEOPLE OUT OF THE ASYLUMS. AND BY THAT, I
2 MEAN NOT JUST TREATMENT, BUT THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF
3 HEALTH, SO THAT THERE WAS ENOUGH HOUSING; THAT THE CULTURE OF
4 THE COMMUNITY EMBRACED INCLUSION, AND EMPLOYING PEOPLE, AND
5 RECOGNIZING THAT EVERYBODY NEEDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE
6 AUTONOMOUS. PLACES THAT DID THAT PROACTIVELY, AND THAT SLOWLY
7 KIND OF PULLED FOLKS OUT OF THE ASYLUMS, WERE SUCCESSFUL. WE
8 DID NOT DO THAT. FIRST OF ALL, WE DID NOT BUILD UP THE
9 COMMUNITY. THE FUNDING NEVER FOLLOWED THE COMMUNITY, AND WE
10 OPENED UP ASYLUMS IRRESPONSIBLY. AND SO NOW WE HAVE TWO NEW
11 ASYLUMS: THE OPEN-AIR ASYLUM OF THE STREET, AND THE CLOSED
12 ASYLUM OF THE JAIL, WHICH IS, IN MY OPINION, REPREHENSIBLE.
13 SO, THAT POPULATION ACTUALLY NEVER EVOLVED TO THE CONDITIONS
14 THAT WE SEE HERE, BECAUSE, AS SOCIETY AND AS A CULTURE, THEY
15 TOOK A MUCH DIFFERENT, MUCH MORE HUMANE AND RESPONSIBLE
16 APPROACH, GOING BACK DECADES.

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18 **SUP. BARGER:** GOT IT. WELL, AGAIN, SUPERVISOR KUEHL,
19 CONGRATULATIONS. I THINK THIS IS AN EXCITING PROGRAM, AND I
20 KNOW YOU WILL NOT MIND IF I GO OUT AND VISIT, AND TAKE A LOOK
21 AT HOW IT IS GOING, ROLLING OUT, BECAUSE I AM TOTALLY
22 FASCINATED BY THIS. AND THERE IS AN INCREDIBLE BOOK. AND I
23 THINK, DR. SHERIN, YOU-- I DON'T KNOW IF YOU BROUGHT IT TO ME,
24 OR MAYBE THE PEOPLE THAT WERE PUTTING THIS TOGETHER. ANYWAY,
25 THAT REALLY OUTLINES THIS MODEL. AND I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU

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1 ALL, IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN IT, TO TAKE A LOOK AT THAT BOOK,
2 BECAUSE IT REALLY DOES LAY OUT, BOTH PHILOSOPHICALLY AND
3 PRACTICALLY, HOW THIS WORKED IN TRIESTE. SO, CONGRATULATIONS,
4 AND GOOD LUCK, DR. SHERIN. I'M EXCITED. THIS IS GOING TO BE A
5 FUN PROGRAM FOR YOU TO IMPLEMENT, AS WELL.

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7 **DR. SHERIN:** THANK YOU. THAT WAS A GIFT, ALONG WITH A LITTLE
8 HORSE.

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10 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH, I GOT THE HORSE.

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12 **DR. SHERIN:** I GOT YOU AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, BOTH, A HORSE
13 AND THAT BOOK, AND THEY WILL BE COMING.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. THANK YOU SO MUCH. SEEING NO
18 OTHER SUPERVISORS-- OH, SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL:** I JUST WANT TO THANK EVERYBODY FOR THE WONDERFUL
21 WORDS, AND THANK DR. SHERIN AND HIS STAFF. AND I REALLY WANT
22 TO THANK THE HOLLYWOOD BID THAT STARTED THIS OFF; KERRY
23 MORRISON, WHO HAS BEEN CHAMPIONING THIS FOR SUCH A LONG TIME.
24 BROUGHT IN SO MANY PEOPLE FROM THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY, AND
25 THEN PEOPLE JUST GOT EXCITED ABOUT IT, IN A WAY THAT IS SO

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1 REFLECTIVE OF WHAT WE ARE HOPING, EVEN IN THE CARE FIRST, JAIL
2 LAST, WHERE WE ARE SAYING, WHAT WE NEED ARE COMMUNITY-BASED
3 SERVICES. WHAT WE NEED ARE THE SUPPORT OF THE COMMUNITY. WHAT
4 WE NEED ARE PEOPLE ARE OFFERING JOBS. SO THIS IS ACTUALLY,
5 POSSIBLY, GOING TO SHOW A MODEL THAT MAY GO EVEN BEYOND WHAT
6 WE DO FOR OUR UNHOUSED POPULATION, THINKING ABOUT HOW WE TAKE,
7 HOLISTICALLY, INTO ACCOUNT WHAT PEOPLE NEED IN ORDER TO
8 THRIVE, NOT JUST EXIST. SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALL YOUR
9 WORDS. AND, KATHRYN, I DO HOPE YOU WILL COME TO VISIT. AND WHO
10 KNOWS, AFTER REDISTRICTING, WHO IS GOING TO REPRESENT
11 HOLLYWOOD? WE HAVE NO IDEA. SO I AM HOPING THAT WHOEVER ENDS
12 UP WITH HOLLYWOOD, OR THE NEXT SUPERVISOR FROM THE THIRD, WILL
13 BE AS ENTHUSIASTIC, AND SEE IT AS REALLY SOMETHING WONDERFUL
14 FOR THE COUNTY. SO I ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL.
17 HEARING NO OTHER COMMENTS, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
18 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THE
19 ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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

22

23 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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

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4 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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

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8 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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12 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

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

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

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21 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. THANK YOU. CONGRATULATIONS. NEXT,
22 MEMBERS, WE ARE GOING TO MOVE ON TO ANOTHER SUBJECT; ANOTHER
23 ITERATION, I THINK, OF INTERIM HOUSING. THIS IS AN ITEM THAT I
24 HELD, AND IT'S ON INTERIM HOUSING SERVICES, FUNDS FOR CITIES
25 AND COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS COMBATING HOMELESSNESS, WHICH I

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1 HELD. AND I REALLY WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR BARGER AND ALL THE
2 OTHER MEMBERS THAT HAVE KNOWN, I THINK, OF OUR STRONG INTEREST
3 IN TRYING TO GET MORE OF OUR LOCAL CITIES, OUR MUNICIPALITIES,
4 MORE ENGAGED. AND NO ONE KNOWS THAT BETTER THAN, I THINK, ALL
5 OF US HERE, HOW DIFFICULT IT HAS BEEN IN THE LAST, I THINK,
6 MAYBE, IN SOME CASES, 4 OR 5 YEARS, TO GET SOME OF OUR CITIES
7 TO REALLY TAKE THE LEAP AND JOIN US IN THIS EFFORT, AND IT HAS
8 BEEN HARD. I MEAN, THIS IS ONE OF THE HARDEST THINGS, I
9 BELIEVE, THAT I HAVE HAD TO FACE, IN TERMS OF GETTING PEOPLE
10 TO UNDERSTAND THAT IT ISN'T JUST A PROBLEM OF L.A. CITY; IT IS
11 THE COUNTY. AND THERE WAS AN EFFORT FOR US TO PASS THIS
12 MEASURE, MEASURE H, THAT REQUIRED OUR CITIES TO ALSO
13 PARTICIPATE. AND WE TOLD THEM, ON THE BASIS OF THAT MODEL,
14 THAT THEY WOULD ALSO RECEIVE FUNDING. AND WE WOULD HELP THEM
15 IN TRYING TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS THAT IMPACTS ONE OF THE
16 LARGEST COUNTIES IN THE COUNTRY, WITH THE LARGEST POPULATION
17 OF UNHOUSED PEOPLE. AND SO I AM REALLY HAPPY, SUPERVISOR
18 BARGER, THAT YOU JOINED WITH ME AS A CO-AUTHOR, BECAUSE WE
19 SPENT MANY HOURS-- MANY, MANY HOURS-- AND TIMES JUST OUT GOING
20 AND SPEAKING TO OUR COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS, BUT OUR CITY, OUR
21 CITY FOLK, AS WELL AS OUR LOCAL CIVIC LEADERS. AND I KNOW,
22 JANICE, YOU ALSO FACED THAT, TOO, IN THE CITY OF WHITTIER, AS
23 RECENTLY IN SAN PEDRO. AND SOME OF YOU HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL,
24 AND SOME OF US HAVEN'T BEEN QUITE AS SUCCESSFUL. BUT I DO
25 THINK THAT THERE IS A REMEDY, AND I THINK THAT NOW WE HAVE

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1 LEARNED FROM THIS EXPERIENCE, AND WE SEE THAT THERE ARE MORE
2 OF OUR SMALLER INDEPENDENT CITIES THAT DO WANT TO COME ON
3 BOARD. THEY ARE STARTING TO OPEN UP THEIR POCKETBOOK. AND I
4 UNDERSTAND THAT CONCEPT, THAT THEY ALSO HAVE TO PUT SKIN IN
5 THE GAME. AND I THINK, TODAY, WE HEARD SOME OF OUR CALLERS
6 COME ONLINE AND SAY THAT THEY WERE WILLING TO DO THAT, AND ARE
7 PREPARED TO DO MORE. AND I KNOW THAT OUR FUNDS, OF COURSE, IN
8 THE COUNTY ARE LIMITED, BUT I DO THINK THAT THERE IS
9 OPPORTUNITY, WORKING WITH THE STATE GOVERNMENT, AND WORKING
10 WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, TO HELP PATCH TOGETHER THAT
11 QUILT, THAT SAFETY NET, THAT WE SO SORELY NEED IN SOME OF OUR
12 COMMUNITIES. AND IF THERE ARE GOOD CITIES-- AND I MEAN GOOD
13 CITIES THAT WANT TO PARTICIPATE-- THEN WE SHOULD TRY TO REWARD
14 THEM IN A MANNER THAT AT LEAST GIVES THEM THE INCENTIVE TO
15 KEEP GOING. AND THAT, TO ME, IS REALLY MY PRIORITY WITH THIS
16 MOTION. AND SOME OF YOU RECALL, BACK IN SEPTEMBER OF 2018, THE
17 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVED \$9 MILLION IN MEASURE H FUNDING
18 TO SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE PLANS TO GO OUT TO OUR
19 C.O.G.S AND TO OUR LOCAL CITIES. AND THEN, BACK IN SEPTEMBER
20 OF 2019, WE ALSO APPROVED \$6 MILLION TOWARD THE CREATION OF AN
21 INNOVATION FUND FOR C.O.G.S, COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS, TO
22 SUPPORT SMALLER CITIES AS THEY PILOT AND IMPLEMENT NEW
23 PROGRAMS THAT BOLSTER HOUSING FOR HOMELESS, AND THE
24 INFRASTRUCTURE. AND I SAY THAT, I UNDERSCORE THAT, BECAUSE IN
25 THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, THE AREAS THAT I REPRESENT, WE DON'T

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1 HAVE THE SAME INFRASTRUCTURE OR EVEN THE RESOURCES THAT SOME
2 OF MY OTHER COLLEAGUES HAVE, AND THAT'S BECAUSE IT HAS JUST
3 BEEN HISTORICAL. AND FOR ME, THAT PARADIGM HAS TO CHANGE,
4 BECAUSE WE DO HAVE HOMELESSNESS ON OUR STREETS EVERY DAY, IN
5 MANY OF THE CITIES THAT I REPRESENT, AND IT CONTINUES TO GROW.
6 AND IT IS VERY TROUBLING THAT WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO MAKE
7 THE BIG DENT THAT WE WANT TO. BUT SOME OF US HAVE REALLY
8 WORKED HARD TO DO THAT, AND I DO WANT TO REWARD SOME OF THOSE
9 CITIES. SOME OF THEM WERE ON THE PHONE TODAY. WE HEARD FROM
10 THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BALDWIN PARK, WHO IS SOON GOING TO
11 OPEN UP ESPERANZA VILLAGE. EVEN THOUGH IT'S TINY HOMES, EVEN
12 THOUGH IT'S STARTING WITH 25, I HOPE THAT THEY WILL
13 INCENTIVIZE THE SURROUNDING SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CITIES TO DO
14 THE SAME. AND I KNOW THAT THIS IS NOT ALWAYS AN EASY THING TO
15 DO. WE HEARD IN THE CITY OF-- IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT, ARCADIA;
16 SOME OF OUR CITIES THAT REFUSED TO GO ALONG WITH THIS MANNER.
17 AND I'M SAYING THAT, IF WE ALLOW FOR THAT TO CONTINUE TO RUN
18 THE DAY AND THE HEADLINES IN OUR LOCAL PAPERS, WE'RE NEVER
19 GOING TO MAKE A DENT. AND SO I OPENLY FEEL THAT WE NEED TO
20 REWARD THOSE CITIES THAT DO WANT TO HELP WORK WITH US, AND
21 HELP TACKLE THIS PROBLEM. THE CITY OF MONTEBELLO, SEVERAL
22 YEARS AGO, DID NOT WANT TO ENTERTAIN THE IDEA OF HOUSING FOR
23 HOMELESS, NOT EVEN A WINTER SHELTER. NOTHING. TODAY, THAT
24 PARADIGM IS CHANGING. NOW, THEY ARE ACTUALLY GIVING US
25 PROPERTY, THEIR OWN ASSETS, AND SAYING, "YOU ARE WELCOME. COME

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1 IN. HELP US DO THIS." AND THEY ARE STARTING OUT RIGHT NOW BY
2 ALSO PUTTING FORWARD A PLAN TO BUILD 25 HOMES, TINY HOMES, BUT
3 THEY ARE ALSO GOING TO GO, I BELIEVE, AND DO MORE, AND HELP
4 OUT THE COUNTY IN A BIGGER DESIGN, WHICH I AM REALLY PROUD OF.
5 SO I KNOW THAT WE NEED TO DO MORE. WE NEED TO ALSO PROVIDE THE
6 WRAPAROUND SERVICES THAT ARE GOING TO BE NECESSARY FOR THOSE
7 INDIVIDUALS, SO THAT THEY CAN RECEIVE THE KIND OF SUPPORT THAT
8 WE HAVE JUST BEEN TALKING ABOUT IN THE LAST ITEM, WHICH IS SO
9 CRITICAL TO ANY HOUSING. YOU CAN GIVE SOMEBODY HOUSING, BUT IF
10 YOU DON'T GIVE THEM THE WRAPAROUND SERVICES, AND THE WILL, AND
11 THE NECESSARY SUPPORT, THEN THEY WILL FAIL. AND I DON'T WANT
12 OUR CITIES TO FAIL. I WANT THEM TO SUCCEED, AND I THINK THAT
13 WE DO HAVE A ROLE TO PLAY HERE. AND THAT IS WHY, AGAIN, I
14 AUTHORED THIS MOTION TO HELP CREATE A \$10 MILLION INTERIM
15 HOUSING SERVICE FUND TO SUPPORT CITIES; NOT TO TAKE AWAY FROM
16 WHAT WE'RE DOING ON MEASURE H, BECAUSE MUCH OF THAT MONEY HAS
17 ALREADY BEEN COMMITTED. BUT THIS IS TO SAY, IF WE GET
18 ADDITIONAL FUNDING THAT MAY COME IN THROUGH OTHER RESOURCES
19 THAT I KNOW WE ARE SEEKING, FOR EXAMPLE, THROUGH THE STATE
20 HOMELESS HOUSING ASSISTANCE AND PREVENTION PROGRAM, THEN BY
21 GOLLY, I WANT TO DO THAT. WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO CONVERT MOTELS
22 AND HOTELS FROM ROOMKEY TO HOMEKEY. THAT JUST DIDN'T HAPPEN
23 OVERNIGHT. THAT TOOK A LOT OF NEGOTIATION, A LOT OF
24 PERSEVERANCE, AND A LOT OF TIME ON THE PART OF OUR L.A.H.S.A.
25 STAFF, OUR C.E.O., AND ALSO, I KNOW, OUR STAFFS ALL TOGETHER.

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1 BUT IT IS PUTTING ONE BRICK UP AT A TIME, SO TO SPEAK. BUT IT
2 IS MAKING A DIFFERENCE, AND I HOPE THAT MY COLLEAGUES WILL
3 SUPPORT THIS ITEM. AND I, AGAIN, WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
4 BARGER AND HER STAFF FOR THE MANY HOURS THAT WE HAVE SPENT OUT
5 THERE. AND I KNOW WE CAN GO ON AND ON ABOUT IT. BUT WE'VE GOT
6 A LOT MORE TO DO, AND I THINK, IF WE WORK TOGETHER, WE CAN
7 ACHIEVE GREATER THINGS IN THE COMING YEAR. SO THANK YOU,
8 MEMBERS. I JUST ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE, AND I WILL RECOGNIZE
9 SUPERVISOR BARGER, WHO I BELIEVE IS MY CO-AUTHOR.

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11 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH. WELL, I WANT TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
12 SOLIS, FOR INVITING ME TO CO-AUTHOR THIS MOTION TODAY. ACROSS
13 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AS YOU'VE SAID, WE HAVE SEEN THE HOMELESS
14 CRISIS DIRECTLY IMPACT COMMUNITIES AT ALL LEVELS. IT IS NOT A
15 ONE-SIZE-FITS-ALL. AND MANY TIMES, IT IS THE COMMUNITY
16 MEMBERS, INCLUDING CONCERNED RESIDENTS AND THE BUSINESS
17 OWNERS, THAT CONTACT THEIR CITIES FIRST. AS A RESULT, OUR
18 CITIES HAVE REALLY BECOME GROUND ZERO, THE FRONT LINE, WHERE
19 INDIVIDUALS ARE LINKED TO SERVICE PROVIDERS, HOUSING
20 NAVIGATION, AND CRITICAL, AS YOU SAID, WRAPAROUND SERVICES:
21 SOMETHING THAT IS VITAL IN ENSURING THAT WE ADDRESS THE
22 UNHOUSED POPULATION. THEIR ROLE AS A CRITICAL TOUCHPOINT IN
23 THE HOMELESS SERVICE DELIVERY SYSTEM GIVES CITIES A UNIQUE
24 PERSPECTIVE, WHICH HAS BEEN INTEGRAL TO THE COLLABORATIVE
25 STRATEGIES AND EFFORTS WE'VE EMPLOYED AS WE WORK TO END

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1 HOMELESSNESS. AND I KNOW THAT THE CITIES IN MY DISTRICT AND
2 ACROSS THE COUNTY ARE ACTIVELY WORKING ON WAYS TO EXPAND THE
3 SUPPLY OF PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE AND INTERIM HOUSING. FOR THEM,
4 THE STATUS QUO IS NOT OKAY. THEY HAVE TAKEN OWNERSHIP OF
5 SERVING THE HOMELESS POPULATIONS, AND HAVE BEEN CANDID AND
6 CREATIVE IN THEIR EFFORTS TO ADDRESS THIS CRISIS. IT IS
7 BECAUSE OF THOSE EFFORTS THAT OUR BOARD RECENTLY ALLOCATED \$5
8 MILLION OF MEASURE H FUNDING TO THE BOTH OUR COUNCIL OF
9 GOVERNMENTS AND CITIES TO HELP SUPPORT AND OPERATIONALIZE THE
10 HOMELESS PROJECTS IN THEIR AREAS. ADDITIONALLY, THERE WILL BE
11 ANOTHER \$10 MILLION TO BE RECOMMENDED NEXT FISCAL YEAR. THIS
12 MOTION BUILDS UPON THAT, BY PROVIDING ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR
13 CITIES LOOKING TO DEVELOP INTERIM HOUSING. IT'S ABOUT
14 STRENGTHENING OUR STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP WITH LOCAL
15 JURISDICTIONS, AND EQUIPPING THEM WITH THE RESOURCES NEEDED TO
16 SERVE THEIR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS. I WANT TO THANK MY CITIES
17 AND THE COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS FOR BEING GREAT PARTNERS IN
18 THIS MISSION TO REALLY GET THIS MOVING. I AM HOPEFUL THAT,
19 TOGETHER, WE CAN HELP LIFT PEOPLE OUT OF HOMELESSNESS BY
20 PROVIDING MUCH-NEEDED HOUSING AND SERVICES. AND AGAIN, I WANT
21 TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION AND
22 ALLOWING ME TO BE A CO-AUTHOR. I BELIEVE THIS IS GOING TO MAKE
23 A BIG DIFFERENCE IN MANY COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE BEEN
24 STRUGGLING. SO THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

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3 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU TO BOTH YOU
4 AND SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD, AS WE ARE
5 DISCUSSING THIS FUNDING FOR OUR CITIES AND C.O.G.S, SO THAT
6 THEY CAN CREATE MORE HOUSING FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE EXPERIENCING
7 HOMELESSNESS. SINCE THIS PANDEMIC-- NOW, WHAT, IS IT GOING ON
8 19 MONTHS AND COUNTING-- WE'VE SEEN MORE AND MORE OF OUR
9 CITIES AND OUR C.O.G.S STEP UP THEIR EFFORTS TO ADDRESS
10 HOMELESSNESS IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. CITIES IN MY DISTRICT, LIKE
11 BELLFLOWER, WHO CREATED A 50-BED SHELTER; REDONDO BEACH, WHO
12 BUILT A 15-UNIT PALLET SHELTER; AND TORRANCE. THEY'RE DOING 43
13 UNITS OF TINY HOMES IN THEIR CIVIC CENTER. AND THESE ARE GOOD
14 EXAMPLES OF CITIES ACROSS THE COUNTY WHO DO WANT TO BE A PART
15 OF THE SOLUTION. YOU KNOW, WE KNOW WHAT THE PROBLEM IS. WE
16 DON'T NEED OUR CITIES TO TELL US WHAT THE PROBLEM IS. WE KNOW
17 WHAT THE PROBLEM IS. WE NEED MORE SOLUTIONS, AND WE NEED MORE
18 CITIES TO STEP UP AND EMBRACE THE SOLUTIONS. THEY CAN'T DO
19 THIS ALONE. OUR CITIES, OUR C.O.G.S, THEY DO LOOK TO US FOR
20 FUNDING, AND THAT IS WHY THIS \$10 MILLION INTERIM HOUSING
21 SERVICES FUND TO SUPPORT THESE KINDS OF PROJECTS ACROSS THE
22 COUNTY IS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. AND WITH THESE FUNDS,
23 OUR CITIES, OUR C.O.G.S, THEY'LL BE ABLE TO APPLY AND USE THIS
24 FUNDING IN DEVELOPING THESE HOUSING HOMELESS PROJECTS. YOU
25 KNOW, I KNOW, FOR ME-- AND I AM SURE YOU ALL ARE THE SAME WAY--

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1 - I'VE CHALLENGED ALL OF MY CITIES TO COME UP WITH SOME
2 SOLUTIONS. AND I'VE ALWAYS SAID, "IF YOU STEP UP AND OFFER TO
3 BUILD HOUSING, TO BUILD SHELTERS, TO BUILD PALLET SHELTERS,
4 TINY HOMES, WHATEVER IT IS THAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP GET OUR
5 COUNTY FOLKS OFF THE STREETS, I WILL SUPPORT YOU BY MAKING
6 SURE THAT I WILL HELP YOU WITH THE FUNDING, AND HELP YOU WITH
7 THE SERVICES THAT THESE PEOPLE WILL NEED, ONCE THEY COME
8 INSIDE." SO, THIS IS AN IMPORTANT PIECE OF ME BEING ABLE TO
9 KEEP MY PROMISE TO MY COMMUNITIES, AND I WANT THEM TO KNOW
10 THAT, IF THEY STEP UP, WE'RE GOING TO HELP THEM. I APPRECIATE
11 THAT OUR C.E.O. WILL REPORT BACK ON THE FRAMEWORK, ON HOW
12 THESE FUNDS CAN BE ACCESSED. AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT, AS
13 THIS FRAMEWORK IS BEING DEVELOPED, THAT OUR C.E.O. MAKES SURE
14 THAT WE FUND PROJECTS IN ALL FIVE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS, AND
15 THAT WE'RE ALL FIVE INVOLVED IN THE PROCESS ON HOW OUR C.O.G.S
16 AND OUR CITIES DO ACCESS THESE FUNDS. ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES
17 HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY HOMELESSNESS, AND WE NEED TO MAKE SURE
18 THAT THESE FUNDS ARE EQUITABLE, AND MAKE SURE THAT THE WAY OUR
19 CITIES AND C.O.G.S ACCESS THIS IS A FAIR, OPEN, TRANSPARENT
20 PROCESS. WE ARE GOING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE ON THIS, I KNOW WE
21 ARE. THIS IS A GOOD STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. WE NEED TO
22 HELP OUR CITIES WHO DO STEP UP AND HAVE THE COURAGE TO PROPOSE
23 BUILDING THESE KINDS OF PROJECTS IN THEIR CITIES, BECAUSE WE
24 ALL KNOW THERE ARE STILL NEIGHBORHOODS THAT PUSH BACK ON ALL
25 THESE SOLUTIONS. THEY DECRY THE PROBLEM, BUT THEY ARE STILL

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1 UNWILLING TO EMBRACE A SOLUTION IN THEIR, QUOTE, "BACKYARD."
2 SO I AM GLAD THAT WE ARE ALL TAKING THIS STEP TODAY. THANK
3 YOU.

