



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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1 **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON**
2 **TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2022, ON PAGE 272]**

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4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE AND WELCOME TO
5 THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY APRIL 5TH, 2022. WE ARE HAPPY
7 AND HOPEFUL TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE COUNTY IS CONTINUING TO MOVE
8 IN THE RIGHT CORRECTION WITH REGARD TO OUR COVID-19 NUMBERS.
9 AS SUCH, YOU WILL NOTICE THAT TODAY, THE SUPERVISORS, WE HAVE
10 RETURNED TO THE BOARDROOM FOR THE FIRST TIME IN TWO YEARS. FOR
11 NOW, IT WILL JUST BE THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD WHO WILL BE IN
12 THE BOARDROOM, AS WE WILL CONTINUE TO SOCIAL DISTANCE TO
13 ENSURE APPROPRIATE SAFETY MEASURES ARE IN PLACE, BUT WE HOPE
14 TO BRING THE PUBLIC AND FULL COUNTY STAFF BACK SOON AS WELL.
15 WE WILL NOW TAKE ROLL TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE. I WILL BEGIN WITH
16 SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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18 **SUP. SOLIS:** HERE. SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

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20 **SUP. KUEHL:** HERE. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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22 **SUP. HAHN:** I AM HERE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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24 **SUP. BARGER:** HERE.

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1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** FESIA DAVENPORT, CHIEF EXECUTIVE
2 OFFICER.

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

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6 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** DAWYN HARRISON ACTING COUNTY COUNSEL.

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8 **ATTORNEY:** PRESENT.

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10 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** CELIA ZAVALA, EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE
11 COURT.

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

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15 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** OF THE BOARD, EXCUSE ME. SUPERVISOR
16 HAHN, WILL YOU DO US THE PLEASURE BY LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE
17 OF ALLEGIANCE.

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19 **SUP. HAHN:** YES, PLEASE STAND. COVER YOUR HEART. JOIN WITH ME.
20 I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF
21 AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS ONE NATION,
22 UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL. SOME
23 DAY.

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1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
2 AGENDA, WE WILL BE TAKING TELEPHONIC PUBLIC COMMENTS DURING
3 TODAY'S MEETING. THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE BOARD RECEIVED
4 OVER 1,000 WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR TODAY'S MEETING, AND AS
5 THOSE WRITTEN COMMENTS WERE RECEIVED, ALL OF THEM WERE
6 AVAILABLE TO THE SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR CONSIDERATION,
7 CONSISTENT WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO
8 RECEIVE WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS THROUGHOUT THE MEETING, WHICH
9 WILL BECOME PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
10 PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

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12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
13 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 2. SET MATTERS.
14 SET MATTER 1 IS A REPORT BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND
15 APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENT HEADS AS NECESSARY ON THE STATUS OF THE
16 AMERICAN RESCUE FUNDING AND CONSIDERATIONS OF NECESSARY
17 ACTION. SET MATTER 2 IS A DISCUSSION IN CONSIDERATION OF
18 NECESSARY ACTIONS ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER RELATED TO COVID-
19 19 AND A STATUS OF THE COVID-19 VACCINE. THESE ITEMS WILL BE
20 HELD FOR DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 3, CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS ITEMS 3-36. ON ITEM 3, THIS INCLUDES AN ADDITION
22 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ALSO SUPERVISOR KUEHL
23 REQUESTS THAT APPOINTMENTS FOR MICHELLE ROFEH-LENSKY AND
24 DANIEL BISUANO BE REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE. ON ITEM 4,
25 SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 6,

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1 SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO THIS
2 INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
3 ON ITEM 7, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
4 ITEM 8, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE
5 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 9, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS
6 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ALSO SUPERVISOR HAHN
7 WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST HER MOTION TO REMOVE DIRECTIVE NUMBER 2.
8 ON ITEM 16, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE
9 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 19, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS
10 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEMS 21 AND 23,
11 SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM
12 26, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
13 TWO WEEKS TO APRIL 19, 2022. THIS ITEM RELATES TO ITEM 66. ON
14 ITEM 28, SUPERVISOR BARGER WOULD LIKE HER VOTE TO BE RECORDED
15 AS NO. ON ITEM 29, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
16 BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO APRIL 19, 2022. ALSO THIS INCLUDES A
17 REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 30,
18 THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
19 AGENDA. ALSO SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND KUEHL WOULD LIKE TO
20 REVISE THEIR MOTION TO UPDATE DIRECTIVE 2B FROM THE CLIMATE
21 RESILIENT OFFICE TO THE CLIMATE RESILIENT INITIATIVE. ON ITEM
22 32, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
23 TWO WEEKS TO APRIL 19, 2022. ON ITEM 36, SUPERVISOR BARGER
24 WOULD LIKE HER VOTE TO BE RECORDED AS NO. ON PAGE 28,
25 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 37-75. ON ITEM 39, THE ACTING

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1 COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO MAY 17,
2 2022 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM 45, THIS
3 INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
4 ON ITEM 54, SUPERVISOR HAHN WOULD LIKE TO ABSTAIN FROM THE
5 VOTE. ON ITEM 63, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
6 HELD. ON ITEM 64, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
7 HELD. ON ITEM 66, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
8 BE CONTINUED TO WEEKS TO APRIL 19, 2022. ON ITEM 68,
9 SUPERVISOR BARGER WOULD LIKE HER VOTE TO BE RECORDED AS NO. ON
10 ITEM 70, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
11 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO APRIL 19, 2022. ON PAGE 51, THIS
12 INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA, WHICH WERE
13 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS
14 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 73B, SUPERVISOR
15 MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 73C,
16 SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL
17 WOULD LIKE THEIR VOTE TO BE RECORDED AS NO. ON PAGE 52,
18 ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTIONS 76 AND 77. ON ITEM 77, SUPERVISOR
19 BARGER WOULD LIKE HER VOTE TO BE RECORDED AS NO. ON PAGE 54,
20 SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEM -- ON ITEM 78 IS A RECOMMENDATION TO
21 ADOPT A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE UNANIMOUS CONSENTS AND
22 APPROVALS OF PROPERTY OWNERS TO ANNEX CERTAIN PROPERTIES AS AN
23 IMPROVEMENT AREA NUMBER TWO AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF SPECIAL
24 TAX AND INCURRING A BOND INDEBTEDNESS THEREIN. ON PAGE 55,
25 PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 79 AND 80. THESE ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR

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1 DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 56, SPECIAL DISTRICTS. THIS IS THE AGENDA
2 FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. ON PAGE 61,
3 THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE
4 DISTRICT. THE REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCES THROUGH 1P ARE BEFORE
5 YOU.

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7 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
8 KUEHL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS,
9 SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.

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11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ON PAGE 62, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION.
12 ITEM CS2 IS AN ADDITION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
13 AGENDA. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR.

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15 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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17 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** MADAM CHAIR, BEFORE WE PROCEED TO PUBLIC
18 COMMENT, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE
19 THE RETIREMENT OF SOME VERY SPECIAL INDIVIDUALS. FIRST, ROD
20 CASTRO-SILVA, COUNTY COUNSEL, VICTOR VILLAREAL, SERGEANT AT
21 ARMS, AND VIRGINIA PRYOR, ACTING DIRECTOR OF D.C.F.S. THE
22 BOARD APPRECIATES ALL OF YOUR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION TO THE
23 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE CONGRATULATE YOU IN YOUR RETIREMENT
24 AND WISH YOU THE BEST IN ALL YOUR ENDEAVORS.

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1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ARE THERE ANY
2 MEMBERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE COMMENT? WE WILL START WITH
3 SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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5 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. TO ALL OUR RETIREES, I
6 WANT THAT THANK THEM FOR THEIR SERVICE. I WOULD LIKE TO POINT
7 OUT ROD CASTRO'S DILIGENT WORK FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS HERE ON
8 THE BOARD. HE REALLY HELPED US SO MANY TREMENDOUS CHALLENGES
9 THAT WE HAVE, AND I REALLY REALLY FELT THAT HE WAS A GOOD
10 SOLID INDIVIDUAL HELPING US OUT TO GET THROUGH SOME REALLY
11 TOUGH TIMES AND WAS ALWAYS OPEN TO ALL OF US. SO I PERSONALLY
12 WANT TO THANK HIM, AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK VICTOR, OUR
13 PERSONAL PROTECTION, PUBLIC SAFETY. GOD BLESS HIM. HE IS A
14 WONDERFUL MAN, AND I HOPE ENJOYS THE REST OF HIS RETIREMENT
15 WITH HIS FAMILY. I KNOW HE HAD A BIG CELEBRATION IN THE CITY
16 OF CHINO. HE IS A REMARKABLE INDIVIDUAL, AND MY HUSBAND AND I
17 BOTH SEND OUR VERY BEST TO HIM. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

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21 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. YES, TO OUR RETIREES, TO
22 GINGER, TO ROD, AND TO VICTOR, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.
23 GINGER, I AM THINKING WANTED TO RETIRE. IN FACT, MAYBE SHE HAD
24 ALREADY PACKED HER BAGS. AND SHE ANSWERED THE CALL TO COME
25 BACK. AND I THINK THAT SPEAKS VOLUMES ABOUT HER LOYALTY TO THE

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1 COUNTY FAMILY. AND IT WAS OUR TIME OF NEED, AND SHE STEPPED
2 UP, AND I REALLY WANTED TO THANK HER FOR THAT. VICTOR, YES,
3 YOU -- I JUST REMEMBER WHEN I WAS FIRST ELECTED IN 2016, I
4 DIDN'T KNOW A LOT ABOUT ANYTHING HERE IN THE COUNTY,
5 PARTICULARLY IN THE BOARDROOM, AND HAVING VICTOR REALLY JUST
6 WATCH OUT FOR ME, I THINK A COUPLE TIMES I NEEDED HIS HELP
7 WHEN WE WENT TO A BIG EVENT, AND HE WAS THERE TO MAKE SURE
8 THAT THINGS WENT SMOOTHLY, AND HE REALLY WAS A CHARMING
9 PROTECTOR. SO, THANK YOU, VICTOR, FOR YOUR SERVICE, AND WE
10 WISH YOU ALL THE BEST. TO ROD, AGAIN, ANOTHER ONE WHO HAD
11 STEPPED UP PREVIOUSLY IN SOME OTHER VACANCIES AND WAS WILLING
12 TO STEP IN AND DO THE JOB. AND I THINK ROD, YOU KNOW, BEYOND
13 YOUR SCOPE OF WORK AS BEING THE COUNTY COUNSEL FOR THE BOARD
14 OF SUPERVISORS, REALLY FOR THE WHOLE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, I
15 THINK THERE WERE TIMES WE PROBABLY MADE YOUR JOB A LITTLE MORE
16 DIFFICULT. I KNOW, PERSONALLY, I CAN SAY THAT ABOUT MYSELF. I
17 THINK THE FIRST ONE WAS WHEN I SAID, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE TO
18 FIGHT U.S.C. TO GET BACK THE NAME OF THE LOS ANGELES MEMORIAL
19 COLISEUM. AND IT HAD ALREADY BEEN DONE, SIGNED, INTO THE
20 UNIVERSE. AND YOU HELPED ME FIGHT THAT FIGHT. AND IT WAS ONE
21 OF THE MORE SATISFYING FIGHTS I THINK I HAVE EVER BEEN
22 INVOLVED IN, AND AGAIN, YOU WERE SO OPTIMISTIC AND SO
23 POSITIVE, AND SAID ABSOLUTELY, IF THIS IS WHAT YOU WANT, I AM
24 GOING TO HELP YOU. AND THE OTHER BIG ISSUE, I THINK I WILL
25 NEVER FORGET, WE WERE IN THE ROOM, AND WE HAD BEGUN TO

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1 UNDERSTAND WHAT HAD HAD HAPPENED AT BRUCE'S BEACH AND HOW THAT
2 PROPERTY WAS NOW OWNED BY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND YOU
3 SAID, "SUPERVISOR, WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO," AND I SAID, "I
4 WANT TO GIVE IT BACK. IS THAT EVEN POSSIBLE?" AND ROD, YOU
5 SAID "IT'S NEVER BEEN DONE, BUT IF THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT TO DO,
6 SUPERVISOR HAHN, WE WILL WORK TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN." AND AGAIN,
7 ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE THINGS THAT YOU AND I WORKED ON THAT, FOR
8 ME, WILL BE PROBABLY THE MOST PERSONALLY SATISFYING THING I
9 HAVE DONE. SO I HAD BIG IDEAS, AND, LEGALLY, YOU MADE THEM
10 HAPPEN. SO THANK YOU, AND I WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ALL THE
11 BEST. WE WILL CERTAINLY MISS YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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13 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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15 **SUP. BARGER:** AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK, FIRST OF ALL, GINGER
16 FOR STEPPING UP TO THE PLATE AND FILLING A HUGE VOID OVER THE
17 PERIOD OF TIME WHEN BOBBY RETIRED. AND SO, A BIG THANK YOU TO
18 YOU. AND I KNOW YOU HAVE DEFINITELY LED THE DEPARTMENT THROUGH
19 SOME TOUGH TIMES. AND YOU ARE TRULY SOMEONE THAT WE WANT TO
20 THANK I THINK COLLECTIVELY AS A BOARD AND RECOGNIZE THE WORK
21 THAT YOU HAVE DONE, AND WE WISH YOU GOOD LUCK. I AM SURE YOU
22 ARE STILL GOING TO BE INVOLVED. WE'VE TALKED, AND I KNOW YOU
23 STILL WANT TO BE VERY MUCH INVOLVED WITH CHILD WELFARE ISSUES.
24 SO, I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU IN THE NEXT CHAPTER OF
25 YOUR LIFE. AND THEN TO ROD, HAVING FIVE BOSSES, YOU MADE IT

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1 LOOK EASY. YOU ALWAYS BALANCED THE NEEDS OF THIS BOARD,
2 RECOGNIZING THE LEGAL GUIDELINES WE HAD TO DEAL WITH. SHEILA,
3 BEING A LAWYER, WAS OUR PERSONAL COUNSEL. AND SO, YOU KIND OF
4 TOOK THAT ON AS WELL, SAYING WITHING A SMILE, SHEILA. BUT I
5 JUST WANT TO THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING THAT YOU HAVE DONE. YOU
6 ARE TRULY A MAN OF INTEGRITY, AND IT REFLECTS WELL ON THE
7 ENTIRE COUNTY COUNSEL. I AM EXCITED THAT YOU HAD A GREAT BENCH
8 TO DRAW FROM, AND I AM EXCITED THAT DAWYN, NOW, BEING IN THAT
9 SPOT, CAN CARRY ON THE LEGACY THAT YOU'VE BUILT. SO WE WISH
10 YOU A LOT OF LUCK, AND WE WILL MISS YOU. AND THEN LAST BUT NOT
11 LEAST, VICTOR. I WAS HONORED ENOUGH TO GO TO HIS RETIREMENT.
12 AND I GOT TO MEET HIS FAMILY, AND THERE IS A LIFE OUTSIDE THE
13 COUNTY. AND KNOWING VICTOR AND MEETING HIS FAMILY, IT SPEAKS
14 VOLUMES TO THE MAN THAT HE IS. HE IS TRULY A MAN OF FAMILY, OF
15 FAITH, AND DEFINITELY SOMEONE WHO TOOK HIS JOB AS SHERIFFS
16 DEPUTY VERY SERIOUSLY AND RECOGNIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE
17 WORK THAT HE DID. SO I AM EXCITED FOR HIM TO ENJOY HIS
18 GRANDCHILDREN, AND HE IS GOING TO LEARN HOW TO BAKE AND COOK,
19 WHICH WILL BE INTERESTING, BUT I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU,
20 VICTOR, FOR EVERYTHING YOU DID ON BEHALF OF THIS BOARD AND FOR
21 ME, PERSONALLY. YOUR SENSE OF HUMOR KEPT ME GROUNDED AND KEPT
22 ME HUMBLE. SO, WITH THAT, I WISH YOU ALL THAT IS GOOD IN YOUR
23 RETIREMENT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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25 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** OF COURSE. AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

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2 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. FIRST TO ROD,
3 OKAY, I KNOW YOU ARE ALL JOKING ABOUT HOW SHEILA IS THE
4 LAWYER, BUT I ACTUALLY THINK ABOUT WHAT LAWYERS SHOULD DO AND
5 TRY NOT TO ACT TOO MUCH LIKE ONE BECAUSE I AM NOT COUNTY
6 COUNSEL. AND ROD, YOU WERE THE PERFECT BALANCE OF INTELLECT,
7 RESEARCH, CONSIDERED OPINION, SORT OF CALM APPROACH IN THE
8 MIDDLE OF SO MUCH LITIGATION, SO MUCH SETTLEMENT. I MEAN I
9 DON'T THINK THAT WE HAVE THE SLIGHTEST IDEA OF EVERYTHING THAT
10 COUNTY COUNSEL DOES EVERY DAY. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU BECAUSE
11 YOUR WORK HAS BEEN SOME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT WORK THAT WAS
12 DONE FOR THE COUNTY. AND I WISH YOU EVERY HAPPINESS, YOU AND
13 YOUR FAMILY. TO GINGER, MOVING ALL THE WAY ACROSS THE COUNTRY
14 TO COME JOIN BOBBY AND US TO WORK WITH OUR CHILDREN IN THIS
15 COUNTY WAS VERY VERY MUCH APPRECIATED. YOUR STEADINESS, YOUR
16 HEART AND COMPASSION, AND THE APPROACH THAT YOU BROUGHT TO
17 THIS WHOLE ARENA IS VERY VERY MUCH APPRECIATED. AND THEN, WHEN
18 BOBBY LEFT, AND YOU STEPPED UP AND I THINK STRETCHED THE
19 AMOUNT OF TIME THAT YOU STAYED WITH US JUST TO MAKE CERTAIN
20 THAT THESE CHILDREN WERE PROTECTED, I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW
21 GRATEFUL I AM. AND I WISH YOU EVERY HAPPINESS IN THE NEXT
22 PHASE. AND TO VICTOR, I ECHO EVERYTHING THAT EVERYONE HAS SAID
23 ABOUT YOU AND ONLY WANT TO ADD, IN THOSE SEVERAL TIMES WHEN
24 THERE WERE CROWDS OUTSIDE MY HOUSE PROTESTING, BANGING ON THE
25 DOORS, BANGING ON THE WINDOWS, SHINING LASER LIGHTS IN THE

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1 WINDOWS, PASTING SIGNS ALL OVER THE HOUSE AND MY GARDEN AND MY
2 BUSHES AND EVERYTHING, KNOWING THAT YOU COULDN'T REALLY
3 INTERFERE AND YOUR WORK WITH THE SANTA MONICA POLICE, BUT THE
4 MAIN THING WAS JUST KNOWING THAT YOU WERE THERE, THAT YOU WERE
5 ALWAYS THERE INSTANTLY ON THE PHONE BECAUSE I DON'T THINK
6 PEOPLE KNOW HOW REALLY TERRIFYING IT IS WHEN YOUR HOUSE IS
7 KIND OF SURROUNDED BY A BUNCH OF YELLING PEOPLE, EVEN IF THEY
8 ARE JUST PROTESTING. AND YOU REALLY HELPED. AND I WANTED TO
9 SAY A PERSONAL THANK YOU FOR THAT AND BEST WISHES IN
10 EVERYTHING THAT COMES NEXT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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12 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ECHO
13 ALL OF THE AMAZING, WONDERFUL, THOUGHTFUL PERSONAL COMMENTS
14 MADE BY EVERY MEMBER OF THE BOARD AND WISH ALL OF YOU
15 GODSPEED, AND GOOD HEALTH AND FORTUNE IN YOUR RETIREMENT AND
16 YOUR FUTURE ENDEAVORS. SO THANK YOU ALL FOR THOSE BEAUTIFUL
17 COMMENTS. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU PLEASE READ THE SHORT
18 TITLE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS BEFORE WE GO TO THE PUBLIC
19 COMMENT AND SWEAR IN THOSE WHO PLANT TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE
20 BOARD ON THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS.

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22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. FOR THOSE THAT
23 PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD ON THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS,
24 PLEASE BE PREPARED TO BE SWORN IN. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY
25 GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, YOU SOLEMNLY SWEAR TO TELL THE TRUTH,

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1 THE WHOLE TRUTH, AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH, SO HELP YOU GOD.
2 ITEM 79 IS A HEARING ON PROJECT NUMBER P.R.J.20221-002039 TO
3 ADOPT A COMPREHENSIVE UPDATE TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY GENERAL
4 PLAN SAFETY ELEMENT, AND THE ASSOCIATE AMENDMENT TO THE LAND
5 USE ELEMENT TO MAKE THE PLAN CONSISTENT WITH STATE
6 REQUIREMENTS AND AMEND THE SAFETY ELEMENT GOALS AND POLICIES
7 REGARDING EMERGENCY RESPONSE. A DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS
8 PROVIDED, AND CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. ITEM 80 IS A
9 HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE
10 TITLE 5, PERSONNEL, WHICH PROVIDES THE DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL
11 AUTHORITY TO DISCIPLINE COUNTY EMPLOYEES FOR NONCOMPLIANCE
12 WITH THE COUNTY'S COVID-19 VACCINATION POLICY AND RELATED
13 DIRECTIVES. NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT WAS PROVIDED, AND
14 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

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16 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** AND WE WILL NOW TAKE PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR
17 ALL AGENDA ITEMS. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL IN
18 INFORMATION THAT WAS ALSO PROVIDED ON ON THE AGENDA AND
19 EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING RULES TO THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
20 ARE CALLING IN TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

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22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA, MEMBERS OF THE
23 PUBLIC WISHING TO OFFER PUBLIC COMMENT SHOULD CALL (877) 336-
24 4437 AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 1366786. TO REPEAT,
25 PLEASE CALL (877) 336-4437 AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER

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1 1366786. DO NOT CALL THAT NUMBER IF YOU ONLY WANT TO LISTEN TO
2 THE MEETING. TO LISTEN ONLY, PLEASE CALL (877) 873-8017 AND
3 FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS. TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC CALLING IN,
4 WHEN IT IS YOUR TURN TO SPEAK, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND
5 WHICH AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH TO SPEAK ON. WE WILL ALLOCATE 90
6 MINUTES FOR ALL PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ALL ITEMS POSTED ON TODAY'S
7 AGENDA. YOU WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE TO SPEAK ON ONE AGENDA ITEM
8 OR TWO MINUTES TO SPEAK ON TWO OR MORE AGENDA ITEMS. IN
9 ADDITION, THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD WITH
10 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE PROVIDED ONE ADDITIONAL MINUTE,
11 FOR A MAXIMUM TOTAL UP TO THREE MINUTES PER PERSON. WE WILL
12 CONTINUE TO ACCEPT ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING
13 THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE RECORD. WHEN
14 SPEAKING ON THE AGENDA ITEMS, YOU MUST BE ON TOPIC. OUR GOAL
15 IS TO GET THROUGH AS MANY SPEAKERS AS WE CAN. IF YOU ARE NOT
16 SPEAKING ON TOPIC, OR IF WE CANNOT TELL IF YOU ARE SPEAKING ON
17 AN AGENDA ITEM, YOU WILL GET ONE WARNING FROM COUNTY COUNSEL
18 OR THE CHAIR. IF YOU DO NOT IMMEDIATELY OR CLEARLY GET ON
19 TOPIC, OR IF YOU STRAY OFF TOPIC AGAIN, YOU WILL FORFEIT THE
20 REST OF YOUR TIME, AND THE CHAIR WILL MOVE TO THE NEXT
21 SPEAKER. PLEASE NOTE THAT IF YOU ARE ALSO LISTENING TO THE
22 BOARD MEETING ON A COMPUTER OR SPEAKERPHONE, YOU WILL NEED TO
23 TURN DOWN THE VOLUME ON THOSE DEVICES AS SOON AS THE MODERATOR
24 CALLS ON YOU. IF YOU DO NOT TURN DOWN THE VOLUME, THERE WILL
25 BE AN ECHO. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER PLEASE.

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2 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT COMES FROM THE LINE OF MARK
3 GOLD. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING
4 TODAY AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
5 YOU MAY BEGIN.

6

7 **MARK GOLD:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. MY NAME IS MARK GOLD AND I AM
8 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CALIFORNIA OCEAN PROTECTION COUNCIL
9 AS WELL AS DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR COAST AND OCEAN POLICY FOR THE
10 STATE OF CALIFORNIA. IN ITEM 7, 36, AND 77, AND CALLING TO
11 CONGRATULATE, OBVIOUSLY, IT'S BEEN APPROVED ON CONSENT
12 ALREADY, SO THAT'S GREAT NEWS. I JUST WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW
13 THAT THE OCEAN PROTECTION COUNCIL IS VERY EAGER TO WORK WITH
14 YOU ON REALLY TRYING TO IMPLEMENT THE SINGLE USE PLASTIC FOOD
15 SERVICE WASTE ORDINANCE. WE ALL KNOW ABOUT HOW LARGE A PROBLEM
16 THIS IS, 11 MILLION TONS OF PLASTIC PER YEAR GOING INTO OUR
17 OCEANS. WE AT THE STATE HAVE TAKEN A LOT OF LEADERSHIP ON
18 PLASTICS IN A WIDE VARIETY OF DIFFERENT AREAS. THE FIRST EVER
19 MICROPLASTIC STRATEGY WAS JUST RELEASED A FEW MONTHS AGO,
20 CALIFORNIA'S OCEAN LITTER PREVENTION STRATEGY. AND THEN I AM
21 SURE YOU HEARD, GLOBALLY, THAT THE UNITED NATIONS IS STARTING
22 THEIR EFFORTS TO DEVELOP A MARINE PLASTIC POLLUTION TREATY BY
23 2024. SO I BRING THAT UP IN THE CONTEXT OF SAYING WE HAVE
24 ALREADY FUNDED THE NONPROFIT UPSTREAM TO PUT TOGETHER A TOOL
25 KIT FOR REUSE AND REDUCTION WITH A WIDE VARIETY OF DIFFERENT

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1 POLICY TOOLS, AS WELL AS EXAMPLES ON VARIOUS DIFFERENT
2 PRODUCTS THAT BUSINESSES CAN USE AND COMPANIES AND THE LIKE.
3 THEY PUT THIS TOGETHER IN THEIR REUSABLE CALIFORNIA PLAY BOOK,
4 AND THEY ARE DOING TRAININGS FOR BUSINESSES, LOCAL
5 GOVERNMENTS, ETC., ON THIS. WE WOULD LIKE TO WORK WITH YOU AT
6 THE COUNTY AND PROVIDE YOU ALSO WITH SOME FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
7 ON A TRAINING PROGRAM FOR THE BUSINESSES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
8 THAT ARE GOING TO BE IMPACTED BY THIS ORDINANCE. AND SO, I
9 JUST WANTED TO EXPRESS THAT THAT YOU HAVE A VERY EAGER PARTNER
10 IN THE OCEAN PROTECTION COUNCIL THAT IS REALLY LOOKING FORWARD
11 TO WORK WITHING THE COUNTY ON THIS REALLY CRITICAL AND
12 IMPORTANT ORDINANCE TO STOP THE SCOURGE OF MARINE PLASTIC
13 POLLUTION. THANK YOU.

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

16
17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT WILL COME FROM THE LINE OF
18 BRENDA ALMOS. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WILL
19 BE ADDRESSING TODAY AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
20 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

21
22 **BRENDA ALMOS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS BRENDA ALMOS, MAYOR FOR
23 THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT. I WILL BE DISCUSSING TODAY ITEM 6, AND
24 I REALLY APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD TODAY
25 ON THIS VERY IMPORTANT TOPIC. PARAMOUNT IS WELL AWARE OF THE

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1 NEED TO PLAN FOR AND MONITOR AIR QUALITY IN OUR COMMUNITIES. A
2 NUMBER OF YEARS AGO, WE WERE NOTIFIED BY THE SOUTH COAST AIR
3 QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT ABOUT AN ISSUE REGARDING
4 INDUSTRIAL AIR POLLUTION IN OUR CITY. THAT WAS THE BEGINNING
5 OF A LONG PERIOD OF EDUCATION AND ULTIMATE ACTION ON OUR PART.
6 WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO TAKE A NUMBER OF INITIATIVES AND BECOME
7 PARTNERS WITH H.Q.M.D. TO KEEP TABS ON AIR QUALITY ISSUES AND
8 BE SURE THAT ALL FORMS OF COMMUNICATION ARE OPEN BETWEEN OUR
9 BUSINESSES, OUR REGULATORS, AND THE CITY. ALONG WITH THIS, WE
10 ADDED NEW ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ELEMENTS TO THE CITY'S
11 LONGTERM HOUSING ELEMENT. THESE EFFORTS HAVE BEEN RECOGNIZED
12 IN A NUMBER OF POSITIVE WAYS SUCH AS THE H.Q.M.D.'S MODEL
13 COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENT AWARD, AND THIS BODY'S L.A. COMMUNITY
14 GREEN LEADERSHIP AWARD. ALL OF THIS INVOLVES CREATING OUR OWN
15 POLICIES WHERE WE COULD, MAKING SOUND PLANS, AND INFORMING OUR
16 RESIDENTS EVERY STEP OF THE WAY. MY COLLEAGUES ON THE CITY
17 COUNCIL AGREE THAT THIS MOTION BEFORE YOU THIS MORNING WOULD
18 BUILD A VISION THAT CAN ONLY IMPROVE PUBLIC HEALTH OUTCOMES.
19 WE HAVE BEEN THERE. WE KNOW IT WORKS. AND AGAIN, WE THANK YOU,
20 SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR INTRODUCING THIS CRUCIAL STEP AND THANK
21 YOU FOR LISTENING TO ME THIS DAY. THANK YOU.

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

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

5

6 **EMILY PARKER:** HI, THERE. THIS IS EMILY PARKER. I WOULD LIKE TO
7 SPEAK ON ITEMS 7, 36, 77, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. THANK
8 YOU AND GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I AM SPEAKING TODAY ON
9 BEHALF OF SEAL THE DAY. WE ARE A LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL NONPROFIT
10 ORGANIZATION, AND I'M ALSO SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE REUSABLE
11 L.A. COALITION. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE REDUCTION OF WASTE
12 FROM SINGLE USE ARTICLES AND EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE PRODUCTS
13 ORDINANCE. RIGHT NOW, WE ARE IN THE MIDST OF A WASTE CRISIS.
14 SINGLE USE PLASTIC ARTICLES ARE DETRIMENTAL, NOT ONLY TO THE
15 HEALTH OF OUR NATURAL ECOSYSTEMS, BUT TO OUR COMMUNITIES. THIS
16 ORDINANCE WILL REDUCE AN ENORMOUS SOURCE OF POLLUTION BY
17 CURBING PLASTIC FOOD WARE WASTE AND BANNING EXPANDED
18 POLYSTYRENE, WHICH CONSISTENTLY FALL INTO THE BAY'S TOP FIVE
19 ITEMS FOUND IN OUR TRASH CLEAN UPS. USE OF SINGLE USE PLASTIC
20 FOOD WARE HAS UNNECESSARILY INCREASED DRAMATICALLY DURING THE
21 COVID-19 PANDEMIC, UPWARDS OF 300% IN THE LAST TWO YEARS. AND
22 DATA FROM OUR CLEAN UP SHOWS THAT PLASTIC FOOD WARE AND
23 ACCESSORIES ARE CONSISTENTLY IN THE TOP 10 ITEMS IN BEACHES
24 AND IN WATERWAYS, WHERE THEY ARE IMPOSSIBLE TO CLEAN, WREAK
25 HAVOC ON ECOSYSTEM HEALTH, AND TRANSFER TOXINS BACK ONTO OUR

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1 OWN PLATES. IN ADDITION TO IMPROVING ECOLOGICAL CONDITIONS,
2 THIS ORDINANCE CAN ALSO BENEFIT SMALL BUSINESSES. CASE STUDIES
3 AT HUNDREDS OF RESTAURANTS AND FOOD FACILITIES ACROSS THE
4 STATE HAVE SHOWN THAT SWITCHING TO REUSABLES HAS BEEN
5 OVERWHELMING SUCCESSFUL IN ACHIEVING NET COST SAVINGS UPWARDS
6 OF \$20,000 ANNUALLY, WASTE REDUCTIONS, AND GREENHOUSE GAS
7 EMISSIONS REDUCTION. SIMILAR POLICIES TO THIS ORDINANCE HAVE
8 ALREADY PASSED AND OVER 150 JURISDICTIONS ACROSS THE STATE.
9 AND WITH PROPER OUTREACH AND SUPPORT, SMALL BUSINESSES CAN
10 EASILY COME INTO COMPLIANCE. MANY RESTAURANTS IN LOS ANGELES
11 ARE ALREADY PUTTING THESE REQUIREMENTS INTO PRACTICE. AND WHEN
12 DOING SO, THEY EXPERIENCE COST SAVINGS AND CUSTOMER
13 SATISFACTION. WITH PRICES INCREASING FOR DISPOSAL PLASTICS AND
14 AFFORDABLE ALTERNATIVES READILY AVAILABLE, THIS ORDINANCE
15 MAKES SENSE, AND IT WILL SET OUR FOOD FACILITIES UP FOR
16 LONGTERM SUCCESS BY SHIFTING AWAY FROM HARMFUL DISPOSABLE
17 PRODUCTS AND OPTING FOR REUSABLE AND COMPOSTABLE OPTIONS
18 INSTEAD. I'D LIKE TO BRIEFLY OFFER A COUPLE OF RECOMMENDATIONS
19 TO EVEN FURTHER IMPROVE THIS ORDINANCE, DETAILS OF WHICH CAN
20 BE FOUND IN OUR WRITTEN LETTER ON THE PUBLIC RECORD. WE FIRST
21 RECOMMEND EXPANDING THE DEFINITION OF RECYCLABLE TO AVOID
22 INCINERATION AND CHEMICAL RECYCLING AND OTHER DANGEROUS END OF
23 LIFE SOLUTIONS. AND WE ALSO RECOMMEND EXPANDING THE REUSE FOR
24 DINING REQUIREMENT TO ALL FOOD FACILITIES, NOT JUST FULL
25 SERVICE. AS A GLOBAL LEADER IN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTIONS AND

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1 COMMUNITY HEALTH, IT IS HIGH TIME FOR LOS ANGELES TO LISTEN
2 ITS PEOPLE AND SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS INSTEAD OF LARGE
3 CORPORATIONS AND [INAUDIBLE] ASSOCIATIONS. WE MUST MOVE AWAY
4 FROM TOXIC AND HARMFUL PLASTIC PRODUCTS THAT PROLIFERATE IN AN
5 EXTRACTIVE ECONOMY THAT POLLUTES BOTH PEOPLE AND PLANET. THIS
6 ORDINANCE IS AN ESSENTIAL STEP TO REDUCING A MAJOR SOURCE OF
7 PLASTIC POLLUTION, AND WE EXPRESS OUR STRONG SUPPORT. I'D LIKE
8 TO ALSO THANK THE THE SUPERVISORS AND THEIR STAFF FOR THEIR
9 DEDICATION TO PROTECTING OUR PRECIOUS COMMUNITIES AND OUR
10 ENVIRONMENT AND FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TODAY, THANK YOU.

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

13
14 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE GO TO THE LINE OF GUSTAVO HERRERA. PLEASE
15 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING TODAY
16 AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU
17 MAY BEGIN.

18
19 **GUSTAVO HERRERA:** THIS IS GUSTAVO HERRERA, ITEM 27 AND GENERAL
20 PUBLIC COMMENT. CAN YOU HEAR ME OKAY.

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

23
24 **GUSTAVO HERRERA:** GOOD MORNING AND BUENOS DIAS, MADAM CHAIR
25 MITCHELL AND SUPERVISORS. HAPPY ARTS MONTH TO L.A. COUNTY. AND

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1 HAPPY ARTS, CULTURE, AND CREATIVITY MONTH TO ALL CALIFORNIANS.
2 MY NAME IS GUSTAVO HERRERA, C.E.O. OF ARTS FOR L.A. WE ARE THE
3 REGIONAL ARTS AND CULTURE ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION REPRESENTING
4 75,000 ARTS ADVOCATES AND 185 ARTS AND CULTURE ORGANIZATIONS.
5 THANK YOU CHAIR MITCHELL AND KUEHL FOR INITIATING THE
6 ADVANCING EQUITY AND GRANT FUNDING MOTION. AND I URGE THE
7 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO VOTE YES ON THIS MOTION. SUPERVISORS,
8 I ASK THAT YOU CONSIDER TWO DATA POINTS AS YOU CONSIDER
9 TODAY'S MOTION AND THE URGENCY OF THIS MOTION. A RECENT STUDY
10 BY S.M.U. DATA ARTS FOUND THAT UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE ARTS WAS
11 DOUBLE THAT, DOUBLE THAT, OF THE OVERALL NATIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT
12 WITH B.I.P.O.C. AND DISABLED INDIVIDUALS DISPROPORTIONATELY
13 AFFECTED. A RECENT SURVEY FOUND THAT L.A. PERFORMING ARTS
14 ORGANIZATIONS ARE SEEING A 50% RETURN IN AUDIENCE AND
15 APPROXIMATELY ONE THIRD PRE-PANDEMIC REVENUES. THE NEED TO
16 SUPPORT JOBS AND BUSINESSES THROUGH THIS MOTION IS URGENT FOR
17 ARTS AND CULTURE. LAST MONTH, THE U.S. RECORDED THE FASTEST
18 PACE OF ANNUAL INFLATION IN 40 YEARS, BUT THERE HAS BEEN NO
19 INCREASE IN OVER ONE DECADE TO THE ORGANIZATIONAL GRANT
20 PROGRAM O.G.P. TO ACCOUNT FOR RISING COSTS OF OPERATIONS,
21 WAGES, AND ARTIST COMPENSATION. TODAY'S YES VOTE IS A STEP
22 TOWARDS ADVANCING CULTURAL EQUITY IN LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU
23 FOR YOUR TIME THIS MORNING.

24

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

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

6

7 **TAB RHODES:** GOOD MORNING. I WILL BE ADDRESSING AGENDA ITEM
8 NUMBER 80 AND GENT COMMENT. MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
9 BOARD, MY NAME IS TAB RHODES, AND I AM THE PRESIDENT OF LOS
10 ANGELES COUNTY PROFESSIONAL PEACE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, OR
11 P.O.P.A., WHICH REPRESENTS OVER 9,000 ACTIVE AND RETIRED
12 MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY WORKFORCE. OUR MEMBERS, BY DEFINITION OF
13 THEIR ROLES, ADVOCATE FOR SAFETY OF THE CITIZENS OF LOS
14 ANGELES COUNTY. HOWEVER, THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, LIKE MANY
15 OTHER ISSUES IN SOCIETY, CURRENTLY IS OFTEN DEFINED BY
16 EMOTION. MANY OF OUR MEMBERSHIP HAVE ALREADY BEEN VACCINATED
17 OR, AS FRONTLINE RESPONDERS SUFFERED THE EFFECTS OF COVID-19,
18 PRESUMABLY NOW HAVING ANTIBODIES AGAINST FUTURE INFECTION.
19 OTHERS HAVE STRONG FEELINGS RELATED TO THE VACCINE AND ITS
20 UNKNOWN LONGTERM EFFECTS. THE PROPOSED REVISION TO THE CODE ON
21 TODAY'S AGENDA IS A TARGETED OVERREACH BY MEMBERS OF THIS
22 BOARD TO UNDERMINE THE AUTHORITY OF ONE PERSON, AN ELECTED
23 DEPARTMENT HEAD WHOSE ACTIONS ARE NOT IN LINE WITH THE BOARD'S
24 WISHES AND WHICH HAS THE DIRECT IMPACT ON MEMBERSHIP OF
25 P.O.P.A. AND OTHER LABOR PARTNERS. IN SPEAKING OF LABOR

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1 PARTNERS, THE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THIS BOARD BY COUNTY
2 COUNSEL IS MISREPRESENTED. THE COVER LETTER FROM THE DEPENDENT
3 COUNTY COUNSEL OF THE LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT DIVISION STATES,
4 "AS DIRECTED BY YOUR BOARD, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE MET
5 WITH THE COUNTY'S LABOR PARTNERS REGARDING THE EFFECTS OF THIS
6 ORDINANCE." THIS DID NOT HAPPEN. P.O.P.A. AND OTHER MEMBERS OF
7 THE COUNTY COALITION OF UNIONS HAVE COMMUNICATED TO THE
8 C.E.O.'S OFFICE OUR DESIRE TO MEET AND CONFER WITH NO
9 RESPONSE. ADDITIONALLY, MEMBER UNIONS OF THE C.C.U. ARE STILL
10 AT IMPASSE REGARDING THE EXISTING COVID-19 POLICY. OUR REQUEST
11 IS SIMPLE. P.O.P.A. WOULD ASK THAT THIS BOARD DELAY ANY VOTE
12 ON THIS AGENDA ITEM UNTIL GOOD FAITH NEGOTIATIONS AND LEGAL
13 REQUIREMENTS OF M.M.B.A. HAVE BEEN COMPLETED. UNILATERAL
14 ACTION WITHOUT COMPLYING WITH THE LAW IS ILLEGAL, UNDERMINING,
15 AND FLIES IN THE FACE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S RECOGNITION AS A
16 LABOR COUNTY. P.O.P.A. IS AND --

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

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

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1 **PETER WARDA:** GOOD MORNING. PETER WARDA, ITEM 36 AND GENERAL
2 PUBLIC COMMENT. CHAIR MITCHELL AND SUPERVISORS, GOOD MORNING.
3 MY NAME IS PETER WARDA, AND I AM CALLING ON BEHALF OF
4 V.I.C.A., THE VALLEY INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE ASSOCIATION. WE
5 OPPOSE ITEM 36. WHILE V.I.C.A. UNDERSTANDS THE OBJECTIVES OF
6 ELIMINATING PLASTIC WASTE IN THE ENVIRONMENT, IT IS NOT CLEAR
7 THIS POLICY WILL LEAD TO A DECREASE IN LITER, INCREASE IN
8 DIVERSION FROM LANDFILLS, OR A REDUCTION OF GREENHOUSE GASES.
9 HOWEVER, THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE WILL INCREASE COST TO LOCAL
10 RESTAURANTS, RETAIL BUSINESSES, SCHOOLS, AND ELDERLY
11 FACILITIES. TO PUT THE COST IMPACT INTO PERSPECTIVE, 1,000
12 TRADITIONAL FORKS COSTS ABOUT THE SAME AS 140 COMPOSTABLE
13 FORKS. THE PROPOSAL ALSO DOES NOT CONSIDER INDIVIDUAL
14 BUSINESSES' NEEDS AND SPECIFIC SITUATIONS. LOCAL RESTAURANTS,
15 RETAIL BUSINESSES, SCHOOLS, AND ELDERLY FACILITIES ARE
16 STRUGGLING WITH COSTS, LABOR SHORTAGES, AND SEVERAL OTHER
17 GOVERNMENT MANDATES AND COVID RELATED CHALLENGES. TO SURVIVE,
18 THEY DESERVE THE ABILITY TO CHOOSE FROM COMPLYING OPTIONS
19 BASED ON COST, FUNCTIONALITY, SUPPLY CHAIN AVAILABILITY, AND
20 CUSTOMER NEED. THESE CHOICES ARE PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT NOW
21 WHEN THE PANDEMIC HAS CAUSED A SIGNIFICANT DECLINE IN DINE IN
22 SERVICES. EXISTING AND EMERGING RECYCLING TECHNOLOGIES ARE
23 CAPABLE OF SUSTAINABLY RECYCLING FOOD SERVICE WARE MADE OF
24 PLASTIC. COUNTY EFFORTS SHOULD FOCUS ON OTHER OPTIONS SUCH AS
25 PRODUCTS WITH POST CONSUMER MATERIAL, EDUCATING CITIZENS ON

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1 LITTERING AND RECYCLING, AND IMPLEMENTING SUSTAINABLE ORGANIC
2 AND RECYCLING PROGRAMS RATHER THAN BANNING ENTIRE PRODUCT
3 LINES. WE URGE YOU TO OPPOSE THE PLASTIC ORDINANCE RESTRICTING
4 FOOD SERVICE PACKAGING AND TAKE OUT CONTAINERS. THIS WILL ONLY
5 BE MORE REGULATIONS AND HIGHER COSTS IN L.A. COUNTY, THANK
6 YOU.

7

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

9

10 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF C.J. O'BRIAN. PLEASE
11 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON
12 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

13

14 **C.J. O'BRIAN:** HI. THIS IS C.J. O'BRIAN. I WILL BE SPEAKING ON
15 ITEMS 7, 36, 77, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. THANK YOU TO L.A.
16 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP ON REDUCING
17 UNNECESSARY SINGLE USE PLASTIC. MY NAME IS C.J. O'BRIAN. I'M
18 PLASTICS CAMPAIGN ASSOCIATE AT OCEANA, THE LARGEST
19 INTERNATIONAL ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION DEDICATED SOLELY TO OCEAN
20 CONSERVATION. I AM CALLING IN TO SUPPORT ITEMS NUMBER 7, 36,
21 AND 77, THE REDUCTION OF WASTE FROM SINGLE USE ARTICLES AND
22 EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE PRODUCTS ORDINANCE TO BAN SINGLE USE
23 PLASTIC FOOD WARE, BAN EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE PRODUCTS, AND
24 REQUIRE REUSABLES FOR FULL SERVICE DINE IN EATERIES. PLASTIC
25 POLLUTION IS A GROWING THREAT TO THE WORLD'S OCEAN AS WELL AS

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1 THE HEALTH OF OUR COMMUNITIES. EACH YEAR, 33 BILLION POUNDS OF
2 PLASTIC ENTER THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT, WHICH IS ROUGHLY
3 EQUIVALENT TO DUMPING TWO GARBAGE TRUCKS FULL OF PLASTICS INTO
4 THE OCEAN EVERY MINUTE. IF NOTHING CHANGES, THE AMOUNT OF
5 PLASTIC ENTERING THE OCEAN IS PROJECTED TO TRIPLE BY 2040.
6 MARINE ANIMALS, MANY OF WHICH ARE ENDANGERED, ARE CONSUMING OR
7 BECOMING ENTANGLED IN THE PLASTIC FLOODING OUR OCEAN. AND THIS
8 POSES A GREAT RISK TO THE HEALTH OF OUR CRITICAL MARINE
9 ECOSYSTEMS. ON TOP OF THIS, PLASTIC HAS NOW BEEN FOUND IN OUR
10 WATER, OUR FOOT, AIR, AND BODIES. AND SCIENTISTS ARE STILL
11 LEARNING HOW THIS MAY BE EFFECTING HUMAN HEALTH. REDUCING USE
12 OF SINGLE USE PLASTIC FOOD WARE WE USE IN RESTAURANTS IS AN
13 IMPORTANT AND CRITICAL STEP IN TACKLING THE PLASTIC POLLUTION
14 CRISIS. I ASK THAT YOU MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS ORDINANCE TODAY.
15 THE TIME TO ACT IS NOW. THANK YOU.

16

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

18

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

23

24 **CLARA CONSTERNABLE:** HI THERE. MY NAME IS CLARA. I WILL BE
25 SPEAKING ON ITEMS 7, 36, 77, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

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1 HELLO, I'M A SECOND YEAR SOCIOLOGY MAJOR AT U.C.L.A. AND AN
2 INTERN WITH CAL PER STUDENTS, AND I'M SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF
3 THE SINGLE USE PLASTICS ORDINANCE. PLASTIC POLLUTION IS
4 IMPORTANT TO ME BECAUSE PLASTIC WASTE IS EVERYWHERE AND POSES
5 A REALLY BIG HEALTH RISK TO OUR COMMUNITY. REFINING OIL TO
6 MAKE PLASTICS RELEASES A LOT OF HARMFUL TOXINS INTO OUR AIR
7 AND WATER. ADDITIONALLY, DUE TO BIOACCUMULATION, CHEMICALS IN
8 PLASTICS POSE A GREATER AND GREATER THREAT TO OUR HEALTH OVER
9 TIME. AND PLASTIC DOESN'T BIODEGRADE BUT INSTEAD BREAKS DOWN
10 INTO MICROPLASTICS, WHICH ROUTINELY ENTER OUR WATER AND EVEN
11 ENTER OUR BODIES. AND THIS CAUSES LONGTERM HEALTH EFFECTS,
12 WHICH DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECT PEOPLE IN UNDERSERVED
13 COMMUNITIES WHERE PLASTIC POLLUTION IS GREATER. ALSO, ONLY 5%
14 OF PLASTIC IS RECYCLED, SO THAT IS NOT REALLY A LONGTERM
15 SOLUTION TO THIS PROBLEM. AND [INAUDIBLE] PLASTICS IN L.A.
16 COUNTY WOULD BE A REALLY BIG STEP TO PRESERVE THE ENVIRONMENT
17 AND PUBLIC HEALTH OF OUR COMMUNITIES. U.C.L.A. STUDENTS ARE IN
18 SUPPORT OF THIS ORDINANCE. CALPIRG STUDENTS IS A STUDENT RUN,
19 STUDENT FUNDED ADVOCACY GROUP. AND WE HAVE COLLECTED CLOSE TO
20 1,930 PETITION SIGNATURES AND 38 PERSONAL LETTERS FROM
21 U.C.L.A. STUDENTS. WE ALSO WORKED WITH U.C.L.A. STUDENT
22 GOVERNMENT TO UNANIMOUSLY PASS A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THIS
23 ORDINANCE AND HAD THE SUPPORT OF 16 SMALL BUSINESSES IN L.A.
24 COUNTY. IT'S CLEAR THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT IS IMPORTANT TO THE

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1 COMMUNITY, SO I'M URGING THE BOARD TO APPROVE THIS SINGLE USE
2 PLASTICS ORDINANCE. THANK YOU.

3

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

5

6 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF MELANIE
7 SLAUGHTERBECK. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WILL
8 BE ADDRESSING TODAY AND WHETHER YOU'RE ADDRESSING ON PUBLIC
9 COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

10

11 **MELANIE SLAUGHTERBECK:** THANK YOU. AGENDA ITEM 79. MELANIE
12 SLAUGHTERBECK REPRESENTING HILLS FOR EVERYONE. WE SUPPORT THE
13 SAFETY ELEMENT. THOSE WITH THE LEAST FINANCIAL MEANS ARE THE
14 LEAST ABLE TO RECOVER FROM NATURAL DISASTERS AND SUFFER
15 HOMELESSNESS. WE NOTE THAT EVACUATIONS FAIL AND HOMES BUILT TO
16 NEW CODES BURN ANYWAY. MORE THAN HALF THE STRUCTURES LOST IN
17 THE VENTURA FIRE HAD FIRE RESISTANCE FEATURES. EVACUATION
18 ROUTES ARE ALREADY BEYOND CAPACITY. MULTIPLE FIRES HAVE PROVEN
19 THIS POINT. THE SAFETY ELEMENT AND LAND USE AMENDMENT ARE
20 BALANCED. THEY DO NOT STOP ALL NEW CONSTRUCTION AND FIRE ZONES
21 BUT ONLY THOSE THAT LEAPFROG BEYOND THE CURRENT LIMIT. WITHIN
22 EXISTING COMMUNITIES, NEW SUBDIVISIONS CAN CONTINUE. WE ASK
23 THAT THE CURRENT LANGUAGE NOT BE WEAKENED. WE COMMEND THIS
24 COMPROMISE TO GET US ON THE RIGHT TRACK TO A SAFE FUTURE.
25 THANK YOU.

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

3

4 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE GO TO THE LINE OF FERAMARS NABAVI. PLEASE
5 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING TODAY
6 AND WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC. YOU MAY BEGIN.

7

8 **FERAMARS NABAVI:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ON ITEMS, 5, 7,
9 26, 28,, 36, AND 77, AND GENERAL COMMENT. I'M A CONSTITUENT OF
10 SUPERVISOR SHEILA KUEHL IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. I WANT TO
11 SPEAK ON ITEMS 7, 36, AND 77 IN SUPPORT OF REDUCING SINGLE USE
12 ITEMS AND SPECIFICALLY DISPOSABLE PLASTIC WASTE. I SUPPORT
13 ITEM 28, WHICH IS TO GET PAST A.B.1608 TO SEPARATE CORONERS
14 FROM SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO REDUCE THE RISK OF BIAS. I ALSO
15 WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR BEING ONE OF THE AUTHORS OF
16 ITEM 5 TO MAKE SURE THERE IS A STRONG RENTAL HOUSING
17 HABITABILITY PROGRAM THAT PROTECTS RENTERS FROM SUBSTANDARD
18 HOUSING, FROM MOLD AND PEST INFESTATIONS BECAUSE HEALTHY
19 HOUSING FOUNDATIONAL. IT IS A RACIAL AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE
20 ISSUE. AND SUBSTANDARD HOUSING LEADS TO DISPLACEMENT, HEALTH
21 PROBLEMS, AND DISEASE. AND SO, I WANT TO FINALLY MENTION THAT
22 ON ITEM 26 I ALSO SUPPORT THE ENSURING OF PROPER OVERSIGHT
23 GIVEN ALL THE SCANDALS THAT HAVE COME OUT ABOUT SHERIFF ALEX
24 VILLANUEVA. WE NEED TO HAVE BETTER OVERSIGHT OVER THE

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1 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SO I THANK THE BOARD FOR PUTTING THAT ON
2 THE AGENDA AS WELL. THANK YOU.

3

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

5

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

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** WE WILL NOW HERE THE SPANISH
12 INTERPRETATION OF THIS MESSAGE. [INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN IN
13 SPANISH]

14

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

16

17 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF DANIEL TURNER.
18 PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING
19 TODAY AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
20 YOU MAY BEGIN.

21

22 **DANIEL TURNER:** HI THERE. MY NAME IS DANIEL TURNER, AND I'LL BE
23 SPEAKING ON ITEMS 7, 36, 77, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I AM
24 A FOURTH YEAR STUDENT AT U.C.L.A. AND AN INTERN WITH CALPIRG
25 STUDENTS. AND I AM SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF THE SINGLE USE

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1 PLASTICS ORDINANCE. WE KNOW THAT A LOT OF POLLUTION COMES FROM
2 THINGS THAT WE DON'T NEED AND WE'VE KNOWN FOR DECADES THAT WE
3 SHOULDN'T BE USING, IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA, ALONE, 10 METRIC
4 TONS OF OF PLASTIC FRAGMENTS COMING FROM THINGS LIKE GROCERY
5 BAGS, STRAWS, AND SODA BOTTLES ARE CARRIED INTO THE PACIFIC
6 OCEAN EVERY DAY. I THINK WE CAN ALL AGREE THAT NOTHING THAT WE
7 USE FOR FIVE MINUTES SHOULD BE POLLUTING OUR ENVIRONMENT FOR
8 HUNDREDS OF YEARS. AND TWO YEARS AGO, I WORKED WITH CALPIRG
9 STUDENTS TO GET U.C.L.A. COMMITTED TO PHASING OUR SINGLE USE
10 PLASTICS ON CAMPUS. SINCE THEN, U.C.L.A. HAS WITNESSED A
11 MASSIVE DECLINE IN SINGLE USE PLASTIC POLLUTION, WHICH LEADS
12 TO CLEANER ECOSYSTEMS AND BOLSTERS THE PUBLIC HEALTH OF
13 THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY. I HAVE SEEN A TREMENDOUS POSITIVE
14 EFFECTS THAT AN ORDINANCE LIKE THIS CAN HAVE, WHICH IS WHY I
15 AM URGING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO APPROVE THE SINGLE USE
16 PLASTICS ORDINANCE. THANK YOU.

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

19
20 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF HARRY SEMERJEN. OF
21 THE CAMPUS COMMUNITY. AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL
22 PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

23
24 **HARRY SEMERJEN:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
25 IS HARRY SEMERJEN. I AM A SENIOR PUBLIC POLICY MANAGER WITH

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1 THE L.A. AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. WE REPRESENT THE INTERESTS
2 OF HALF A MILLION BUSINESSES IN THE LOS ANGELES REGION AND THE
3 VOICE OVER OUR 1400 MEMBERS. THE L.A. AREA CHAMBER STRONGLY
4 OPPOSES ITEM 36, THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE THAT WOULD BAN THE USE
5 OF SINGLE USE PLASTICS. WHILE WELL INTENTIONED, THE PROPOSED
6 ORDINANCE WILL UNFAIRLY HARM OUR MOST VULNERABLE SMALL
7 BUSINESSES AND ADD NEW COSTS TO FOOD AND GOODS AS RESIDENTS OF
8 OUR CITY STRUGGLE WITH RISING INFLATION AND THE COSTLY
9 ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF THE PANDEMIC. THE TIMING OF THIS PROPOSED
10 ORDINANCE COULDN'T BE WORSE GIVEN THESE AND OTHER CONCERNS
11 ASSOCIATED WITH THE ONGOING SUPPLY CHALLENGES AND LABOR
12 INCREASES. THESE NEW MANDATED COSTS WOULD ADD TO ALL THE
13 SKYROCKETS COSTS SMALL BUSINESSES ARE CURRENTLY STRUGGLING
14 WITH. FOR THESE REASONS AND MORE, THE L.A. CHAMBER FORCEFULLY
15 OPPOSES ITEM 36 AND ASKS FOR YOUR NO VOTE IN THE SPIRIT OF
16 ENSURING THAT OUR BUSINESSES STAY AFLOAT DURING THESE
17 DIFFICULT TIMES. THANK YOU.

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

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

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1 **DONALD HARLAND:** HI. THIS IS DONALD HARLAND. I WOULD LIKE TO
2 SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS 3, 5, 8, 15, 19, 23, 24, 28, 40, 45, 47,
3 52, 53, AND A GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I WILL NEED THE FULL
4 THREE MINUTES. OKAY, I NEED TO A MOTION TO CEASE -- AGENDA
5 ITEM NUMBER 3, APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, AND
6 SPECIAL DISTRICTS. I WANT A MOTION TO CEASE AND DESIST FOR THE
7 L. A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO MAKE THEM STOP ANY
8 FURTHER APPOINTMENTS TO COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES, OR SPECIAL
9 DISTRICTS. I NEED TO MOTION NO TO ALL OF THE AMENDMENTS TO ALL
10 OF THE AGENDA ITEMS. THIS IS AN ILLEGAL LAND GRAB. THIS IS AN
11 ILLEGAL POWER GRAB. THAT'S NOT L.A. COUNTY LAND. IT'S NOT FOR
12 THEM TO DECIDE WHAT TO DO WITH. THOSE SUPERVISORS AND ALL OF
13 THOSE AMENDMENTS TO THESE AGENDA ITEMS, THESE SUPERVISORS NEED
14 TO GO TO JAIL JUST FOR RECOMMENDING THEM. AGENDA ITEM NUMBER
15 5, ESTABLISH HOUSING HABITABILITY RENT ESCROW PROGRAM. NO.
16 THEY ARE JUST TRYING TO JUSTIFY ILLEGAL DEVELOPMENT AND REAL
17 ESTATE CRIMES THEY'RE COMMITTING. AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 8, 988
18 IMPLEMENTATION. NO. TOO MUCH PERSONAL INFORMATION FOR THE
19 GOVERNMENT. THESE PEOPLE SHOULDN'T BE IN THERE DOING THAT.
20 AGENDA ITEM 15, RECONVEYANCE OF DEER LAKE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT
21 RANCH LAND OUT THERE. YOU KNOW WHAT? FOUR STAR DELAWARE DOES
22 NOT OWN THAT. THERE'S AN ILLEGAL LAND GRAB AND MODIFICATION OF
23 THE ASSESSOR REPORT 1998 TO 2000. THOSE TWO ASSESSOR REPORTS,
24 ILLEGAL. IT WAS OUT OF SEQUENCE IN 2003, AND THEN IN 2007,
25 THEY DELETED THE ASSESSOR REPORT, AND IN 2007, THEY DECLARED

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1 IT VACANT LAND. THEY DID A 21 SPLIT -- PARCEL SPLIT. AND ALL
2 OF A SUDDEN, IT IS WORTH ALL THESE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. YOU
3 KNOW WHAT? THOSE PEOPLE DON'T OUNCE IT. IT IS A BIG PROBLEM
4 PEOPLE TRYING TO CLAIM LAND. THOSE ARE THE PEOPLE IN THERE
5 ILLEGALLY THAT NEED TO BE STOPPED. AGENDA ITEM 19. NO. I MEAN
6 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THEY DON'T JUST WANT TO LAND, OUR
7 JOBS, OUR MONEY. THEY WANT OUR BODIES TOO. THEY WANT US TO
8 DONATE OUR BODY TO THE D.M.V. AND THEN AGENDA ITEM 24, THEY
9 WANT TO VISIT EVERYBODY'S KIDS. I MEAN WHAT THE HECK IS THAT.
10 THEY WANT OUR REAL ESTATE, OUR BODIES, AND OUR KIDS. I AM NOT
11 KIDDING. THERE'S CRAZY PEOPLE IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
12 THEY NEED TO GO TO JAIL. I HAVE A BIG PROBLEM. AGENDA ITEM
13 NUMBER 52, ON CALL REAL ESTATE DIRECTOR FOR PUBLIC WORKS. NO.
14 LOS ANGELES RIVER GRANT EASEMENT PARCELS, NO. THEY GET IT --
15 THEY ARE ILLEGAL CLAIMS OF L.A. COUNTY --

16

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

19

20 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF NATALIE FRIEDBERG.
21 PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR ITEMS YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING TODAY
22 AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU
23 MAY BEGIN.