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5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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7 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AND I JUST
8 HAVE TO, YOU KNOW, FOR THE RECORD, SHARE SOME OF MY CONCERNS
9 ABOUT, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, US, THROUGH THIS MOTION, QUITE
10 FRANKLY, PUTTING THE CART BEFORE THE HORSE. I AGREE WITH MY
11 COLLEAGUES WHO HAVE SPOKEN THUS FAR, AND I, TOO, AM OPTIMISTIC
12 ABOUT HAVING MORE CITIES ENGAGING IN PROVIDING DIRECT HOUSING.
13 BUT I AM CONCERNED ABOUT THE ROLE THIS MOTION WILL PLAY IN
14 DIRECTLY IMPACTING OUR BUDGETING AND OUR POLICYMAKING PROCESS.
15 IT IS NOT NEW INFORMATION TO ALL OF YOU THAT THAT PROCESS IS
16 VERY IMPORTANT TO ME, IN TERMS OF REALLY MAKING SURE THAT WE
17 ARE LIVING UP TO OUR EXPRESSED DESIRES AROUND TRANSPARENCY AND
18 EQUITY AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT. SO JUST, BRIEFLY, KIND OF A WALK
19 DOWN MEMORY LANE, IN TERMS OF ACTIONS WE HAVE TAKEN, WHICH IS
20 WHY I THINK WE ARE PUTTING THE CART BEFORE THE HORSE WITH THIS
21 MOTION. IN APRIL OF THIS YEAR, THE BOARD DIRECTED A REVIEW OF
22 THE MEASURE H STRATEGIES WITH A PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT PROCESS,
23 INCLUSIVE OF BOTH C.O.G.S AND CITIES. ABOUT A WEEK AGO, WE
24 RECEIVED AN UPDATE-- ONLY AN UPDATE-- ON THE PROCESS, AND NOT
25 THE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR UPDATING THE STRATEGIES, WHICH WOULD

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1 THEN INFORM OUR BUDGET-MAKING DECISIONS. IN JULY OF THIS YEAR,
2 THE BOARD ESTABLISHED, BASED ON A MOTION BY THE TWO HEARINGS
3 IN TODAY'S MOTION, THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION, THAT NOW HAS
4 ABOUT TWO MONTHS' WORK UNDER THEIR BELT. THE BLUE RIBBON
5 COMMISSION SESSIONS HAVE FOCUSED ON LEARNING THE BASICS OF THE
6 HOMELESSNESS SYSTEM AND L.A.H.S.A., AND HEARING ABOUT ALL THE
7 PREVIOUS REPORTS TO WHICH THIS BOARD HAS DIRECTED RESOURCES.
8 GIVEN THE BOARD'S DIRECTION TO EVALUATE BOTH MEASURE H
9 STRATEGIES, AND TO EVALUATE ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY OF
10 THIS SYSTEM THROUGH THE COMMISSION, I'M NOT SURE WHY WE THINK
11 NOW IS THE TIME TO CONSIDER PULLING \$10 MILLION, BLINDLY, FROM
12 OTHER PROGRAMS AND PLACES, WITHOUT HAVING THE DATA, FROM BOTH
13 THE MEASURE H STRATEGY ASSESSMENT, AS WELL AS THE FINAL WORK
14 OF THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION. SO MY FEAR, QUITE FRANKLY, IS
15 THAT THIS ACTION UNDERCUTS BOTH THE PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS OF
16 MEASURE H, AND THE APPLICATION OF THE EQUITY INDEX AND FORMULA
17 TO THE A.R.P.A. DOLLARS THAT, AGAIN, THIS BOARD HAS
18 ESTABLISHED AND MADE A PRIORITY. REGARDING SOME COMMENTS THAT
19 HAVE BEEN MADE-- YOU KNOW, THIS SENSE OF URGENCY THAT CITIES
20 ARE READY, AND THE INTERIM HOUSING IS ONE OF THEIR STRATEGIES--
21 - THE COUNTY CURRENTLY HAS A ROBUST ENGAGEMENT PROCESS FOR A
22 HOMELESSNESS INITIATIVE. RESIDENTS CONTINUE TO EXPRESS
23 FRUSTRATION OF PUBLIC PROCESSES, AGAIN, THAT DISREGARD THEIR
24 PARTICIPATION. I THINK WE SHOULD HEAR THAT. THERE IS ALREADY
25 AN ALLOCATION OF \$15 MILLION IN THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE FOR

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1 THIS WORK, AND WE ARE ALLOCATING MORE WITHOUT KNOWING HOW OR
2 WHERE THE CURRENT \$15 MILLION IS BEING DISPERSED, NOR DO WE
3 KNOW THE SPECIFIC OUTCOMES. SECONDLY, WITH REGARD TO THE
4 COMMITMENT FROM CITIES AND C.O.G.S, AS WELL AS THE HOMELESS
5 INITIATIVE AND THE FOCUS ON ADDRESSING EQUITY: AGAIN,
6 TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY HAVE BEEN A REOCCURRING THEME
7 FROM ALL OF US, WITH REGARD TO OUR CURRENT HOMELESSNESS
8 SYSTEM. AND I WAS REMINDED ABOUT THE MULTITUDE OF MOTIONS TO
9 GET AT THE ISSUE OF TRANSPARENCY. I BELIEVE THAT WE NEED TO
10 HAVE OUTCOME-DRIVEN INVESTMENTS, AND THIS MOTION DOES NOT
11 INCLUDE ANYTHING RELATED TO THE IMPACT OF THE CURRENT
12 ALLOCATION OF FUNDS, NOR DOES IT INCLUDE THE IMPACT WE EXPECT
13 TO SEE WITH AN ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION. AGAIN, I WOULD LIKE TO
14 JOIN YOU ALL IN THANKING THE CITIES THAT HAVE ADVANCED THIS
15 CONVERSATION AROUND INTERIM HOUSING. THEY SHOULD BE COMMENDED.
16 I APPRECIATE THAT. AND ALL OF THE CITIES MANAGE FUNDS FOR
17 THEIR RESIDENTS, AS DO WE ON THIS BOARD, AND I AM SURE THEY
18 UNDERSTAND THAT WE ALSO HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE
19 THAT WE HAVE DATA ASSOCIATED WITH WHERE WE INTEND TO PULL THIS
20 MONEY FROM. I AM NOT SURE, BASED ON THIS MOTION, WHERE THE
21 MONEY WILL BE INVESTED, AND HOW THE INVESTMENT WILL HAPPEN
22 EQUITABLY AND PROPORTIONALLY TO WHERE WE HAVE THE HIGHEST
23 NEED. SO, AGAIN, THOSE ARE ALL THE REASONS WHY, MADAM CHAIR, I
24 AM CONCERNED ABOUT SHIFTING MONEY WITHOUT A CLEAR
25 UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT THIS MEANS FOR OUR UNINCORPORATED

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1 COMMUNITIES THAT WE, AS THE BOARD, ARE DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE
2 FOR, WHICH DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO LOCAL SALES TAX OR STATE AND
3 FEDERAL RESOURCES. AS A BOARD, WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO THE
4 UNINCORPORATED AREAS, AS WELL AS THE 88 CITIES THAT CONSTITUTE
5 OUR COUNTY. I BELIEVE OUR BUDGET DECISIONS NEED TO REFLECT THE
6 PRIORITIES WE'VE SET FORTH, AND PRIORITIZE WHERE WE HAVE THE
7 GREATEST NEED IN OUR COUNTY. AND SO, AS A RESULT OF THESE
8 CONCERNS ABOUT PROCESS, ABOUT EQUITY, TRANSPARENCY, LACK OF
9 KIND OF PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AND INVOLVEMENT, IN TERMS OF
10 ALLOCATING WHERE THESE FUNDS WILL GO, I WON'T BE ABLE TO
11 SUPPORT TODAY'S MOTION. THANK YOU.

12
13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KUEHL, DID I SEE YOUR
14 HAND UP? NO? OKAY. I JUST WANT TO REITERATE THAT THIS HAS BEEN
15 AN ONGOING PROCESS FOR SOME OF US, FOR THE LAST, I BELIEVE, 6,
16 7 YEARS, REALLY TRYING TO MAKE SURE THAT NOT ONLY SELLING
17 MEASURE H TO OUR COMMUNITIES AND OUR CITIES, BUT REALLY
18 GAINING SUPPORT FROM A LOT OF OUR SMALL CITIES WHO, QUITE
19 FRANKLY, HAVE BEEN SUFFERING, BECAUSE THEY DON'T EVEN HAVE
20 FULL-TIME STAFF, IN MANY CASES, TO BE ABLE TO PUT TOGETHER A
21 GRANT, OR COME UP WITH A CREATIVE WAY OF HELPING TO PROVIDE
22 SOME OF THEIR OWN FUNDING. AND IN MANY WAYS, SOME OF OUR
23 CITIES REALLY DO NEED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, AS WELL, TO HELP
24 THEM UNDERSTAND HOW THEY CAN LEVERAGE, NOT JUST THE MEASURE H
25 MONIES, BUT ALSO THE STATE AND OTHER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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1 BLOCK GRANT FUNDS THAT THEY DO RECEIVE. IN FACT, THOSE
2 DISCUSSIONS HAVE BEEN GOING ON, AND SOME CITIES ARE MORE OPEN
3 TO DOING THAT, AND SOME HAVE. I AM NOT LOST ON YOUR POINT,
4 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, ABOUT THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS THAT ARE
5 ALSO IMPACTED, BUT QUITE FRANKLY, WE HAVE, IN MANY CASES, PUT
6 UP WINTER SHELTERS IN PLACES IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS, BECAUSE
7 WE DIDN'T SEE QUICK ENOUGH MOVEMENT IN PAST YEARS. BUT NOW,
8 GIVEN, I THINK, THOSE EFFORTS, IT IS STARTING TO PAY OFF. IS
9 IT AS MUCH AS I WOULD LIKE TO SEE? NO. WE CAN DO MORE, I
10 BELIEVE, AND WE HAVE TO DO BETTER. AND AS I SAID EARLIER, FOR
11 ME, IT IS BUILDING ON THESE RELATIONSHIPS THAT WE HAVE HAD
12 WITH SOME OF THESE CITIES. AND SOME, I BELIEVE, IN THEIR
13 HEARTS-- SOME OF THEM, NOT ALL OF THEM-- BUT CERTAINLY DO WANT
14 TO BE A PARTNER WITH US. SO, FOR COMMUNITIES LIKE BALDWIN
15 PARK, WHICH IS, I THINK, COMPARABLE TO MANY OF OUR CITIES IN
16 L.A. COUNTY THAT ARE BLUE-COLLAR, WORKING-CLASS, DON'T HAVE, I
17 THINK, SUFFICIENT FUNDING IN THEIR CITY COFFERS TO DO
18 EVERYTHING, BUT ARE AT LEAST TRYING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE NOW,
19 BECAUSE THEY HAVE NEW LEADERSHIP ON THEIR CITY COUNCIL, AND
20 NEW MANAGEMENT STAFF SAYING THIS IS SAYING, "THIS IS WHAT OUR
21 COMMUNITY WANTS, BASED ON THE ACTIVISM OF GROUPS LIKE L.A.
22 VOICE AND OUR INTERFAITH GROUPS THAT HAVE COME TOGETHER, THAT
23 ARE PRESSING OUR LOCAL CITY COUNCILS, NOW, TO DO THE RIGHT
24 THING AND TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY." SO I AM BETTING ON THAT
25 TRUST, THAT FAITH, AND ALSO KNOWING THAT WE ARE GOING TO BE

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1 VERY METICULOUS IN HOW WE SPEND THOSE DOLLARS. AND I AM PROUD
2 TO SAY THAT I KNOW, IN MY DISTRICT, WE WERE ONE OF THE FIRST
3 TO HOLD UP THE ROOMKEY AND HOMEKEY PROJECTS, WHEN MANY
4 COMMUNITIES DID NOT. SO I KNOW I HAVE A LOT OF FAITH IN THE
5 DIRECTION THAT WE'RE GOING TO GO IN, AND I KNOW THAT OUR
6 C.E.O. AND ALL OUR DEPARTMENTS WILL BE WORKING VERY, VERY
7 CAREFULLY TO SEE THAT EVERY DOLLAR IS SPENT THE WAY IT SHOULD
8 BE. AND I THINK WE HAVE TO START SOMEWHERE. SO I RESPECT YOUR
9 COMMENTS, BUT I BEG TO DIFFER WITH YOU ON THAT. SO, ANYHOW,
10 WITH THAT, ARE THERE ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM ANY OTHER
11 MEMBERS? NONE AT THIS TIME. OKAY, VERY WELL. THEN, MEMBERS, I
12 WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THIS ITEM, 14, WHICH IS BEFORE US. I WILL
13 MOVE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THE ITEM. CAN
14 WE PLEASE HAVE A ROLL-CALL VOTE?

15

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

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19 **SUP. MITCHELL:** NO.

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

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23 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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

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1

2 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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6 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

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

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12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 4-
13 1.

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15 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MEMBERS. MOVING ON NOW, WE ARE
16 GOING TO ITEM NUMBER 18: CONTINUING TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF
17 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES WHILE GUARANTEEING THE
18 PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO ATTEND AND TO PARTICIPATE IN MEETINGS OF
19 LOCAL LEGISLATIVE BODIES AND MAKING NECESSARY FINDINGS FOR
20 CONTINUED TELECONFERENCED MEETINGS. THIS ITEM WAS HELD BY
21 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

22

23 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. IF I COULD
24 JUST-- I HELD IT JUST BECAUSE I WANTED TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY
25 TO ASK QUESTIONS OF OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND JUST, I THINK,

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1 ANSWER QUESTIONS THAT WE ARE HEARING CONSISTENTLY FROM NOT
2 ONLY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, BUT OTHER BOARDS THAT WE ALL SIT
3 ON, THAT ACTUALLY USE OUR CHAMBERS FOR THEIR MONTHLY MEETINGS,
4 JUST TRYING TO GET A SENSE OF TIMING AND WHAT WE THINK THE
5 PROCESS WILL BE. SO, MADAM CHAIR, IF I MAY JUST START WITH A
6 COUPLE OF QUESTIONS OF OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

7

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

9

10 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, THANK YOU.
11 I KNOW THAT YOU ARE IN CHARGE OF KIND OF FIGURING OUT HOW WE
12 REOPEN AS A BOARD. WE HAVE HEARD AND BEEN A PART OF
13 DISCUSSIONS AROUND HOW COUNTY DEPARTMENTS REOPEN, BUT YOU ARE
14 IN CHARGE, AND I APPRECIATE YOU RESPONDING TO INQUIRIES I'VE
15 MADE FOR SOME TIME ABOUT JUST WHAT IS THE PROCESS, AND WHAT IS
16 THE WORK THAT IS ENTAILED, AND WHAT CAN OUR EXPECTATIONS BE?
17 SO, IF YOU COULD TELL US WHAT ENHANCEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO
18 THE BOARD HEARING ROOM, IN ANTICIPATION OF AN EVENTUAL
19 REOPENING OF OUR MEETINGS TO OURSELVES, AS WELL AS MEMBERS OF
20 THE PUBLIC?

21

22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR THE OPPORTUNITY
23 TO SHARE WITH YOU THE PREPARATION THAT HAS TAKEN PLACE FOR THE
24 MEETINGS, ON RECONVENING TO RETURN IN PERSON. IN MANY AREAS,
25 THE PANDEMIC HAS DRIVEN A CHANGE IN HOW WE HAVE CONDUCTED THE

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1 PUBLIC'S BUSINESS. WE PLAN TO LEVERAGE THOSE PRACTICES THAT WE
2 HAVE IMPLEMENTED OVER THIS TIME, THAT ALLOWED US THE
3 OPPORTUNITY FOR GREATER ENGAGEMENT AND ACCESS FOR VOICES TO BE
4 HEARD. THEREFORE, UPON RETURN TO THE BOARD HEARING ROOM, WE
5 WILL CONTINUE TO ALLOW FOR A TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENT, ALONG
6 WITH THE ABILITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD IN PERSON
7 AND WRITTEN TESTIMONY THAT CAN BE SUBMITTED. PER THE CURRENT
8 HEALTH OFFICER ORDERS, FACE COVERINGS WILL BE REQUIRED FOR ALL
9 PUBLIC AND STAFF, AND FLOORING MARKINGS WILL INDICATE
10 APPROPRIATE SPACING FOR THOSE WAITING IN THE LINE FOR
11 SCREENING. WE HAVE, ALSO, FREQUENT CLEANING OF HIGH-TOUCH
12 SERVICES, INCLUDING MICROPHONES, PODIUMS, AND KIOSKS, AND HAND
13 SANITIZER DISPENSERS HAVE BEEN INSTALLED THROUGHOUT THE
14 BUILDING. SECURITY PERSONNEL WILL REMOVE ANYONE THAT REFUSES
15 TO ABIDE BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER ORDERS. ADDITIONALLY,
16 THE USE OF A CAMERA WILL ALLOW THE MEDIA ENTITIES REMOTE
17 ACCESS TO HIGH-DEFINITION VIDEO FEEDS, SIMILAR TO THE METHODS
18 USED FOR THE C.O.V.I.D.-19 DAILY MEDIA BRIEFING, AND REPORTERS
19 WILL BE SEATED IN DESIGNATED AREAS OFF THE DAIS. ALSO, I WANT
20 TO POINT OUT THAT MY TEAM'S DEVELOPED AN AUTOMATED SPEAKER
21 SIGN-UP PROCEDURE THAT WILL ALLOW CONSTITUENTS TO LEVERAGE
22 THEIR CELL PHONE OR INTERNET-CONNECTED TABLETS TO SCAN A Q.R.
23 CODE AND AUTOMATICALLY SIGN UP ON THEIR DEVICES. SO THIS IS A
24 GAME CHANGER, NOT ONLY THAT MINIMIZES PHYSICAL TOUCH ON THE

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1 SHARED KIOSKS, AND INTRODUCES ANOTHER LAYER FOR SAFETY FOR
2 STAFF AND THE PUBLIC.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THAT IS VERY HELPFUL, TO
5 KNOW ALL THAT YOU HAVE LED, AND ALL THOSE RESOURCES AND NEW
6 OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENGAGEMENT HAVE BEEN PUT INTO PLACE. AND I
7 REALLY APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE DUAL. I HAVE NOW
8 JOINED THIS BOARD A YEAR NOW-- TIME FLIES-- BUT COMING FROM AN
9 ENTITY THAT IS JUST UNDER 10 TIMES THE SIZE OF OUR BOARD,
10 EQUAL NUMBERS, IF NOT MORE NUMBERS OF STAFF THAT ARE INVOLVED
11 IN THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS OF THE STATE SENATE. AND I KNOW
12 THAT WE WENT BACK IN, EARLIER, AND PUT SOME OF THESE
13 STRATEGIES IN PLACE, OUT OF THE CONCERN FOR OUR STAFF, AS WELL
14 AS THE GENERAL PUBLIC. AND SO I AM GLAD TO KNOW THAT THIS IS
15 WHAT THE BOARD HAS DONE. CAN YOU, AT THIS POINT, COMFORTABLY
16 GIVE US A PROJECTED TIMELINE ON WHEN YOU THINK THAT WE WILL BE
17 BACK IN THAT SPACE?

18

19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WELL, A.B. 361 ALLOWS FOR THE USE OF
20 REMOTE MEETINGS UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS, AND THOSE CONDITIONS
21 ARE STILL IN EFFECT. A.B. 361 REQUIRES THE BOARD TO RECONSIDER
22 CONTINUING TO HAVE REMOTE MEETINGS WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE FIRST
23 REMOTE MEETING, AND EVERY 30 DAYS THEREAFTER. AT THAT TIME
24 THAT IT IS DEEMED SAFE AND APPROPRIATE TO RECONVENE IN PERSON,

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1 MY STAFF AND I WILL BE PREPARED, AND WILL HAVE THE NECESSARY
2 PRECAUTIONS IN PLACE.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AND JUST FINALLY, IT IS UNDER A.B. 361,
5 FORTUNATELY, THAT GIVES US THE OPPORTUNITY, UNDER THE BROWN
6 ACT, TO CONTINUE, KIND OF, THIS DUAL PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT, BOTH
7 TELEPHONICALLY AND IN PERSON. IS THAT CORRECT?

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9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THAT IS CORRECT.

10

11 **SUP. MITCHELL:** OKAY, BECAUSE THERE REALLY IS, I THINK, AN
12 OPPORTUNITY, NOT ONLY FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY, OUR SAFETY, THE
13 SAFETY OF OUR STAFF, BUT ALSO, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, EXPANDING
14 ACCESS TO ENGAGEMENT. WHILE I KNOW THAT YOU ALL HAVE HAD THE
15 EXPERIENCES OF THE HEARING ROOM BEING FILLED, IT'S ALSO, I
16 THINK, IF THAT'S THE ONLY WAY THE PUBLIC CAN ENGAGE, IT CAN
17 ALSO BE A BARRIER: GETTING DOWNTOWN, PARKING, THAT WHOLE
18 PROCESS. BUT BY ALSO BEING ABLE TO PARTICIPATE TELEPHONICALLY,
19 AND IF WE ARE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO DO SO, I THINK IT EXPANDS
20 OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT IN THIS PROCESS, AND
21 POLICY-SETTING, AS WELL AS IN THE BUDGET PROCESS. MADAM CHAIR,
22 THANK YOU. I JUST WANTED TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ASK THE
23 EXECUTIVE OFFICER WHAT HAS BEEN DONE TO PREPARE THE HEARING
24 ROOM. THAT WAS ALL GREAT NEW INFORMATION, AND I'M APPRECIATIVE

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1 OF BEING ABLE TO PUT THAT OFFICIALLY ON THE RECORD FOR THE
2 PUBLIC TO BE AWARE, AS WELL. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

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6 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I JUST WAS THINKING DURING
7 THE PUBLIC TESTIMONY TODAY, WHEN I WAS WORKING ON TELEVISION,
8 I WAS AT AN EVENT, AND A YOUNG MAN-- ABOUT 9 YEARS OLD, I
9 THINK-- CAME UP TO ME AND SAID, "WELL, I KNOW WHAT YOU DO FOR
10 A HALF-HOUR A WEEK. WHAT DO YOU DO FOR THE REST OF THE TIME?"
11 AND IT REMINDED ME WHEN THEY THINK THAT THE BOARD MEETING IS
12 LIKE THE EXTENT OF OUR WORK. IT JUST MADE ME LAUGH, BECAUSE,
13 YOU KNOW, IT IS KIND OF LIKE, JUST PREPARATION FOR A BOARD
14 MEETING TAKES 9 TIMES AS LONG AS A BOARD MEETING; NOT ONLY THE
15 FACT THAT WE'RE ALSO ON METRO AND MANY OTHER BOARDS, EACH. I
16 MEAN, I AM ON A.Q.M.D., I'M ON THE CLEAN POWER ALLIANCE, I'M
17 CHAIRING FIRST 5. IT IS NOT LIKE... IT WAS KIND OF LIKE, "WHEN
18 ARE YOU GIRLS GOING TO GET BACK TO WORK?" THAT WAS MY FAVORITE
19 LINE. AND SO I JUST WANTED TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE ARE BACK AT
20 WORK, AND WE HAVE BEEN AT WORK EVERY WEEK SINCE THE PANDEMIC
21 STARTED, AND I THINK PEOPLE CAN SEE US AT WORK. BUT MORE THAN
22 THAT, THE BURDEN ON OUR STAFF HAS BEEN ENORMOUS. SO I JUST
23 WANT TO SAY, CELIA, I AM VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE WORK THAT YOU
24 AND YOUR STAFF HAVE DONE, KEEPING THIS GOING, KEEPING THIS
25 HAPPENING. THE TECHNOLOGY HAS BEEN OVERWHELMING, IN MANY WAYS,

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1 JUST TO MAKE IT WORK. AND I AM GLAD THAT PEOPLE WILL STILL BE
2 ABLE TO TESTIFY REMOTE, BECAUSE THERE WERE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE
3 THAT USED TO BRING THEIR KIDS, SOMETIMES, TO OUR MEETINGS, AND
4 THERE WOULD BE SO MUCH FOUL LANGUAGE FROM SOME OF THE PEOPLE
5 WHO HAD SOME MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, THAT THEY DIDN'T FEEL
6 COMFORTABLE BRINGING THEIR FAMILIES TO WATCH THE BOARD
7 MEETING, COMING TO TALK ABOUT THINGS THAT WERE IMPORTANT TO
8 THEM, AND IT WAS VERY HARD TO CONTROL. AND I THINK, GIVEN THE
9 HEALTH CRISIS, IT IS GOING TO BE HARD TO CONTROL A MASK
10 REQUIREMENT. I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHETHER ALL OF OUR SHERIFF'S
11 DEPUTIES WILL BE VACCINATED. SO, I AM HAPPY TO CONTINUE THIS,
12 AS APPROPRIATE, EVERY 30 DAYS. I FEEL MUCH SAFER, THOUGH I
13 MISS YOU ALL VERY MUCH. AND I THINK THE PUBLIC IS STILL WELL
14 SERVED. I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT PUBLICLY. I KNOW THE WORK
15 THAT EACH OF YOU IS DOING, IN ADDITION TO WHAT PEOPLE SEE SIX
16 HOURS EVERY OTHER TUESDAY. SO I'M KIND OF JUST FEELING A
17 LITTLE SQUISHY TODAY, MAYBE, BECAUSE I'M SEEING YOU, AND I DO
18 MISS YOU, BUT I AM GRATEFUL FOR THE BOARD. I MEAN, THE SERVICE
19 OF MY FOUR COLLEAGUES IS REALLY AMAZING. SO THANK YOU, MADAM
20 CHAIR, FOR LETTING ME BE. I DON'T KNOW WHY I FELT LIKE SAYING
21 THAT, BUT I JUST DID. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THOSE ARE WELL RECEIVED. YOU
24 KNOW, GIVEN THAT WE JUST HAD AN UPDATE FROM DR. FERRER AND DR.
25 GHALY, I MEAN, THEY CONTINUE TO TELL US THAT WE ARE STILL AT

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1 SUBSTANTIAL RISK. AND, UNFORTUNATELY, WHILE THE NUMBERS MAY
2 NOT BE ANYWHERE NEAR WHERE THEY WERE LAST YEAR, THEY ARE GOING
3 UP, AND IT IS UNFORTUNATE. AND WE JUST STILL HAVE TO STAY ON
4 IT, AND HOPEFULLY GET THROUGH THE NEXT, YOU KNOW, GET THROUGH
5 THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, AND HOPEFULLY BE ABLE TO COME BACK INTO
6 OUR BOARDROOM, AND MEET WITH PEOPLE, AND HEAR FROM THEM.
7 BECAUSE I, TOO, AGREE THAT I HAVE ACTUALLY HAD MORE
8 SUBSTANTIVE CONVERSATIONS WITH PEOPLE ON ZOOM MEETINGS,
9 VIRTUAL MEETINGS, BECAUSE THEY HAVE MORE TIME NOW. AND IT IS
10 REALLY INTERESTING TO DO THAT, AND PEOPLE ARE FEELING
11 COMFORTABLE WITH IT. SO I AM EXCITED ABOUT THAT, BECAUSE IT IS
12 A NEW DAY. IT IS A NEW NORMAL. AND CERTAINLY WANT TO BE VERY
13 MINDFUL OF OUR COMMISSIONS, OUR CLUSTER MEETINGS, AND ALL OF
14 THAT, THAT WOULD ALSO HAVE TO BE ALL REVAMPED UP AND LOOKED
15 AT. AND THAT IS ANOTHER CONVERSATION, BECAUSE WE HAVE
16 COMMISSIONERS THAT MAY NOT GET VACCINATED, OR MAY NOT WANT TO
17 DRIVE DOWN TO THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION, AND MANY, MANY
18 THINGS THAT WE STILL HAVE TO FIGURE OUT. AND I KNOW OUR STAFF,
19 OUR E.O., AND EVERYONE IS GOING TO WORK REALLY HARD TO MAKE
20 THAT HAPPEN, IN ADDITION TO OUR DEPARTMENT, DIRECTORS, AND
21 THEIR EMPLOYEES. SO, THANK YOU FOR RAISING THE ISSUE, AND WE
22 CONTINUE TO MOVE ON. SO, WITH THAT, MEMBERS, THIS ITEM IS
23 BEFORE US. I DON'T SEE ANY OTHER HANDS. I WILL MOVE, SECONDED
24 BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE
25 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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

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5 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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

9

10 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

11

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

13

14 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE, BUT I AM READY TO GET BACK IN PERSON, AS SOON
15 AS WE CAN.

16

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.

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

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4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MEMBERS. NEXT ITEM UP
5 IS 19, AND WE HEARD FROM FOLKS THAT CALLED IN ABOUT THIS WHOLE
6 ISSUE REGARDING DIABETES AND PRE-DIABETES AWARENESS AND
7 PREVENTION. AND I DON'T WANT TO REITERATE A LOT THAT HAS
8 ALREADY BEEN SAID BY SOME VERY KEY PEOPLE THAT CAME OUT AND
9 TESTIFIED EARLIER IN THE PUBLIC COMMENT, BUT THIS IS A CHRONIC
10 DISEASE, AND IT IS A HEALTH CONDITION THAT CAN LEAD TO SERIOUS
11 PROBLEMS, INCLUDING HEART DISEASE, VISION LOSS, AND KIDNEY
12 DISEASE. AND IT IMPACTS MANY OF OUR COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, AND
13 COMMUNITIES THAT ARE LIVING IN, HOW COULD I SAY, NOT SUCH GOOD
14 SITUATIONS. AND, UNFORTUNATELY, WE SHOULD BE DOING MORE TO
15 HELP RAISE AWARENESS IN THIS AREA. SO I KNOW THE LATINX, THE
16 AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY, OUR NATIVE COMMUNITIES, ALL
17 EXPERIENCE HIGHER RATES OF DIABETES THAN ANY OTHER GROUPS.
18 DIABETES IS EVEN MORE PRONOUNCED IN LOW-INCOME AND FOOD-
19 INSECURE COMMUNITIES, AND THERE ARE OVER 3.7 MILLION LOW-
20 INCOME RESIDENTS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. THE MAJORITY, I WOULD
21 SAY-- I'M NOT GOING TO SAY ALL OF THEM, BUT A GOOD PORTION OF
22 THEM, UNFORTUNATELY, MAY HAVE THIS DISEASE. AND ON TOP OF
23 THAT, WE SEE THAT ONE IN THREE LATINX AND 1 IN THREE BLACK
24 CHILDREN ARE LIVING IN POVERTY, EXPERIENCING FOOD INSECURITY,
25 AND INCREASING THE RISK TO DEVELOP DIABETES LATER ON IN LIFE.

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1 IN FACT, IN 2018, IT WAS ESTIMATED THAT OVER 903,000 COUNTY
2 ADULTS HAD BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH DIABETES. AND FURTHERMORE, TWO
3 IN FIVE HAD PRE-DIABETES OR UNDIAGNOSED DIABETES. AND THAT IS
4 A COST TO THE COUNTY. IN FACT, IT'S ESTIMATED TO BE AS HIGH AS
5 \$6 BILLION A YEAR. SO WE DO NEED TO DO MORE, IN TERMS OF
6 PREVENTION, HELPING TO INFORM PEOPLE, TO TRANSFORM THEIR LIVES
7 INTO HEALTHIER LIFESTYLES, INCLUDING INCREASING ACCESS TO
8 HEALTHY FOODS, WHICH WE HEARD A LOT ABOUT TODAY; WEIGHT-LOSS
9 EFFORTS, EXERCISE, ACTIVE LIVING. ALL THESE THINGS CAN BE
10 HELPFUL IN PREVENTING DIABETES. SO, MEMBERS, WITH THAT, I
11 REALLY JUST WANT TO ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT, AND REALLY THANK THE
12 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AND PUBLIC HEALTH FOR HELPING US
13 MOVE THIS AGENDA ON, SO THAT WE CAN DOUBLE DOWN ON COMBATING
14 DIABETES. AND WITH THAT, ALSO, WE ARE PROCLAIMING NOVEMBER,
15 THIS MONTH, 2021, AS DIABETES AWARENESS MONTH HERE IN THE
16 COUNTY, AND PUBLIC HEALTH HAS PROMISED TO WORK CLOSELY WITH
17 OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION AND OUR SCHOOL
18 DISTRICTS TO PROVIDE CULTURALLY RELEVANT MESSAGING REGARDING
19 THE NEED TO PROVIDE PREVENTION SERVICES TO OUR FAMILIES AND
20 OUR STUDENTS, AND TO REALLY INCREASE MORE HEALTHY OUTCOMES, IN
21 TERMS OF THEIR MEALS THAT THEY'RE SERVED IN SCHOOL. WE ALL
22 KNOW THOSE THINGS WORK, BUT WE TEND TO KIND OF LOSE SIGHT OF
23 IT. SO I HOPE, TOO, THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
24 WILL CONTINUE TO DO THE GOOD WORK AND EXPAND UPON IT, BUILD
25 UPON IT, AND THEN REALLY HELP US FIGURE OUT HOW WE CAN ALSO

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1 BUILD BACK BETTER COMMUNITIES, BY ALSO RECEIVING FUNDING FROM
2 THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, TO HELP US IN OUR EFFORT TO
3 COMBAT THIS VERY DEADLY DISEASE. IT IS PREVENTABLE. SO I WOULD
4 ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE. ANYONE LIKE TO BE RECOGNIZED ON THIS
5 ITEM? NO? OKAY, WE HEARD ENOUGH. OKAY. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT
6 ITEM, MEMBERS, SO I WILL GO AHEAD AND MOVE THE ITEM. ITEM 19
7 IS BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.
8 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

9

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

12

13 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

14

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

17

18 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

19

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

21

22 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

23

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

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1 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

2

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

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

6

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

8 0.

9

10 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** VERY GOOD. MEMBERS, MOVING ON NOW, WE ARE
11 GOING TO TAKE ITEM 38, MANDATORY ORGANIC WASTE DISPOSAL
12 REDUCTION ORDINANCE; AS WELL AS ITEM 61, COUNTY CODE TITLE 20,
13 UTILITIES AMENDMENT. THIS ITEM HAS BEEN HELD BY SUPERVISOR
14 KUEHL. SUPERVISOR KUEHL, YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

15

16 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I IMAGINE THAT
17 NOT EVERYONE IS AS MAJORLY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT WASTE AND WASTE
18 MANAGEMENT AS I AM. EVER SINCE I WAS ON THE STATE WASTE
19 MANAGEMENT BOARD, IT JUST WAS AMAZING TO ME THAT I HAD NEVER
20 THOUGHT ABOUT WHERE EVERYTHING GOES, AND HOW MUCH OF IT THERE
21 IS. YOU KNOW, IT IS KIND OF LIKE PEOPLE SAY, "WELL, THEY TAKE
22 YOUR TRASH. DO YOU KNOW WHERE THEY TAKE IT?" AND MY NEIGHBORS
23 SAY, "YEAH, THEY TAKE IT AWAY." AND THAT HAS SORT OF BEEN THE
24 LIMIT OF WHAT WE KNEW. AND I WAS REALLY INTERESTED WHEN
25 PRESIDENT BIDEN ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY THAT HE WANTED TO MAKE THE

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1 CONTROL OF THE EMISSION OF METHANE A BIG PART OF THE FIGHT
2 AGAINST GLOBAL WARMING. AND I THINK THAT PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT
3 COWS AND METHANE, BUT THEY MAY NOT KNOW THAT THERE IS A HUGE
4 GENERATION OF METHANE FROM OUR LANDFILLS, BECAUSE OF ALL THE
5 ORGANIC WASTE THAT GOES IN THE LANDFILLS. WE ALL DO IT, I
6 THINK. WE SCRAPE THE PLATES INTO THE TRASH, THEY GO INTO THE
7 LANDFILL, BUT ALL OF THAT ORGANIC WASTE GENERATES METHANE. AND
8 AS A MATTER OF FACT, AT U.C. DAVIS, THEY JOKINGLY TALK ABOUT
9 STICKING A STRAW IN THE GROUND, AND USING THE METHANE THAT IS
10 GENERATED BY THEIR LANDFILL TO POWER THE ENTIRE CAMPUS. AND SO
11 THE REASON I WANTED TO BRING THIS UP IS JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT
12 PEOPLE KNOW THAT S.B. 1383, A STATE BILL, BECOMES LAW AT THE
13 BEGINNING OF 2022. AND WHAT THAT SAYS IS, IN ORDER TO REDUCE
14 THE EMISSION OF METHANE, WE MUST-- ALL LOCAL JURISDICTIONS,
15 INCLUDING THE COUNTY IN OUR UNINCORPORATED AREAS-- HAVE TO
16 PROVIDE ORGANIC WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE TO ALL ORGANIC WASTE
17 GENERATORS, WHICH IS HOUSEHOLDS, AS WELL AS, YOU KNOW,
18 RESTAURANTS, AND EVERYTHING THAT THROWS AWAY FOOD, INCLUDING
19 MARKETS, THAT THROW OUT AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF FOOD EVERY DAY.
20 S.B. 1383 ALSO REQUIRED RESTAURANTS OVER A CERTAIN SIZE, AND
21 MARKETS OVER A CERTAIN SIZE, TO DO EVERYTHING THEY COULD TO
22 RECYCLE THAT FOOD TO PEOPLE WHO ARE HUNGRY, AND REALLY WORK IN
23 NETWORKS IN THEIR AREAS TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN. BUT FOR THE
24 COUNTY, AND FOR THIS, THE REASON I AM KIND OF EXCITED ABOUT
25 THIS IS BECAUSE, WHEN WE COLLECTED SEPARATELY-- AND I WANT TO

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1 WARN EVERYBODY, WE WILL BE STARTING, NEXT YEAR, COLLECTING IT
2 SEPARATELY-- IF YOU HAVE A GREEN WASTE BIN FOR A WHILE, THAT
3 IS WHAT YOU'LL USE, AND MIX IT ALL IN. BUT I THINK,
4 EVENTUALLY, THERE IS GOING TO BE A FOURTH BIN, OR SPECIALIZED
5 BAGS THAT THE COLLECTORS WILL GIVE OUT TO YOU, FOR THIS KIND
6 OF WASTE, BECAUSE IT CAN BE TURNED INTO MULCH. AND, EVEN MORE
7 EXCITINGLY FOR L.A. COUNTY, IT CAN BE TURNED INTO ENERGY; AND
8 NOT JUST A LITTLE ENERGY, A LOT. WE ARE PROBABLY GOING TO BE
9 BUILDING WHAT ARE CALLED ANAEROBIC DIGESTERS IN CALABASAS, TO
10 KEEP ALL THIS STUFF OUT OF LANDFILLS, AND IT WILL GENERATE
11 ELECTRICITY FOR THE COUNTY; LOCALLY-GENERATED ELECTRICITY,
12 WHICH IS REALLY IMPORTANT, GIVEN THE FACT THAT WE DON'T KNOW
13 WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN WITH OUR GRID. SO IT IS SILLY TO BE
14 EXCITED ABOUT IT, BUT I LOVE THE IDEA OF USING THINGS THAT WE
15 NORMALLY WOULD THROW AWAY, THAT WOULD CAUSE A METHANE PROBLEM,
16 TO GENERATE ELECTRICITY, OR TO HELP US GROW EVERYTHING ELSE
17 THAT WE GROW: FLOWERS, FRUIT, YOU KNOW, PLANTS, EVERYTHING.
18 SO, IF WE VOTE FOR THIS, APPROVING AN ORDINANCE THAT IS SET
19 FORTH IN ITEM 61, FOR ITS FIRST READING-- AND I HOPE THAT
20 EVERYBODY WILL APPROVE THIS ORDINANCE, BECAUSE, FIRST OF ALL,
21 IT IS REQUIRED BY LAW, AND SECONDLY, I THINK IT IS GOING TO BE
22 KIND OF AMAZING, BUT THAT COULD JUST BE WONKY ME. I DON'T
23 KNOW. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

24

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YOU'RE WELCOME. NO, IT IS NOT JUST YOU.
2 SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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4 **SUP. BARGER:** NO, IT IS NOT YOU. I MEAN, I THINK THIS IS AN
5 EXCITING TIME, AND I AGREE WITH YOU, SHEILA. I MEAN, WE HAVE
6 AN OPPORTUNITY. BECAUSE THE GOAL OF REDUCING ORGANIC WASTE, IN
7 ORDER TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS, AND ADDRESS FOOD
8 WASTE, IS SOMETHING THAT I KNOW I SUPPORT, AND I AM SURE WE
9 ALL SUPPORT. BUT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS VIA STATE LAW, IN
10 MY OPINION, HAS BEEN ROLLED OUT A LITTLE INAPPROPRIATELY, AND
11 I THINK THAT PUBLIC WORKS HAS REALLY TRIED TO FIGURE OUT A WAY
12 TO IMPLEMENT AND WORK WITH THE STATE ON THOSE ISSUES. MY
13 CONCERN-- AND I WANT US TO CONTINUE TO FOCUS ON THE STATE, AND
14 ASK THE STATE TO FUND THE CREATION OF ORGANICS PROCESSING AND
15 DIVERSION FACILITIES, HELP US, BECAUSE WE NEED TO ENSURE THAT
16 THERE'S ADEQUATE INFRASTRUCTURE IN PLACE TO REACH THE TARGET
17 GOAL. AND I AM MINDFUL OF THE FACT THAT THE IMPACTS OF SUCH
18 LEGISLATION-- AND THEY ARE ASPIRATIONAL GOALS, AND I BELIEVE
19 WE CAN ACHIEVE IT. IT COMES AT A PRICE, WHICH MANY OF OUR
20 BUSINESSES AND CONSTITUENTS MAY HAVE TO PAY. SO IF THERE'S A
21 WAY FOR US TO WORK WITH THE STATE TO OFFSET THAT COST, I THINK
22 WE HAVE A ROLE TO PLAY, AND I THINK THAT IT IS IMPORTANT FOR
23 US TO ADVOCATE. BECAUSE THE COST OF LIVING IN L.A. COUNTY IS
24 ALREADY VERY HIGH, AS WE KNOW, AND WE NEED TO DO EVERYTHING IN
25 OUR POWER TO TRY TO LIMIT POTENTIAL COST INCREASES SIMPLY FOR

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1 RESIDING IN THIS COUNTY, WHICH IS DOING THE RIGHT THING. AND
2 IT IS PROBABLY GOING TO BE-- I MEAN, IF YOU LOOK AT OUR
3 POPULATION, THIS IS AN EXCITING OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO REALLY
4 PUT ACTION, REALLY, TO PLAY, AND SHOW WHAT CAN BE DONE WHEN
5 YOU WORK TOGETHER, BOTH WITH OUR RECYCLING, BUT ALSO WITH
6 RESTAURANTS ACROSS THE BOARD. SO I THINK IT IS AN OPPORTUNITY,
7 BUT I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT WE NEED TO REALLY PUSH THE
8 LEGISLATURE TO WORK WITH US, TO HELP US FUND INFRASTRUCTURE,
9 SO WE'RE NOT PASSING THAT COST OFF TO INDIVIDUALS, AND IT HAS
10 A NEGATIVE IMPACT ON THEM. THAT'S ALL I WOULD ASK. BUT I
11 WHOLEHEARTEDLY-- YOU'RE NOT NERDY ON THIS, SHEILA. IT IS
12 FASCINATING TO ME. I KNOW, WITH SUNSHINE, THE AMOUNT OF
13 METHANE THAT'S PRODUCED IS UNBELIEVABLE, AND PEOPLE HAVE NO
14 IDEA. AND SO I THINK WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY, TRULY, RIGHT NOW,
15 AND NOW IS THE TIME TO DO IT.