24

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1 **NATALIE FRIEDBERG:** YES. HELLO. I AM SPEAKING ON ITEMS 7, 36,
2 77, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR,
3 HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY. MY NAME
4 IS NATALIE FRIEDBERG. I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE SILVERLAKE
5 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. I WOULD LIKE TO SHOW THAT I AM A
6 VOLUNTEER AND RECEIVE NO COMPENSATION WHATSOEVER FOR BEING
7 HERE TODAY. I AM SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF REDUCING PLASTIC FOOD
8 WARE. OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS, EVEN MORE SO THAN BEFORE 2020,
9 I HAVE WORKED CLOSELY WITH RESTAURANTS ALL OVER NORTHEAST
10 L.A., BOTH MEMBERS AND NONMEMBERS, FINDING RESOURCES TO HELP
11 THEM AND THEIR EMPLOYEES. YES, THEY HAVE HAD A TOUGH TIME. AND
12 I'LL DO ANYTHING I CAN TO HELP THEM. THAT'S WHY I'M HERE. THE
13 COST OF SINGLE USE PLASTIC AND POLYSTYRENE FOOD WARE HAS
14 SKYROCKETED BECAUSE OF SUPPLY CHAIN ISSUES. AND RISING OIL
15 PRICES ARE MAKING DISPOSABLES EVEN MORE EXPENSIVE. THE COST OF
16 SWITCHING TO REUSABLE FOOD WARE OR COMPOSTABLE IS ACTUALLY
17 FAIRLY NEGLIGIBLE, ESPECIALLY WITH THE AVAILABLE PROGRAMS FOR
18 HELPING RESTAURANTS IN MAKING THAT SWITCH. IF NEEDED, THERE'S
19 EVEN A HARDSHIP CLAUSE THEY CAN USE IF THEY NEED MORE TIME TO
20 ADAPT. FRANKLY, SINCE THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT NEVER ISSUED AN
21 ORDER THAT THEY COULDN'T USE REUSABLES, MOST WERE ONLY USING
22 DISPOSABLES BECAUSE OF SOME COVID UNKNOWN, AND AT THIS POINT
23 HAVE ALREADY SWITCHED BACK TO REUSABLES AS QUICKLY AS
24 POSSIBLE. SO THIS WON'T AFFECT THEM VERY MUCH. I KNOW YOU HAVE
25 BEEN TOLD THAT PASSING THESE ORDINANCES WILL HARM RESTAURANT

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1 OWNERS, WHICH I FIND VERY CURIOUS. I TALK TO THE MOM AND POP
2 OPERATORS. THAT'S WHO I REPRESENT AND SPEAK WITH ALL THE TIME.
3 MANY OF THEM CAN'T AFFORD TO BELONG TO LARGE CHAMBERS OR
4 ORGANIZATIONS. THE VAST MAJORITY OF THEM ARE NOT JUST FINE
5 WITH DOING AWAY WITH SINGLE USE PLASTICS, THEY ARE IN FAVOR OF
6 IT. SOME WHO HAVE HAD TIME TO TO SO HAVE SUBMITTED LETTERS AND
7 COMMENTS TO YOU IN SUPPORT OF YOUR AYE VOTE. LASTLY, MANY
8 RESTAURANT OWNERS, LIKE THEIR CUSTOMERS, HAVE CHILDREN. THEY
9 CARE DEEPLY ABOUT WHAT THEY LEAD BEHIND FOR THEM. THEY WANT IT
10 TO BE THEIR RESTAURANT, THE LEGACY THEY ARE WORKING TO CREATE,
11 AND NOT THE LEGACY OF A PLANET FULL OF PLASTIC. INSTEAD OF
12 FIGHTING AGAINST THE MOVE FROM PLASTIC DISPOSABLES, MANY ARE
13 EMBRACING IT AND USING IT TO MARKET THEMSELVES. WE ALL KNOW
14 THAT CUSTOMERS WANT US TO MOVE AWAY FROM PLASTIC. THIS IS
15 HAPPENING. WE ALL KNOW IT. WAITING ANY LONGER JUST DOESN'T
16 MAKE SENSE FOR ANYONE, INCLUDING SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS. I
17 TRULY HOPE YOU WILL DO THE RIGHT THING AND PASS THESE MOTIONS.
18 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME AND YOUR LEADERSHIP ON THIS
19 IMPORTANT ISSUE.

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

22
23 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF LYNNE PLAMBECK. PLEASE
24 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING TODAY

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

3

4 **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** OKAY, I'M ADDRESSING THE SINGLE USE PLASTICS
5 IN SUPPORT, AND ON BEHALF OF SIERRA CLUB URBAN WILD LANDS
6 WILDFIRE COMMITTEE, THE SAFETY ELEMENTS IN SUPPORT BUT ASKING
7 PLEASE, WE SUBMITTED A DETAILED LETTER ABOUT SOME ISSUES IN
8 THE WORDING OF THE ELEMENT THAT WE THINK WILL MAKE IT
9 STRONGER. IT'S PLACEMENT OF "ANDS" AND SEMICOLONS AND CONCERN
10 OVER THE LAST POLICY THAT YOU INCLUDED, BUT WE ASK THAT YOU
11 LOOK AT THAT, AND I'VE BEEN TOLD THAT PERHAPS THEY'LL BE
12 ADDRESSED IN THE GUIDELINES, BUT OFTEN THE GUIDELINES ARE NOT
13 WHAT GETS READ. IT'S THE ELEMENT ITSELF. SO, IF YOU COULD MAKE
14 THOSE REALLY MINOR CORRECTIONS AND THANK YOU FOR WORKING ON
15 THE SAFETY ELEMENT. WE HAD TERRIBLE FIRES OUT IN SEVERAL
16 PLACES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I LIVE IN SANTA CLARITA, AND, OF
17 COURSE, WE HAD THE SAND FIRE WHERE WE LOST TWO PEOPLE AND
18 SEVERAL HORSES DUE TO POOR EVACUATION PROBLEMS. SO, I STRONGLY
19 SUPPORT THIS. OUR COMMITTEE HAS BEEN WRITING LETTERS IN
20 SUPPORT OF THE MOTIONS THAT SHEILA KUEHL MADE REGARDING
21 EVACUATION AND EVALUATION OF WILDFIRE IMPACTS, AND WE
22 APPRECIATE YOU DOING THIS BUT ASK AGAIN THAT YOU LOOK AT OUR
23 LETTER AND THAT YOU CONSIDER MAKING THOSE SMALL, MINOR CHANGES
24 TO ENSURE THE ELEMENT WORKS THE WAY THE BOARD INTENDS. ALSO, I
25 WANT TO ASK, FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, THAT YOU CONSIDER

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1 FINDING A WAY TO CONTINUE HYBRID MEETINGS. I LIVE IN SANTA
2 CLARITA. IT'S 3 HOURS ROUND TRIP TO COME TO SPEAK TO YOU, NOT
3 TO MENTION THE EXPENSE OF EITHER THE TRAIN OR THE PARKING. SO,
4 IT WOULD BE WONDERFUL IF WE COULD CONTINUE TO COMMUNICATE WITH
5 YOU ON THE TELEPHONE AND NOT HAVE TO SPEND AN ENTIRE DAY AT
6 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING TO BE ABLE TO COMMUNICATE
7 WITH OUR SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

8

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

11

12 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF ERIC PREVEN. PLEASE
13 ADDRESS THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING TODAY
14 AND WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
15 BEGIN.

16

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

19

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

24

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1 **ALISON WALASCHEWSKI:** HELLO MY NAME IS ALISON WALASCHEWSKI, AND
2 I'M THE POLICY AND OUTREACH MANAGER WITH THE FIVE GYRES
3 INSTITUTE AND REASONABLE L.A. COALITION. I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ON
4 ITEMS 7, 36, 77, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. HONORABLE
5 SUPERVISORS, PLEASE VOTE IN SUPPORT OF ITEMS 7, 36, AND 77
6 SUPPORTING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLASTICS REDUCTION ORDINANCE.
7 EVERY YEAR IN THE U.S., WE USE 561 BILLION DISPOSABLE FOOD
8 WARE ITEMS AND, IN TURN, CREATE 4.6 MILLION TONS OF WASTE. NOW
9 IS THE TIME FOR THE COUNTY TO LEAD ON THIS ISSUE. THE FALSE
10 BARRIERS PREVENTING CHANGE ARE MANUFACTURED BY THE FOSSIL
11 FUELS AND PLASTICS INDUSTRIES. WE MUST FIGHT THEIR TIRED
12 NARRATIVE THAT WE CAN INDIVIDUALLY PICK UP AND RECYCLE OUR WAY
13 TO HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES. INSTEAD, WE MUST LISTEN TO SCIENCE.
14 AND SCIENCE TELLS US THAT WE NEED TO PHASE OUT SINGLE USE
15 PLASTICS AND FOCUS ON REUSABLES IN ORDER TO IMPART TRUE
16 CHANGE. THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE DEATH CYCLE OF PLASTICS, HUMAN
17 HEALTH IS JEOPARDIZED. FROM THE TOXICITY OF POLYFLUOROALKYL
18 SUBSTANCES, ALSO CALLED P.F.A.S., A TOXIC CLASS OF CHEMICALS
19 COMMONLY FOUND IN TAKE OUT CONTAINERS, TO THE TOXIC CHEMICAL
20 STYRENE LEACHING OUT OF EVERY SINGLE FOAM CONTAINER AND COFFEE
21 CUP THAT OUR COMMUNITY USE EVERY DAY. PLASTICS LEACH HARMFUL
22 TOXINS INTO OUR FOODS AND BODIES AND ARE KNOWN TO BE ENDOCRINE
23 DISRUPTERS, CAUSE BIRTH DEFECTS, AND SHOCKING SCIENTIFIC
24 STUDIES HAVE RECENTLY FOUND THE PRESENCE OF NANO PLASTICS IN
25 HUMAN PLACENTA. WE MUST LISTEN TO SCIENCE AND PHASE OUT SINGLE

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1 USE PLASTICS ALTOGETHER. REUSABLE FOOD WARE CONTINUES TO BE
2 THE SAFEST AND MOST RESPONSIBLE CHOICE FOR OUR COMMUNITIES AND
3 THE ENVIRONMENT. THANK YOU.

4

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

6

7 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF ROBERT WARD. PLEASE
8 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY AND
9 WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
10 BEGIN.

11

12 **ROBERT WARD:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ROBERT WARD. I'M
13 ADDRESSING ITEM NUMBER 80 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I'VE
14 BEEN WITH L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF FOR 36 AND A 1/2 YEARS, AND I'M
15 CURRENTLY A MEMBER OF THE PROFESSIONAL PEACE OFFICERS
16 ASSOCIATION. I'M 100% OPPOSED TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
17 ADDING RULE 18.10 TO THE L.A. COUNTY CODE. THERE HAVE BEEN NO
18 CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS TO MEET AND CONFER PROCESS TO DISCUSS
19 THIS ILL-ADVISED ACTION. IT FLIES IN THE FACE OF LEGAL
20 BARGAINING AGREEMENT APPROVED BETWEEN COUNTY AND THOUSANDS OF
21 P.O.P.A. MEMBERS AND OTHER UNIONS. THERE IS NO EXCUSE FOR THIS
22 ATTEMPT TO CIRCUMVENT THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING PROCESS. ALSO
23 PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS HAVE THE PEACE OFFICER BILL OF RIGHTS
24 CODE SECTION 3304 SUBSECTION B THAT PROVIDES THAT NO PUNITIVE
25 ACTION NOR DENIAL OF PROMOTION ON GROUNDS OTHER THAN MERIT

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1 SHALL BE UNDERTAKEN BY ANY PUBLIC AGENCY AGAINST ANY PUBLIC
2 SAFETY OFFICER, WHO HAS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE
3 PROBATIONARY PERIOD THAT MAY BE REQUIRED BY HIS OR HER
4 EMPLOYING AGENCY WITHOUT PROVIDING THE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICER
5 WITH AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL. BY IMPLEMENTING
6 RULE 18.10, THE COUNTY WILL BE ALLOWED TO IMPOSE DISCIPLINE
7 THAT IS PRESUMABLY NOT SUBJECT TO ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL AND
8 VIOLATES THE PEACE OFFICER BILL OF RIGHTS. THE BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS SHOULD ABSOLUTELY NOT, REPEAT NOT, ADD 18.10 TO
10 THE CODE. INSTEAD, DO THE RIGHT THING AND WORK WITH P.O.P.A.
11 AND OTHER UNIONS TO ADDRESS YOUR CONCERNS AND OUR CONCERNS.
12 THANK YOU.

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

15
16 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF RADA PATEL. PLEASE
17 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING TODAY
18 AND WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19
20 **RADA PATEL:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS RADA PATEL. I'M SPEAKING
21 ON ITEMS 7, 36, 77, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I'M A FOURTH
22 YEAR SOCIOLOGY MAJOR AT U.C.L.A. AND CHAPTER CHAIR OF CALPIRG
23 STUDENTS AS WELL WORKING TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT,
24 AFFORDABILITY, AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENTS ON OUR CAMPUS. OVER 10
25 MILLION TONS OF PLASTICS IS DUMPED INTO OUR OCEANS EVERY YEAR.

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1 LESS THAN 10% OF THAT IS RECYCLED, AND, EVEN WORSE, IT DOES
2 NOT BIODEGRADE. THEY GET BROKEN DOWN INTO MICROPLASTICS THAT
3 GET CONSUMED BY US AND WILDLIFE. EVERY TURTLE IN OUR OCEAN
4 RIGHT NOW HAS PLASTICS IN ITS BODY. OUR FUTURES ARE ALSO AT
5 RISK. UNFORTUNATELY, PLASTIC IS NOW IN OUR BODIES, EVEN IN OUR
6 BLOODSTREAMS. WE KNOW THAT THE ONLY WAY TO COMBAT ONE OF THE
7 BIGGEST THREATS TO OUR FUTURE IS BY BANNING SINGLE USE
8 PLASTICS, THE LARGEST COUNTY IN THE NATION. THIS ORDINANCE IS
9 ONE STEP FORWARD IN THE FIGHT AGAINST PLASTIC POLLUTION THAT
10 CAN GET US BACK TO OCEANS THAT REPRESENT OUR BEAUTIFUL GOLDEN
11 STATE. WE HAVE 16 SMALL BUSINESS SIGN-ONS IN SUPPORT, AND HERE
12 AT U.C.L.A., WE HAVE 20 RICH AND PUBLIC COMMENTS IN FAVOR OF
13 THAT COMMITMENT. THANK YOU SO MUCH. HAVE A GREAT DAY.

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

16
17 **MODERATOR:** AS A REMINDER, TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, IF YOU HAVE
18 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND 0 AT THIS TIME. DO NOT
19 PRESS 1 AND 0 A SECOND TIME, OR YOU'LL BE REMOVED FROM THE
20 QUEUE. NEXT, WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF ADRIANA SALICEDO. PLEASE
21 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESS TODAY WHETHER
22 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

23
24 **ADRIANA SALICEDO:** YES, I'M OPPOSING ITEM NUMBER 80. I KNOW IT
25 IS CONSTITUTIONAL. I DON'T THINK. I KNOW. IT IS

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1 UNCONSTITUTIONAL. I HAD A BROTHER, WHO WAS IN THE I.C.U. HE
2 DID THE MASK MANDATE, TOOK THE VACCINE, AND GOT COVID, AND HAD
3 TO BE ADMITTED INTO THE HOSPITAL, EVEN AFTER HE GOT THE
4 VACCINE. AND I DON'T THINK IT'S CONSTITUTIONAL FOR ANYONE TO
5 TELL ANYONE THAT THEY HAVE TO BE VACCINATED. I'VE HEARD A LOT
6 OF COMMENTS FOR ITEM NUMBER 73677 ABOUT THE PLASTICS BEING
7 POISONOUS TO THE BODY, BUT SO IS A JAB AND A POISON THAT HAS
8 NOT BEEN PROVEN TO WORK AGAINST COVID-19. SO I STAND WITH THE
9 POLICE OFFICERS. I STAND WITH VILLANUEVA. I DO NOT AGREE. AND
10 JUST HEAR ME NOW, I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE THAT DISAGREES WITH
11 ITEM 80 AND OPPOSES IT. YOU NEED TO BE CAREFUL WITH WHAT YOU
12 ARE ALL DOING. YOU ARE REPRESENTING US.

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

16
17 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF ALCON COMODO. PLEASE
18 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESS TODAY AND
19 WHETHER YOU'LL BE ADDRESSING ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU
20 MAY BEGIN.

21
22 **ALCON COMODO:** I WILL BE SPEAKING ON ITEMS 79 AND 80 BUT NOT ON
23 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. HELLO. MY NAME IS ALCON COMODO. FOR
24 ITEM 79, LADIES OF THE BOARD, IF YOU VOTE TO ACCEPT THE
25 PROJECT AMENDMENT AND NEGATIVE DECLARATION, YOU'LL BE HELPING

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1 TO CREATE A WORLD IN WHICH YOUR CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN,
2 YOUR NIECES AND NEPHEWS, WILL BE LIVING IN A FOREST OF 5G CELL
3 TOWERS SATURATED WITH SICKENING MICROWAVE RADIATION EVERY HOUR
4 OF EVERY DAY OF EVERY YEAR. HOWEVER, IF YOU VOTE TO REJECT
5 THESE ITEMS, YOU'LL HELP TO CREATE A WORLD IN WHICH YOUR
6 FAMILY'S WELLNESS AND HAPPINESS ARE VALUED, PROTECTED, AND
7 PROMOTED. FOR ITEM 80, SHOULD YOU VOTE YES, YOU'LL BE
8 FUNDAMENTALLY VIOLATING THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF YOUR
9 EMPLOYEES TO LIFE, LIBERTY, AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS. AND
10 YOU'LL BE VIOLATING YOUR OATH OF OFFICE TO UPHOLD AND DEFEND
11 THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE
12 CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. I'M ASKING YOU TO
13 RESPECT AND SUPPORT YOUR EMPLOYEES AND HONOR YOUR SACRED
14 PROMISE. VOTE NO ON THIS. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING.

15

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

17

18 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE'LL GO TO THE LINE EILEEN SAILOR. PLEASE
19 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING TODAY
20 AND WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON REGULAR PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
21 BEGIN.

22

23 **EILEEN SAILOR:** HI, GOOD MORNING. YES, I WILL BE ADDRESSING
24 ITEMS 68, 80, AS WELL AS THE ITEM THAT DEALS WITH 5G. GOOD
25 MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M URGING YOU TO VOTE AGAINST

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1 ITEMS 68 AND 80. MANY STATES, COUNTIES, CITIES ARE MOVING TO -
2 - THAT COVID IS HERE TO STAY. THE BOARD HAS DECIDED TO PUNISH
3 THOSE WHO ARE NOT WILLING TO REGISTER WITH FULGENT GENETICS, A
4 COMPANY THAT MIGHT HAVE QUESTIONABLE TIES TO CHINA. THERE ARE
5 VACCINATED INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED OVER FAILURE TO
6 REGISTER WITH FULGENT. PASSING THE ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION
7 2.0.7.040 SHOULD BE CONCERNING BECAUSE IT'S INTENDED TO PUNISH
8 AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS ACTUALLY HELD ACCOUNTABLE TO THE L.A.
9 COUNTY RESIDENTS. IT SEEMS THE BOARD WANTS TO CENTRALIZE
10 POWER. THE BOARD SHOULD BE CONCERNED ABOUT PUSHING EMERGENCY
11 USE OF [INAUDIBLE] PRODUCTS ON THEIR EMPLOYEES. FEDERAL JUDGE,
12 ALAN WINDSOR, SAID THE COMMUNITY IS NOT INTERCHANGEABLE WITH
13 THE PFIZER BIOTECH VACCINE. ALL VACCINES AVAILABLE ARE UNDER
14 EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION. THERE MUST BE INFORMED CONSENT IN
15 ORDER TO ACCEPT SUCH PRODUCTS. ALSO, THE COUNTY NEEDS TO TAKE
16 INTO ACCOUNT ALL DOCUMENTS RELEASED FROM THE F.D.A., WHICH
17 ADDRESS NATURAL IMMUNITY AS WELL AS LONG TERM RISKS THAT ARE
18 UNKNOWN. ONE OF THEM, IT COULD AFFECT FERTILITY. IT COULD
19 AFFECT PREGNANT WOMEN. IT COULD AFFECT WOMEN WHO ARE
20 BREASTFEEDING. ITEM 80 SEEKS, AGAIN, TO PUNISH EMPLOYEES WHO
21 HAVE CHOSEN NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BIGGEST EXPERIMENT IN
22 HISTORY. WHERE THERE IS A RISK, THERE SHOULD BE A CHOICE. A
23 LOT OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO ARE NOW FACING TERMINATION WORKED
24 DAY AND NIGHT WHEN THE VACCINE WAS NOT AVAILABLE. A LOT OF
25 THEM CONTRACTED COVID. ACCORDING TO THE C.D.C., THERE IS NO --

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

4

5 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF UMPARO OSTIGET.
6 PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESS TODAY
7 AND WHETHER YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU
8 MAY BEGIN.

9

10 **UMPARO OSTIGET:.** HI. MY NAME IS UMPARO OSTIGET. I LIVE IN
11 DISTRICT 1. I AM ADDRESSING ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I
12 REQUEST THAT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH THEY USE
13 D.C.C.C. AND ASK THAT THERE IS AN INCREASE IN FUNDING FOR THE
14 U.S.C.C. AND C.C. WITH M.H.S.A. DOLLARS AND TO RESTART THE
15 TIMELINE, THE 30 DAY TIMELINE, FOR THE CONSUMER INPUT FOR THE
16 3 YEAR M.H.S.A. PLAN. WE REQUEST THAT ADDITIONAL TIME IS GIVEN
17 TO THE COMMUNITY TO DO PUBLIC COMMENT. THEY'RE ASKING FOR --
18 WE'RE ASKING FOR 5% OF THE C.S.F. BUDGET FOR THE PLANNING,
19 OUTREACH, AND ENGAGEMENT, ACCORDING TO THE WELFARE
20 INSTITUTION'S CODE SECTION 5847B AND 5848A. IT'S REQUIRED THAT
21 IT BE THAT THE CRAFT BE DEVELOPED THROUGH COMMUNITY --

22

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

25

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

5

6 **ANDY RAMIREZ:** HELLO. GOOD MORNING, BOARD MEMBERS. I WILL BE
7 ADDRESSING ITEMS 7, 36, 77, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. SO,
8 YES, GOOD MORNING, BOARD MEMBERS. MY NAME IS ANDY RAMIREZ. I'M
9 ALSO A STUDENT AT U.C.L.A. I'M A THIRD YEAR POLITICAL SCIENCE
10 MAJOR, ALSO AN INTERN FOR THE CALPIRG STUDENTS ORGANIZATION
11 CHAPTER AT U.C.L.A., AND I'M SPEAKING TO YOU IN SUPPORT OF
12 PHASING OUT SINGLE USE PLASTICS IN L.A. COUNTY. THAT IS IN
13 SUPPORT OF THE ORDINANCE. JUST A LITTLE BIT OF BACKGROUND
14 ABOUT MYSELF, I'M A CHILD OF A SINGLE MOTHER WHO MANAGED HER
15 HOUSEHOLD ON HER OWN. I WAS ALWAYS TAUGHT TO USE THINGS
16 RESOURCEFULLY AND CONSERVE AS MUCH AS I COULD, AND THIS
17 CONSERVATIVE PHILOSOPHY WAS INGRAINED INTO ME AND IS STILL
18 VERY MUCH THE MAIN PHILOSOPHY THAT I FOLLOW -- OR I PLAN TO
19 FOLLOW. AND IT'S THIS PHILOSOPHY THAT ULTIMATELY LED ME TO
20 BECOME INVOLVED IN CALPIRG STUDENTS. I'M AWARE OF THE HARMFUL
21 EFFECTS THAT OUR INCREASING DEPENDENCE ON SINGLE USE PLASTICS
22 HAVE HAD ON THE ENVIRONMENT. TODAY, WE PRODUCE ABOUT 3 MILLION
23 TONS OF PLASTIC WASTE EVERY YEAR. THAT'S NEARLY EQUIVALENT TO
24 THE WEIGHT OF THE ENTIRE HUMAN POPULATION. IRONICALLY, PLASTIC
25 IS NOW BECOMING PART OF US AS WE HAVE FOUND IT IN

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1 BLOODSTREAMS. SOMEONE MENTIONED IT'S BEEN FOUND IN HUMAN
2 PLACENTA. THAT'S VERY CONCERNING. IT SHOULD BE CONCERNING TO
3 EVERYONE, ALL HUMANS, BECAUSE WE -- WELL, ACTUALLY THERE HAS
4 BEEN RESEARCH, AS MENTIONED BY ANOTHER COMMENTER, ABOUT
5 VARIOUS HEALTH EFFECTS THAT COULD BE ADVERSE TO OUR HEALTH,
6 AND THERE MAY BE EVEN MORE WITH FUTURE RESEARCH. SO I URGE THE
7 MEMBERS TO SUPPORT THE ORDINANCE. THESE ORDINANCES ARE NOT
8 EASILY CHAMPIONED. THEY'RE NOT EASY TO PASS FOR THE OBVIOUS
9 REASON THAT ORGANIZATIONS LIKE CALPIRG STUDENTS ARE VERY
10 SMALL RELATIVE TO LARGE CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES AND SMALLER ON OUR
11 MEDIA SKILL. BUT OUR MODEST POSITION DOES NOT DISCOURAGE US AS
12 THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCATES OF THE NEXT
13 GENERATION INSTILLS INTO US HOPE. FOR THIS REASON, WE CALL TO
14 ACTION THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND WE UNDERSTAND
15 THAT A MEASURE LIKE THIS TAKEN BY THE L.A. COUNTY CAN SERVE AS
16 A LARGE INFLUENCE TO PROCEEDING ACTIONS THAT THE STATE OF
17 CALIFORNIA MIGHT TAKE IN TACKLING THE SAME ISSUE. NOT ONLY
18 MIGHT INFLUENCE ACTION FROM THE STATE, BUT ALSO FROM THE
19 NATION AT LARGE. IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT THE PEOPLE OF TODAY ACT
20 IN SERVICE OF THE PROCUREMENT OF THE FUTURE OF THE GENERATIONS
21 OF TOMORROW, AND ACTION FROM L.A. COUNTY IS NO DOUBT A LARGE
22 STEP IN THAT DIRECTION. WE MUST CALCULATE THE COST FOR FUTURE
23 GENERATIONS OF THIS PROBLEM OF TODAY. THANK YOU.

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

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2 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF LIZ BARRETT. PLEASE
3 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY AND
4 WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON REGULAR PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
5 BEGIN.

6

7 **LIZ BARRETT:** I'M NOT WELL, AND ONE OF THE REASONS -- WELL, THE
8 REASON IS MY EXPOSURE TO MICROWAVE RADIATION, AND I DON'T EVEN
9 KNOW HOW MUCH TIME I HAVE WITH GENERAL COMMENT AND WHAT ITEMS.
10 ANYWAY, DEFINITELY ITEM 79. I'D LIKE YOU TO PLEASE REJECT THIS
11 5G INDUSTRY POWER GRAB, AND THEN WITH ITEM 80, THERE'S BEEN
12 NANOTECH CONFIRMED TO BE FOUND IN THE VACCINES, AND THEY HOOK
13 PEOPLE UP TO WHAT'S CALLED THE INTERNET OF BODIES VIA THE 5G
14 INFRASTRUCTURE, AND BOTH THE F.C.C. LOST THEIR LAWSUIT. I WAS
15 ONE OF THE PLAINTIFFS AGAINST THEM. IT'S BEEN PROVEN NOW IN A
16 COURT THAT THE F.C.C. IS NOT PROTECTING PUBLIC HEALTH WITH
17 REGARDS TO 5G. AND CANCER, NEUROLOGICAL ILLNESS, AND GENETIC
18 DAMAGE ARE ALL PART OF THE HEALTH EFFECTS FROM 5G AND WIRELESS
19 INFRASTRUCTURE. AND REGARDING THE VACCINE, IT'S JUST INHUMANE
20 TO EXPOSE PEOPLE TO THIS KIND OF EXPERIMENTAL POWER GRAB WITH
21 NANOTECH AND SPIKED PROTEINS THAT CAN KILL PEOPLE, BUT THE
22 NANOTECH IS FOR SURVEILLANCE PURPOSES OF PEOPLE'S BODIES. I
23 URGE YOU TO REJECT BOTH 79 AND 80. AND I GET VERY SICK -- FOR
24 3 DAYS, I TRIED TO WORK OUT AT MY GYM. I COULD NOT GO BECAUSE
25 THERE IS A 5G TRANSMITTER ACROSS THE STREET. I SLEEP IN MY CAR

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1 BECAUSE MY NEIGHBOR UPGRADED HER WIFI. I HAVE TO WORK OUT OF
2 MY CAR. MY LIFE HAS BEEN COMPLETELY DEMOLISHED BECAUSE OF THIS
3 RADIATION. SURE, I'M GOING TO BE SUING, BUT 12 YEARS OF MY
4 LIFE NOW I'VE SPENT OUT OF SOCIETY. I CAN NO LONGER EVEN BE IN
5 SOCIETY BECAUSE OF THIS RADIATION. I'M ONE OF THE "LUCKY ONES"
6 THAT CAN FEEL IT. EVERYBODY IS GETTING AFFECTED. YOU'LL JUST
7 NEVER KNOW WHAT CAUSED YOUR NEUROLOGIC ILLNESS, CANCER, OR
8 HEART ATTACK, OR DEATH. AND, BY THE WAY, 5G CAN CAUSE HEART
9 ATTACKS, AS CAN THE VACCINE. SPIKE PROTEIN IS KNOWN TO DO
10 THAT, AND 5G CAN STOP YOUR HEART. ONE PULSE CAN STOP YOUR
11 HEART.

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** EXCUSE ME. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
14 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

15

16 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF DEBRA GREGORY.
17 PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY
18 AND WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
19 BEGIN.

20

21 **DEBRA GREGORY:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DEBRA GREGORY. I'M IN
22 SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 54. I'M REPRESENTING BALLONA CREEK
23 RENAISSANCE. WE'RE A CULVER CITY BASED ALL VOLUNTEER OVER 25
24 YEAR OLD NONPROFIT, WHOSE MISSION IS CLEANING, GREENING,
25 ADVOCATING BEAUTIFICATION AND EDUCATION OF RESIDENTS OF THE

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1 BALLONA CREEK WATERSHED. WE'VE BEEN ON THIS JOURNEY WITH THE
2 INTERCEPTOR EVEN PRIOR TO ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE BALLONA
3 CREEK AND THE LOCATION FOR THIS POLLUTION REDUCTION SOLUTION.
4 WE'RE THRILLED WITH THE PROSPECT OF A WORKABLE SOLUTION FOR
5 OUR POLLUTION CRISIS. AS THE COUNTY WELL KNOWS, OVER 60,000
6 POUNDS OF TRASH EXITS THE BALLONA CREEK ANNUALLY AND ALL OF
7 THEIR EDUCATIONAL MEDIA AND TRASH BOOMS HAVE YET TO SOLVE THE
8 PROBLEM IN A SIGNIFICANT MANNER. BASED ON ALL THE INFORMATION
9 OUR GROUP HAS GATHERED DUE TO MANY COUNTY SESSIONS WE'VE
10 ATTENDED AND WATCHED, THE TALKS WITH THE COUNTY DURING
11 OUTREACH EVENTS, THE INTERCEPTOR PILOT PROJECT NEEDS TO BE
12 INSTALLED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. MY NONPROFIT CLAIMS UP TO 3
13 TONS OF TRASH ANNUALLY FROM GOING OUT INTO THE OCEAN. WE'VE
14 ALSO SUCCESSFULLY PURSUED SINGLE USE PLASTIC BANS IN THE CITY
15 OF CULVER CITY. WE KNOW FIRSTHAND WHAT GOES ON IN OUR CREEK IN
16 THIS REGARD. WE SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY AND MARINE
17 LIFE WHEN WE ENCOURAGE A CLEAR VISION --

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

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

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1 **BEBE CASPARI:** HI, MY NAME IS BEBE CASPARI. I WANT TO SPEAK ON
2 AGENDA ITEM 79 AND A GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I'M
3 ELECTRONICALLY SENSITIVE. I HAVE A CONDITION CALLED E.H.S.,
4 ELECTRONIC MAGNETIC HYPERSENSITIVITY. BECAUSE OF MY HEALTH
5 CONCERNS, I'VE EDUCATED MYSELF ABOUT THE DANGERS OF WIRELESS
6 TECHNOLOGY, INCLUDING CELL TOWERS, AND THE SCIENCE SHOWS THE
7 DANGERS. THERE ARE MORE THAN 1,000 SCIENTIFIC STUDIES
8 CONDUCTED BY INDEPENDENT RESEARCHERS FROM AROUND THE WORLD
9 CONCERNING THE NEGATIVE BIOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF R.F. WIRELESS
10 RADIATION. RELATED TO THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE, THERE ARE SAFETY
11 CONCERNS. THE BLANKETING OF L.A. COUNTY WITH WIRELESS
12 FACILITIES WILL DRAMATICALLY INCREASE SAFETY RISKS AND IMPAIR
13 THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE. THERE ARE ENVIRONMENTAL AND HEALTH
14 RISKS. THE LATEST STUDIES SHOW THE NEGATIVE EFFECTS OF RADIO
15 FREQUENCY RADIO EXPOSURE FOR CHILDREN, ANIMALS, PLANTS,
16 BASICALLY ALL LIFE. NOW THAT MAY SOUND DRAMATIC AND
17 UNREASONABLE, BUT THERE ARE STUDIES THAT PROVE IT. YOU SAY --
18 PEOPLE SAY ABOUT GOING TO THE SCIENCE. THIS IS THE SCIENCE. IT
19 CAUSES BRAIN NEUROLOGY PROBLEMS AND D.N.A. DAMAGE. PLEASE
20 DON'T PASS THE DRAFT WIRELESS ORDINANCE AS IT STANDS. CONSIDER
21 THE AMENDMENTS THAT MALIBU AND ENCINITAS AND OTHER CITIES
22 ACROSS THE U.S. HAVE BEEN TAKING, WHICH REGULATE YOU A CLOSE
23 THESE SMALL TOWERS CAN BE TO NEIGHBORHOODS AND HOMES. PLEASE
24 OPPOSE TITLE 22. L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS NEED A PROTECTIVE
25 WIRELESS ORDINANCE. AND IN TERMS OF GENERAL COMMENT, I DO WANT

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1 TO SAY, ECHOING ON PREVIOUS PERSON, I APPRECIATE THESE HYBRID
2 MEETINGS. I LIVE IN L.A. I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT CERTAIN
3 ISSUES, BUT I TRAVEL. I HAVE TO BE OUT OF TOWN SOMETIMES, AND
4 I APPRECIATE THE ABILITY TO ATTEND IN SPITE OF MY BEING OUT OF
5 TOWN. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR LISTENING.

6

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

8

9 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. AS A REMINDER, TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, IF
10 YOU'VE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PRESS 1 AND THEN 0 AT THIS TIME.
11 DO NOT PRESS 1 AND 0 A SECOND TIME OR YOU'LL BE REMOVED FROM
12 THE QUEUE.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** WE WILL NOW HEAR THE SPANISH INTERPRETATION OF THIS
15 REMINDER. [SPANISH INTERPRETATION]

16

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

18

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

23

24 **JACQUELINE AYER:** THANK YOU. YES, MY NAME IS JACQUELINE AYER,
25 AND I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF SAVE OUR RURAL TOWN, REGARDING

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1 AGENDA ITEM 79. THERE ARE A LOT OF PROBLEMS WITH THIS DRAFT
2 SAFETY ELEMENT AND THE ATTENDING NEGATIVE DECLARATION PREPARED
3 PURSUANT TO C.E.Q.A. FIRST, THE SAFETY ELEMENT AMENDS THE
4 SUSTAINABILITY PLAN PLAN DIRECTLY INTO THE GENERAL PLAN. THIS
5 WILL MAKE THE SUSTAINABILITY PLAN BINDING AND ENFORCEABLE, AND
6 IT UNEQUIVOCALLY COMMITS THE COUNTY TO ACHIEVE THE TARGETS THE
7 SUSTAINABILITY PLAN ESTABLISHES. THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT
8 THIS WILL RESULT IN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS, THEREFORE YOU'RE
9 OBLIGATED TO CONSIDER THESE IMPACTS BEFORE CERTIFYING AND
10 ADOPTING A C.E.Q.A. DOCUMENT AND AMENDING THE COUNTY GENERAL
11 PLAN. HOWEVER, THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND SUSTAINABILITY
12 PLAN IMPLEMENTATION HAVE NEVER BEEN ADDRESSED, AND THEY ARE
13 COMPLETELY IGNORED IN THE NEGATIVE DEC THAT YOU ABOUT TO
14 CERTIFY. THEREFORE, YOUR C.E.Q.A. REVIEW WAS SUBSTANTIALLY
15 DEFICIENT, AND IT WILL NOT WITHSTAND JUDICIAL REVIEW. SECOND,
16 IN LATE 2021, YOUR ATTORNEYS TOLD THE COURT THAT THE
17 SUSTAINABILITY PLAN COMMITS THE COUNTY TO NOTHING, THAT THE
18 COUNTY HAS NO COMMITMENT TO ACHIEVE THE SUSTAINABILITY PLAN
19 TARGETS OR ACTIONS OR GOALS, THAT COUNTY STAFF HAVE NO
20 OBLIGATION TO IMPLEMENT ANYTHING IN THE SUSTAINABILITY PLAN,
21 AND THAT THE SUSTAINABILITY PLAN --

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

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1 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF NICOLE PAGAIRE.

2 PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY
3 AND WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
4 BEGIN.

5

6 **NICOLE PAGAIRE:** HI. I'M ADDRESSING ITEM 79, AND, YES, PUBLIC
7 COMMENT. AS A SOON TO BE MOTHER, I'M REALLY HOPING THAT YOU'LL
8 TAKE YOUR TIME TO CONSIDER REWORKING THE TITLE 22 DRAFT
9 WIRELESS ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A SAFE DISTANCE BETWEEN SMALL
10 CELL TOWERS AND OUR HOMES SO OUR CHILDREN DON'T HAVE TO GROW
11 UP WITH CELL TOWERS OUTSIDE THEIR WINDOWS. AND ECHOING WHAT
12 SOMEONE ELSE SAID, PLEASE DO YOUR RESEARCH ON WHAT CITIES
13 LIKE ENCINITAS AND ELK GROVE AND SO MANY ACROSS THE NATION ARE
14 DOING TO ROLL OUT THIS TECHNOLOGY SAFELY. IN 2017, THE
15 CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH ACTUALLY ISSUED
16 GUIDELINES ON HOW TO MINIMIZE YOUR EXPOSURE TO CELLPHONE
17 RADIATION. IN THESE GUIDELINES, THE STATE SUGGESTED TO NOT
18 HOLD YOUR CELLPHONE UP TO YOUR EAR WHILE TALKING, KEEP IT NEAR
19 YOUR BODY WHILE STREAMING, OR EVEN TO SLEEP WITH YOUR
20 CELLPHONE NEAR YOUR BED UNLESS IT'S IN AIRPLANE MODE OR OFF.
21 YET L.A. COUNTY WANTS TO BRING THESE POWERFUL TOWERS THAT
22 POWER THESE CELLPHONES OUTSIDE OF YOUR BEDROOM WINDOWS,
23 LEAVING US NO CHOICE BUT TO BE EXPOSED TO THIS RADIATION
24 STRONG ENOUGH TO POWER NEIGHBORHOODS OF CELLPHONES ON A 24
25 HOUR BASIS. I'M ASKING TO YOU PLEASE CONSIDER REWRITING THIS.

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1 YOU KNOW, PUT THESE SMALL CELL TOWERS IN SHOPPING CENTERS,
2 SPORTS ARENAS, BUT NOT OUTSIDE OF OUR BEDROOM WINDOWS. HAVING
3 THEM SO CLOSE TO OUR HOMES IS PROVEN TO A FIRE HAZARD, NOT TO
4 MENTION HAVING THEM NEAR YOUR HOME IS ACTUALLY TANKING
5 PROPERTY VALUES. I HAVE WORKED SO VERY HARD TO BE ABLE TO
6 AFFORD A HOME IN LOS ANGELES. IT WAS A HUGE ACCOMPLISHMENT,
7 AND I AM ASKING THAT THE CITY PLEASE WORKS TO PRIORITIZE
8 PLACING THESE SMALL CELLS AT SAFE DISTANCES FROM OUR HOUSES SO
9 THAT OUR PROPERTIES CAN RETAIN OUR VALUES. AND NOT TO
10 MENTION THE HEALTH ISSUES. CITIES ACROSS THE NATION ARE
11 DELAYING THIS TECHNOLOGY DUE TO CANCER CONCERNS, AND THEY'RE
12 WELL JUSTIFIED, AS SOMEONE MENTIONED. THE STUDIES ARE OUT
13 THERE. SO, YOU KNOW WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER. I JUST WANT TO
14 REMIND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT THIS DOESN'T AFFECT JUST
15 US. IT ALSO AFFECTS YOU, YOUR FAMILY, YOUR FRIENDS, YOUR
16 NEIGHBORS AS WELL. I'M URGING YOU TO CONSIDER WHAT SOME OF
17 THESE OTHER CITIES ACROSS THE NATION ARE DOING, AND LET'S FIND
18 A WAY TO WORK TOGETHER TO ESTABLISH A SAFE DISTANCE FROM OUR
19 HOMES AND THIS TECHNOLOGY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. I
20 APPRECIATE IT.

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

23
24 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF SHONA GANGULEE.
25 PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY

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1 AND WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
2 BEGIN.

3

4 **SHONA GANGULEE:** CAN YOU HEAR ME?

5

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

7

8 **SHONA GANGULEE:** OKAY. I'LL BE SPEAKING ON 7, 36, 77, AND 79 IN
9 SUPPORT. CHAIR MITCHELL AND BOARD MEMBERS, I'M SHONA GANGULEE,
10 REPRESENTING THE NATURE CONSERVANCY, AND I LIVE IN THE 5TH
11 DISTRICT. WE SUPPORT THE SAFETY UPDATE AND LAND USE AMENDMENT
12 IN ITS CURRENT FORM AS A PATH-BREAKING RESPONSE TO CLIMATE
13 CHANGE. REMEMBERING THAT DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES ARE MOST AT
14 RISK FROM DISASTERS FROM FIRE AND FLOOD, INFORMED PLANNING IS
15 NEEDED TO REDUCE RISKS AND PROTECT COMMUNITIES. THESE POLICIES
16 RESPOND TO EXTREME HEAT, INCREASED WILDFIRE, DROUGHT, AND SEA
17 LEVEL RISE. TOGETHER WITH THE HOUSING ELEMENT, THERE IS ENOUGH
18 NEW HOUSING FOR ALL INCOME LEVELS IN SAFE LOCATIONS. THE
19 UPDATE SUPPORTS EQUITY FOR ALL COUNTY COMMUNITIES IN FACING AN
20 UNCERTAIN CLIMATE FUTURE. THE NATURE CONSERVANCY ALSO SUPPORTS
21 THE REDUCTION OF WASTE FROM SINGLE USE ARTICLES AND EXPANDED
22 POLYSTYRENE PRODUCTS ORDINANCE. I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE
23 IMPACTS OF PLASTIC POLLUTION IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND ON HABITAT
24 IN OUR COUNTY. WITH THE EXTREME INCREASE IN USE AND LITTERING
25 OF PLASTIC FOOD WARE IN THE LAST TWO YEARS, WE SUPPORT THIS

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1 ORDINANCE AND WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE COUNTY TO EVEN FURTHER
2 STRENGTHEN THE LANGUAGE BY EXPANDING THE REUSE FOR DINE IN OF
3 ALL -- AT AN ALL FOODS FACILITIES. WE SUPPORT HEAL THE BAY AND
4 REUSABLE L.A.'S RECOMMENDATION. THE ORDINANCE IS COMPLEMENTARY
5 TO THE STATEWIDE PLASTICS POLLUTION REDUCTION INITIATIVE THAT
6 THE BOARD HAS VOTED TO SUPPORT ALREADY AND THAT THE NATURE
7 CONSERVANCY IS SUPPORTING AS WELL. THANK YOU, BOARD OF
8 SUPERVISORS, AND TO THE OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY AS WELL, FOR
9 YOUR TIME AND DEDICATION TO REDUCING PLASTIC POLLUTION IN THE
10 REGION. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

11

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

13

14 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF ROLLA MADRY. PLEASE
15 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY AND
16 WHETHER YOU'RE ADDRESSING ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
17 BEGIN.

18

19 **ROLLA MADRY:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY
20 NAME IS ROLLA MADRY. I'M AN L.A. COUNTY RESIDENT AND RESOURCE
21 DIRECTOR FOR THE CALIFORNIA BRAIN TUMOR ASSOCIATION. OUR
22 ASSOCIATION WORKS ON THE FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL LEVEL
23 REGARDING WIRELESS TRANSMITTING EQUIPMENT SAFETY. I WILL BE
24 SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEMS 6, 79, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
25 JUST LIKE WE ARE NOW AWARE OF THE PLASTIC POLLUTION, WE HAVE

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1 TO CONSIDER THE IMPACT OF SMALL CELL TECHNOLOGY ON ENERGY
2 USAGE AND THE ENVIRONMENT, ESPECIALLY WHEN WE HAVE
3 ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGY THAT WORKS BETTER AND USES LESS
4 ELECTRICITY. ALL THE STUDIES ASSOCIATED WITH MY STATEMENT HAVE
5 BEEN SUBMITTED TO PUBLIC RECORD. ACCORDING TO A JOINT STUDY
6 RELEASED BY INTERDIGITAL AND A.B.I. RESEARCH, THE 5G ECOSYSTEM
7 WILL SEE 160% INCREASE IN POWER REQUIREMENT BY 2030. ACCORDING
8 TO BOSTON CONSULTING GROUP, CURRENTLY THE INFORMATION
9 TECHNOLOGY INDUSTRY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR 3-4% OF GLOBAL CARBON
10 DIOXIDE EMISSION, BUT BY 2040, IT WILL ACCOUNT ACCOUNT TO 14%
11 OF GLOBAL EMISSIONS. WAWAY ANALYST, ANDERS ANDRES SAYS THAT
12 WHEN SPACE STATIONS, DATA CENTERS, AND DEVICES ARE ADDED UP,
13 TELECOMMUNICATION COULD CONSUME 20% OF THE WORLD'S ELECTRICITY
14 BY 2025 AND UP TO 25% BY 2030. AND THAT'S COMPARED TO
15 APPROXIMATELY 11% RIGHT NOW. ACCORDING TO AN ARTICLE PUBLISHED
16 BY I.E.E.E., IT WAS FOUND THAT WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY WILL
17 CONTINUE TO CONSUME AT LEAST 10 TIMES MORE POWER THAN FIBER TO
18 THE PREMISE WHEN PROVIDED COMPARABLE ACCESS RATES AND TRAFFIC
19 VOLUMES. WHEN COMPARING ENERGY CONSUMPTION OF WIRED FIBEROPTIC
20 CONNECTIONS TO THE PREMISE TO THE WIRELESS, IT WAS FOUND THAT
21 FIBEROPTIC NETWORKS TO THE PREMISE ARE THE MOST ENERGY
22 EFFICIENT ACCESS SOLUTIONS AT HIGH ACCESS RATES. WHY IS L.A.
23 COUNTY CONTINUING TO STREAMLINE SMALL CELLS WHEN WE HAVE A
24 MUCH MORE RELIABLE AND ENERGY EFFICIENT FIBER TO THE PREMISE
25 SOLUTION. C.E.Q.A. AND N.E.P.A. ANALYSIS SHOULD NOT BE

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1 EXEMPTED WHEN CURRENT RESEARCH IS SHOWING US THAT WE ARE
2 HEADED INTO A DISASTER WITH SMALL CELL TECHNOLOGY. WE CANNOT
3 AFFORD TO MAKE THIS MISTAKE HERE. PLEASE OPT FOR FIBER TO THE
4 PREMISE TECHNOLOGY AND STREAMLINE IT. WE WANT THIS. AND LIMIT
5 WIRELESS INFRASTRUCTURE WHENEVER POSSIBLE. THANK YOU. AND
6 THANK YOU TO ALL THE U.C.L.A. STUDENTS FOR ALL THEIR COMMENTS.
7 WE HAVE MADE MISTAKES WITH PLASTICS IN OUR GENERATION, AND
8 THEY WILL HAVE TO PAY FOR IT. WE DON'T WANT TO MAKE A MISTAKE
9 WITH THIS, TOO. THANK YOU.

10

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

12

13 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF KATHLEEN GILLDRED.
14 PLEASE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY AND
15 WHETHER YOU'RE ADDRESSING ON REGULAR PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
16 BEGIN.

17

18 **KATHLEEN GILLDRED:** YES, HI. I'M GOING TO BE TESTIFYING ON
19 ITEMS 79 AND 80 AND PUBLIC COMMENTS. OKAY, ON 79, THE DRAFT
20 ORDINANCE SHOULD BE DELAYED, AND HERE'S WHY. THERE IS NO
21 EVIDENCE THAT THE ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY UPON WHICH THE NEGATIVE
22 DECLARATION IS BASED EVEN CONSIDERED THE HARMFUL EFFECTS ON
23 HUMANS IN THE ENVIRONMENT OF R.F. E.M.F. NON-OXIDIZING
24 RADIATION. THIS BLATANTLY IGNORING THE CRITICAL ELEMENT OF
25 RADIATION RENDERS THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION ON ITS FACE

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1 INVALID. THIS TECHNOLOGY IS HARMFUL. IT'S PROVEN IN OVER
2 10,000 PEER-REVIEWED SCIENTIFIC STUDIES, AND THE RECENT WIN IN
3 THE F.C.C. LAWSUIT ON THE F.C.C.'S FAILURE TO UPDATE THEIR
4 STANDARDS AND EXPOSURE LEVELS IN 26 YEARS. DO YOU KNOW THAT
5 THE FIREFIGHTERS IN CALIFORNIA ARE NOW EXEMPT FROM HAVING 5G
6 ANTENNAS INSTALLED AT FIRE STATIONS? AFTER PRODUCING MEDICAL
7 DATA INDICATING NEUROLOGICAL DAMAGE TO ALL FIREFIGHTERS
8 WORKING OUT OF A STATION WITH 5G ANTENNAS, THE FIREFIGHTERS
9 UNION MANAGED TO GET THE GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA TO MAKE AN
10 EXCEPTION FOR FUTURE STATIONS THAT HAVE CELL TOWERS INSTALLED.
11 ALSO SCIENTIFIC STUDIES DOCUMENT THE CONTINUOUS R.F. E.M.F.
12 RADIATION EXPOSURE IS CLOSELY TIED WITH INCREASED TURPENE
13 PRODUCTION IN CONIFERS, WHICH IS HIGHLY FLAMMABLE. THE
14 ORDINANCE WOULD ELIMINATE DUE PROCESS PROTECTIONS FOR L.A.
15 COUNTY COMMUNITY OF PRIOR NOTIFICATION AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO
16 BE HEARD IN PUBLIC HEARINGS, WHICH WOULD REPLACE 30 YEARS OF
17 CONSTITUTIONAL USE PERMIT SYSTEM WITH AN ACCELERATED
18 MINISTERIAL SITE REVIEW. IN SUMMARY ON THAT, THE LONGTERM
19 CONSEQUENCES OF THE ORDINANCE, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NEEDS
20 TO PAUSE AND POSTPONE, THINK THIS THROUGH CLEARLY AND CONSIDER
21 OTHER ORDINANCES LIKE IN MALIBU, PETALUMA, MILL VALLEY, ETC.
22 THIS ORDINANCE WILL HAVE LASTING EFFECTS ON THE HEALTH OF OUR
23 RESIDENTS AND OUR ENVIRONMENT, AND CAUTION IS ADVISED BEFORE
24 MOVING FORWARD. ON ARTICLE NUMBER -- ORDINANCE NUMBER -- LET'S
25 SEE, 80, THE CONSTITUTION PROTECTS A PERSON'S FREEDOM OF

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1 CHOICE IN MEDICAL TREATMENT. IT IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL TO DENY
2 PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO MAKE THEIR OWN MEDICAL CHOICES. RACHEL
3 WALENSKY, THE DIRECTOR OF THE C.D.C. AND DR. ANTHONY FAUCI
4 AND THE W.H.O. ALL HAD TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE VACCINES CANNOT
5 STOP TRANSMISSION. BOTH THE VACCINATED AND UNVACCINATED CARRY
6 SIMILAR VIRAL LOADS. MANY BILLIONS OF VACCINES HAVE BEEN
7 ADMINISTERED DURING THE PAST 32 YEARS. YET IN JUST EIGHT
8 MONTHS, THE COVID VACCINES HAVE INJURED AND KILLED FAR MORE
9 AMERICANS THAT ALL OTHER VACCINES COMBINED OVER THREE DECADES.
10 THE VACCINES ARE SO RISKY THAT THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY HAS
11 REFUSED TO UNDERWRITE THEM AND MANUFACTURERS REFUSE TO
12 PRODUCE THEM WITHOUT BLANKET IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY. I URGE
13 YOU TO HONOR PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO MAKE THEIR OWN DECISIONS FOR
14 THEIR HEALTH, TO CONSIDER THAT VACCINES CANNOT PREVENT
15 TRANSMISSION AND TO OPPOSE THIS. THANK YOU.

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

18
19 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.
20 PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY
21 ITEMS AND WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.
22 YOU MAY BEGIN.

23
24 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD MORNING. THIS IS DR.
25 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, AND I'LL SPEAK TO ITEM 2, 13, AND 73B, AND

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1 PUBLIC COMMENT. ON ITEM 2, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE
2 DON'T GET CARRIED AWAY WITH COVID VARIANT AND SO ON, AND I'M
3 IMPRESSED THAT TODAY YOU HAVE OPENED THE BOARD FOR YOU,
4 SUPERVISORS, AND YOUR INTERMINIONS, BUT NOT FOR THE PUBLIC.
5 SO, I HOPE THIS TAKES US IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION THAT THE NEXT
6 TIME YOU'LL OPEN IT TO THE PUBLIC BECAUSE I AM REALLY MISSING
7 NOT TO BE SEEN IN PERSON. TO PICK A HYBRID SETTING, I DON'T
8 THINK IT'S BAD AT ALL. ITEM 13, I AM VERY IN FAVOR OF THAT
9 ITEM BECAUSE IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE LOOK AT TECHNOLOGY AND
10 INNOVATION OUR WATER [INAUDIBLE] COUNTY WHERE WE ARE
11 [INAUDIBLE] AND ALL KIND OF ELON MUSKS IS FOR THE [INAUDIBLE]
12 AND SO ON. SO I THINK WE SHOULD USE THOSE BRAINS TO IMPROVE
13 THE WORK. ON 13B ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, I'M VERY
14 CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON WITH MENTAL HEALTH. A COUPLE
15 OF WEEKS AGO, OR LONGER THAN THAT, WE HAD A CRISIS WHERE A
16 PERSON NEEDED REALLY INSTANT MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT. AND I DID
17 NOT GET A CALL BACK UNTIL MANY, MANY DAYS AFTER, SO THAT IS
18 REALLY SAD. EVERY TIME I MENTION [INAUDIBLE] TRANSPORT, NOBODY
19 KNOWS ABOUT IT WHEN IT HAS BEEN PUBLICIZED OVER AND OVER
20 AGAIN. ON MY PUBLIC COMMENT, I JUST WANT TO REINFORCE WHAT I
21 HAVE SAID ABOUT REOPENING THE BOARD. I MEAN IT'S TIME. AND
22 ABOUT THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION, IT HAS BEEN COMING OUT THAT
23 ONE OF THEIR ADVICE IS TO, WHAT YOU CALL, AVAIL -- CREATE AN
24 EXECUTIVE LEVEL ABSENTEE. THAT'S ONE THING I SUGGESTED MANY,
25 MANY YEARS AGO, AND THAT'S ONE THING THAT SUPERVISOR BARGER

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1 THOUGHT WAS A VERY GOOD IDEA. IT'S TOO BAD THAT THE MAIN
2 RECOMMENDATION OF THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION IS STUFF THAT
3 SHOULD HAVE BEEN RESOLVED AND DONE MANY YEARS AGO. ANYWAY,
4 THAT'S WHAT I HAVE FOR TODAY. I HOPE THAT NEXT TIME I CAN SEE
5 YOU, AND I HOPE YOU GET EVERY WEEK AGAIN. BYE.

6

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

8

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

13

14 **SCOTT FRAYER:** MY NAME IS SCOTT FRAYER, AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK
15 ABOUT AGENDA NUMBER 80 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I'VE BEEN A
16 LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMPLOYEE FOR 29 YEARS AND ALSO A PROUD
17 UNION MEMBER OF PROFESSIONAL PEACE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION. I'M
18 100% OPPOSED TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADDING RULE 18.10 TO
19 THE COUNTY CODE. THERE HAS BEEN NO CONTRACTUALLY OBLIGATED
20 MEET AND CONFER PROCESS WITH P.O.P.A. OR THE COALITION OF
21 COUNTY UNIONS. REWRITING THE COUNTY CODE TO CHANGE THE ENTIRE
22 DISCIPLINE STRUCTURE FOR EVERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT ALSO SENDS A
23 DANGEROUS PRECEDENT. CONFLICTS WITH ONE EXECUTIVE FROM A
24 SINGLE DEPARTMENT SHOULD NOT BE CAUSE FOR CHANGE IN THE ENTIRE
25 CIVIL SERVICE RULE STRUCTURE, ESPECIALLY IF THAT EXECUTIVE IS

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1 AN ELECTED OFFICIAL. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SHOULD
2 ABSOLUTELY NOT ADD RULE 18.10 TO THE COUNTY CODE. INSTEAD, DO
3 THE RIGHT THING AND HOLD THIS ITEM UNTIL YOU MEET WITH ALL
4 MEMBERS OF THE COALITION. AS WE AWAIT THIS MORNING, WE HAVE
5 THE BEST EXAMPLE OF MANAGEMENT AND LABOR WORKING TOGETHER FOR
6 A COMMON GOOD. GROCERY WORKERS AND BUSINESS OWNERS SAT DOWN
7 AND NEGOTIATED A LABOR CONTRACT WITHOUT RUNNING TO COURT OR
8 SLINGING MUD AT ONE ANOTHER SO ONCE AGAIN THE RESIDENTS OF LOS
9 ANGELES COUNTY CAN ENJOY THE COMFORT OF WALKING INTO THEIR
10 LOCAL MARKETS TO FEED THEIR LOVED ONES. BY PASSING THIS
11 MEASURE, YOU'LL MAKE THE WORKERS OF L.A. COUNTY PAY THE PRICE
12 FOR THIS ONGOING BATTLE WITH THE SHERIFF, BUT THE REAL VICTIMS
13 OF YOUR SELF-INDUCED WAR WILL BE THE CITIZENS OF L.A. COUNTY
14 BECAUSE, IN THE END, THE CITIZENS WILL BE LEFT WITH FAR FEWER
15 SERVICES THAN THEY ENJOY, AND THIS WILL HAVE OCCURRED ON YOUR
16 WATCH. THANK YOU.

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

19
20 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WE CAN GO TO THE LINE OF ERIC
21 PREVEN. PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE
22 ADDRESSING TODAY AND WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC
23 COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVEN. AND YOU OF 92 ITEMS
2 ON YOUR AGENDA TODAY, WHICH IS A LOT. I'LL BE HONEST WITH YOU,
3 IT'S ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO ADDRESS THEM ALL. WHY WOULD I WANT
4 TO? THE COST OF LITIGATION THAT MR. CASTRO-SILVA IS PUSHING
5 ON. HE'S RETIRING. IF HE'S 50 YEARS OLD, I'LL BE SURPRISED.
6 BUT NONETHELESS, HE HAS TO STEP OFF FROM THE TRAIN WRECK.
7 UNDERSTOOD. BUT THE COST OF LITIGATION REPORT IS BEING KICKED
8 DOWN UNTIL MAY AFTER HE'S GONE. THAT'S NOT ACCOUNTABILITY. AND
9 EVERYBODY KNOWS DAWYN HARRISON IS DOING A GREAT JOB, BUT WE
10 NEED TO UNDERSTAND HOW MUCH COVINGTON BURLING IS GETTING TO DO
11 A LITTLE POKE AROUND THE CONTRACTING FRAUD, AND WE NEED TO
12 ALSO STACK UP SKIP MILLER'S INVOICES ALONG WITH ALL THE
13 FEDERAL RELIEF HE WAS RECEIVING, OVER A MILLION DOLLARS AT HIS
14 LAW FIRM, A SMALL WHITE SHOE, WHITE SHOE, WHITE COLLAR LAW
15 FIRM. THIS IS JUST APPALLING. WE WE NEED THOSE NUMBERS. AND
16 IT'S NICE THAT RISK IS DOWN A LITTLE BIT, BUT THAT'S BECAUSE
17 EVERYBODY HAS BEEN AT HOME. SO THEY CAN'T COMPLAIN ABOUT BEING
18 ABUSED AT WORK. THE \$1.85 MILLION SETTLEMENT FOR THE DENNIS
19 FINN STORY IS REALLY A TRAGEDY. HE WAS A WHISTLEBLOWER AT THE
20 D.C.F.S., WHO REVEALED A HEARTBREAKER THAT I CAN'T EVEN TALK
21 ABOUT BECAUSE A MOM KILLED HER OWN KIDS. JUST SHAMEFUL. THE
22 MONEY, IT LINES UP AGAINST \$3 MILLION OF L.A. CITY THIS
23 MORNING, THEY ARE HANDING OUT FOR AN L.A. FIRE DEPARTMENT
24 BASED RACIAL HARASSMENT, AWFUL, AWFUL, AWFUL STORY. SO I DON'T
25 KNOW. ARE WE DOING BETTER? OR ARE WE DOING WORSE? IT LOOKS TO

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1 ME AS IF WE'RE DOING WORSE. IF WE DON'T REPORT OUT LOUD, WE'RE
2 CERTAINLY DOING WORSE. AT LEAST WE HAVE TWO OF THE ORDINARILY
3 HALF DOZEN ARMENIAN RECOGNITION ITEMS TODAY. I WANT TO THANK
4 THE FIFTH DISTRICT FOR GIVING A SPECIAL FIFTH DISTRICT AND,
5 OBVIOUSLY, THE COUNTY-WIDE, IT IS ARMENIAN HISTORY MONTH, BUT
6 WHERE IS C.D. 4, SUPERVISOR HAHN? I THINK WE NEED AT LEAST
7 SEVERAL MORE RECOGNITIONS AS WE HAVE IN THE PAST. THE METRO
8 BOARD IS GETTING EXCITED ABOUT DOING JOB ORDER CONTRACTING. I
9 NOTICED ON ITEM 56, THE WAY IT STARTED FOR A VERY ORDINARY
10 THINGS LIKE GUARDRAIL REPLACEMENTS, IT WAS A FAIR WAY TO
11 EARMARK PRICES. BUT WHEN THE PUBLIC IS SHUT OUT OF THE
12 PROCESS, AND SHEILA JACKS THE AUTHORIZATION UP TO OVER \$5
13 MILLION, NOBODY SEES HOW MANY TIMES THEY'RE CLICKING THE
14 PELLET OR HOW MANY THINGS THEY'RE ORDERING, AND THAT'S WHY THE
15 L.A. TIMES NEVER WROTE A SINGLE ARTICLE ABOUT THE FRAUD THAT
16 WAS FOUND IN LONG BEACH, THAT YOU ALL FOUND YOURSELF. I
17 REMEMBER WHEN SOLIS AND JANICE HAHN HELD HANDS AND BRAVELY
18 SAID THIS IS DISGUSTING. WHY ARE WE POURING SO MUCH MONEY OUT?
19 SO WE HAVE TO DO BETTER IN THAT CASE. NOW, ALSO WHEN YOU DO ON
20 CALL LITTLE PILE-UPS, THIS IS A SHEILA TECHNIQUE TO PRETEND
21 LIKE WE'RE NOT MEETING HALF AS MUCH, YOU CAN'T PUT CLOSED
22 CIRCUIT TELEVISION INSPECTIONS ALONG WITH VACUUM CLEANERS AND
23 JETTING SERVICES, WHICH IS A PLUMBING THING, OR REAL ESTATE,
24 TITLE ACQUISITIONS, EVERYTHING UNDER THE SUN, IN ONE ITEM --

25

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

3

4 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF CRAIG CADWALLANDER.
5 PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY
6 AND WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
7 BEGIN.