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17 **SUP. KUEHL:** THE OTHER THING IS, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A TWO-YEAR
18 ROLLOUT. THERE WON'T BE ANY ENFORCEMENT OF OUR ORDINANCE UNTIL
19 THE BEGINNING OF 2024. SO THE FACT THAT IT IS REQUIRED
20 BEGINNING NEXT YEAR IS OUR DEVELOPMENT OF THAT PROGRAM, WITH
21 ALL OF THE DIFFERENT, WHAT WE USED TO CALL, "GARBAGE
22 COLLECTORS," AND TO BUILD THE FACILITIES THAT CAN USE IT. I
23 THINK MULCH IS A LITTLE EASIER, BECAUSE YOU WILL HAVE IT
24 TURNED INTO MULCH, AND THEN PEOPLE CAN COME AND GET IT FOR
25 THEIR GARDENS. BUT I AM EXCITED ABOUT THE ELECTRICITY

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1 GENERATION, AND THE FACT THAT I THINK PEOPLE ARE GOING TO BE
2 AMAZED AT HOW MUCH CAN BE PRODUCED. ANYWAY, THANK YOU,
3 KATHRYN.

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

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7 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU. AND IT
8 IS PARTICULARLY APPROPRIATE THAT WE ARE DOING THIS NOW, OF
9 COURSE. THE WHOLE WORLD HAS THEIR EYES ON GLASGOW AND THE
10 CLIMATE SUMMIT, AND WHAT WE, AS A PLANET, SHOULD BE DOING, AS
11 A WORLD FAMILY SHOULD BE DOING, TO REDUCE GREENHOUSE GASES,
12 AND REDUCE THE CHANCES OF DESTRUCTION BECAUSE OF CLIMATE
13 CHANGE. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU, SHEILA, OR YOU, HILDA, WERE IN
14 SACRAMENTO WHEN A.B. 939 WAS PROPOSED. OKAY, I BELIEVE THAT
15 WAS IN THE EARLY '90S. I WAS IN THE WASTE INDUSTRY AT THAT
16 TIME, AND IT WAS A BILL THAT BASICALLY SAID, EVERY CITY AND
17 COUNTY IN CALIFORNIA HAD TO REDUCE WHAT THEY WERE SENDING TO
18 THE LANDFILL. I THINK IT WAS BY 25%, BY 1995, AND THEN 50% BY
19 THE YEAR 2000. I THINK IT WAS THE SAME FEELING. EVERYBODY WAS
20 LIKE, "THIS IS NEVER GOING TO HAPPEN. HOW ARE WE GOING TO DO
21 THIS?" CITIES STOOD TO BE FINED-- I THINK IT WAS SOMETHING
22 LIKE \$10,000 A DAY-- IF THEY DIDN'T MEET THAT MANDATE. AND
23 THAT WAS BEFORE WE HAD CURBSIDE RECYCLING. THAT WAS ONE OF THE
24 THINGS THAT WAS ROLLED OUT TO HELP HOMEOWNERS AND MULTIFAMILY
25 UNITS DEAL WITH THEIR RECYCLABLES. AND IT WAS A NEW CONCEPT.

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1 EVEN THOUGH I KNOW MY MOTHER, IN THE EARLY '50S, YOU KNOW, WE
2 USED TO SEPARATE HER GLASS AND HER CANS. SHE ALSO USED TO BURN
3 HER PAPER TRASH IN INCINERATORS IN THE BACKYARD. BUT IT WAS
4 SOMETHING THAT NO ONE THOUGHT WE COULD ACHIEVE. AND YET, WE
5 DID. NOW, RECYCLING IS PRETTY MUCH SECOND NATURE FOR MOST
6 PEOPLE, AND I THINK THAT'S WHERE WE'RE GOING TO GO WITH THIS
7 ORGANIC WASTE. IT'S THE SAME KIND OF THING. AT FIRST, IT FEELS
8 A LITTLE DAUNTING, AND, "HOW IS THIS GOING TO HAPPEN?" AND,
9 "WHAT'S OUR INFRASTRUCTURE?" AND, KATHRYN, YOU MADE SOME GOOD
10 POINTS ABOUT HOW WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THE INFRASTRUCTURE
11 EXISTS, AND WE COULD USE SOME HELP. BUT I THINK THIS IS
12 EXACTLY THE RIGHT THING FOR L.A. COUNTY TO DO. I AM PROUD OF
13 US FOR DOING THIS TODAY, AND I THINK WE ARE GOING IN THE RIGHT
14 DIRECTION. AND I JUST WANTED TO REMIND EVERYBODY ABOUT HOW
15 DAUNTING A.B. 939 WAS, SO MANY YEARS AGO, AND NOW WE CERTAINLY
16 HAVE ACHIEVED THOSE GOALS. THANK YOU.

17
18 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** WOW, YOU ARE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. THAT TAKES
19 US WAY BACK THERE, SHEILA. I REMEMBER. I THINK WE HAD PEOPLE
20 IN OUR OFFICE EVERY SINGLE DAY FROM OUR CITIES-- THE WASTE
21 HAULERS.

22
23 **SUP. KUEHL:** BUT REMEMBER, HILDA? IT WAS THE KIDS THAT SAID,
24 "NO, NO, YOU HAVE TO DO IT." IT WAS BEFORE GRETA, YOU KNOW? I
25 MEAN, THOSE KIDS WERE LIKE, "WHAT DO YOU MEAN, YOU CAN'T PUT

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1 CANS AND BOTTLES HERE, AND PAPERS HERE? I WILL DO IT, MOM."

2 THEY WERE EXCITED.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YEAH. SO, I AM REALLY EXCITED ABOUT THIS
5 EFFORT, AS WELL. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. YOU KNOW,
6 THIS WHOLE CONCEPT OF CONVERTING METHANE GAS TO ELECTRICITY,
7 EDISON HAS BEEN DOING IT FOR I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY YEARS AT
8 THE PUENTE HILLS LANDFILL. SO, I MEAN, IT WORKS, BUT WE HAVE
9 TO BECOME MORE INNOVATIVE. AND I THINK IF WE REALLY LOOK AT
10 HOW WE CAN ASK OUR BIG INDUSTRIES, EVEN OUR SCHOOL DISTRICTS,
11 TO HELP US SORT THROUGH FOOD THAT COULD BE, INSTEAD OF JUST
12 THROWING IT AWAY, THAT STILL COULD BE REDISTRIBUTED TO
13 COMMUNITIES THAT COULD STILL USE IT AND EAT IT, THAT HAPPENS
14 NOW. WE SHOULD BE DOING THAT FULL FORCE, AND THEN ALSO
15 SUPPORTING THIS WHOLE NEW EFFORT THAT'S REALLY GOING TO CREATE
16 NEW JOBS; GREEN JOBS, AS WELL. SO I AM EXCITED ABOUT THAT. I'M
17 EXCITED AT THE ADMINISTRATION THAT BIDEN HAS PUT THIS IN, AS
18 AN E.P.A. REG THAT HE'S GOING TO PUT FORWARD, AND I THINK IT
19 IS EXCITING TIMES FOR US. AND WE DO HAVE TO GO BACK AND LOOK
20 AT RECYCLING IN A MORE SERIOUS MANNER. SO I AM WITH YOU ON IT.
21 ANYONE ELSE WANT TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM? SEEING NONE, THEN,
22 THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US. TWO ITEMS, ACTUALLY. SO, ITEM 38 IS
23 BEFORE US. SUPERVISOR KUEHL MOVES. I WILL SECOND TO APPROVE
24 THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

25

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 38 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR
2 MITCHELL?

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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

8

9 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

10

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

12

13 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

14

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

16

17 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

18

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

20

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

22

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

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT, MEMBERS, ITEM 61 IS BEFORE US. MOVED
2 BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL SECONDED BY MYSELF TO APPROVE THE ITEM.
3 MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 61 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR
6 MITCHELL?

7

8 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

9

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

12

13 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

14

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

16

17 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

18

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

20

21 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

22

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

24

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

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1

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

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** CONGRATS. OKAY, GREAT. OKAY, MEMBERS,
6 MOVING ON NOW TO ITEM 57-A: PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY
7 FOR THE DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL ODOR EVENT, WHICH WAS HELD BY
8 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU ARE RECOGNIZED.

9

10 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. LET ME START
11 BY SAYING, COLLEAGUES, BECAUSE I WANT TO BE VERY CLEAR, THIS
12 DECLARATION THAT THE MOTION IS BRINGING TO YOU TODAY, OF A
13 LOCAL EMERGENCY, DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE HYDROGEN SULFIDE
14 LEVELS EMANATING FROM THE DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL NOW POSE AN
15 IMMINENT DANGER TO THE HEALTH OF OUR RESIDENTS. IT DOES NOT.
16 AND I WILL GO INTO DETAIL AS TO WHY I AM BRINGING THE MOTION
17 FORWARD, BUT I WANTED TO START THERE. AS A REMINDER, WE HAD A
18 FULL PRESENTATION FROM IMPACTED COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, OUR LAST
19 BOARD MEETING, ABOUT THE NOXIOUS AND PERSISTENT ODOR COMING
20 FROM THE DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL, THAT STARTED NOW FOUR WEEKS AGO,
21 OCTOBER 4. AND TO REITERATE, AS WE LEARNED AT OUR LAST
22 MEETING, THAT THE COUNTY RESPONDED TO THIS NUISANCE QUICKLY
23 AND CONSISTENTLY. THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
24 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S HEALTH AND
25 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS UNIT, AND THE STATE SOUTH COAST AIR

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1 QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BEGAN WORKING WITH OTHER LOCAL
2 STATE AND FEDERAL AGENCIES AND EXPERTS TO DETERMINE, FIRST,
3 THE SOURCE OF THE ODOR, AND TO BEGIN MULTIPLE SCIENTIFICALLY
4 INFORMED EFFORTS TO MITIGATE THE ODOR. AND AGAIN, I WANT TO
5 THANK THEM ALL FOR THE TREMENDOUS EFFORT, AND ALL THAT THEY
6 CONTINUE TO DO EVERY DAY TO RESPOND TO THIS CRISIS. TO DATE,
7 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH HAS CONDUCTED DOOR-TO-DOOR
8 OUTREACH TO CARSON RESIDENTS, TO OVER 8,970 OF THEM, INCLUDING
9 THE MEDICALLY FRAGILE-- ABOUT 1500. IT ALSO COMPLETED DOOR-TO-
10 DOOR OUTREACH TO OVER 217 BUSINESSES IN CARSON, AND REACHED
11 OUT TO 28 CARSON SCHOOLS, AND CONTINUES TO MONITOR A HOTLINE
12 THAT HAS RECEIVED 445 CALLS SEEKING ITS EXPERT ADVICE. THEY
13 HAVE PUT TOGETHER FLYERS THAT THEY ARE DISTRIBUTING DURING
14 THIS DOOR-TO-DOOR OUTREACH. AND AGAIN, I WANT TO APPLAUD THOSE
15 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS FOR EXERCISING THAT KIND OF EFFORT IN UNDER
16 FOUR WEEKS. THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS HAS ALSO FIELDDED
17 MORE THAN 1,230 CALLS, AND 2-1-1 HAS FIELDDED MORE THAN 2700
18 CALLS. THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS HAS COLLABORATED WITH
19 EXPERTS FROM MULTIPLE AGENCIES TO COMBAT THE SMELL AND
20 REMEDIATE THE SITUATION. IN ADDITION, IT HAS PROVIDED AIR
21 FILTERS, PURIFIERS, AND RELOCATED MANY RESIDENTS. I WANT TO
22 ACKNOWLEDGE, SINCE A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC SAID THAT NO ONE HAD
23 RECEIVED ANY SUPPORT YET-- LET ME FIND MY NOTES, BECAUSE I
24 WANTED TO HAVE THE MOST RECENT NUMBERS. I THINK A MEMBER OF
25 THE PUBLIC CALLED IN AND SAID NO ONE HAD RECEIVED ANY SUPPORT.

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1 LET ME CLARIFY. AS OF NOVEMBER 1ST, WE HAVE RECEIVED 14,557
2 REQUESTS FOR EITHER REIMBURSE OR DIRECT ASSISTANCE ON AIR
3 FILTERS, AIR PURIFIERS, AND HOTEL ROOMS. OF THAT, 11,053
4 REQUESTS HAVE BEEN APPROVED, AND SOME OF THOSE ALREADY
5 PROCESSED. AGAIN, "DIRECT ASSISTANCE" MEANS NOT THE
6 REIMBURSEMENT; WHERE THE ITEMS WERE ACTUALLY GIVEN. AND JUST
7 TO CLARIFY, THE REIMBURSEMENT OPTION VERSUS DIRECT ASSISTANCE,
8 THE REQUESTS RECEIVED HAVE BEEN ABOUT HALF AND HALF: 7300
9 REIMBURSEMENT, 7100 DIRECT ASSISTANCE REQUESTED. OF THOSE
10 REQUESTS RECEIVED, REQUESTS APPROVED UNDER REIMBURSEMENT IS
11 ABOUT 4300, AND UNDER DIRECT ASSISTANCE, ABOUT 6700. SO THAT
12 GIVES YOU A CONTEXT IN WHICH I HOPE YOU ALL ARE CLEAR AND
13 UNDERSTAND WHAT WE RECEIVED, IN TERMS OF REQUESTS, AND ACTIONS
14 THE COUNTY HAS ALREADY TAKEN. FURTHER, COLLEAGUES, SO EVERYONE
15 IS CLEAR, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS HAS ALREADY SPENT AN
16 ESTIMATED \$5.4 MILLION ON THE DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL ODOR EVENT IN
17 THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT FUND, FOR LABOR, EQUIPMENT, AND
18 MATERIALS, HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS, AIR PURIFIERS, CONTRACTS, AND
19 CLAIMS FOR REIMBURSEMENTS; AGAIN, TO GIVE YOU ALL A CONTEXT OF
20 WHAT ACTIONS HAVE ALREADY TAKEN PLACE. AND EVEN WITH THAT,
21 THESE HERCULEAN EFFORTS HAVE NOT ELIMINATED THE NUISANCE ODOR,
22 TO DATE. AND I APPRECIATE THE NOTION THAT "NUISANCE" IS
23 OFFENSIVE TO SOME, GIVEN HOW HORRIFIC AND HOW SUSTAINED THE
24 ODOR HAS BEEN OVER TIME. BUT "NUISANCE," WHERE I AM CONTINUING
25 TO USE THE TERM "NUISANCE," BECAUSE OF ITS LEGAL RELEVANCE, IF

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1 YOU WILL, IN TERMS OF THE CRITERIA THAT WAS MET, IN ORDER FOR
2 US TO ISSUE THE NUISANCE ORDER. AND SO I DON'T MEAN TO BE
3 DEMEANING BY USING THAT TERM, BUT IT IS RELEVANT, IN TERMS OF
4 THE ACTIONS WE ARE ABLE TO TAKE AS A GOVERNMENT. THOUSANDS OF
5 ADULTS AND CHILDREN REMAIN AFFECTED AND UNABLE TO CONDUCT, LET
6 ALONE ENJOY, THE NORMAL ACTIVITIES OF LIFE. AND SO FOR THIS
7 REASON, TODAY, I AM SEEKING THIS BOARD'S SUPPORT OF A
8 PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY. WHY THIS, AND WHAT THIS WOULD
9 ALLOW OUR COUNTY TO DO. WITH THIS PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL
10 EMERGENCY, WE CAN MORE EFFECTIVELY RESPOND TO THE DOMINGUEZ
11 CHANNEL ODOR EVENT, WE CAN ACCELERATE THE PROCUREMENT OF VITAL
12 SUPPLIES, WE CAN SEEK AND UTILIZE MUTUAL AID, AND POTENTIALLY
13 OBTAIN REIMBURSEMENT AND ASSISTANCE FROM THE STATE AND FEDERAL
14 GOVERNMENT. SO, AGAIN, TO REITERATE, THIS DECLARATION OF A
15 LOCAL EMERGENCY DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE HYDROGEN SULFIDE LEVELS
16 EMANATING FROM THE CHANNEL NOW POSE ANY MORE THREAT THAN WE
17 HAVE SAID ALL ALONG THESE PAST FOUR WEEKS. HOWEVER, WE'RE
18 CLEAR THE ODOR IS CAUSING CONSISTENT AND REAL HEALTH SYMPTOMS,
19 LIKE NAUSEA, HEADACHE, THROAT AND EYE IRRITATION, THAT ARE
20 DEEPLY TROUBLING, AND SEVERELY IMPACTING THE QUALITY OF LIFE
21 FOR FAR TOO MANY RESIDENTS. IN ADDITION, THE UNPRECEDENTED
22 DURATION OF THIS ODOR REQUIRES US TO DO ALL THAT CAN BE DONE
23 TO GET THE RESOURCES AND SUPPORT NEEDED TO ELIMINATE THIS ODOR
24 AND PROVIDE SUPPORT. SO, WHILE THIS INCIDENT DOES REMAIN
25 CLASSIFIED AS A PUBLIC HEALTH NUISANCE BY OUR COUNTY

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1 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, I HOPE THAT WE CAN ALL AGREE THAT
2 FOUR STRAIGHT WEEKS OF A DISTURBING ODOR THAT SIGNIFICANTLY
3 IMPACTS SO MANY LIVES IS INDEED A LOCAL EMERGENCY THAT MUST BE
4 ESCALATED. I ASK THAT MY COLLEAGUES JOIN ME IN SUPPORTING THIS
5 PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY, SO WE CAN STRENGTHEN THE
6 COUNTY'S ABILITY TO PROVIDE RELIEF TO OUR RESIDENTS, AND
7 STRENGTHEN THE IMPACT OF OUR SHORT- AND LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS
8 FOR ELIMINATING THIS ODOR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR,
9 AND I ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ANY MEMBERS WISHING TO BE
12 RECOGNIZED? SUPERVISOR HAHN?

13

14 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I KEPT THINKING WHILE YOU
15 WERE TALKING, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, ABOUT, "A ROSE BY ANY OTHER
16 NAME STILL SMELLS AS SWEET." AND I AM THINKING, "AN ODOR
17 CALLED BY ANY NAME STILL SMELLS AS BAD." BUT I APPRECIATE YOU
18 BRINGING THIS FORWARD TODAY. I THINK YOU'VE SAID IT SO WELL,
19 THAT, UNFORTUNATELY, THIS ODOR HAS CONTINUED TOO LONG, AND IT
20 REALLY HAS IMPACTED THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR, FIRST OF ALL,
21 RESIDENTS OF CARSON. BUT IT'S EVEN GONE BEYOND CARSON.
22 COMMUNITIES OF WILMINGTON, PARTS OF LONG BEACH, TORRANCE, EVEN
23 REDONDO BEACH, DEPENDING ON THE WIND PATTERN, HAS SMELLED THIS
24 HORRIBLE SMELL. AND THANKFUL, OF COURSE, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP
25 HERE, AND I DO THANK OUR PUBLIC WORKS, PUBLIC HEALTH, FIRE,

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1 HAZMAT, A.Q.M.D., WHO HAVE REALLY RESPONDED QUICKLY. AND I
2 MUST SAY, I AM PROUDER OF L.A. COUNTY'S RESPONSE TO THIS DIRE
3 SITUATION, AS OPPOSED TO WHAT HAPPENED IN EL SEGUNDO, WITH THE
4 CITY OF LOS ANGELES HYPERION PLANT, WHICH THE RESPONSE ON
5 GETTING PEOPLE RELOCATED AND OFFERING VOUCHERS WAS MUCH SLOWER
6 AND MUCH MORE LIMITED, CAUSING THE FRUSTRATION OF MANY OF MY
7 CONSTITUENTS IN EL SEGUNDO. SO I AM REALLY, AGAIN, PROUD OF
8 HOW WE RESPONDED TO THIS. BUT STILL, OUR COMMUNITIES ARE
9 STILL SUFFERING. IT IS STILL JUST SUCH A TERRIBLE SMELL.
10 NOBODY SHOULD HAVE TO SUFFER FROM THIS. AND I THINK, AS YOU
11 CLAIM, BY PROCLAIMING THIS A LOCAL EMERGENCY, WE WILL BE ABLE
12 TO LEVERAGE MORE ASSISTANCE FROM OUR STATE AND FEDERAL
13 PARTNERS. WE WILL BE ABLE TO GET REIMBURSED FOR SOME OF OUR
14 UP-FRONT COSTS THAT OUR FLOOD CONTROL, OUR PUBLIC WORKS
15 DEPARTMENT, HAS ALREADY SPENT. AND I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE
16 THAT WE-- I THINK OUR L.A. COUNTY SANITATION-- YOU KNOW,
17 ROBERT FERRANTE, WHICH MANY OF US KNOW, HE HAS ALSO OFFERED TO
18 HELP WITH ANY ODOR-NEUTRALIZING CHEMICALS, IF NEED BE. SO
19 WE'VE GOT A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT ARE READY TO SUPPORT US, AND I
20 THINK DECLARING THIS LOCAL EMERGENCY IS THE RIGHT STEP TO JUST
21 HIGHLIGHT, AGAIN, THE NEEDS THAT STILL EXIST, THE
22 OPPORTUNITIES FOR MORE HELP AND ASSISTANCE FROM OTHER
23 PARTNERS. AND I JUST WANTED TO ADD THAT, STARTING TODAY, IN
24 WILMINGTON, AT THE WILMINGTON SENIOR CENTER, OUR COUNTY STAFF
25 WILL BE THERE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS AND PROVIDE RESOURCES TO THE

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1 WILMINGTON RESIDENTS AND THOSE IN SOME OF THE SURROUNDING
2 COMMUNITIES. AND THEY THOUGHT IT WAS BEST TO GO TO THE SENIOR
3 CENTER BECAUSE, AGAIN, THAT'S A PLACE WHERE SENIORS GO EVERY
4 DAY, AND WE HAVE BEEN GETTING COMPLAINTS IN OUR OFFICE ABOUT
5 THE SMELL. SO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. NOBODY WANTS
6 THESE KIND OF OUT-OF-LEFT-FIELD CRISES THAT GET THROWN AT US,
7 THAT WE KIND OF WEREN'T PREPARED FOR, BUT I THINK YOUR
8 RESPONSE HAS BEEN GREAT. I THINK THAT THE COMMUNITIES KNOW
9 THAT YOU HAVE THEIR BACK ON THIS, YOU HAVE THEIR NOSE ON THIS,
10 AND I AM REALLY GLAD YOU ARE DOING THIS. I AM HAPPY TO SUPPORT
11 THIS. I WILL BE VOTING AYE ON THIS MOTION TODAY. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** ANY OTHER MEMBERS SEEKING TO BE RECOGNIZED
14 ON THIS ITEM? OKAY. VERY GOOD, THEN THIS ITEM, 57-A, IS BEFORE
15 US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN
16 TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
17 ROLL.