8

9 **CRAIG CADWALLANDER:** THANK YOU. CRAIG CADWALLANDER, [INAUDIBLE]
10 SOUTH BAY, AND I'M SPEAKING ON ITEMS 7, 36, 77, AND GENERAL
11 PUBLIC COMMENT. I'VE BEEN WORKING ON THIS TYPE OF ORDINANCE
12 FOR WELL OVER A DECADE AND HAVE SEEN IT SUCCESSFULLY
13 IMPLEMENTED IN MANY CITIES WITHOUT NEGATIVE BUSINESS IMPACTS.
14 150 ORDINANCES AND MORE HAVE BEEN PASSED IN THE STATE. ALL
15 HAVE POLYSTYRENE ELEMENTS, AND NO NEGATIVE KNOWN IMPACTS TO
16 BUSINESSES HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED. WHEN I WAS WORKING WITH THE
17 CITY OF LONG BEACH ON THEIR POLYSTYRENE ORDINANCE, THEIR STAFF
18 REPORTED TO COUNCIL THEY REACHED OUT TO THE CITY OF SAN
19 FRANCISCO THAT HAD A SIMILAR ORDINANCE IN PLACE FOR MANY, MANY
20 YEARS AND CITY STAFF IN SAN FRANCISCO SAID THAT ONLY THREE
21 BUSINESSES CLAIMED THE HARDSHIP EXEMPTION. NONE OF THOSE WERE
22 RESTAURANTS, AND ALL THREE WITHDREW THEIR REQUEST WHEN THE
23 CITY WORKED WITH THEM TO FIND ALTERNATIVE SOURCES. THERE ARE
24 NO VETTED FACTS THAT HAVE EVER BEEN PRESENTED TO MY KNOWLEDGE
25 BY THE OPPOSITION TO SUPPORT THEIR CLAIMS OF NEGATIVE IMPACTS

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1 ON BUSINESS. THE COST DIFFERENCES BETWEEN EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE
2 AND SUBSTITUTED ITEMS WERE EXAMINED IN THE 2018 LOS ANGELES
3 COUNTY POLYSTYRENE STUDY, AND IT SHOWED ONLY PENNIES OR
4 FRACTIONS OF PENNIES DIFFERENCE IN COST. THE UNDUE HARDSHIP
5 CLAUSE PROVIDES FOR A SAFETY VALVE FOR BUSINESSES, WHICH WE
6 ALWAYS RECOMMEND. AND ALSO, SOME OF THE ORGANIZATIONS CLAIM TO
7 REPRESENT EVERYONE. THEY DO NOT. THEY ONLY REPRESENT A SMALL
8 FRACTION OF THE BUSINESSES IN THE AREA. WE ALSO BELIEVE THAT
9 THE HAHN-SOLIS MOTION, ITEM 7, IS WONDERFUL TO HELP SET UP A
10 WAY TO ASSIST POTENTIAL BUSINESSES AND TO CREATE LISTS AND
11 OUTREACH TO HELP EDUCATE THE BUSINESSES. THE PLASTIC WASTE
12 INCREASES TAXES FOR BOTH RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES TO CLEAN UP
13 THE MESS THAT THE SINGLE USE PLASTIC ITEMS CREATE IN THE
14 ENVIRONMENT. SO THERE'S ACTUALLY A TAX DECREMENT TO USING
15 THESE ITEMS, WHICH IS NOT DISCUSSED. OVERALL, THIS IS A WIN,
16 WIN, WIN SITUATION. IT'S ACTUALLY GOOD FOR BUSINESSES. IT'S
17 GOOD FOR COMMUNITIES BY KEEPING WASTE OUT OF THE COMMUNITIES,
18 WHICH CREATES A HIGHER STANDARD OF LIVING. AND IT'S ALSO GOOD
19 FOR THE ENVIRONMENT. I STRONGLY ENCOURAGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT
20 ITEMS 7, 36, AND 77 AND MOVE FORWARD TO CATCH UP WITH THE REST
21 OF THE STATE ON AN EFFECTIVE SINGLE USE PLASTICS ORDINANCE
22 THAT --

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:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE ON ARMADI MAY. PLEASE
3 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY
4 WHETHER YOU'LL BE ADDRESSING ON PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **ARMADI MAY:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS DR.
7 ARMADI MAY. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEMS 68, 79, AND 80, AS WELL AS
8 GENERAL COMMENT. I'M IN STRONG OPPOSITION TO THIS PROPOSED
9 ORDINANCE TO DISCIPLINE EMPLOYEES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WHO
10 ARE DECLINING AN EXPERIMENTAL GENE MODIFICATION AGENT FALSELY
11 DUBBED A SO-CALLED COVID-19 VACCINE. ACCORDING TO DR. FAUCI AS
12 WELL AS C.D.C. DIRECTOR RACHEL WALENSKY AND THE W.H.O., THIS
13 COVID-19 INJECTION IS NOT MEANT TO STOP INFECTIONS NOR TO STOP
14 TRANSMISSION OF THE VIRUS. IT IS SIMPLY DESIGNED TO PREVENT
15 SYMPTOMS SERIOUS ENOUGH TO LAND A PERSON IN THE HOSPITAL.
16 HOWEVER, WE'VE SEEN NOW IN THE LAST 8 MONTHS OVER 26,000
17 DEATHS REPORTED TO THE VACCINE ADVERSE EVENTS REPORTING SYSTEM
18 FROM THIS COVID-19 INJECTION AS WELL AS OVER 1.2 MILLION
19 ADVERSE EVENTS, INCLUDING HOSPITALIZATIONS, STROKES, HEART
20 ATTACKS, MYOCARDITIS, AND MANY OTHER ILL EFFECTS FROM THIS
21 INJECTION. ADDITIONALLY, IT'S NOT BEEN SHOWN TO BE EFFECTIVE
22 IN PREVENTING COVID-19. THESE INJECTIONS HAVE CAUSED
23 TREMENDOUS HARM TO OUR COMMUNITIES, AND THERE'S NO LEGAL
24 JUSTIFICATION FOR MANDATING IT ON EMPLOYEES. IT IS COMPLETELY
25 UNCONSTITUTIONAL AND UNETHICAL. AS REGARDS ITEM 79, WHICH I'M

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1 ALSO IN STRONG OPPOSITION TO, I URGE YOU TO LOOK AT HALTING OR
2 OPPOSING THE DRAFT ORDINANCE TITLE 22 AS IT STANDS AND
3 CONSIDER THAT AMENDMENTS IN MALIBU AND ENCINITAS AND OTHER
4 TOWNS HAVE IMPLEMENTED BETTER PROTOCOLS TO ALLOW A PROPER
5 PUBLIC DISCOURSE AND INCLUDE THE SAFETY RISKS ALONG WITH
6 PROPERTY VALUE DIMINISHMENT AND THE SURVEILLANCE CONCERNS THAT
7 ARE PRESENT IN THIS 5G ROLL OUT. IN 2011, THE WORLD HEALTH
8 ORGANIZATION CLASSIFIED WIRELESS RADIATION AS A POSSIBLE HUMAN
9 CARCINOGEN. AND IN NATIONAL TOXICOLOGY PROGRAM, \$30 MILLION
10 OVER A 10 YEAR PERIOD, THESE STUDIES CONDUCTED BY THE U.S.
11 NATIONAL TOXICOLOGY PROGRAM FOUND CLEAR EVIDENCE OF CANCER
12 FROM EXPOSURE TO WIRELESS RADIATION. A STUDY BY THE ERMASANI
13 INSTITUTE, FUNDED IN PART BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, FOUND THAT
14 EXPOSURE TO WIRELESS RADIATION FROM DISTANT CELL TOWERS WAS
15 ASSOCIATED WITH AN INCREASED RISK OF MALIGNANT HEART TUMORS.
16 THERE HAVE BEEN THOUSANDS OF PEER-REVIEWED STUDIES THAT SHOW
17 ADVERSE HEALTH IMPACTS FROM WIRELESS RADIATION EXPOSURE,
18 INCLUDING CANCER, NEUROLOGIC HARM, ABNORMAL BRAIN DEVELOPMENT,
19 AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH PROBLEMS. THERE ARE SAFE
20 ALTERNATIVES, INCLUDING FIBEROPTICS, WHICH NEED TO BE
21 EXPLORED, AND AS PREVIOUSLY COMMENT WAS MADE --

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

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

5

6 **MICHAEL LAW:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS MICHAEL. I'M REFERRING TO I
7 GUESS MOSTLY NUMBER 80 BUT ALSO 79. I JUST WANT TO THANK ALL
8 THE OTHER SPEAKERS, PEOPLE WHO HAVE SPOKEN IN PUBLIC COMMENT.
9 FIRST OFF, THE WOMAN WHO MENTIONED -- THIS IS REFERRING TO 79
10 AS WELL, BUT THERE'S -- I THINK THERE'S LARGER ISSUE AT HAND
11 FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WE ARE THE LARGEST
12 COUNTY IN AMERICA, IF I UNDERSTAND CORRECTLY, ABOUT 10 MILLION
13 PEOPLE. SO, THEY SAY AS GOES CALIFORNIA, SO GOES THE COUNTRY.
14 WELL, AS GOES LOS ANGELES, I THINK TECHNICALLY SO GOES
15 CALIFORNIA TECHNICALLY. SO FOR THOSE ON THE CALL AND WHO ARE
16 LISTENING, IT'S GREAT THAT YOU'RE PARTICIPATING IN THE
17 DEMOCRATIC PROCESS AND THAT WE'RE DOING THE BEST THAT WE CAN,
18 INCLUDING OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. SO I WANT TO THANK THEM AS
19 WELL. THERE'S A BOOK I WANTED TO REFERENCE REAL QUICK BY AN
20 AUTHOR NAMED MICHAEL YUSEF AND TITLED "HOPE FOR THIS PRESENT
21 CRISIS." AND IN IT, IT JUST BRIEFLY SAYS, "EVEN THOUGH THIS
22 BOOK IS NOT ABOUT THE PANDEMIC, THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS IS A
23 SOBERING REMINDER THAT OUR GOVERNMENT'S MILITARY MIGHT,
24 ECONOMIC POWER, AND TECHNOLOGICAL WIZARDRY ARE ALL AMAZINGLY
25 VULNERABLE TO A SUBMICROSCOPIC ORGANISM. IT IS A VIRUS SO

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1 SMALL IT CAN ONLY BE SEEN WITH AN ELECTRON MICROSCOPE, YET
2 THIS INVISIBLE [INAUDIBLE] HAS SHAKEN THE FOUNDATIONS OF HUMAN
3 SOCIETY AND BROUGHT MIGHTY CORPORATIONS AND GOVERNMENTS TO
4 THEIR KNEES." HE CONTINUES TO WRITING, "BUT OUR GOD IS
5 SOVEREIGN AND IN CONTROL OF WORLD EVENTS. THIS VIRUS DID NOT
6 TAKE GOD BY SURPRISE. GOD IS NOT WRINGING HIS HANDS AND SAYING
7 WHAT SHOULD I DO. HE CONTROLS EVERY BREATH WE TAKE AND EVERY
8 BEAT OF OUR HEARTS."

9

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

12

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

17

18 **MIGUEL GALDEZ:** GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I'M
19 SPEAKING ON ITEM NUMBER 80 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I'M AN
20 EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND AM SUBJECT TO THIS
21 MANDATE AND REQUEST THAT YOU REMOVE THE COUNTY CODE 18.10 ON
22 THE GROUNDS THAT IT DOES NOT IMPROVE PUBLIC SAFETY OVERALL. I
23 WON'T REPEAT WHAT EVERYONE ELSE HAS ALREADY SAID. I CONCUR
24 WITH ALL THEIR POINTS. PLEASE TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE PERSONAL

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1 OPINIONS AND THE SPACE OF ALL PUBLIC EMPLOYEES BEFORE YOU VOTE
2 ON THIS. THANK YOU.

3

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

5

6 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF ERIC BLAIR. PLEASE
7 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING AND WHETHER
8 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

9

10 **ERIC BLAIR:** YES. HI, L.A. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M DISCUSSING
11 AGENDA 68, 79, AND 80. FIRST, REGARDING TITLE 22, AGENDA 79
12 AND 80 FOR THE WIRELESS ORDINANCE. THIS NEEDS TO BE OPPOSED
13 BECAUSE APPARENTLY THIS IS GOING TO ALLOW, IF APPROVED, THE
14 SETTING UP OF 5G CELL TOWERS ON PEOPLE'S PRIVATE PROPERTY IN
15 FRONT OF THEIR HOMES WITHOUT PUBLIC NOTICE, WITHOUT
16 HOMEOWNERS, RESIDENTS, AND LANDOWNERS BEING ABLE TO BE
17 NOTIFIED AND GIVE OPPOSITION TO ANY SET UPS OF THE 5G CELL
18 TOWERS. THE W.H.O., THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT
19 HAS PREVIOUSLY STATED THAT CELL TOWERS PROBABLY CAUSE CANCER.
20 MANY OF US ARE GOING TO INVESTIGATE AND ARE INVESTIGATING HOW
21 MUCH MONEY, IF ANY, IS FLOWING FROM THE TELECOM INDUSTRY TO
22 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT
23 OFFICIALS THAT APPROVE SUCH ORDINANCES. THERE WILL BE LAWSUITS
24 IF THESE ORDINANCES ARE PASSED. AND ALSO, THERE ARE
25 ALTERNATIVES. FIBEROPTIC CABLES CAN BE USED. FIBEROPTIC CABLES

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1 PROVIDE MUCH MORE BANDWIDTH DATA. THEY DO NOT HAVE THE HAZARDS
2 FROM FIBEROPTIC CABLES THAT YOU HAVE WITH WIRELESS 4G AND 5G
3 TECHNOLOGY. SO IT MAKES NO SENSE. THE PUBLIC HAS ALREADY PAID
4 BILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN TAXES TO SET UP FIBEROPTIC CABLES. THAT
5 TECHNOLOGY NEEDS TO BE CONTINUED TO ROLL OUT INSTEAD OF USING
6 THE WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY WITH ALL ITS HAZARDS. THE OTHER AGENDA
7 REGARDING FIRING L.A. EMPLOYEES, WHO DO NOT TAKE THE COVID-19
8 INJECTION --

9

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

12

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

17

18 **MICHAEL JEAN:** HELLO, THIS IS REGARDING AGENDA 68, FIRING L.A.
19 COUNTY EMPLOYEES. IT'S COMPLETELY IMMORAL AND UNETHICAL. THERE
20 ARE MANY STUDIES SHOWING THE COVID-19 INJECTIONS ARE NOT
21 HELPFUL, THAT THEY'RE ACTUALLY HAZARDOUS, HARMFUL TO HEALTH.
22 ATTORNEY TOM RENTZ HAS MULTIPLE WHISTLEBLOWERS FROM THE
23 DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE. TWO OF THEM ARE LIEUTENANT COLONEL
24 WHISTLEBLOWERS SHOWING D.O.D., THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, DATA
25 SHOWING A HUGE UPTICK IN SERIOUS DISEASES AND DEATH COMPARED

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1 TO THE LAST FIVE YEARS, SHOWING THAT DATA COMPARED TO THE DATA
2 AFTER THE INJECTIONS OF COVID-19 VACCINES COMING OUT, HUGE
3 INCREASE IN CANCERS, NEUROLOGICAL DISEASES, MISCARRIAGES. MANY
4 DISEASES GOING WAY UP, 300%, 1000% INCREASES, AFTER THE
5 INJECTIONS COMING OUT. THE C.D.C.'S OWN VACCINE ADVERSE EVENT
6 REPORTING SYSTEM FROM THE C.D.C., THAT IS SHOWING HUGE UPTICK
7 IN DISEASES AFTER THE INJECTIONS COMING OUT --

8

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

11

12 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF MARSHA CLIEVE. PLEASE
13 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY AND
14 WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON REGULAR GENERAL COMMENT. YOU MAY
15 BEGIN.

16

17 **MARSHA CLIEVE:** HI. I'M ADDRESSING ITEM 79, THE 5G, AND ITEM
18 80, THE FORCED MANDATE ON EMPLOYEES. THE 5G LEAVES NO SAFE
19 PLACE FOR ANY OF US TO RESIDE AWAY FROM RADIATION IN OUR HOMES
20 AND ANYWHERE WE GO WITH OUR CHILDREN. WE DON'T WANT TO BE
21 RADIATED IN OUR SLEEP. WE DON'T WANT OUR KIDS CONTRACTING ALL
22 KINDS OF SEEMINGLY RARE CANCERS. WE KNOW THAT EVEN THE
23 FIREFIGHTERS, THERE IS EVIDENCE ON THIS, THE FIREFIGHTERS HAVE
24 EVEN SEEN -- HAVE REPORTS AND STUFF AND HAD THEM REMOVED. NOW,
25 AS FAR AS THE CLOT SHOT BEING UNSAFE, THERE'S NO INFORMED

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1 CONSENT. YOU CAN'T FORCE SOMETHING THAT ALREADY HAS MORE
2 DEATHS THAN ANY OTHER OF THESE VACCINES COMBINED, DEATH AND
3 ADVERSE REACTIONS. AND YEAH, I STRONGLY OPPOSE BOTH OF THOSE.
4 AND AS FAR AS THE PLASTICS, I'D LIKE ANYONE HERE TO REFER TO
5 THE DOCUMENTARY "SEASPIRACY" ON NETFLIX. IT'S AMAZING. THANK
6 YOU.

7

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

9

10 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE CAN GO TO THE LINE OF CAROLINE MORRIS.
11 PLEASE STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY
12 AND WHETHER YOU'RE ADDRESSING ON GENERAL COMMENT. YOU MAY
13 BEGIN.

14

15 **CAROLINE MORRIS:** I'M CALLING REGARDING 79 AND 80, AND I JUST
16 WANT TO SAY, TO MAKE IT REAL QUICK, PLEASE OPPOSE TITLE 22,
17 DRAFT WIRELESS ORDINANCE, WHICH WAS PASSED BY THE L.A. COUNTY
18 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS NEED TO
19 PROTECTIVE WIRELESS ORDINANCE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

20

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

23

24 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF ERNESTO DIAZ. PLEASE
25 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY AND

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1 WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
2 BEGIN.

3

4 **ERNESTO DIAZ:** ITEM 65 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. ERNESTO
5 DIAZ, RECENTLY RETIRED AFTER 30 YEARS WITH THE PUBLIC
6 DEFENDER'S OFFICE. I'M SADDENED, ANGRY, AND OUTRAGED. AS SUCH,
7 I COME TO HELP MY COLLEAGUES WHO HAVE BEEN OVERWHELMED FOR
8 OVER 18 MONTHS WITH UNCONSCIONABLE CASE LOADS AT THE PUBLIC
9 DEFENDER'S OFFICE. MY WORST FEARS DESCRIBED IN MY NOVEMBER 2,
10 2020 EMAIL TO THE OFFICE CAME TO FRUITION. I SPOKE TO A
11 COLLEAGUE. THE PERSON WAS BECOMING SUICIDAL BECAUSE OF THE
12 HIGH CASE LOADS. THE DAILY JOURNAL PUBLISHED A STORY ON
13 TUESDAY, MARCH 15TH, OF THIS FACT. IT'S SHAMEFUL AND
14 OUTRAGEOUS THAT THE DIRECTOR DID NOTHING FOR DAYS TO PROVIDE
15 RESOURCES FOR MENTAL HEALTH. I HAVE BEEN TOLD BY COLLEAGUES
16 THEY ARE NOT SLEEPING. THEY'RE HAVING NIGHTMARES OF BEING
17 SHOT. DEATH DREAMS OF NEVER COMING TO WORK, SUFFERING FROM
18 STRESS, ANXIETY, DEPRESSION, WORKING THROUGH LUNCH AND
19 WEEKENDS TRYING TO KEEP UP. THEY CALL THEIR PRACTICE TRIAGE
20 BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE ENOUGH TIME TO ADEQUATELY REPRESENT
21 THEIR CLIENTS. LAWYERS HAVE LEFT THE OFFICE. LAWYERS HAVE GONE
22 ON A STRESS LEAVE, AND I RETIRED EARLY. THERE ARE FOUR
23 IMPORTANT TAKEAWAYS. THE NEW 25 MILLION DOLLAR CASE MANAGEMENT
24 SYSTEM HAS NOT IN ANY WAY HELPED WITH THE SPIRALING CASE
25 LOADS. ON THE CONTRARY, THE CASE LOAD NUMBERS REPORTED BY THE

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1 SYSTEM ARE INACCURATE AND NEVER COUNTED. THE CURRENT DIRECTOR
2 ONLY SUPERVISED SIX PEOPLE IN THE PAST. SOMEONE WHO KNOWS HOW
3 TO FLY A KITE DOES NOT EQUATE TO SOMEBODY FLYING A PLANE.
4 LAWYERS ARE AT RISK AND THEY HAVE ALREADY COMMITTED I.E.C.
5 LASTLY, THE EXPOSURE OF LIABILITY TO THE COUNTY BY THE
6 POTENTIAL I.E.C. LAWSUITS HAS INCREASED EXPONENTIALLY. I'M
7 ASKING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO STEP IN AND TO AVERT
8 FURTHER HARM TO THE LAWYERS AND TO THE CLIENTS. THE UNION
9 WOULD BE WELL WITHIN ITS RIGHT TO ASK FOR RELIEF FROM THE
10 STATE BAR OR FROM SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE DIRECTORS' ETHICAL
11 VIOLATION OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE BAR GUIDELINES ON INDIGENT
12 DEFENSE. AND I FULLY SUPPORT ITEM 65. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

13

14 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE MEMBERS OF THE
15 PUBLIC WHO CALLED IN TODAY. AND WITH THE AGREEMENT OF THE
16 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE ARE GOING TO EXTEND PUBLIC COMMENT
17 FOR AN ADDITIONAL 10 MINUTES TO ALLOW TIME TO HEAR FROM
18 SPEAKERS WHO ARE CALLING IN SPECIFICALLY ON PUBLIC HEARING
19 ITEMS. THOSE ARE AGENDA ITEMS 79 AND 80. SO WE'LL EXTEND IT
20 FOR 10 MINUTES JUST TO HEAR ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS. WE'LL
21 ALLOW ONE MINUTE EACH TO ALLOW AS MANY AS SPEAKERS AS POSSIBLE
22 TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, AGAIN, ON THE AGENDA ITEMS 79 AND 80. SO
23 WILL YOU ALLOW THE FIRST CALLER PLEASE ON THE PUBLIC HEARING
24 AGENDA ITEMS? THANK YOU.

25

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1 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU. NEXT, WE ARE GOING GO TO THE LINE OF
2 ERNESTO DIAZ. PLEASE STATE THE GENERAL COMMENTS YOU'RE
3 SPEAKING ON TODAY. PLEASE GO AHEAD. LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE NOT
4 THERE. WE'LL GO TO JULIA LAVINE. PLEASE STATE THE GENERAL
5 COMMENT. PLEASE GO AHEAD.

6

7 **JULIA LAVINE:** I'VE BEEN ON THE LINE SINCE 9:00 A.M., AND I
8 WANT TO SPEAK TO 77, 79, AND GENERAL COMMENT. I'M JUST LETTING
9 YOU KNOW THAT BECAUSE I THINK THE PROCESS IS FLAWED. ON
10 MICROPLASTICS, I WANT TO SAY THAT CELL TOWERS ACTUALLY
11 INCREASE THE AMOUNT OF NANOPARTICLES OF MICROPLASTICS IN OUR
12 ENVIRONMENT. SO THOSE WHO ARE ENVIRONMENTALISTS SHOULD BE
13 CONCERNED ABOUT THAT. IN TERMS OF 79, THE HEARING PROPOSES TO
14 CONFIRM A NEGATIVE DECLARATION UNDER C.E.Q.A. AND FINDING OF
15 CONSISTENCY. I TOTALLY OPPOSE THAT. IT'S GOING TO INCREASE
16 SAFETY RISKS BY IMPAIRING COMMITTEE RESILIENCE AND EMERGENCY
17 RESPONSE CAPABILITY. IT IS GOING TO INCREASE THE LIKELIHOOD OF
18 FIRES, AND I URGE YOU TO HEAR FROM EXPERTS IN THIS FIELD,
19 INCLUDING SUSAN FOSTER, WHO WORKS WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS
20 EXCLUSIVELY ON THIS AND HAS BEEN A CONSULTANT TO THE CITY OF
21 MALIBU IN DEVELOPING A PROTECTIVE ORDINANCE. I ENCOURAGE YOU
22 TO LOOK AT THE FACT THAT THIS ORDINANCE DOES NOT MEET C.E.Q.A.
23 REQUIREMENTS OR AUTHORIZE A NEGATIVE DECLARATION. THIS IS
24 SOMETHING THAT NEEDS TO BE CONSIDERED --

25

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

3

4 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF OLGA HERNANDEZ.
5 PLEASE GO AHEAD.

6

7 **OLGA HERNANDEZ:** OH. HI. I OPPOSE 68, 80, AND 79, AND 22.
8 THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

9

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

11

12 **OLGA HERNANDEZ:** YEAH. OKAY, I OPPOSE THOSE. THANK YOU.

13

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

15

16 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF SALLY MASON. PLEASE
17 GO AHEAD.

18

19 **SALLY MASON:** HI, CAN YOU HEAR ME.

20

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

22

23 **SALLY MASON:** HI, THANK YOU. I AM SPEAKING ON 68, 79, AND 80. I
24 AM OPPOSED TO ANYTHING THAT IS REQUIRING THAT COUNTY EMPLOYEES
25 TAKE THE VACCINES, WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN SHOWN TO DECREASE

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1 TRANSMISSION, HAVE BEEN SHOWN TO HAVE MANY HAZARDS AND RISKS
2 ASSOCIATED. IN ADDITION, FOR THE 5G, PLEASE SLOW DOWN PASSING
3 THE DRAFT ORDINANCE TITLE 22 AS IT STANDS AND CONSIDER THE
4 AMENDMENTS THAT MALIBU AND ENCINITAS AND MANY OTHER CITIES
5 ACROSS THE U.S. HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTING IN REGULATIONS ON HOW
6 CLOSE THESE SMALL CELL TOWERS CAN BE TO OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND
7 HOMES. ALSO PLEASE OPPOSE TITLE 22, THE DRAFT WIRELESS
8 ORDINANCE PASSED BY L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL
9 PLANNING. THE HEARING WILL CONFIRM A NEGATIVE DECLARATION
10 UNDER C.E.Q.A AND A FINDING OF CONSISTENCY WITH THE GENERAL
11 PLAN SAFETY ELEMENTS. IN FACT, THE PROPOSED PROJECT WILL
12 GREATLY INCREASE SAFETY RISKS.

13

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

16

17 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE'LL GO TO THE LINE F OF JODI NELSON. PLEASE
18 GO AHEAD.

19

20 **JODI NELSON:** HI, THIS IS JODI NELSON FROM CALIFORNIANS FOR
21 SAFE TECHNOLOGY ON ITEM NUMBER 79. ONE USE FOR THIS TECHNOLOGY
22 IS FOR SURVEILLANCE CAPABILITIES. SURVEILLANCE WAS PARANOID
23 THINKING 20 YEARS AGO, AND YET WE NOW KNOW THE CAPABILITY
24 ALREADY EXISTS USING TECHNOLOGY LIKE MICROWAVE WIRELESS
25 DEVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE LIKE 4G AND 5G. AND THE EXTENT OF

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1 USAGE FROM THE SURVEILLANCE IS FRIGHTENING. THE FACT YOU MAY
2 THINK WHAT I AM SAYING IS OUTLANDISH PROVES ONE POINT, THAT
3 THE MARKETING AND P.R. PLAY BOOK THE INDUSTRY USES WORKS. THEY
4 ARE BETTING THAT YOU WILL NOT LOOK BEHIND THE CURTAIN BECAUSE
5 THAT WILL REVEAL A FACT. THEY ARE ONE OF THE BIGGEST PUSHERS
6 OF DISINFORMATION USING TECHNIQUES LIKE MANUFACTURED DOUBT,
7 ASTROTURFING, LOBBYING, GAS LIGHTING, ETC. EDWARD BERNAISE,
8 THE PIONEER IN MODERN P.R. PROPAGANDA STATED IN 1920, "THOSE
9 WHO MANIPULATE THIS UNSEEN MECHANISM OF SOCIETY CONSTITUTE AN
10 INVISIBLE GOVERNMENT, WHICH IS THE TRUE RULING POWER OF OUR
11 COUNTRY." THESE TECHNIQUES WERE MADE FAMOUS BY THE TOBACCO
12 INDUSTRY AND UPDATED IN --

13

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

16

17 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE WILL GO THE LINE OF SUSAN FOSTER. PLEASE
18 GO AHEAD.

19

20 **SUSAN FOSTER:** HI, THIS IS SUSAN FOSTER. I AM SPEAKING ON ITEM
21 79. I AM A FIRE AND UTILITY CONSULTANT WHO ASSISTED IN WRITING
22 BOTH THE ENCINITAS SMALL CELL ORDINANCE AND THE MALIBU
23 ORDINANCES. I AM URGING YOU TO TAKE A DISCERNING LOOK AT THE
24 TELECOMMUNICATIONS ORDINANCES TITLES 16 AND 22, AND NOTE THAT
25 THEY LACK CRITICAL ENGINEERING REQUIREMENTS THAT YOU HAVE THE

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1 RIGHT TO DEMAND. TELECOMMUNICATIONS SAFETY BELONGS TO THE
2 LOCALITY TO REGULATE. OUR TEAM IN MALIBU, OVER THE PAST TWO
3 YEARS, DISCOVERED THAT FOUR OF CALIFORNIA'S MAJOR WILDFIRES
4 STARTED AS A RESULT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT. EVEN
5 THOUGH YOUR ORDINANCE SAYS THAT THE APPLICABLE CODES APPLY,
6 NOT ALL OF THE ELECTRICAL AND FIRE CODES ARE INDEED
7 APPLICABLE. UNDER TITLE 22'S MINISTERIAL PERMITS, MACRO
8 TOWERS, ONE OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT OF ALL CELL TOWER FIRE
9 RISKS, WOULD BASICALLY BE RUBBER STAMPED. THUS, YOU WILL HAVE
10 LOST YOUR ABILITY --

11

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

14

15 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE WILL GO TO THE LINE OF ELIZABETH RADE
16 WAINSCOT, PLEASE GO AHEAD.

17

18 **ELIZABETH RADE WAINSCOT:** HI, MY NAME IS ELIZABETH RADE
19 WAINSCOT. AND I AM SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE CENTER FOR
20 BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY ON AGENDA ITEM 79. THE CENTER STRONGLY
21 SUPPORTS THE SAFETY ELEMENT UPDATE FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
22 GENERAL PLAN. THE CENTER COMMENDS THE COUNTY FOR ADDRESSING
23 THE REGION'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING CRISIS THROUGH UPZONING URBAN
24 INTEL AREAS, WHILE ADVANCING STRATEGIES TO REDUCE REGIONAL
25 WILDFIRE RISK BY SETTING CLEAR DEVELOPMENT RESTRICTIONS IN

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1 WILDFIRE HAZARD ZONES. NEARLY ALL CONTEMPORARY WILDFIRE ARE
2 CAUSED BY HUMAN SOURCES SUCH AS POWER LINES AND ELECTRICAL
3 EQUIPMENT. CONTINUING TO DEVELOP THE FIRE PRONE AREAS WITHOUT
4 RESTRICTION WOULD ONLY INCREASE IGNITION RISK AND FIRE
5 SUPPRESSION COSTS. THE SAFETY ELEMENT UPDATE WOULD SET A
6 CRITICAL PRECEDENT, AND IT PROVES THAT SAFE AND SMART LAND USE
7 PLANNING IS POSSIBLE. THANK YOU.

8

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

10

11 **MODERATOR:** NEXT, WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF WILLIAM MUIR, PLEASE
12 GO AHEAD.

13

14 **WILLIAM MUIR:** HELLO, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS WILLIAM MUIR. I
15 WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE SOME TESTIMONY ON ITEM 79. FIRST OF ALL,
16 I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE COUNTY SUPERVISORS. IT IS GREAT TO
17 HAVE AN ENTIRELY FEMALE CREW THERE. SO GO GIRL GO. I DID
18 SUBMIT MY STATEMENT ONLINE, BUT I WILL READ BRIEFLY. I
19 STRONGLY REQUEST THAT YOU REJECT THE GENERAL PLAN SAFETY
20 ELEMENT UPDATE AND RETURN IT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL
21 PLANNING TO CAREFULLY REVIEW GOAL F6 ON ATTACHMENT TWO OF THE
22 DOCUMENT REGARDING HUMAN MADE HAZARDS. DIRECTOR MARK PESTRELLA
23 IS NEGLIGENT IN HIS DEPARTMENTS FINDINGS THAT "IN THE INTEREST
24 OF PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND GENERAL WELFARE THE PLANNING
25 COMMISSION RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THIS PROJECT," SPECIFICALLY

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1 ADOPTION OF TITLE 16 AND 22, REGARDING WIRELESS FACILITY
2 ORDINANCES DEPRIVES THE PUBLIC OF THEIR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE
3 IN THE SITING OF SMALL CELL WIRELESS FACILITIES THAT DIRECTLY
4 NEGATIVELY AFFECT THEIR HEALTH ADJACENT TO THEIR HOMES. IT
5 CONTINUES THE DENSIFICATION OF WIRELESS COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS
6 THAT COULD BE REPLACED WITH SAFER FIBEROPTIC NETWORKS.

7

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

10

11 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF JOSE RIOS. PLEASE GO
12 AHEAD.

13

14 **JOSE RIOS:** I AM CALLING IN IN REGARDS TO NUMBER 80. AND HELLO
15 MY NAME IS JOSE RIOS. I HAVE WORKED FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR
16 OVER 24 YEARS. I AM ALSO A MEMBER OF THE UNION WITH THE
17 PROFESSIONAL PEACE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION. I WANT TO EXPRESS MY
18 OPPOSITION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADDING RULE 18.10 TO
19 THE COUNTY CODE. THE SHERIFF HAS WIDE AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT
20 HIS BROAD POWERS [AUDIO BREAK UP] GOVERNMENT CODE. [AUDIO
21 BREAK UP] THE BOARD DOES RETAIN SUPERVISORY CONTROL OVER THE
22 SHERIFF. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' ROLE [INAUDIBLE] OVER THE
23 DEPARTMENT DOES NOT ENABLE THEM TO CONTROL [INAUDIBLE] THE
24 DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL DECISIONS. THE SHERIFF, AS AN ELECTED

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1 COUNTY OFFICER -- [AUDIO BREAK UP] OF THE SHERIFF OR DISTRICT
2 ATTORNEY CONCERNING THE MATTER IN WHICH THEIR --

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
5 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6

7 **MODERATOR:** NEXT WE'LL GO TO THE LINE OF CHARLENE HOPI. PLEASE
8 GO AHEAD.

9

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

11

12 **CHARLENE HOPI:** I OPPOSE THE WIRELESS FACILITY ORDINANCE FOR
13 TITLE 16 AND TITLE 22. I ASK THAT YOU PLACE A PAUSE BECAUSE IT
14 DOES NOT PROVIDE THE SAFETY ELEMENTS YOU STATE. IT WILL NOT
15 IMPROVE OUR FIRE PROTECTION. IT WILL NOT IMPROVE THE 9-1-1
16 EMERGENCY RESPONSE. AND UNDER THE C.E.Q.A. REVIEW, THE
17 NEGATIVE DECLARATION IS INADEQUATE BECAUSE NO ONE HAS ANY
18 GUIDELINES THAT SAYS THAT R.F. RADIATION IS SAFE. SO THAT YOU
19 MAKING THAT STATEMENT UNDER C.E.Q.A. IS NOT RIGHT. SO JUST
20 REALLY, DON'T GIVE AWAY THE POWER RIGHT NOW. YOU CAN STILL DO
21 THE MINISTERIAL REVIEW AS IT IS. TAKE A LITTLE TIME, LOOK AT
22 EVERYTHING, ALL THE INFORMATION THAT'S BEEN PROVIDED TO YOU,
23 AND DO A BETTER ORDINANCE. WE DON'T WANT TO GIVE POWER TO AN
24 INDUSTRY. INDUSTRY DOES NOT TAKE GOOD CARE OF OUR COMMUNITIES.
25 WE NEED YOU TO MONITOR THEM TO THE BEST OF YOUR ABILITY, NOT

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1 JUST GIVE THEM A BLANK CHECK TO PUT UP CELL TOWERS ALL OVER
2 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SO PLEASE DO YOUR JOB. PROTECT US.
3 PROTECT THE COUNTY OF L.A. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OUR TIME FOR PUBLIC
6 SPEAKERS HAS ENDED, IN ADDITION TO OUR EXTENDED 10 MINUTES FOR
7 THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS. SO THANK YOU TO ALL THAT CALLED IN
8 TO SPEAK. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO PROVIDE COMMENTS, YOU CAN
9 SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA. WE WILL
10 CONTINUE TO ACCEPT ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING
11 THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE RECORD. EXECUTIVE
12 OFFICER, PLEASE INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS ON WHICH WE
13 WILL BE VOTING.

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15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU, ITEM
16 3, WITH SUPERVISOR KUEHL REFERRING BACK TO HER OFFICE THE
17 APPOINTMENTS OF MICHELLE ROFEH-LENSKY AND DANIEL BISUANO, 5,
18 8, 9 AS REVISED. 10-20, 22, 24, AND 25, 27, 28 WITH SUPERVISOR
19 BARGER VOTING NO, 30 AS REVISED, 31, 33- 35, 36 WITH
20 SUPERVISOR BARGER VOTING NO, 37, AND 38, 40-53, 54 WITH
21 SUPERVISOR HAHN ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE, 55-62, 65, 67, 68
22 WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER VOTING NO, 69, 71, AND 72, 73A, 73C
23 WITH SUPERVISORS SOLIS, KUEHL, AND MITCHELL VOTING NO,
24 THEREFORE THIS ITEM FAILS TO CARRY FOR A LACK OF THREE VOTES,

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1 73D, AND 73E, 76, 77 WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER VOTING NO, 78, 1D,
2 THROUGH 7D, AND 1P.

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4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY
5 SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS WITH THE EXCEPTIONS
6 NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL
7 THE ROLL.

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9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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11 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

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

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15 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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

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19 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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23 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

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4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** AYE.

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6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. MOTION CARRIES
7 5-0.

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9 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** WE WILL BEGIN WITH SET MATTERS ONE AND
10 TWO, THEN PROCEED TO ITEMS 4, 6, 7, 21, 23, ITEMS 63, 64, 73B,
11 AND FINISHING WITH PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS 79 AND 80. WE WILL
12 HEAR A PRESENTATION FROM D'ARTAGNAN SCORZA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
13 OF OUR ANTIRACISM AND DIVERSITY INITIATIVE AND SELWYN HOLLINS,
14 DIRECTOR OF INTERNAL SERVICES. GOOD MORNING, TO YOU BOTH.

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16 **D'ARTAGNAN SCORZA:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS.
17 TODAY'S PRESENTATION MARKS THE EIGHTH UPDATE IN OUR SERIES OF
18 REGULAR PRESENTATIONS ON THE COUNTY'S PROGRESS IMPLEMENTING
19 YOUR BOARD'S AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN PHASE ONE SPENDING PLAN.
20 NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. AS IS OUR REGULAR PRACTICE, THIS SLIDE
21 PREVIEWS THE TOPICS WE INTEND TO COVER TODAY. I WILL ADDRESS
22 ITEMS 1-3, DISCUSSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR COLLECTIVE IMPACT,
23 UPDATES ON OUTREACH EFFORTS, AND NEWLY EXPANDED CAPACITY TO
24 EXPEDITE THE PROJECT REVIEW AND APPROVAL PROCESSES, AS WELL AS
25 PROVIDE A GLOBAL PROGRAM OF OVERVIEW DETAILING THE CURRENT

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1 STATUS OF PROJECTS IN THE DESIGN, DEVELOPMENT, AND APPROVAL
2 PROCESS. MR. SELWYN HOLLINS, DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNAL
3 SERVICES DEPARTMENT, WILL ADDRESS ITEMS 4, AND PRESENT ON
4 THEIR DELETE THE DIVIDE INITIATIVE. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. SO
5 YOUR BOARD HAS CHARGED COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO COLLABORATE
6 ACROSS SYSTEMS TO INTEGRATE AND COORDINATE A.R.P. PROJECTS
7 WITH EXISTING RESOURCES. SPECIFICALLY YOUR BOARDS' DIRECTORS
8 CALLED FOR ACTING ON OUR COMMITMENT TO ADVANCE EQUITY BY
9 IMPLEMENTING STRATEGIES TO ALLOCATE FUNDS FAIRLY AND
10 TRANSPARENTLY, INCLUDING THE SPENDING PLAN WHERE EQUITY
11 EXPLICITLY IS A PRIMARY CONSIDERATION, DEMANDING BOTH EQUITY
12 BASED INVESTMENTS AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES THAT LEAD TO
13 RECOVERY. WE'D LIKE TO CALL FOR THE COUNTY TO MAKE AVAILABLE
14 TO THE PUBLIC DATA IN A CENTRALIZED DASHBOARD AND WEBSITE
15 REPORTING ON CONTRACTING AND GRANT OPPORTUNITIES AS WELL AS
16 PROGRAM METRICS AND OUTCOMES. YOUR BOARD APPROVED EQUITY
17 PRINCIPLES PROVIDING GUIDANCE THAT IMPLORES DEPARTMENTS TO
18 WORK COLLABORATIVELY AND INTENTIONALLY ACROSS PROGRAMS, AS
19 WELL AS ACROSS LEADERSHIP LEVELS AND DECISION MAKERS, AND
20 A.R.P. COMPLIANCE AND REPORTING GUIDANCE CALLS FOR A LEARNING
21 AGENDA AND EFFORT TO PROMOTE EQUITABLE ACCESS AND DISTRIBUTION
22 OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES, AS WELL AS AVAILABLE SERVICES AND
23 PARTNERSHIP WITH COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO BUILD CAPACITY, WHICH
24 WILL HELP US CARRY OUT PROGRAMS. NEXT SLIDE. WITH YOUR BOARD'S
25 DIRECTION AND THE FEDERAL GUIDANCE, R.D. WORKS CLOSELY WITH

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1 THE DEPARTMENT TO HELP MEET YOUR BOARD'S DIRECTION AND THAT
2 GUIDANCE DURING THE PROJECT DESIGN PROCESS, WHERE WE ASK
3 DEPARTMENTS TO CONSIDER EXISTING AND ENHANCED SERVICES IN
4 ORDER TO PROMOTE COORDINATION, COLLABORATION, AND ALIGNMENT.
5 BY IDENTIFYING INTENTIONAL WAYS OF WORKING TOGETHER AND
6 SHARING INFORMATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF
7 OUR COMMUNITIES MOST IMPACTED BY THE PANDEMIC, WE HAVE ALIGNED
8 OUR EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE THESE GOALS, WHICH IS ALSO KNOWN AS A
9 COLLECTIVE IMPACT MODEL. THIS FRAMEWORK IS SUPPORTED BY
10 SEVERAL KEY ELEMENTS, INCLUDING SHARED GOALS WHICH PROVIDES A
11 SHARED VISION FOR CHANGE AND INCLUDES A COMMON UNDERSTANDING
12 OF THE CHALLENGES WE FACE AS WELL AS A JOINT APPROACH TO
13 SOLVING IT THROUGH AGREED UPON ACTIONS, ASSURED MEASURES THAT
14 PROMOTE ACCOUNTABILITY, WHICH INVOLVES COLLECTING DATA AND
15 MEASURING RESULTS THAT ARE CONSISTENT ALONG WITH THE
16 INDICATORS AND METRICS WE USE TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT WE
17 ARE ACHIEVING OUR INTENDED OUTCOMES, THE TYPE OF BACKBONE
18 SUPPORT THAT PLAYS ADMINISTRATIVE ROLE IN SUPPORT CONVENING
19 MEETINGS, COORDINATING DATA COLLECTION, CONNECTING DEPARTMENTS
20 WITH EACH OTHER, ETC., PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR MUTUALLY
21 REINFORCING ACTIVITIES, WHICH IS ARE ALIGNED DIRECTLY AND
22 SHARED TOWARDS MAKING PROGRESS TO ACHIEVE THAT COMMON GOAL,
23 AND THEN CONSISTENT AND OPEN COMMUNICATION BETWEEN
24 PARTICIPANTS SO THAT WE CAN STAY INFORMED AND STAY MOTIVATED
25 OVER TIME. THE GOAL OF ENGAGING IN A COLLECTIVE IMPACT MODEL

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1 CAN BE DEMONSTRATED THROUGH A VERY SIMPLE EXAMPLE. YOUR BOARD
2 APPROVED A PROJECT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
3 SERVICES, WHICH WILL FUND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDERS, WHO
4 WILL PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR THEIR HOTLINE WORKERS. D.C.F.S.
5 RECEIVES MORE THAN 200,000 CALLS TO THEIR HOTLINE, AND OF THE
6 200,000 CALLS, 75% OR 150,000 OF THOSE CALLS INVOLVED NEGLECT
7 WHERE A SMALL AMOUNT ALSO INVOLVE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. HOWEVER,
8 WHAT D.C.F.S. HAS FOUND IS THAT, AS THE CALLS COME IN, IN
9 THOSE 150,000, MANY OF THEM DO NOT QUALIFY FOR OR WOULD BE AT
10 RISK OF REMOVAL, NOR SHOULD THEY BE SERVED BY THE DEPARTMENT
11 ITSELF. WHAT THEY HAVE LEARNED IS THIS PRESENTS AN OPPORTUNITY
12 FOR COORDINATION AMONG DEPARTMENTS BY PROVIDING SERVICES AND
13 RESOURCES FOR THOSE CALLERS WHO CALL INTO THEIR DEPARTMENT WHO
14 ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR OR ABLE TO RECEIVE D.C.F.S.'S SERVICES.
15 AS A RESULT, THEIR EFFORTS ARE ALIGNED WITH AND INTENDED TO
16 ACHIEVE A COLLECTIVE IMPACT EFFORT, WHEREBY THEY ARE WORKING
17 TO REFER THOSE CALLERS TO OTHER DEPARTMENTS WHERE THOSE
18 SERVICES CAN BE PROVIDED. NEXT SLIDE. OFTEN STRUCTURAL
19 BARRIERS CAN EXIST AND IMPACT THE ABILITY TO MINIMIZE SILOS
20 AND PREVENT COLLECTIVE IMPACT. FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN WE LACK
21 VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL COMMUNICATION ACROSS DEPARTMENTS, IT
22 IMPEDES OPPORTUNITIES FOR COLLABORATION. WHEN WE ALSO LACK
23 COORDINATION, INCLUDING A LACK OF AWARENESS AND CROSS-
24 DEPARTMENTAL COLLABORATION, IT HINDERS OUR ABILITY TO
25 COLLABORATE, CREATES SILOED ACTIVITIES AND FUNDING, AND

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1 REDUCES EFFORTS TO BRING DEPARTMENTS WORKING TOGETHER ON
2 ALIGNED PROJECTS. WHEN WE ARE UNABLE TO SHARE DATA, INCLUDING
3 HAVING ESTABLISHED DATA AGREEMENTS AND/OR RECEIVING PERMISSION
4 FROM THE PEOPLE WE ARE PROVIDING SERVICES TO TO SHARE THEIR
5 DATA ACROSS DEPARTMENTS, AND IT HINDERS OUR EFFORTS TO DEVELOP
6 AND SUSTAIN SHARED PROGRESS MEASURES. AND THEN FINALLY, WHEN
7 WE DON'T HAVE THE TIME, RESOURCES, AND/OR BACKBONE SUPPORT, OR
8 EVEN STAFFING, OFTEN IT IS INCREDIBLY DIFFICULT TO ADVANCE A
9 COLLECTIVE IMPACT MODEL. NEXT SLIDE. SO WHAT WE HAVE COME TO
10 REALIZE, IS THAT THERE ARE WAYS FOR US TO MOVE COLLECTIVE
11 IMPACT FORWARD WITHIN THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN. THERE ARE BOTH
12 IMMEDIATE AND LONG TERM STRATEGIES THAT WE CAN TAKE TO
13 MITIGATE EXISTING STRUCTURAL BARRIERS AND SUPPORT COLLECTIVE
14 IMPACT. THROUGHOUT THE PROJECT DESIGN PROCESS, R.D., IN
15 PARTNERSHIP WITH I.S.D., IS WORKING TO MAP EXISTING ASSETS AND
16 AVAILABLE SERVICES. THIS INITIAL STEP IS ESSENTIAL IN
17 IDENTIFYING OVERLAPPING RESOURCES, IN ORDER TO ALIGN THEM WITH
18 THE NEED OF COMMUNITIES MOST IMPACTED BY THE PUBLIC AS WELL AS
19 TO ENSURE THAT OUR NEIGHBORS KNOW WHERE AND HOW TO BEST ACCESS
20 EXISTING AND EMERGING RESOURCES. WE WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT
21 DEPARTMENTS THROUGH THE PROJECT DESIGN PROCESS AND ENCOURAGE
22 THEM TO JOINT PLANNING MEETINGS TO LEVERAGE EACH OTHERS'
23 CAPACITY, ALIGN FOR PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION, AND EXAMINE WHERE
24 SERVICE DELIVERY CAN BETTER TARGET A COMMUNITY BASED UPON THE
25 NEEDS OF THOSE NEIGHBORS WHO ARE MOST IMPACTED BY THE

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1 PANDEMIC. NEXT SLIDE. R.D., IN PARTNERSHIP WITH I.S.D.,
2 DEVELOPED A SERVICE LOCATER THAT MAPS SEVERAL SERVICE
3 CATEGORIES RANGING FROM PARKS AND GARDENS TO MY HEALTH L.A.
4 COMMUNITY CLINICS. THE GOAL OF THIS SERVICE LOCATER IS TO
5 ENSURE THAT COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE AWARE OF THE SERVICES
6 AVAILABLE TO THEM UNDER A.R.P. AS WELL AS ANY ADDITIONAL
7 SERVICES PROVIDED BY DEPARTMENTS WHERE THERE'S DATA. WE WILL
8 CONTINUE TO BUILD UPON THE SERVICE LOCATER AND STRENGTHEN THE
9 ABILITY OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO ACCESS THIS DATA SO THAT THEY
10 CAN BETTER RECEIVE SUPPORT THROUGH THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN
11 ACT SERVICES AND OPPORTUNITIES. NEXT SLIDE. IN BUILDING OUT
12 THE SERVICE LOCATER, WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO INTEGRATE OUR A.R.P.
13 PROJECTS MAP WITH EXISTING COUNTY SERVICES TO HELP IDENTIFY
14 EXISTING RESOURCES, SERVICE GAPS, AND NEEDS TO SUPPORT
15 COORDINATION SO WE CAN TURN THE CURVE, WHICH MEANS WE WANT TO
16 SHIFT THE COMMUNITY FROM RED TO GREEN, I.E. THEY ARE RECEIVING
17 THE RESOURCES THEY NEED TO THRIVE AND DO WELL. SPECIFICALLY,
18 AS WE CONTINUE TO BUILD OUT THESE PROJECT VIEWERS AND THIS
19 MAP, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO SEE A VISUAL REPRESENTATION OF
20 COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE NOT ONLY THE NEED, BUT ALSO THE WAYS IN
21 WHICH OUR A.R.P. PROJECTS ALIGN WITH INTERACT WITH EXISTING
22 COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND THOSE COMMUNITIES OF NEED. NEXT SLIDE.
23 NOW, AS HAS BEEN OUR CUSTOM, WE ALWAYS PROVIDE AN UPDATE TO
24 YOUR BOARD ON OUR EFFORTS TO BUILD UPON AND STRENGTHEN THE
25 DELIVERING OF A.R.P. PROGRAMS AND SERVICES BASED UPON YOUR

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1 DIRECTIVES AND GUIDANCE. R.D., IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE L.A.
2 COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, PLANS TO HOLD
3 SEVERAL OUTREACH SESSIONS, WHICH HAVE ALREADY BEGUN, TO GATHER
4 FEEDBACK AND INFORM COMMUNITIES OF EXISTING AND FUTURE A.R.P.-
5 RELATED PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, AS WELL AS CONTRACTING,
6 SUBCONTRACTING, AND GRANT OPPORTUNITIES WHERE THEY ARE
7 AVAILABLE. IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT INELIGIBLE BUSINESSES,
8 COMMUNITY- BASED ORGANIZATIONS, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE
9 INFORMED OF, HAVE ACCESS TO, AND CAN APPLY FOR AND RECEIVE
10 OPPORTUNITIES TO CONTRACT, SUBCONTRACT, AND RECEIVE GRANT
11 OPPORTUNITIES. WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT
12 OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, THESE EFFORTS WILL BE PART OF A
13 BROADER AND ONGOING STRATEGY TO REACH SMALL BUSINESSES AND
14 C.B.O.S, AS WELL AS INCREASE THE UPTICK OF AND PARTICIPATION
15 IN PROGRAMS AND SERVICES THAT THE COUNTY PROVIDES. AS REPORTED
16 SUBMITTED IN A BOARD MEMO SUBMITTED ON APRIL 1ST, THE PLAN TO
17 ENGAGE MANY OF THESE PARTNERS IN ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING THE
18 LOCAL CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS,
19 EXISTING COALITIONS AND COLLABORATIVES, AND OFFICES OF SMALL
20 BUSINESSES. NEXT SLIDE. THE COUNTY'S EXTERNAL AMERICAN RESCUE
21 PLAN WEBSITE HAS A PAGE DEDICATED TO POSTING A.R.P.-RELATED
22 CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES AND SOLICITATIONS. THESE SOLICITATIONS
23 AND GRANT OPPORTUNITIES ARE ADDED TO THE WEBSITE AS THEY ARE
24 RELEASED AND ARE UPDATED EVERY TUESDAY AND ON AN ONGOING AND
25 ROLLING BASIS. PROSPECTIVE APPLICANTS CAN SIGN UP TO RECEIVE

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1 UPDATES ABOUT SOLICITATIONS AND CONTRACTING OPPORTUNITIES AS
2 WELL AS GRANTS INVOLVING THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN OR THE CARE
3 FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM USING THE ENTRY FORM FOR
4 POTENTIAL VENDORS. A GLOSSARY OF CONTRACTING DEFINITIONS AND
5 TERMS ARE ALSO LINKED TO THE PAGE TO INCREASE PEOPLE'S
6 UNDERSTANDING OF OUR CONTRACTING LANGUAGE AND PROCESSES. NEXT
7 SLIDE. AND RECOGNIZING THE URGENCY TO MEET THE NEEDS OF
8 COMMUNITIES MOST IMPACTED BY THE PANDEMIC, C.E.O. PARTNERED
9 WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GRANTMAKERS TO ONBOARD AT LEAST TEN
10 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDERS TO SUPPORT DEPARTMENTS WITH
11 THEIR PROJECT DESIGNS AND WITH DEVELOPING EQUITY CENTERED
12 A.R.P. PROJECT DESIGNS THAT ARE CONSISTENT WITH FEDERAL AND
13 YOUR BOARD'S EQUITY REQUIREMENTS. THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
14 PROVIDERS WILL PRIMARILY CONDUCT PROJECT DESIGN WORKSHOPS,
15 PROVIDE T.A. AND APPLY EQUITY FUNDING FORMULAS AND THE EQUITY
16 EXPLORER, AS WELL AS ALIGNING IT WITH THE COMPLIANCE WITH
17 REPORTED GUIDANCE, AS WELL AS PROVIDING INITIAL REVIEW OF
18 DRAFT PROJECT DESIGNS AND ALL OF OUR RECOMMENDATIONS TO
19 STRENGTHEN THE PROGRAM. THIS SUPPORT WILL HELP DRAMATICALLY
20 ACCELERATE PROJECT APPROVALS AND ENSURE ONBOARDING ASSISTANCE
21 FOR DEPARTMENTS BY AUGMENTING THEIR STAFF CAPACITY, AND
22 PROVIDING ADDITIONAL EXPERTISE IN THE WRITING, COMPLETION, AND
23 SUBMISSION OF THEIR DESIGNS. NEXT SLIDE. AS OF APRIL 4TH, 46
24 PROJECTS ARE IN THE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT PHASE. AGAIN, THIS
25 ENTAILS THE PROCESS TO CLARIFY THE GOALS AND OUTCOMES OF THE

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1 PROJECT, THE POTENTIAL IMPACT OF REDUCING DISPARITIES AND
2 COSTS AND ARE EXACERBATED BY THE PANDEMIC AND STRATEGIES TO
3 MEASURE THAT IMPACT. WHILE THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO PROJECTS
4 UNDER R.D. OR COUNCIL APPROVAL REVIEW, R.D. IS WORKING CLOSELY
5 WITH OUR PARTNERS ON A PIPELINE OF PROJECT DESIGNS. LASTLY,
6 HAPPY TO REPORT THAT WE ARE ACTIVELY PARTNERING AND MEETING
7 WITH DEPARTMENTS ON 23 PROJECTS TO SUPPORT THE DESIGN AND
8 EQUITABLE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE PROGRAMS. R.D. IS CURRENTLY
9 REVIEWING 11 INITIAL PROJECT DESIGN SUBMISSIONS, WHILE 12
10 PROJECT DESIGN SUBMISSIONS ARE UNDERGOING REVISIONS BY
11 DEPARTMENTS FOLLOWING AN INITIAL REVIEW. A TOTAL OF 37
12 PROJECTS HAVE BEEN APPROVED FOR LAUNCH AND IMPLEMENTATION. SO
13 IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE, WHILE MANY PROJECTS ARE STILL IN NEED
14 OF APPROVAL, THERE ARE QUITE A FEW THAT ARE IN THE PIPELINE,
15 AND WITH THE ADDITIONAL CONTROLS AND SUPPORT, SHALL ACCELERATE
16 THEIR COMPLETION SO THAT WE CAN GET THEM TO APPROVAL AS
17 QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. NEXT SLIDE. NEXT, SELWYN HOLLINS,
18 DIRECTOR OF I.S.D., WILL HIGHLIGHT THE DEPARTMENT'S DELETE THE
19 DIVIDE INITIATIVE. A.R.P. FUNDS WERE USED TO SUPPORT THIS
20 INITIATIVE LAUNCHED BY THE BOARD VIA MOTION IN LATE 2020. AS
21 YOU ARE AWARE, THIS PROGRAM SEEKS TO UNIFY EFFORTS TO PROVIDE
22 YOUTH AND SMALL BUSINESSES IN HIGH NEED COMMUNITIES WITH THE
23 DIRECT ACCESS TO MODERN TECHNOLOGIES. SELWYN.

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1 **SELWYN HOLLINS:** THANK YOU, DR. SCORZA. GOOD MORNING, MADAM
2 CHAIR AND BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. SELWYN HOLLINS, DIRECTOR OF
3 THE INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, AND THANK YOU FOR THIS
4 OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE INFORMATION ABOUT DELETE THE DIVIDE, AND
5 OUR USE OF A.R.P. FUNDS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. THE DIGITAL
6 DEVICE IS THE ECONOMIC, EDUCATIONAL, AND SOCIAL INEQUITIES
7 BETWEEN THOSE WHO HAVE COMPUTERS AND INTERNET ACCESS AND THOSE
8 WHO DO NOT. IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, IT IS ESTIMATED THAT MORE
9 THAN 365,000 HOUSEHOLDS LACK INTERNET SERVICE. THIS IS BASED
10 ON DATA FROM THE UNITED STATES CENSUS BUREAU'S AMERICAN
11 COMMUNITY SURVEY. A HOUSEHOLD IS COMPRISED OF ACTUAL PEOPLE
12 AND FAMILIES WHO LIVE EVERY DAY WITHOUT THE INTERNET. THIS MAP
13 ILLUSTRATES THE PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLDS THAT LACK INTERNET
14 SERVICE WITHIN CENSUS TRACTS. THE SHADES OF COLOR VARY BECAUSE
15 IN SOME COMMUNITIES MORE HOUSEHOLDS HAVE INTERNET SERVICE THAN
16 OTHER COMMUNITIES. THE MAGENTA COLORED AREAS ARE COMMUNITIES
17 IN WHICH MORE THAN 20% OF THE HOUSEHOLDS ARE WITHOUT INTERNET.
18 OVERALL, THERE ARE ABOUT 150,000 HOUSEHOLDS IN THIS PARTICULAR
19 CATEGORY, AND THAT IS WHAT WE CONSIDER TO BE THE MOST
20 ADVERSELY IMPACTED COMMUNITIES AND REFER TO AS THE DIGITAL
21 DIVIDE TARGET AREAS. YOU WILL NOTICE BLUE OUTLINES SURROUNDING
22 THE MAGENTA COLORED AREAS, WHICH WILL BE REFLECTED IN
23 SUBSEQUENT MAPS. NEXT SLIDE. THE MAP TO THE LEFT IDENTIFIES
24 THE ANNUAL MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME AMONG CENSUS TRACTS. THE
25 RED COLORED AREAS ARE COMMUNITIES WHERE THE MEDIAN INCOME IS

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1 LESS THAN \$50,000 A YEAR. ACCORDING TO CENSUS DATA, THERE ARE
2 APPROXIMATELY 1.1 MILLION HOUSEHOLDS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
3 WITH ANNUAL INCOMES LESS THAN \$50,000. THIS MAP ALSO SHOWS THE
4 BLUE OUTLINES OF THE DIGITAL DIVIDE TARGET AREAS, MEANING
5 COMMUNITIES IN WHICH MORE THAN 20% OF THE HOUSEHOLDS LACK
6 INTERNET SERVICE. IT IS CLEAR THE MAJORITY OF HOUSEHOLDS
7 WITHOUT INTERNET ARE IN LOWER INCOME NEIGHBORHOODS. THE MAP TO
8 THE RIGHT IDENTIFIES THE PREDOMINANT RACIAL GROUP AMONG CENSUS
9 TRACTS. IT ALSO SHOWS THE BLUE OUTLINES OF THE DIGITAL DIVIDE
10 TARGET AREAS. BASED ON POPULATION COUNTS, MOST OF THE
11 HOUSEHOLDS WITHOUT INTERNET SERVICE ARE IN COMMUNITIES WITH
12 PREDOMINATELY BLACK AND LATINO RESIDENTS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.
13 A COMPUTER AND INTERNET SERVICE ARE ESSENTIAL TO ACCESSING
14 EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES, HEALTHCARE SERVICES,
15 FINANCIAL RESOURCES, SUPPORT NETWORKS, AND COMMERCE. UNDER THE
16 DIRECTION OF YOUR BOARD, THE COUNTY'S ENGAGED IN SEVERAL
17 INITIATIVES TO ADDRESS THE DIGITAL DIVIDE AND PROVIDE
18 ASSISTANCE TO CONSTITUENTS THAT LACK COMPUTERS AND INTERNET
19 ACCESS. THERE ARE MULTIPLE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS ACTIVELY ENGAGED
20 IN THESE EFFORTS, WHICH COVER DIGITAL LITERACY, USER SAFETY,
21 LOANING OF DEVICES, TECH CENTERS ETC. MOST IMPORTANTLY, THE
22 COUNTY C.I.O.'S OFFICE IS DEVELOPING A REGIONAL DIGITAL DIVIDE
23 STRATEGIC PLAN IN COLLABORATION WITH VARIOUS PUBLIC AGENCIES
24 AND PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS. DELETE THE DIVIDE IS AN INITIATIVE
25 THAT ALIGNS WITH THE C.I.O.'S OVERREACHING STRATEGIC PLANNING

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1 EFFORTS. DELETE THE DIVIDE IS THE OUTCOME OF A BOARD MOTION
2 UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED IN OCTOBER OF 2020. IT DIRECTED THE
3 INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT TO IMPLEMENT AN EMPOWERMENT
4 PROGRAM TO ADDRESS THE DIGITAL DIVIDE IN UNDERSERVED
5 COMMUNITIES. FOLLOWING THE 90 DAY REPORT BACK, DELETE THE
6 DIVIDE INITIALLY LAUNCHED IN JUNE OF 2021. DELETE THE DIVIDE
7 OFFERS A RANGE OF FREE SERVICES TO YOUTH, YOUNG ADULTS, AND
8 SMALL BUSINESSES IN THE DIGITAL DIVIDE TARGET AREAS.
9 PARTNERSHIPS HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED WITH PUBLIC, PRIVATE,
10 ACADEMIC, AND COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS DIRECT ACCESS,
11 TRAINING, AND SUPPORT SERVICES IN MODERN TECHNOLOGIES.
12 DELETE THE DIVIDE SERVES AS A HUB FOR THIS COALITION OF
13 PARTNERS AND THE COLLECTIVE RESOURCES TO CONNECT MEMBERS TO
14 OPPORTUNITIES THAT ENABLE PATHWAYS TO PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AND
15 ECONOMIC GROWTH. DELETE THE DIVIDE MEMBERSHIP IS FREE, AND IT
16 IS EASY TO ENROLL. THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR YOUTH AND
17 YOUNG ADULTS IS THAT THEY MUST BE AGES 12-24, LIVE IN LOS
18 ANGELES COUNTY, AND RESIDE IN ONE OF THE DIGITAL DIVIDE TARGET
19 AREAS. ELIGIBILITY FOR SMALL BUSINESSES IS THAT THEY ARE
20 LOCATED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND OPERATE IN A UNDERSERVED
21 COMMUNITY WITH MINIMAL OR NO INTERNET ACCESS. MEMBERSHIP FOR
22 YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS IS DESIGNED FOR THREE PATHWAYS, 1)
23 ADVANCING THEIR POST SECONDARY EDUCATION, 2) EMPLOYMENT AND
24 HIGHER PAYING TECHNICAL CAREERS, AND 3) PURSUING
25 ENTREPRENEURSHIP. THEY HAVE ACCESS TO FREE TRAINING COURSES,

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1 OPPORTUNITIES TO EARN TECHNICAL CERTIFICATES AND BADGES,
2 ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS, PAID INTERNSHIP, ATTEND CONFERENCES,
3 TOURS, AND SPECIAL EVENTS, AND BUILD INDUSTRY CONNECTIONS. FOR
4 EXAMPLE, MORE THAN 100 YOUTH ARE CURRENTLY TAKING ADVANTAGE OF
5 FREE I.T. CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS WHICH HAVE BEEN DONATED BY
6 GOOGLE AND FACEBOOK. THE COST OF THESE PROGRAMS CAN RANGE FROM
7 A FEW HUNDRED DOLLARS TO THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS, BUT AGAIN THEY
8 ARE BEING OFFERED FOR FREE. THE PROGRAMS ARE SELF-PACED AND
9 PROVIDE LEARNING OF [INAUDIBLE] SKILLS IN LESS THAN SIX
10 MONTHS, AND NO PRIOR EDUCATION OR EXPERIENCE IS REQUIRED.
11 INDIVIDUALS WITH I.T. CERTIFICATES HAVE SIGNIFICANT ADVANTAGES
12 AS JOB CANDIDATES AND HIGHER EARNING POTENTIAL THAN NON-
13 CERTIFICATED PROFESSIONALS IN THE TECHNOLOGY SECTOR. THE
14 AVERAGE ENTRY LEVEL SALARIES RANGE FROM \$50,000 TO \$70,000 A
15 YEAR DEPENDING ON THE TYPE OF CERTIFICATE. CONSIDERING THERE
16 ARE MORE THAN 1.1 MILLION HOUSEHOLDS WITH ANNUAL INCOMES LESS
17 THAN \$50,000, A YOUNG PERSON WITH AN I.T. CERTIFICATE CAN
18 BEGIN A CAREER WITH A STARTING SALARY THAT IMMEDIATELY CHANGES
19 THEIR FAMILY'S FINANCIAL SITUATIONS. MEMBERSHIPS FOR
20 BUSINESSES PROVIDE ACCESS TO TRAINING COURSES ON THE BUSINESS
21 SOFTWARE AND OTHER TOOLS, ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT PROGRAMS,
22 INFORMATION SEMINARS, NETWORKING EVENTS, AND SUPPORT TO EXPAND
23 AN ONLINE PRESENCE VIA WEBSITE, SOCIAL MEDIA, AND E-COMMERCE.
24 ALTHOUGH COVID-19 HAS LIMITED IN PERSON INTERACTIONS, DELETE
25 THE DIVIDE HAS WORKED PROGRESSIVELY ESTABLISHING PARTNERSHIPS

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1 AND AGREEMENTS WITH DOZENS OF ORGANIZATIONS AND I.T.
2 CORPORATIONS. AND NOW, DELETE THE DIVIDE HAS BEEN ALLOCATED
3 \$2.9 MILLION IN A.R.P. FUNDS. THESE FUNDS WILL BE USED FOR
4 EXPANDING OUTREACH, AN INTERNSHIP PROGRAM, AND DIGITAL
5 MARKETING ASSESSMENTS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES. NEXT SLIDE. THE
6 DELETE THE DIVIDE INITIATIVE IS A NEW PROGRAM THAT WILL HIRE
7 200 INTERNS OVER THE NEXT YEAR. THE SALARY IS \$18 AND \$20 PER
8 HOUR. THE HIGHER \$20 SALARY IS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO CAN EARN A
9 CERTIFICATE PRIOR TO BEING HIRED OR DURING THE INTERNSHIP. ALL
10 INTERNS WILL BE EMPLOYED BY I.S.D. AND HAVE ROTATING
11 ASSIGNMENTS TO GAIN EXPERIENCES IN DIFFERENT I.T. FUNCTIONS.
12 IN ADDITION TO WORKING WITH I.S.D., THEY WILL HAVE
13 OPPORTUNITIES TO GAIN WORK EXPERIENCE WITH OUR PARTNER I.T.
14 CORPORATIONS. MOST OF THE JOB ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE AT OUR TWO
15 MAIN ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES LOCATED IN DOWNEY AND EAST LOS
16 ANGELES. OUR I.T. CORPORATE PARTNERS ARE MOSTLY LOCATED IN
17 DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES AND WEST L.A. HOWEVER, WE INTEND TO OFFER
18 OPPORTUNITIES THAT WILL ACCOMMODATE WORKING REMOTELY AND
19 WORKING FROM HOME ASSIGNMENTS. THIS IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE SOME
20 INTERNS MAY HAVE LIMITED TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS OR LIVE IN
21 CITIES THAT ARE A FAR DISTANCE FROM OFFICE WORK SITES. INTERNS
22 MAY ALSO NEED TO WORK REMOTELY DURING EVENING HOURS OR
23 WEEKENDS DUE TO SCHOOL SCHEDULES, TUTORING, EXTRACURRICULAR
24 ACTIVITIES, OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS. WE WANT INTERNS TO GAIN THE
25 EXPERIENCE IN AN OFFICE ENVIRONMENT AND DIFFERENT WORKPLACE

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1 CULTURES, BUT THERE ARE OTHER MEANS TO SUPPORT THEIR
2 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT. AS PART OF THE INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS,
3 INTERNS WILL WORK ON COHORT PROJECTS TO APPLY THEIR KNOWLEDGE
4 AND SKILLS IN SERVICE TO THEIR COMMUNITIES. THESE HANDS ON
5 PROJECTS WILL EXPAND THEIR WORK EXPERIENCE AND SHOWCASE THEIR
6 ABILITIES WHEN COMPETING IN JOB INTERVIEWS. THERE WILL ALSO BE
7 FIELD TRIPS AND CORPORATE TOURS AS WELL AS COACHING AND
8 MENTORING. PLUS, INTERNS WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE A
9 HIGH QUALITY LAPTOP AND ACCESSORIES. THE MEASURABLE OUTCOMES
10 OF THE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM INCLUDE CAREER EMPLOYMENT IN TECH
11 RELATED FIELDS WITH THE COUNTY, OTHER PUBLIC AGENCIES, OR
12 PRIVATE INDUSTRY, COMPLETION OF I.T. CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS,
13 CONTINUING POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION, AND STARTING A BUSINESS.
14 THE TARGET LAUNCH IS MAY TO JUNE OF THIS YEAR. NEXT SLIDE.
15 ANOTHER USE OF A.R.P. FUNDS WILL BE FOR SMALL BUSINESS DIGITAL
16 MARKETING ASSESSMENTS. IN 2021, THE LOS ANGELES ECONOMIC
17 DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION REPORTED THAT AT LEAST 15,000 SMALL
18 BUSINESSES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY CLOSED DURING THE COVID-19
19 PANDEMIC. IT WAS THE HIGHEST REPORTED CLOSURES IN THE NATION,
20 AND THOUSANDS OF SMALL BUSINESSES ARE STILL AT RISK OF CLOSURE
21 WITH WOMEN AND MINORITY OWNED BUSINESSES AMONG THE MOST
22 VULNERABLE. MANY SMALL BUSINESSES IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES
23 LACK AN ONLINE PRESENCE TO PARTICIPATE IN E-COMMERCE. DELETE
24 THE DIVIDE WILL OFFER FREE DIGITAL MARKETING SUPPORT TO 500
25 SMALL BUSINESSES. THE SERVICE OFFERED WILL INCLUDE A BUSINESS

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1 HEALTH ASSESSMENT, RECOMMENDATIONS, SUCCESS TRACKING REPORTS,
2 AND PROFESSIONAL CONSULTATIONS TO IMPROVE SALES THROUGH
3 DIGITAL GROWTH STRATEGIES. DEPENDING ON THE HEALTH ASSESSMENT,
4 THE STRATEGY MAY INVOLVE A COMBINATION OF TOOLS, SUCH AS
5 SETTING UP ONLINE SEARCHES, DISPLAY ADS, AD BANNERS,
6 HYPERLINKS, SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS, EMAIL MARKETING, BLOGS,
7 VIDEOS, AND DIGITAL ANALYTICS. THE MEASURABLE OUTCOME WILL BE
8 THE NUMBER OF SMALL BUSINESSES WITH A NEW OR ENHANCED ONLINE
9 PRESENCE, EXPANDED DIGITAL MARKETING CAPABILITIES, INCREASED
10 CUSTOMER AWARENESS, AND INCREASED SALES THROUGH DIGITAL
11 MARKETING. THE TARGET LAUNCH IS APRIL 2022, WHICH IS THIS
12 MONTH. IN CLOSING, DELETE IS DIVIDE IS AN EMPOWERMENT
13 INITIATIVE TO FOSTER DIGITAL EQUITY AND INCLUSION. OFTENTIMES,
14 WE HEAR THE PHRASE BRIDGING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE. A BRIDGE
15 SUGGESTS THAT THERE'S A SEPARATION BETWEEN TWO SIDES. BUILDING
16 A BRIDGE REQUIRES PLANNING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, AND
17 MAINTENANCE. THEN ONCE THE BRIDGE IS COMPLETED, THERE'S THE
18 TIME AND EFFORT TO CROSS THE BRIDGE. AND SOMETIMES, THERE ARE
19 REASONS WHY PEOPLE CHOOSE NOT TO CROSS THE BRIDGE, OR PEOPLE
20 FALL OFF THE BRIDGE, OR END UP UNDER THE BRIDGE. BRIDGES ARE
21 NECESSARY IN MANY SITUATIONS, BUT DELETE THE DIVIDE FOCUSES ON
22 LEVERAGING RESOURCES THAT ALREADY EXIST. WHY BRIDGE THE
23 DIGITAL DIVIDE WHEN SO MANY MEANS ARE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE TO
24 ELIMINATE BARRIERS AND ENABLE IMMEDIATE ACCESS [INAUDIBLE].

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1 THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION, AND I AM HAPPY TO ANSWER
2 QUESTIONS.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** DR. SCORZA, MR. HOLLINS, THANK YOU VERY
5 MUCH FOR YOUR VERY INFORMATIVE PRESENTATIONS. WE WILL START
6 WITH SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND A BIG SHOUT OUT TO THE
9 TEAM, TO OUR C.E.O., FESIA DAVENPORT, AND TO DR. SCORZA, AND
10 TO SELWYN. I AM JUST AMAZED AT HOW QUICKLY, SELWYN, YOU HAVE
11 BEEN ABLE TO ARTICULATE AND IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM THAT FOR MANY
12 OF US HERE IN THE COUNTY SEEMED FAR-FETCHED. AND YOU ARE
13 HELPING US ALL UNDERSTAND THE CAPACITIES, THE CAPACITIES THAT
14 WE HAVE TO REALLY PUT TOOLS ON THE GROUND FOR THOSE MOST
15 IMPACTED. AND I LOVE THE FACT THAT WE ARE ABLE TO IDENTIFY
16 WHERE, THROUGH THIS DASHBOARD, WHERE PEOPLE LIVE, WHAT
17 SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE TO THEM, AND NOW IT IS ABOUT HELPING
18 THEM NAVIGATE THAT. BUT I AM VERY PLEASED WITH WHAT YOU ARE
19 DOING. YOU ARE YOUR OWN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ENGINE BECAUSE
20 WHAT YOU ARE DOING IS HELPING EMPOWER YOUNG PEOPLE WHO
21 OTHERWISE WOULDN'T BE EXPOSED TO THIS CAREER OR CAREERS. AND I
22 LOVE THE FACT THAT YOU WILL BE PROVIDING PAID INTERNSHIPS WELL
23 BEYOND THE \$15 AN HOUR, IN FACT, YOU ARE PROBABLY GOING TO GET
24 A LOT OF PEOPLE FROM OTHER INDUSTRIES COMING YOUR WAY BECAUSE
25 THE SALARIES THAT YOU ARE OFFERING. BUT MY QUESTION FOR YOU,

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1 SELWYN, IS HOW ARE THE INTERNS GOING TO BE SELECTED. CAN YOU
2 PROVIDE SOME INFORMATION ON THAT? HOW WILL THEY BE CHOSEN TO
3 BE A PART OF THE PROGRAM?

4

5 **SELWYN HOLLINS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. THE PROGRAM HAS
6 ESTABLISHED CIVIL SERVICE JOB CLASSES OF TECHNICAL
7 PROFESSIONAL INTERNS 1 AND 2. SO THEY WILL BE CIVIL SERVICE
8 POSITIONS, MEANING PEOPLE WILL HAVE TO APPLY. ONCE THEY APPLY,
9 OUR INTENT IS TO NOT NECESSARILY HAVE RANKING, BUT ANYONE WHO
10 APPLIES WOULD BE CONSIDERED. YOU MUST BE A MEMBER OF DELETE
11 THE DIVIDE, WHICH AGAIN IS FREE. AND YOU HAVE TO LIVE IN THE
12 TARGETED AREAS. YOU ALSO -- ANOTHER WAY TO BECOME A MEMBER --
13 YOU CAN BE A MEMBER INDIVIDUALLY, OR YOU COULD BE A PART OF A
14 PARTNER ORGANIZATION. SO WE HAVE SEVERAL COMMUNITY BASED
15 ORGANIZATIONS AND SCHOOLS THAT WE CURRENTLY WORK WITH. AND
16 THEY ACTUALLY HAVE COHORTS CURRENTLY TEACHING STUDENTS ABOUT
17 I.T. CERTIFICATIONS AND HELPING TO ASSURE THOSE THAT REALLY
18 HAVE A PASSION FOR THIS WORK. ONCE WE HAVE THAT LIST, WE WILL
19 START TO -- WE ONLY HAVE 200 POSITIONS. AND SO WE ANTICIPATE
20 THE DEMAND WILL BE HIGH. OUR INTENTION IS TO TRY TO
21 ACCOMMODATE AS MANY AS WE CAN. I DO BELIEVE THERE WILL BE A
22 NUMBER OF THEM THAT JOIN THE INTERNSHIP, THEY WILL LAND
23 PERMANENT JOBS. AND THAT MAY CREATE -- FREE UP MONEY TO
24 CONTINUE HIRING MORE AS WE GO ALONG, BUT I WANT TO EMPHASIZE,
25 THE INTERNS, WE WILL HAVE A PROGRAM GUIDE THAT WE ARE

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1 FINALIZING THAT WE WILL MAKE PUBLIC, WHICH WILL ANSWER A LOT
2 OF THOSE QUESTIONS AND ENSURE THAT THAT'S SHARED THROUGH THE
3 SCHOOL SYSTEMS, THROUGH OUR COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, AND
4 ALSO POSTED IN ANOTHER MEANS THAT WE USE TO REACH THE YOUTH
5 AND YOUNG ADULTS.

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS:** SELWYN, THANK YOU. I WANTED TO JUST ASK OR NOTE
8 HOW ARE WE GOING TO GET THIS INFORMATION TO SOME OF OUR
9 CLIENTS, THOSE THAT ARE TRANSITIONING OUT OF FOSTER CARE, AND
10 YOUTH IN THE PROBATION CAMPS BECAUSE MIGHT THEY BE ALSO TO
11 ENROLL IN SOME WAY? I DON'T KNOW IF WE THOUGHT ABOUT THAT, BUT
12 THAT'S A QUESTION I WOULD HAVE BECAUSE THOSE TYPICALLY COME
13 FROM OUR AREAS THAT ARE HIGH POVERTY, IMPOVERISHED. AND I WANT
14 TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYONE AT LEAST HAS THE ABILITY TO APPLY,
15 THAT THERE WON'T BE ANY BARRIERS TO PRECLUDE THEM.

16

17 **SELWYN HOLLINS:** ABSOLUTELY. WE DO INTERACT WITH COMMUNITY
18 BASED ORGANIZATIONS THAT WORK VERY CLOSELY AS WELL AS COUNTY
19 DEPARTMENTS THAT WORK CLOSELY WITH THOSE POPULATIONS. WE ALSO
20 RECENTLY ESTABLISH AND AGREEMENT WITH 5T SCHOOLS, WHICH IS A
21 BIG PROPONENT OF REACHING THOSE WHO MAY HAVE BEEN FORMERLY
22 INCARCERATED OR HAVE HAD OTHER EXPERIENCE. TRANSITION AGE
23 YOUTH IS A BIG CONCERN FOR US. WE WOULD LOVE TO BE ABLE TO
24 INTERACT AND ENCOURAGE AS MANY OF THEM TO NOT ONLY TAKE
25 ADVANTAGE OR COMPETE FOR INTERNSHIPS BUT OTHER SERVICES THAT

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1 WE PROVIDE. THE I.T. CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IS A GREAT EXAMPLE.
2 YOU DON'T NEED ANY PRIOR EDUCATION, ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE. IT IS
3 SELF-PACED. AND WE HAVE COHORTS AND OTHERS WHO TRY TO
4 ENCOURAGE THEM WEEK AFTER WEEK TO STAY WITH IT BECAUSE, ONCE
5 YOU GET THAT, IN SIX MONTHS OR LESS, YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO
6 COMPETE FOR THESE HIGHER PAYING JOBS. SO THE INTERNSHIPS IS
7 ONE MEANS, BUT THERE'S SO MANY OTHER THINGS THAT DELETE THE
8 DIVIDE BRINGS. AND WE LEVERAGE OUR PARTNERS. WE HAVE A VERY
9 SMALL STAFF. I HAVE THREE PEOPLE WHO ARE ON LOAN TO HELP ME
10 WITH THIS. SO WE RELY ON PARTNERSHIPS WITH COMMUNITY-BASED
11 ORGANIZATION, COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, CITIES, WE WORK WITH OTHER
12 CITIES, AND SCHOOLS. ONE OF OUR BIGGEST SUPPORTERS IS ACTUALLY
13 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION. SO THEY DO A LOT
14 TO MAKE SURE WE KEEP THE WORD OUT THERE FOR ANYBODY WHO IS
15 INTERESTED.

16
17 **SUP. SOLIS:** JUST LASTLY, MADAM CHAIR I WANT TO THANK OUR
18 C.E.O. AND THE STAFF, DR. SCORZA, FOR REALLY HIGHLIGHTING THE
19 NEED TO DO MICRO TARGETING IN THE ETHNIC MEDIA CIRCLE BECAUSE
20 MANY OF THOSE OUTLETS DON'T TYPICALLY GET THIS INFORMATION,
21 AND I REALLY DO THINK IT IS IMPORTANT AS WE MOVE AHEAD. I
22 THINK WE ARE ALL COMING TO RECOGNIZE THAT THEY ARE OF VALUE,
23 AND THEY ALSO NEED OUR SUPPORT AS WELL. SO THANK YOU ALL FOR
24 YOUR PRESENTATIONS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

2

3 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. I ALSO WANT TO THANK DR. SCORZA AND
4 MR. HOLLINS FOR THE PRESENTATION TODAY. DR. SCORZA, I
5 APPRECIATED YOUR COMMENTS ON COLLECTIVE IMPACT AND AM PLEASED
6 TO SEE THE COUNTY TAKING A THOUGHTFUL AND COLLABORATIVE EFFORT
7 APPROACH TO THE A.R.P. FUNDING. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A MOMENT
8 TO HIGHLIGHT THE WORK OF THE INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT
9 REGARDING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE. THANK YOU, SELWYN, FOR
10 CONTINUING TO WORK TO DELETE THE DIVIDE, INCREASE BROADBAND
11 ACCESS, AND ADVOCATE FOR INCREASED BROADBAND AFFORDABILITY.
12 DELETE THE DIVIDE IS AN IMPORTANT INITIATIVE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE
13 IN OUR VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES, WHO ARE AT A GREATER
14 DISADVANTAGE TO EXPERIENCE AN INCREASED EXPOSURE TO THE
15 DIGITAL DIVIDE. I'M ESPECIALLY PLEASED TO SEE THE
16 OPPORTUNITIES FOR SMALL BUSINESSES TO HAVE THE NECESSARY
17 SUPPORT AND RESOURCES TO ACCESS A WIDER AUDIENCE OF POTENTIAL
18 CONSUMERS. FOR COMMUNITIES AND BUSINESSES IN LESS DENSE, MORE
19 DISPERSED AREAS, THESE RESOURCES CAN BE INVALUABLE, AS THEY
20 CAN HAVE INCREASED PARITY AS COMPARED WITH HIGHER DENSE AREAS
21 OF THE COUNTY. AND YOUR MAP, BASICALLY, SHOWS IN AREAS UP IN
22 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND RURAL AREAS, THERE IS -- IT CHECKS OFF
23 ALL THE BOXES AS IT RELATES TO INCOME AND THOSE THAT ARE
24 PEOPLE OF COLOR. BOTH THE FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS HAVE
25 PLACED HIGH IMPORTANCE ON INVESTMENTS IN RURAL AREAS, WHICH

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1 HAVE BEEN SUBJECT TO UNDERINVESTED BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE.
2 ENSURING COMPARABLE ACCESS REGARDLESS OF THE DENSITY, OR RURAL
3 NATURE OF AN AREA, IS TRULY, IN MY OPINION, AN EQUITY ISSUE.
4 THE HISTORIC UNDERINVESTMENTS IN RURAL AREAS FROM BOTH
5 GOVERNMENT AND THE FREE MARKET SHOULD BE ONE OF OUR MAJOR
6 PRIORITIES, ESPECIALLY GIVEN THAT ECONOMICALLY DISPLACED
7 FAMILIES AND INCREASINGLY LOOKING AT THESE MORE RURAL
8 COMMUNITIES AS ONE OF THE FEW REMAINING AFFORDABLE OPTIONS. WE
9 MUST LEAD BY EXAMPLE AND PROVIDE THE NECESSARY INVESTMENTS TO
10 ENSURE THESE COMMUNITIES ARE AFFORDED THE SAME OPPORTUNITIES
11 AS ANY OTHER RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY. DELETE THE DIVIDE CAN
12 ONLY SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES IF THEY HAVE THE TECHNOLOGY TO
13 ACCESS THESE RESOURCES. JUST AS WE HAVE ASKED FOR INCREASED
14 ACCOUNTABILITY AND INVESTMENT OF INDUSTRY, FOR THEIR FOCUS ON
15 DENSITY AND HIGH YIELD AREAS, THE COUNTY TOO MUST FOLLOW THE
16 SAME STANDARD, AND NOT ONLY INVEST IN HIGH AREAS OF HIGH
17 DENSITY. I HOPE THAT, AS WE MOVE FORWARD, THERE IS AN
18 EQUITABLE FOCUS ON THE RURAL AND LESS DENSELY POPULATED AREAS.
19 I LOOK FORWARD TO OUR CONTINUED WORK TO ENSURE THAT RESIDENTS
20 IN L.A. COUNTY HAVE THE SAME OPPORTUNITIES, IRRESPECTIVE OF
21 THE AREA OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THEY RESIDE. I KNOW, SELWYN,
22 THAT I HAVE COMMUNICATED THAT TO YOU. I KNOW THE FOCUS HAS
23 BEEN ON DENSITY, BUT I WOULD JUST SAY, YOUR MAP BASICALLY DOES
24 VALIDATE THE FACT THAT WE HAVE HUGE NEEDS UP IN RURAL AREAS,

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1 WHERE YOU HAVE MANY, MANY KIDS THAT DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO THE
2 INTERNET AND LEARNING. SO THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU DR. SCORZA, AS
7 ALWAYS, FOR KICKING THIS OFF. THANK YOU, SELWYN, FOR YOUR
8 PRESENTATION ON DELETE THE DIVIDE. I REALLY WANT TO TAKE A
9 MOMENT TO THANK YOU, YOUR STAFF, FOR -- YOUR WHOLE TEAM,
10 REALLY, FOR THE WORK YOU HAVE DONE ON THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE.
11 YOU KNOW, WE ARE KNOWN AS THE INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT, SO
12 THIS IS TOTALLY OUTSIDE OF THE SCOPE OF INTERNAL. YOU HAVE
13 GONE EXTERNAL WITH THIS PRESENTATION. AND I REALLY APPRECIATE
14 THAT. WE ARE -- AND YOU KNOW YOU TOOK ON THAT INITIATIVE
15 WITHOUT QUESTION. WE ARE ADDRESSING ISSUES AROUND
16 CONNECTIVITY, BUT ALSO WE ARE FINDING WAYS TO EMPOWER OUR
17 YOUNG PEOPLE, OUR YOUNG ADULTS, SMALL BUSINESSES, TO ENHANCE
18 THEIR DIGITAL OPPORTUNITIES. I HAD JUST A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS
19 AS YOU PREPARE TO KICK OFF THE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM AND THE
20 SMALL BUSINESS MARKETING ASSESSMENTS. I THINK SUPERVISOR SOLIS
21 TOUCHED ON IT, BUT WE HAVE MANY SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS WHOSE
22 PRIMARY LANGUAGE IS NOT ENGLISH, AND IT IS IMPORTANT WE REACH
23 AS MANY AS POSSIBLE WITH THIS FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY. ARE YOU
24 PLANNING TO MARKET THESE OPPORTUNITIES IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES,

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1 AND IF SO, WHICH ONES, AND HOW ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT GOING
2 ABOUT THAT?

3

4 **SELWYN HOLLINS:** YES, THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION, SUPERVISOR
5 HAHN. WE ACTUALLY HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS
6 DEVELOPMENT. THEY HAVE PROVIDED US WITH A LIST OF OVER 40 --
7 ACTUALLY OVER 40,000 SMALL BUSINESSES IN THE HARDEST HIT
8 AREAS. THEY ARE DIFFERENT LANGUAGES. WE ARE GOING TO BE DOING
9 A MAIL CAMPAIGN TO START IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES, SO WE'RE
10 FINALIZING DRAFTING THAT. OBVIOUSLY, MANY OF THE AREAS -- WE
11 ARE AWARE OF THE COUNTY'S MULTIPLE LANGUAGES, BUT MANY OF THE
12 AREAS WE'RE TARGETING ARE PRIMARILY SPANISH AND CHINESE. WE
13 ARE LOOKING AT OTHER LANGUAGES AS WELL. WE ARE REALISTIC THAT
14 MANY BUSINESSES MAY NOT BE ABLE TO BE REACHED THROUGH THE
15 DIRECT MAIL. SO ONE OF THE THINGS WE ARE CONTEMPLATING IS
16 THAT, ONCE WE HAVE THE DIGITAL NAVIGATORS ON BOARD,
17 POTENTIALLY THAT COULD BE ADDED TO THEIR RESPONSIBILITY
18 BECAUSE THAT WOULD BE BOOTS ON THE GROUND AS WELL AS CALL
19 CENTERS AS WELL AS HOSTING EVENTS IN COMMUNITIES. THE DIGITAL
20 NAVIGATOR PROGRAM IS A FEW WEEKS AWAY, BUT THAT MAY BE AN
21 APPROACH AS WELL. I PERSONALLY GREW UP IN A SMALL FAMILY
22 BUSINESS, AND I COULD TELL YOU IF MY DAD WAS STILL ALIVE AND
23 HAD HIS BUSINESS, IT WOULD TAKE A LOT TO CONVINCE HIM TO
24 ENGAGE IN THIS SPACE OF E-COMMERCE AND TECHNOLOGY. SO WE
25 REALIZE WE KIND OF HAVE TO USE MORE IN-PERSON AND MORE DIRECT

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1 CONTACTS, BUT, AGAIN, DELETE THE DIVIDE LEVERAGES OUR
2 PARTNERS. AND THERE ARE A LOT OF GROUPS, YOU KNOW, WE WORK
3 WITH CHAMBERS. WE WORK WITH LISTS. WE WORK WITH A NUMBER OF
4 GROUPS. AND SO, WE RELY ON THEM AS WELL. SO IT'S NOT JUST US.
5 THE ONLY WAY WE'RE GOING TO REALLY TAKE ON THIS DIGITAL DIVIDE
6 IS IF WE ALL WORK TOGETHER AND DELETE THE DIVIDE BETWEEN
7 PUBLIC AND PRIVATE, BETWEEN THOSE WHO HAVE AND THOSE WHO HAVE
8 NOT. WE HAVE GOT TO BRING EVERYBODY TOGETHER. SO THAT'S KIND
9 OF THE MINDSET. BUT I UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENT LANGUAGES. WE
10 HOPE TO GET INPUT FROM THE COMMUNITY TO HELP US UNDERSTAND
11 THAT A LOT BETTER BECAUSE, LET'S FACE IT, IF YOU'RE NOT
12 PLUGGED IN OR CONNECTED, IT'S GETTING MORE AND MORE
13 CHALLENGING, PARTICULARLY IF YOU'RE A BUSINESS TRYING TO
14 SURVIVE. PEOPLE LOOK TO THE TECHNOLOGY FIRST, EVEN WHEN YOU
15 GOING TO TRY SOMETHING NEW. EVERYONE LOOKS ON THE WEBSITE. YOU
16 LOOK FOR A WEBSITE. SO WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY
17 UNDERSTAND IT, AND THAT IS FOR EVERY -- YOU KNOW, IT'S FOR ALL
18 GROUPS. SO THAT IS A CHALLENGE FOR US, AND WE'RE OPEN TO ANY
19 SUGGESTIONS, ANY IDEAS HOW BEST TO REACH THOSE COMMUNITIES.

20

21 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH, GREAT. I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT. AND OUR
22 OFFICE STANDS READY IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT TO WORK ON AS MUCH
23 OF THE OUTREACH THAT WE CAN. I TOTALLY PICKED UP ON YOUR AS
24 MUCH AS POSSIBLE IN-PERSON. WORK WITH PEOPLE, PARTICULARLY AS
25 TECHNOLOGY IS NEW AND CHANGING, AND PARTICULARLY AGAIN FOR

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1 THOSE WHO HAVEN'T BEEN UNPLUGGED, THIS IS OUR FIRST BOARD
2 MEETING BACK IN PERSON, AND WE ALL, SUPERVISORS HAVE NEW
3 DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY AND SCREENS, AND THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER HAS
4 ALREADY BEEN OVER TO MY STATION LIKE 10 TIMES TO EXPLAIN WHAT
5 EVERYTHING MEANS. SO I THINK AS MUCH AS WE CAN DO THAT,
6 OBVIOUSLY THAT WOULD REALLY HELP. I WAS GOING TO ASK AND MY
7 LAST QUESTION IS I REALLY DO LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING HOW MANY
8 YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES YOU WILL BE ABLE REACH. DO YOU HAVE
9 A GOAL ON HOW MANY FAMILIES YOU ARE GOING TO TRY TO REACH OR
10 HOW MANY YOUNG PEOPLE YOU HOPE TO EMPOWER THROUGH THIS
11 OPPORTUNITY?

12

13 **SELWYN HOLLINS:** IN REGARDS TO THE INTERNSHIP OR DELETE THE
14 DIVIDE AT ALL?

15

16 **SUP. HAHN:** YES. I WAS THINKING THE INTERNSHIP WOULD PROBABLY
17 HELP FAMILIES, AS WELL AS THE YOUNG PERSON WHO GETS THE
18 INTERNSHIP.

19

20 **SELWYN HOLLINS:** I THINK WITH THE INTERNSHIP, BECAUSE WE ARE
21 PAYING PRETTY WELL, \$18 AND \$20 AN HOUR, WE HAVE ALREADY FOUND
22 A NUMBER OF YOUTH, WHO ARE REALLY INTO TECHNOLOGY. IT'S
23 AMAZING. PART OF IT IS THIS INTERNSHIP IS AN EXPERIENCE BEYOND
24 JUST HAVING A JOB. WE WANT THEM TO GET EXPOSURE TO NOT ONLY
25 WORKING IN THE COUNTY, BUT WORKING AT A COMPANIES. SO WE HAVE

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1 MAJOR COMPANIES SAYING HEY, THEY CAN WORK FOR US TOO AND
2 REALLY GET THAT EXPOSURE, THAT EXPERIENCE, AND THE NETWORKING
3 AND THE JOB SHADOWING. HOW MANY WE CAN REACH WILL BE
4 INTERESTING. IT'S ONLY 200, BUT DEPENDING ON THE DEMAND AND
5 THE SUCCESS, WHAT WE WANT DO IS WORK WITH OUR PARTNERS TO SEE
6 IF WE CAN ESTABLISH -- IF THEY CAN TAKE ON BEYOND THAT. WE
7 HAVE FUNDING THROUGH A.R.P. FOR 200, BUT SOME OF OUR PARTNERS
8 HAVE THEIR OWN INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS. AND IF WE CAN GET THEM TO
9 SORT OF MATCH, THAT WOULD BE IDEAL BECAUSE, AGAIN, IT TAKES
10 ALL OF US TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN.

11
12 **SUP. HAHN:** THAT'S A GOOD IDEA. THANK YOU SO MUCH, SELWYN,
13 REALLY, AGAIN, OUTSIDE OF YOUR NORMAL SCOPE OF DUTIES, BUT
14 REALLY APPRECIATE YOU TAKING THIS INITIATIVE ON. I THINK IT'S
15 GOING TO REALLY MAKE A HUGE IMPACT AND POSSIBLY CHANGE THE
16 TRAJECTORY OF MANY OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES HERE IN
17 L.A. COUNTY. SO THANK YOU.

18
19 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, AND I JUST WANT TO ALSO
20 ACKNOWLEDGE, IT'S VERY HELPFUL, I THINK, FOR THIS SET ITEM --
21 IT HELPS US ALL AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC HOW THESE A.R.P.A.
22 DOLLARS ARE GOING TO HAVE DIRECT IMPACT ON THE LIVES OF EVERY
23 L.A. COUNTY RESIDENT. EVERY MEETING I GET VERY EXCITED AND I
24 LEARN NEW THINGS. TO MR. HOLLINS, WHEN I LOOKED AT DR.
25 SCORZA'S PRESENTATION ON COLLECTIVE IMPACT AND RECOGNIZED THE

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1 UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY WE HAVE TO DO THINGS LIKE JOINT PLANNING
2 AND DATA SHARING TO REALLY BREAKDOWN GOVERNMENT SILOS, I'M
3 CURIOUS AS IT RELATES TO THE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM HOW YOU PLAN
4 TO WORK WITH ONE OF OUR BRAND NEW DEPARTMENTS, THE DEPARTMENT
5 OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY COORDINATE EMPLOYMENT
6 OPPORTUNITIES, PERMANENT JOBS, FOR THESE VERY FORTUNATE 200
7 FOLKS THAT ARE GOING TO COME OUT OF THE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM.
8 HOW ARE YOU WORKING WITH THIS NEW DEPARTMENT?

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10 **SELWYN HOLLINS:** THANK YOU FOR THAT QUESTION, MADAM CHAIR. AND
11 WE ACTUALLY DO MEET AND WORK WITH THEM REGULARLY ON THIS AS
12 WELL AS THE SMALL BUSINESS ASSESSMENT. THEY'VE BEEN GREAT
13 PARTNERS IN HAVING IDEAS IN HOW TO CARRY ON. I THINK PART OF
14 THE THING WE ALL WANT TO SEE IS THAT ANY INTERN THAT COMES TO
15 THIS PROGRAM LANDS A JOB. IT STARTS A CAREER, AND THAT'S WE
16 REALLY HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER. AGAIN, DELETE THE DIVIDE
17 PARTNERS WITH EVERYONE. OUR INTENT OF HAVING NOT ONLY THE
18 ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT BUT OTHER COMMUNITY-BASED
19 ORGANIZATIONS AS WELL WHO ARE IN THIS SPACE BECAUSE WE NEED
20 THEIR SUPPORT SERVICES ALSO. MANY OF THEM WHO WORK WITH
21 W.D.A.C.S. AND US ALREADY HAVE EXISTING PROGRAMS TO HELP
22 NURTURE AND PROVIDE THE WRAP AROUND SERVICES NECESSARY. WE'LL
23 BE WORKING VERY DILIGENTLY, AND OBVIOUSLY ANY IDEAS THAT ANY
24 GROUPS HAVE, WE'RE MORE THAN OPEN TO IT.

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1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** I APPRECIATE THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
2 ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS? WONDERFUL. THANK YOU BOTH
3 FOR YOUR PRESENTATIONS TODAY. HEARING NO OTHER COMMENTS, THIS
4 REPORT IS RECEIVED AND FILED. AND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL
5 BE THE ORDER. THANK YOU, GENTLEMEN. WE'LL NOW HEAR
6 PRESENTATIONS FROM DR. BARBARA FERRER, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
7 HEALTH, AND DR. CHRISTINA GHALY, DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES
8 ON SET MATTER 2, OUR PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER. DR. FERRER?

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10 **DR. FERRER:** GOOD AFTERNOON AND THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR
11 MITCHELL AND TO THE ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR
12 STEADFAST LEADERSHIP AS WE CONTINUE WORKING TOGETHER TO PROTECT
13 THOSE MOST VULNERABLE DURING THE ONGOING PANDEMIC. I NEEDED TO
14 TURN THE VIDEO ON. SORRY. I APPRECIATE THE TIME DURING TODAY'S
15 BOARD MEETING TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON OUR ONGOING PANDEMIC
16 RESPONSE. IN TODAY'S PRESENTATION, I'LL SHARE AN OVERVIEW OF
17 OUR STATUS, INCLUDING OUR LATEST METRICS AND OUR POST-SURGE
18 PREPAREDNESS PLAN. I'LL PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON VACCINATION
19 EFFORTS WITH A FOCUS ON GAPS AND BOOSTER COVERAGE. I'LL OFFER
20 THE LATEST INFORMATION WE HAVE ON THE CIRCULATION OF THE B.A.2
21 VARIANT AND WHAT STEPS WE SHOULD BE TAKING TO REDUCE RISK
22 RISK. AND I'LL CLOSE WITH INFORMATION ON A NEW TEST TO TREAT
23 OPTION AND HOW INDIVIDUALS CAN ACCESS THESE SERVICES. IF I
24 COULD GO ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE. WE'RE NOW ABOUT 2 MONTHS OUT
25 FROM THE PEAK OF THE DEVASTATING WINTER SURGE, AND YOU CAN SEE

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1 THAT CLEARLY ON THE SLIDE. AND WHILE WE'VE SEEN DECREASES IN
2 COVID CASES, HOSPITALIZATIONS, AND DEATHS, OUR RATES BEGINNING
3 TO LEVEL OFF, AND CASES ARE NO LONGER DECLINING. TODAY, WE'RE
4 REPORTING 708 NEW CASES, 287 PATIENTS HOSPITALIZED WITH COVID,
5 AND 12 NEW DEATHS. THE SEVEN DAY AVERAGE NUMBER OF NEW DAILY
6 CASES THIS PAST WEEK WAS ABOUT 783, AND THIS IS A 19% INCREASE
7 FROM THE PRIOR WEEK. TEST POSITIVITY DOES REMAIN LOW AT
8 SLIGHTLY BELOW 1%. WHILE OUR HOSPITALIZATIONS ARE ALSO MUCH
9 LOWER THAN THEY WERE TWO WEEKS AGO WITH 287 PEOPLE
10 HOSPITALIZED WITH COVID YESTERDAY, SLIGHTLY MORE TODAY, THE
11 NUMBER OF COVID PATIENTS HAS REMAINED STEADY THESE PAST FEW
12 DAYS. WE'RE ALSO RELIEVED THAT DAILY REPORTED DEATHS CONTINUE
13 WITH A DECLINE. WE ARE NOW AVERAGING ABOUT 14 DEATHS A DAY
14 VERSUS ABOUT 27 DEATHS A DAY JUST TWO WEEKS AGO. AS ALWAYS, WE
15 SEND TO THOSE WHO ARE MOURNING A FRIEND OR A FAMILY MEMBER OUR
16 DEEPEST SYMPATHIES AND WISHES FOR PEACE AND HEALING. I'LL GO
17 ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE. AS WE NOTED A FEW WEEKS AGO, WE'RE NOW
18 USING THE C.D.C. COMMUNITY RISK LEVEL FRAMEWORK TO MEASURE
19 STRAIN ON THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM. ON THIS SLIDE, WE CAN SEE
20 THAT L.A. COUNTY'S OVERALL COMMUNITY LEVEL, BASED ON THE
21 C.D.C.'S METRICS, REMAINS LOW, AND THIS IS BASED ON THE
22 FOLLOWING, AS OF MARCH 31ST, L.A. COUNTY'S WEEKLY CASE RATE IS
23 56 NEW CASES PER 100,000 PEOPLE. THIS IS BASED ON THE C.D.C.
24 CALCULATIONS. AND THAT ALLOWS THE COUNTY TO BE PLACED IN A LOW
25 OR MODERATE LEVEL DEPENDING ON THEIR HOSPITAL METRICS. THE

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1 FIRST HOSPITAL MEASURE CAPTURES THE 7-DAY CUMULATIVE RATE FOR
2 NEW COVID-19 HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS. OUR RATE AS OF MARCH 31ST IS
3 ABOUT 3 NEW ADMISSIONS PER 100,000 PEOPLE, AND THAT MEETS THE
4 C.D.C. CRITERIA FOR LOW COMMUNITY LEVEL. THE SECOND HOSPITAL
5 INDICATOR IS A 7-DAY AVERAGE FOR THE PROPORTION OF STAFFED IN-
6 PATIENT BEDS OCCUPIED BY COVID-19 PATIENTS. THAT'S CURRENTLY
7 ABOUT 2% FOR L.A. COUNTY. THIS IS ALSO CONSIDERED TO BE IN THE
8 LOW COMMUNITY LEVEL. NEXT SLIDE. BECAUSE THE C.D.C. COMMUNITY
9 LEVELS PRIMARILY REFLECT HOSPITAL METRICS AND STRAIN ON THE
10 HOSPITALS, WE ALSO IDENTIFIED A SET OF COMMUNITY-WIDE AND
11 SECTOR-SPECIFIC SIGNALS LISTED ON THIS TABLE TO MONITOR
12 MEASURES THAT COULD CONTRIBUTE TO FUTURE INCREASED
13 HOSPITALIZATIONS AND TO ALLOW US TO REALIGN STRATEGIES IN TIME
14 TO SLOW COVID-19 TRANSMISSION OR PREVENT OR CONTAIN OUTBREAKS.
15 THESE INCLUDE THREE COMMUNITY WIDE INDICATORS, AN INDICATOR
16 THAT'S RELATED TO VARIANTS OF CONCERN, AN INDICATOR THAT
17 TRACKS COVID-19 RELATED EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT VISITS, AND AN
18 INDICATOR THAT MEASURES CASE RATES IN OUR LOWEST INCOME AREAS.
19 THERE ARE ALSO FOUR SECTOR SPECIFIC INDICATORS RELATED TO
20 OUTBREAKS. WE ACTIVELY MONITOR THE EARLY ALERT SIGNALS, AND IN
21 INSTANCES WHERE THEY INDICATE AN AREA OF CONCERN, WE CONSIDER
22 OPPORTUNITIES THAT WILL STRENGTHEN OUR PREPAREDNESS EFFORTS,
23 REFINE OR IMPLEMENT ADDITIONAL PROTECTIVE MEASURES, AND WAYS
24 THAT WE CAN ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS TO TAKE SENSIBLE STEPS TO
25 PROTECT THEMSELVES AND EACH OTHER. AS YOU CAN SEE FOR THIS

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1 WEEK, MANY OF THE EARLY ALERT SIGNALS ARE OF LOW CONCERN
2 EXCEPT FOR TWO. THE FIRST IS THE PERCENTAGE OF SPECIMENS
3 SEQUENCED THAT ARE IDENTIFIED AS A NEW VARIANT OR SUBVARIANT
4 OF CONCERN, WHICH IS NOW OF HIGH CONCERN WITH 32% OF RECENTLY
5 SEQUENCED SAMPLES IN L.A. COUNTY IDENTIFIED AS B.A.2. AND THE
6 SECOND MEASURE IS THE NUMBER OF NEW OUTBREAKS IN T.K. THROUGH
7 GRADE 12 CLASSROOMS OVER THE PAST SEVEN DAYS, WHICH HAS MOVED
8 UP TO MODERATE CONCERN WITH 10 NEW OUTBREAKS REPORTED. ON THE
9 NEXT TWO SLIDES, WE CAN TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT BOTH OF THESE
10 INDICATORS. WE CAN GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE. IF YOU LOOK AT OUR
11 LATEST SEQUENCING RESULTS, YOU CAN SEE THAT OMICRON REMAINS
12 OUR PREDOMINANT VARIANT. AND IT REALLY ACCOUNTS FOR 100% OF
13 ALL CASES WITH SEQUENCED SPECIMENS COLLECTED IN THE WEEK THAT
14 ENDED MARCH 12TH. IN L.A. COUNTY, ALTHOUGH AS YOU CAN SEE
15 HERE, B.A.1.1 REMAINS THE PREDOMINANT LINEAGE, THE PROPORTION
16 OF CASES CAUSED BY B.A.2 HAS INCREASED. FOR THE WEEK ENDING
17 MARCH 12TH, B.A.2 ACCOUNTED FOR 32% OF SEQUENCED SPECIMENS,
18 AND THIS WAS DOUBLE FROM THE PERCENTAGE IDENTIFIED THE PRIOR
19 WEEK THAT ENDED ON MARCH 5TH. AS A REMINDER, THESE DATA
20 REPRESENT SEQUENCING RESULTS FOR SPECIMENS THAT WERE COLLECTED
21 MORE THAN TWO WEEKS AGO, AND GIVEN THAT B.A.2 IS MORE
22 INFECTIOUS THAN PREVIOUS OMICRON STRAINS, WE DO EXPECT THAT
23 B.A.2 NOW ACCOUNTS FOR AN EVEN HIGHER PROPORTION OF COVID-19
24 CASES IN L.A. COUNTY. INCREASES IN L.A. COUNTY DO MIRROR
25 PATTERNS THAT WE'RE SEEING AROUND THE WORLD WITH THE WORLD

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1 HEALTH ORGANIZATION ANNOUNCING JUST OVER A WEEK AGO THAT
2 WORLDWIDE B.A.2 ACCOUNTED FOR 86% OF SEQUENCED CASES FROM THE
3 PRIOR FOUR WEEKS. AND THE C.D.C. ESTIMATED THAT,, AS OF APRIL
4 2ND, THE DOMINANT VARIANT IN THE U.S. IS B.A.2, ACCOUNTING FOR
5 APPROXIMATELY 72% OF SEQUENCED CASES. AND I WANT TO NOTE THAT,
6 WHILE THERE IS SOME IS CONCERN IN GREAT BRITAIN, WHERE THEY'RE
7 SEEING AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CASES ASSOCIATED WITH
8 WHAT'S BEING CALLED THE OMICRON XE VARIANT, THIS VARIANT,
9 WHICH IS A RECOMBINANT OF OMICRON B.A.1 AND B.A.2, HAS NOT
10 BEEN REPORTED IN SIGNIFICANT NUMBER IN OTHER COUNTRIES. I
11 BELIEVE THAT, TO DATE, THERE ARE ONLY THREE CASES OF THE XE
12 VARIANT THAT HAVE BEEN REPORTED IN THE UNITED STATES AND NONE
13 IN CALIFORNIA. THERE IS STILL TOO LITTLE DATA TO DRAW
14 CONCLUSIONS ABOUT GROWTH ADVANTAGE OR OTHER PROPERTIES OF THIS
15 VARIANT. HOWEVER, WE DO KNOW THAT THERE'S INCREASED RISK FOR
16 SPREAD OF B.A.2. SO IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE TAKE STEPS NOW TO
17 MAXIMIZE PROTECTION AGAINST SPREAD. ENCOURAGINGLY, THE W.H.O.
18 DID REPORT THAT IN COUNTRIES WITH HIGH LEVELS OF VACCINATION,
19 ESPECIALLY AMONG THOSE THAT ARE MOST VULNERABLE TO COVID-19,
20 THE RECENT INCREASE IN CASES OF COVID DIDN'T TRANSLATE YET
21 INTO HIGH RATES OF HOSPITALIZATION OR DEATH. WHILE 75% OF
22 RESIDENTS AGED 5 AND OLDER ARE FULLY VACCINATED, THAT DOES
23 LEAVE ABOUT 1.7 MILLION L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS 5 AND OLDER THAT
24 HAVEN'T YET RECEIVED THEIR FIRST DOSE. IN ADDITION, THERE IS
25 ABOUT 2.8 MILLION ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS 12 AND OLDER THAT NEED

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1 THEIR FIRST BOOSTER DOSE WITH BOOSTER COVERAGE REMAINING
2 DISAPPOINTINGLY LOW IN SOME OF OUR HARDEST HIT COMMUNITIES.
3 THESE GAPS IN VACCINATION COVERAGE DO CREATE RISK, AND LATER
4 WE WILL BE ABLE TO REVIEW THE LEVEL OF PROTECTION FULLY
5 VACCINATED PEOPLE HAVE COMPARED TO THOSE WHO ARE UNVACCINATED,
6 WHICH IS WHY WE CONTINUE TO DOUBLE DOWN ON OUR EFFORTS TO
7 INCREASE VACCINATION COVERAGE. YOU CAN GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE.
8 AS NOTED ON THE PREVIOUS SLIDE, THE NUMBER OF SCHOOL CLASSROOM
9 OUTBREAKS IN T.K. THROUGH GRADE 12 SCHOOL CLASSROOMS, AT 10 IN
10 THE PAST SEVEN DAYS, HAS RISEN NOW TO THE LEVEL OF MODERATE
11 CONCERN, WHICH YOU CAN SEE ON THIS SLIDE, AND YOU CAN ALSO
12 SEE THE TREND LINE. LAST WEEK WE REPORTED FOUR CLASSROOM
13 OUTBREAKS ACROSS ALL SCHOOLS. FOR THE 10 NEW OUTBREAK
14 INVESTIGATIONS OPENED IN THE 7 DAY PERIOD BETWEEN MARCH 28TH
15 AND APRIL 3RD, NINE OF THE OUTBREAKS HAPPENED IN ELEMENTARY
16 SCHOOL CLASSROOMS, AND THERE WAS ONE OUTBREAK IN A HIGH
17 SCHOOL. AND WHILE WE DON'T SEE SIGNIFICANT INCREASES IN THE
18 NUMBER OF STUDENTS AND STAFF THAT ARE TESTING POSITIVE THROUGH
19 THE ROUTINE TESTING, WE ARE, AS YOU CAN SEE HERE, SEEING A
20 SHARP UPTICK IN SCHOOL OUTBREAKS. I WANT TO NOTE YESTERDAY
21 ALONE IN JUST ONE DAY THERE WERE SIX NEW SCHOOL OUTBREAKS THAT
22 WERE DOCUMENTED. IN THE L.A. COUNTY POST-SURGE RESPONSE PLAN,
23 ACTION STEPS ARE OUTLINED WHEN A SECTOR SPECIFIC ALERT REACHES
24 THE THRESHOLD FOR MODERATE OR HIGH CONCERN. FOR T.K. THROUGH
25 GRADE 12 SCHOOLS THIS INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING, STRONGLY

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1 RECOMMENDING MASKING INDOORS FOR STAFF AND STUDENTS, IMPROVING
2 VENTILATION WHEREVER POSSIBLE. THIS IS REALLY FOR THOSE
3 SCHOOLS THAT CAN OPENING WINDOWS AND DOORS, CHECKING YOUR
4 H.V.A.C. SYSTEMS, AND MAKING SURE WE'RE CONTINUING TO MONITOR
5 STAFF, STUDENTS, AND VISITORS FOR SYMPTOMS, AND THOSE WITH
6 SYMPTOMS ARE NOT ON CAMPUS. WE'RE RECOMMENDING WEEKLY TESTING
7 NOW FOR THOSE THAT ARE NOT FULLY VACCINATED. AND WE'RE ALSO
8 RECOMMENDING THAT SCHOOLS CONDUCT RESPONSE TESTING FOR THOSE
9 WITH SYMPTOMS OR AN EXPOSURE. AS ALWAYS, WE NEED TO MAKE SURE
10 THAT THERE'S THE PROPER ISOLATION OF CASES AND REQUIRING THAT
11 NEGATIVE TEST FOR THOSE CASES TO RETURN TO SCHOOL IF THEY'RE
12 USING A SHORTENED ISOLATION PERIOD. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT
13 ASYMPTOMATIC WITH A SCHOOL EXPOSURE WHO REMAIN IN SCHOOL
14 DURING THE QUARANTINE PERIOD SHOULD BE WEARING MASKS WHEN THEY
15 ARE INDOORS AND GETTING TESTED AFTER THE EXPOSURE. AND OF
16 COURSE IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT ALL CASES AND OUTBREAKS
17 AMONG STAFF AND STUDENTS ARE REPORTED TO PUBLIC HEALTH. DURING
18 OUR POST-SURGE PHASE, WE DO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH SCHOOLS.
19 WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR ALL THEY'RE DOING TO IMPLEMENT THESE
20 MITIGATION MEASURES ALONG WITH OTHERS. WE KNOW THAT THESE WORK
21 TO PREVENT FURTHER SPREAD, AND THEY HELP US KEEP OUR SCHOOLS
22 OPEN AND SCHOOL CHILDREN AND STAFF SAFE WHILE THEY'RE ON OUR
23 CAMPUSES. NEXT SLIDE. AS NOTED, ALTHOUGH CASE RATES OF COVID-
24 19 ARE LOWER NOW THAN DURING THE SURGE IN L A. COUNTY, WE WANT
25 TO BE PREPARED THAT THE POSSIBILITY THAT B.A.2 OR OTHER

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1 VARIANTS OF CONCERN COULD REQUIRE ADDITIONAL INTERVENTIONS AND
2 MITIGATION. AS PART OF OUR POST-SURGE PLAN, WE HAVE IDENTIFIED
3 13 METRICS THAT ASSESS OUR PREPAREDNESS IN THE AREAS OF
4 VACCINATIONS, OUTBREAK MANAGEMENT, AND THERAPEUTICS. THOSE ARE
5 THE INDICATORS YOU'LL SEE ON THIS SLIDE. AND THEN ON THE NEXT
6 SLIDE YOU'LL SEE OUR PREPAREDNESS INDICATORS AROUND TESTING
7 AND SURVEILLANCE. AS YOU CAN SEE ON THIS SLIDE, WE'RE TRACKING
8 OUR PROGRESS IN THOSE AREAS WHERE WE NEED TO IMPROVE OUR
9 PREPAREDNESS CAPACITY. CURRENTLY, OUR PREPAREDNESS LEVEL IS
10 ADEQUATE OR OUTSTANDING FOR ALL THESE PREPAREDNESS MEASURES.
11 WE CAN GO ON TO THE NEXT SLIDE. YOU CAN SEE THAT ALSO THE SAME
12 FOR THE REMAINING INDICATORS REGARDING TESTING AND
13 SURVEILLANCE. OUR PREPAREDNESS LEVEL IS NOW ADEQUATE OR
14 OUTSTANDING. THIS IS AN IMPROVEMENT FROM LAST WEEK. WE WILL
15 CONTINUE TO CLOSELY MONITOR THESE METRICS AND OBVIOUSLY REFINE
16 OUR STRATEGIES AND RESOURCES TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE
17 ADEQUATELY PREPARED TO RESPOND TO ANY VARIANTS OF CONCERN,
18 SURGES, OR OTHER CHALLENGES THAT COULD PUT RESIDENTS AND
19 WORKERS AT HIGHER RISK. AND I DO WANT TO NOTE THAT, WHILE
20 WE'RE PLEASED THIS WEEK WE ARE MEETING THE THRESHOLDS FOR
21 ADEQUATE AND OUTSTANDING FOR ALL THE PREPAREDNESS MEASURES
22 THAT WE'RE TRACKING, WE DO NEED TO WORK TO IMPROVE OUR EFFORTS
23 IN EACH CATEGORY WHERE WE'RE ADEQUATE. SO OF COURSE, ONE OF
24 THOSE AREAS IN INCREASING VACCINATION AND BOOSTER COVERAGE.
25 NEXT SLIDE. I WANT TO JUST TALK FOR A SECOND ABOUT THAT. ONE

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1 OF THE METRICS IN THE POST-SURGE PREPAREDNESS DASHBOARD IS THE
2 PERCENTAGE OF ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS 12+ IN THE MOST VULNERABLE
3 COMMUNITIES WHO HAVE HAD AT LEAST ONE ADDITIONAL BOOSTER
4 DOSE, AND AS OF MARCH 27TH, THAT'S NOW UP TO 53%. BUT THIS MAP
5 SHOWS IN YELLOW AND GREEN ALL THE AREAS WHERE THERE IS LOWER
6 BOOSTER COVERAGE COMPARED TO AREAS IN DARK PURPLE AND BLUE,
7 WHERE THERE IS HIGHER BOOSTER COVERAGE. AND TWO REGIONS WITH
8 THE LOWEST ARE SHOWN HERE IN YELLOW AND CIRCLED IN RED. AND
9 THAT AREA INCLUDES IN NORTHERN L.A. COUNTY THE COMMUNITIES IN
10 ANTELOPE VALLEY, INCLUDING UNINCORPORATED PALMDALE. AND THE
11 SMALLER RED CIRCLED AREA DOWN IN THE SOUTHERN PART OF THE
12 COUNTY INCLUDES SOME OF THE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES IN SOUTH
13 L.A., INCLUDING FLORENCE-FIRESTONE AND WATTS. AS WE NOTE THAT
14 MUCH OF THE COUNTY IS SHADED GREEN, THIS MEANS THAT BOOSTER
15 COVERAGE IN MOST OF THE COUNTY IS UNDER 60%. SO WE KNOW THERE
16 IS A LOT OF WORK TO DO TO INCREASE THESE BOOSTER RATES. FOLKS
17 WHO NEED THEIR BOOSTERS ARE NOT FOLKS WHO WERE HESITANT TO GET
18 VACCINATED. SO WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THEY'RE GETTING GOOD
19 INFORMATION ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF REALLY UPDATING YOUR
20 PROTECTION THROUGH THOSE BOOSTER DOSES. NEXT SLIDE. ON THIS
21 SLIDE, YOU CAN ACTUALLY SEE WHERE THE GAPS EXIST FOR THE
22 BOOSTER DOSE BY AGE AND RACE AND ETHNICITY. IT SHOWS THE
23 PERCENT OF ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS WHO RECEIVED AT LEAST ONE
24 BOOSTER DOSE BY MARCH 27TH. THE NUMBERS SHOWN IN BLUE INDICATE
25 THOSE AGE AND RACE ETHNIC GROUPS THAT HAVE A BOOSTER UPTAKE

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1 THAT'S UNDER 60%. AS YOU CAN SEE, OUR BOOSTER COVERAGE IS
2 LOWER AMONG BLACK, LATINX, AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKAN NATIVE
3 RESIDENTS WHEN COMPARED TO OUR ASIAN AND WHITE RESIDENTS. THE
4 LOWER BOOSTER COVERAGE RATE IS ALSO ACROSS ALL OF OUR TEENS
5 AGE 12-17. GIVEN THE CONTINUED AND MOUNTING EVIDENCE ABOUT THE
6 BENEFITS OF GETTING THE BOOSTER DOSES, THIS ALSO REMAINS A
7 VERY HIGH PRIORITY, PARTICULARLY NOW WITH INCREASED RISK FROM
8 B.A.2. NEXT SLIDE. SO TO INCREASE VACCINE AND BOOSTER UPTAKE
9 AMONG YOUNGER AGE GROUPS, WHO HAVE THE LOWEST VACCINATION
10 RATES, WE CONTINUE WORKING WITH OUR SCHOOL PARTNERS BY
11 LOCATING MOBILE VACCINATION SITES AT SCHOOLS. THIS WEEK ALONE
12 WE HAVE 238 SCHOOL SITES. YOU CAN SEE THOSE IN RED ON THIS
13 MAP. IN ADDITION, WHILE SENIORS HAVE THE HIGHEST VACCINATION
14 RATES COMPARED TO YOUNGER AGE GROUPS, BECAUSE THEY'RE AT SO
15 MUCH GREATER RISK OF SEVERE ILLNESS SHOULD THEY GET INFECTED
16 WITH COVID, WE'RE ALSO WORKING HARD TO ENSURE THAT SENIORS ARE
17 UP TO DATE ON THEIR VACCINES. AND WE STARTED A SPECIAL EFFORT
18 WITH VACCINATION PARTNERS. THIS WEEK THERE ARE TWO DOZEN
19 SENIOR VACCINATION SITES SCHEDULED. WE SURROUND THESE SITES
20 WITH TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER SERVICES SO THAT IT MAKES IT
21 EASY FOR SENIORS IN THE PLACES WHERE THEY'RE AT. THESE ARE
22 MOSTLY AT SENIOR CENTERS FOR THEM TO BE ABLE TO ACCESS
23 PARTICULARLY THOSE BOOSTER DOSES. WE HAVE ALSO IMPROVED THE
24 RESPONSE TIME FOR OUR HOMEBOUND RESIDENTS. THIS WEEK WE WERE
25 ABLE TO SCHEDULE APPOINTMENTS FOR ALL OF THOSE WHO REQUESTED