18

19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 57-A IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR
20 MITCHELL?

21

22 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

23

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

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1

2 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

3

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

5

6 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

7

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

9

10 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

11

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

13

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

15

16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. MOTION CARRIES, 5-
17 0.

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, VERY GOOD. MEMBERS, NOW WE'RE GOING
20 TO GO BACK TO PUBLIC HEARING. WE HAVE ITEM 62 BEFORE US, AND
21 THIS IS A HEARING ON PROJECT NO. 2020-000606, ALL DISTRICTS,
22 TO APPROVE AN UPDATE TO THE HOUSING ELEMENT OF THE COUNTY OF
23 LOS ANGELES GENERAL PLAN FOR 2021-2029 PLANNING PERIOD. WE
24 WILL NOW HEAR A PRESENTATION BY THE DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL

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1 PLANNING, AMY BODEK, TO PROVIDE US THIS PRESENTATION. AMY, YOU
2 ARE ON.

3

4 **AMY BODEK:** MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I HOPE YOU CAN
5 HEAR ME THIS AFTERNOON. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR PATIENCE
6 AND YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS VERY IMPORTANT PROJECT. IT IS
7 NOT OFTEN THAT I GET TO DO A POWERPOINT IN FRONT OF YOU, SO
8 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY. I AM GOING TO BE
9 TALKING TO YOU ABOUT THE SIXTH REVISION TO THE HOUSING
10 ELEMENT. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO, AS YOU KNOW, WE ARE REQUIRED
11 TO ADOPT A HOUSING ELEMENT EVERY EIGHT YEARS, UNDER STATE
12 HOUSING LAW, AND OUR TURN IS NOW UP. THE HOUSING ELEMENT IS AN
13 INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT POLICY DOCUMENT THAT SETS THE STAGE FOR
14 THE ENTIRE COUNTY FAMILY, ON HOW WE ARE GOING TO ADDRESS THE
15 NEEDS OF ALL OF OUR CURRENT AND ANTICIPATED RESIDENTS OVER THE
16 NEXT EIGHT YEARS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. THE HOUSING ELEMENT IS
17 SPECIFICALLY FOR THE UNINCORPORATED COUNTY AREAS, AND IT IS A
18 REQUIREMENT, AS I SAID, UNDER STATE LAW, AND IT WILL COVER ALL
19 OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES. WHAT WE MUST
20 DEMONSTRATE IS THE CAPACITY TO HOUSE A CERTAIN NUMBER OF
21 UNITS, OR TO ALLOW THE DEVELOPMENT OF A CERTAIN NUMBER OF
22 UNITS, TO MEET OUR REGIONAL NEEDS, WHICH, AS YOU PROBABLY ALL
23 KNOW, THE ACRONYM IS R.H.N.A. THAT'S OUR REGIONAL HOUSING
24 NEEDS ALLOCATION. THIS R.H.N.A. ALLOCATION IS UPDATED
25 PERIODICALLY, UNDER S.C.A.G.'S JURISDICTION, AND WE ARE

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1 CURRENTLY IN CYCLE SIX. OUR R.H.N.A. ALLOCATION, FOR THE
2 COUNTY'S UNINCORPORATED AREA ONLY, IS TO ACCOMMODATE 90,052
3 UNITS. WE ARE THE SECOND LARGEST NUMBER, OR R.H.N.A. NUMBER
4 ALLOCATION, IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE BIGGEST ONE
5 BEING, OF COURSE, THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. AND IN COMPARISON,
6 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES HAS TO ACCOMMODATE A PROPOSED
7 PROJECTION OF OVER 450,000 UNITS. SO, COMPARED TO THEM, WE DO
8 HAVE A BARGAIN. NEXT SLIDE. HOWEVER, OUR LAST R.H.N.A. CYCLE,
9 WHICH WE JUST COMPLETED, WE HAD TO ACCOMMODATE APPROXIMATELY
10 30,000 UNITS. SO, TO GO FROM PLANNING FOR 30,000 UNITS, TO
11 PLANNING FOR 90,000 UNITS, IS AN INCREDIBLE HARDSHIP FOR THE
12 COUNTY, BUT WE THINK WE HAVE DEVELOPED A HOUSING ELEMENT AND A
13 PROGRAM THAT WILL ACCOMMODATE 90,052 NEW UNITS, PROVIDED THAT
14 THE MARKET AND OUR DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS ARE READY AND ABLE TO
15 CONSTRUCT THOSE UNITS. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT, UNDER OUR
16 CURRENT R.H.N.A. OF APPROXIMATELY 30,000 UNITS, WE HAVE-- NOT
17 "WE," BUT OUR PARTNERS HAVE CONSTRUCTED APPROXIMATELY 26% OF
18 THOSE 30,000 UNITS. BECAUSE THE COUNTY IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR
19 THE CONSTRUCTION OF THESE UNITS, IT IS VERY DIFFICULT FOR US
20 TO ASSURE THE STATE, IN PARTICULAR, THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO
21 CONSTRUCT, NOW, 90,000 UNITS. THAT'S PART OF THE PUSH-AND-PULL
22 OF THE HOUSING ELEMENT CYCLE. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. THERE ARE
23 REQUIRED ELEMENTS WITHIN THE HOUSING ELEMENT THAT WE MUST
24 COMPLY WITH, AND THESE ARE THE FOLLOWING COMPONENTS IN THE
25 HOUSING ELEMENT. OBVIOUSLY, WE HAVE GOALS AND POLICIES. WE

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1 CONDUCT A DETAILED NEEDS ASSESSMENT. WE TALK ABOUT
2 CONSTRAINTS. WE DEVELOP NEW PROGRAMS TO IMPLEMENT OUR ABILITY
3 TO ACCOMMODATE 90,052 UNITS, AND THEN WE DO A FAIR HOUSING
4 ANALYSIS. NEXT SLIDE. AS IT RELATES TO HOUSING GOALS AND
5 POLICIES, CLEARLY, WE NEED TO DIVERSIFY OUR HOUSING SUPPLY,
6 AND WE NEED TO DO IT FOR ALL ECONOMIC SEGMENTS OF OUR
7 POPULATION. WE ALSO NEED TO ENSURE THE PRESERVATION AND
8 MAINTENANCE OF EXISTING HOUSING, AND THAT IS ALL PART OF OUR
9 HOUSING ELEMENT PROGRAM. NEXT SLIDE. IN LOOKING AT THE
10 REQUIREMENT FOR A NEEDS ASSESSMENT, WE HAVE TO LOOK AT OUR
11 DEMOGRAPHICS, OUR TRENDS. WE HAVE TO LOOK AT HOW MANY PEOPLE
12 ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, OVERCROWDING, AND THEN WE HAVE
13 TO LOOK AT VERY SPECIFIC POPULATIONS WITHIN OUR UNINCORPORATED
14 AREAS, AND THEN DESIGN PROGRAMS TO MEET THOSE NEEDS. NEXT
15 SLIDE. AGAIN, DIVERSIFIED HOUSING NEEDS. WE NEED TO TALK ABOUT
16 OVERCROWDING. AS YOU KNOW, THERE'S OVERCROWDING, AND THEN
17 THERE'S OVERBURDEN, AND THAT GOES WITH AFFORDABILITY. THE
18 CHANGING NEEDS OF OUR CHANGING POPULATIONS. WE LOOK AT
19 POPULATIONS; NOT JUST THE HOMELESS OR SENIORS, BUT WE ALSO
20 LOOK AT FEMALE HEADS OF HOUSEHOLDS THAT MAY HAVE SPECIAL
21 HOUSING NEEDS, OR WE LOOK AT LARGE FAMILIES THAT MAY HAVE,
22 ALSO, VERY SPECIAL HOUSING NEEDS, AND WE SHOULD NOT BE
23 DESIGNING, NECESSARILY, ONE-BEDROOM STUDIO APARTMENTS FOR OUR
24 CHANGING POPULATION. SO WE DO HAVE TO LOOK, SPECIFICALLY, AT
25 THAT POPULATION TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR UNITS ARE MATCHING THEM.

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1 NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. A BIG PART OF THE HOUSING ELEMENT IS AN
2 ANALYSIS OF CONSTRAINTS, AND THAT MEANS MANY THINGS TO
3 DIFFERENT PEOPLE, BUT THERE ARE THREE MAIN CATEGORIES OF
4 REGULATORY NATURAL OR MARKET-FORCE CONSTRAINTS THAT REALLY DO
5 IMPACT OUR ABILITY TO ACCOMMODATE THOSE 90,052 UNITS, AND THEN
6 TO ACTUALLY GET THOSE UNITS CONSTRUCTED. CERTAINLY, REGULATORY
7 BURDENS ARE IN EXISTENCE. WE HAVE HAD THESE DISCUSSIONS AT THE
8 BOARD. YOU KNOW, AND I KNOW, THAT WE HAVE A VERY CUMBERSOME
9 PROCESS, AND WE ARE CONTINUALLY LOOKING AT WAYS TO STREAMLINE
10 THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS, PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES TO
11 HOUSING. I HAVE HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH MANY OF YOU ON THE
12 CONCEPT OF TREATING HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AS A SINGLE LINE OF
13 BUSINESS WITHIN THE COUNTY; AND REGARDLESS OF WHAT DEPARTMENT
14 YOU ARE IN, THAT YOU PROVIDE STREAMLINED SERVICES AND A SINGLE
15 VOICE ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY, WHEN WE ARE DEALING WITH
16 HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES. IT CLEARLY IS A REGULATORY CONSTRAINT
17 WHEN WE TAKE TIME-- TOO MUCH TIME-- TO APPROVE A HOUSING
18 PROJECT, OR IF WE OVERBURDEN THOSE HOUSING PROJECTS WITH FEES,
19 INCLUDING IMPACT FEES. ANOTHER SIGNIFICANT REGULATORY
20 CONSTRAINT THAT IS WITHIN THE COUNTY IS OUR NATURAL
21 CONSTRAINTS, AND I AM GOING TO GO INTO THAT INTO A LITTLE BIT
22 MORE DETAIL ON A FUTURE SLIDE. BUT LASTLY, THE CONSTRAINT THAT
23 WE CANNOT CONTROL IS MARKET FORCES. AND SO WE ARE NOT
24 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE STOCK MARKET. WE'RE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR
25 THE FINANCIAL OUTLOOK OF A BUSINESS OR A DEVELOPER WHO MIGHT

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1 BE INTERESTED IN DEVELOPING A PROJECT, AND THOSE DICTATE THE
2 TIMING OF DEVELOPMENT. SO WE COULD PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY,
3 BUT IF THE MARKET FORCES ARE NOT THERE, WHICH WE SAW IN THE
4 LAST CYCLE, WE'RE NOT GOING TO FULLY MEET OUR R.H.N.A. ABILITY
5 TO CONSTRUCT ALL OF THOSE UNITS. NEXT SLIDE. AND THEN THERE'S
6 A SECTION OF THE HOUSING ELEMENT THAT FOCUSES ON
7 IMPLEMENTATION, AND WE'VE FOCUSED THOSE PROGRAMS OVER THE NEXT
8 EIGHT YEARS, AND CAREFULLY DESIGNED WHAT WE THINK WE CAN DO
9 WITHIN THOSE NEXT EIGHT YEARS. NEXT SLIDE. SO, EXACTLY HOW ARE
10 WE GOING TO MEET OUR 90,052 R.H.N.A. ALLOCATION? IT'S THROUGH
11 PLANNED AND ONGOING PROJECTS. THE BIGGEST COMPONENT IS GOING
12 TO BE A REZONING PROJECT. AND WE'LL GO INTO MORE DETAILS ON A
13 FUTURE SLIDE, BUT THAT REZONING WILL HELP US MEET ABOUT 60% OF
14 OUR R.H.N.A. ALLOCATION. THE OTHER PORTION OF THE R.H.N.A.
15 ALLOCATION WILL BE MET WITH EITHER EXISTING SITES THAT WE
16 ALREADY KNOW ARE AVAILABLE, PLANNED COUNTY PROJECTS IN CITIES,
17 DEVELOPMENT UNDER OUR SPECIFIC PLANS, ENTITLED PROJECT THAT
18 MAY BE ALREADY ENTITLED BUT NOT YET CONSTRUCTED, AND THEN,
19 FRANKLY, THE CONSTRUCTION OF ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS
20 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. SINCE THERE HAVE BEEN RECENT CHANGES IN
21 STATE AND LOCAL LAWS, THE DEVELOPMENT OR CONSTRUCTION OF
22 A.D.U.S HAS GONE UP EXPONENTIALLY, AND WE ARE ABLE TO CAPTURE
23 SOME OF THAT GROWTH IN MEETING OUR FUTURE OBLIGATIONS. NEXT
24 SLIDE. SO, THIS SLIDE IS PRETTY TELLING, IN THAT IT SHOWS US
25 WHERE WE CAN AND CANNOT ACCOMMODATE OUR R.H.N.A. ALLOCATION.

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1 THIS IS A SLIDE OF ALL OF OUR NATURAL HAZARDS WITHIN THE
2 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. 86% OF THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS HAS ONE
3 OR MORE NATURAL CONSTRAINTS, THE BIGGEST ONE BEING OUR FIRE
4 HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES. BUT WE ALSO HAVE FLOOD ZONES, OUR
5 ACTIVE FAULT TRACES FOR EARTHQUAKE FAULTS. WE HAVE LANDSLIDE
6 AREAS. BUT THEN, WE ALSO HAVE ECOLOGICALLY SENSITIVE AREAS,
7 INCLUDING OUR COASTAL ZONE, AND OUR SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL
8 AREAS, AS WELL. SO, WHEN WE LOOKED AT WHERE WE CAN ACCOMMODATE
9 90,000 UNITS, WE FIRST HAD TO LOOK AT THIS, AND SAY, "THESE
10 ARE AREAS THAT ARE INAPPROPRIATE FOR US TO REZONE, AND TO
11 ENCOURAGE DENSITY IN THESE AREAS." IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT,
12 WHEN S.C.A.G. ALLOCATES THEIR R.H.N.A. NUMBERS TO ALL
13 JURISDICTIONS, THEY DO NOT DISCOUNT FOR NATURAL HAZARD AREAS
14 WHEN DOING SO. SO IT IS A CHALLENGE FOR US, AS A JURISDICTION,
15 BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE THE LUXURY OF OPEN, FLAT LAND,
16 UNENCUMBERED BY THESE NATURAL HAZARDS. NEXT SLIDE. TO PUT IT
17 INTO ANOTHER CONTEXT, THIS CHART SHOWS THE NATURAL HAZARDS BY
18 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, AS THEY ARE CURRENTLY CONFIGURED. WE
19 KNOW THAT YOUR SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS MAY SHIFT IN A MONTH OR
20 SO, BUT BASED ON CURRENT CONFIGURATION OF THE SUPERVISORIAL
21 DISTRICTS, YOU CAN SEE THE DARK BLUE REPRESENTS YOUR LAND AREA
22 WITHIN YOUR UNINCORPORATED DISTRICTS THAT CAN ACCOMMODATE NEW
23 UNITS, AND THAT ARE NOT CONSTRAINED BY THESE NATURAL HAZARDS.
24 THE LIGHT BLUE SHOWS THAT YOU HAVE A LOT OF CONSTRAINTS,
25 PARTICULARLY IN THE THIRD, FIFTH, AND FOURTH DISTRICTS,

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1 RESPECTIVELY. NEXT SLIDE. SO, AFTER WE FIGURE OUT THAT 86% OF
2 THE UNINCORPORATED AREA IS NOT REALLY APPROPRIATE FOR
3 UPZONING, WHAT DO WE DO NEXT? WE APPLIED AN ENVIRONMENTAL
4 JUSTICE AND EQUITY ANALYSIS. AND WE DID THAT TO RULE OUT
5 ADDITIONAL AREAS WHERE IT MAY BE WHOLLY INAPPROPRIATE FOR US
6 TO ENCOURAGE NEW RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT. NOW, A REZONING
7 REQUIRES US, UNDER STATE LAW, TO MEET CERTAIN DENSITIES. SO,
8 SOMETHING LIKE S.B. 9, THAT ALLOWS FOR LOT SPLITS, MAY BE
9 GREAT IN PROVIDING PERIPHERAL UNITS, BUT UNDER STATE HOUSING
10 LAW, IT DOESN'T MEET THE DENSITY THAT WE NEED IN ORDER TO
11 REZONE. SO WE DON'T REALLY GET THE BENEFIT OF S.B. 9 IN
12 MEETING OUR R.H.N.A. ALLOCATION. SO WE HAD TO APPLY THIS
13 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND EQUITY ANALYSIS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE
14 WERE PROVIDING THE REZONINGS IN PLACES THAT WERE HIGH
15 OPPORTUNITY AND, FRANKLY, HAD LESS ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE
16 ISSUES, AND WERE APPROPRIATE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW
17 RESIDENTIAL AREAS. NEXT SLIDE. PART OF THAT ANALYSIS, AGAIN,
18 WAS HIGH-FACTOR, HIGH-OPPORTUNITY AREAS, PROXIMITY TO EXISTING
19 USES, PROXIMITY TO TRANSIT AND SERVICES, ACCESS TO
20 INFRASTRUCTURE, AND THEN EXISTING USES. WOULD WE REALLY WANT
21 TO REZONE FOR A LOT OF NEW RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT RIGHT NEXT
22 TO A NUISANCE LAND USE? AND THE ANSWER TO THAT IS NO. WE NEED
23 TO BE VERY RESPONSIBLE AND VERY CAREFUL AS WE DO THESE
24 REZONINGS, TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE NOT EXACERBATING ANY
25 CURRENT SITUATIONS, AND WE ARE IN FACT ALLEVIATING, TO THE

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1 EXTENT POSSIBLE, ANY ENVIRONMENTAL INJUSTICE THAT MAY HAVE
2 BEEN CREATED IN THE PAST. NEXT SLIDE. SO, THIS CHART SHOWS
3 HOW, BY DISTRICT, WE WILL BE ACCOMMODATING THE DISTRIBUTION OF
4 HOUSING UNITS, AND BY WHAT CATEGORY. IF WE START FROM THE
5 BOTTOM, THE GREEN SHOWS WHERE WE THINK WE ARE GOING TO BE
6 REZONING. AND YOU CAN SEE THAT THE SECOND DISTRICT, THE FIRST
7 DISTRICT, ARE GOING TO BE HEAVILY INVOLVED IN SOME REZONING
8 EFFORTS THAT ARE ALREADY UNDERWAY, AND WE THINK THAT WE CAN
9 ACCOMMODATE OUR R.H.N.A.-- A LARGE PORTION OF OUR R.H.N.A.--
10 THROUGH SOME OF THOSE EFFORTS. THE NEXT BAND OF COLOR IS A
11 BLUE, WHICH IS BARELY VISIBLE IN THE THIRD AND FOURTH
12 DISTRICTS, BUT THOSE ARE ENTITLED "PROJECTS." THE YELLOW,
13 WHICH IS THE NEXT BAND ABOVE THAT, IS "PLANNED COUNTY PROJECTS
14 IN CITIES." AND WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PLANNED PROJECTS IN
15 CITIES, PARTICULARLY IN THE FIRST AND FOURTH DISTRICTS, THAT
16 ARE GOING TO BE VERY BENEFICIAL TO THE COUNTY, FOR US TO
17 ACCOMMODATE OUR R.H.N.A. EXISTING CAPACITY IS THE NEXT BAND OF
18 DARK GREEN. AND THEN, A.D.U.S, WE'VE DISTRIBUTED EQUITABLY
19 THROUGHOUT ALL OF THE FIVE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS. NEXT
20 SLIDE. AS I JUST MENTIONED, WE DO HAVE SOME REZONING EFFORTS
21 UNDERWAY NOW. THE FLORENCE-FIRESTONE T.O.D. SPECIFIC PLAN IS
22 UNDERWAY, AND WILL BE COMPLETED BY THE END OF NEXT YEAR, AND
23 WE HAVE A VERY BIG AREA PLAN IN THE EAST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
24 THAT WILL BE COMPLETED IN 2023. WE JUST COMMENCED, THIS YEAR,
25 THE METRO AREA PLAN THAT WILL BE VERY BENEFICIAL IN DISTRICT

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1 ONE, AND IN DISTRICT, TWO. THOSE WILL BE COMPLETED IN 2023.
2 AND THEN WE HAVE SOME MORE REZONINGS THAT WILL BE INITIATED IN
3 WEST SAN GABRIEL, GATEWAY, SOUTH BAY, AND THE WESTSIDE
4 PLANNING AREAS, AND THOSE ARE GOING TO BE COMPLETED IN 2024.
5 IT IS CRITICAL TO STATE TODAY THAT YOUR ACTIONS TODAY WILL NOT
6 RESULT IN ANY REZONINGS TODAY. THOSE REZONINGS HAVE TO HAPPEN
7 THROUGH A SEPARATE EFFORT. THEY HAVE TO BE CLEARED UNDER THE
8 CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT, AS SEPARATE EFFORTS AND
9 SEPARATE PROJECTS. BUT ALL OF THE REZONINGS UNDER THE HOUSING
10 ELEMENT MUST BE COMPLETED BY 2024, SO WE ARE ON A VERY TIGHT
11 TIMELINE. NEXT SLIDE. AND LASTLY, THE BIG PART OF THE HOUSING
12 ELEMENT IS HOW WE ARE ADDRESSING FAIR HOUSING. AND FAIR
13 HOUSING, WE HAVE TO LOOK AT THIS FROM AN EQUITY LENS. SOME OF
14 YOU MAY REMEMBER THAT THE COUNTY, THROUGH L.A.C.D.A., HAS
15 ALWAYS UNDERTAKEN AN ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING,
16 AND THAT WAS REQUIRED UNDER H.U.D., IN ORDER TO GET C.D.B.G.
17 DOLLARS. YOUR BOARD TOOK ACTION A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO, WHEN
18 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DECIDED, UNDER THE FORMER PRESIDENT,
19 THAT THE COUNTIES AND JURISDICTIONS NO LONGER NEEDED TO LOOK
20 AT FAIR HOUSING. YOUR BOARD APPROVED A MOTION THAT REQUIRED
21 THE COUNTY TO CONTINUE TO LOOK THROUGH ALL OF OUR EXPENDITURES
22 THROUGH AN EQUITY LENS, AND TO PUSH FOR FAIR HOUSING. SO,
23 BASED ON THOSE ASSESSMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED
24 CONTINUOUSLY BY THE COUNTY, WE HAVE FURTHERED THAT ASSESSMENT
25 IN THE HOUSING ELEMENT. THIS IS REALLY IN COMBINATION OF