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1 HOME VACCINATIONS WITHIN TWO WEEKS OF THEIR CALL, THEIR
2 INITIAL CALL. AND ALTHOUGH THERE ARE 686 MOBILE VACCINATION
3 SITES JUST FOR THIS WEEK ALONE, THIS WEEK THAT GOES THROUGH
4 APRIL 8TH, I DO WANT TO NOTE THAT WE ALSO HAVE ABOUT A
5 THOUSAND FIXED VACCINATION SITES THAT ARE OPEN. THE VAST
6 MAJORITY OF OUR MOBILE TEAMS ARE IN OUR HARDEST HIT AND UNDER-
7 RESOURCED COMMUNITIES, AS YOU CAN SEE ON THIS MAP. NEXT SLIDE.
8 BECAUSE WE HAVE STARTED TO SEE SMALL INCREASES IN NEW CASES IN
9 L.A. COUNTY I DO WANT TO SORT OF PUT THIS IN PERSPECTIVE WITH
10 WHAT'S GOING ON ACROSS THE GLOBE AND IN OTHER PARTS OF THE
11 UNITED STATES. PER THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION, FOR THE
12 FIRST TIME SINCE JANUARY, COVID-19 CASES INCREASED FOR THE
13 FIRST TWO WEEKS IN MARCH. AND AS YOU CAN SEE FROM THIS MAP,
14 WHICH SHOWS AVERAGE DAILY CASES PER 100,000 PEOPLE, COVID-19
15 CASES ARE INCREASING ACROSS VARIOUS REGIONS OF WORLD. AGAIN,
16 THE DARKER COLORS INDICATE HIGHER CASE RATES. SOME OF THE
17 AREAS THAT ARE EXPERIENCING THE HIGHEST RATES, WHICH YOU CAN
18 SEE ARE SHADED IN PURPLE, INCLUDE AUSTRALIA, PARTS OF THE
19 WESTERN PACIFIC, AND MUCH OF EUROPE. ACROSS THE NORTHEASTERN
20 UNITED STATES, WE HAVE NOW SEEN AN ALARMING 40% INCREASE IN
21 CASES THIS PAST WEEK. THE W.H.O. HAS NOTED THAT B.A.2, WHICH
22 IS MORE TRANSMISSIBLE AS WE NOTED EARLIER THAN B.A.1, IS
23 SWEEPING THE GLOBE AND THAT THE UPTICKS IN THESE CASES CAN BE
24 CONSIDERED IN THE CONTEXT OF A MORE TRANSMISSIBLE VARIANT AND
25 THE LIFTING IN MANY COUNTRIES OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL

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1 MEASURES THAT SLOWED COVID TRANSMISSION. SADLY, THE W.H.O.
2 ALSO REPORTED THAT SOME COUNTRIES ARE SEEING THE HIGHEST DEATH
3 RATES SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE PANDEMIC, WHICH THEY NOTED
4 REFLECTS THE SPEED AT WHICH OMICRON IS SPREADING AND THE
5 INCREASED MORTALITY RISK OF THOSE UNVACCINATED, PARTICULARLY
6 FOR THOSE OF OLDER ADULTS. NEXT SLIDE. GIVEN THIS INCREASE IN
7 CASES ACROSS THE GLOBE, INCREASES IN CASES WE'RE SEEING
8 PARTICULARLY IN THE NORTHEAST, THE INCREASED CIRCULATION OF
9 B.A.2 HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, AND SMALL UPTICK WE'VE EXPERIENCED,
10 THIS REALLY IS APPROPRIATE TIME FOR EVERYONE TO USE THE TOOLS
11 WE HAVE TO DECREASE BOTH PERSONAL AND COMMUNITY RISK. WE DO
12 RECOMMEND FOUR SENSIBLE ACTIONS THAT WE THINK WILL HELP SPREAD
13 THE CIRCULATION OF THE B.A.2 SUBVARIANT. FIRST, WE ASK THAT
14 ANYONE WHO IS NOT FULLY VACCINATED AND BOOSTED TO GO AHEAD NOW
15 AND GET YOUR PRIMARY SERIES AND/OR YOUR BOOSTER DOSES AS SOON
16 AS POSSIBLE. THIS IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT BECAUSE WE HAVE
17 ENTERED INTO THE SPRING HOLIDAY SEASON. THERE ARE MANY
18 CELEBRATING RAMADAN. OTHERS WILL CELEBRATE EASTER. AND OTHERS
19 WILL BE CELEBRATING PASSOVER. SO THE TIME -- BECAUSE IT TAKES
20 SOME TIME TO BUILD UP IMMUNITY FROM VACCINATIONS AND BOOSTERS,
21 THIS IS THE TIME TO FIND ONE OF THE CONVENIENT HUNDREDS AND
22 HUNDREDS OF LOCATIONS AROUND YOU TO GET THOSE DOSES IF YOU'RE
23 NOT ALREADY UPDATED AND BOOSTED. NEXT, IF YOU CAN'T BE
24 VACCINATED, DUE TO MEDICAL REASONS OR BECAUSE YOUR BODY CAN'T
25 MOUNT AN APPROPRIATE IMMUNE RESPONSE TO VACCINES, YOU ARE

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1 STILL -- YOU MAY STILL BE ELIGIBLE TO GET ADDITIONAL
2 PROTECTIONS. YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY ASK YOUR PROVIDER IF
3 YOU'RE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE EVUSHELD, WHICH IS A NEW
4 THERAPEUTIC FOR PEOPLE 12 AND OLDER THAT PREVENTS COVID-19.
5 THIS IS A MEDICINE YOU NEED TO TAKE BEFORE YOU'RE SICK. THERE
6 ARE ALSO SEVERAL THERAPEUTICS THAT CAN REDUCE SEVERE ILLNESS
7 FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN INFECTED WITH COVID-19. IT'S VERY
8 APPROPRIATE TO FIGURE OUT NOW IF YOU WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE
9 NEW THERAPEUTICS SO YOU CAN HAVE A PLAN ABOUT HOW YOU ARE
10 GOING TO ACCESS THESE MEDICATIONS SHOULD YOU BECOME INFECTED.
11 THIS IS A GOOD TIME TO DISCUSS WITH YOUR PROVIDER WHETHER
12 YOU'RE A GOOD CANDIDATE FOR ONE OF THE NEW THERAPEUTICS SHOULD
13 YOU TEST POSITIVE. IF YOU ARE TESTING POSITIVE RIGHT NOW,
14 PLEASE CHECK IMMEDIATELY WITH YOUR PROVIDER WHETHER YOU'RE
15 ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE ONE OF THESE TREATMENTS. IN A MINUTE, I'M
16 GOING TO DESCRIBE A NEW PROGRAM THAT YOU ALSO CAN ACCESS,
17 WHICH WILL MAKE IT EASIER FOR THOSE ELIGIBLE TO GET NEEDED
18 THERAPEUTICS. BUT ALL OF THESE THERAPEUTICS WORK WELL ONLY IF
19 YOU TAKE THEM EARLY AFTER YOUR DIAGNOSIS. ANOTHER IMPORTANT
20 STEP FOLKS CAN TAKE IS TO HAVE A SUPPLY OF THESE OVER THE
21 COUNTER TEST KITS THAT YOU CAN ADMINISTER YOURSELF AT YOUR
22 HOME. YOU CAN ORDER UP TO TWO SETS OF FOUR AT HOME TESTS AT NO
23 CHARGE FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. THAT'S AT
24 WWW.COVIDTESTS.GOV. IF YOU HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE, YOU RECEIVE
25 EIGHT FREE AT HOME TESTS EACH MONTH FOR EACH INSURED MEMBER OF

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1 YOUR HOUSEHOLD. WE ARE RECOMMENDING GET THE KITS NOW SO YOU
2 CAN EASILY TEST YOURSELF IF YOU FEEL SICK, IF YOU COME IN
3 CLOSE CONTACT WITH SOMEONE WHO HAS TESTED POSITIVE, OR YOU'RE
4 GATHERING, PARTICULARLY AS WE ARE IN THE SPRING HOLIDAYS, OR
5 YOU'RE GATHERING WITH FOLKS AT ELEVATED RISK. THE SOONER YOU
6 KNOW YOUR STATUS, THE LESS LIKELY IT IS THAT YOU'LL INFECT
7 OTHER PEOPLE. AND AS A REMINDER, YOU CAN ALSO GET TESTED AT
8 ONE OF THE MANY FREE TESTING SITES THAT'S LOCATED THROUGHOUT
9 THE COUNTY. YOU CAN VISIT PH.LACOUNTY.GOV/COVIDTEST FOR
10 INFORMATION AND LINKS TO THESE SITES. AND OF COURSE, IF
11 YOU'RE SICK OR YOU TEST POSITIVE PLEASE STAY HOME AND AWAY
12 FROM OTHERS TO PREVEN THE FURTHER SPREAD OF COVID-19. THE
13 FINAL ACTION WE ALL CAN TAKE IS TO CONTINUE TO WEAR OUR MASKS
14 INDOORS AND PUBLIC PLACES, ESPECIALLY IF WE OR OTHERS WE WILL
15 BE IN CONTACT WITH ARE NOT FULLY VACCINATED, THEY'RE ELDERLY,
16 THEY'RE IMMUNOCOMPROMISED, OR THEY HAVE SERIOUS UNDERLYING
17 HEALTH CONDITIONS. MASKING REMAINS ONE OF THE EASIEST AND MOST
18 EFFECTIVE THINGS WE CAN DO TO PROTECT OURSELVES AND OTHERS
19 FROM COVID-19. TAKING THESE STEPS DOES HELP US REDUCE THE RISK
20 OF TRANSMISSION OF COVID ALL ACROSS THE COUNTY, AND, AGAIN,
21 THAT'S AN IMPORTANT STEP -- THESE ARE IMPORTANT STEPS THAT WE
22 ALL CAN TAKE. NEXT SLIDE. ON THE PREVIOUS SLIDE, I DID
23 EMPHASIZE HOW VACCINES ARE THE MOST POWERFUL TOOL THAT WE HAVE
24 TO SLOW COVID TRANSMISSION. AND I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THESE
25 VACCINES ARE NOT 100% EFFECTIVE, AND THAT THERE HAVE BEEN

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1 THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE WITH BREAKTHROUGH CASES. BUT
2 AS YOU CAN SEE ON THIS SLIDE, THE VACCINES DO PROVIDE
3 SIGNIFICANT PROTECTION AGAINST THE OMICRON VARIANT, AND IF
4 MORE PEOPLE WERE VACCINATED, WE WOULD HAVE A LOT LESS SPREAD.
5 FOR THE WEEK ENDING MARCH 18TH, UNVACCINATED INDIVIDUALS WERE
6 TWICE AS LIKELY TO BECOME INFECTED WITH COVID-19 THAN THOSE
7 WHO ARE FULLY VACCINATED. FOR THE SAME PERIOD, UNVACCINATED
8 INDIVIDUALS WERE FIVE TIMES MORE LIKELY TO BE HOSPITALIZED DUE
9 TO COVID THAN THOSE WHO WERE FULLY VACCINATED. AND TRAGICALLY,
10 FOR THE WEEK ENDING MARCH 11TH, UNVACCINATED INDIVIDUALS WERE
11 11 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO DIE FROM COVID THAN INDIVIDUALS WHO
12 WERE FULLY VACCINATED. GIVEN THE THREAT OF A MORE INFECTIOUS
13 VARIANT CIRCULATING, THIS IS REALLY THE TIME TO GET UP TO DATE
14 ON YOUR VACCINES. FOR THOSE THAT ARE 50 AND OLDER, WHO ARE
15 FOUR MONTHS OUT FROM YOUR FIRST BOOSTER DOSE, PLEASE ALSO NOTE
16 THAT YOU'RE ELIGIBLE FOR THAT SECOND BOOSTER DOSE AND THAT
17 VACCINATION SITES ALL ACROSS THE COUNTY ARE ABLE TO PROVIDE
18 YOU WITH THAT SECOND BOOSTER DOSE. I DO WANT TO THANK THE
19 MILLIONS AND MILLIONS AND MILLIONS OF FOLKS THAT ARE
20 VACCINATED, AND I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT NOT ONLY ARE THEY
21 PROTECTED, BUT THEY DO REDUCE THE RISK BECAUSE OF THEIR
22 PROTECTION OF INCREASED TRANSMISSION ACROSS THE COUNTY. WHILE
23 VACCINES DO REMAIN THE MOST POWERFUL TOOL, I'M GRATEFUL NOW,
24 OVER THE LAST COUPLE MONTHS, WE ALSO HAVE NEW THERAPEUTICS
25 THAT CAN HELP MINIMIZE DISEASE PROGRESSION FOR THOSE INFECTED

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1 AT SERIOUS RISK OF SEVERE ILLNESS. OVER THE NEXT FEW SLIDES,
2 I'LL SHARE HOW WE'RE WORKING TO INCREASE ACCESS TO THESE NEW
3 MEDICATIONS. GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE. THERE ARE TWO ORAL, THIS
4 MEANS YOU CAN TAKE THEM BY MOUTH, COVID-19 THERAPEUTICS THAT
5 ARE AVAILABLE IN L.A. COUNTY, WHICH HAVE BEEN FOUND TO BE
6 EFFECTIVE AGAINST THE OMICRON SUBVARIANTS B.A.1 AND B.A.2.
7 THIS IS PAXLOVID AND MOLNUPIRAVIR. THESE THERAPEUTICS ARE FOR
8 USE IN CHILDREN AND ADULTS WHO WEIGH AT LEAST 88 POUNDS, THEY
9 TEST POSITIVE FOR COVID-19, THEY HAVE MILD TO MODERATE
10 SYMPTOMS, AND THEY'RE AT RISK FOR PROGRESSING TO SEVERE
11 DISEASE. EACH MEDICATION DOES NEED TO BE ADMINISTERED WITHIN
12 FIVE DAYS OF YOUR SYMPTOMS STARTING, AND THEY MUST BE
13 PRESCRIBED A PROVIDER. THEY'RE NOT OVER THE COUNTER. AS A WAY
14 OF IMPROVING ACCESS TO TESTING, ASSESSMENT, AND TREATMENT, THE
15 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT LAUNCHED WHAT THEY CALL THE TEST TO TREAT
16 PROGRAM IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CERTAIN CHAIN PHARMACIES,
17 INCLUDING C.V.S. AND WALGREENS, AND THIS ALLOWED THEM TO
18 PROVIDE TESTING, EVALUATION, AND TREATMENT IN ONE LOCATION. IN
19 ADDITION TO THE FEDERAL PROGRAM, STATES AND LOCAL
20 JURISDICTIONS LIKE OURS HAVE ALSO BEEN IDENTIFYING OTHER
21 CLINICAL SITES THAT CAN OFFER SIMILAR SERVICES IN ONE
22 LOCATION. I DO WANT TO NOTE THAT BE CALLED A TEST TO TREAT
23 SITE OR TO QUALIFY, THERE ARE A SET OF REQUIREMENTS. YOU HAVE
24 GOT TO BE ABLE TO OFFER SERVICES REGARDLESS OF AN INDIVIDUAL'S
25 INSURANCE STATUS OR ABILITY TO PAY. THIS IS ALL FREE. YOU HAVE

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1 GOT TO EITHER CONDUCT RAPID COVID-19 TESTING ON-SITE WITH THE
2 TEST RESULTS AVAILABLE AT THE TIME OF A VISIT OR YOU'VE GOT TO
3 BE ABLE TO EVALUATE AN AT-HOME TESTING RESULT. YOU NEED
4 HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO PROVIDE THAT
5 ASSESSMENT THAT IS RELEVANT TO THE TREATMENT OPTIONS, AND, OF
6 COURSE, NEED TO ON-SITE BE ABLE TO READILY DISPENSE ORAL
7 MEDICATIONS TO ELIGIBLE PATIENTS OR GET THOSE MEDICATIONS SENT
8 TO THEM AT THEIR HOMES. BEGINNING THIS WEEK, THE DEPARTMENT OF
9 PUBLIC HEALTH IS PROVIDING A TEST TO TREAT TELEHEALTH SERVICE
10 TO HELP INCREASE ACCESS TO THERAPEUTICS, AND I'M GOING TO
11 DESCRIBE THIS ON THE NEXT SLIDE. RESIDENTS THAT ARE HAVING ANY
12 DIFFICULTY ACCESSING CARE OR MEDICATIONS CAN CONTACT THE
13 PUBLIC HEALTH CALL CENTER BETWEEN 8:00 AND 8:30 SEVEN DAYS A
14 WEEK, 833-540-0473. THERE ARE CALL CENTER STAFF THAT WILL
15 ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS, AND THEY'LL CONNECT PEOPLE TO A WHOLE
16 RANGE OF SERVICES, INCLUDING SERVICES AROUND TEST TO TREAT.
17 FOR THOSE PATIENTS THAT ARE LOOKING FOR A SITE WHERE THEY CAN
18 GO FOR TESTING AND TREATMENT, THEY'LL BE REFERRED TO ONE OF
19 THE 58 TEST TO TREAT SITES THAT ARE NOW OPEN IN THE COUNTY OR
20 TO ONE OF THE 26 D.H.S. FULGENT TESTING SITES OR TO ONE OF THE
21 3 D.P.H. VACCINATION SITES AT OUR PODS ON MARKET STREET,
22 HOBERGON PARK, AND TED WATKINS. PATIENTS WHO ALREADY HAVE A
23 POSITIVE TEST RESULT BUT ARE LOOKING TO ACCESS AND EVALUATION
24 AND TREATMENT, WILL EITHER GET REFERRED, IF THEY WANT, TO A
25 TEST TO TREAT CENTER, OR THEY'RE CONNECTED TO THE D.P.H. THE

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1 TELEHEALTH SERVICES. THROUGH OUR TELEHEALTH PROVIDERS, WHO ARE
2 AVAILABLE SEVEN DAYS A WEEK, WE CAN SCREEN PATIENTS FOR
3 ELIGIBILITY OVER THE PHONE IN THE TELEHEALTH VISIT AND
4 DETERMINE WHICH MEDICATION, IF ANY, WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR
5 THE PATIENT. THE SCREENING IS DONE BY PHYSICIANS. MEDICATIONS
6 WOULD THEN BE SHIPPED TO DO THE PATIENT'S HOME OVERNIGHT, OR
7 THE PATIENT CAN GET REFERRED TO A NEARBY TEST TO TREAT CENTER
8 IF THEY WANT GO AHEAD AND GET ACCESS IMMEDIATELY TO THE
9 MEDICATIONS. D.P.H. IS ALSO COLLABORATING WITH HEALTHVANA, AND
10 AS I NOTED, THE 26 D.H.S. FULGENT TESTING SITES. THESE ARE
11 LOCATED IN OUR UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES SO THAT WE CAN MAKE
12 SURE THAT PATIENTS LIVING IN THOSE COMMUNITIES CAN EASILY
13 ACCESS THERAPEUTICS. FOR FOLKS WHO TEST POSITIVE AT ONE OF
14 THESE SITES, THEY ARE GOING TO RECEIVE A TEXT MESSAGE FROM
15 HEALTHVANA THAT LETS THEM KNOW ABOUT THEIR POSITIVE TEST
16 RESULT, AND IF THEY'RE SYMPTOMATIC, IT WILL DIRECT THEM TO
17 CALL THE D.P.H. CALL CENTER, WHERE THE PATIENT WILL THEN GET A
18 TELEHEALTH VISIT WITH OVERNIGHT SHIPMENT OF MEDICATIONS IF
19 THEY'RE ELIGIBLE. UNTIL MORE LOCAL PHARMACIES ARE ENROLLED AND
20 ABLE TO PROVIDE THESE TEST TO TREAT ONE STOP SERVICES, ACCESS
21 TO THE TEST TO TREAT PROGRAM THROUGH OUR TELEHEALTH SERVICES
22 WILL FILL A GAP, AND IT PROVIDES ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS ANYWHERE
23 IN THE COUNTY WITH MORE OPTIONS TO RECEIVE THESE COVID
24 THERAPEUTICS. NEXT SLIDE. AND IN CLOSING, I JUST WANT TO SHOW
25 A MAP OF -- YEAH, WE CAN GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE. I JUST WANT TO

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1 SHOW THIS MAP OF WHERE THE TEST TO TREAT SITES ARE LOCATED
2 ACROSS THE COUNTY. AS OF APRIL 1ST, THERE ARE 37 COMMUNITY
3 SITES, 20 C.V.S. SITES, AND 11 WALGREEN SITES. THESE ARE JUST
4 THE TEST TO TREAT SITES. MANY PEOPLE CAN STILL GO TO THEIR
5 PROVIDERS AND GET A PRESCRIPTION AND TAKE IT TO THE HUNDRED OF
6 PHARMACIES THAT WOULD BE ABLE TO FILL THAT PRESCRIPTION. BUT
7 SORT OF THE ONE STOP SERVICE IS ONLY AVAILABLE AT THESE SITES,
8 PLUS THE OPTION NOW FOR FOLKS TO GET A TELEHEALTH VISIT
9 WHEREVER THEY ARE IN THE COUNTY. WE ARE GOING TO CONTINUE
10 OBVIOUSLY TO ENROLL MORE PROVIDERS IN THE FEDERAL TEST TO
11 TREAT PROGRAM SO THERE WILL WITH BE MORE PHYSICAL SITES. AND
12 THAT WE'RE HOPING THAT AS MORE THERAPEUTICS ARE AVAILABLE,
13 THIS NETWORK WILL INCLUDE A MUCH GREATER NUMBER OF OPTIONS FOR
14 RESIDENTS TO ASSESS THE NEW COVID-19 THERAPEUTICS. THANK YOU,
15 AND I'LL GLADLY ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS AFTER DR. GHALY'S
16 PRESENTATION.

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18 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. DR. GHALY?

19
20 **DR. GHALY:** THANKS AND GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I'LL MOVE
21 QUICKLY THROUGH SEVERAL SLIDES, AND THEN HAPPY TO TAKE
22 QUESTIONS. IF YOU COULD GO FIRST TO SLIDE THREE.
23 HOSPITALIZATIONS IN OUR D.H.S. HOSPITALS REMAIN LOW HOVERING
24 AROUND 50 OR SO PATIENTS ACROSS OUR FOUR HOSPITALS FOR THE
25 PAST COUPLE OF WEEKS. REMEMBER, THESE NUMBERS ARE DEFINED BY

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1 ANYONE WITH A POSITIVE COVID TEST ON ADMISSION. SLIDE FOUR, ON
2 THE NEXT SLIDE, LOOKS AT THE SHARE OF THOSE ADMISSIONS THAT
3 REPRESENT A HOSPITALIZATION THAT'S DUE TO COVID. AS YOU CAN
4 SEE, THAT NUMBER HAS TRENDED DOWN SUBSTANTIALLY, AND CURRENTLY
5 SITS AT LESS THAN 10%. IN PRACTICE, WHAT THIS MEANS IS THAT
6 COVID INFECTIONS ARE NOT CONTRIBUTING AT THIS POINT IN TIME
7 TO HOSPITALIZATION NUMBERS IN THE D.H.S. HOSPITALS, AND
8 VIRTUALLY ALL POSITIVE COVID TESTS REPRESENT INCIDENTAL
9 FINDINGS OF COVID POSITIVITY. THIS IS A WELCOME REPRIEVE FROM
10 PREVIOUS SURGE SITUATIONS THAT WE HAVE BEEN THROUGH. TURNING
11 TO SLIDE FIVE, AS OF LAST WEEK, ABOUT 90% OF D.H.S. STAFF ARE
12 NOW COMPLIANT WITH THE MOST RECENT STATE HEALTH OFFICER ORDER
13 REQUIRING BOOSTER VACCINATION DOSES FOR ALL HEALTHCARE
14 WORKERS. WE ARE PLEASED WITH THE GRADUAL PROGRESS THAT YOU CAN
15 SEE ON THE SLIDE OVER THE PAST TWO WEEKS, AND WE ARE WORKING
16 WITH THE REMAINING STAFF THAT ARE NOT YET COMPLIANT TO
17 ENCOURAGE COMPLIANCE WITH THE STATE ORDER AS QUICKLY AS
18 POSSIBLE. NEXT SLIDE, SLIDE SIX. D.H.S. CONTINUES TO OPERATE
19 TWO QUARANTINE AND ISOLATION SITES FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE
20 MEDICALLY FRAGILE AND NEED CLINICAL OVERSIGHT WHILE THEY
21 COMPLETE THEIR QUARANTINE OR ISOLATION PERIOD. THE UTILIZATION
22 AT THESE TWO SITES REMAINS VERY LOW GIVEN THE OVERALL LOW RATE
23 OF SYMPTOMATIC COVID DISEASE CURRENTLY IN THE COMMUNITY. IF
24 THERE IS A FUTURE SURGE, D.H.S. IS ABLE TO OPEN ADDITIONAL
25 SITE TO ACCOMMODATE THAT INCREASED VOLUME. AND I'LL TURN TO A

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1 DISCUSSION OF THE STATUS OF COMMUNITY TESTING. SLIDE EIGHT
2 ILLUSTRATES THE SUPPLY AND UTILIZATION OF COMMUNITY TESTING
3 CAPACITY OVER THE COURSE OF THE COVID PANDEMIC. JUST AS A
4 REMINDER, I KNOW YOU'VE SEEN THIS SLIDE BEFORE, BUT REMEMBER
5 IT REFLECTS JUST THE CAPACITY AND UTILIZATION AT THE COUNTY
6 MANAGED AND COUNTY PARTNERED FIXED, POP-UP, AND MOBILE TEST
7 SITES AS WELL AS THE STATE SUPPORTED COVID TESTING SITES. THE
8 PICK UP AND DROP OFF KIT DISTRIBUTION VOLUME IS NOT INCLUDED
9 HERE, NOR IS THE VOLUME THAT WE DON'T HAVE DIRECT DATA ACCESS
10 TO AT THE OVER 200 SITES THAT ARE LISTED AS COMMUNITY TESTING
11 PARTNERS ON THE COUNTY'S COVID TESTING WEBSITE. THOSE SITES
12 MANAGE THEIR OWN TESTING OPERATIONS AND REPORT DATA TO D.P.H.,
13 BUT WE DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO THEIR CAPACITY NUMBERS.
14 UTILIZATION, AS YOU CAN SEE, REMAINS LOW AS OF THE END OF LAST
15 WEEK. NEXT SLIDE, SLIDE NINE, SHOWS THE UTILIZATION OF THE
16 HOME TEST COLLECTION PROGRAM AND THE PICK UP TEST KIT PROGRAM.
17 UTILIZATION OF BOTH IS CURRENTLY LOW, CONSISTENT WITH THE
18 TRENDS THAT WE HAVE BEEN SEEING ACROSS COMMUNITY TESTING.
19 WHILE THE RETURN RATES TO DATE OVER THE PAST THREE MONTHS ARE
20 STILL LOW, AS YOU CAN SEE AT 24 AND 37% FOR BOTH OF THOSE
21 PROGRAMS, WE'VE SEEN HIGHER RATES RECENTLY OVER THE PAST
22 COUPLE OF WEEKS AMONG THE MUCH SMALLER NUMBER OF TESTS THAT
23 ARE BEING PICKED UP. WE ARE ENCOURAGED BY THIS FACT AND THINK
24 IT REPRESENTS THAT PEOPLE, THE SMALLER NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT
25 ARE GOING TO PICK UP TEST KITS RIGHT NOW HAVE AN URGENT NEED

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1 TO TEST, AND THEY'RE USING THE TESTS. THEY MIGHT HAVE HAD AN
2 EXPOSURE OR HAD SYMPTOMS, AND THEY'RE RETURNING THE TEST IN A
3 TIMELY MANNER, WHICH WE'RE VERY PLEASED WITH. THAT LOW RETURN
4 RATE IS SOMETHING WE WATCH VERY CLOSELY AS THE COUNTY MUST PAY
5 THE FULL COST FOR ANY UNUSED TESTS. NEXT. OVERALL, AS YOU CAN
6 SEE ON SLIDE 10, WE HAVE 28 TEST KIT DISTRIBUTION SITES
7 CURRENTLY IN OPERATIONS. WE ARE LOOKING AT PLANS TO BE ABLE TO
8 SUSTAIN OPERATIONS AT THESE 28 SITES, BUT IT DEPENDS ON THE
9 AVAILABILITY OF STAFFING OVER THE NEXT MONTH OR SO. SLIDE 11
10 LOOKS AT THE OVERALL COMMUNITY TESTING FOOTPRINT. OVER THE
11 PAST COUPLE OF WEEKS, WE HAVE HAD TO REMOVE 25 COMMUNITY
12 TESTING SITES FROM THE COUNTY'S PORTFOLIO THAT IS LISTED ON
13 THE WEBSITE, AS THOSE SITES WERE NO LONGER ABLE TO CONTINUE TO
14 COMMIT TO PROVIDING TESTS FREE OF CHARGE TO INDIVIDUALS WHO
15 LACKED INSURANCE COVERAGE. ON SLIDE 12, I'LL TALK ABOUT THERE
16 A LITTLE BIT FURTHER. THIS IS DUE TO THE DEPLETION OF FUNDS IN
17 THE FEDERAL H.R.S.A. POOL, WHICH TO DATE HAD FUNDED TESTING
18 FOR INDIVIDUALS WITHOUT INSURANCE. AND AS OF MARCH 22ND, THIS
19 POOL OF FUNDS WAS COMPLETELY EXHAUSTED, AND THE FEDERAL
20 GOVERNMENT IS NOW NO LONGER ABLE TO OFFER REIMBURSEMENT TO
21 PROVIDERS OR TO COUNTIES OR GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTIONS FOR
22 PROVIDING TESTING TO INDIVIDUALS WHO DON'T HAVE HEALTH
23 INSURANCE. IN THIS SETTING, THE COUNTY IS NOW NO LONGER ABLE
24 TO CLAIM AGAINST THIS POOL AND NO LONGER ABLE TO RECEIVE
25 REIMBURSEMENT FROM H.R.S.A. AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR

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1 TESTS THAT ARE OFFERED TO INDIVIDUALS WITHOUT INSURANCE.
2 DESPITE THAT REALITY, WE DO STILL PLAN TO CONTINUE TO OFFER
3 COVID TESTING TO ALL INDIVIDUALS AT NO CHARGE, INCLUDING
4 INDIVIDUALS THAT DON'T HAVE INSURANCE COVERAGE, USING FUNDS
5 THAT ARE AVAILABLE FROM OTHER SOURCES, AND THAT INCLUDES FOR
6 PERIOD OF TIME THE C.D.C. E.L.C. GRANT, AS WELL AS FEDERAL
7 A.R.P.A. FUNDS. WE'LL KEEP DOING THIS AS LONG AS POSSIBLE, AND
8 WE'RE WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE C.E.O. ON AN ESTIMATED BUDGET
9 THAT IS NEEDED TO MAINTAIN THE COMMUNITY TESTING PROGRAM.
10 THAT BUDGET, OBVIOUSLY, HAS HAD TO BE REVISED UP BECAUSE OF
11 THE ADDITIONAL COSTS -- TESTING COSTS FOR THE INDIVIDUALS WHO
12 LACK INSURANCE. WE'RE ALSO HOPEFUL THAT THERE WILL BE A
13 FEDERAL SOLUTION TO THIS PROBLEM AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
14 WILL AGAIN FUND THE UNINSURANCE POOL IN THE FUTURE. I STRONGLY
15 ENCOURAGE INDIVIDUALS WITHOUT INSURANCE TO CONTINUE TO SEEK
16 COVID TESTING IF THEY HAVE A REASON TO BE TESTED, SPECIFICALLY
17 IF THEY HAVE SYMPTOMS THAT ARE CONSISTENT WITH COVID OR IF
18 THEY HAVE BEEN AROUND ANYONE WITH COVID AND HAD A RECENT
19 EXPOSURE. THEY CAN STILL FIND A SITE THAT OFFERS FREE COVID
20 TESTING WITH NO OUT OF POCKET COSTS BY GOING TO THE COUNTY'S
21 WEBSITE AND THAT'S COVID19.LACOUNTY.GOV/TESTING. FOR THOSE WHO
22 DO HAVE INSURANCE, PLEASE, I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO UTILIZE
23 TESTING OPTIONS THAT ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH YOUR HEALTH
24 PROVIDER OR YOUR HEALTH PLAN, THROUGH YOUR PHYSICIAN OFFICE,
25 URGENT CARE, OTHER OPTIONS. IF YOU AREN'T THOUGH ABLE TO

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1 OBTAIN TESTING THROUGH YOUR ESTABLISHED HEALTH SYSTEM, YOU CAN
2 ALSO SEEK TESTING THROUGH THE COUNTY AT THE COVID TESTING
3 SITES, BUT IF YOU DO SO, WE DO REALLY ASK THAT YOU PROVIDE
4 YOUR MOST CURRENT HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION AT THE TIME YOU
5 REGISTER FOR A TEST AND BRING THAT INFORMATION WITH YOU AND
6 YOU PROVIDE IT SO THAT WE CAN BILL YOUR INSURANCE PROVIDER FOR
7 THE TEST THAT YOU ARE RECEIVING. AS MENTIONED, WE FULLY EXPECT
8 ALL SITES LISTED ON THE COUNTY'S COVID TESTING WEBSITE AND
9 THAT BEAR THAT NAME AS BEING A COVID COMMUNITY TESTING
10 PARTNER, THAT THEY OFFER FREE TESTING TO EVERYBODY, REGARDLESS
11 OF INSURANCE STATUS, REGARDLESS OF IMMIGRATION STATUS, AND
12 GIVEN THE CHANGES IN FEDERAL FUNDING AVAILABILITY, WE HAVE, AS
13 I MENTIONED, REMOVED TO DATE 25 SITES SO FAR FROM THE WEBSITE.
14 WE ARE CONTINUING TO VERIFY ON A REGULAR BASIS THE CONTINUED
15 WILLINGNESS OF THOSE REMAINING SITES, STILL OVER 200, TO
16 PROVIDE TESTING FREE OF CHARGE TO EVERYONE WHO PRESENTS. NEXT
17 SLIDE, SLIDE 13, JUST A COUPLE OF SLIDES ON WHERE WE'RE
18 LOOKING AT MOVING FORWARD, AND THEN I'LL CLOSE. SO WE HAVE
19 SEVERAL STRATEGIES IN PLACE TO MAINTAIN ACCESS TO COVID
20 TESTING IN THESE LOWER PERIODS OF USE, WHILE SAFEGUARDING THE
21 ABILITY TO QUICKLY RAMP BACK AND IF WE NEED TO IN THE SETTING
22 OF A POTENTIAL FUTURE SURGE. FIRST, WE HAVE PRIORITIZATION OF
23 TESTING RESOURCES ACROSS OUR STRATEGIES, ALL THE THE
24 STRATEGIES, TO FOCUS THOSE WHERE THERE IS MOST NEED. AND THAT
25 IS THROUGH ATTENTION TO THE HEALTHY PLACES INDEX COMBINED WITH

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1 CONTINUED REVIEW OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH DATA AND
2 INTERACTION AND CONVERSATIONS WITH D.P.H. ABOUT WHAT
3 COMMUNITIES ARE MOST AT RISK BASED ON LATEST DATA FOR COVID
4 TRANSMISSION AND VACCINATION RATES. WE'RE ALSO LOOKING TO
5 EXPAND OUR TESTING PARTNERS, ESPECIALLY BY LOOKING AT MODELS
6 THAT HAVE LOWER RELIANCE ON STAFFING OR CAN OFFER THEIR OWN
7 STAFFING, GIVEN THAT STAFFING HAS CONTINUED TO BE THE BIGGEST
8 CHALLENGE OF MAINTAINING HEALTH SERVICE OPERATIONS THROUGHOUT
9 THE PANDEMIC. WITH THE UPCOMING CHANGES IN SOME OF THE
10 DISASTER SERVICE WORKERS, WE'RE IN CONTINUED CONVERSATION WITH
11 THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND OTHER PARTNERS ABOUT
12 HOW TO BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN COMMUNITY TESTING SITES,
13 PARTICULARLY THE PICK UP DISTRIBUTION DROP OFF SITES. WE DO
14 RELY ON THE D.S.W. CAPACITY TO BE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE
15 THOSE SITES. WE'RE ALSO ENCOURAGING, AS I MENTIONED,
16 INDIVIDUALS TO USE TESTING OPTIONS THROUGH THE ESTABLISHED
17 HEALTH SYSTEM, INCLUDING ASKING HEALTH PLANS TO TAKE A GREATER
18 ROLE IN ENSURING TESTING ACCESS FOR THEIR MEMBERS. WE HAD SOME
19 CHALLENGES WITH THIS TO DATE, AS SADLY, HEALTH PLANS HAVE VERY
20 LITTLE INCENTIVE TO TAKE A MORE ACTIVE ROLE IN OFFERING COVID
21 COMMUNITY TESTING BECAUSE THEY WOULD BEAR INCREASED COSTS
22 VERSUS IF THAT TESTING IS PROVIDED OUTSIDE OF THEIR SYSTEMS OF
23 CARE. ALSO WE'RE PLANNING TO CONTINUE THE TEST HOME KIT OPTION
24 WITH THE OPTION TO HAVE TESTS MAILED OUT AND THEN FEDEXED BACK
25 FOR THOSE WITH MOBILITY ISSUES, INCLUDING INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE

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1 DISABILITIES OR SENIORS WHO MIGHT NOT BE BE ABLE TO EASILY GET
2 TO A TESTING SITE. AS MENTIONED, IF YOU HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE,
3 PLEASE DO PROVIDE THAT HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION IF YOU DO
4 USE A TEST THROUGH THE COUNTY'S COVID TESTING SITES. FINALLY,
5 SLIDE 13, WE'VE TAKEN SEVERAL ADDITIONAL STEPS TO SAFEGUARD
6 ACCESS, FIRST INVOLVES A LOT OF WORK LOOKING AT ADDITIONAL
7 FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES GIVEN THE ABSENCE OF THE CONTINUED
8 UNINSURANCE POOL THROUGH H.R.S.A. WE ALSO WORKING IN
9 PARTNERSHIP WITH D.P.H. TO BE ABLE TO SUPPORT EMPLOYERS,
10 PROVIDER, OTHER ENTITIES THAT MAY WANT TO OFFER COVID TESTING
11 TO STAFF OR THEIR CLIENTS. WE'RE LOOKING AT MAINTAINING OUR
12 RELATIONSHIP WITH THE STATE SITES, WHICH LARGELY HAVE SHIFTED
13 TO A TEST TO TREAT MODEL. WE'RE ALSO MAINTAINING THE
14 RELATIONSHIP WITH CORE, WHICH OFFERS THE MOBILE SITE OPTION,
15 AND HAVE RENEGOTIATED OUR AGREEMENT WITH FULGENT, OUR MAIN
16 TESTING PARTNER SO IT CAN BE SUSTAINABLE OVER A LONGTERM.
17 WE'RE CONTINUING TO EXPAND TESTS TO PICK UP AND DISTRIBUTION
18 SITES WITH A FOCUS ON INCREASED PARTNERSHIPS WITH CITIES AND
19 LOCAL JURISDICTIONS, INCLUDING NON-COUNTY LIBRARIES AS WELL AS
20 OTHER OPTIONS. TO DO SO, WE'RE ASKING THAT THROUGH THE
21 PARTNERSHIP THAT THEY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE THE STAFFING TO BE
22 ABLE TO MAINTAIN THOSE OPERATIONS. WE BELIEVE IT'S A GREAT
23 PRODUCT TO BE ABLE TO OFFER A COMMUNITY OF HAVING LOCAL ACCESS
24 TO TEST KITS THAT INDIVIDUALS CAN PICK UP, AND WE'RE MORE THAN
25 HAPPY TO BE ABLE TO OFFER AND MANAGE THE SUPPLY CHAIN AND

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1 LOGISTICS OF OFFERING TESTS TO THOSE SITES FREE OF CHARGE IF
2 THEY'RE ABLE TO OFFER THE STAFFING AND THEN COMPLY WITH THE
3 COUNTY'S RULES REGARDING ELIGIBILITY, NOT CHARGING INDIVIDUALS
4 FOR TESTING, REGISTERING FOR TESTS AND OTHER THINGS. AND
5 FINALLY, WE'RE KEEPING OUR SITE USE AGREEMENTS IN PLACE ACROSS
6 ALL OF OUR SITES SO THAT EVEN IF THEY'RE NOT ACTIVE RIGHT NOW
7 WE CAN RAMP UP IN THE FUTURE. THAT DOES TAKE A LITTLE BIT OF
8 TIME IF THERE IS A FUTURE SURGE. THAT GENERALLY TAKES A COUPLE
9 OF WEEKS AS WE WOULD NEED TO IDENTIFY STAFFING TO BE ABLE TO
10 STAFF UP THOSE SITES, AND THAT'S REALLY WHERE THOSE PICK UP
11 DISTRIBUTION SITES COME IN BECAUSE WE'RE ABLE TO INCREASE THE
12 TEST KITS THAT ARE PROVIDED TO THOSE SITES VERY RAPIDLY,
13 WHILE, IN PARALLEL, WE'RE RAMPING UP STAFFING AT THE LARGER
14 VOLUME SITES. AND WITH THAT, I WILL CLOSE, BUT THANK YOU FOR
15 YOUR TIME AND HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

16

17 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO BOTH DRS. GHALY
18 AND FERRER. WE'LL START WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER FOLLOWED BY
19 SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

20

21 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU FOR THAT PRESENTATION.
22 DR. FERRER, YOU HAD A SLIDE THAT TALKED ABOUT THE SKILLED
23 NURSING FACILITIES. ARE WE TRACKING THE NUMBERS, ESPECIALLY
24 WITH THE B.A.2, AND THEN A FOLLOW UP TO THAT QUESTION IS ON
25 THE SKILLED NURSING FACILITIES, DO WE KNOW THAT THEY'RE FULLY

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1 IN COMPLIANCE AS IT RELATES TO THE VACCINATION BECAUSE I KNOW
2 THAT EARLY ON THERE WAS A SLOW START FOR THEM, AND WE WERE
3 REALLY PUSHING THEM TO GET THAT DONE FOR STAFF?

4

5 **DR. FERRER:** YEAH, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THAT, SUPERVISOR
6 BARGER, AND FOR ALL THE SUPPORT AND FOR REMAINING FOCUSED ON
7 WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE NURSING HOMES BECAUSE THAT'S THE PLACE
8 WHERE PEOPLE WHO ARE MOST VULNERABLE TO HAVING A BAD OUTCOME
9 ARE RESIDING. OUR TEAMS ARE STILL THERE. THE STATE NOW,
10 THROUGH THE INSPECTION PROGRAM THAT WE HAVE THE CONTRACT TO DO
11 THROUGH HEALTH FACILITY INSPECTORS, IS REALLY, AS PART OF
12 THEIR ASSESSMENTS NOW, CHECKS ON THE VACCINATION STATUS OF ALL
13 THE EMPLOYEES. WE DO HAVE NOW FINALLY BUILT IN A SORT OF
14 ROUTINIZED WAY OF MAKING SURE THAT, AT THIS POINT, THAT WE'RE
15 GOING AHEAD AND JUST INCREASING THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE FULLY
16 BOOSTED. I DO WANT TO NOTE THE RATE IS EXTRAORDINARILY HIGH IN
17 L.A. COUNTY AMONG THE STAFF. IT'S OVER 95%. FOLKS HAVE DONE
18 GREAT. I THINK THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF CHAMPIONS IN THE WORLD
19 OF SKILLED NURSING FACILITY STAFF THAT HAVE MADE IT A LOT
20 EASIER FOR US TO GET SO MANY PEOPLE FULLY VACCINATED SO
21 QUICKLY. BUT WE ALSO CONTINUE TO MAKE SURE THAT, BECAUSE BOTH
22 RESIDENTS AND STAFF COME AND GO FROM THOSE FACILITIES, THAT
23 ALL OF THE FACILITIES HAVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE LONGTERM
24 CARE PHARMACIES OR WITH US SO THAT AS NEW PEOPLE COME IN THAT
25 ARE NOT FULLY VACCINATED OR UP TO DATE ON THEIR VACCINES, THAT

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1 THERE'S NOT A LAG BETWEEN THE TIME THAT THEY ARRIVE AT ONE OF
2 THE FACILITIES AND THE TIME THEY'RE OFFERED THEIR VACCINES.
3 AMONG RESIDENTS, I THINK WE'RE AT ABOUT 91% ARE FULLY
4 VACCINATED AND IS SLIGHTLY LOWER ON BOOSTING. THERE AGAIN,
5 THERE ARE RESIDENTS WHO ARE DECLINING GETTING THE VACCINES.
6 IT'S NOT BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT BEING OFFERED THEM, BUT THERE ARE
7 SOME FOLKS WHO ARE DECLINING ADDITIONAL DOSES IN PARTICULAR OF
8 THE VACCINE. SO, AGAIN, I THINK THE STAFF ARE DOING A REALLY
9 GOOD JOB TRYING TO MAKE SURE WE STAY REALLY CURRENT WITH THE
10 GUIDANCE ABOUT GETTING FOLKS BOOSTED. NOW WITH THE SECOND
11 BOOSTER DOSE, OBVIOUSLY, IT'S A WHOLE OTHER ROUND THAT WE NEED
12 TO GO BACK TO THE NURSING HOMES BECAUSE MANY OF THEM GOT
13 BOOSTED EARLY ON. EVERY TIME THAT THERE'S BEEN AN EXPANSION OF
14 ELIGIBILITY, ONE OF THE FIRST PLACES WE HAVE GONE IS TO THE
15 NURSING HOMES TO MAKE SURE WE'VE GOT GOOD CAPACITY TO GET
16 FOLKS VACCINATED. SO THE EFFORT OVER THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS
17 IS TO GO BACK NOW AND MAKE SURE IN THOSE -- FOR THOSE
18 RESIDENTS AND STAFF THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR AGAIN THE SECOND
19 BOOSTER DOSE -- FOR MANY OF THEM THAT'S THEIR 4TH VACCINATION
20 -- THAT THAT'S OFFERED. AND AGAIN, THERE'S NO REQUIREMENT FOR
21 EITHER STAFF OR FOR RESIDENTS TO GET THAT SECOND BOOSTER DOSE.

22
23 **SUP. BARGER:** HAVE THEY DONE ANY STUDIES -- THIS JUST, WHEN YOU
24 SAID THAT, AS A FOLLOW UP, IN TERMS OF THOSE FULLY VACCINATED
25 THAT HAVE NOT GOTTEN THE BOOSTER VERSUS THOSE THAT ARE FULLY

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1 VACCINATED AND HAVE GOTTEN THE BOOSTER WHO HAVE CONTRACTED
2 COVID?

3

4 **DR. FERRER:** I'D BE HAPPY TO HAVE DR. RUBEN GO OVER WITH YOU --
5 WE HAVE A DONE OF DATA FROM THE NURSING HOMES AND JUST SHOW
6 YOU SOME OF OUR DATA AND WHAT WE ARE TRACKING, JUST AS YOU
7 SAID, WITH PATIENT POPULATIONS. SOMETIMES, IT'S -- WE HAVE TO
8 LINK ALL THE RECORDS, BUT WE DO HAVE SOME DATA THAT I THINK
9 YOU'D BE INTERESTED IN SEEING ON WHAT -- WHAT'S THE
10 PENETRATION, WHAT DO THE BREAKTHROUGH CASES LOOK LIKE. MOST
11 IMPORTANTLY, AT THE NURSING HOMES IT'S HOW MUCH PROTECTION
12 AGAINST REALLY THAT HOSPITALIZATION AND DEATH ARE RESIDENTS
13 GETTING WITH THE BOOSTER DOSES. I'D BE HAPPY TO HAVE DR. RUBEN
14 GO OVER SOME OF THE DATA. NONE OF IT'S BEEN PUBLISHED YET, BUT
15 I THINK IT'S DATA THAT'S GETTING REVIEWED, AND WE'RE ALSO
16 HAPPY TO SHARE THAT WITH ANY OTHER OFFICE THAT'S INTERESTED.
17 IT'S JUST -- IT'S IN RAW FORM, BUT I THINK FOR FOLKS WHO WANT
18 TO LOOK AT IT, WE'RE HAPPY TO HAVE THEM LOOK AT IT, WE'RE
19 HAPPY TO --

20

21 **SUP. BARGER:** I MEAN IT WILL NOT DISSUADE ME FROM ENCOURAGING
22 PEOPLE TO GET THE BOOSTER.

23

24 **DR. FERRER:** NO, IT'S GOOD DATA. I MEAN, THE REASON -- OUR
25 NURSING HOMES ARE ACTUALLY PLACES WHERE OUR DATA CONTINUES TO

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1 SHOW THE POWER OF VACCINES. I MEAN, WE HAVE REALLY GOOD
2 COVERAGE THERE, AND WE HAVE REALLY GOOD OUTCOMES FOR OUR
3 RESIDENTS, EVEN IN THE HEIGHT OF OMICRON.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER:** SO, SPEAKING OF THE BOOSTER, I LOOKED AT THE MAP,
6 AND IT'S INTERESTING BECAUSE I THINK, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL,
7 YOUR DISTRICT AND MY DISTRICT YOURS, DENSELY POPULATED. MINE,
8 RURAL. AND THIS IS FOR THE FIRST BOOSTER ARE, CORRECT? IT'S
9 FOR THE -- IT'S FOR THE FIRST BOOSTER?

10

11 **DR. FERRER:** THESE ARE FOR ALL BOOSTERS.

12

13 **SUP. BARGER:** FOR ALL THE BOOSTERS. SO, I GUESS IT CAN'T BE
14 BECAUSE THEY LIVE IN THE RURAL AREA, OR MAYBE THAT PLAYS A
15 FACTOR, BUT I GUESS I'M WONDERING WHAT OUTREACH WE NEED TO DO
16 BECAUSE THEY'VE GOTTEN VACCINATED, SO THEY'RE NOT ANTI-
17 VAXXERS, WHICH THAT STRUCK ME AS -- THESE ARE PEOPLE THAT ARE
18 ALREADY GONE AND BEEN VACCINATED, AND THE BOOSTER IS KIND OF
19 THAT SECOND LAYER OF PROTECTION. SO I'M JUST WONDERING IF WE
20 NEED TO BETTER EDUCATION. I MEAN I DON'T KNOW. I WOULD LOVE TO
21 BE PART OF THE SOLUTION BECAUSE ESPECIALLY IN THE PALM DALE
22 AREA, A.V. HAS BEEN HIT PRETTY HARD WITH THIS, AND I WOULD
23 JUST HOPE THAT WE COULD STRATEGIZE ON HOW TO BETTER DO
24 OUTREACH BECAUSE, AGAIN, I DON'T THINK IT IS A RURAL VERSUS

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1 DENSELY POPULATED AREA. I THINK THIS IS JUST MAYBE EDUCATION.

2 I DON'T KNOW?

3

4 **DR. FERRER:** I THINK YOU ARE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT, SUPERVISOR. SO
5 WE HAVE COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER TEAMS IN THESE HARDEST HIT
6 AREAS THAT ARE LITERALLY GOING DOOR TO DOOR. WE LOOK AT THE
7 CENSUS TRACT DATA. WE PUT THE -- WE OVERLAY VACCINATION DATA,
8 AND THEN WE TRY TO SEND OUR TEAMS OUT. I WILL SAY THAT --
9 NOTHING IS EVER AS STRAIGHT FORWARD AS WE WISH IT WAS. ONE
10 THING THAT I THINK ACCOUNTS FOR SOME LOWER RATES OF BOOSTER
11 COVERAGE, IS THAT IT IS TRUE IF YOU WERE FULLY VACCINATED AND
12 YOU GOT INFECTED WITH OMICRON, WHICH SO MANY PEOPLE DID, YOUR
13 SYSTEM GOT A BOOST. AND IT IS PERFECTLY REASONABLE FOR PEOPLE
14 THAT ARE FULLY VACCINATED, WERE INFECTED RECENTLY, TO WANT TO
15 WAIT A LITTLE BIT BEFORE THEY COME IN FOR A BOOSTER DOSE
16 BECAUSE THEY ACTUALLY GOT BOOSTED WITH SOME OF THAT NATURAL
17 IMMUNITY. IT DOES WEAR OFF. WE HAVE LEARNED, UNFORTUNATELY,
18 THE EXPERIENCE WITH DELTA AND OMICRON THAT BEING INFECTED WITH
19 ONE VARIANT DOESN'T NECESSARILY PROTECT YOU FROM AN EMERGING
20 VARIANT THAT'S TO COME, BUT WE THINK, AND WE HAVE TALKED TO
21 SOME PEOPLE WHO ARE WAITING BECAUSE THEY GOT INFECTED.
22 REMEMBER, WE HAD OVER 1 MILLION PEOPLE INFECTED WITH OMICRON.
23 AND A GOOD NUMBER OF THOSE WERE PEOPLE FULLY VACCINATED. SO
24 THEY ARE WAITING A LITTLE BIT. I DON'T THINK PEOPLE SHOULD
25 WAIT TOO LONG BECAUSE WE DO KNOW THAT THAT NATURAL IMMUNITY

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1 TENDS TO WANE OVER A FEW MONTHS, AS WELL. SO MY SENSE IS, IF
2 YOU ARE FOUR MONTHS OUT FROM WHEN YOU GOT INFECTED WITH
3 OMICRON, AND YOU ARE FULLY VACCINATED, THIS WOULD BE A GOOD
4 TIME TO GET A BOOSTER DOSE AS WELL SINCE THAT PROTECTION ISN'T
5 GOING TO LAST EITHER. BUT I AGREE WITH YOU THAT WE DO TALK TO
6 PEOPLE ABOUT WHY THEY ARE WAITING, AND WE GET THAT. I WAS SICK
7 A FEW MONTHS AGO. WE ALSO GET I'M WAITING BECAUSE I THINK
8 THERE'S SOMETHING BETTER AROUND THE CORNER. AND I WOULD NOTE
9 THAT WE ARE SO BLESSED TO HAVE SCIENTISTS AND RESEARCHERS THAT
10 WILL DEVELOP MORE POWERFUL VACCINES AT SOME POINT IN THE
11 FUTURE, BUT NONE OF THEM ARE READY -- ARE GOING TO BE READY
12 SOON ENOUGH FOR PEOPLE TO BE DELAYING ON GETTING A BOOSTER
13 DOSE. THEY ALL HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE RIGOROUS TESTING AND
14 APPROVAL PROCESS. SO IT IS NOT A GREAT IDEA TO WAIT NOW, NOT
15 GET BOOSTED NOW, BECAUSE YOU THINK IN THE NEXT MONTH OR SO
16 THERE WILL BE SOMETHING BETTER. HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT IN THE
17 NEXT MONTH OR SO WE ARE GOING TO SEE AN IMPROVED VACCINE. SO
18 FOLKS SHOULD, ESPECIALLY AS WE HEAD INTO A HOLIDAY SEASON, GO
19 AHEAD AND GET BOOSTED. I THINK THE OTHER ISSUE IS WHENEVER OUR
20 CASE NUMBERS DROP LOWER, PEOPLE ARE MUCH LESS WORRIED ABOUT
21 RISK. AND IT IS HARD TO ACTUALLY EXPLAIN WHY, EVEN WHEN CASE
22 NUMBERS ARE LOW, IT IS IMPORTANT TO GO AHEAD AND GET THAT
23 ADDITIONAL PROTECTION IF YOU'VE GOT SOME WANING PROTECTION
24 FROM VACCINE DOSES THAT YOU RECEIVED A WHILE BACK. FOLKS ARE
25 MUCH MORE INCLINED WHEN OUR CASES ARE GOING UP, AND THEY

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1 PERCEIVE A MUCH BIGGER THREAT AND A MUCH HIGHER RISK, TO WANT
2 TO GO IN AND GET AN ADDITIONAL VACCINE DOSE. BUT AGAIN, ONE
3 WAY WE KEEP TRANSMISSION LOWER IS WE GET MORE PEOPLE
4 PROTECTED. SO IT WORKS AGAINST US TO HAVE EVERYBODY WAIT UNTIL
5 WE ARE IN THE MIDDLE OF A CRISIS. IT ALSO, AS YOU KNOW, WITH
6 THESE VACCINES, IT DOES TAKE A WHILE FOR YOUR BODY TO MOUNT
7 THE FULL RESPONSE. SO AGAIN, WE DON'T THINK WAITING IS THE
8 MOST SENSIBLE APPROACH. BUT WE APPRECIATE THAT, FOR MANY
9 PEOPLE WHO ARE ALREADY WERE FULLY VACCINATED, THIS IS NOT
10 ABOUT VACCINE HESITANCY. IT IS ABOUT OTHER REASONS THAT THEY
11 HAVE DECIDED TO GO AHEAD AND DELAY. AND FOR SOME FOLKS, THEY
12 WILL TELL US THAT THEY FEEL THAT THEY ARE ADEQUATELY PROTECTED
13 WITH THE TWO DOSES.

14
15 **SUP. BARGER:** WHICH LEADS ME TO THE B.A.2 AND, DR. GHALY, YOU
16 PROVIDED THE CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR THE SURGE, IF WE HAVE A
17 SURGE. AND I AM SURE YOU ARE REPORTING WITH THE PUBLIC HEALTH,
18 BUT IN TERMS OF HOSPITALIZATION JUST FROM MY OWN CURIOSITY,
19 UNDER OMICRON, DID HOSPITALIZATION GO UP QUITE A BIT BECAUSE I
20 KNOW WITH DELTA IT DIDN'T OBVIOUSLY WITH THE VIRUS WHEN IT
21 FIRST HIT THE COUNTY? BUT I AM JUST WONDERING BECAUSE I AM
22 HEARING B.A.2 IS HIGHLY TRANSMITTABLE, BUT THEY ARE SHOWING IT
23 DOESN'T MAKE YOU AS SICK. I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE PROPER TERM
24 WOULD BE. AND SO I GUESS I'M JUST TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WITH
25 THE SURGE, AND I KNOW I'M GOING TO LET SUPERVISOR KUEHL TALK

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1 ABOUT THE TESTING BECAUSE I THINK THAT IT TIES INTO WHAT I AM
2 GOING TO SAY, IF WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A SURGE, THERE IS GOING
3 TO BE MORE NEED FOR TESTING, AND I THINK WE WILL NEED TO LOOK
4 AT BEYOND THE CONTINGENCY PLAN YOU HAVE HERE, WHERE DO WE GO
5 NEXT IN TERMS OF ADDRESSING THAT, BUT I AM WONDERING IF IT IS
6 TIED TO HOSPITALIZATION, OR ARE WE GOING TO TIE IT TO
7 POSITIVITY RATES PURE AND SIMPLE?

8

9 **DR. FERRER:** YOU KNOW, WE CAN GO BACK TO THE POST-SURGE PLAN
10 WHERE WE ACTUALLY LAY OUT STRATEGIES THAT WE CAN BE USING TO
11 MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE WELL PREPARED. I DO AGREE WITH YOU,
12 SUPERVISOR, THAT WE HAVE TO BE PREPARED. HOSPITALIZATIONS
13 DURING OMICRON WERE ACTUALLY LOWER, IN TERMS OF -- THEY WERE
14 LOWER OVERALL THEN WHAT WE SAW DURING THAT FIRST WINTER SURGE
15 THAT WE HAD OUR FIRST WINTER, WHERE WE WERE WELL OVER 8,000
16 CASE AS DAY -- I MEAN WELL OVER 8,000 HOSPITALIZED ON A GIVEN
17 DAY. AND IT IS THOUGHT THAT OMICRON, WHILE MUCH MORE
18 INFECTIOUS, IS NOT NECESSARILY CAUSING MORE ILLNESS THAN, FOR
19 EXAMPLE, DELTA. B.A.2, THERE IS STILL NOT ENOUGH CONCLUSIVE
20 EVIDENCE, BUT EARLY INDICATIONS ARE THAT IT'S SIMILAR TO B.A.1
21 IN TERMS OF HOW MUCH ILLNESS SEVERITY IS ASSOCIATED WITH THAT
22 SUBVARIANT. THE GOOD NEWS FOR ALL OF US IS PEOPLE WHO ARE
23 VACCINATED, FULLY VACCINATED OR FULLY VACCINATED AND BOOSTED,
24 HAVE A LOT OF PROTECTION AGAINST HOSPITALIZATIONS AND DEATHS.
25 SO ONE OF THE REASONS WHY WE ARE SEEING LESS PEOPLE

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1 HOSPITALIZED IS BECAUSE WE'VE GOT A LOT MORE PEOPLE VACCINATED
2 AND FULLY VACCINATED, AND FOR THOSE WHO ARE BOOSTED, IT IS
3 REALLY ALMOST DOUBLE THE PROTECTION THAT THEY ARE GETTING FROM
4 HOSPITALIZATIONS THAN PEOPLE THAT ARE JUST FULLY VACCINATED.
5 SO I THINK THE STRATEGY REMAINS GETTING MORE PEOPLE VACCINATED
6 IF THEY HAVEN'T HAD THE INITIAL SERIES AND BOOSTED, UP TO DATE
7 ON THEIR VACCINES, IF THEY HAVE HAD THAT INITIAL SERIES, TO
8 AVOID WHAT I THINK IS AVOIDABLE AT THIS POINT, TO AVOID THAT
9 SURGE IN AND THAT STRESS ON THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM. BUT WE SAW
10 DURING OMICRON THAT, IF YOU GET ENOUGH CASES EVEN IF THERE'S A
11 LOWER PERCENTAGE OF PEOPLE THAT NEED TO BE HOSPITALIZED FOR
12 EACH -- FOR YOUR CASES, WHICH IS WHAT WE SAW IN OMICRON, IF
13 YOU GET ENOUGH CASES, YOU STRESS OUT YOUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM.
14 SO WE STILL HAVE TO REALLY FOCUS ON TRYING TO DO EVERYTHING WE
15 CAN TO KEEP TRANSMISSION LOW, EVEN WHEN WE SEE THESE MORE
16 INFECTIOUS VARIANTS STARTING TO CIRCULATE. THAT'S WHY WE ARE
17 ASKING PEOPLE, PLEASE DON'T WAIT. DON'T WAIT UNTIL THINGS GET
18 BAD AGAIN BEFORE YOU PUT THAT MASK ON WHEN YOU WILL BE AROUND
19 A LOT OF OTHER PEOPLE, PARTICULARLY OTHER PEOPLE AT HIGHER
20 RISK. DON'T WAIT TO GET BOOSTED OR VACCINATED. DON'T WAIT TO
21 GET TESTED. IF YOU ARE SICK, GO AHEAD AND GET TESTED. IF YOU
22 HAVE HAD EXPOSURE, GO AHEAD AND GET TESTED BECAUSE THAT'S THE
23 FASTEST WAY TO IDENTIFY PEOPLE THAT SHOULDN'T BE CIRCULATING
24 AND INFECTING OTHERS. I KNOW THAT DR. GHALY CAN ALSO TALK
25 ABOUT THE PLANNING BECAUSE THE TESTING PLAN I THINK IS A GOOD

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1 F EXAMPLE OF BEING ABLE TO BE FLEXIBLE DEPENDING ON DEMAND BUT
2 BE ABLE TO RAMP UP VERY QUICKLY BECAUSE YOU ARE ABSOLUTELY
3 RIGHT, IF THERE ARE MORE CASES, MORE TRANSMISSION, MORE PEOPLE
4 NEED TO GET TESTED, AND MORE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO WANT TO GET
5 TESTED.