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1 LOOKING AT, WHAT ARE THE CONTRIBUTING FACTORS TO PROVIDING
2 FAIR HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES, AND WHAT ARE THE CONTINUING
3 CONSTRAINTS? DO ANY OF OUR REZONING PROGRAMS RESULT IN
4 INEQUITABLE OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAIR HOUSING, AND IF SO, HOW ARE
5 WE GOING TO COUNTER THOSE PROPOSALS? YOU, AS A BOARD, HAVE
6 BEEN VERY PROGRESSIVE OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS, IN IMPLEMENTING
7 MANY MEASURES THAT ALREADY AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHER FAIR HOUSING.
8 I CAN NAME A FEW OF THOSE, SUCH AS THE ANTI-DISPLACEMENT
9 ORDINANCE THAT YOU HAVE PUT INTO PLACE: ANTI-DISPLACEMENT
10 TOOLS THAT OUR L.A.C.D.A. IS USING TO FIGURE OUT WHERE TO SITE
11 THEIR NEW HOUSING PROJECTS. BUT WE ALSO HAVE OUR INCLUSIONARY
12 ORDINANCE, OUR NO-NET-LOSS ORDINANCE, ADAPTIVE REUSE, BUY-RATE
13 HOUSING ORDINANCE, EVEN OUR ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT
14 ORDINANCES. ALL OF THOSE HAVE ALREADY BEEN PUT IN PLACE, AND
15 WE NEED TO, FRANKLY, BUILD UPON THEM IN THE HOUSING ELEMENT,
16 IN ORDER TO CONTINUE OUR WORK IN THIS ARENA. NEXT SLIDE. THIS
17 HAS BEEN AN INCREDIBLY CHALLENGING HOUSING ELEMENT TO PRODUCE.
18 THIS IS, PERSONALLY, MY FOURTH HOUSING ELEMENT CYCLE THAT I
19 HAVE BEEN THROUGH. THIS IS THE ONLY ONE THAT WE HAVE DONE IN A
20 MAJOR PANDEMIC, OF COURSE, AND SO WE HAD TO UTILIZE DIFFERENT
21 METHODS OF ENGAGEMENT. AND I'M HAPPY TO SAY THAT WE REALLY
22 DID MEET A LOT OF FOLKS IN A LOT OF COMMUNITIES, AND THE
23 ABSENCE OF MEETING IN PERSON DID NOT STOP US FROM WHAT I VIEW
24 AS BEING A VERY COMPREHENSIVE AND ROBUST SERIES OF ENGAGEMENT
25 EFFORTS. THESE ARE THE AREAS THAT WE HAVE REACHED OUT TO

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1 FOLKS, AND I WANT TO GO OVER THE NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE, WHICH
2 SHOWS THAT WE WERE ESSENTIALLY, TO DATE-- AND THIS WAS AS OF
3 LAST WEEK-- WE WERE AVERAGING ONE MEETING EVERY TWO WEEKS,
4 WITH VARIOUS CONSTITUENT GROUPS, FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS. AND
5 WE HAVE ALREADY HAD TWO MORE OUTREACH MEETINGS YESTERDAY AND
6 TODAY, SO THIS NUMBER OF 60 IS ALREADY OUT OF DATE. EVEN WITH
7 YOUR ACTIONS TODAY, SHOULD YOU CHOOSE TO APPROVE THIS HOUSING
8 ELEMENT, WE DO EXPECT TO CONTINUE TO HAVE OUTREACH EFFORTS,
9 NOT ONLY ON THE HOUSING ELEMENT, BUT CLEARLY ON THE REZONING
10 EFFORTS THAT WE ARE UNDERTAKING AS PART OF IT. NEXT SLIDE. AS
11 I MENTIONED EARLIER, WE ARE UNDER AN INCREDIBLY SHORT TIME
12 FRAME. WE ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A HOUSING ELEMENT IN PLACE BY
13 OCTOBER 15, 2021. I REALIZE IT IS NOVEMBER 2. HOWEVER, THERE
14 IS A GRACE PERIOD FOR ALL JURISDICTIONS THROUGH FEBRUARY 12,
15 OF 2022. SO WE BELIEVE THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO DELIVER A
16 HOUSING ELEMENT TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND
17 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BY EARLY DECEMBER, AND THEY WILL HAVE 60
18 DAYS TO CERTIFY THAT HOUSING ELEMENT, AND WE BELIEVE THAT WE
19 WILL BE COMPLIANT BY THE COMPLETION OF THAT GRACE PERIOD OF
20 FEBRUARY 12, 2022. THIS CONCLUDES MY FORMAL PRESENTATION, BUT
21 I DO WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK ALL OF YOUR
22 OFFICES, AND YOUR STAFF, WHO HAVE SAT THROUGH MYRIAD UPDATES
23 IN THE PLANNING DEPUTY CLUSTER, AS WELL AS PARTICIPATED IN
24 COMMUNITY MEETINGS WITH US. AND I REALLY OWE IT TO MY STAFF TO
25 CALL THEM OUT, SPECIFICALLY FOR THE INCREDIBLE WORK THAT THEY

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1 HAVE DONE ON THIS HOUSING ELEMENT. AND WITH THAT, I CONCLUDE
2 MY REMARKS, AND I AM AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AMY, FOR A GREAT
5 PRESENTATION. BEFORE I BEGIN MY COMMENTS, THOUGH, I WANT TO
6 RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR BARGER.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER:** I AM SORRY. YOU JUST CALLED ME, CORRECT?

9

10 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES. DID YOU WANT TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM?

11

12 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH. AND FIRST OF ALL, AMY, I CANNOT THANK YOU
13 AND YOUR STAFF ENOUGH. I MEAN, I AM EXHAUSTED JUST LISTENING
14 TO THIS, SO I CAN ONLY IMAGINE THE WORK THAT IT TOOK FOR YOU
15 ALL TO PUT THIS WHOLE PLAN TOGETHER. AND OBVIOUSLY, UPDATING
16 THE COUNTY'S HOUSING ELEMENT IS NOT A SIMPLE OR EASY TASK, AS
17 WE SAW, ESPECIALLY WHEN THE STATE REQUIRES THAT WE INCORPORATE
18 AN ADDITIONAL 90,000 HOUSING UNITS INTO OUR PLANNING EFFORTS.
19 THE SHORTAGE OF HOUSING UNITS, AND THE GENERAL ISSUE OF
20 HOUSING AFFORDABILITY, IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUES WE
21 FACE TODAY. WHEN WE TALK ABOUT PEOPLE EXPERIENCING
22 HOMELESSNESS, IT IS FINDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO GET THEM OFF
23 THE STREET. WHEN WE TALK ABOUT PREVENTING PEOPLE FROM BECOMING
24 HOMELESS, IT IS ABOUT KEEPING A ROOF OVER THEIR HEAD. ALL
25 ROADS LEAD BACK TO HOUSING. THE UPDATE TO THE COUNTY'S HOUSING

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1 ELEMENT IS A STATUTORY REQUIREMENT, AND AN EFFORT TO COMPLY
2 WITH THE STATE'S MANDATED REGIONAL HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT
3 ALLOCATIONS. AND I RECOGNIZE THAT, IN ORDER TO INCORPORATE THE
4 90,000 UNITS, IN ADDITION TO THE THOUSANDS OF HOUSING UNITS
5 ALREADY PLANNED, THE COUNTY IS GOING TO HAVE TO BE CREATIVE,
6 AND WHAT YOU ARE DOING-- BEING PROACTIVE, IN TERMS OF LOOKING
7 WHERE WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO REZONE, AND HOW WE'RE GOING TO GO
8 ABOUT DOING THAT. HOWEVER, I BELIEVE THE COUNTY IS WELL
9 SITUATED TO DO SO, BECAUSE WE HAVE CONTINUED TO ADVANCE
10 HOUSING POLICIES AND ORDINANCES THAT HELP PRESERVE AND
11 INCENTIVIZE THE CONSTRUCTION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THIS
12 COUNTY. EACH AND EVERY ONE OF US ON THIS BOARD HAS PUT THAT AS
13 A PRIORITY, AND HAS WORKED WITH NONPROFITS, ESPECIALLY, TO
14 MAKE THAT A REALITY. IN ADDITION TO THE PROACTIVE EFFORTS BY
15 THE COUNTY, WE ARE READY TO RESPOND AND DO OUR PART TO ENSURE
16 WE PLAN FOR THE NEEDED HOUSING DENSITY TO ACCOMMODATE THE
17 STATEWIDE DEMAND. I WOULD LIKE TO NOTE THAT, AS WE CONTINUE
18 OUR EFFORTS, LEGISLATORS IN SACRAMENTO CONTINUE TO ADVANCE
19 HOUSING POLICY THAT CAN BE FRAGMENTED, DUPLICATIVE, AND REMOVE
20 THE LOCAL CONTROL NEEDED TO EFFECTIVELY PLAN FOR INCREASED
21 DENSITY AND DEVELOPMENT. THIS HOUSING CRISIS CALLS FOR
22 SOLUTIONS THAT ARE QUICK, EASY, AND COST-EFFECTIVE TO STAND
23 UP. THAT IS WHY EFFORTS AT THE STATE LEVEL TO DO AWAY WITH
24 LOCAL ZONING AND REGULATORY CHANGES, IN MY OPINION, ARE
25 MISGUIDED, BUT I UNDERSTAND WHY THEY ARE BEING DONE. BUT I

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1 THINK WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW THEM THAT WE CAN, IN
2 FACT, AT THE LOCAL LEVEL, IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA, DO OUR
3 PART TO PUT UNITS IN PLAY, IN ORDER TO ADDRESS THIS SHORTAGE
4 OF HOUSING THAT IS CURRENTLY HERE. AND I WOULD SAY THAT WE
5 CANNOT RELY ON A ONE-SIZE-FITS-ALL APPROACH, AND I BELIEVE WE
6 MUST EMPLOY STRATEGIES THAT ARE TAILORED TO MEET THE LOCAL
7 NEED. I THINK THAT WE HAVE A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY HERE, MOVING
8 FORWARD, TO LOOK AT WHERE THE BARRIERS ARE. AND AGAIN, AMY, I
9 WANT TO THANK YOU FOR HIGHLIGHTING SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE
10 NEED TO LOOK AT FROM WITHIN, TO BRING DOWN THAT COST OF
11 HOUSING. AND AT THE SAME TIME, I THINK WE ALSO HAVE AN
12 OPPORTUNITY TO-- LET'S THROW THIS OUT THERE. AS IT RELATES TO--
13 - WE TALK ABOUT GREEN, AND WE TALK ABOUT SUSTAINABILITY. I
14 THINK WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO ALSO LOOK FOR WAYS TO
15 INCENTIVIZE PEOPLE TO INCORPORATE GRAY WATER INTO THEIR
16 HOUSING ELEMENTS WHEN THEY ARE BUILDING THEIR HOUSING. WE HAVE
17 AN OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY INCORPORATE AND WORK WITH BUILDERS TO
18 ENSURE THAT WE ARE DOING OUR PART TO HAVE NET-ZERO, IF YOU
19 WILL, PROJECTS COMING INTO L.A. COUNTY. AND I HOPE THAT WE
20 WILL AT ONE POINT, AS A BOARD, TALK ABOUT THAT, AND BE
21 COGNIZANT OF THE FACT THAT I AM TALKING ABOUT INCENTIVIZING
22 BUILDERS TO GO AHEAD AND INCORPORATE THAT AS A WAY; NOT A
23 MANDATE, BUT A POSSIBILITY FOR THEM. FOR EXAMPLE, NO MORE GAS
24 HOOKUP. LOOK AT OPPORTUNITIES IN THAT AREA. I THINK WE HAVE AN
25 OPPORTUNITY ACROSS THE BOARD. BUT, AMY, FANTASTIC JOB. I KNOW

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1 THAT EACH ONE OF US IS PROBABLY GOING TO GET A LOT OF PUSHBACK
2 FROM OUR UNINCORPORATED CITIES, AND I KNOW THAT I AM ALREADY
3 HEARING FROM THEM. BUT MAKE NO MISTAKE: THIS IS ACROSS THE
4 ENTIRE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION, AND WE ARE ONLY ONE COUNTY
5 THAT IS HAVING TO DEAL WITH THIS. AND YOU'VE GOT CITIES-- I
6 MEAN, THE CITY OF L.A. HAS GOT A NUMBER THAT'S OFF THE CHART,
7 AS IT RELATES TO HAVING TO ADD ADDITIONAL HOUSING. SO, I THINK
8 THAT THIS IS OUR FIRST STEP FORWARD, AND THERE'S A LOT OF WORK
9 TO DO, BUT I WANT TO CONGRATULATE YOU FOR THE WORK THAT YOU'VE
10 DONE AND THE OUTREACH YOU DID, AMY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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12 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY OTHER MEMBERS THAT
13 WANT TO BE RECOGNIZED BEFORE I BEGIN? SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND THE
14 MITCHELL.

15

16 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND I SUPPORT THIS UPDATE
17 TO OUR HOUSING ELEMENT. THANKS, AMY. YOU HAVE SUCH A CALM,
18 MEASURED DELIVERY OF THESE FACTS ABOUT HOUSING, BUT WE REALLY
19 APPRECIATE IT. WE KNOW THERE'S A LOT OF HARD WORK THAT WENT
20 INTO IT, AND WE APPRECIATE YOUR STAFF. AND YOU'RE RIGHT. I
21 MEAN, THE CITY OF L.A., I THINK, HAS OVER 400,000 UNITS IN
22 THEIR R.H.N.A., SO 90,000 ADDITIONAL UNITS IN OUR
23 UNINCORPORATED AREA, OVER THE NEXT 10 YEARS, IS SOMETHING NOT
24 ONLY DOABLE, BUT IT CERTAINLY IS INCREDIBLY NECESSARY. AND
25 THIS BOARD, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE REALLY FOCUSED ON HOUSING. I WAS

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1 WITH EMILIO SALAS, OUR DIRECTOR OF OUR L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT
2 OF DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, AT A HOUSING SITE THAT WE WERE
3 GROUNDBREAKING IN LONG BEACH, AND HE SAID, IN ALL HIS YEARS
4 WORKING WITH THE COUNTY, HE HAS NEVER WORKED FOR A BOARD THAT
5 HAS FOCUSED SO MUCH ON HOUSING. AND THEY HAVE DONE-- THAT
6 DEPARTMENT HAS DONE MORE TO HELP FUND HOUSING PROJECTS IN L.A.
7 COUNTY, HE SAID, IN THE LAST FIVE YEARS THAN ALMOST,
8 PREVIOUSLY, BEFORE. SO THIS IS APPROPRIATE. THIS BOARD IS
9 EAGER AND WILLING. NOW, JUST BECAUSE WE ARE APPROVING, THIS,
10 WE WANT TO NOTE THAT THIS DOESN'T AFFECT OUR INDIVIDUAL
11 CITIES' EFFORTS TO ADDRESS THEIR OWN HOUSING REQUIREMENTS.
12 THEY ALL HAVE THEIR OWN HOUSING REQUIREMENTS, AND THIS DOESN'T
13 SUPPLANT THEIRS, OR IT'S NOT IN LIEU OF THEIRS. SO WE JUST
14 WANTED TO MAKE THAT CLEAR. THIS IS FOR US, IN OUR
15 UNINCORPORATED AREA, AND I SUPPORT THAT. I LOOK FORWARD TO
16 SEEING HOW WE ACTUALLY MAKE THIS A REALITY, AND HOW WE DO FIND
17 THOSE SITES THAT WE'RE ALL WILLING TO HAVE THE COURAGE TO PUSH
18 FOR HOUSING UNITS IN THOSE AREAS. IT IS MUCH NEEDED. WE ARE
19 REALLY-- EVERYONE IS BEHIND THE EIGHT BALL IN CALIFORNIA, ON
20 BUILDING ENOUGH UNITS TO SUPPORT THE GROWING POPULATION THAT
21 NEEDS HOUSING, SO THANK YOU, AMY, FOR THIS WORK. I
22 WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT APPROVING THIS TODAY.

23
24 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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1 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANKS, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU, MS. BODEK,
2 FOR THE PRESENTATION. A COUPLE OF QUICK QUESTIONS. YOU KNOW, I
3 KNOW THIS, BASED ON YOUR CHARTS, THAT THE SECOND DISTRICT HAS
4 THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF UNINCORPORATED AREA WITHOUT THE
5 NATURAL CONSTRAINTS. AND PROBABLY, AS A RESULT OF THAT, THE
6 SECOND DISTRICT HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS HAVING THE POTENTIAL TO
7 INCREASE LAND USE CAPACITY FOR CLOSE TO ONE-THIRD OF THE
8 90,000 R.H.N.A. NUMBER. SO, GIVEN THAT, I'VE GOT A QUESTION
9 ABOUT HOW WILL PLANNING COUPLE THE DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY OF
10 PROPORTIONAL INVESTMENTS IN INFRASTRUCTURE, AS WELL AS ANTI-
11 DISPLACEMENT STRATEGIES? BECAUSE I DON'T WANT THIS TO
12 INADVERTENTLY, OR ADVERTENTLY, EXPEDITE GENTRIFICATION IN THE
13 SECOND DISTRICT. SO, HOW WILL THOSE ELEMENTS ALL BE BALANCED?

14

15 **AMY BODEK:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT IS
16 AN EXCELLENT QUESTION, AND WE HAVE TO LOOK AT, FIRST, THE
17 GEOGRAPHY. AND YOU ARE CORRECT, THAT THE SECOND DISTRICT HAS
18 THE BENEFIT OF HAVING THE LEAST AMOUNT OF NATURAL HAZARD
19 CONSTRAINTS. HOWEVER, IT STILL DOES HAVE A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT
20 OF ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ISSUES, AND THOSE WERE APPLIED TO THE
21 SITE SELECTION ANALYSIS, TO RULE OUT A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF
22 SITES THAT WE COULD HAVE ACCOMMODATED, BUT DIDN'T USE, BECAUSE
23 OF THOSE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ISSUES. AS PART OF OUR METRO
24 AREA PLAN AND OUR FLORENCE-FIRESTONE T.O.D., WE EXPECT A
25 MAJORITY OF THE REZONINGS TO BE ACCOMMODATED IN THEM, AND

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1 THOSE PLANS WILL ACCOMMODATE ANTI-DISPLACEMENT POLICIES. THAT
2 IS A REQUIREMENT IN OUR DEPARTMENT, AS WE LOOK TOWARDS THESE
3 INFILL PROJECTS, IN PARTICULAR, THAT THERE BE THOSE ANTI-
4 DISPLACEMENT POLICIES AND THAT ANTI-GENTRIFICATION POLICY.
5 SOME OF THOSE ARE ALREADY IN PLACE THROUGH OUR NO-NET-LOSS
6 ORDINANCE THAT IS ALREADY ON THE BOOKS, AND WAS VOTED ON BY
7 THIS BOARD. BUT WE ALSO ARE GOING TO BE WORKING ON REZONING
8 THOSE EFFORTS THAT HAVE ADEQUATE INFRASTRUCTURE. SO, IF YOU
9 DON'T HAVE ADEQUATE INFRASTRUCTURE-- AND WE ARE VERY CLOSELY
10 WATCHING AND FOLLOWING YOUR EQUITABLE INFRASTRUCTURE MOTION--
11 WE'LL BE TYING THOSE TOGETHER AS PART OF OUR AREA PLANS, AS
12 WELL. HOPEFULLY, THAT ANSWERS YOUR QUESTION.

13

14 **SUP. MITCHELL:** IT DID. THANK YOU. YOU PAINTED A PICTURE FOR
15 ME. I GET IT. LAST QUESTION FROM ME, MADAM CHAIR, IS, ARE WE,
16 I AM HOPING, INCENTIVIZING THE PRESERVATION OF EXISTING
17 HOUSING THAT'S CURRENTLY AVAILABLE AND AFFORDABLE, IF WE
18 RECOGNIZE THAT 90% OF OUR HOUSING STOCK IS 30 YEARS OLD OR
19 OLDER?

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21 **AMY BODEK:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
22 BOARD, YES. THE SHORT ANSWER IS YES. WE HAVE IMPLEMENTED
23 RECENT POLICIES, INCLUDING OUR NO-NET-LOSS POLICY, BUT ALSO AN
24 AFFORDABLE HOUSING PRESERVATION ORDINANCE THAT SPECIFICALLY

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1 ADDRESSES THOSE ISSUES. THAT ORDINANCE WENT INTO PLACE LAST
2 YEAR. IT IS IN EFFECT, ALREADY.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

5

6 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. VERY GOOD. ANYONE ELSE SEEKING
7 RECOGNITION BEFORE I BEGIN? ALL RIGHT, THEN. AGAIN, THANK YOU,
8 AMY, FOR A WONDERFUL PRESENTATION, AND I PARTICULARLY WANT TO
9 THANK YOUR STAFF. I KNOW THIS IS OUR SIXTH REVISION FOR THE
10 HOUSING ELEMENT, BUT IN MANY WAYS, I THINK THIS PROCESS WAS
11 REALLY UNIQUE, BECAUSE IT REALLY DID AFFORD MORE COMMUNITY
12 ENGAGEMENT. AND I THINK THAT WAS REALLY IMPORTANT, EVEN DURING
13 THE PANDEMIC. AND WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL THAT A LOT OF OUR
14 STAKEHOLDERS WERE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE AND PROVIDE AN EXCELLENT
15 AND MEANINGFUL INPUT AND RECOMMENDATIONS, DESPITE THE
16 CHALLENGING CIRCUMSTANCES. ANOTHER UNIQUE ASPECT OF THE
17 HOUSING ELEMENT IS THAT THE R.H.N.A. WAS, HISTORICALLY, THE
18 HIGHEST ALLOCATION THAT THE COUNTY HAD EVER RECEIVED, AS YOU
19 NOTED IN YOUR PRESENTATION: NEARLY THREE TIMES THE ALLOCATION
20 OF THE PREVIOUS CYCLE. AND DUE TO THE INCREASED R.H.N.A., THIS
21 HOUSING ELEMENT INCLUDES A REZONING PROGRAM, A FIRST FOR THE
22 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THE SITE'S INVENTORY AND REZONING
23 PROGRAM OF THE HOUSING ELEMENT WAS CAREFULLY CRAFTED TO
24 IDENTIFY SITES FOR HOUSING, BUT ALSO CONSIDERING FAIR HOUSING,
25 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, AND REDUCING RISKS AND PROTECTING

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1 RESOURCES IN HAZARDOUS AND ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREAS.
2 THAT'S NOT LOST ON MANY OF US. THE HOUSING ELEMENT, FOR THE
3 FIRST TIME, REFERENCES COUNTY-OWNED SITES IN CITIES, TO
4 HIGHLIGHT THE FULL BREADTH OF THE COUNTY'S EFFORT TO ADDRESS
5 THE HOUSING AND HOMELESS CRISIS. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT WILL
6 CONTINUE FOR THE REZONING PROGRAM IN THE NEXT THREE YEARS, AND
7 THAT'S GOOD, WHERE A MAJORITY OF ZONE CHANGES WILL BE
8 IMPLEMENTED THROUGH A COMPREHENSIVE, COMMUNITY-BASED PLANNING
9 PROCESS, SUCH AS THE METRO AREA PLAN AND THE EAST SAN GABRIEL
10 VALLEY AREA PLAN, WHICH ARE ALREADY UNDERWAY. THE HOUSING
11 ELEMENT UPDATE IS A RIGOROUS PROCESS THAT REQUIRES
12 COMPREHENSIVE STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT, PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE
13 THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND THIS BOARD, AND SEVERAL
14 REVIEWS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY
15 DEVELOPMENT. AND EVEN BEYOND THIS HEARING, THE COUNTY WILL
16 NEED TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH H.C.D. TO CERTIFY THE HOUSING
17 ELEMENT TO RESPOND TO SPECIFIC REQUESTS FROM THEIR MOST RECENT
18 LETTER OF OCTOBER 26, 2021, AND CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS WITH
19 H.C.D. STAFF, A PROCESS THAT CAN TAKE MONTHS TO COMPLETE. AS
20 YOU KNOW, THE STAKES ARE VERY HIGH. MANY STATE FUNDS, SUCH AS
21 THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES GRANT,
22 REQUIRE A CERTIFIED HOUSING ELEMENT. IN A DYNAMIC LEGISLATIVE
23 ENVIRONMENT WHERE HOUSING LAWS ARE CONSISTENTLY BEING AMENDED,
24 A DELAY TO THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS WILL MEAN NEW
25 REQUIREMENTS AND NEW METHODOLOGIES, WHICH WILL ONLY CAUSE

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1 FURTHER DELAYS. AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, UNINCORPORATED LOS
2 ANGELES COUNTY IS READY FOR A FRESH, NEW VISION TO TACKLE
3 THESE CHALLENGES AND TAP INTO NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR HOUSING.
4 AND I DO, ALSO, WANT TO THANK MY STAFF FOR THEIR INVOLVEMENT
5 AND ENGAGEMENT, ALONGSIDE WITH MANY OF OUR COMMUNITY
6 STAKEHOLDERS, AS WELL AS ALL OF THE BOARD MEMBERS, DEPUTIES,
7 AND YOUR STAFF. I LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING THIS VOTED UPON
8 FAVORABLY, AND IF THERE ARE NO OTHER MEMBERS WISHING TO BE
9 RECOGNIZED, THEN I WANT TO THANK OUR COLLEAGUES, AND I WANT TO
10 OFFICIALLY CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, AND I WANT TO BE READING
11 IN A MOTION. AND IT GOES AS FOLLOWS: "THEREFORE, I MOVE THAT
12 THE BOARD INDICATE ITS INTENT TO CERTIFY THAT THE FINAL
13 P.E.I.R., ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. RPPL220001009, FOR THE
14 PROJECT HAS BEEN COMPLETED, IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA
15 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT, AND REFLECTS THE INDEPENDENT
16 JUDGMENT AND ANALYSIS OF THE COUNTY; AND FIND THAT THE BOARD
17 HAS REVIEWED AND CONSIDERED THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE
18 FINAL P.E.I.R. PRIOR TO APPROVING THE PROJECT, ADOPT THE
19 MITIGATION MONITORING PROGRAM, FINDING THAT THE MITIGATION
20 MONITORING PROGRAM IS ADEQUATELY DESIGNED TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE
21 WITH THE MITIGATION MEASURES DURING PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION,
22 AND DETERMINE THAT THE SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE EFFECTS OF THE
23 PROJECT HAVE EITHER BEEN REDUCED TO AN ACCEPTABLE LEVEL, OR
24 ARE OUTWEIGHED BY THE SPECIFIC OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS OF
25 THE PROJECT, AS OUTLINED IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS OF FACT

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1 AND STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS, WHICH FINDINGS AND
2 STATEMENT ARE ADOPTED AND INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE; INDICATE
3 ITS INTENT TO APPROVE THE PROJECT PLAN, AMENDMENT NO.
4 RPPL202000043333, AND ADVANCE PLANNING CASE NO.
5 RPPL2020001008, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING
6 COMMISSION, AND WITH MODIFICATIONS, AS PROPOSED BY THE
7 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING STAFF; AUTHORIZE THE REGIONAL
8 PLANNING AND COUNTY COUNSEL TO CONTINUE WORK WITH H.D.C. AFTER
9 THIS PUBLIC HEARING, TO MAKE ANY NECESSARY FINAL CHANGES TO
10 THE PROJECT, CONSISTENT WITH THE FINAL P.E.I.R. AND H.D.C.'S
11 LETTER, DATED OCTOBER 26, 2021, AND RECOMMENDATIONS; AND
12 INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY FINAL
13 DOCUMENTS FOR THE PROJECT, AND BRING THEM BACK TO THE BOARD
14 FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE." IF THERE ARE NO
15 OTHER MEMBERS WISHING TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, THEN, IT IS
16 APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING, AND TO VOTE ON THIS
17 ITEM. ITEM 62 IS BEFORE US, MOVED BY MYSELF, AND SECONDED BY
18 SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THE ITEM. MADAM EXECUTIVE
19 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

20
21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 62 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR
22 MITCHELL?

23
24 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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

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4 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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

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8 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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12 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

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

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

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21 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, AMY. THANK YOU,
22 EVERYONE INVOLVED.

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24 **AMY BODEK:** WE REALLY APPRECIATE THIS. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AT THIS TIME, I WANT TO
2 RECOGNIZE OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

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4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. FOR THE PURPOSE OF
5 THE RECORD, I'D LIKE TO CLARIFY THAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL
6 INTENDED TO ABSTAIN FROM THE VOTE ON THE APPOINTMENT OF
7 JEANETTE CAPALDI TO THE SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL COMMUNITY
8 ADVISORY COMMISSION, UNDER AGENDA ITEM 1.

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10 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, VERY GOOD. MEMBERS, I UNDERSTAND THAT
11 THERE ARE NO SPECIALS TODAY. THAT WOULD BE ITEM NUMBER 58. SO
12 WE WILL MOVE DIRECTLY INTO ADJOURNMENTS. IT IS APPROPRIATE TO
13 HEAR THOSE ADJOURNMENTS AT THIS TIME, AND WE WILL BEGIN WITH
14 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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16 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AND THIS
17 YEAR, I HOPE THAT YOU ALL WILL ADJOURN ME, AND MOVE THAT WE
18 ADJOURN TODAY'S BOARD MEETING IN MEMORY OF BOTH HORTENSE
19 KNIGHT STEWART AND GLORIA ALVANETTA SEVERAN-WORTHAM. HORTENSE
20 STEWART WAS BORN ON DECEMBER 17, IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, AND
21 PASSED AWAY THIS PAST OCTOBER 23RD, HERE IN L.A., AT THE AGE
22 OF 91. AFTER GRADUATING FROM ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL IN 1947,
23 SHE ENROLLED AT HOWARD UNIVERSITY IN WASHINGTON, D.C., WHERE
24 SHE MET AND MARRIED HER FELLOW CLASSMATE CHARLES STEWART, JR.,
25 IN 1951. IN 1960, SHE RELOCATED WITH HER FAMILY TO LOS

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1 ANGELES, AND WORKED AS A REVENUE OFFICER FOR THE I.R.S., WHERE
2 SHE SERVED FOR 35 YEARS, UNTIL HER RETIREMENT. SHE WAS
3 DEDICATED TO SERVING THE COMMUNITY, AND EVEN IN HER
4 RETIREMENT, SHE VOLUNTEERED-- FOR OVER A MONTH, BACK IN 1999--
5 AS AN AIDE TO SENATOR AND THEN-AMBASSADOR TO THE FEDERATED
6 STATES OF MICRONESIA, DIANE WATSON; AND LATER AS A POLLING
7 SUPERVISOR IN CULVER CITY, DURING THE ELECTIONS FROM 2005 TO
8 2009. SHE WAS A PROUD MEMBER OF NEW FRONTIER DEMOCRATIC CLUB
9 OF LOS ANGELES, FROM 1964 UNTIL HER PASSING, AS WELL AS THE
10 RED HAT SOCIETY OF CULVER CITY. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER
11 COMMITMENT TO PUBLIC SERVICE, AND AS A WORLD TRAVELER.
12 HORTENSE IS SURVIVED BY HER ONLY SON, HER BELOVED SON, CHARLES
13 B. STEWART III-- SHEILA-- AND HER NIECE, DR. ELAINE BATCHLOR,
14 IN ADDITION TO EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS, OF WHICH I
15 CONSIDER MYSELF ONE, AND WE WILL ALL DEARLY MISS HER.

16
17 **SUP. KUEHL:** SORRY. CAN I JOIN YOU IN THAT ONE, PLEASE?

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19 **SUP. MITCHELL:** PLEASE DO. THANK YOU, SHEILA. COLLEAGUES, I
20 MOVE THAT TODAY, AGAIN, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF GLORIA
21 WORTHAM. MRS. WORTHAM WAS BORN IN NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, ON
22 APRIL 23RD OF 1926, AND SHE PASSED AWAY THIS PAST SEPTEMBER,
23 AT THE AGE OF 95. AFTER GRADUATING FROM BOOKER T. WASHINGTON
24 HIGH SCHOOL, MRS. WORTHAM ATTENDED COSMETOLOGY SCHOOL. SHE
25 LATER MARRIED A LONG-TERM DEAR FRIEND OF THE FAMILY, LEE ROY

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1 WORTHAM, IN 1945, AND THEY HAD SIX CHILDREN THAT WERE HER
2 PRIDE AND JOY. AFTER HURRICANE KATRINA, MRS. WORTHAM AND HER
3 FAMILY RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES. SHE LIVED A FULL LIFE, AND
4 TOOK EXTREME PRIDE THAT ALL OF HER CHILDREN WERE COLLEGE
5 GRADUATES. MRS. WORTHAM WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER SENSE OF
6 HUMOR AND INFECTIOUS PERSONALITY, WHICH WILL BE GREATLY MISSED
7 BY ALL WHO HAD THE PLEASURE TO GET TO KNOW HER OVER THE YEARS.
8 MRS. WORTHAM IS SURVIVED BY FOUR OF HER CHILDREN-- DERWIN,
9 REVEREND JUDI WORTHAM HERE IN LOS ANGELES, SEAN, AND RICHARD;
10 THREE GRANDCHILDREN; AND A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY AND
11 FRIENDS, AGAIN, ALL WHO WILL MISS HER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
12 MADAM CHAIR.

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14 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT, WE WILL RECOGNIZE
15 SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

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17 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN
18 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. ALLAN FRANKEL,
19 WHO DIED ON OCTOBER 7TH. HE WAS BORN IN 1951, IN NEW YORK, TO
20 HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS, AND SPENT MOST OF HIS CHILDHOOD IN
21 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, BEFORE HE CAME DOWN TO U.C.L.A. FOR
22 UNDERGRADUATE AND MEDICAL SCHOOL. HE FINISHED SECOND IN HIS
23 CLASS AT U.C.L.A. SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, AND WORKED FOR TWO
24 DECADES AS A PRIVATE-PRACTICE INTERNAL MEDICINE DOCTOR. BUT IN
25 THE EARLY 2000S, HE TRANSITIONED HIS CAREER TO FOCUS ON

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1 CANNABIS MEDICINE. AS THE FOUNDER AND C.E.O. OF GREENBRIDGE
2 MEDICAL, HE BECAME ONE OF THE WORLD'S LEADING AUTHORITIES ON
3 CANNABIS DOSING. ALLAN TRAVELED THE WORLD TO SEE PATIENTS AND
4 CONSULT WITH OTHER CANNABIS EXPERTS. HE HAD A TREMENDOUS
5 PASSION FOR MEDICINE, AND WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A HIGHLY
6 SKILLED AND EMPATHETIC PHYSICIAN. HE WAS ALSO AN INNOVATOR,
7 HELPING TO DEVELOP TWO MEDICAL SOFTWARE PROGRAMS, CHARTSCAPE
8 AND ESCRIPT. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN JOSH, AARON, AND
9 SHIRA. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
10 MEMORY OF MARILYN LEONI, WHO GRADUATED FROM BUTLER UNIVERSITY
11 IN INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, WITH A DEGREE IN ELEMENTARY
12 EDUCATION. AND AFTER MOVING TO CALIFORNIA, SHE TAUGHT FOR 34
13 YEARS AT BETTY PLACENTIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND WAS A MENTOR
14 FOR NEW TEACHERS. MARILYN AND HER HUSBAND OF 60 YEARS, PAUL,
15 WERE THE PROPRIETORS OF PATTON'S PHARMACY IN SANTA MONICA.
16 PATTON'S EMPLOYEES AND CUSTOMERS LOVED MARILYN, BECAUSE SHE
17 WAS A GOOD LISTENER AND AN HONEST ADVISOR. SHE IS SURVIVED BY
18 HER HUSBAND PAUL, HER DAUGHTER CHERYL, HER SONS MARK, RANDALL,
19 AND RUSSELL, AND HER BROTHER WARREN. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE
20 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A REALLY FINE ACTOR,
21 PETER SCOLARI, A VERSATILE CHARACTER ACTOR, WHOSE TELEVISION
22 ROLES INCLUDED A YUPPIE PRODUCER ON "NEWHART," A CLOSETED DAD
23 ON "GIRL," AND A BISHOP ON THE SUPERNATURAL SERIES "EVIL." HE
24 ALSO PERFORMED ON BROADWAY, IN "WICKED," IN "HAIRSPRAY," AND
25 2014'S "BRONX BOMBERS," IN WHICH HE PLAYED YOGI BERRA.

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1 SCOLARI'S MORE THAN 4-DECADE CAREER INCLUDED NUMEROUS GUEST
2 ROLES ON SERIES INCLUDING "E.R," "WHITE COLLAR," AND "BLUE
3 BLOODS." HE RECEIVED THREE EMMY NOMINATIONS FOR HIS ROLE ON
4 "NEWHART," AND FINALLY TOOK HOME THE AWARD IN 2016 FOR HIS
5 ROLE ON "GIRLS." HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE TRACY, AND HIS
6 CHILDREN NICHOLAS, JOSEPH, KEATON, AND CALI. AND I ASK WHEN WE
7 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A FRIEND, ROGER
8 THORNTON, WHO DIED ON OCTOBER 27TH. HE WAS COFOUNDER OF SANTA
9 MONICANS FOR RENTERS' RIGHTS, STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBER, AND
10 LONGTIME S.M.R.R. TREASURER. WHEN HE FIRST GOT INVOLVED,
11 S.M.R.R. WAS JUST A COALITION OF FOUR GROUPS: SANTA MONICA
12 FAIR HOUSING ALLIANCE, SANTA MONICA DEMOCRATIC CLUB, THE
13 COMMITTEE FOR FAIR RENTS, AND THE CAMPAIGN FOR ECONOMIC
14 DEMOCRACY. WITH ROGER'S AND C.E.D.'S HELP, RENT CONTROL PASSED
15 IN SANTA MONICA ON APRIL 10TH, 1979, WHICH ROGER HAILED AS ONE
16 OF HIS PROUDEST MOMENTS. HE EVENTUALLY LEARNED THE COMPUTER
17 SKILLS NEEDED TO ENABLE S.M.R.R. TO DO HIGHLY SOPHISTICATED,
18 TARGETED DIRECT MAIL TO SANTA MONICA VOTERS, MAINTAINED THE
19 MEMBERSHIP LIST, SET UP THE NEWSLETTER, MANAGED S.M.R.R.
20 FINANCES AND CAMPAIGN REPORTING AS TREASURER FOR OVER 30
21 YEARS. HE IS VIRTUALLY IRREPLACEABLE. I THINK SIX PEOPLE HAVE
22 TRIED SINCE THEN TO REPLACE HIM, AND WERE STILL NOT ENOUGH. HE
23 IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE CHRIS, AND HIS DAUGHTERS JENNIFER AND
24 STEPHANIE. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
25 MEMORY OF RUTHIE TOMPSON, A GROUNDBREAKING DISNEY ANIMATOR,

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1 WHO DIED ON OCTOBER 10TH, AT THE AGE OF 111. OKAY, I THOUGHT I
2 HAD A LONG-TERM GOAL, WANTING TO GO TILL 109. 111 YEARS OLD.
3 SHE WAS A LEGENDARY ANIMATOR. SPENT NEARLY 40 YEARS WITH THE
4 WALT DISNEY COMPANY, WORKING ON VIRTUALLY EVERY FILM, FROM
5 "SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS" TO "THE RESCUERS," UNTIL HER
6 RETIREMENT IN 1975. SHE EVEN EARNED THE TITLE "DISNEY LEGEND"
7 AT THE TURN OF THE MILLENNIUM, AS THE EMPLOYEE WITH THE
8 LONGEST HISTORY WITH WALT AND ROY O. DISNEY. TOMPSON'S
9 CONNECTION WITH THE COMPANY DATES BACK TO HER CHILDHOOD IN THE
10 1920S, WHEN SHE APPEARED AS A LIVE-ACTION REFERENCE MODEL FOR
11 DISNEY'S EARLY "ALICE COMEDIES." SHE BEGAN HER CAREER IN THE
12 INK AND PAINT DEPARTMENT AS A TEENAGER, AND EVENTUALLY WORKED
13 HER WAY UP TO ANIMATION AND SCENE CHECKING, BECOMING ONE OF
14 THE FIRST THREE WOMEN TO BE ADMITTED INTO THE HOLLYWOOD CAMERA
15 UNION, IN THE PROCESS. SOME OF THE BIGGEST FEATURE FILMS SHE
16 WORKED ON INCLUDED "PINOCCHIO," "FANTASIA," "DUMBO," "SLEEPING
17 BEAUTY," "MARY POPPINS," "THE ARISTOCATS," AND "ROBIN HOOD."
18 AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
19 A FINE ACTOR, JAMES MICHAEL TYLER, WHO DIED ON OCTOBER 24TH.
20 WHILE THE WORLD KNEW HIM AS GUNTHER, THE EVER-PRESENT MANAGER
21 OF CENTRAL PERK ON THE HIT SERIES "FRIENDS," MICHAEL'S LOVED
22 ONES KNEW HIM AS AN ACTOR, MUSICIAN, CANCER AWARENESS
23 ADVOCATE, AND LOVING HUSBAND. ALONG WITH HIS 10 SEASONS ON
24 "FRIENDS," HE APPEARED IN NUMEROUS OTHER TITLES, INCLUDING
25 "SCRUBS," "MODERN MUSIC," AND "SABRINA THE TEENAGE WITCH." HE

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1 IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, JENNIFER. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE
2 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF EVELYN ZEBKER, WHO DIED
3 ON SEPTEMBER 30TH. AFTER ATTENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF
4 MINNESOTA, SHE TOOK THE COURAGEOUS MOVE TO RELOCATE TO LOS
5 ANGELES BY HERSELF. SHE FOUND A WARM AND WELCOMING COMMUNITY,
6 MET HER HUSBAND OF 44 YEARS, MAURICE, AND STARTED A FAMILY.
7 JUDAISM AND JEWISH EDUCATION WERE CENTRAL TO HER LIFE. SHE
8 TAUGHT AT TEMPLE JUDEA, TEMPLE ISAIAH, AND VALLEY BETH SHALOM,
9 WHERE SHE WAS A LONGTIME MEMBER. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER
10 CHILDREN DAVID, ALAN, DEBBIE, AND JUDY. THOSE ARE MY
11 ADJOURNMENTS, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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

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15 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
16 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF TOM CURTIS, WHO WAS 82 WHEN
17 HE PASSED AWAY. TOM WAS AN EL SEGUNDO RESIDENT, AND WORKED FOR
18 THE EL SEGUNDO WATER DISTRICT FOR 30 YEARS. HE LOVED THE GAME
19 OF SOFTBALL, AND WAS KNOWN FOR HIS CONTINUAL SUPPORT AND HIS
20 AIR HORNS AT THE GIRLS BOBBY SOX SOFTBALL GAMES. HE IS
21 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, BONNIE; HIS TWO DAUGHTERS, KRISTEN AND
22 KARRIE; HIS GRANDCHILDREN, PRESTON, BO, DALLAS, AND GAVIN; HIS
23 SIBLINGS; AND MANY NIECES AND NEPHEWS. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN
24 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JULIA SCOVILLE,
25 WHO WAS A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SAN PEDRO. SHE WAS 99 WHEN SHE

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1 PASSED AWAY. SHE WAS A WEEK AWAY FROM HER 100TH BIRTHDAY. AND
2 LAST YEAR, ON HER 99TH, SHE HAD A DRIVE-BY BIRTHDAY
3 CELEBRATION THAT MANY IN SAN PEDRO WANTED TO PARTICIPATE IN,
4 TO LET HER KNOW HOW MUCH THEY LOVED HER. JULIA WORKED IN AN
5 AMMUNITIONS FACTORY DURING THE GREAT DEPRESSION, AND LATER
6 JOINED THE WORLD WAR II CADET NURSE CORPS. AFTER COMPLETING
7 HER BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE AT HUNTER COLLEGE IN NEW YORK
8 CITY, SHE WORKED AS A REGISTERED NURSE AT BELLEVUE HOSPITAL
9 AND L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER. SHE WAS AN ACTIVE
10 MEMBER OF THE SAN PEDRO COMMUNITY FOR MANY YEARS, AND WAS THE
11 FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE SAN PEDRO NEIGHBORS FOR PEACE AND
12 JUSTICE, AND PARTICIPATED IN WEEKLY PEACE VIGILS. THERE WAS A
13 GROUP OF RESIDENTS WHO STOOD ON THE CORNER OF FIRST AND GAFFEY
14 EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT, AND WAVED THEIR SIGNS, CALLING FOR THE END
15 OF WAR. JULIA WAS A PROUD DEMOCRAT, AND WAS A LONGTIME MEMBER
16 OF THE PROGRESSIVE AND THE SAN PEDRO DEMOCRATIC CLUBS. SHE IS
17 SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN DIANE, CARRIE, MY FRIEND, AND ERIC,
18 AND HER BROTHER JOSEPH, HER SISTER POLLY, AND NUMEROUS
19 EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBERS. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
20 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF ELIZABETH MARTINEZ, WHO
21 WAS A LIFELONG RESIDENT OF SAN PEDRO. SHE PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY
22 AT THE AGE OF 73. ELIZABETH, AN AVID SINGER, WAS A MEMBER OF
23 MANY COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND CLUBS, LIKE THE ELKS AND THE
24 V.F.W., WHERE SHE SANG WITH HER BANDS. SHE WAS ALSO A MEMBER
25 OF THE SAN PEDRO Y.M.C.A., WHERE SHE TAUGHT WATER AEROBICS AND

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1 SWIM LESSONS. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTERS VICTORIA,
2 VERONICA, AND AUDREY, AND SON ADAM. SHE IS ALSO LOVINGLY
3 REMEMBERED BY HER 11 GRANDCHILDREN AND HER ONE GREAT-
4 GRANDCHILD. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN
5 IN THE MEMORY OF NANCY TAKANO, WHO WAS A MOTHER OF OUR
6 CONGRESSMEMBER MARK TAKANO. SHE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80.
7 A SURVIVOR OF THE JAPANESE AMERICAN INTERNMENT DURING WORLD
8 WAR II, NANCY INSPIRED EVERYONE WHO KNEW HER WITH HER
9 KINDNESS, WIT, AND INTELLIGENCE. SHE WAS A PILLAR OF THE
10 JAPANESE-AMERICAN COMMUNITY IN THE INLAND EMPIRE, AND WORKED
11 TIRELESSLY FOR CAUSES SHE BELIEVED IN, INCLUDING THE
12 RESTORATION OF THE HARADA HOUSE, A NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK
13 IN RIVERSIDE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND WILLIAM, HER FOUR
14 CHILDREN, ONE OF THEM CONGRESSMEMBER MARK TAKANO, NUMEROUS
15 GRANDCHILDREN, AND TWO GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. YOU MIGHT
16 REMEMBER, SHEILA, MARK CAME TO WATCH YOU BE HONORED AT THE
17 QUALITY CALIFORNIA EVENT, AND HE WAS THERE THAT NIGHT. SO, AS
18 SOON AS I HEARD HIS MOTHER PASSED, I KNEW THAT WE WOULD WANT
19 TO ADJOURN IN HER MEMORY.