6

7 **DR. GHALY:** YES, THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION. AS DR. FERRER
8 POINTED OUT, LOOKING AT THOSE HOSPITAL NUMBERS IS SO IMPORTANT
9 BECAUSE IT IS ESSENTIAL TO AVOID STRESS ON THE HOSPITAL
10 SYSTEM, BUT SOMETIMES IT IS HARD TO SEE THE REALITY IN THE
11 MIDST OF THOSE NUMBERS BECAUSE THE TRUE MESSAGE IS A LITTLE
12 BIT HIDDEN. SO JUST, AS AN EXAMPLE, WITH THE LAST YEAR'S
13 WINTER SURGE, THE SEVERE WINTER SURGE, D.H.S. HOSPITALS, WE
14 HAD A PEAK CENSUS FOR COVID PATIENTS OF ABOUT 550, ALMOST 600
15 PATIENTS. ALL -- VIRTUALLY ALL OF THOSE PATIENT WHO WERE COVID
16 POSITIVE WERE IN THE HOSPITAL FOR COVID. THEY REPRESENTED
17 INCREMENTAL VOLUME VERSUS CENSUS VERSUS WHAT WOULD HAVE BEEN
18 IN THE HOSPITAL WITHOUT THE SURGE, AND A THIRD OR SO OF THOSE
19 PATIENTS AT PEAK WERE IN THE I.C.U. AND I.C.U. LEVEL CARE
20 REQUIRES A LOT MORE STAFFING, A LOT OF HIGHER NURSE STAFFING
21 RATIOS, A LOT MORE SERVICES, SUPPLY STAFF, SUPPORT, THAN WHAT
22 IS NEEDED TO TAKE CARE OF A PATIENT ON THE MEDICAL SURGICAL
23 UNIT. COMPARE THAT WITH THE MOST RECENT SURGE A COUPLE OF
24 MONTHS AGO, AND WHILE THE NUMBERS WERE THAT IT WAS JUST OVER
25 HALF, OUR PEAK CENSUS IN THAT SURGE WAS ABOUT 350 PATIENTS

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1 VERSUS THE 550-600, REMEMBER THAT LESS THAN HALF OF THOSE EVEN
2 AT PEAK WERE THERE FOR COVID. SO, TO MAJORITY ALWAYS FOR US
3 WERE THERE FOR SOMETHING OTHER THAN COVID. THEY JUST HAPPENED
4 TO HAVE A COVID TEST. AND THE PERCENTAGE THAT WERE IN THE
5 I.C.U. WAS WELL LESS THAN 10%. SO THE STRESS ON THE HOSPITAL
6 SYSTEM IN THAT MOST RECENT SURGE WAS LESS. NOW, THAT'S NOT TO
7 SAY THAT HOSPITALS CAN'T BE OVERWHELMED. IF THE CASES RISE SO
8 HIGH, THAN ABSOLUTELY, HOSPITALS CAN STILL BE OVERWHELMED. AND
9 HOSPITALS ARE STRUGGLING, AS YOU KNOW, WITH STAFFING ADDRESS
10 THE BOARD, GIVEN THE NATIONWIDE SHORTAGES IN A NUMBER OF AREAS
11 AND RECENT RETIREMENTS. SO, I JUST THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO
12 KEEP THAT IN PERSPECTIVE. AND SO, AS A RESULT OF OF THAT, PART
13 OF WHAT WE NEED TO WATCH IS BOTH THE CASE NUMBERS AND THE REAL
14 IMPACT OF WHAT IS HAPPENING AND THOSE HOSPITALIZATION NUMBERS.
15 FOR TESTING, ABSOLUTELY, WE NEED TO MAINTAIN THAT FLEXIBILITY
16 AND THAT ADDITIONAL CAPACITY AND BE ABLE TO RAMP KNOWING THAT
17 SOMETIMES IT TAKES TIME TO RAMP UP AND KNOWING THAT THE SAME
18 RESOURCE THAT IS NEEDED TO RAMP UP, NAMELY STAFFING, IS WHAT
19 IS OFTEN SO TIGHT IN THE SURGE, THAT HOSPITALS AND CLINICS AND
20 EMERGENCY ROOMS AND URGENT CARES AND VACCINATION SITES, AND
21 TESTING SITES ARE ALL COMPETING FOR THE SAME RESOURCES OF
22 STAFFING, AND THAT MAKES IT HARD TO RAMP UP QUICKLY. SO THE
23 MORE WE HAVE SOME CAPACITY IN WAITING, KEEP THE SUPPLY CHAINS
24 NIMBLE, HAVE SOME OF THOSE RESOURCES REALLY READY TO GO IN LOW

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1 INTENSITY STAFFING MODELS, THE MORE QUICKLY WE CAN RAMP UP AND
2 NEED THE NEED IN THE FUTURE.

3

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

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
7 BARGER, BECAUSE THAT SLIDE POPPED OUT AT ME ALSO. AND I THINK
8 WE DO HAVE TO CONTINUE TO FIGURE OUT WHAT THE REASONS ARE.
9 WATTS VACCINE TASKFORCE IN MY DISTRICT DID A OUTREACH PROGRAM.
10 THEIR GOAL WAS TO INCREASE THEIR VACCINATION RATE UP TO 75%,
11 THEY WERE AT 70%, WITH DOOR TO DOOR CANVASSING, DIRECT
12 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, ONLINE OUTREACH TWICE A WEEK, INTENSIVE
13 OUTREACH THAT WE KNOW TYPICALLY WORKS, THEY INCREASED IT BY
14 1%. SO WHILE THAT 1% IS GOOD, THE PROBLEM IS THAT THE WOMAN
15 AND MANPOWER RESOURCES, BOTH HUMAN RESOURCES AND MONEY THAT WE
16 ARE POURING IN, AND SO THE RETURN ON THE INVESTMENT IS SO LOW,
17 WE HAVE TO CONTINUE TO WORK AND ASK THOSE QUESTIONS TO FIGURE
18 OUT WHAT WE HAVE TO DO. I COULDN'T AGREE WITH YOU MORE.
19 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, FOLLOWED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

20

21 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AND VERY GOOD TO
22 SEE YOU ALL. I HAVE THREE OR FOUR QUESTIONS. THANKS AS ALWAYS
23 -- [AWAY FROM MIC] IN FOR ALMOST SEEMS LIKE A DECADE NOW, BUT
24 IT IS NOT QUITE A DECADE. SO I WANTED TO GO BACK TO A COUPLE
25 OF THINGS YOU SAID AND THEN TO FINISH WITH ONE I THINK FAIRLY

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1 NEW QUESTION. FIRST OF ALL, YOU MENTIONED DR. FERRER, THE
2 DIMINUTION IN PROTECTION OVER TIME FROM VACCINATIONS. AND JUST
3 SPEAKING AS A REGULAR PERSON WITH A LOT OF ACCESS TO
4 INFORMATION AND STILL DON'T HAVE ENOUGH OF IT, I ALWAYS
5 WONDERED IS IT -- AM I BEING SELFISH IN GOING AND GETTING
6 ANOTHER SHOT, IS IT TOO SOON, ETC. SO I HAD A BOOSTER IN
7 SEPTEMBER. I GOT COVID IN DECEMBER, A VERY MILD CASE, THANKS
8 TO THE BOOSTER. IT IS NOW ABOUT THREE MONTHS SINCE I GOT IT.
9 IT WAS CHRISTMAS NIGHT. AND I WANT TO GO THIS WEEK AND GET MY
10 SECOND BOOSTER. SO GENERALLY, SHALL I IMAGINE THAT MY
11 PROTECTION EITHER FROM HAVING COVID OR FROM GETTING A BOOSTER
12 ACTUALLY DIMINISHES IN ABOUT FOUR MONTHS? I MEAN I REALIZE WE
13 WON'T ALWAYS BE ALLOWED TO KEEP GETTING BOOSTERS AND KEEP
14 GETTING BOOSTERS, OR MAYBE WE WILL, BUT I THINK PEOPLE WOULD
15 WANT TO KNOW, OKAY, AM I STILL PROTECTED OR SHOULD I GO GET
16 SOMETHING.

17
18 **DR. FERRER:** I THINK IT IS A GREAT QUESTION. AND OBVIOUSLY,
19 EVERYBODY SHOULD CHECK IN WITH THEIR OWN DOCTOR, BUT I WILL
20 MAKE JUST SOME GENERAL COMMENTS, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, BECAUSE IT
21 IS REALLY IMPORTANT. PEOPLE WHO ARE IN THE HIGHER RISK
22 CATEGORIES, THOSE WHO PEOPLE WHO ARE OLDER, PEOPLE WHO ARE
23 IMMUNOCOMPROMISED, PEOPLE WITH SERIOUS UNDERLINING HEALTH
24 CONDITIONS, EVEN PEOPLE WITH A LOT OF EXPOSURES EITHER AT WORK
25 OR IN THE COMMUNITY, SHOULD TAKE SERIOUSLY THE MOTION THAT THE

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1 VACCINES, WHILE THEY WORK REALLY WELL, AND THEY ARE POWERFUL,
2 THEIR PROTECTION WANES OVER TIME. SO IF YOU ARE A PERSON
3 ALREADY AT SOME ELEVATED RISK, AND I THINK YOU SAID IT REALLY
4 WELL, IT IS MORE THAN THREE MONTHS AGO, AND IT WAS NATURAL
5 IMMUNITY, WHICH WE ACTUALLY MEASURE -- CAN MEASURE LESS AND
6 KNOW LESS ABOUT, IN TERMS OF THE DURABILITY OF THAT. SHOULD
7 YOU GO AND GET YOUR SECOND BOOSTER? I WOULD SAY CHECK WITH
8 YOUR PHYSICIAN, BUT, IN GENERAL, PEOPLE WHO ARE OLDER, SHOULD
9 GO AHEAD AND GET THAT SECOND BOOSTER FOUR MONTHS AFTER THEY
10 HAD THEIR LAST BOOSTER DOSE, OR, AS YOU NOTED, YOU ARE WAY
11 PAST THE FOUR MONTHS, BUT YOU DID GET INFECTED IN THE LAST
12 THREE MONTHS, MORE THAN THREE MONTHS AGO, I WOULD SAY THE
13 TIMING IS GOOD FOR YOU TO GO AHEAD AND RAMP UP YOUR
14 PROTECTION. THERE'S -- I THINK THERE ARE MORE QUESTIONS THAT
15 GET ASKED ABOUT THE SECOND BOOSTER DOSE FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT
16 OLDER. THEY ARE IN THEIR 50S BECAUSE REMEMBER IT'S BEEN
17 AUTHORIZED FOR PEOPLE 50 AND OLDER. THEY ARE IN GOOD HEALTH.
18 THEY DIDN'T YET GET INFECTED. THEY ARE FOUR MONTHS OUT, OR
19 FIVE MONTHS OUT, OR FOR MANY OF THEM SIX OR SEVEN MONTHS OUT,
20 BUT THEY DON'T FEEL LIKE THEY HAVE A LOT OF RISK BECAUSE THEY
21 ARE HEALTHY, AND THEY ARE NOT OLDER. THEY ARE NOT
22 IMMUNOCOMPROMISED, AND THEY DON'T HAVE A LOT OF EXPOSURES IN
23 THEIR DAILY JOBS OR THEIR HOUSEHOLDS. I THINK FOR THOSE
24 PEOPLE, AGAIN, THERE'S A REASON WHY THE F.D.A. SUGGESTED THAT
25 PEOPLE GET VACCINATED WITH THAT SECOND DOSE FOUR MONTHS AFTER

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1 THEY GOT THEIR FIRST BOOSTER DOSE. AND THAT'S BECAUSE THERE'S
2 EVIDENCE THAT THE PROTECTION IS WANING. IT DOESN'T MEAN YOU
3 DON'T HAVE ANY PROTECTION. AS A MATTER OF FACT, YOU HAVE SOME
4 DECENT PROTECTION, BUT IT IS WANING. SO IF YOU WANT TO REDUCE
5 YOUR RISK, EVEN IF YOU ARE A HEALTHY PERSON, AND YOU'RE
6 YOUNGER, YOU HAVE TO BE OTHER 50 FOR THE SECOND BOOSTER DOSE,
7 GO AHEAD AND GET THAT DOSE BECAUSE IT DOES, IN FACT, BOOST
8 YOUR IMMUNE SYSTEM SO THAT YOU WILL THEN HAVE MORE PROTECTION.

9

10 **SUP. KUEHL:** AND ANYBODY CAN GET THE FIRST BOOSTER DOSE, NOW,
11 RIGHT? ANYBODY WHO NEVER GOT IT, THEY COULD GET IT RIGHT NOW,
12 NOT MATTER WHAT.

13

14 **DR. FERRER:** ANYBODY 12 AND OLDER. YOU DO HAVE TO BE FIVE
15 MONTHS OUT FOR PFIZER AND MODERNA.

16

17 **SUP. KUEHL:** FROM YOUR VACCINATION.

18

19 **DR. FERRER:** AND YOU HAVE TO BE 12 OR OLDER.

20

21 **SUP. KUEHL:** RIGHT. SO THE -- I ALSO HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT
22 TESTING, AND I THINK IT IS FOR EITHER ONE OF YOU. SOMETIMES, I
23 AM A LITTLE CONFUSED ABOUT WHETHER I SHOULD TEST OR NOT
24 BECAUSE I AM FULLY VACCINATED. I HAVE HAD MY BOOSTER. I'M
25 PROBABLY GOING FOR MY SECOND ONE TOMORROW. I DON'T KNOW,

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1 SOMETIME. AND I DON'T KNOW, YOU KNOW, SHOULD I STILL BE
2 TESTING. MY IMPRESSION, I KEEP SAYING AS A REGULAR SEASON
3 BECAUSE THAT'S SORT OF LIKE WHAT I FEEL LIKE ALL THE THINGS I
4 DON'T KNOW ABOUT THIS, IF I HAVE NO SYMPTOMS, DO I HAVE A
5 REASON TO GO TEST BECAUSE WE HAVE AN UNUSED TESTING CAPACITY,
6 WHICH I KNOW, DR. GHALY, YOU PRESENTED, BUT ON THE OTHER HAND,
7 WE DON'T WANT TO WASTE THEM? WE DON'T WANT PEOPLE SHOWING UP
8 AND SAYING OH, I THOUGHT I NEEDED TO TEST TODAY. SO IF I HAVE
9 NO SYMPTOMS, I DON'T NEED TO TEST, RIGHT?

10

11 **DR. FERRER:** I THINK IF YOU HAVE NO SYMPTOMS AND NO EXPOSURE,
12 YOU DON'T NEED TO TEST. SO I WANT TO JUST CLARIFY A LITTLE BIT
13 ON THE EXPOSURES. IF YOU HAVE HAD AN EXPOSURE TO A PERSON WHO
14 IS POSITIVE, THEN YOU SHOULD BE TESTING. THAT'S THE SAFEST WAY
15 TO REDUCE YOUR RISK, IDENTIFY -- IT IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT
16 NOW WITH THE THERAPEUTICS. YOU REALLY WANT TO GET IN QUICKLY
17 EARLY ON.

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL:** I THINK IF WE HAVE BEEN INVITED TO SOMETHING IN
20 THE FAMILY OR WHATEVER, IT WOULD BE A COURTESY TO TEST BEFORE
21 WE GO.

22

23 **DR. FERRER:** YES.

24

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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** AND MAYBE WE WANT TO TALK ABOUT IT ON THE DAIS IN
2 TERMS OF OUR MEETINGS SO THAT WE MIGHT WANT TO TEST BEFORE WE
3 COME IN.

4

5 **DR. FERRER:** THE THIRD REASON WE DO SUGGEST THAT PEOPLE GET
6 TESTED IS PRECISELY WHAT YOU SAY. IF YOU ARE GATHERING INDOORS
7 WITH PEOPLE, WHO ARE AT HIGHER RISK, AT ELEVATED RISK,
8 IMMUNOCOMPROMISED, YOU HAVE PEOPLE WHO AREN'T VACCINATED, IT
9 ISN'T A BAD IDEA TO GO AHEAD AND TEST AND PROVIDE THAT
10 REASSURANCE THAT EVERYONE GATHERING IS NEGATIVE AT THE POINT
11 THAT THEY ARE GATHERING. I WILL PUT SOME CAVEATS THERE. THIS
12 IS MOST IMPORTANT IF PEOPLE WILL BE IN POORLY VENTILATED
13 AREAS, AND THEY ARE GOING TO BE UNMASKED. SO YOU ARE GOING TO
14 A SMALL RESTAURANT, WHICH IS SUPER CROWDED. IT'S FOR
15 SOMEBODY'S BIRTHDAY. YOU DON'T KNOW EVERYBODY. YOU DON'T KNOW
16 EVERYBODY'S STATUS. YES, I AGREE WITH YOU. THAT'S AN
17 APPROPRIATE STRATEGY TO USE TO ASK PEOPLE WHO ARE ALL
18 GATHERING IN THAT PLACE TO PLEASE GO AHEAD AND GET A NEGATIVE
19 TEST BECAUSE THERE ARE PROBABLY PEOPLE IN THAT SETTING THAT
20 MAY BE AT HIGHER RISK.

21

22 **SUP. KUEHL:** LET ME RETURN THEN -- I AM SORRY.

23

24 **DR. FERRER:** BUT I DO THINK THAT -- SO I DO THERE'S SOME
25 BALANCE HERE. YOU ARE GOING INTO A WORK ENVIRONMENT. YOU DON'T

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1 HAVE ANY EXPOSURES. YOU ARE ASYMPTOMATIC. PEOPLE WILL BE
2 WEARING MASKS. YOU DON'T NECESSARILY NEED TO TEST.

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** LET ME ASK DR. GHALY THEN ABOUT SLIDE 12 BECAUSE I
5 NEED CLARIFICATION, OR I DO, IN TERMS OF THE FEDS ARE NOT
6 GOING TO HELP US PAY FOR THESE TESTS FOR UNINSURED PEOPLE ANY
7 MORE. WE ARE STILL PAYING FOR IT OURSELVES SO THAT PEOPLE THAT
8 FEEL THEY NEED TESTS, EVEN IF THEY ARE UNINSURED, SO GO AND
9 GET THEM. THAT WAS THE IMPRESSION I GOT FROM SLIDE 12. IS THAT
10 CORRECT?

11

12 **DR. GHALY:** YES, THAT'S CORRECT.

13

14 **SUP. KUEHL:** BECAUSE I THINK IT WAS A LITTLE -- SOMETIMES, WE
15 GET GOOD INFORMATION FROM YOU, BUT IT IS LIKE SIX POINTS, AND
16 I AM TRYING TO REMEMBER WHAT THE SECOND ONE WAS, BUT THERE WAS
17 SORT OF A CAVEAT THERE I THINK BECAUSE WE DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH
18 WE WILL BE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO PAY FOR IT. PEOPLE HONESTLY
19 DON'T KNOW HOW EXPENSIVE, IN THE AGGREGATE, IT IS FOR THE
20 COUNTY TO PROVIDE FREE TESTING. IS THERE A CIRCUMSTANCE WHERE
21 WE ARE NOT PROVIDING FREE TESTING, OR ARE WE JUST ASKING FOR
22 PEOPLE TO USE THEIR INSURANCE WITH US IF THEY HAVE IT?

23

24 **DR. GHALY:** WE ARE ASKING PEOPLE TO USE THEIR INSURANCE IF THEY
25 HAVE IT BECAUSE THEN THE TESTING PARTNER, WHETHER IT IS OUR

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1 CONTRACTED ONE OR ANOTHER PROVIDER, CAN BILL FOR INSURANCE. SO
2 EITHER WAY, THE INDIVIDUAL GETTING TEST DOES HAVEN'T TO PAY
3 ANYTHING OUT OF POCKET, BUT THEY ARE PROVIDING THEIR INSURANCE
4 INFORMATION, AND THEN THERE'S NO COST THE THE COUNTY. IF THE
5 PERSON DOESN'T HAVE INSURANCE, OR IF THEY PROVIDE INSURANCE
6 INFORMATION, BUT IT ISN'T ACCURATE OR UP TO DATE, THAT'S WHEN
7 THE COUNTY BEARS THE COST. AND OUR ESTIMATES, AT THIS POINT,
8 OBVIOUSLY IT DEPENDS ON UTILIZATION, IS THAT THEN THE COUNTY
9 WOULD BE AT RISK FOR FIVE TO TEN ADDITIONAL MILLION DOLLARS
10 PER MONTH TO PAY FOR THE COST OF INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE
11 UNBILLABLE, WHOSE TESTS ARE UNBILLABLE, EITHER BECAUSE THEY
12 DON'T HAVE INSURANCE, OR THEY AREN'T PROVIDING INSURANCE
13 INFORMATION.

14

15 **SUP. KUEHL:** BUT, TO CLARIFY, WE ARE PROVIDING FREE TESTING
16 STILL. THAT'S CORRECT?

17

18 **DR. GHALY:** YES, RIGHT NOW, WE STILL HAVE THE ABILITY TO
19 PROVIDE FREE TESTING. WE ARE LOOKING AT -- OBVIOUSLY, WE ARE
20 HOPEFUL THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AGAIN REPLENISHES THAT
21 FUND AND FILLS THAT GAP, AND THERE'S A LOT OF ADVOCACY TO THAT
22 EXTENT. BUT WE ARE ALSO WORKING WITH THE C.E.O. ON ADDITIONAL
23 SOURCES OF FUNDING. WE ARE LOOKING AT WHETHER OR NOT F.E.M.A.
24 CAN POTENTIALLY PROVIDE REIMBURSEMENT, ALBEIT AT A LATER DATE,
25 LOOKING AT POTENTIAL USES OF A.R.P.A., THE PHASE 2 A.R.P.A.

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1 FUNDING TO BE ABLE TO FILL THAT GAP AS WELL AS OTHER RESOURCES
2 THAT CAN FILL THE FUNDING GAP, SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO
3 PROVIDE TESTING AT NO COST FOR INDIVIDUALS THAT DON'T HAVE
4 INSURANCE. BUT WE WILL BE ABLE TO STRETCH IT FURTHER FOR
5 ANYBODY THAT DOES HAVE INSURANCE PROVIDES THEIR HEALTH
6 INSURANCE INFORMATION AT THE POINT THEY RECEIVE A TEST.

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL:** GREAT. AND MY LAST QUESTION GOES TO DR. FERRER.
9 SOUNDS LIKE AND NOW, CONTESTANT NUMBER THREE. I READ
10 SOMEWHERE, AND I AM SURE THAT IT WAS EITHER ON MY PHONE OR MY
11 OTHER PHONE, THAT THERE HAS BEEN A VACCINE APPROVED, I'M NOT
12 SURE WHETHER IT GOT THAT FAR, FOR CHILDREN FIVE AND UNDER. AND
13 I SAW THAT JUST THE OTHER DAY, BUT I DON'T KNOW WHO OR WHERE
14 OR WHAT, AND I DIDN'T PAY ENOUGH ATTENTION. CAN YOU LET US
15 KNOW IF THAT IS THE CASE OR YOU THINK IT WILL BE THE CASE, OR
16 I WAS WRONG?

17

18 **DR. FERRER:** THERE'S NO VACCINE THAT'S BEEN APPROVED IN THE
19 UNITED STATES FOR CHILDREN UNDER FIVE, BUT THERE ARE -- YOU
20 KNOW, THE -- THERE'S BEEN A REQUEST MADE TO THE F.D.A. TO
21 BEGIN A REVIEW PROCESS OF SOME DATA, BOTH FROM MERCK AND FROM
22 PFIZER FROM SOME OF THE STUDIES THEY ARE DOING. YOU KNOW, I
23 THINK IT WAS PFIZER THAT HAD TO GO BACK AND EXPAND THEIR STUDY
24 SAMPLE. MERCK THEN CAME FORWARD AND SAID THEIR DOSING LOOKS
25 LIKE IT IS GOOD FOR KIDS, BUT NOBODY HAS GOTTEN APPROVAL IN

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1 THE UNITED STATES FOR THAT VACCINE. I'D HAVE TO CHECK,
2 SUPERVISOR, ABOUT WHETHER THERE'S BEEN APPROVAL FOR VACCINES
3 IN OTHER COUNTRIES FOR CHILDREN UNDER FIVE. I KNOW THERE'S A
4 LOT OF DEMAND FOR THIS, AND DIFFERENT COUNTRIES HAVE DIFFERENT
5 APPROVAL PROCESSES. I WILL SAY, IN OUR COUNTRY, WE DO NEED TO
6 WAIT FOR BOTH THE F.D.A. AND THE C.D.C. TO GIVE US APPROVAL
7 FOR THOSE VACCINES. AND YOU KNOW, DATA HAS BEEN SUBMITTED. I
8 THINK THERE'S A DELAY WITH THE PFIZER REQUEST, BUT MY
9 UNDERSTANDING IS THAT PERHAPS IN APRIL, MID APRIL, THEY WILL
10 BE PRESENTING ADDITIONAL DATA AS REQUESTED. AND HOPEFULLY, AT
11 SOME POINT SOON, I THINK THAT'S WHAT EVERYONE IN THE UNITED
12 STATES HAS BEEN TOLD, AT SOME POINT SOON, WE SHOULD HEAR BACK
13 FROM THE F.D.A. ABOUT WHETHER THERE WILL BE APPROVAL FOR THOSE
14 VACCINES FOR THE YOUNGEST RESIDENTS.

15
16 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU BOTH VERY MUCH, AND THANK YOU, MADAM
17 CHAIR.

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

20
21 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU. AND I WANT TO THANK DR. FERRER AND DR.
22 GHALY AGAIN FOR YOUR PRESENTATION. IT'S BEEN SOME TIME, BUT I
23 HAD A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. I AM, TOO, CONCERNED ABOUT THE FACT
24 THAT WE MAY NOT BE ABLE TO RECEIVE FEDERAL FUNDING TO COVER
25 ANY ADDITIONAL TESTING, COVID, AND I KNOW WE HAVE ON THIS

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1 AGENDA A LETTER THAT WE ARE HOPEFULLY APPROVING THAT WILL URGE
2 OUR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND OUR CONGRESS TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT
3 SUPPORT FOR ANY REIMBURSEMENTS THAT WE NEED FOR TESTING AND
4 COVID PREPARATIONS AND ANY NEW VARIANTS. I STILL THINK THAT'S
5 SOMETHING THAT WE HAVE TO KEEP OUR EYES FOCUSED ON. I THINK
6 THE SENATE IS I AM HEARING UNLIKELY TO VOTE ON THAT, ON A
7 PACKAGE THIS WEEK. AND THEY PROBABLY WON'T COME BACK UNTIL
8 EASTER BREAK. BY THAT TIME, WE CAN SEE AN INCREASE IN THIS
9 VARIANT THAT IS CURRENTLY IMPACTING US, IF WE'RE AT 32% IS
10 WHAT I WOULD RECALL, COULD GO A LOT HIGHER SOONER BECAUSE MORE
11 PEOPLE WILL BE OUT WITHOUT WEARING FACE MASKS OR APPROPRIATE
12 VACCINATION. SO I JUST WANT TO DRAW OUR ATTENTION TO THAT. A
13 COUPLE OF THINGS THAT I STILL REMAIN VERY CONCERNED ABOUT IS
14 WITH RESPECT TO THOSE HIGH-IMPACTED COMMUNITIES, WHERE WE
15 STILL HAVE VERY SMALL LEVEL OF PARTICIPATION IN TERMS OF
16 BOOSTERS, ESPECIALLY FOR CHILDREN 5-11, IN COMMUNITIES SUCH AS
17 THAI TOWN, LITTLE ARMENIA, WESTLAKE, UNINCORPORATED AZUSA, THE
18 CITY OF AZUSA, WHERE ONE AND FOUR CHILDREN HAVE GOTTEN ONE
19 DOSE. AND THESE CHILDREN ARE GOING BACK TO SCHOOL, OR THEY
20 WILL BE HOME VISITING AND SOME MAY EVEN TRAVEL TO OTHER
21 COUNTRIES LIKE MAYBE MEXICO FOR EASTER BREAK. THAT'S TWO
22 WEEKS. SO THEY WILL BE COMING BACK, AND I WONDER WHAT OUR
23 MESSAGE WILL BE FOR THOSE FAMILIES. AND I GET ALL OF US ARE
24 REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT HOW WE REACH THE POPULATIONS THAT, FOR
25 SOME REASON, THE PARENTS I FEEL ARE NOT FOCUSING IN ON URGING

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1 THEIR YOUNG CHILDREN -- OR TAKING THEM TO GET THE VACCINATION
2 AND THE BOOSTER, MOSTLY JUST THE VACCINATION, BECAUSE IF WE
3 ONLY HAVE 32% FROM FIVE TO 11, WHAT IS HAPPENING TO THAT 69%.
4 AND DR. FERRER, CAN YOU MAYBE HELP ME ACTRESS THIS, WHAT WE
5 ARE DOING AGAIN? I KNOW WE HAVE OUR CLINICS. THE SCHOOLS ARE
6 DOWN THINGS, BUT I AM NOT SURE THAT WE ARE REALLY GETTING TO
7 THE PARENTS IN A WAY THAT WILL BE IMPACTFUL. AND I WANT TO
8 JUST DRAW OUR ATTENTION BECAUSE WE ARE COMING TO THE HOLIDAYS,
9 EASTER, PASSOVER, WHAT HAVE YOU. WHAT ARE WE DOING WITH OUR
10 FAITH BASED INSTITUTIONS? CAN YOU TELL ME WHAT THAT GAME PLAN
11 IS?

12

13 **DR. FERRER:** THANKS SO MUCH. I MEAN, OBVIOUSLY, WE OWE A DEBT
14 OF GRATITUDE TO OUR FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS. I MEAN THEY'VE
15 BEEN AMAZING PARTNERS REALLY FROM DAY ONE. THERE'S OVER 350
16 FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE PARTNERS WITH US
17 CONSISTENTLY AROUND VACCINATIONS, IN PARTICULAR IN EDUCATION,
18 AS WELL. I THINK -- THERE'S SOME UNIQUE ISSUES, AGAIN, TO THE
19 LOWER VACCINATION COVERAGE RATES FOR FIVE TO 11. THE GOOD NEWS
20 IS THEY ARE CREEPING UP. THE BAD NEWS IS IT IS GOING REALLY
21 SLOW. BUT THERE ARE PLACES WHERE PEOPLE ARE COMING IN NOW AS
22 MORE TIME HAS PASSED. THEY'RE FEELING A LITTLE BIT GETTER
23 ABOUT TAKING ADVANTAGE OF WHAT IS A PEDIATRIC DOSED VACCINE,
24 BUT THERE STILL IS A LOT OF HESITANCY FOR PARENTS WHO ARE
25 THEMSELVES VACCINATED AND HAVE IN FACT HAD THEIR OLDER

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1 CHILDREN VACCINATED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF A VACCINE FOR YOUNGER
2 CHILDREN. I THINK IT GETS CONFUSING FOR FOLKS BECAUSE IT IS
3 TRUE THAT, OVERALL, YOUNGER CHILDREN ARE LESS LIKELY TO SUFFER
4 SEVERE ILLNESS SHOULD THEY GET INFECTED. MANY OF THEM HAVE, IN
5 FACT, BEEN ASYMPTOMATIC. IT IS HARD TO USE THAT INFORMATION
6 AND COUPLE WITH THE FACT THAT CHILDREN ARE VERY GOOD AT
7 TRANSMITTING THE VIRUS AS A REASON FOR FOLKS MAKING SURE THAT
8 THEY ARE GETTING VACCINATED BECAUSE CHILDREN ARE BOTH GOT
9 EASILY INFECTED WITH OMICRON IN PARTICULAR, HAD SOME PRETTY
10 SIGNIFICANT INCREASES IN HOSPITALIZATIONS AND SEVERE ILLNESS
11 WITH OMICRON, PARTICULARLY COMPARED TO DELTA, AND MOST
12 IMPORTANTLY, WERE VERY GOOD AT TRANSMITTING TO OTHERS. SO I
13 THINK, AT THIS POINT, IT IS WORKING CLOSELY WITH TRUSTED
14 PARTNERS, WITH OUR FAITH BASED PARTNERS, PROVIDERS,
15 PEDIATRICIANS IN PARTICULAR, TO MAKE SURE PEOPLE HAVE GOOD
16 INFORMATION ABOUT THE SAFETY OF THESE VACCINES. THEY ACTUALLY
17 HAVE VERY FEW SIDE EFFECTS ASSOCIATED WITH THEM, PERHAPS
18 BECAUSE THEY ARE AT A LOWER DOSE. SO GETTING THAT INFORMATION
19 OUT, YOU KNOW WE HAVE A LOT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS,
20 PROMOTORAS, THAT ARE GOING LITERALLY DOOR TO DOOR. THEY GO TO
21 EVENTS. WE HAVE A PARENT AMBASSADOR PROGRAM, A COMMUNITY
22 AMBASSADOR PROGRAM, A STUDENT AMBASSADOR PROGRAM. ALL WAYS OF
23 DOING MUCH MORE PEER TO PEER EDUCATION. WE THINK THAT WORKS
24 WELL, AND OFFERING THOSE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR
25 RESIDENTS WE THINK IS ALSO, AT THIS POINT, A VERY GOOD IDEA. I

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1 DO WANT TO NOTE THAT WHEN WE ARE WITNESSING HIGH LEVEL OF
2 VACCINE HESITANCY, IT IS ALSO IMPORTANT TO INTRODUCE AND TO
3 CONTINUE TO USE SOME OF THE OTHER STRATEGIES THAT WE HAVE THAT
4 OFFER SOME LEVELS OF PROTECTION. SO I WANT TO SAY THIS IS WHY
5 WE KEEP STRESSING PEOPLE NEED TO KEEP THEIR MASKS ON IN
6 SCHOOLS, PARTICULARLY INDOORS BECAUSE, JUST AS YOU NOTED, IN
7 OUR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, WE CAN HAVE FAIRLY LOW RATES OF
8 VACCINATION. I ALSO WANT TO NOTE THAT WITH THE SUPPORT FROM
9 THE STATE AND THE L.A. COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, PRETTY MUCH
10 EVERY SINGLE FAMILY THAT HAS STUDENTS IN BOTH PRIVATE AND
11 PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN L.A. COUNTY RECEIVED OR IS RECEIVING A TEST
12 KIT THAT THEY ARE TO USE IN ORDER TO TEST THEIR STUDENTS,
13 THEIR CHILDREN WHO ARE STUDENTS, BEFORE THOSE STUDENTS GO BACK
14 AFTER SPRING BREAK. SO AGAIN, RECOGNIZING THAT ANOTHER
15 POWERFUL TOOL WE STILL HAVE IS TESTING AND THE ABILITY TO
16 IDENTIFY, PARTICULARLY AMONG PEOPLE WHO ARE ASYMPTOMATIC,
17 WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE POSITIVE. WE HAVE DONE AN AMAZING
18 EFFORT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH L.A.C.O. AND THE STATE TO MAKE SURE
19 THAT WE HAVE ALL THESE TEST KITS OUT. AND THEY ARE BEING
20 DISTRIBUTED. SO THAT, AGAIN, AS PEOPLE COME BACK FROM SPRING
21 BREAK, THEY ARE ABLE TO TEST AS WE CONTINUE TO TRY TO MAKE
22 SURE PEOPLE HAVE GOOD INFORMATION AND CAN MAKE A GOOD DECISION
23 ABOUT GETTING PEOPLE VACCINATED.

24

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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** I HOPE THAT WE CAN COME UP WITH OTHER CREATIVE
2 WAYS OF REACHING OUR IMMIGRANT BILINGUAL COMMUNITIES AND MAYBE
3 USING THE FORMAT OF TELENOVELAS OR SOMETHING. SOMETHING THAT'S
4 EASILY READ AND AVAILABLE THAT WE SHOULD DO, AND ALSO PERHAPS
5 HAVING LITTLE PODCASTS WITH SPANISH LANGUAGE NURSE
6 PRACTITIONERS OR WHAT HAVE YOU THAT CAN GO OVER AND REASSURE
7 SOME OF THESE PARENTS, PARTICULARLY MOTHERS, AND ALSO PREGNANT
8 MOTHERS.

9

10 **DR. FERRER:** THOSE ARE --

11

12 **SUP. SOLIS:** ARE ALSO RELUCTANT TO GET TESTED. THOSE WERE JUST
13 THINGS I WANTED TO PUT OUT THERE. ONE THING I WANTED TO ASK
14 DR. GHALY, WE DIDN'T TALK ABOUT THE HOMELESS POPULATION THIS
15 TIME, OR DID I MISS IT BECAUSE I WANT TO KNOW HOW WE ARE DOING
16 THERE AND WHAT WE'RE SEEING IN TERMS OF TRANSMISSION AND
17 TESTING AND ANY SIGNS THERE THAT YOU CAN REPORT?

18

19 **DR. GHALY:** YES. OUR STREET OUTREACH TEAMS ARE STILL ACTIVE
20 RIGHT NOW WITHIN THE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE EXPERIENCING
21 HOMELESSNESS, WORKING ON STREET OUTREACH TEAMS, WORKING TO GET
22 PEOPLE VACCINATIONS AND ACCESS TO TESTING IF THEY NEED IT. THE
23 TESTING NUMBERS ARE LOW JUST AS THEY ARE OVER THE OVERALL
24 POPULATION JUST BECAUSE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WITH SYMPTOMS OR
25 WHO SAY THEY HAVE HAD AN EXPOSURE IS DOWN. AND WE HAVE SEEN

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1 THROUGHOUT THE PANDEMIC THAT THE NUMBERS WITHIN THE P.E.H.
2 COMMUNITY IN TERMS OF TESTING UTILIZATION, AND TEST POSITIVELY
3 REALLY MIRRORS THAT OF THE GENERAL POPULATION. SO WE HAVEN'T
4 SEEN SPIKES. THERE IS ALSO A VERY LIMITED NUMBER, WHICH I
5 BELIEVE DR. FERRER SHARED THE DATA ON EARLIER OF OUTBREAKS IN
6 HOMELESS SHELTERS. AND THAT'S AN ENCOURAGING SIGN AS WELL. SO
7 OUR TEAMS ARE STILL PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR SHELTERED AND
8 UNSHELTERED INDIVIDUALS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AND WORKING
9 WITH A VARIETY OF PARTNERS TO BE ABLE TO RAMP UP THEIR
10 CAPACITY TO CONTINUE TO OFFER SERVICES OVER THE LONG TERM.

11

12 **DR. FERRER:** I WOULD JUST NOTE WITH ALL OF OUR SHELTER
13 PROVIDERS, WE DO PROVIDE THEM AS WELL WITH ENHANCED TESTING
14 CAPACITY, SO THAT THEY, TOO, CAN DO TESTING AT THEIR SITES AS
15 SORT OF PART OF THIS EFFORT TO AGAIN HAVE OUR SITES WELL
16 PREPARED TO MITIGATE BUT ALSO TO REALLY TRY TO PROTECT THE
17 VULNERABLE RESIDENTS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS:** MADAM CHAIR, THANK YOU, BOTH. I WOULD SAY THAT I
20 THINK WE ARE AT THAT POINT IN TIME WHERE WE JUST HAVE TO LIVE
21 WITH THESE VARIANTS, UNFORTUNATELY. I HOPE THEY DON'T BECOME
22 MORE SEVERE, BUT I THINK EVERYTHING THAT WE CAN DO TO BE
23 PREPARED IN CASE WE DO SEE A SURGE THAT SOMEHOW REALLY IMPACTS
24 OUR HOSPITALIZATION RATES AND STAFFING ABILITIES I THINK ARE
25 OUR BIG INDICATORS THAT WE ALL KNOW ARE RED FLAGS FOR US. SO

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1 MOVING FORWARD, I KNOW OUR BOARD IS DEDICATED, WE'RE ALL
2 DEDICATED, TO HELPING US FIGHT THIS AND TO MOVE ON. SO THANK
3 YOU, AGAIN, FOR YOUR REPORT, BOTH OF YOU, AND THANK YOU, MADAM
4 CHAIR.

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

7

8 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANTED TO FOCUS A LITTLE
9 BIT ON THE TEST TO TREAT PROGRAM, WHICH I THINK IS
10 INTERESTING. AND IT IS -- OBVIOUSLY, IT IS ALL ABOUT THE
11 AVAILABILITY OF THESE COVID THERAPEUTIC DRUGS, WHICH IS REALLY
12 I THINK AN INTERESTING DEVELOPMENT. DR. GHALY, ARE WE HANDING
13 OUT INFORMATION ON THE TEST TO TREAT PROGRAM, FOR INSTANCE, AT
14 OUR LIBRARY SITES? YOU DIDN'T REALLY TALK SPECIFICALLY ABOUT
15 OUR LIBRARY SITES IN YOUR TESTING UPDATE, BUT I WAS WONDERING
16 IF THAT WOULD BE A GOOD PLACE TO HANDOUT THAT INFORMATION.

17

18 **DR. GHALY:** I DON'T BELIEVE WE ARE CURRENTLY HANDING OUT THAT
19 INFORMATION AT THE LIBRARY SITES. THAT MAIN TEST TO TREAT
20 PARTNERSHIPS ARE THROUGH FULGENT FIXED SITES THE 25 FULGENT
21 FIXED SITES. AND WE HAVE A PROCESS IN PLACE WHERE, IF AN
22 INDIVIDUAL TESTS POSITIVE, WHEN THEY RECEIVE THEIR
23 NOTIFICATION OF THEIR POSITIVE RESULTS, THEN THEY RECEIVE
24 INFORMATION ABOUT HOW TO ACCESS THROUGH D.P.H.'S TELEHEALTH --

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1 **SUP. HAHN:** SO WE DON'T GIVE THAT INFORMATION IF YOU ARE TESTED
2 SOMEWHERE ELSE?

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4 **DR. GHALY:** SO I WILL DOUBLE CHECK ON THAT. I DON'T BELIEVE
5 THAT WE DO, BUT IF WE DON'T, WE CAN LOOK AT INCREASING --

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7 **SUP. HAHN:** I THINK IT IS AN INTERESTING DEVELOPMENT. YOU TEST
8 POSITIVE, BUT THERE'S A PATHWAY. AND EITHER ONE OF YOU, EITHER
9 DR. FERRER OR DR. GHALY, WHAT IS GOING TO BE OUR ROLE IN
10 PREPARING TO RAMP UP AND MEET THE DEMAND FOR THERAPEUTICS IF
11 WE HAVE ANOTHER SURGE?

12

13 **DR. FERRER:** I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT THE
14 DISTRIBUTION OF THERAPEUTICS IS CONTROLLED BY THE FEDERAL
15 GOVERNMENT ENTIRELY. NOBODY CAN ORDER. A PROVIDER CAN'T. A
16 PHARMACY CAN'T. NOBODY CAN ORDER THERAPEUTICS WITHOUT GOING
17 THROUGH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. IT IS SIMILAR TO THE VACCINES.
18 YOU ACTUALLY HAVE TO BE REGISTERED.

19

20 **SUP. HAHN:** SO WE DON'T REALLY HAVE A ROLE IN --

21

22 **DR. FERRER:** WELL, I MEAN THE ROLE WE ARE PLAYING NOW IS WE ARE
23 FILLING IN THE GAP. RIGHT NOW, WE ARE USING OUR OWN PHYSICIANS
24 AT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO OFFER A TELEHEALTH
25 OPTION BECAUSE WE ARE WORRIED THAT WITH ONLY A HAND FULL OF

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1 TEST TO TREAT SITES, THERE ARE GOING TO BE LOTS OF PEOPLE WHO
2 REALLY NEED ACCESS AND ARE GOING TO STRUGGLE AND TO GET ACCESS
3 IN A TIMELY WAY. BUT YOU ARE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT, SUPERVISOR, OUR
4 EFFORTS RIGHT NOW ARE CONCENTRATING ON GETTING MORE PROVIDERS
5 TO ENROLL IN THE FEDERAL PROGRAMS SO THAT THEY CAN, IN FACT,
6 DISTRIBUTE THESE THERAPEUTICS, ORDER AND DISTRIBUTE THESE
7 THERAPEUTICS, AND THEY CAN TAKE CARE OF THEIR PATIENTS. SO
8 THAT, AGAIN, IT IS SEAMLESS IN THE SENSE THAT YOU GO WHERE YOU
9 OUGHT TO GO WHEN YOU AREN'T PEOPLEING WELL, WHICH IS TO YOUR
10 HEALTHCARE PROVIDER, AND THEN WE USE THE PUBLIC SYSTEM FOR THE
11 MANY PEOPLE WHO DON'T HAVE A HEALTHCARE PROVIDER, AND WE TRY
12 TO BOTH MEET THEIR IMMEDIATE NEED AND CONNECT THEM TO THE
13 DIFFERENT HEALTHCARE PROVIDER OPTIONS ACROSS THE COUNTY. BUT
14 WE WOULDN'T HAVE THE CAPABILITY TO PROVIDE THERAPEUTICS TO
15 EVERYBODY IN L.A. COUNTY. NOW, RIGHT NOW, THERAPEUTICS ARE
16 STILL LIMITED. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NO SCARCITY AT THE MOMENT FOR
17 THOSE THAT ARE ELIGIBLE, BUT, IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE, YOU DO
18 NEED TO GET THAT ASSESSMENT BY A PROVIDER, AND YOU NEED TO BE
19 A PERSON WHO HAS MILD OR MODERATE SYMPTOMS WITH A POSITIVE
20 TEST RESULT THAT IS LIKELY TO GO ON AND DEVELOP MORE SERIOUS
21 ILLNESS. SO, AGAIN, THAT IS UP TO THE PROVIDER TO MAKE THAT
22 ASSESSMENT ON THE APPROPRIATENESS OF THE TWO ORAL
23 THERAPEUTICS. WE HAVE GOT THE ONE PREVENTION DRUG, AND THEN
24 WE'VE STILL GOT INFUSION THERAPIES THAT, AGAIN, THAT --

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1 **SUP. HAHN:** SO YOUR ROLE IS JUST, AS YOU SAID, TRYING TO
2 ENCOURAGE PROVIDERS TO GET ENROLLED.

3

4 **DR. FERRER:** AND TO FILL IN THE GAPS UNTIL WE HAVE A BETTER
5 SYSTEM BECAUSE I DON'T WANT US TO END UP WITH A TON OF
6 INEQUITY HERE, WHERE PEOPLE WHO HAVE THE LEAST RESOURCES ARE
7 NOT GETTING --

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9 **SUP. HAHN:** WELL, THAT'S WHY I WAS ASKING WHAT YOU THOUGHT OUR
10 ROLE WAS IN THIS. OKAY, DR. GHALY, DID YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO
11 ADD TO THAT?

12

13 **DR. GHALY:** NO, THANK YOU. I AM HAPPY TO LOOK INTO PROVIDING
14 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT THE LIBRARIES AND GLAD FOR THE
15 SUGGESTION.

16

17 **SUP. HAHN:** THANKS. I WON'T ASK MY QUESTION ABOUT REACHING
18 THOSE WHO ARE STILL NOT VACCINATED BECAUSE I THINK WE SPENT A
19 LOT OF TIME ON THAT, BUT THAT STILL WAS INTERESTING TO ME THAT
20 OUR PERCENTAGE HAS JUST NOT GONE UP ALL THAT MUCH. I THINK IT
21 WAS AT 71%, AND NOW IT'S AT 75. SO IT IS STUBBORN RIGHT NOW. I
22 DO KNOW THAT MY OFFICE, WE HAVE ACCESS TO THAT MOBILE VAN, SO
23 WE TAKE IT TO PLACES WHERE PEOPLE ARE. FOR INSTANCE, IN SAN
24 PEDRO THURSDAY NIGHT, WE HAVE WHAT IS CALLED FIRST THURSDAY,
25 AND IT IS KIND OF PEOPLE WALK AROUND ON THE STREETS AND LOOK

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1 AT THE ART GALLERIES, AND EAT IN RESTAURANTS. WE ARE GOING TO
2 HAVE IT OUT THERE, AND I THINK I WILL GET MY SECOND BOOSTER
3 THURSDAY NIGHT WHILE I AM LOOKING AT ART. THANK YOU, MADAM
4 CHAIR.

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** I THINK THAT'S A GREAT IDEA, SUPERVISOR
7 HAHN. I AM SITTING HERE THINKING THROUGH MY WEEK, WHEN WILL I
8 GO GET MY SECOND BOOSTER. I THINK I WILL DO MINE FRIDAY. MAYBE
9 I WILL COME JOIN YOU, YES. VERY QUICK QUESTION FROM ME, I
10 THINK MY COLLEAGUES REALLY TOUCHED ON ALL THE REALLY IMPORTANT
11 THINGS. AGAIN, THE SLIDE THAT SUPERVISOR BARGER TALKED ABOUT,
12 THE GREEN AND YELLOW SLIDE. WHAT I NOTICED IS WHEN WE LOOK AT
13 TEST TO TREAT SITES, THAT THERE'S NOT OVERLAP. AND SO, IT
14 FEELS LIKE THERE'S A GAP, DR. FERRER, DO YOU INTEND TO DO
15 SOMETHING ABOUT THAT? SHOULD I -- AM I OFF BASE IN RECOGNIZING
16 THERE'S NO OVERLAP BETWEEN THE GREEN AND YELLOW AREAS AND THE
17 TEST TO TREAT AREAS OF FOCUS?

18

19 **DR. FERRER:** WE ARE TRYING AS HARD AS POSSIBLE TO PUT THEM IN
20 THE GREEN AREAS, FOR OUR EFFORTS. WE HAD NO CONTROL OVER THE
21 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIP. THEY PICKED THEIR SITES. SO
22 OUR JOB HAS BEEN TO TRY -- THAT'S WHY YOU SEE MANY SITES THAT
23 AREN'T IN THE GREEN COMMUNITIES BECAUSE THOSE WERE SITES THAT
24 GOT ENROLLED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. WE ALSO DON'T WANT TO
25 DISCOURAGE PROVIDERS FROM ENROLLING BECAUSE TEST TO TREAT

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1 MEANS THAT YOU ARE ABLE TO OFFER EVERYTHING IN ONE PLACE. AND
2 THAT'S SUPER HARD FOR MANY OF OUR SITES TO DO. WE ARE WORKING
3 WITH OUR FEDERALLY QUALIFIED CENTERS. THE ISSUE THERE IS THE
4 SITES THAT ARE TEST TO TREAT SITES ARE SUPPOSED TO ALSO OPEN
5 FOR COMMUNITY RESIDENTS, NOT JUST FOR THEIR PATIENTS OR THEIR
6 MEMBERS. AND THAT'S A LOT TO ASK OF FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH
7 CENTERS, PARTICULARLY WHEN WE HAVE A PROBLEM RIGHT NOW WITH
8 REIMBURSEMENT, WHICH IS AGAIN WHY WE CAME UP WITH AN OPTION
9 FOR TELEHEALTH THAT EVERYBODY COULD USE TO MAKE IT AS EASY AS
10 POSSIBLE UNTIL WE DO WHAT YOU RIGHTFULLY KNOW WE NEED TO DO,
11 WHICH IS WE NEED A LOT MORE PROGRAMS THAT WILL BE AVAILABLE IN
12 THE GREEN, IN THE COMMUNITIES THAT HERE ARE COLORED GREEN.
13 THOSE ARE OUR HARDEST HIT LOWEST RESOURCE COMMUNITIES. SO
14 THAT'S THE WORK WE ARE DOING. IN THE INTERIM, BECAUSE IT IS
15 TAKING US A BIT TO GET THIS DONE, WE ARE GOING TO OFFER THIS
16 TELEHEALTH OPTION, AND I LOVE ALL THE SUGGESTIONS ABOUT HOW TO
17 GET THE WORD OUT ON THAT BECAUSE THAT'S PART OF IT NOW IS
18 MAKING SURE PEOPLE KNOW THAT THERE'S A TELEHEALTH OPTION, THAT
19 YOU DON'T HAVE GO ANYWHERE. IF YOU HAVE AN AT HOME TEST KIT,
20 YOU TEST YOURSELF. YOU'RE POSITIVE, YOU CAN CALL US. WE WILL
21 HAVE A PROVIDER, A CLINICIAN, TALK WITH YOU, DO AN ASSESSMENT,
22 AND IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE, YOU WILL BE SENT THAT MEDICATION
23 OVERNIGHT. SO YOU WILL HAVE IT THE VERY NEXT DAY.

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1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** I APPRECIATE THAT. AND ONE A-HA MOMENT I
2 HAD, YOU KNOW, WHEN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MADE THE TEST KITS
3 AVAILABLE, I ORDERED MINE. I ORDERED THEM FOR FAMILY MEMBERS.
4 AND I REALIZED THAT IT DOESN'T REALLY HELP TO STOCKPILE THEM
5 BECAUSE THEY HAVE EXPIRATION DATES. AND SO WE SHOULD PROBABLY
6 SPREAD OUT WHEN WE ORDER THEM BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT TO HAVE A
7 BUNCH OF KITS THAT EXPIRE. I HAD NO IDEA THEY HAD EXPIRATION
8 DATES, SO I GOT THE SECOND BATCH FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT,
9 AND I HAPPENED TO BE READING FINE PRINT, AND THEY HAVE
10 EXPIRATION DATES.

11

12 **DR. FERRER:** THEY DO. AND PEOPLE SHOULD TRY THEIR VERY BEST TO
13 ADHERE TO THE EXPIRATION DATES. WE DO KNOW THAT MANY OF THOSE
14 TESTS ARE LIKELY TO STILL BE ACCURATE, BUT THEY ARE GUARANTEED
15 TO HAVE MORE ACCURACY IF YOU USE THEM BEFORE THE EXPIRATION
16 DATE. I DO WANT TO NOTE THAT'S ONE REASON WHY, FOR EVERYBODY
17 WHO'S GOT INSURANCE, AND THAT'S A LOT OF PEOPLE IN L.A.
18 COUNTY, YOUR INSURANCE PLANS ARE REQUIRED TO GIVE YOU EIGHT
19 TESTS A MONTH, SO THAT YOU ACTUALLY DON'T HAVE TO TRY TO
20 STOCKPILE AND THEN HAVE TESTS THAT MAY EXPIRE. SO YOU CAN GET
21 UP TO EIGHT TESTS PER MONTH PER COVERED MEMBER. AND THAT'S I
22 THINK NOT NECESSARILY WELL ADVERTISED EITHER. SO WE ARE TRYING
23 TO ENCOURAGE PEOPLE WHO HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE TO FIGURE OUT
24 WITH YOUR HEALTH PLAN, SOME HEALTH PLANS ALLOW YOU TO GET THEM
25 DIRECTLY, SOME REQUIRE YOU TO LAY OUT THE MONEY AND THEN GET

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1 REIMBURSED, BUT IT IS ANOTHER OPTION FOR FOLKS TO BE ABLE TO
2 GET THE OVER-THE-COUNTER TEST KITS THAT THEY CAN USE IN THE
3 PRIVACY OF THEIR HOMES.

4

5 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** DRS. FERRER AND GHALY, THANK YOU AS
6 ALWAYS FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE PRESENTATION, GREATLY APPRECIATE
7 IT. HEARING NO OTHER COMMENTS, THIS REPORT IS RECEIVED AND
8 FILED AND SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. THANK YOU BOTH VERY MUCH FOR
9 YOUR TIME TODAY. COLLEAGUES, WE WILL MOVE ON TO ITEM 4,
10 SUPPORTING AFFIRMING CARE AND INCLUSION FOR L.G.B.T.Q.+ YOUTH
11 AND THEIR FAMILIES. IT WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AND YOUR
12 COAUTHOR IS SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

13

14 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AND I WANT TO
15 THANK MY COAUTHOR, SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR JOINING ME IN THIS
16 MOTION. YOU KNOW, CONSIDERING THE RAMPANT RISE OF HATE CRIMES
17 AND SOME PRETTY EGREGIOUS CONDUCT BY JURISDICTIONS ACROSS THE
18 COUNTRY AGAINST L.G.B.T.Q.+ YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILIES, THIS IS
19 NO TIME TO BE ENACTING MORE LEGISLATION SORT OF DESIGNED TO
20 ENCOURAGE MORE HARASSMENT AND SUFFERING. AND THAT'S EXACTLY
21 WHAT THE STATES OF TEXAS AND FLORIDA HAVE DONE. SO, AS WE HAVE
22 DONE IN THE PAST WHERE STATES HAVE ENACTED SOME EGREGIOUS
23 LAWS THAT CONTRAVENE EVERYTHING THAT WE HAVE DONE IN L.A.
24 COUNTY AND IN CALIFORNIA, THIS MOTION CALLS FOR A TRAVEL BAN
25 ON ALL TRAVEL TO THESE STATES, TEXAS AND FLORIDA, FOR THE

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1 CONDUCT OF COUNTY BUSINESS, THAT IS TRAVEL THAT WE PAY FOR
2 WITH TAXPAYER MONEY, UNLESS THE C.E.O. DETERMINES THAT THE
3 FAILURE TO AUTHORIZE THAT TRAVEL WOULD SERIOUSLY HARM THE
4 COUNTY'S INTEREST. THIS IS NOT THE FIRST TIME WE HAVE DONE
5 THIS. WE DID THIS AROUND A NUMBER OF OTHER ISSUES OVER THE
6 PAST SEVEN YEARS THAT I HAVE BEEN HERE. SO THE BAN CAN BE
7 LIFTED IF THE BILLS OR ORDERS ARE SUSPENDED OR ENDED IN THOSE
8 STATES. SO LET ME SAY SPECIFICALLY IN FEBRUARY OF THIS YEAR,
9 TEXAS GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT DIRECTED THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF
10 FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES, PROTECTIVE SERVICES, TO
11 INVESTIGATE AS "CHILD ABUSE" ANY REPORT THAT IT RECEIVES THAT
12 INDICATE THAT A CHILD IS RECEIVING GENDER AFFIRMING
13 TREATMENTS. THIS, AS YOU UNDERSTAND, AFFECTS OUR TRANS
14 COMMUNITY VERY SERIOUSLY AND THEIR PARENTS AND SERVICE
15 PROVIDERS AND ANYONE THAT DRIVES THEM FOR THEIR MEDICAL
16 APPOINTMENTS. SAME KIND OF THING WE HAVE SEEN ABOUT WOMEN'S
17 HEALTH IN TEXAS. WE ARE VERY AWARE I THINK HERE IN THE COUNTY
18 THAT L.G.B.T.Q. YOUTH ARE OVERREPRESENTED IN OUR CHILD WELFARE
19 SYSTEM, ALMOST 20% OF OUR KIDS, AND THAT IS NOT THEIR
20 PERCENTAGE IN THE GENERAL POPULATION, IN PART BECAUSE THEY
21 EXPERIENCE FAMILY REJECTION DUE TO THEIR IDENTITIES. SO
22 CAREGIVERS WHO ACTUALLY SUPPORT THEIR YOUTH WITH AFFIRMING
23 CARE SHOULD IN NO WAY BE LABELED AS ABUSIVE, QUITE THE
24 OPPOSITE. SO THAT ORDER IN TEXAS IS DISCRIMINATORY, HARMFUL,
25 AND DELIBERATELY CRUEL. IN FLORIDA, I THINK WE ARE ALL PRETTY

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1 MUCH AWARE BECAUSE IF YOU WATCH ANY AWARD SHOWS OF ANY KIND,
2 THEY ARE ALL SAYING WE ARE SAYING GAY, WE ARE SAYING GAY,
3 WATCH US, WE'RE SAYING IT. IN FLORIDA, THE LEGISLATION WAS
4 KNOWN BY ITS OPPONENTS AS "DON'T SAY GAY" WAS SIGNED INTO LAW
5 BY RON DESANTIS IN MARCH. AND IT PROHIBITS NOT ONLY
6 INSTRUCTION AROUND GENDER IDENTITY AND SEXUAL ORIENTATION BUT
7 ALSO ANY CLASSROOM DISCUSSION ON THE TOPICS. AND IT ASKS
8 PEOPLE TO TELL ON EACH OTHER. CHILDREN SHOULD TELL ON THEIR
9 PARENTS IF IT IS BEING DONE. PARENTS SHOULD TELL THE STATE
10 THAT THIS TEACHER IS DOING IT. IT KIND OF REMINDS ME OF
11 STORIES TOLD BY MY RELATIVES THAT ESCAPED BOTH FROM GERMANY
12 AND FROM RUSSIA TALKING ABOUT HOW FAMILIES WERE ENCOURAGED TO
13 TELL ON EACH OTHER, AND I BET IT IS NOT THE ONLY COMMUNITY
14 THAT HAS THOSE STORIES. SO THE LAW IN FLORIDA WOULD PERPETUATE
15 A CULTURE OF BULLYING AND SECRECY AND SHAME AND FEAR. SCHOOLS
16 ARE SUPPOSED TO BE SPACES FOR OPEN DISCUSSION, CRITICAL
17 THINKING, MEANINGFUL ENGAGEMENT, SAFE EXPLORATION OF IDEAS.
18 LORD HELP US. THIS IS APPARENTLY ANATHEMA TO FLORIDA. SO THE
19 IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS BILL CREATES AN ATMOSPHERE THAT DOES
20 JUST THE OPPOSITE. SO, YOU KNOW, IT IS JUST A POSITION THAT WE
21 TAKE. WE ARE NOT GOING TO SPEND OUR MONEY GOING TO YOUR
22 STATES, AND IT SENDS A MESSAGE THAT WE WON'T SUPPORT THIS
23 EGREGIOUS BEHAVIOR. SO I HOPE MY COLLEAGUES WILL JOIN ME, AND
24 WOULD BE HAPPY IF MY COAUTHOR HAD ANYTHING TO SAY AS WELL.
25 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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2 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU,
3 SUPERVISOR KUEHL. I THINK YOU SAID IT ALL. AND IT IS REALLY
4 FRIGHTENING WHAT IS HAPPENING ACROSS OUR COUNTRY, PARTICULARLY
5 IN FLORIDA AND TEXAS. AND IT JUST REMINDS ME OF WHAT IS TAKING
6 PLACE RIGHT NOW IN UKRAINE. THESE ATROCITIES ONLY AT WHAT
7 LEVEL DO YOU CONTINUE TO PUSH THIS FORWARD IN THAT MANNER AND
8 REALLY TRY TO SCARE, INTIMIDATE, AND CREATE ACTIVITY THAT
9 INCITES PEOPLE TO DO HARM. AND MORE THAN JUST WORDS -- WORDS
10 HURT. THEY ARE DEADLY, BUT ALSO PHYSICAL HARM. AND THAT IS
11 WHAT I ALSO CARE ABOUT. AND ESPECIALLY FAMILIES, YOU SAID
12 SOMETHING THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT BECAUSE, TOO, I COME FROM A
13 FAMILY THAT HAS PARENTS WHOSE CHILDREN ARE L.G.B.T.Q. AND I
14 KNOW WHAT IT WAS FOR THEM TO RAISE THEIR CHILDREN AND EVEN TO
15 TALK AMONGST OUR OWN LARGER FAMILY AND HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO
16 SUPPORT EACH OTHER, AND PARTICULARLY THESE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO
17 ARE TRYING TO LIVE OUT THEIR BEST IN LIFE, AND WE'RE ROBBING
18 THEM OF IT WHEN WE IMPOSE THESE KIND OF MANDATES, SO TO SPEAK.
19 IT IS IRONIC HOW, ALL OF A SUDDEN, WHEN THE SHOE IS ON THE
20 OTHER FOOT, THAT YOU WANT TO TAKE AWAY FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHTS
21 TO BE ABLE TO EXPRESS WHO YOU ARE, WHO YOU LOVE, WHO YOU CARE
22 FOR, HOW YOU DRESS AND ALL OF THAT. AND WE KNOW THAT THERE'S
23 SO MUCH HOMOPHOBIA THAT IS GOING ON RIGHT NOW THAT WE HAVE TO
24 DO MORE. AND I'M GLAD THAT YOU ARE TAKING, AND I'M JOINING
25 YOU, AND I KNOW OUR BOARD MEMBERS HERE PERHAPS FEEL THE SAME

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1 WAY, BUT IT IS SUCH AN IMPORTANT ISSUE OF THE DAY, AND ALL YOU
2 HAVE TO DO IS LOOK AROUND WHAT'S HAPPENING TO OUR CHILDREN
3 THAT IN OUR CARE RIGHT NOW, D.C.F.S., PROBATION. WE WONDER
4 WHAT ARE WE DOING WRONG. WE CAN'T GO DOWN THAT ROUTE. WE HAVE
5 TO STOP IT. AND THIS IS ONE WAY OF DOING IT. SO I AM HERE TO
6 STAND UP TO SAY ALL VOICES COUNT. [SPEAKING SPANISH] THEY
7 COUNT. SO THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO BE A PART OF THIS, AND
8 I'M JUST GLAD THAT I AM NOT GOING TO BE PLANNING TO GO ANY
9 TIME SOON TO TEXAS OR FLORIDA. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK
10 YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. >SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR HAHN.

11

12 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU. I AM JUST PROUD TO JOIN SUPERVISOR
13 KUEHL, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, IN THIS VERY -- YOU KNOW, IT IS
14 AGGRESSIVE FOR WHAT WE ARE DOING. TO BAN ALL COUNTY OFFICIAL
15 BUSINESS IN BOTH THOSE STATES IS A VERY BOLD MOVE AND SENDING
16 A PRETTY STRONG MESSAGE ON HOW MUCH WE DISAGREE WITH IT. I WAS
17 STRUCK BY THE FACT IN TEXAS FOR THE GOVERNOR TO SIGN THIS LAW
18 THAT WOULD SAY TO INVESTIGATE AS CHILD ABUSE ANY INDICATION
19 THAT SOMEBODY IS GETTING GENDER AFFIRMING TREATMENT. THAT
20 REALLY TAKES AWAY FROM WHAT REAL CHILD ABUSE IS, AND IT
21 DIMINISHES THE SEVERITY OF KIDS WHO ARE REALLY BEING ABUSED
22 AND WHERE THEIR EFFORTS SHOULD BE GOING TOWARDS TO HELP THOSE
23 KIDS. TO CO-MINGLE THOSE CONCEPTS IS REALLY DISGUSTING AND
24 DISAPPOINTING IN 2022, REALLY DISAPPOINTING. SO, I APPRECIATE
25 YOU DOING THIS. I AM PROUD TO CAST MY SUPPORT.

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2 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ANY FURTHER COMMENTS COMMENTS
3 OR REMARKS? HEARING NONE, ITEM 4 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
4 SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO APPROVE
5 THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

6

7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 4 IS BEFORE YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

10

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

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21 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

22

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

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1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** AYE.

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

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6 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** ITEM 6, EVOLVING AND ADVANCING THE BOARD
7 DIRECTED PRIORITY ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND CLIMATE HEALTH
8 WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HAHN. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

9

10 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU SUPERVISOR
11 SOLIS FOR COAUTHORING THIS MOTION AND FOR YOUR CONTINUED
12 PARTNERSHIP AND LEADERSHIP ON ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE. YOU HAVE
13 BEEN LEADING ON THAT ISSUES AS LONG AS I HAVE KNOWN YOU.
14 BEFORE I WAS ELECTED TO SERVE ON THIS BOARD, BACK IN 2016,
15 SUPERVISOR SOLIS INTRODUCED A MOTION TO RECOGNIZE
16 ENVIRONMENTAL OVERSIGHT AND MONITORING AS ONE OF THE BOARD'S
17 PRIORITY. AND OVER THE PAST SIX YEARS, THIS BOARD HAS
18 PRIORITIZED INITIATIVES TO REDUCE THE IMPACTS OF POLLUTION AND
19 TOXIC CHEMICALS IN OUR ENVIRONMENT, BUT MANY OF OUR ACTIONS
20 HAVE CENTERED AROUND RESPONDING TO ENVIRONMENTAL DISASTER,
21 WHETHER IT BE EXIDE OR ALISO CANYON, PARAMOUNT, AND MOST
22 RECENTLY, THE HYPERION INCIDENT IN EL SEGUNDO AND THE CARSON
23 DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL INCIDENT. WHEN I WAS VERY FIRST ELECTED IN
24 2016, ONE OF THE FIRST ISSUES THAT CAME TO MY ATTENTION WAS
25 FROM THE TEACHERS AND THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN PARAMOUNT ABOUT

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1 THE HARMFUL LEVELS OF HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM THAT WERE BEING
2 RELEASED INTO THE ATMOSPHERE DIRECTLY ACROSS THE STREET FROM
3 SCHOOLS AND NEIGHBORHOODS. HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM, WHICH IS A
4 KNOWN CARCINOGEN, WAS FOUND NEAR HOMES AND SCHOOLS AT THE
5 LEVELS MORE THAN 300 TIMES THE SAFE LIMITS. AND I IMMEDIATELY
6 GOT INVOLVED BECAUSE THEY HAD FELT UNHEARD ON THIS ISSUE. AND
7 I TESTIFIED ON BEHALF OF THEM AT THE AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT
8 DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD. AND THEN WE WORKED WITH OUR FIRE
9 DEPARTMENT TO -- THAT ACTUALLY WORKED TO SHUTDOWN THESE
10 VIOLATING BUSINESSES. AND OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WORKED
11 TOGETHER WITH STATE REGULATORS TO REDUCE THOSE TOXIC LEVELS IN
12 PARAMOUNT. BUT THIS WAS JUST IN A RESPONSE, RIGHT, TO THE
13 COMMUNITY, WHICH HAD BEEN CRYING FOR HELP FOR YEARS AND GONE
14 UNHEARD. AND I THINK IT IS OUR APPROACH, AS I SAID, HAS BEEN
15 REACTIVE, AND I THINK IT IS TIME TO CHANGE THAT. WE NEED TO BE
16 PROACTIVE. AND THIS MEANS PROACTIVELY IDENTIFYING
17 ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS THAT ARE MAJOR HEALTH CONCERNS AND
18 TACKLING THEM BEFORE THINGS GET SO BAD THAT RESIDENTS HAVE TO
19 COME TO US OVER AND OVER AGAIN. THAT'S WHY I AM INTRODUCING
20 THIS MOTION, WHICH WILL DESIGNATE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND
21 CLIMATE HEALTH AS A BOARD DIRECTED PRIORITY. AND I AM ASKING
22 THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR, DR. FERRER,
23 ELEVATE AND ADVANCE THIS WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH OTHER
24 RELATED EFFORTS ACROSS OUR COUNTY. THIS MOTION ASKS PUBLIC
25 HEALTH TO WORK WITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS TO DEVELOP A STRATEGIC

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1 PLAN AND ESTABLISH A DEDICATED OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE
2 AND CLIMATE HEALTH. I LOOK FORWARD TO PUBLIC HEALTH'S REPORT
3 BACK THAT WILL IDENTIFY HOW WE CAN TAKE MORE AGGRESSIVE ACTION
4 TO IMPROVE PUBLIC HEALTH OUTCOMES IN THE COMMUNITIES WHICH
5 HAVE BEEN OVERBURDENED BY POLLUTION AND POOR AIR QUALITY.
6 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR COAUTHORING THIS WITH ME, AND
7 THE ENTIRE TEAM AT PUBLIC HEALTH FOR THEIR WORK ON THIS. THANK
8 YOU, I AM SURE YOU WOULD LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS, SUPERVISOR
9 SOLIS, AS A COAUTHOR.

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND REALLY I
12 AM PROUD TO JOIN YOU IN THIS EFFORT. AND YOU HAVE ALREADY
13 STATED WE HAVE CREATED STUDIES ON THIS ISSUE SINCE BACK IN
14 2016 ORIGINALLY. AND WE DON'T HAVE TO LOOK TOO FAR TO
15 RECOGNIZE THE ATROCITIES THAT FACE OUR COMMUNITIES, LIKE
16 EXIDE, LIKE QUEMETCO, ANOTHER BATTERY RECYCLING PLANT, ALISO
17 CANYON AND MANY OTHERS. I KNOW MANY ON THE BOARD HAVE BEEN
18 UNIQUELY ENGAGED IN ALL THESE ISSUES. AS WE BEGIN TO UNCOVER
19 MORE AND MORE, WE ARE FINDING WE NEED TO HAVE MORE TOOLS IN
20 OUR TOOL KIT. I KNOW THAT OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH,
21 THROUGH THE LEADERSHIP OF DR. FERRER, HAS HELPED TO LEAD ON
22 THIS EFFORT. AND I KNOW SHE DEMONSTRATED THAT LEADERSHIP EARLY
23 ON WHEN WE WERE GATHERING INPUT AND PASSING OUT A SURVEY IN
24 OUR COMMUNITY IN EAST LOS ANGELES IN THE SOUTHEAST CITIES. WE
25 HAD 1200 COUNTY STAFF VOLUNTEER, FOR TWO WEEKENDS. AND THEY

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1 WENT DOOR TO DOOR. AND THIS WAS AT HER DIRECTION. IT WAS
2 INCREDIBLE TO SEE THE KIND OF CONVERSATIONS THAT WENT ON WITH
3 FAMILIES. JUST TO BRING UP THE SUBJECT, CAN YOU TELL US IF
4 YOUR FAMILY HAD BEEN IMPACTED BY CANCER RECENTLY, OR IS THERE
5 A HISTORY. AND WE WOULD WALK THE BLOCKS, LONG BLOCKS, AND YOU
6 COULD FIND IN A BLOCK OF HOUSEHOLDS MAYBE SEVEN FAMILIES WHERE
7 -- INCIDENTS OF CANCER, AND YOU WONDER WHAT ARE WE DOING WRONG
8 AND WHY CAN'T WE HELP. AND EVEN THOUGH WE MAY NOT HAVE ALL THE
9 JURISDICTION OR ENFORCEMENT TOOLS, WE NEVERTHELESS CAN BE
10 INVOLVED, AND IT DOES HELP BECAUSE, WHEN WE SAY SOMETHING,
11 PEOPLE PAY ATTENTION IN SACRAMENTO AND IN WASHINGTON. WE HAVE
12 SO MUCH TO LOOK AT WITH RESPECT TO CONTAMINANTS, POLLUTION
13 ENTITIES THAT CONTINUE TO OPERATE IN OUR COMMUNITIES, AND WE
14 ALSO NEED TO BE VERY MUCH AWARE OF OTHER CLIMATE RELATED
15 ISSUES THAT ARE ALSO IMPACTING OUR COMMUNITIES, WHERE WE HAVE
16 A LACK OF CANOPY, BLACK TOPS, NO PARKS, NO OPEN SPACE, NO
17 TRAILS, AND WE ARE PLAGUED WITH WILDFIRES IN OTHER PARTS OF
18 THE COUNTY AS WELL. YOU CAN GO ON AND ON, BUT ALL THIS IMPACTS
19 OUR CHILDREN. IT IMPACTS THEIR ABILITY TO LEARN OR LACK OF
20 LEARNING, HIGHER RATES OF ASTHMA, OBESITY, HIGH BLOOD
21 PRESSURE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES. ALL THESE TO ME ARE
22 ENCAPSULATED IN PRIORITIZING WHAT ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE IS
23 ABOUT. IT IS HELPING TO FREE US FROM THOSE BOUNDS. AND I HOPE
24 THIS STRATEGIC PLAN THAT IS COMING OUR WAY WILL HELP US AND
25 BETTER PREPARE US FOR THE LONGTERM AND THE GOALS THAT WE HAVE

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1 TO UNDERTAKE HERE AT THE COUNTY. SO I AM VERY HAPPY TO BE A
2 PART OF AND HAPPY TO SEE WE WILL HAVE OTHER GOVERNMENTAL
3 PARTNERS THAT NEED TO BE A PART OF THIS. AND HOPEFULLY, PEOPLE
4 WILL STAND UP AND TAKE NOTICE OF US IN WHAT WE ARE DOING. SO
5 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND I WANT TO THANK MY STAFF, AND
6 I KNOW YOUR STAFF, AS WELL AS PUBLIC HEALTH FOR WORKING ON
7 THIS MOTION AND RESPECTFULLY ASK EVERYONE TO VOTE AYE. THANK
8 YOU.

9

10 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:**SUPERVISOR KUEHL, FOLLOWED BY SUPERVISOR
11 BARGER.

12

13 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANKS TO
14 THE AUTHOR AND COAUTHOR. I LOVE THIS MOTION. YOU KNOW, I THINK
15 IT CARRIES ON THE WORK. I SIMPLY WANTED TO ADD, YOU KNOW, I
16 LOVE THAT THIS BOARD HAS DONE THE WORK THAT IT HAS ALREADY
17 DONE ON, OF COURSE, CONTAMINANTS, POLLUTION, AND ALSO OUR
18 RESPONSE TO CLIMATE CHANGE. I JUST WANTED TO ENCOURAGE THE
19 C.E.O., AND I KNOW SHE DOESN'T NEED IT BECAUSE SHE THINKS OF
20 EVERYTHING BEFORE I DO, BUT THE FACT THAT OUR COUNTY
21 SUSTAINABILITY PLAN HAS LAID OUT A NUMBER OF WAYS TO ADDRESS
22 THIS, AND ALSO, AS YOU REMEMBER, WE JUST ESTABLISHED A CLIMATE
23 RESILIENCY INITIATIVE, WHICH IS THE WAY WE WANTED TO TAKE A
24 BIG PICTURE LOOK AT THE WHOLE RESPONSE TO CLIMATE CHANGE, HEAT
25 ISLANDS, COOL ROOFS, COOL PARKING LOTS, ALL OF THE DIFFERENT

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1 THINGS THAT AFFECT PUBLIC HEALTH, BUT AREN'T NECESSARILY
2 WITHIN THE ABILITY OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO DO. SO, IT IS REALLY
3 JUST TO CALL ATTENTION TO SOMETHING YOU ALREADY KNOW, BUT TO
4 SAY IT OUT LOUD, THAT COORDINATION IS REALLY IMPORTANT, SO
5 THAT WE DON'T HAVE TWO OR THREE SORT OF SEPARATE AREAS TRYING
6 TO DO THE SAME THING IN CONFLICT, BUT RATHER I THINK TOGETHER.
7 AND I KNOW THAT'S WHAT YOU MEAN, AND WHAT FESIA WANTS AS WELL.
8 SO, JUST WANTED TO PUT IT OUT INTO THE ATMOSPHERE, AS IT WERE
9 AND THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THE MOTION. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER:** I'LL BE SHORT. I JUST WANT TO, FIRST OF ALL, I
12 HEAR YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN. I KNOW YOU HAVE BEEN VERY
13 FRUSTRATED IN THE PAST OVER SOME SITUATIONS THAT HAVE OCCURRED
14 IN YOUR DISTRICT, AND I KNOW YOU RECENTLY HAD AN ISSUE AS IT
15 RELATES TO A HORRIBLE SMELL OUT OF THE CHANNEL. I HAVE HAD
16 ALISO CANYON, WHICH WE HAVE SHARED, SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND I.
17 YEAH. WELL, BUT EVEN BEFORE THAT, I KNOW THIS IS SOMETHING YOU
18 HAVE BEEN WORKING ON, SO I THINK THAT IT IS LONG OVERDUE. AND
19 I WELCOME MOVING THIS FORWARD. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, PEOPLE
20 THINK ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AS PRIMARILY BEING RESTAURANT
21 INSPECTIONS, BUT THERE'S A LOT MORE MOVING PARTS WITHIN
22 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH. AND TO YOUR POINT, RATHER THAN BEING
23 REACTIVE, BEING PROACTIVE IS GOING TO PUT US IN A BETTER
24 POSITION TO REALLY BE FRONT AND CENTER AS THESE THINGS TAKE
25 PLACE. SO I AM WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORTING THIS.

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2 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** EXCELLENT. SEEING NO FURTHER COMMENTS,
3 IT'S BEEN MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
4 SOLIS TO APPROVE ITEM 6. EXECUTIVE OFFICER. PLEASE CALL THE
5 ROLL.

6

7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 6 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR 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
24 MITCHELL.

25

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1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** AYE.

2

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

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ITEM 7, SINGLE USE PLASTICS
7 ORDINANCE COMPLIANCE ASSISTANT, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR
8 HAHN. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

9

10 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU. I JUST WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT THIS. I KNOW
11 WE GOT A LOT OF CALLS THIS MORNING ABOUT OUR SINGLE USE
12 PLASTICS ORDINANCE. IT PASSED ON CONTENT, AND THERE WERE
13 CERTAINLY PROS AND CONS OF PEOPLE CALLING IN. MAJORITY WERE
14 REALLY PROUD THAT WE ARE FINALLY DOING THIS, AND THERE WERE
15 THOSE IN THE BUSINESS WORLD THAT WERE -- HAD A LITTLE ANGST
16 ABOUT IT. SO I JUST WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT THIS ITEM. AND REALLY
17 I WANT TO FIRST THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AND ACKNOWLEDGE
18 YOUR LEADERSHIP IN MOVING FORWARD OUR SINGLE USE PLASTICS
19 ORDINANCE. THE FIRST READING OF THAT WAS TODAY. AND I AM IN
20 FULL SUPPORT OF THAT. WE CAN'T SAY IT MUST, PLASTIC FOOD
21 SERVICE WARE IS A PRIMARY SOURCE OF LITTER AND PLASTIC
22 POLLUTION IN OUR BEACHES AND OCEANS, AND IT IS AT CROWDING OUR
23 ALREADY OVERTAXED LANDFILLS. I AM IN FAVOR OF THIS. I JUST
24 INTRODUCED THIS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE WORK WITH OUR BUSINESSES.
25 WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE NOT OVERBURDENED AND HAVE WHAT

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1 THEY NEED TO BE ABLE TO COMPLY WITH THIS. WE WANT THEM TO
2 COMPLY WITH THIS, EVEN THOSE THAT ARE AGAINST IT, BUT WE WANT
3 TO HELP THEM. WE WANT TO GIVE THEM THE TOOLS THEY NEED. AND SO
4 THE MOTION BEFORE US ON ITEM 7 IS AUTHORED BY MYSELF AND
5 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. AND IT INCLUDES DIRECTIVES, MANY OF WHICH
6 CAME FROM OUR SMALL BUSINESS OUTREACH CAMPAIGN THAT WERE AIMED
7 AT HELPING OUR BUSINESSES WITH THIS TRANSITION. THIS SAYS WE
8 ARE DIRECTING OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO PLAN AND LAUNCH AN
9 EXTENSIVE OUTREACH AND EDUCATION CAMPAIGN. THIS WILL PROVIDE
10 OUR BUSINESSES WITH INFORMATION ABOUT THE ORDINANCE
11 REQUIREMENTS, A LIST OF COMPOSTABLE AND RECYCLABLE FOOD WARE
12 ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR THEM TO PURCHASE, AND INFORMATION ABOUT
13 THE WAIVER PROCESS AVAILABLE FOR BUSINESSES WHO ARE
14 EXPERIENCING REAL HARDSHIP. ALL OF THIS INFORMATION WILL BE
15 PROVIDED IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES AND DESIGNED TO ADDRESS THE
16 NEEDS OF THE DIVERSE TYPES OF RESTAURANTS THROUGHOUT OUR
17 COUNTY. YOU KNOW, IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING BUT IT IS WORTH
18 SAYING IT AGAIN, THAT THE LAST TWO YEARS HAVE BEEN SUPER HARD,
19 PARTICULARLY ON OUR RESTAURANTS. AND SOME OF THEM DIDN'T
20 SURVIVE THE PANDEMIC, AS MUCH AS WE TRIED TO HELP, AS MUCH AS
21 WE ALLOWED THEM TO PIVOT TO OUTDOOR, ONLINE, CURBSIDE, MANY OF
22 THEM WERE NOT SET UP TO PIVOT IN THAT WAY, AND THEY DIDN'T
23 MAKE IT. SO WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THE ONES THAT MADE IT,
24 WE CAN SUPPORT THEM, NURTURE THEM. WE DO KNOW THAT THOSE
25 COMPOSTABLE AND RECYCLABLE PRODUCTS DO COME AT A COST. WE

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1 HEARD ONE CALLER TALKING ABOUT THE COST. SO WE ALSO ARE
2 DIRECTING OUR C.E.O. TO IDENTIFY FUNDING AND REPORT BACK WITH
3 POSSIBLE PROGRAMS OR MINI-GRANTS TO HELP SUPPORT OUR SMALL
4 BUSINESSES AS WE TRANSITION TO COMPOSTABLE AND RECYCLABLE FOOD
5 WARE ITEMS. THIS ORDINANCE IS IMPORTANT. IT IS NECESSARY. I
6 SUPPORT IT WHOLEHEARTEDLY. I JUST WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT THIS, SO
7 OUR BUSINESSES KNOW WE ARE THINKING ABOUT THEM. WE AREN'T
8 GOING TO LET UP ON ENFORCING THIS ORDINANCE, BUT WE WANT TO
9 HELP EVERYBODY COMPLY. SO, THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
14 HAHN. I THINK WE ARE TEAMING UP HERE ON A LOT OF IMPORTANT
15 ISSUES. AND THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO JOIN YOU. YOU KNOW,
16 THE DEVELOPMENT OF A COMPREHENSIVE ORDINANCE BY THE CHIEF
17 SUSTAINABILITY OFFICE TO TACKLE SINGLE USE PLASTIC POLLUTION
18 IS A TREMENDOUS OPPORTUNITY FOR THE COUNTY TO REDUCE PLASTIC
19 SERVICE WARE AT THE LOCAL LEVEL AND HELP TO MITIGATE THE
20 IMPACT OF FOSSIL FUELS ON OUR REGION. WE ARE TAKING ANOTHER
21 STEP TODAY TOWARD SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION OF
22 RESOURCES ALLOWING PROCESSORS TO DIVERT MORE OF THEIR
23 MATERIALS FROM LANDFILLS, ULTIMATELY HELPING US REACH OUR GOAL
24 OF DIVERTING UP TO 80% OF WASTE FROM LANDFILLS BY 2025. LET'S
25 NOT FORGET THAT, VERY IMPORTANT. AND I ALSO WANT TO

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1 ACKNOWLEDGE THAT DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES, IN FACT, SHOULDER
2 MOST OF THE NEGATIVE HEALTH IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH SINGLE USE
3 PLASTICS AT EVERY STAGE OF THE SUPPLY CHAIN, PEOPLE MAY NOT
4 UNDERSTAND THIS, INCLUDING REFINERIES, LANDFILLS, INCINERATORS
5 THAT OFTEN ARE LOCATED IN LOW INCOME COMMUNITIES OF COLOR THAT
6 EXPOSE RESIDENTS TO HIGH LEVELS OF HARMFUL TOXINS, WHICH IS WE
7 JUST TALKED ABOUT IN THE PREVIOUS SUBJECT MATTER. THE MOTION
8 BROUGHT FORWARD TODAY BY SUPERVISOR HAHN AND I RECOGNIZES THAT
9 THE COUNTY IS ALSO SENSITIVE TO THE PRESSURES THAT SMALL
10 RESTAURANT OWNERS FACE. WE KNOW THAT. WE REPRESENT DISTRICTS
11 WHERE THE MAJORITY OF SMALL MOM AND POP ARE MINORITY OWNED.
12 BUT LEADING UP TO THE ORDINANCE COMPLIANCE PERIOD, OUR
13 DEPARTMENTS, AS YOU KNOW, WILL ENGAGE IN MULTILINGUAL
14 MESSAGING TARGETING THE COUNTY'S DIVERSE INDUSTRIES AND HYPER-
15 LOCAL SMALL BUSINESSES, PROVIDING THEM WITH INFORMATION ABOUT
16 THE ORDINANCE IN A MULTICULTURAL AND COMPETENT MANNER,
17 INCLUDING THE ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS AND THE PRODUCTS THAT
18 MEET THE DEFINITION OF COMPLIANT MATERIALS. AND OUR
19 DEPARTMENTS WE WILL ALSO EVALUATE THE CREATION OF A GRANT
20 PROGRAM, AS WAS STATED EARLIER, WHICH IS VERY IMPORTANT TO
21 HELP SUPPORT BUSINESSES WITH THIS TRANSITION WITH FINANCIAL
22 HELP SO THAT THEY CAN CONTINUE TO PROSPER AND PROVIDE THEM
23 WITH THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THAT THEY WILL NEED AND
24 HOPEFULLY HELP SUPPORT THOSE BUSINESSES WHO ACTUALLY
25 MANUFACTURE THIS TYPE OF MATERIAL THAT'S BIODEGRADABLE. JUST

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1 YESTERDAY, I HAD A FRIEND TELLING ME, "HILDA, IF YOU ARE GOING
2 TO DO EVENTS, USE BAMBOO, USE PRODUCTS THAT ARE RECYCLABLE,
3 THAT ACTUALLY CAN BE BIODEGRADABLE." AND I DON'T THINK THAT WE
4 ARE FAR FROM THAT. I THINK MANY INDUSTRIES ARE ALREADY GOING
5 IN THAT DIRECTION. MOVING FORWARD WITH THIS ORDINANCE, I
6 BELIEVE IT WILL HELP THE COUNTY ACHIEVE THE WASTE AND
7 POLLUTION REDUCTION GOALS THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN ESTABLISHED
8 BY OUR OWN COUNTY SUSTAINABILITY PLAN AND WILL LEAD US TO A
9 BETTER ROAD MAP TO SUSTAINABLE WASTE AND FUTURE MANAGEMENT OF
10 THIS PROBLEM. SO TODAY JUST AS I WAS READ THING NEWSPAPER, WE
11 READ ABOUT THE CRISIS THAT THE WORLD, THE PLANET, IS FACED
12 WITH RIGHT NOW IN TERMS OF FOSSIL FUELS. AND WE AREN'T THERE.
13 AND SO LET US DO OUR PART AT THE COUNTY LEVEL. AND I SEE THIS
14 AS ONE GIANT STEP IN THAT DIRECTION. SO THANK YOU MUCH FOR
15 HAVING ME AS YOUR COAUTHOR, SUPERVISOR HAHN. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOLLOWED BY
18 SUPERVISOR BARGER.

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. MY FIRST WEEK IN
21 LAW SCHOOL, WE WERE GIVEN THE EXAMPLE OF A KIND OF A LAKE AND
22 A BUNCH OF PEOPLE THAT LIVE AROUND IT. AND EACH ONE ON THE
23 LAKE TOOK A FISH TO COOK FOR DINNER. AND PRETTY SOON THERE
24 WERE NO MORE FISH. AND THE PEOPLE, EACH OF THEM, SAID WELL I
25 AM ONLY TAKING ONE, HOW DOES THAT MAKE A DIFFERENCE. I THINK

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1 WHAT THIS DOES, WHAT THE ORDINANCE, AND THE HELP THAT THIS
2 MOTION GIVES TO THOSE THAT HAVE OBEY THE ORDINANCE, REALLY
3 RECOGNIZES THAT THE AGGREGATE NATURE OF IT IS SO IMPORTANT,
4 THAT WE ACTUALLY ARE ABLE TO AFFECT CLIMATE CHANGE, MAYBE JUST
5 NOT ME BECAUSE I AM NOT USING ONE PLASTIC FORK OR STYROFOAM
6 CONTAINERS ANYMORE, BUT TOGETHER, IT IS REALLY IMPORTANT. AND
7 I KNOW THAT THE RESTAURANTS AND OTHER PROVIDERS AND BUSINESSES
8 IN OUR DISTRICTS CARE AS WELL. THEY SIMPLY WANT TO BE ABLE TO
9 DO THE RIGHT THING WITHOUT HURTING THEMSELVES. AND THAT'S
10 REALLY WHAT THIS MOTION IS ABOUT. AND I THANK YOU ALL FOR
11 VOTING FOR THE ORDINANCE TODAY. AND I JUST WANTED TO TAKE A
12 MOMENT TO THANK OUR PARTNERS AT THE STATE, WHO HAVE BEEN
13 WORKING ON THIS, ESPECIALLY SENATOR BEN ALLEN, WHO IS LEADING
14 A LOT OF THAT WORK AT THE STATE, OUR STAFF AT THE CHIEF
15 SUSTAINABILITY OFFICE, INCLUDING RITA COMPOLITT AND GARY
16 GEREAU, FOR ALL THE WORK THEY DID ON PUTTING TOGETHER THE
17 PLAN, PUBLIC WORKS, PUBLIC HEALTH, COUNTY COUNSEL, OTHER
18 DEPARTMENT STAFF, WHO HAVE WORK SO HARD ON PUT THING WHOLE
19 PICTURE TOGETHER ABOUT WHAT DO WE DO IN THE COUNTY ABOUT
20 CLIMATE CHANGE, OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS, THE ADVOCATES
21 WHOLEHEARTEDLY HAVE BEEN ASKING PLEASE JUST GIVE US HELP. AND
22 PEOPLE SAY WELL IT IS JUST THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. WELL,
23 THAT'S 10% OF THE COUNTY. AND THAT MEANS IT IS 1 MILLION
24 PEOPLE GOING UP TO THE WINDOW, AND THEY GET THE FORK AND KNIFE
25 THEY DIDN'T ASK FOR, AND THEY THROW IT AWAY WHEN THEY GET HOME

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1 BECAUSE THEY WENT HOME, AND THEY ARE USING THEIR OWN
2 SILVERWARE OR FLATWARE. SO, FINALLY, I WANT TO THANK THE
3 AUTHORS OF THE MOTION FOR PUTTING IT TOGETHER AND SAYING OKAY
4 WE WANT THIS TO WORK, AND, FOR IT TO WORK, WE HAVE TO
5 INCORPORATE OUR HELP TO THE BUSINESSES. AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE
6 DOING. SO I STRONGLY SUPPORT, AND THANK YOU FOR THE MOTION.
7 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

8

9 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I HAVE A QUESTION, AND I
12 DON'T KNOW WHO TO DIRECT THIS TO. BUT WHAT ARE THE OPTIONS IF
13 THE REPORT BACK INDICATES THE SUPPLY CHAIN IS NOT SUFFICIENT
14 TO MEET THE DEMAND? IS THERE -- I DON'T THINK THAT'S TO YOU
15 TWO. I THINK IT IS TO -- WHAT ARE THE OPTIONS IF THE REPORT
16 BACK INDICATES THAT THE SUPPLY CHAIN IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO MEET
17 THE DEMAND? THE REASON WHY I'M ASKING AND THE REASON WHY I
18 VOTED NO ON THE ORDINANCE, JUST FOR THE RECORD, I AGREE WITH
19 YOU, BUT MY CONCERN IS IS THAT IT'S A FAIT ACCOMPLI. AND I
20 HEARD FROM MY HOSPITALS SAYING THERE IS ABSOLUTELY -- THEY ARE
21 100% ONBOARD WITH DOING THIS. THEY WANT TO BE THAT ONE THAT
22 CATCHES THE FIRST FISH AND ACTUALLY MAKES A DIFFERENCE, BUT
23 THEY ARE SERIOUSLY CONCERNED ABOUT THEIR ABILITY AND DO NOT
24 FEEL THEY WERE BROUGHT INTO THE PROCESS. AND THEN THEY POINTED
25 OUT TO ME THAT FOOD TRUCKS ARE EXEMPTED, BUT HOSPITALS ARE

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1 NOT. AND THEIR ARGUMENT, WHICH I THINK IS A GOOD ARGUMENT, IS
2 FOOD TRUCKS ALL OVER THE COUNTY AND HAVE JUST AS MUCH
3 CAPABILITY OF POLLUTING VERSUS HOSPITALS, WHO HAVE ON THEIR
4 FOOTPRINT, THE ABILITY TO ENSURE THAT IT GETS PLACED IN A
5 LANDFILL VERSUS THROWN ON THE STREET. I UNDERSTAND WHY FOOD
6 TRUCKS ARE INCLUDED, BUT THAT IS MY DILEMMA BECAUSE HOW DO I
7 TELL MY HOSPITALS THAT THEY ARE NO MORE IMPORTANT THAN A FOOD
8 TRUCK? I DON'T THINK THAT'S WHAT WE ARE SAYING. IF THERE WAS -
9 - AND I AM JUST SAYING IF THERE WAS MORE OUTREACH DONE IN A
10 WAY TO PHASE IN AND ADDRESS THESE ISSUES, I WOULD BE ALL IN ON
11 THE ORDINANCE, BUT I FEEL AS THOUGH -- I WANT TO SUPPORT 7
12 BECAUSE I THINK THIS IS THE RIGHT STEP IN THAT DIRECTION, BUT
13 MY CONCERN IS, WHEN THE REPORT COMES BACK, IF THERE ISN'T A
14 ROAD MAP TO EXECUTE THE ORDINANCE, WHAT DO WE DO?

15

16 **SUP. KUEHL:** SINCE I BROUGHT THE ORIGINAL ORDINANCE LET ME SAY
17 I THINK THIS IS A QUESTION WE HAVE GOTTEN A FEW TIMES. AND THE
18 COUNTY HAS NEVER, IN ITS OWN UNINCORPORATED AREAS, ASKED ITS
19 BUSINESSES TO DO AN IMPOSSIBILITY. REMEMBER, WHEN WE PHASED
20 OUT STYROFOAM. EVERYBODY SAID WELL WHAT IF WE CAN'T
21 EVERYTHING, AND THEN 10,000 BUSINESSES SPRING UP AROUND THE
22 UNITED STATES, AND THEY ARE NOW MAKING PAPER TAKE OUT. AND
23 THAT'S ALL THERE IS NOW IN MOST OF OUR AREAS. SO THE
24 BUSINESSES DO SPRING UP, AND THE SUPPLY CHAIN IS AND
25 INTERESTING QUESTION BECAUSE WE KEEP THINK OF EVERYTHING

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1 THAT'S COMING FROM CHINA AND ALL THE SHIPS THAT ARE WHATEVER.
2 BUT THESE ARE AMERICAN BUSINESSES. AND IT'S NOT THAT HARD TO
3 DO. THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED WITH REPLACING STYROFOAM. SO I WOULD
4 SAY WE'RE NOT GOING TO FINE ANYBODY IF THEY SAY TO US I'VE
5 REALLY TRIED, BUT I CAN'T FIND THESE THINGS, THEN OUR JOB --
6 AND THAT'S WHAT WE DO THROUGH OUR D.C.B.A. IS TO HELP THEM
7 FIND IT. SO, I THINK THAT'S PART OF THE OUTREACH, WHICH IS,
8 HERE'S HOW YOU GO FIND US, NOT ONLY YOU MUST DO IT AND HERE'S
9 WHAT YOU MUST DO, BUT HERE'S HOW YOU FIND IT. IN TERMS OF
10 HOSPITALS, I THINK WE STARTED WITH THINGS THAT WE COULD TRACK
11 IN TERMS OF WHERE THEY ARE AND WHAT THEY ARE DOING, BUT I'M
12 HAPPY TO BE LOOKING AT FOOD TRUCKS.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER:** THAT EVEN STRENGTHENS MY ARGUMENT. I MEAN IN
15 TERMS OF FOOD TRUCKS, THEY'RE COUNTY-WIDE. AND UNLESS WE ARE
16 GOING TO MANDATE THAT A FOOD TRUCK, WHICH MAYBE IS NOT A BAD
17 IDEA, AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH MANDATE THAT TRASH CANS BE AT
18 EVERY SINGLE FOOD TRUCK LOCATION TO ENSURE THAT PEOPLE
19 ACTUALLY THROW THEIR TRASH AWAY VERSUS, I MEAN I KNOW ON FAIR
20 OAKS, YOU CAN TELL WHEN THE TRUCKS HAVE BEEN THERE BECAUSE OF
21 THE TRASH ON SUNDAY MORNING.

22

23 **SUP. KUEHL:** BUT SOME OF THE CITIES THAT HAVEN'T ENACTED THESE
24 SAID FOOD TRUCKS ARE VERY MOBILE. SO YOU HAVE THIS LAW IN THE
25 COUNTY, THEY JUST COME ACROSS THE STREET, AND THEY'RE IN COOL

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1 CITY INSTEAD. SO WE ARE GOING TO HAVE DEAL WITH THE MOBILITY
2 OF IT WHEN WE HAVE 88 CITIES PLUS THE COUNTY IN TERMS OF
3 MAKING THE RULES BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO TELL
4 THEM, BECAUSE THEY'RE A BUSINESS, THAT WHEN YOU'RE IN COOL
5 CITY, YOU HAVE TO DO IT, ONLY -- YOU KNOW. SO THIS IS LIKE
6 STEP ONE.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER:** AND AGAIN, I UNDERSTAND WHY FOOD TRUCKS. I'M NOT
9 BASHING FOOD TRUCKS, BUT, FOR ME, MY HOSPITALS ARE VERY
10 IMPORTANT AND HAVE BEEN A REAL TEAM PLAYER. WHAT COMPLICATES
11 IS THAT HUNTINGTON IS WORKING WITH CEDARS, WHICH IS WORKING
12 WITH A COUPLE OTHER HOSPITALS, SO THEY BUY IN BULK. AND THE
13 DILEMMA FOR THEM -- IT'S A CONCERN. IT'S NOT EVEN ABOUT COST
14 BECAUSE MONEY WAS NEVER BROUGHT UP. IT WAS ABOUT ACCESS AND
15 HOW IS THIS GOING TO BE ROLLED OUT. AND THEN THE ISSUE -- THE
16 NEW PRODUCTS. I'D LIKE TO GET SOME FEEDBACK FROM MARK
17 PESTRELLA BECAUSE I'M HEARING THAT SOME REPORTS SHOW THAT, IN
18 FACT, WE DO NOT HAVE COMPOSTING OPERATORS THAT WILL ACCEPT
19 COMPOSTABLE PACKAGING OTHER THAN WHAT IS REQUIRED BY LAW. SO I
20 THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT THAT AS WELL BECAUSE I GUESS I'M
21 SAYING THERE IS MAYBE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES, AND THAT'S WHY
22 I HAVE RESERVATIONS ABOUT MOVING FORWARD WITH IT ON A DATE
23 CERTAIN. I'D RATHER HAVE US PUT ALL OUR DUCKS IN A ROW. THAT'S
24 ALL FOR ME. BUT I'M GOING TO SUPPORT THIS BECAUSE I THINK THIS
25 MOVES IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

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1

2 **SUP. KUEHL:** WELL, TO BE CLEAR, THE ORDINANCE HAS ALREADY BEEN
3 VOTED ON. SO, ALL THEY'RE TRYING TO DO IS HELP THE BUSINESSES
4 --

5

6 **SUP. BARGER:** I UNDERSTAND, BUT I'M JUST SAYING THAT I'M GOING
7 TO SUPPORT THIS, BUT THE REASON I DO NOT SUPPORT THE
8 ORDINANCE. AND IT'S NOT BECAUSE I DON'T SUPPORT SUPPORT THE
9 INTENT OF WHAT YOU DO. THAT'S MY POINT. I THINK THAT
10 SOMETIMES, WE MAKE DECISIONS WITHOUT LONGTERM LOOKING AT
11 THINGS LIKE WHAT THIS MOTION DOES THAT SUPERVISOR HAHN IS
12 DOING. SO, THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND -- FOR THAT
15 DISCUSSION, AND I'D LIKE TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES, SUPERVISORS
16 HAHN AND SOLIS FOR AUTHORIZING THE MOTION. I'VE BEEN PART OF
17 THIS CONVERSATION. SHELIA MENTIONED MY FORMER COLLEAGUE IN THE
18 SENATE, BEN ALLEN. AND ULTIMATELY, FOR ME, IT CANNOT BE AN
19 EITHER/OR. WE SUPPORT ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES AND ASSUME THAT
20 IT'S GOING TO HARM SMALL BUSINESSES. WE HAVE GOT TO BRING
21 FORWARD MOTIONS AND INITIATIVES THAT SUPPORT BOTH, AND I'M
22 CLEAR THIS MOTION DOES. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR YOUR
23 WILLINGNESS TO ACCEPT MY AMENDMENT, AND THE POINT OF THE
24 AMENDMENT IS REALLY TO BUILD ON THIS MOTION BECAUSE, AGAIN,
25 WE'RE TRANSITIONING INTO THIS TRANSITION MODEL. AND THE

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1 AMENDMENT THAT I WILL READ IN IS TO BE ADDED TO THE END OF THE
2 FIRST DIRECTIVE AS FOLLOWS. THE PLAN SHOULD INCLUDE AN INITIAL
3 REPORT BACK IN WRITING IN 30 DAYS WITH A CLEAR AND ACCESSIBLE
4 PROCESS FOR BUSINESSES EXPERIENCING HARDSHIP TO OBTAIN WAIVERS
5 OR EXEMPTIONS. I REALLY WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT LANGUAGE IS
6 INCLUDED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE DIDN'T HAVE SUCH A HUGE WINDOW
7 OF OPPORTUNITY FOR BUSINESSES WHO AREN'T EXPERIENCING REAL
8 HARDSHIPS TO GET THE EXEMPTIONS. SO, I APPRECIATE YOU
9 ACCEPTING THE AMENDMENT.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER:** IS THAT IN THE ORDINANCE, MADAM CHAIR?

12

13 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** IT IS IN THIS ITEM.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY, IN THIS ITEM. I THOUGHT YOU MEANT IN THE
16 ORDINANCE.

17

18 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** NO, IT'S IN ITEM 7.

19

20 **SUP. BARGER:** IF THAT WERE IN THE ORDINANCE, I'D VOTE YES.

21 [LAUGHTER] DOES THIS ADD ON TO THE ORDINANCE? I KNOW, BUT
22 THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE. UNLESS, YOU DON'T WANT A 5-0. IF YOU
23 DON'T WANT A 5-0, THEN -- I'M JUST SAYING DOES THAT ADD TO THE
24 ORDINANCE? RIGHT OF THE ORDINANCE, THAT'S MY POINT. I'M SORRY
25 TO INTERRUPT YOU.

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1

2 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THAT'S OKAY. SO THIS --

3

4 **SUP. BARGER:** THAT LANGUAGE SO THERE IS AN ABILITY FOR PEOPLE
5 TO -- THAT'S FAIR. THAT'S FAIR.

6

7 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** SO THIS IS A READ IN TO ITEM 7, SO I'M
8 LOOKING TO THE AUTHOR OF THE ORDINANCE, AND YOU'RE SAYING IT
9 DOES NOT, OR IT DOES?

10

11 **SUP. BARGER:** THAT'S WHY I'M CONFUSED. CAN WE ASK FOR
12 CLARIFICATION? I'M SORRY.

13

14 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** NO, IT'S -- LET'S GET CLARIFICATION.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER:** DAWYN, CAN WE GET CLARIFICATION BECAUSE THIS IS
17 BEING INTERPRETED THAT IS GOING TO BE PART OF THE ORDINANCE,
18 BUT WE DID THE FIRST READING OF THE ORDINANCE --

19

20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** IT'S NOT PART OF THE ORDINANCE.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY. THEN THAT WOULD INCORPORATE INTO IT --
23 OKAY. WELL THEN, DAWYN, THIS DOES NOT NEED TO BE IN THE
24 ORDINANCE WHAT CHAIR MITCHELL JUST READ IN AS IT RELATES TO

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1 BEING ABLE TO APPLY FOR A WAIVER. IT WOULD NOT UNDERMINE THE
2 ORDINANCE?

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** COUNTY COUNSEL? LET ME READ THE LANGUAGE
5 AGAIN. OKAY SO, AGAIN, WHAT I'M ASKING IS THAT THE PLAN
6 INCLUDE AN INITIAL REPORT BACK IN WRITING IN 30 DAYS WITH A
7 CLEAR AND ACCESSIBLE PROCESS FOR BUSINESSES EXPERIENCING
8 HARDSHIP TO OBTAIN WAIVERS OR EXEMPTIONS. AND THE QUESTION
9 SUPERVISOR BARGER IS POSING TO COUNTY COUNSEL IS WOULD THIS
10 APPLY TO THE ORDINANCE AS WELL? COUNTY COUNSEL?

11

12 **ATTORNEY:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR FOR THE QUESTION. IT WOULD NOT
13 APPLY TO THE ORDINANCE. THE ORDINANCE HAS ALREADY BEEN VOTED
14 ON AND PASSED. SO, THE MOTION IS FINE, BUT IT WOULD NOT APPLY
15 TO THE ORDINANCE.

16

17 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** OKAY. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS ON ITEM 7?
18 SEEING NONE, ITEM 7 AS AMENDED IS BEFORE US. IT'S BEEN MOVED
19 BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS AS APPROVED
20 THE ITEM AS AMENDED. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

21

22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 7 AS AMENDED IS BEFORE YOU.
23 SUPERVISOR SOLIS

24

25 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

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1

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

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

5

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

7

8 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

9

10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

13

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

15 MITCHELL.

16

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

18

19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. THE MOTION

20 CARRIES 5-0.

21

22 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ITEM 21, HYGIENE PRODUCTS AT

23 COUNTY FACILITIES, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

24 SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

25

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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND I WANT
2 TO THANK SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR COAUTHORING THIS MOTION WITH ME.
3 IN RECENT YEARS, THERE'S BEEN AN OVERDUE RECOGNITION THAT
4 HYGIENE PRODUCTS ARE COSTLY. SOME OF US KNOW THAT BETTER THAN
5 OTHERS. UNFORTUNATELY, THAT COST HAS ONLY INCREASED AS
6 INFLATION CONTINUES TO SKYROCKET. RESIDENTS, INCLUDING OUR
7 TEENAGERS, ARE OFTEN GOING WITHOUT PERIOD PRODUCTS BECAUSE OF
8 THAT COST. NOT ONLY ARE THEY GOING WITHOUT THEM BUT THEY'RE
9 ALSO MISSING CLASS BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO PERIOD
10 PRODUCTS. A RECENT SURVEY FOUND THAT 46% OF YOUNG WOMEN HAVE
11 REPORTED SKIPPING CLASS DUE TO LACK OF ACCESS, AND 45%
12 REPORTED HAVING HAD TO LEAVE WORK EARLY. WE NEED TO ADDRESS
13 THIS ISSUE, BUT UNFORTUNATELY S.N.A.P., W.I.C., AND OTHER
14 BENEFITS DON'T COVER THIS VERY PRACTICAL COST. STUDIES HAVE
15 FOUND THAT, ON AVERAGE, WOMEN SPEND ABOUT \$13.25 A MONTH ON
16 MENSTRUAL PRODUCTS, AND THAT'S LIKELY AN UNDERCOUNT DUE TO
17 INFLATION, AND A RECENT SURVEY FOUND THAT NEARLY HALF HAVE
18 EXPERIENCED WHAT THEY CALL PERIOD POVERTY, LACKING ACCESS TO
19 SANITARY PRODUCTS, MENSTRUAL HYGIENE EDUCATION, AND THE
20 NECESSARY FACILITIES. THESE COSTS ARE COMPOUNDED BY THE COST
21 OF DIAPERS FOR OUR PARENTING RESIDENTS. IN RECENT MONTHS,
22 DIAPER MANUFACTURERS CITED THE INCREASE IN PRICE OF RAW
23 MATERIALS, SHIPPING COSTS, AND THE NEED TO OFFSET INFLATION AS
24 REASONS FOR THAT INCREASE. EVEN PRIOR TO THIS, LOW INCOME
25 FAMILIES WERE SPENDING ABOUT \$1,000 A YEAR ON DIAPERS, OR

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1 AROUND 14% OF THEIR AFTER TAX INCOME. I KNOW THIS COUNTY HAS
2 HELPED TO RELIEVE THE COST OF DIAPERS FOR FAMILIES THANKS TO
3 OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH GROUPS LIKE BABY TO BABY, BUT THIS COUNTY
4 I BELIEVE CAN DO MORE. AND I'M PLEASED TO SEE ACTION BY THE
5 STATE AND NOW THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES TO OFFER FEMININE
6 HYGIENE PRODUCTS IN SCHOOLS AND ALSO SELECTED CITY FACILITIES.
7 THIS MOTION -- THROUGH THIS MOTION, WE'LL EXPLORE OFFERING
8 SUCH PRODUCTS AT COUNTY FACILITIES BUT GO EVEN FURTHER TO LOOK
9 AT PROVIDING DIAPERS AT SOME OF THESE SITES. I WANT TO THANK
10 SKYE PATRICK, OUR COUNTY LIBRARIAN, WHO HAS LONG BEEN THINKING
11 ABOUT THIS ISSUE, AND I'D LIKE TO THANK HER AND THE OTHER
12 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, LIKE PARKS AND RECREATION AND THE
13 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, THAT WILL ALSO BE
14 HELPING US IN THIS EFFORT. SO I GUESS YOU CAN SEE SOME GREAT
15 WOMEN ARE TAKING SOME KEY ROLES HERE IN HELPING US, JOINING
16 US. COLLEAGUES, IT'S NOT LOST ON ME THAT FOR THE FIRST TIME WE
17 ARE AN ALL-WOMAN BOARD, A FACT THAT I KNOW WE'RE ALL VERY
18 PROUD OF. THIS IS OUR CHANCE TO ADDRESS AN INEQUITY THAT
19 OURSELVES AS WELL AS OUR MOTHERS, OUR SISTERS, OUR DAUGHTERS,
20 AND MANY OF OUR RESIDENTS EXPERIENCE REGULARLY. SO, I KINDLY
21 ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE, AND I BELIEVE MY COAUTHOR MAY WANT TO
22 SAY A FEW WORDS.

23
24 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU,
2 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR BRINGING THIS. WHEN I WAS TEACHING
3 CLASSES ON GENDER AND LAW, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE FOUND
4 INTERESTING IN EARLY COURT DECISIONS WAS WHEN THEY TALKED
5 ABOUT WHAT WAS BASIC NECESSITY, IF MEN DIDN'T NEED IT, IT WAS
6 NOT CONSIDERED A BASIC NECESSITY, AND THAT WAS CONSIDERED
7 EQUALITY, WHICH IS THE REASON WHY THEY DIDN'T COVER PREGNANCY
8 COSTS IN INSURANCE BECAUSE NOT EVERYBODY NEEDED IT. SO OVER
9 THE YEARS, WE'VE KIND OF CLARIFIED THAT WOMEN MAY HAVE
10 DIFFERENT NEEDS, BUT THEY'RE BASIC, AND EQUITY MEANS TAKING
11 INTO ACCOUNT WHAT PEOPLE NEED. IT'S A MUCH MORE IMPORTANT
12 MOTION THAN IT APPEARS REALLY AT FIRST BECAUSE SO MANY WOMEN
13 ARE IN GREAT NEED OF THESE PRODUCTS, AND THEY ARE EXPENSIVE.
14 AND A LOT OF TIMES THEY JUST NEED -- ESPECIALLY WHEN THEY
15 HAVE TO WAIT 6-8 HOURS AT A COUNTY BUILDING SOMETIMES TO SEE
16 THIS PERSON AND THIS PERSON AND THIS PERSON. SO, THINK THIS IS
17 VERY IMPORTANT, AND I THANK YOU FOR BRINGING IT IN AND FOR
18 ASKING ME TO JOIN YOU IN THIS. THANK YOU.

19
20 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU BOTH
21 FOR OFFERING THIS REALLY IMPORTANT TIMELY MOTION. I WAS IN THE
22 LEGISLATURE WHEN ASSEMBLYWOMAN CHRISTINA GARCIA POUNDED THE
23 FLOOR AND KNOCKED ON THE DOOR OF THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE TO TALK
24 ABOUT THE TAMPON TAX AND ENCOURAGED YOUNG WOMEN FROM ALL OVER
25 THIS STATE TO COME FORWARD AND BE COMFORTABLE IN HAVING A

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1 RATHER TABOO CONVERSATION. THERE'S A ACADEMY AWARD WINNING
2 DOCUMENTARY ABOUT YOUNG GIRLS ORGANIZING AND CREATING A
3 FACTORY TO MANUFACTURER FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS IN OTHER
4 COUNTRIES, BUT WHEN WE THINK ABOUT THE COST RIGHT HERE AND
5 WOMEN IN SHELTERS AND OTHER CONGREGATE LIVING SETTINGS, WHERE
6 OTHERS ARE EMPOWERED TO DOLE OUT AND DETERMINE HOW MANY
7 PRODUCTS AN INDIVIDUAL MIGHT NEED, IT'S UNCONSCIONABLE. IT
8 ABSOLUTELY IS. SO, I'M VERY PROUD OF THIS BOARD AND THIS
9 MOTION AND WILL PROUDLY CAST MY SUPPORT FOR IT. ANY OTHER
10 QUESTIONS OR REMARKS FROM MEMBERS?

11

12 **SUP. HAHN:** I JUST WANT TO SAY THIS IS NOT MY FATHER'S BOARD OF
13 SUPERVISORS.

14

15 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** AGREED, BUT I THINK HE WOULD BE PROUD
16 OF THE ACTION WE ARE ABOUT TO TAKE AS THE FATHER OF A
17 DAUGHTER. WITH THAT, ITEM 21 IS BEFORE US. IT'S MOVED BY
18 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL TO APPROVE THIS
19 ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

20

21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 21 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

24

25 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR 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

13 MITCHELL.

14

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

16

17 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. MOTION CARRIES

18 5-0.

19

20 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** ITEM 23, ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL

21 HISTORICAL PARK INTERPRETING THE LIFE OF CESAR E. CHAVEZ AND

22 THE NON-VIOLENT FARM LABOR MOVEMENT, WHICH WAS HELD BY

23 SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

24

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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. YOU KNOW, LAST
2 WEEK, WE CELEBRATED AND HONORED THE LEGACY OF OUR LABOR LEADER
3 CIVIL RIGHTS ADVOCATE CESAR E. CHAVEZ. WE EVEN HAVE A COUNTY
4 HOLIDAY. WE'RE ONE OF THE FEW IN THE COUNTRY. A MAN WHO SAW
5 INJUSTICE, EXPERIENCED UNSAFE WORK CONDITIONS, AND EARNED
6 UNFAIR WAGES, A PERSON WHO CHANGED THE COURSE OF HISTORY FOR
7 LATINOS, FARMWORKERS, EMPOWERING THEM TO FIGHT FOR FAIR
8 WAGES, HEALTHCARE COVERAGE, PENSION BENEFITS, HOUSING
9 IMPROVEMENTS, PESTICIDE AND HEALTH REGULATIONS, AND COUNTLESS
10 OTHER PROTECTIONS FOR THEIR HEALTH AND WELL-BEING. HE SAW
11 BEYOND THE UNFAIRNESS OF HIS CONDITIONS AND HAD THE COURAGE
12 AND COMPASSION TO SEE THAT THESE SOCIAL ILLS AFFECTED THOSE
13 AROUND HIM. HE EXPERIENCED FIRSTHAND WHAT IT WAS LIKE TO WORK
14 IN AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE HIS WELL- BEING EXISTED EVERY DAY. THE
15 INJUSTICES BEFORE HIM WERE TOO APPARENT TO IGNORE. SO WHAT HE
16 DID? HE ORGANIZED. HE MOBILIZED, AND HE FOUGHT FOR BASIC
17 RIGHTS ON BEHALF OF THE FARMWORKERS, THE CAMPESINOS. CESAR
18 CHAVEZ UNDERSTOOD THAT, AS MARTIN LUTHER KING SAID WHATEVER
19 AFFECTS ONE DIRECTLY AFFECTS ALL INDIRECTLY AND THAT OUR FATES
20 ARE INEXTRICABLY LINKED TO ONE ANOTHER AND THAT PEOPLE UNITED
21 WILL NEVER BE DIVIDED. WORKING ALONGSIDE MY MENTOR, MANY OF
22 YOUR KNOW HERE, DOLORES HUERTA, THEY FOUNDED THE UNITED
23 FARMWORKERS MOVEMENT. TOGETHER, THE UNITED FARMWORKERS FORMED
24 A LABOR MOVEMENT THAT HELPED TO PAVE THE WAY FOR A FEDERAL
25 MINIMUM WAGE, FOR SAFE WORKING CONDITIONS, AND REASONABLE WORK

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1 HOURS. THE FARMWORKERS ORGANIZED SIT INS, STRIKES, BOYCOTTS.
2 AND CESAR EVEN ENDURED NUMEROUS HUNGER STRIKES IN ORDER TO
3 DRAW ATTENTION TO THE INTER-RELATED ISSUES OF FAIRNESS AND
4 SAFETY IN THE WORKPLACE. AND THE HUNGER STRIKES AND BOYCOTTS
5 DID GAIN NATIONAL ATTENTION, EVEN DRAWING THE CONDEMNATION OF
6 FORMER PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN. IMAGINE A COUPLE OF LATINOS
7 UPSETTING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, BUT OF COURSE
8 CESAR DIDN'T BACK DOWN. HE KNEW THE CHANGE WOULD NEVER COME
9 EASILY, AND IT ALWAYS REQUIRES ORDINARY PEOPLE TO DO
10 EXTRAORDINARY THINGS. WHEN I FIRST CAME TO THE UNITED STATES
11 CONGRESS, ONE OF THE VERY FIRST BILLS THAT I WROTE DIRECTED
12 THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE TO INITIATE A HISTORICAL RESOURCE
13 STUDY RELATING TO CESAR'S LIFE AND ST LABOR MOVEMENT SO WE
14 COULD CREATE A PLACE IN THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM FOR ALL
15 LATINOS AND AMERICANS TO LEARN AND HONOR THE WORK OF CESAR
16 CHAVEZ AND THE FARM LABOR MOVEMENT. EACH YEAR THAT I WAS RE-
17 ELECTED, I REDUCED THAT BILL, AND SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU KNOW
18 HOW THAT IS. WE PASSED IT THROUGH THE HOUSE, BUT IT WOULD
19 ALWAYS STALL IN THE SENATE, BUT I NEVER GAVE UP BECAUSE CESAR
20 CHAVEZ TAUGHT US TO NEVER GIVE UP. FINALLY, BACK IN 2008, MY
21 BILL WAS PASSED. AND FOUR YEARS LATER, THANKS TO PRESIDENT
22 BARACK OBAMA, MY FORMER EMPLOYER, THE CESAR CHAVEZ NATIONAL
23 MONUMENT WAS ESTABLISHED AT NUESTRA SENORA REINA DE LA PAZ IN
24 KEENE, CALIFORNIA ON OCTOBER THE 8TH, THE YEAR 2012. MEMBERS
25 OF CONGRESS NOW, SENATOR ALEX PADILLA AND CONGRESSMAN RAUL

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1 RUIZ ARE IN TALKS RIGHT NOW TO TAKE THE STUDY A STEP FURTHER
2 AND ESTABLISH A NATIONAL HISTORIC PARK INTERPRETING THE LIFE
3 OF CESAR CHAVEZ. THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW NATIONAL HISTORIC
4 PARK REPRESENTS A NECESSARY STEP IN OUR COLLECTIVE EFFORTS TO
5 PRESERVE HIS LEGACY. I INTRODUCE THIS MOTION TODAY TO SEND AN
6 IMPORTANT MESSAGE THAT THE COUNTY RECOGNIZES THE VALUE, THE
7 LEADERSHIP, THE PERSONAL SACRIFICES AND COMMITMENT TO NON-
8 VIOLENCE THAT DEFINE THE LIFE OF CESAR CHAVEZ, AND I WANT TO
9 SHARE ONE LITTLE TIDBIT. THE REASON THIS CAME TO MY ATTENTION
10 TO DO THIS WAS BECAUSE, ON A SPECIAL CODEL THAT I WAS PART OF
11 WITH THE FAITH INSTITUTE IN WASHINGTON, D.C., SEVERAL -- A
12 BIPARTISAN CODEL, WE VISITED SELMA, ALABAMA, AND I WAS
13 INTRODUCED TO THE NATIONAL PARK TRAIL SYSTEM AND MONUMENT FOR
14 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SO I THOUGHT IN MY MIND, MY GOODNESS,
15 IF ONE GREAT LEADER COULD HAVE THAT ATTRIBUTED TO HIM, WHY
16 COULDN'T WE HAVE ANOTHER GREAT LEADER FOR OUR COMMUNITY? SO
17 THAT'S WHERE THIS STEMS FROM. I JUST WANTED TO SHARE THAT WITH
18 YOU. SO, I THANK YOU, AND I ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE. THANK YOU,
19 MADAM CHAIR.

20
21 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.
22 ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS? SEEING NONE, ITEM 23
23 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY
24 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
25 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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1

2 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 23 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE

5

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

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

9

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

11

12 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

13

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

15

16 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

17

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

19 MITCHELL?

20

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

22

23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. MOTION CARRIES

24 5-0.