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21 **SUP. KUEHL:** YES, PLEASE LET ME JOIN. I HAVE KNOWN MARK A LONG
22 TIME. THANK YOU, JANICE.

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24 **SUP. HAHN:** YES. AND I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE
25 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF WALT DOUGHER, WHO WAS THE FORMER

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1 MAYOR OF MANHATTAN BEACH. HE JUST PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER 15TH
2 AT THE AGE OF 86. WALT REALLY WAS SUCH A HUGE MEMBER OF THE
3 MANHATTAN BEACH COMMUNITY. HIS FAMILY MOVED THERE IN 1971. AND
4 BEFORE THAT, WALT MET HIS WIFE, BARBARA, IN 1951 AT BEVERLY
5 HILLS HIGH SCHOOL. AND THEIR 4 SONS, BILL, TOM, JIM, AND JOHN,
6 ALL GREW UP IN MANHATTAN BEACH, GRADUATED FROM MIRA COSTA
7 HIGH. HE TAUGHT THEM TO BE FINANCIALLY CONSERVATIVE, AND TO BE
8 RESPONSIBLE, AND NOT OVEREXTEND THEMSELVES, WHICH IS
9 INTERESTING, BECAUSE ANYBODY THAT KNEW WALT FELT LIKE HE
10 OVEREXTENDED HIMSELF. HE WAS INVOLVED IN EVERYTHING. HE WAS
11 SUCH A FAMILY MAN. HE WAS A HARD WORKER. AFTER HE GRADUATED,
12 HE EARNED AN ECONOMICS DEGREE FROM POMONA COLLEGE. THEN HE
13 SERVED IN THE U.S. ARMY FROM 1957 TO 1958, AND LATER, WHICH IS
14 WHERE I MET HIM, HE GOT A JOB WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON,
15 WHERE HE WORKED UNTIL HE RETIRED IN 1997. HE WAS A REGIONAL
16 MANAGER OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS AT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON. AND
17 IN RETIREMENT, HE KEPT GOING. HE WAS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
18 MANHATTAN BEACH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. HE WAS PREVIOUSLY THE
19 PRESIDENT OF THE REDONDO BEACH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AND VICE
20 PRESIDENT OF THE SOUTH BAY ASSOCIATION CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE.
21 HE LED THE CITY OF MANHATTAN BEACH THROUGH THE SEPTEMBER 11TH
22 TERROR ATTACKS, AND HELPED SECURE THE STEEL BEAMS FROM THE
23 WORLD TRADE CENTER SITE FOR MANHATTAN BEACH'S 9/11 MEMORIAL
24 INSTALLATION. HE WAS ON THE BEACH CITY'S HEALTH DISTRICT BOARD
25 OF DIRECTORS. HE WAS SECRETARY ON THE AMERICAN MARTYRS PARISH

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1 COUNCIL. HE WAS CHAIRMAN OF THE LOCAL SALVATION ARMY'S
2 ADVISORY BOARD, A BOARD MEMBER OF THE ARTS MANHATTAN, AND AREA
3 CO-CHAIR OF MANHATTAN BEACH NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH. AND THEN, HE
4 WAS INVOLVED IN YOUTH SPORTS IN MANHATTAN BEACH. HE WAS
5 INVOLVED WITH THE MANHATTAN BEACH AND THE HERMOSA BEACH YOUTH
6 FOOTBALL, THE MANHATTAN BEACH LITTLE LEAGUE, LEADERSHIP
7 MANHATTAN BEACH. HE WAS TREASURER OF THE RETIRED AND SENIOR
8 VOLUNTEER PROGRAM. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES AIR
9 FORCE BASE AND THE LOS ANGELES AIR FORCE BASE RESTORATION
10 ADVISORY BOARDS, AND HE WAS A BOARD MEMBER FOR THE VOLUNTEER
11 CENTER, SOUTH BAY HARBOR LONG BEACH. IF THERE WAS SOMETHING TO
12 GET DONE, WALT DOUGHER GOT IT DONE. HE WAS AN INCREDIBLE MAN.
13 I CONSIDERED HIM A DEAR FRIEND. I WAS VERY SAD TO LEARN OF HIS
14 PASSING. HIS FAMILY IS PLANNING A PUBLIC MEMORIAL SERVICE AT
15 AMERICAN MARTYRS, FOR THE SECOND WEEK OF NOVEMBER. AND HIS
16 SON, BILL DOUGHER, SAID THIS: "THE GUY DIDN'T DO A THING FOR
17 HIMSELF. HE JUST GAVE AND GAVE, AND DIDN'T COMPLAIN ABOUT
18 ANYTHING. HE WAS SO MUCH LIVING HIS LIFE TO MAKE OTHER PEOPLE
19 BETTER, AND TO MAKE HIS FAMILY BETTER." IF I HAVE EVER KNOWN
20 ANYBODY THAT'S GOING STRAIGHT TO HEAVEN, IT IS WALT DOUGHER.
21 MAY HE REST IN PEACE. THANK YOU.

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

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1 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE
2 DO SO IN MEMORY OF FREDERICK GEORGE HIRIGOYEN, OF SIERRA
3 MADRE, WHO PASSED AWAY OCTOBER 22ND, AFTER A VALIANT BATTLE
4 WITH CANCER. HE WAS 80 YEARS OLD. FRED SPENT MOST OF HIS ADULT
5 LIFE AS A PUBLIC SERVANT. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY,
6 STATIONED IN EUROPE, AND WORKED FOR THE PASADENA POLICE
7 DEPARTMENT, WHERE HE RETIRED AS AN EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN, A JOB
8 THAT HE LOVED. FRED WAS SO DEDICATED THAT, DURING HIS CAREER
9 WITH THE PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT, HE SIMULTANEOUSLY
10 VOLUNTEERED AT THE MONROVIA POLICE DEPARTMENT, AS WELL. THERE,
11 HE SERVED AS A RESERVE OFFICER FOR MORE THAN 30 YEARS ON
12 FRIDAY NIGHTS. HE WORKED WITH SEVERAL NEWER MONROVIA POLICE
13 OFFICERS, MENTORING THEM, AND HELPING THEM TO PERFECT THEIR
14 SKILLS AS D.U.I. INVESTIGATORS. HE ENJOYED TEACHING, COACHING,
15 AND MENTORING OFFICERS WITH FIREARMS PROFICIENCY. OVER THE
16 LAST 5 YEARS, FRED BEGAN VOLUNTEERING IN THE DETECTIVE BUREAU
17 AND EVIDENCE ROOM, PROCESSING EVIDENCE THREE DAYS A WEEK. FRED
18 DID IT ALL, AND ALWAYS WITH A SMILE. HE IS SURVIVED BY THE
19 LOVE OF HIS LIFE AND PARTNER, JANET PETTY, AND STEPSON MIKE
20 PETTY. ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MARY JUNG, A
21 LONGTIME L.A. COUNTY EMPLOYEE, WHO PASSED AWAY, RECENTLY, AT
22 THE AGE OF 72. MARY SERVED IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHIEF
23 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE AS A KEY MANAGER UNDER RICHARD DIXON
24 DURING HIS TENURE AS A LEAD BUDGET MANAGER. MARY THEN SERVED
25 AS THE CHIEF DEPUTY UNDER DIXON, WHEN HE BECAME THE C.A.O. SHE

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1 THEN TRANSITIONED TO SERVE AS THE CHIEF DEPUTY FOR THE
2 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, UNDER BOTH BOB GATES, AND THEN
3 UNDER MARK FINUCANE. SHE WAS MARRIED TO MIKE GALINDO, WHO WAS
4 A LONGTIME COUNTY EMPLOYEE, AS WELL, SERVING AS THE ASSISTANT
5 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. MARY PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY AT HER HOME.
6 ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF VERN LAWSON, WHO WORKED
7 MORE THAN 70 YEARS IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AS A NEWSPAPER MAN,
8 AND HE DIED ON OCTOBER 19TH, AT THE AGE OF 95. VERN CAME TO
9 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY IN 1949 TO WORK AS A REPORTER AT THE
10 LEDGER GAZETTE, AFTER SERVING IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AIR
11 CORPS AND ATTENDING U.S.C. HE LATER WENT TO WORK AT A LOCAL
12 RADIO STATION, AND WAS HIRED BY THE LANCASTER LIGHT AS AN
13 EDITOR. HE THEN STARTED HIS OWN NEWSPAPER, THE LANCASTER
14 LEADER. IN 1957, VERN BEGAN WORKING AT THE ANTELOPE VALLEY
15 PRESS, WHERE HE WORKED AS AN EDITOR UNTIL 2005. EVEN THOUGH
16 VERN OFFICIALLY RETIRED IN 2005, HE CONTINUED TO WRITE SEVERAL
17 EDITORIALS EVERY WEEK, PLUS A WEEKLY COLUMN, "IN THE
18 VERNACULAR." VERN WORKED "IN THE VERNACULAR" FROM THE 1950S
19 INTO 2021. BORN DECEMBER 17TH, 1925, IN WASHINGTON, VERN GREW
20 UP IN IDAHO. HE GRADUATED FROM NAMPA HIGH SCHOOL IN 1943,
21 ATTENDED ONE YEAR AT THE COLLEGE OF IDAHO, THEN ENTERED THE
22 ARMY AIR CORPS IN 1944. HE TRAINED AS AN AVIATION MECHANIC,
23 BUT WORLD WAR II ENDED BEFORE HE WAS SENT OVERSEAS. VERN
24 ENROLLED AT U.S.C. AFTER LEAVING THE ARMY. HE MARRIED HIS
25 WIFE, VAL, A LEDGER GAZETTE COWORKER, IN 1950. THEY HAD TWO

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1 CHILDREN-- SON VERN LAWSON, JR., AND DAUGHTER DANA JENSON. VAL
2 DIED IN 1973, BUT IN 1975, VERN WED HIS SECOND WIFE, MARGIE, A
3 TEACHER AT EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE. MARGIE DIED IN 2008. IN
4 ADDITION TO HIS TWO CHILDREN, VERN IS SURVIVED BY THREE
5 STEPCHILDREN, 7 GRANDCHILDREN, AND 7 GREATGRANDCHILDREN. ALSO,
6 WE'RE GOING TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. EDWARD C. ORTELL,
7 J.D., WHO SERVED ON THE CITRUS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
8 BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR MORE THAN 50 YEARS, WHO PASSED AWAY
9 OCTOBER 16TH, AT THE AGE OF 82. FIRST ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF
10 TRUSTEES IN 1969, DR. ORTELL REPRESENTED TRUSTEE AREA THREE,
11 WHICH INCLUDES DUARTE AND MONROVIA, ARCADIA, AND COVINA. IN
12 202, HE WAS HONORED FOR BEING THE LONGEST SERVING COMMUNITY
13 COLLEGE TRUSTEE IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. AS A TRUSTEE, DR.
14 ORTELL HELD ALL OF THE BOARD OFFICE POSITIONS, INCLUDING MORE
15 THAN 10 TERMS AS BOARD PRESIDENT. CAN YOU IMAGINE THAT, CHAIR
16 SOLIS, BEING THE CHAIR 10 TIMES? YEAH. HE ALSO SERVED ON OTHER
17 BOARDS AND ASSOCIATIONS, INCLUDING THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY
18 COLLEGE TRUSTEES BOARD, THE CALIFORNIA MASTER PLAN FOR
19 EDUCATION TASK FORCE, AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SCHOOL
20 TRUSTEES ASSOCIATION. THROUGHOUT HIS TENURE, DR. ORTELL
21 PROVIDED EXTRAORDINARY VISION AND GUIDANCE FOR CITRUS COLLEGE.
22 AREAS OF GROWTH DURING HIS TIME ON THE BOARD INCLUDED THE
23 EXPANSION OF STUDENT SERVICES, AN INCREASE IN THE RATES OF
24 STUDENTS TRANSFERRING TO FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES,
25 THE INTRODUCTION OF NEW VOCATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS, AND

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1 CONSTRUCTION OF MANY NEW BUILDINGS, SUCH AS THE HAUGH
2 PERFORMING ARTS CENTER. A PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF BUSINESS AND
3 COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY AT PASADENA CITY COLLEGE, DR. ORTELL ALSO
4 AUTHORED TWO COLLEGE TEXTBOOKS ON MATHEMATICS, AND RECEIVED
5 SEVERAL NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION GRANTS. HE WAS THE FORMER
6 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE PASADENA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION.
7 ADDITIONAL HONORS INCLUDE RECEIVING C.B.S. ANCHOR RALPH STORY
8 SERVICE AWARD, THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE ASSOCIATION "WE HONOR
9 OURS" AWARD, AND THE DUARTE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OUTSTANDING
10 CIVIC SERVICE AWARD. FOR MORE THAN 50 YEARS, DR. ORTELL HAS
11 ADVOCATED ON BEHALF OF ALL COMMUNITY COLLEGES. HE WILL BE
12 REMEMBERED FOR HIS PASSION, DEVOTION, AND HIS COMMITMENT. HE
13 IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE NANCY, SON EDWARD ORTELL, DAUGHTERS
14 SONIA WURST AND BRENDA FINK, AND 11 GRANDCHILDREN. HE TRULY
15 WILL BE MISSED. AND LAST, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
16 MARGARET "PEGGY" YORK, A PASADENA RESIDENT AND RETIRED
17 L.A.P.D. DEPUTY CHIEF, WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
18 80. PEGGY, AS SHE WAS AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN, WAS APPOINTED TO
19 THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT IN 1965, BEGINNING HER
20 CAREER AS A RADIO AND TELEPHONE OPERATOR. SHE SUBSEQUENTLY
21 BECAME A POLICE OFFICER IN 1968, AT A TIME WHEN WOMEN WERE
22 ONLY ALLOWED TO WORK CERTAIN ASSIGNMENTS. PEGGY HAD NUMEROUS
23 ASSIGNMENTS DURING HER CAREER WITH THE L.A.P.D., INCLUDING AN
24 INVESTIGATOR ON AN ALL-FEMALE HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION TEAM,
25 WHICH WOULD LATER INSPIRE THE TELEVISION SHOW "CAGNEY AND

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1 LACEY." SHE CONTINUED TO RISE IN THE RANKS AS A SUPERVISOR,
2 LIEUTENANT, CAPTAIN, COMMANDER, AND ULTIMATELY BECOMING THE
3 FIRST FEMALE DEPUTY CHIEF IN L.A.P.D. HISTORY. PEGGY MARRIED
4 FORMER JUDGE LANCE ITO IN 1981, WHO SHE MET AT THE SCENE OF A
5 MURDER WHILE WORKING ON A HOMICIDE CASE. AFTER RETIRING FROM
6 THE L.A.P.D. IN 2002, SHE WAS APPOINTED AS THE CHIEF OF POLICE
7 FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY POLICE, WHERE SHE WORKED UNTIL
8 RETIRING IN 2009. SHE ALSO SERVED AS A CONSULTANT FOR THE
9 INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHIEFS OF POLICE. PEGGY
10 ESTABLISHED THE MARGARET YORK COMPANY, A CONSULTING AND
11 INVESTIGATING FIRM, WHERE SHE SERVED AS PRESIDENT AND C.E.O.
12 DURING HER SPARE TIME, PEGGY ENJOYED SPENDING TIME IN MEXICO,
13 WHERE SHE ASSISTED IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF SHELTERS FOR
14 BATTERED WOMEN. SHE ALSO CONTINUED SERVING THE COMMUNITY
15 THROUGH VARIOUS GROUPS, SUCH AS THE SALVATION ARMY, THE ROTARY
16 CLUB, WOMEN AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE, AND THE LOS ANGELES POLICE
17 MUSEUM. PEGGY IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 40 YEARS, JUDGE
18 ITO, HER BROTHERS GREGORY AND JEFF, SONS DAVID AND DENNIS,
19 DAUGHTER CYNTHIA, 7 GRANDCHILDREN, AND TWO GREAT-
20 GRANDCHILDREN. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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22 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** CAN YOU ADD ME TO THAT?

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24 **SUP. BARGER:** ABSOLUTELY.

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1 **SUP. HAHN:** ME, TOO. CAN WE DO ALL MEMBERS?

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3 **SUP. BARGER:** SURE. SURE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WHEW. I ONLY HAVE TWO. I MOVE
6 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF REBECCA
7 AVILA. SHE WAS BORN ON JULY 10TH, 1946, IN ENSENADA, MEXICO.
8 AFTER EMIGRATING TO THE UNITED STATES IN 1962, REBECCA RESIDED
9 IN LOS ANGELES, AND EVENTUALLY MOVED TO HUNTINGTON PARK. SHE
10 ATTENDED NIGHT SCHOOL AND OBTAINED HER GENERAL EDUCATION
11 CERTIFICATE, EVENTUALLY BECOMING A U.S. CITIZEN AND ENROLLING
12 AT EAST L.A. COLLEGE, WHERE SHE LATER EARNED HER A.A. DEGREE.
13 REBECCA WENT ON TO EARN HER PRESCHOOL TEACHING CREDENTIAL, AND
14 FINISHED HER CAREER AS DIRECTOR OF THE MILES AVENUE CHILDREN'S
15 CENTER. SHE RETIRED AFTER 35 YEARS OF TEACHING, AND AMONG HER
16 GREATEST ACHIEVEMENTS WAS BEING THE LAST ELECTED TREASURER FOR
17 THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK, WHERE SHE WAS ACTIVE IN ALL
18 CULTURAL, SOCIAL, AND COMMUNITY EVENTS. HER LEGACY IS
19 REFLECTED IN THE COUNTLESS NUMBER OF HER FORMER STUDENTS WHO
20 STILL LOOK UP TO HER TODAY. AFTER A PROTRACTED BATTLE WITH
21 CANCER, REBECCA PASSED AWAY AT HER HOME ON OCTOBER 5TH, 2021.
22 REBECCA LEAVES BEHIND HER HUSBAND OF 57 YEARS, HUNTINGTON PARK
23 COUNCILMEMBER MANUEL AVILA, TWO DAUGHTERS, TWO BROTHERS, AND A
24 SISTER. MAY SHE REST IN PEACE. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
25 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BRYAN URIAS. HE WAS THE FIRST

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1 OPENLY GAY MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DUARTE, A LEADER IN THE SAN
2 GABRIEL VALLEY, AND MY FORMER STAFF FOR BOTH CONGRESSIONAL AND
3 SUPERVISORIAL OFFICES. HIS PASSING STRUCK A CHORD IN OUR
4 COMMUNITIES, BECAUSE BRYAN SPENT HIS LIFE SERVING OUR
5 RESIDENTS. THE SON OF IMMIGRANT PARENTS AND THE FIRST OF HIS
6 FAMILY TO ATTEND COLLEGE, AT CAL STATE LOS ANGELES, BRYAN WAS
7 A LIFELONG RESIDENT OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, AND SERVED ON
8 THE BOARD OF THE UPPER SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER
9 DISTRICT, WHERE HE FOCUSED ON ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ISSUES,
10 AFTER BEING ELECTED TO THE DUARTE CITY COUNCIL IN 2018. HE WAS
11 A FIXTURE IN DEMOCRATIC POLITICS, HELPING TO RUN CAMPAIGNS FOR
12 LOCAL CANDIDATES, AND ALWAYS HAD A SMILE ON HIS FACE. WHILE ON
13 THE CITY COUNCIL, BRYAN FORMED PARTNERSHIPS WITH NEIGHBORING
14 CITIES TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS, QUALITY-OF-LIFE ISSUES, AND
15 THE IMPACT OF C.O.V.I.D.-19. HIS PASSING IS A HUGE LOSS TO THE
16 COMMUNITIES HE REPRESENTED. BRYAN IS SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER,
17 ROSA URIAS, BROTHERS CHRISTIAN AND STEVE URIAS, SISTER ADA
18 CASTANEDA, AND 10 NEPHEWS, NIECES, AND GREAT-NIECES. MAY HE
19 REST IN PEACE. AND I BELIEVE, SUPERVISOR BARGER, YOU WANTED TO
20 JOIN ME ON THIS? YES? OKAY, VERY GOOD.

21
22 **SUP. BARGER:** YES, I'M SORRY. I THOUGHT I HIT "UNMUTE." YES.
23 THANK YOU. BRYAN DID SO MUCH FOR THE COMMUNITY, AND HE IS
24 GOING TO BE MISSED. I KNOW THAT THE ENTIRE CITY COUNCIL IS
25 DEVASTATED, BUT I KNOW THAT THERE'S A LOT OF PROGRAMS FOR

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1 PEOPLE IN NEED THAT HE PUT INTO PLAY, AND WAS VERY COMMITTED
2 AS A PUBLIC SERVANT TO THE CITY OF DUARTE, AND THANK YOU FOR
3 LETTING ME BE A PART OF THIS ADJOURNMENT.

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5 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. VERY GOOD. MEMBERS, THANK YOU.
6 WE WILL TAKE ALL MOTIONS AS SECONDED, AND IF THERE IS NO
7 OBJECTION TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ACTION. THAT
8 CONCLUDES TODAY'S MEETING. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE NEXT MEETINGS
9 WILL BE SPECIAL CLOSED-SESSION MEETINGS ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER
10 THE 4TH, AND TUESDAY, NOVEMBER THE 9TH OF THIS WEEK. THE NEXT
11 REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER
12 THE 16TH, 2021. MEMBERS, OUR MEETING IS ADJOURNED. THANK YOU
13 SO MUCH FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION, AND TO THE PUBLIC.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU.

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17 **SUP. SOLIS, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT. WE MADE IT. OKAY, THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. KUEHL:** GOOD WORK.

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8 That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
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11 me.

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

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