25

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1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ITEM 63, THE BARRY J. NIDORF
2 FOOD SERVICES CONTRACT, WHICH IS HELD BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. THIS ITEM SEEKS
5 AUTHORITY BY THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT
6 FOR FOOD SERVICES AT BARRY J. JUVENILE HALL IN SYLMAR. THE
7 BOARD LETTER, WHICH IS REPRESENTED BY THE DEPARTMENT,
8 CONTEMPLATES AN INITIAL ONE YEAR CONTRACT VALUED AT ABOUT \$1.8
9 MILLION AND ALSO IS ASKING US TO GIVE THE CHIEF PROBATION
10 OFFICER DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO FOUR ONE YEAR
11 EXTENSIONS, EACH VALUED AT \$1.8 MILLION. SO THE TOTAL
12 CONTRACTING AUTHORITY REQUESTED TODAY IS ABOUT \$9 MILLION. SO
13 ORDINARILY, THE REQUEST MIGHT HAVE PASSED WITHOUT VERY MUCH
14 ADO, BUT I HELD THE ITEM TO GIVE IT SOME SCRUTINY AND ALSO TO
15 PRESENT AN AMENDMENT. AND THE FOOD THAT WE'RE PROVIDING TO THE
16 YOUTH AT BARRY J. IS TRULY UNACCEPTABLE. IT'S UNACCEPTABLE IN
17 ITS QUALITY AND EVEN IN ITS QUANTITY. WE HEARD FROM MULTIPLE
18 SOURCES ABOUT THIS. THE YOUNG PEOPLE THEMSELVES, WHEN YOU GO
19 THERE AND YOU TALK TO THEM, THEY GET TINY PORTIONS THAT HAVE
20 NOTHING DO WITH THEIR AGE OR THEIR SIZE. THE FOOD HAS NO
21 FLAVOR. IT'S NOT FRESH. THEY GET NO CONDIMENTS LIKE HOT SAUCE
22 OR WHATEVER, NO SNACK OPTIONS, SO THEY REPORT BEING HUNGRY ALL
23 THE TIME. THE SERVICE PROVIDERS WHO GO THERE TELL US JUST BY
24 LOOKING AT THE YOUNG MEN THAT THEY'RE NOT GETTING SUFFICIENT
25 NUTRITION. YOUTH REGULARLY TELL THEM DURING SESSIONS THAT

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1 THEY'RE HUNGRY. I REMEMBER ONE YOUNG MAN IN A MIDDLE SCHOOL IN
2 MY DISTRICT WHO CAME TO REPORT ABOUT FOOD SERVICE AT THE
3 SCHOOL AND HOW THEY DIDN'T GET ANY FOOD, SO HE WOULD GET INTO
4 TROUBLE SO THAT HE COULD GO TO THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE BECAUSE
5 THE PRINCIPAL ALWAYS LET THEM HAVE A CANDY WHEN THEY WERE IN
6 TROUBLE. AND THAT WAS HIS LUNCH OFTEN. SO, THIS IS VERY
7 FAMILIAR TO ME, AND IT MADE ME REALLY HUNGRY -- NO ANGRY.
8 THAT'S WHAT IT MADE ME. AND THEN THE PROBATION OVERSIGHT
9 COMMISSION ACTUALLY WENT AND VISITED AND ASKED SOME QUESTIONS.
10 THEY DID AN ANNUAL INSPECTION. AND THEIR REPORT INVESTIGATED A
11 COMPLAINT FROM TWO GIRLS WHO INDICATED THEY WERE ALWAYS,
12 ALWAYS HUNGRY AND THAT THEIR COMPLAINTS WERE THE SAME WHEN
13 THEY WENT FOR A SECOND FOLLOW UP VISIT. YOUTH REPORTED BUGS IN
14 THEIR FOOD. THEY WERE OFFERED CAKE TO MAKE UP FOR SPOILED
15 FOOD. THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER TESTIFIED BEFORE THIS BOARD
16 THAT HE TRIED THE FOOD AND FOUND IT TOTALLY UNAPPETIZING, AND
17 STAFF AT BARRY J. OFTEN OPT OUT OF THE MEALS PROVIDED BY THE
18 DEPARTMENT, BECAUSE THEY'RE INEDIBLE. OKAY, SO THIS CONTRACT
19 REALLY CAN'T BE PUSHED THROUGH WITHOUT CONSIDERATION ABOUT IT.
20 THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT IS AWARE. THEY SAY THEY'RE WORKING ON
21 SOLUTIONS. SO THIS CONTRACT NEEDS TO BE CLOSELY MONITORED BY
22 THE BOARD I THINK UNTIL ACCEPTABLE SOLUTIONS ARE IDENTIFIED
23 AND IMPLEMENTED. SO, TO MAKE SURE THIS HAPPENS, I PROPOSE
24 THAT, AS YOU HAVE I HOPE IN YOUR HANDS, THAT THIS BOARD LETTER
25 BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS, IN THE SECOND SECTION, INSTEAD OF

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1 ALLOWING A ONE YEAR CONTRACT, THAT WE MAKE IT JUST SIX MONTHS.
2 AND THAT WOULD BE THROUGH NOVEMBER 1ST OF THIS YEAR. AND IT
3 WOULD BE A \$900,000 CONTRACT, NOT A \$1.8 MILLION CONTRACT.
4 THAT WE DELETE THE DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO EXTEND THE CONTRACT
5 YEAR AFTER YEAR AFTER YEAR. THAT WE DELETE THE DELEGATED
6 AUTHORITY TO THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER TO EXECUTE AMENDMENTS
7 TO THE CONTRACT, EXCEPT THAT HE MAY APPROVE NON-MATERIAL,
8 TECHNICAL, AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES, AND NECESSARY CHANGES
9 TO A SCOPE OF SERVICE, AND, IF NECESSARY, TERMINATION OF THE
10 CONTRACT. THOSE WOULD BE THE ONLY SETS OF AUTHORITY THAT WE COULD
11 GIVE HIM. SO, I PROPOSE THIS AMENDMENT TO THE BOARD LETTER AND
12 ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT AS AMENDED. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

13

14 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

15

16 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. I AGREE. WE HAVE HEARD THE HORROR
17 STORIES, AND I BEGAN ASKING STAFF, AND THEN I ACTUALLY WANTED
18 TO ASK OUR CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER, WHO I THINK IS HERE. I
19 WANT TO ASK HIM SOME QUESTIONS BECAUSE I THINK SIX MONTHS FOR
20 SURE WE HAVE TO REALLY RIDE THIS, BUT I'D LIKE TO FIND OUT
21 WHAT EFFORTS THE DEPARTMENT IS MAKING AS WE SPEAK IN REAL TIME
22 TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY AND THE QUANTITY OF THE WORK -- OR THE
23 FOOD THAT'S BEING PROVIDED. AND DOES THE DEPARTMENT ANTICIPATE
24 THESE IMPROVEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED? IS THE CHIEF ON,
25 GONZALES? I AGREE WHOLEHEARTEDLY WITH YOU. AND WE HEARD --

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1 WE'VE HEARD THAT. AND THE PROBLEM IS THIS WAS AN R.F.P. THAT
2 WAS PROCURED. AND THIS WAS THE TOP RESPONDING BIDDER TO IT. SO
3 I THINK THAT WE NEED TO MAYBE LOOK AT THAT AS WELL.

4

5 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** CHIEF GONZALES, ARE YOU WITH US? THERE
6 HE IS.

7

8 **CHIEF GONZALES:** CAN YOU SEE ME? CAN YOU HEAR ME?

9

10 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH, THANK YOU, CHIEF. I JUST WANT TO KNOW WHAT
11 EFFORTS YOUR DEPARTMENT IS MAKING TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY AND
12 THE QUANTITY OF THE FOOD BECAUSE, AS SUPERVISOR KUEHL POINT
13 OUT, YOU SAID YOU WENT OUT THERE. IT WASN'T APPETIZING. YOUR
14 EMPLOYEES WON'T EVEN EAT IT. SO WHAT IS BEING DONE IN REAL
15 TIME REGARDING THE FOOD?

16

17 **CHIEF GONZALES:** MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THANK
18 YOU FOR HAVING ME HERE TODAY. WHEN I WAS A YOUNG BOY, I WORKED
19 IN THE CAFETERIA SO THAT I COULD GET FREE MEALS AND WORKING AS
20 AN ELEMENTARY CROSSING GUARD SO I COULD GET FREE MEALS. WHEN I
21 COME AS AN ADULT, AND I SEE THAT THE MEALS ARE NOT VERY TASTY,
22 ESPECIALLY WHEN WE HAVE YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR CARE AND CUSTODY
23 THAT NEED MEDICATION. THEY HAVE TO HAVE SOLID GOOD MEALS. THE
24 THE MEALS WE DO PROVIDE FOLLOW THE TITLE 15 REGULATION FROM
25 THE B.S.C.C., AND SAMPLING THE FOOD, TALKING TO THE YOUTH, AND

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1 FIGURING IT OUT WHAT CAN WE DO DIFFERENTLY, WE STARTED A
2 COUPLE OF THINGS IMMEDIATELY. ONE IS PROVIDING THE YOUNG MEN
3 AND WOMAN A SECOND TRAY OF FOOD BECAUSE THE FOOD THEY ARE
4 GETTING IS SO SMALL. THE PORTIONS ARE SO SMALL, THEY STILL GO
5 HUNGRY OR HANGRY, AS WE HEARD BEFORE. WHEN I TALKED TO A YOUNG
6 MAN, HE SAID I'M NOT 14 ANYMORE. I'M 21 YEARS OLD. AND I'VE
7 BEEN HERE WITH YOU SINCE I WAS 14. AND HE'S RIGHT. HE WAS WITH
8 US SINCE HE WAS 14. WE NEED TO DO A BETTER JOB. SO I THINK ONE
9 THING WE'RE DOING IS PROVIDING A SECOND PORTION SO THEY CAN
10 HAVE AT LEAST SECONDS, WHERE BEFORE THEY WERE ONLY LIMITED TO
11 ONE SERVING. THE OTHER THING WE'RE LOOKING AT IS LOOKING AT
12 THE POSSIBILITY OF HAVING MORE OF A BUFFET STYLE WHERE WE
13 BRING THE FOOD, AND THEY CAN PICK FROM A SELECTION, AS OPPOSED
14 TO JUST A HOT TRAY WHERE THEY PREPARE FOOD BECAUSE USUALLY
15 IT'S WRAPPED IN FOIL OR IN PLASTIC AND BY THE TIME YOU SERVE
16 IT, IT'S NOT AS TASTY.

17
18 **SUP. BARGER:** SO, CHIEF, THAT IS BEING DONE -- THAT'S BEING
19 DONE BY THE VENDOR. THAT'S AT OUR REQUEST. SO, WE HAVE THE
20 ABILITY TO HAVE OVERSIGHT AND MANDATE WHAT TYPE OF FOOD IS
21 SERVED AND HOW IT'S DONE LIKE ON THE SECOND PORTIONS BECAUSE I
22 AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR KUEHL THAT THAT IS UNACCEPTABLE. I KNOW
23 THAT IT'S CALORIE DRIVEN BASED ON REQUIREMENTS THAT YOU HAVE
24 IN TERMS OF WHAT YOU CAN DO, BUT THERE IS A GIVE AND TAKE.

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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** THE FOOD IS TERRIBLE. HERE HAVE A SECOND HELPING.

2

3 **SUP. BARGER:** THAT WAS MY SECOND PART IS THAT SOME OF THEM MAY
4 NOT EVEN WANT MORE, BUT IF I HEARD WHAT THE CHIEF SAID, YOU
5 ARE REVISING THAT PART IN TERMS OF WHAT SELECTIONS ARE BEING
6 OFFERED, CORRECT?

7

8 **CHIEF GONZALES:** RIGHT. HAVE THE YOUTH SELECT WHAT THEY WANT TO
9 EAT BECAUSE A LOT OF STUFF THEY DON'T WANT TO EAT. IT DOESN'T
10 LOOK APPETIZING. IT DOESN'T TASTE GOOD. THEY JUST THROW IT
11 AWAY. AND THE OTHER THING THAT WE'RE DOING THAT I WAS TOLD
12 ABOUT IS TO PUT SALT, PEPPER, AND HOT SAUCE. SO, WE'RE
13 ORDERING PACKETS OF SALT, PEPPER, AND HOT SAUCE, SO THOSE WHO
14 WANT CONDIMENTS CAN HAVE ACCESS TO CONDIMENTS.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER:** THERE ARE THINGS WE CAN DO TO, AGAIN, MANDATE THE
17 CONTRACTOR TO CHANGE THE FOOD THAT'S BEING PROVIDED. CORRECT?

18

19 **CHIEF GONZALES:** CORRECT

20

21 **SUP. BARGER:** SO, WHEN IS THAT GOING TO BE IMPLEMENTED? I MEAN
22 THE SIX MONTHS IS AN EXTENSION, BUT WE NEED TO SEE WHETHER OR
23 NOT THEY ARE CAPABLE OF DOING IT. SO, WHEN CAN THAT BE
24 IMPLEMENTED?

25

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1 **CHIEF GONZALES:** THEY'RE TELLING US WITHIN THREE MONTHS TO TRY
2 TO DO A REVIEW OF WHAT THEY'RE DOING BECAUSE, AS YOU KNOW,
3 THEY MAKE THE FOOD -- THEY ORDER THE FOOD LIKE A MONTH IN
4 ADVANCE FOR THE WHOLE YEAR. SO THEY PLAN OUT THEIR MENU, AND
5 THEY DELIVER. EVERY MONTH, THEY HAVE A NEW MENU. SO IT CHANGES
6 EVERY MONTH. SO WE GO BASICALLY MONTH TO MONTH. SO WHEN WE
7 TALK TO THEM, WE SAY WE NEED TO CHANGE THE FOOD, THEY'RE GOING
8 TO HAVE TO GO OUT AND SEE WHAT THEY NEED TO DO. IT COULD COST
9 US A LITTLE BIT MORE, AND THAT'S OKAY. WE CAN BRING IT BACK TO
10 THE BOARD AND SEE IF WE CAN FIX WHATEVER WE NEED TO FIX.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY SO, YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT THE TURN AROUND IS
13 GOING BE TO IMPLEMENT THE CHANGES?

14

15 **CHIEF GONZALES:** THEY TELL ME IT VARIES. IT COULD BE THREE
16 MONTHS JUST TO GET STARTED OR MORE.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER:** BECAUSE I KNOW I THINK YOU'RE GOING TO DO AN
19 AMENDMENT FOR CENTRAL AS WELL SIMILAR TO WHAT SUPERVISOR
20 KUEHL'S DOING. THAT'S A PROBLEMATIC ISSUE THEN BECAUSE SIX
21 MONTHS, I THINK WE HAVE TO -- I WOULD EVEN ENCOURAGE STAFF TO
22 BE MANDATED TO EAT THE FOOD BECAUSE I GUARANTEE IT WOULD
23 PROBABLY GET CHANGED VERY QUICKLY, AND I'M NOT KIDDING. IN OUR
24 CAFETERIA, IF WE EAT DOWN THERE, WE KNOW WHAT'S GOOD AND BAD
25 AND GIVE THE FEEDBACK. AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR THE

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1 VENDOR TO HEAR. BUT I'M GOING TO BE CLOSELY MONITORING THIS,
2 AS THE ENTIRE BOARD IS, SO I'M GOING TO SUPPORT THE SIX MONTH
3 EXTENSION AT THIS POINT, BUT I'M NOT SATISFIED WITH THE -- NOT
4 THE EFFORT, BUT THE TIMEFRAME IN GETTING THIS DONE BECAUSE
5 THIS HAS BEEN IN PLACE FOR -- WE HAVE HAD SOME DISCUSSION
6 MONTHS AGO. THE ONE THING I JUST WANT TO GET A CLARIFICATION
7 ON, TOO, I HAVE HEARD ABOUT BUGS IN THE FOOD AND IT EXPIRED
8 AND ALL THAT. WE SHOULD HOLD THE CONTRACTOR ACCOUNTABLE FOR
9 THAT BECAUSE WE'RE PAYING FOR THAT, AND IF WE'RE GETTING
10 EXPIRED FOOD, THEN THEY'RE OUT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR
11 CONTRACT, SO I WOULD ASK COUNTY COUNSEL TO REVIEW THAT AS WELL
12 BECAUSE THAT IS UNACCEPTABLE, AND THAT IS TO ME FRAUD IN HOW
13 THEY ARE PROVIDING FOOD SERVICE TO THE COUNTY. AND I THINK
14 THAT WE SHOULD PUT THEM ON NOTICE THAT THAT IS UNACCEPTABLE
15 MOVING FORWARD. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

16
17 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. CHIEF, BEFORE WE LOSE YOU,
18 LET ME JUST MAKE MY COMMENT BECAUSE IT RELATES TO BOTH THIS
19 MOTION AND THE FOLLOWING MOTION. YOU KNOW, WHEN YOU THINK
20 ABOUT IT, IT'S ONLY IN JUVENILE FACILITIES IN CARCERAL
21 SETTINGS WHERE OTHER FOOD OPTIONS AREN'T AVAILABLE. IN COUNTY
22 JAIL, THERE IS A COMMISSARY. IN THE STATE PRISONS, THERE IS A
23 COMMISSARY. IF YOU HAVE MONEY IN THE BOOKS, YOU CAN BUY A CUP
24 OF NOODLES OR WHATEVER. AND SO, THE KIDS IN OUR JUVENILE
25 FACILITIES DON'T EVEN HAVE ANOTHER OPTION WHEN THE FOOD THAT

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1 THEY ARE BEING PROVIDED TO BY US IS INADEQUATE, SO A. B) FOOD
2 SHOULD NEVER BE USED IN CORRELATION WITH BEHAVIOR. AND SO, WE
3 HAVE HEARD ALSO FROM KIDS WHO ARE HUNGRY, WHO, BASED ON
4 BEHAVIOR, COULD GET SOMETHING EXTRA. THAT SHOULD NEVER BE OUR
5 POLICY. FOOD SHOULD NEVER BE A BENEFIT TO GOOD BEHAVIOR. FOOD
6 IS FOOD. IT'S A BASIC NECESSITY. AND SO, I FULLY SUPPORT THE
7 AMENDMENT TO THE ACTIONS AND WILL SUPPORT ITEM 64 AS WELL AND
8 SUPPORT SUPERVISOR BARGER'S INSISTENCE THAT, EVEN WHILE YOU'RE
9 IN THE NEGOTIATION PROCESS IN TERMS OF ONGOING CONTRACTS, WE
10 EXPECT CHANGE TO HAPPEN SOONER RATHER THAN LATER IN TERMS OF
11 THE QUALITY OF THE FOOD AND THE AMOUNT AVAILABLE. AND IF THE
12 CONTRACT CAN'T BE CHANGED IN TERMS OF THE AMOUNT AVAILABLE,
13 THEN I WOULD LOVE TO HEAR BACK FROM YOU IN TERMS OF WHAT OTHER
14 OPTIONS TO YOUNG PEOPLE, FRUIT, SOME KIND OF PACKAGED FOOD
15 ITEMS, BECAUSE AGAIN IT'S ONLY IN OUR JUVENILE FACILITIES
16 WHERE THEY HAVE NO OTHER OPTION TO AUGMENT THEIR NUTRITION.
17 AND THOSE OF US WHO ARE PARENTS KNOW SOMETHING HAPPENS TO BOYS
18 AT A PARTICULAR AGE, WHERE THEY JUST HAVE INSATIABLE
19 APPETITES. AND TO THINK THESE YOUNG PEOPLE ARE GOING HUNGRY
20 BECAUSE OF NOT ONLY POOR QUALITY AND UNAPPETIZING FOOD BUT NOT
21 ENOUGH IS OFFENSIVE TO MY CORE. AND SO, CHIEF, I HOPE THAT YOU
22 WILL LEAN IN HARD TO FIGURE OUT WITH THIS CONTRACTOR WHAT
23 CHANGES CAN BE MADE IMMEDIATELY AND LET US KNOW. SUPERVISOR
24 HAHN?

25

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1 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH, THANK YOU. CHIEF, I'VE GOT TELL YOU I'M
2 DISAPPOINTED IN WHAT HAPPENED. I APPRECIATE, SUPERVISOR KUEHL,
3 YOU AT LEAST TRYING TO RESCUE SOMETHING BECAUSE, IN MY
4 OPINION, THIS COMPANY DOES NOT DESERVE TO BE REWARDED WITH
5 ANYTHING ELSE, NOT EVEN SIX MONTHS, BUT WE WERE -- WE'RE A
6 LITTLE BIT HELD HOSTAGE. LAST TIME WE TALKED, CHIEF, YOU SAID
7 -- BECAUSE WE WERE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT MAGGOTS IN THE FOOD.
8 WE HEARD ALL THE STORIES, AND YOU TOLD US THAT YOU WERE GOING
9 TO LOOK FOR ANOTHER VENDOR. THEN WE FIND OUT THIS CONTRACT
10 EXPIRED NOW, AND WE WERE HELD OVER A BARREL AND HAD TO DO
11 SOMETHING. AT LEAST SUPERVISOR KUEHL, I APPRECIATE YOU NOT
12 SAYING LET'S JUST DO IT FOR ANOTHER YEAR. SO SIX MONTHS, BUT
13 IT'S VERY DISAPPOINTING. AND I CAN'T SPEAK FOR MY COLLEAGUES,
14 I CAN ONLY SPEAK FOR MYSELF. I DO NOT LIKE TO BE IN THE
15 POSITION WHERE OUR CONTRACTS EXPIRE, AND WE HAVE NO WIGGLE
16 ROOM AND NO ALTERNATIVE, AND WE'RE FORCED TO EXTEND A CONTRACT
17 THAT, IN MY OPINION, HAS BEEN -- INADEQUATE IS AN
18 UNDERSTATEMENT. THAT'S AN UNDERSTATEMENT. AND EVERYTHING WE
19 TALK ABOUT HERE CARE FIRST, THE FOOD SITUATION FOR EVERYONE IS
20 THE ULTIMATE SELF-CARE. AND OUR ABILITY TO CHOOSE AND FEED
21 OURSELVES WITH NUTRITIOUS, YES, BUT APPETIZING, DEFINITELY
22 YES. SO THIS IS VERY DISAPPOINTING THAT WE'RE AT THIS POINT. I
23 WISHED WE DIDN'T HAVE TO GIVE THIS CONTRACTOR ANOTHER DAY, BUT
24 WE'RE -- WE'RE OVER A BARREL, AND I DON'T LIKE BEING IN THAT
25 SITUATION, CHIEF, WHICH IS WHY I THINK WE'RE REMOVING THE

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1 DELEGATED AUTHORITY BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, WE DON'T WANT THIS TO
2 HAPPEN AGAIN. IT'S VERY DISAPPOINTING. I THINK YOU'VE HEARD
3 THAT FROM ALL OF US. IT ALSO IS DISAPPOINTING THAT SUPERVISOR
4 BARGER UNCOVERED THE ANSWER THAT MAYBE THREE MONTHS WE'D BE
5 ABLE TO TURN THIS AROUND IN A SIX MONTH CONTRACT. THAT'S ALSO
6 UNACCEPTABLE. TOMORROW, IT NEEDS TO BE BETTER FOOD, BETTER
7 OPTIONS, MORE APPETIZING, AND FOOD THAT HAS A LITTLE BIT OF
8 DIGNITY AND RESPECT. RIGHT? I MEAN -- YEAH, WE CAN TALK ABOUT
9 CALORIES, BUT HOW MANY CALORIES DO BUGS HAVE? THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** CHIEF GONZALES, WERE YOU ABOUT TO
12 RESPOND?

13

14 **CHIEF GONZALES:** I WAS GOING TO SAY THAT WHEN I TALKED TO THE
15 KIDS, THEY'D TELL ME ABOUT THE PORTIONS AND EVERYTHING ELSE,
16 AND I'VE BEEN ASKING STAFF TO DO THAT. OF COURSE, I'LL TAKE
17 RESPONSIBILITY FOR MY STAFF WITH THAT ASKING. FOR EXAMPLE, I
18 ASKED HAVE WE DONE THE SURVEY YET. AND I'M TOLD THEY'RE
19 WORKING ON IF. SO I WENT AND ASKED THE KIDS, "HAVE YOU BEEN
20 SURVEYED ABOUT WHAT KIND OF FOOD YOU EAT?" I WANT TO HEAR THE
21 YOUTH VOICES WHEN WE'RE GOING THROUGH THIS PROCESS. AND THEY
22 HAVEN'T BEEN SURVEYED YET. SO I HAD TO CALL MY STAFF IN AND
23 DEAL WITH THAT. SO, I HEAR YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN, LOUD AND
24 CLEAR.

25

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1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ITEM 63 AS AMENDED IS BEFORE
2 US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN
3 TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** 63 AS AMENED IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR
6 SOLIS.

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

9

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

11

12 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

13

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

15

16 **SUP. HAHN:** NOT HAPPY ABOUT IT, BUT AYE.

17

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

19

20 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

21

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

24

25 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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1

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

4

5 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** ITEM 64, CENTRAL JUVENILE HALL FOOD
6 SERVICES CONTRACT, HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WITH SIMILAR
9 CONCERNS, I WANTED TO HOLD THIS ITEM, TOO, BECAUSE NOW WE'RE
10 LOOKING AT A CONTRACT ALSO WITH CENTRAL JUVENILE HALL.
11 BASICALLY, IT'S THE SAME ARGUMENT HERE THAT WE NEED TO REALLY
12 MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE A BETTER CONTRACT AND WE HAVE SOME
13 LEVERS THERE WHERE WE CAN HAVE SOME OVERSIGHT. AND I KNOW MY
14 STAFF AS WELL AS I THINK THE THIRD PERHAPS OTHERS JOINED IN A
15 VISIT TO CENTRAL JUVENILE HALL, AND THEY MET WITH CHILDREN,
16 YOUNGSTERS, OVER AT CENTRAL AND BARRY, AND MANY OF THEM SAID
17 THEY WERE, IN FACT, SERVED SMALL PORTION SIZES, AND THE MEAL
18 SIZES WERE MORE LIKE A SNACK. AS AN EXAMPLE, MY STAFF WENT TO
19 BARRY J. NIDORF JUVENILE HALL WHERE THE CENTRAL HALL YOUTH ARE
20 PLACED THERE. AND THIS WAS LAST SATURDAY, AND MY STAFFER SAID
21 ONE OF THE KIDS EATING THEIR BREAKFAST, WHICH WAS A SMALL 3X3
22 SQUARE COFFEE CAKE AND A PINT OF MILK AND ONE SCRAMBLED EGG
23 AND ONE SAUSAGE. THESE ARE GROWING KIDS AND YOUNG ADULTS AND
24 SHOULD BE PROVIDED WITH SUFFICIENT FOOD. WE CAN'T ASKED A
25 HUNGRY CHILD TO GO TO SCHOOL, TO WORK, AND TO PLAY IF THEY

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1 DON'T HAVE ANY ENERGY. THEREFORE, I, TOO, AM PROPOSING THE
2 FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS TO ITEM 64, NO CHANGES WILL BE MADE TO
3 DIRECTIVE 1, AND DIRECTIVES 3 AND 4 WILL BE STRUCK OUT.
4 REMAINDER OF THE DIRECTIVES WILL READ AS FOLLOWS, UNDER
5 DIRECTIVE 2 APPROVE AND INSTRUCT THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT
6 WITH MORRISON SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE ATTACHED CONTRACT,
7 BUT WITH THE TERMIN AMOUNT LISTED AS FOLLOWS, TO FOLLOW FOOD
8 SERVICES AT CENTRAL JUVENILE HALL FOR AN INITIAL ESTIMATED
9 CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$900,000 COMMENCING ON MAY 1ST, 2022
10 THROUGH NOVEMBER 1ST, 2022. UNDER DIRECTIVE 5, WITH APPROVAL
11 FROM THE BOARD, THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER OR THEIR DESIGNEE
12 TO APPROVE 1) NON-MATERIAL, TECHNICAL, AND ADMINISTRATIVE
13 CHANGES TO THE CONTRACT, 2) NECESSARY CHANGES TO THE SCOPE OF
14 SERVICE, AND, IF NECESSARY, 3) TERMINATION OF IN WHOLE OR IN
15 PART OF THE CONTRACT WITH MORRISON. I KNOW THE CHIEF HAS
16 STARTED LOOKING INTO THIS AS HE SAID AND HAS BEEN WORKING ON A
17 PLAN, BUT I THINK MORE NEEDS TO HAPPEN. I UNDERSTAND THAT
18 THERE ARE SOME TITLE 15 AND SCHOOL LUNCH RESTRICTIONS, BUT IF
19 MOST OF HUNGRY, THEN SOMETHING'S WRONG. SOME OF MY
20 RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE PROBATION CHIEF WOULD BE FOR FOR THE
21 FOLLOWING, THE MENU BE REVIEWED BY THE YOUTH AND EVEN TASTE-
22 TESTED BY THE YOUTH. THE FOOD SHOULD BE CULTURALLY COMPETENT.
23 MY STAFF SHARED THAT ONE OF THE KIDS WANTED SOPAS. THOSE ARE
24 TORTILLAS. LET'S ASK THE KIDS WHAT THEY WANT TO EAT. WE CAN
25 BALANCE A HEALTHY DIET, WHICH IS MANDATED BY THE GOVERNMENT,

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1 BUT WE CAN ALSO MAKE SNACKS AVAILABLE FOR KIDS TO SUPPLEMENT
2 AND AUGMENT THOSE MEALS. SOMETHING I ALSO WANT TO BRING UP,
3 IT'S TRUE, SUPERVISORS AND MADAM CHAIR, I DON'T THINK KIDS
4 SHOULD BE REWARDED THROUGH FOOD INCENTIVES, AND I RECALL ONE
5 OF THE FIRST VISITS I HAD AT ONE OF OUR CAMPS OUT IN LA VERNE,
6 THAT IF STUDENTS COULD EARN POINTS FOR GOOD BEHAVIOR FOR
7 DRESSING, FOR MAKING THEIR BED OR JUST GETTING UP, THAT THEY
8 GOT POINTS. THEY WOULD TURN THOSE POINTS IN THEN TO GET POTATO
9 CHIPS, POTATO CHIPS. AND I WAS TAKEN ABACK BECAUSE I THOUGHT
10 WELL, MAYBE THEY THOUGHT THAT WAS SOMETHING GOOD TO REWARD A
11 CHILD THAT MAYBE HAD BEEN DEPRIVED OF HAVING THOSE KINDS OF
12 FOOD ITEMS. BUT IN MY OPINION, THOSE WEREN'T HEALTHY ITEMS. SO
13 PERHAPS INCENTIVIZING OTHER KINDS OF REWARDS WOULD BE BETTER
14 SERVED THAN USING FOOD AS A WEAPON. I'D JUST LIKE TO DRAW THAT
15 TO OUR STAFF'S ATTENTION. WITH THAT, I HOPE THAT THE PROBATION
16 DEPARTMENT WILL KEEP THESE ISSUES FRONT AND CENTER AND, YES, I
17 AGREE TO COME BACK TO US AND TO HAVE INPUT BY THE CHILDREN,
18 THE YOUTH THAT ARE THIS, AND THE STAFF. SO, WITH THAT, MADAM
19 CHAIR, ASK THAT YOU SUPPORT AMENDMENTS TO THIS MOTION, THAT
20 CONTRACT. THANK YOU.

21
22 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.
23 ITEM 64 AS AMENDED IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS,
24 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE
25 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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1

2 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 64 AS AMENDED IS BEFORE YOU.
3 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

6

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

21

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

23

24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. MOTION CARRIES

25 5-0.

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1

2 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM
3 73B, THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT REFORM, WHICH I HELD
4 BECAUSE I HAVE A QUESTION OR TWO FOR DR. SHERIN. DR. SHERIN,
5 ARE YOU WITH US? SUPERVISOR BARGER, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPEAK
6 FIRST? I'M SORRY, I JUST JUMPED RIGHT INTO THE QUESTIONS.
7 OKAY. THANK YOU. SO, HEY. DR. SHERIN. THANK YOU FOR JOINING
8 US. JUST A QUICK QUESTION. I KNOW THAT YOU HAVE BEEN
9 ADVOCATING FOR CHANGES TO THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT FOR
10 QUITE SOME TIME, AND I CERTAINLY SUPPORT THAT. SO I JUST
11 WANTED SOME CLARIFICATION ON A COUPLE OF THE ELEMENTS OF
12 S.B.970, WHICH THIS MOTION IS SEEKING TO SUPPORT. THE BILL
13 PROPOSES TO CHANGE THE PLANNING CYCLE FROM 3 TO 5 YEARS. WHAT
14 DOES THAT MEAN? DOES THAT MEAN WE'LL BE FURTHER DELAYED IN
15 GETTING DOLLARS TO THE STREET? AND WILL YOU CONTINUE TO MAKE
16 SURE WE HAVE GOT MEANINGFUL STAKEHOLDER INPUT INTO THE
17 ALLOCATIONS OF THE FUNDS?

18

19 **DR. SHERIN:** WELL, THANKS FOR HAVING ME HERE, MADAM CHAIR AND
20 BOARD. NO, I ACTUALLY THINK QUITE THE OPPOSITE. I BELIEVE A 5
21 YEAR CYCLE OF PLANNING, AND ALSO I WOULD ALSO HOPE FUND
22 REVERSION, WOULD ALLOW US TO MAKE PLANS THAT WERE NOT ONLY
23 MORE INFORMED AND MORE REFINED OVER TIME BUT WOULD MITIGATE
24 SOME OF THE CHALLENGES WE HAVE WITH THE ACCRUAL OF ONE TIME
25 FUNDING BECAUSE, WHEN YOU HAVE A 3 YEAR CYCLE, FOR ANY GIVEN

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1 DOLLAR THAT COMES IT CAN BE CHALLENGING, ESPECIALLY WHEN
2 YOU'RE TRYING TO HIRE AND YOU'RE TRYING TO DEVELOP PROGRAMS
3 THAT TAKE A LONG TIME TO BUILD UP TO GENERATE THAT CAPACITY.
4 SO I SEE THE 5 YEAR -- THE CHANGE FROM 3 TO 5 YEARS AS A GOOD
5 THING.

6

7 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** WOULD ALSO ELIMINATE SOME OF THE
8 PERCENTAGE REQUIREMENTS. I KNOW THAT'S ALWAYS BEEN A CHALLENGE
9 YOU'VE HAD, THAT THE FUNDING WAS ALLOCATED PER BUCKET. YOU
10 KNOW, GOVERNMENT LIKES TO CREATE THESE SILOS. AND SO, IT WOULD
11 BE ELIMINATING SOME OF THE PERCENTAGES. HOW WOULD THAT IMPACT
12 SERVICES TO OUR CURRENT PRIORITY POPULATIONS, AND WOULD THIS
13 ELEMENT OF THE BILL TRULY GIVE YOU WHAT YOU'VE LOOKED FOR IN
14 TERMS OF FREEING UP THE CATEGORICAL FUNDING KIND OF NATURE OF
15 THE ACT?

16

17 **DR. SHERIN:** I WOULDN'T SAY THAT THIS BILL GOES QUITE AS FAR AS
18 I WOULD HAVE LIKED. AND AS YOU KNOW, BECAUSE I USED TO SEE YOU
19 UP IN SACRAMENTO AND SPENT A LOT OF TIME WITH OTHER ADVOCATES
20 AND DARRYL STEINBERG AND THE AUTHOR OF PROP 63, AND I HAD A
21 VISIT WITH ALL OF YOU, WHAT I HAVE BEEN TRYING TO PUSH AND
22 OTHERS AS WELL IS TO SAY TELL US THE OUTCOMES YOU WOULD LIKE
23 US TO ACHIEVE. AND IF YOU WANT 20% OF THE MONEY TO BE USED FOR
24 PREVENTION OUTCOMES, THEN TELL US WHAT THOSE OUTCOMES ARE, AND
25 THEN ALLOW US TO GO AFTER THOSE OUTCOMES. THAT'S THE

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1 ACCOUNTABILITY PIECE THAT'S REALLY MISSING. WE SPEND WAY TOO
2 MUCH TIME WITH COMPLIANCE, WITH PROCESS, AND REALLY TOP DOWN
3 APPROACHES TO HELPING THE COMMUNITY WHEN WE NEED THE COMMUNITY
4 TO DRIVE IT, AND WE NEED TO EMPOWER OUR FRONTLINES, OUR
5 CONTRACTORS, TO DO THE WORK. FLEXIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY
6 FOR OUTCOMES ARE REALLY, I THINK, THE WAY WE HAVE TO BE MOVING
7 OUR SYSTEM. AND I WOULD SAY THAT'S TRUE NOT JUST FOR M.H.S.A.
8 BUT ACROSS OUR COMPLICATED REPORT-LADEN FUNDING STREAMS.

9

10 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** LAST QUICK QUESTION FROM ME. I THINK I
11 KNOW THE ANSWER, BUT I FEEL COMPELLED TO ASK. YOU GOT ANOTHER
12 EARLY CHRISTMAS GIFT, WHERE IT'S YOUR -- YOU WILL RECEIVE MUCH
13 MORE THAN YOU ANTICIPATED. I THINK MY NOTES SAY IT WILL BE A
14 ROUGHLY \$350 MILLION WINDFALL THIS YEAR. IS THERE ANY ELEMENT
15 OF THIS BILL THAT WILL HELP US BETTER PREDICT WHAT OUR
16 M.H.S.A. DOLLARS FROM THE STATE WILL BE YEAR AFTER YEAR, OR
17 WE'LL JUST HAVE PLEASANT SURPRISES OR BE DEEPLY DISAPPOINTED?

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19 **DR. SHERIN:** I WOULD SAY THE SURPRISES WILL CONTINUE TO COME
20 BECAUSE IT'S REALLY JUST BASED ON THE NUMBER OF MILLIONAIRES
21 AND HOW MUCH MONEY GETS GENERATED. THIS HAS BEEN A BIG
22 CHALLENGE FOR US. WHEN COVID HIT, THERE WAS THIS BIG CONCERN
23 THAT, BECAUSE OF THE ECONOMY, WE WOULD GET MUCH LESS MONEY.
24 THERE WAS A PROJECTION BY THE STATE THAT WE WOULD GET 500
25 INSTEAD OF \$600 MILLION. WE ENDED UP GETTING \$700 MILLION. SO,

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1 YOU CAN IMAGINE, WHEN YOU'RE TRYING TO BALANCE A BUDGET WITH
2 THAT KIND OF STUFF, IT'S VERY DIFFICULT. WHAT ENDED UP
3 HAPPENING, SO JUST AS AN EXAMPLE, WHEN I SHOWED UP HERE 5.5
4 YEARS AGO, THE STATE COLLECTED \$2.2 BILLION IN M.H.S.A. THAT
5 HAS NOW JUMP TO \$3.6 BILLION FOR STATE OF CALIFORNIA, WHICH
6 GETS DIVIDED UP. WE HAVE TO FIGURE OUT WAYS TO LIBERATE THE
7 WORKFORCE AND THE SPENDING OF THE MONEY SO IT DOESN'T END UP
8 IN FUND BALANCES. THIS, I BELIEVE, IS A MOVE IN THE RIGHT
9 DIRECTION, BUT IT'S NOT AS FAR AS IT NEEDS TO GO. AND I WILL
10 CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE, WORK WITH C.E.O. LEDGE, WITH --
11 LEGISLATORS IN SACRAMENTO AND STEINBERG INSTITUTE AND OTHER
12 PARTNERS TO TRY TO GET THIS THING TO A POINT WHERE WE CAN
13 SPEND DOWN THE FUNDING. I'LL ALSO SAY -- AND I HAVE
14 RECOMMENDED TO THE STATE THAT THEY THINK ABOUT FIGURING OUT
15 WAYS TO FACILITATE OUR SPENDING OF THIS WHAT I'M CALLING
16 SURPLUS MONEY THAT HAS REALLY KINK OF BUMPED US UP INTO TO A
17 WHOLE DIFFERENT STRATOSPHERE.

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21 >>SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ANYTHING,
22 SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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24 SUP. BARGER: NO, I'M GLAD YOU ASKED THOSE QUESTIONS, AND I'M
25 GLAD, DR. SHERIN, YOU MADE A COMMENT. THIS OBVIOUSLY DOESN'T

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1 GO FAR ENOUGH. BUT YOU, COMING FROM SACRAMENTO, KNOW JUST EVEN
2 A LITTLE BIT OF MOVEMENT AT THIS POINT SHOWS PROMISE, BUT I
3 APPRECIATE YOUR QUESTIONS. I THINK THEY ARE IMPORTANT AND GOOD
4 ONES.

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR
7 COMMENTS ON IT?

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS:** I DO HAVE JUST A COMMENT. I'M HAPPY THAT WE'RE
10 ABLE TO RECEIVE ADDITIONAL FUNDING, BUT I DO KNOW THERE IS A
11 LOT OF INFLEXIBILITY IN THESE PROGRAMS, AND I WANT TO CONTINUE
12 TO IMPRESS UPON THE MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTOR THAT WE OUGHT TO BE
13 READY TO BE ABLE TO TAKE UP ANY ISSUES THAT COME UP, AS WE
14 HAVE SEEN DURING THE PANDEMIC, QUICKLY SO WE CAN GET THE
15 DOLLARS OUT ON THE STREET. ONE THING THAT I WANTED TO SHARE IS
16 THE FULL SERVICE PARTNERSHIP, OUR MOBILE TEAMS, ALL OF THAT,
17 REQUIRES US TO MOVE FAST. AND EVEN WITH THE PROMOTORAS
18 PROGRAM, WE KNOW THAT THERE'S GREAT NEED. I'D LIKE TO SEE MORE
19 INSISTENCE ON GETTING THE FUNDING FORMULAS TO ADDRESS THOSE
20 KINDS OF ISSUES AS WELL. AND RIGHT NOW, THE MORE THAT WE TALK
21 ABOUT MORE FUNDING AVAILABLE, BELIEVE ME, WE HAVE A BROADER
22 AUDIENCE RIGHT NOW ACROSS THE STREET. THE CITY IS SAYING,
23 OKAY, HOW FLEXIBLE ARE THOSE DOLLARS TO HELP PROVIDE
24 ASSISTANCE, MENTAL HEALTH ASSISTANCE, FOR HOMELESS PEOPLE AND

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1 WHAT HAVE YOU. I THINK THIS IS GOING TO BE A REAL TEST FOR US,
2 TOO. I JUST HOPE WE CAN KIND OF MAKE THE BEST OF THIS.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** AND I THINK THE CHALLENGE IS M.H.S.A.
5 DOLLARS ARE NOT FLEXIBLE. AND SO, FIGURING OUT HOW THE
6 LEGISLATURE CAN PUSH THE ENVELOPE. I KNOW DR. SHERIN AND
7 OTHERS HAVE BEEN UP THERE BEATING THE DOOR TO MAKE SURE --
8 IT'S HORRIBLE TO HAVE THIS INFLUX OF NEW DOLLARS IN SUCH A
9 RESTRICTED WAY THAT WE CAN'T ALWAYS SPEND IT IN AREAS WHERE WE
10 REALLY NEED IT. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. DR. SHERIN.

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12 **DR. SHERIN:** YEAH, IF I COULD. I REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR INPUT,
13 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. WHAT I WILL SAY IS THAT WE'RE DOING OUR BEST
14 TO EXPAND FULL SERVICE PARTNERSHIPS, BOTH WITH OUR STAFF AND
15 OUR DIRECTLY OPERATING CLINICS, AS WELL AS WITH OUR
16 CONTRACTORS, AND MANY, MANY OTHER PROGRAMS, INCLUDING THE
17 PROMOTER PROGRAM AS WELL AS THE COMMUNITY AMBASSADOR NETWORK
18 THAT YOU HELPED US PUT OUT INTO THE STREETS. PART OF THE
19 PROBLEM RIGHT NOW IS DIFFICULTY BUILDING UP THE CAPACITY.
20 WE'RE HAVING A HARD TIME KEEPING STAFF. OUR CONTRACTORS CAN'T
21 HIRE STAFF. WE GIVE THEM MONEY TO SPEND. THEY CAN'T SPEND IT.
22 SO I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE SAYING, AND I'D REALLY LOVE TO
23 FIGURE OUT SOLUTIONS TO THOSE CHALLENGES, BECAUSE THEY
24 PERSIST AND THEY -- YOU KNOW, IN TERMS OF FLEXIBILITY, THERE
25 ARE THINGS THAT WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO USE MONEY FOR THAT WE NEED

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1 AND THAT WE USE OTHER FUNDING STREAMS TO PAY FOR, AND THOSE
2 OTHER FUNDING STREAMS ARE DRYING UP WHILE THESE ARE GROWING.
3 SO THERE'S A BIG PROBLEM WITH THE COMPLEXITY OF THE SYSTEM,
4 THE SILOING OF THE SYSTEM, AND LACK OF REALLY -- THE REAL
5 FLEXIBILITY WE NEED HERE LOCALLY AT THE GROUND LEVEL TO MEET
6 DEMANDS AND TO PARTNER WITH THE COMMUNITY WHO IDENTIFY WHAT
7 THOSE DEMANDS ARE.

8

9 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AGAIN, THIS ITEM IS
10 BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
11 HAHN TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
12 ROLL.

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** 73B IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

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

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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

23

24 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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3 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

7

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

9

10 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. MOTION CARRIES
11 5-0.

12

13 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** WE'LL NOW TAKE UP PUBLIC HEARING ITEM
14 79, THE HEARING ON THE GENERAL PLAN SAFETY ELEMENT UPDATE. OUR
15 DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING, AMY BODEK, IS AVAILABLE IF
16 MEMBERS HAVE QUESTIONS. WE'LL START WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I DON'T HAVE ANY
19 QUESTIONS. I JUST -- I ACTUALLY HAVE A MOTION. THE SAFETY
20 ELEMENT IS ONE COMPONENT OF THE COUNTY'S GENERAL PLAN, WHICH
21 FOCUSES ON POTENTIAL HAZARDS UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES FACE
22 WITH THE GOAL OF POTENTIAL SHORT AND LONGTERM RISK RESULTING
23 FROM FIRE, FLOOD, DROUGHTS, EARTHQUAKES, LANDSLIDES, AND
24 CLIMATE CHANGE. THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA RECENTLY PASSED
25 LEGISLATION THAT REQUIRES THE COUNTY'S HOUSING ELEMENT AND

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1 SAFETY ELEMENT TO BE UPDATED AT THE SAME TIME. THE STATE HAS
2 ALSO PASSED LEGISLATION REQUIRING THE SAFETY ELEMENT TO
3 ADDRESS CLIMATE CHANGE AND HAZARD RISK REDUCTION AND TO
4 ADDRESS REQUIREMENTS FOR DEVELOPMENTS IN FIRE HAZARD AREAS TO
5 HAVE ADDITIONAL WILDFIRE PROTECTIONS. THE STATE CONTINUES TO
6 TAKE A VERY ACTIVE APPROACH IN TRYING TO DICTATE LAND USE
7 POLICIES FROM SACRAMENTO, AND I, AS ALWAYS, BELIEVE THAT
8 LOCALLY DRIVEN SOLUTIONS ARE A FAR BETTER, BUT THE REALITY IS,
9 WE HAVE GOT SOMETHING THAT WE HAVE TO ABIDE BY RIGHT NOW. I
10 WANT TO THANK AMY BODEK, DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING, AND
11 YOUR STAFF FOR THE SIGNIFICANT EFFORT THAT YOU HAVE MADE IN
12 ADDRESSING THIS UPDATE AND BALANCING THE NEED TO DEVELOP NEW
13 HOUSING TO ADDRESS THE COUNTY-WIDE HOUSING SHORTAGE ALONG WITH
14 MEETING THE COUNTY'S AMBITIOUS SUSTAINABILITY GOALS AND
15 ENSURING THE SAFETY OF OUR COMMUNITIES IS NO SIMPLE TASK. AND
16 HONESTY, AMY, BETWEEN YOU AND ELAINE, YOU'VE DONE A PHENOMENAL
17 JOB WITH YOUR STAFF TO DO THAT. AT A TIME WHERE THE COUNTY AND
18 STATE ARE SEEING INCREASING SEVERITY AND FREQUENCY OF
19 WILDFIRES, IT'S INCUMBENT UPON THE COUNTY TO ADDRESS THIS
20 RISK. THE UPDATED SAFETY ELEMENT RECOGNIZES THAT DISADVANTAGED
21 COMMUNITIES ARE UNIQUELY VULNERABLE TO CLIMATE RELATED
22 HAZARDS. I WANT TO FOCUS SPECIFICALLY ON WILD LAND FIRES SINCE
23 A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF FIFTH DISTRICT IS IDENTIFIED AS BEING
24 WITHIN A HIGH FIRE OR VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE.
25 ALTHOUGH FIRES ARE A NATURAL PART OF THE WILD LAND ECOSYSTEM,

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1 DEVELOPMENT IN WILD LAND AREAS INCREASES THE DANGER OF
2 WILDFIRES TO RESIDENTS, PROPERTY, AND THE ENVIRONMENT. THESE
3 WILD LAND FIRE THREATS ARE INCREASING, AGAIN, IN PART DUE TO
4 CLIMATE CHANGE. THIS ACKNOWLEDGMENT IS CRITICAL TO HELP REDUCE
5 FIRE FREQUENCY, SAVE LIFE AND PROPERTY, AND REDUCE FUTURE FIRE
6 RELATED COSTS TO THE TAX PAYERS. HOWEVER, THE SAFETY ELEMENT,
7 IN A NOD TO THE NEED FOR MORE HOUSING ACHIEVES A NECESSARY
8 BALANCE WITH ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS IN THAT IT RECOGNIZES AREAS
9 THAT ARE SUITABLE FOR AND ALREADY COMMITTED TO DEVELOPMENT.
10 UNDERSTANDING THE NEED TO BALANCE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,
11 LIMITING EXTREME HAZARDS, AND SUPPORTING THE PROTECTION OF
12 EXISTING OR PLANNED DEVELOPMENT, I WOULD LIKE TO BRING A
13 MOTION TO MAKE SOME SLIGHT REVISIONS TO ENSURE ALL THESE GOALS
14 ARE MET, AND I HAVE RUN THESE BY AMY AND HER STAFF. I,
15 THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD INDICATE YOUR INTENT TO ADOPT
16 THE NEGATIVE DECLARATION ASSOCIATED WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL
17 ASSESSMENT NUMBER R.P.P.L.2021005522 FINDING THAT THERE IS NO
18 SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE THAT THE PROJECT WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT
19 EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT, TO INDICATE YOUR INTENT TO APPROVE
20 THE PROJECT PLAN AMENDMENT NUMBER R.P.P.L.2021011001 WITH
21 SLIGHT REVISIONS TO POLICIES S4.1, S4.20, AND L1.10, FIND THAT
22 THE PROJECT, WITH THESE REVISIONS, IS CONSISTENT WITH THE
23 GOALS, POLICIES, AND THE PRINCIPLES OF THE GENERAL PLAN IN THE
24 INTEREST OF PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND GENERAL WELFARE AND IN
25 CONFORMITY WITH THE GOOD ZONING PRACTICE AND CONSISTENT WITH

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1 OTHER PROVISIONS OF TITLE 22 OF THE L.A. COUNTY CODE AND 4)
2 INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE FINAL DOCUMENTS FOR THE
3 PROJECT AND BRING THEM BACK TO THIS BOARD FOR THEIR
4 CONSIDERATION. AND AGAIN, I JUST WANT TO COMMEND YOU, AMY. WE
5 TALKED ABOUT THIS, AND THERE ARE PROJECTS THAT WERE APPROVED
6 20 YEARS AGO THAT STILL HAVE NOT HAD HOUSING BUILT THAT, QUITE
7 FRANKLY, I'M THRILLED ABOUT AT ALL AND IN TODAY'S ENVIRONMENT
8 WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN APPROVED. AND I THINK THIS IS AN
9 OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO LOOK AT SOME OF THESE PROJECTS THAT
10 AREN'T NECESSARILY GOOD PROJECTS AND ENSURE THAT WE ARE
11 PROTECTING LIFE AND PROPERTY, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY LIFE, AND I
12 THINK THAT THAT'S MY GOAL IN BRINGING THIS FORWARD. SO THANK
13 YOU AGAIN, AMY.

14

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

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17 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I SIMPLY WANTED TO CLARIFY
18 OR ASK FOR CLARIFICATION A LITTLE BIT ON THE INDICATION IN
19 DIRECTIVE TWO AS TO SLIGHT REVISIONS BECAUSE IN SOME
20 COMMUNICATION THE SLIGHT REVISION ADDED LANGUAGE THAT NEW
21 SUBDIVISIONS WOULD NOT BE PROHIBITED IF THEY WERE WITHIN THE
22 BOUNDARIES OF A COMMUNITY'S FACILITY DISTRICT ADOPTED BY US
23 PRIOR TO JANUARY OF THIS YEAR. IS THAT THE -- WHAT YOU
24 REFERRED TO AS SLIGHT REVISIONS? IS THAT RIGHT?

25

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1 **SUP. BARGER:** YES. THAT WAS -- AMY, CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG,
2 BUT THAT'S WHAT WE WERE TALKING ABOUT? YOU ARE ON MUTE.

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4 **AMY BODEK:** SORRY, CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?

5

6 **SUP. BARGER:** YES.

7

8 **AMY BODEK:** MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THANK YOU
9 VERY MUCH. MADAM, LET ME GO BACK TO THE LANGUAGE THAT YOU ARE
10 ASKING ABOUT. SO SOME OF THE SLIGHT REVISIONS DO PROVIDE
11 CLARITY ON THOSE EXISTING SUBDIVISIONS WHICH ARE ALREADY IN
12 THE WORKS AND NEEDED ADDITIONAL CLARITY THAT THEY WOULD BE
13 ALLOWED TO BE CONTINUING UNDER THE CURRENT RULES THAT THEY ARE
14 -- THAT THEY WERE APPROVED UNDER. SO THERE WAS SLIGHT
15 MODIFICATION THAT DID ALLOW FOR THAT. WE ALSO MADE SOME SLIGHT
16 MODIFICATIONS, SPECIFICALLY RELATED TO SECONDARY EGRESS AND
17 WHAT THAT MEANT BECAUSE SOME OF OUR STAKEHOLDERS HAD
18 DIFFICULTY UNDERSTANDING WHAT SECONDARY EGRESS MEANT. YOU
19 KNOW, IF WE ARE TALKING ABOUT SECONDARY EGRESS IN YOUR HOUSE,
20 THAT'S OBVIOUSLY YOUR BACK DOOR. IF WE ARE TALKING ABOUT
21 SECONDARY EGRESS IN A COMMUNITY, THAT IS A SECONDARY WAY TO
22 EXIT THAT COMMUNITY IN AN EMERGENCY. WE ALSO ADDED SLIGHT
23 CLARIFYING LANGUAGE THAT IS REFLECTIVE IN SOME GUIDANCE
24 DOCUMENTS FROM THE STATE THAT TALK ABOUT PROVIDING ACCESS

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1 ROUTES IN A RANGE OF SCENARIOS. AND SO, THOSE WERE INCLUDED AS
2 LATE ADDITIONS INTO THESE MODIFICATIONS.

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** OKAY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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6 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH, SO THE ANSWER -- YEAH.

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8 **SUP. KUEHL:** GOT IT, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU.

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12 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS ON THIS
13 ITEM? IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND
14 VOTE ON THIS ITEM NOW. ITEM 79 AS AMENDED IS BEFORE US. MOVED
15 BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL TO APPROVE
16 THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 79 AS AMENDED IS BEFORE YOU.
19 SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

22

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

24

25 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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

3

4 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

5

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

7

8 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

9

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

11 MITCHELL.

12

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

14

15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. MOTION CARRIES

16 5-0.

17

18 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. TAKING UP PUBLIC HEARING ITEM

19 80, HEARING ON COUNTY CODE TITLE 5, PERSONNEL AMENDMENTS.

20 ASSISTANT COUNTY COUNSEL IS AVAILABLE IF THERE ARE QUESTIONS.

21 ARE THERE ANY SUPERVISORS THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE REMARKS ON

22 ITEM 80? NO COMMENTS ON ITEM 80? IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO

23 CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTE ON THIS ITEM. ITEM 80 IS

24 BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR

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

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 80 IS BEFORE YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

5

6 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

7

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

9

10 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

11

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

13

14 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

15

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

17

18 **SUP. BARGER:** NO.

19

20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, NO. SUPERVISOR
21 MITCHELL.

22

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

24

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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. MOTION CARRIES
2 4-1.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** COLLEAGUES, AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE
5 APPROPRIATE TO HEAR FROM MEMBER WHO HAVE SPECIALS. AND THERE
6 ARE NO SPECIALS. SO, WE WILL MOVE ON TO OUR ADJOURNMENTS IN
7 MEMORY. AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO HEAR FROM
8 THEM. WE ARE GOING BEGIN WITH DISTRICT THREE TODAY WITH
9 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AND THEN PROCEED IN SEQUENTIAL ORDER, 3, 4,
10 5, 1, AND I WILL BRING UP THE REAR WITH 2. SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

11

12 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I ASK THAT WHEN
13 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A GREAT DRUMMER,
14 TAYLOR HAWKINS. IN THE MID '90S, TAYLOR HAWKINS CAME TO
15 EVERYBODY'S ATTENTION, I THINK, AS THE DRUMMER FOR ALANIS
16 MORISSETTE. AND IN '97, HE WAS INVITED BY THE FOO FIGHTERS TO
17 JOIN THEIR BAND. HE FIRST APPEARED WITH THE BAND IN A '97
18 VIDEO FOR THE FOO FIGHTERS MOST POPULAR SONG "EVERLONG." IN
19 ADDITION TO HIS DRUMMING WITH THE FOO FIGHTERS, HE ALSO
20 PROVIDED VOCALS, GUITAR, AND PIANO TO A LOT OF OTHER
21 RECORDINGS AND GAINED A LOT OF CRITICAL ACCLAIM, ESPECIALLY
22 FOR HIS ENERGY, THE INTRICACY OF HIS WORK, AND JUST -- I DON'T
23 KNOW WHAT TO SAY, HIS ENERGY. IN 2004, HE FORMED HIS OWN SIDE
24 PROJECT, TAYLOR HAWKINS AND THE COATTAIL RIDERS, IN WHICH HE
25 PLAYED DRUMS AND SANG. THEY RELEASED THREE STUDIO ALBUMS

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1 BETWEEN 2006 AND 2019. HE WAS VOTED THE BEST ROCK DRUMMER IN
2 2005 BY THE BRITISH DRUMMING MAGAZINE RHYTHM AND INDUCTED INTO
3 THE ROCK & ROLL HALL OF FAME IN 2021 AS A MEMBER OF THE FOO
4 FIGHTERS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ALISON, AND THEIR
5 CHILDREN, OLIVER, ANNABELLE, AND EVERLEIGH. AND I ASK THAT
6 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SUSAN ESPIRITU
7 DILKES. IN 1973, SHE CAME TO CALIFORNIA FROM THE PHILIPPINES.
8 SHE FOUND HERSELF TO BE A NATURAL LEADER AND ROSE TO BE THE
9 PRESIDENT OR THE CHAIR OF QUITE A FEW ORGANIZATIONS THAT
10 SERVED THE FILIPINO IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY, INCLUDING THE
11 BOHOLANOS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, INCORPORATED, WHICH
12 SPECIFICALLY HELPED IMMIGRANTS FROM BOHO, HER ORIGINAL HOME
13 PROVINCE. IN 1994, SHE TOOK A JOB AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
14 THE FILIPINO AMERICAN SERVICE GROUP IN HISTORIC FILIPINO TOWN.
15 AND UNDER HER LEADERSHIP, THEY BUILT A 26-BED RESIDENTIAL
16 FACILITY. AND FOR THE NEXT 21 YEARS, SHE PROVIDED COMMUNITY
17 FOOD PROGRAMS, MEDICAL SERVICE PROGRAM, IMMIGRATION
18 ASSISTANCE, AND MANY OTHER SERVICES TO THE FILIPINO AMERICAN
19 COMMUNITY. SHE ORGANIZED AND PUBLISHED THE VERY FIRST HEALTH
20 STUDY OF FILIPINO VETERANS. AND THAT STUDY, AND HER TESTIMONY
21 BEFORE CONGRESS, WERE THE MAJOR INFLUENCES THAT ULTIMATELY
22 SECURED V.A. MEDICAL SERVICES FOR THE FILIPINO VETERANS IN THE
23 UNITED STATES. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, EDWARD, AND BY
24 HER SONS, ROMEL AND RONEL, AND HER DAUGHTERS, JENNIFER AND
25 KIANA. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN

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1 MEMORY OF JACQUELINE LEISURE, WHO DIED ON MARCH 16TH.
2 THROUGHOUT HER LIFE, IN ADDITION TO BEING A HOMEMAKER AND AN
3 AVID TENNIS PLAYER, SHE WAS A DEDICATED VOLUNTEER, FIRST FOR
4 THE L.A. RED CROSS, AND LATER FOR L.A.C.M.A. AND U.C.L.A. SHE
5 WAS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE ART MUSEUM COUNCIL AT L.A.C.M.A.,
6 AND AT U.C.L.A. SERVED TERMS AS PRESIDENT OF THE MEDICAL
7 CENTER AUXILIARY AND THE U.C.L.A. ART COUNCIL AS WELL AS
8 SERVING AS VICE PRESIDENT OF THE U.C.L.A. ALUMNI ASSOCIATION.
9 (I AM ASSUMING YOU KNOW DR. SCORZA IS NOW THE PRESIDENT OF THE
10 U.C.L.A. ALUMNI ASSOCIATION) SHE WAS RECOGNIZED BY THE
11 U.C.L.A. ALUMNI ASSOCIATION IN 1973 WITH ITS ANNUAL VOLUNTEER
12 AWARD. AND IN LATER YEARS, SHE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE
13 COLLEAGUES. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN, TONY, LARRY, AND
14 CHARLOTTE. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
15 HONOR OF MARY LOU LYONS, WHO WAS ALWAYS INVOLVED IN COMMUNITY
16 ORGANIZATIONS LIKE SAN FERNANDO JUNIOR COSMOS CLUB, SAN
17 FERNANDO VALLEY JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB, VALLEY LAWYER'S WIVES,
18 CAMPFIRE GIRLS SPONSOR, PARENTS FELLOWSHIP, AND SERVICE CLUB
19 OF CHRISTIAN DAY SCHOOL, VALLEY COMMITTEE FOR THE L.A.
20 PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA, AND NATIONAL CHARITY LEAGUE OF SAN
21 FERNANDO VALLEY. IN 1958, SHE BECAME INVOLVED WITH SISTERS OF
22 THE HOLY CROSS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING OF HOLY CROSS
23 HOSPITAL IN MISSION HILLS. SHE FOUNDED THE HOSPITAL GUILD OF
24 VOLUNTEERS AND SERVED AS THE CHARTER PRESIDENT FROM 1958 TO
25 1960. SHE WAS HONORED AT THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HOSPITAL

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1 GUILD IN 1986, FOR UNMEASURABLE GIVING OF HERSELF AND HER TIME
2 WITHOUT RESERVATION. FROM 1958 TO 1986, THEY ESTIMATED THAT
3 SHE HAD VOLUNTEERED OVER 30,000 HOURS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER
4 CHILDREN, CELESTE, CHARLES, AND GEORGE. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE
5 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JANET MACPHERSON, A
6 GROUNDBREAKING SURFER, WHO DIED ON MARCH 5TH. IN THE 1950S,
7 WHEN JANET WAS IN HER TEENS AND EARLY 20S, SHE WAS SOMETHING
8 OF A RARE SIGHT IN THE WATERS OFF HAWAII AND CALIFORNIA. A
9 WOMAN ON A SURF BOARD AT A TIME WHEN MEN TOTALLY DOMINATED
10 THAT ACTIVITY. EVEN RARER, SHE CONTINUED SURFING IN HER 80S
11 AND WAS A RESPECTED PIONEER IN THE COMMUNITY. DURING SOME OF
12 HER WORLD TRAVELS, SHE WAS CROWNED NEW ZEALAND'S WOMEN'S
13 SURFING CHAMPION IN 1965. WHEN SHE WASN'T SURFING, SHE
14 DEVELOPED A MODEST REAL ESTATE BUSINESS, ACQUIRING RENTAL
15 PROPERTIES IN MALIBU. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, STEPHEN,
16 HER SON, SEAN, AND HER SISTER, MARIE. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE
17 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF YOUNES NAZARIAN, A
18 PHILANTHROPIST, WHO DIED ON MARCH 18TH. A BUSINESSMAN,
19 COMMUNITY LEADER, WAS BORN IN TEHRAN IRAN, AND UPON ARRIVING
20 IN THE UNITED STATES, BECAME CO-OWNER OF STADCO, A TOOL AND
21 DIE MANUFACTURING COMPANY IN THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY. HE WAS
22 THE CHAIRMAN OF NAZARIAN ENTERPRISES WITH DIVERSIFIED ASSETS
23 ACROSS KEY INDUSTRIES, INCLUDING AEROSPACE, MANUFACTURING,
24 LOGISTICS, TECHNOLOGY, HOSPITALITY, REAL ESTATE, AND, LATELY,
25 ALTERNATIVE ENERGY. IN 2000, YOUNES AND HIS WIFE ESTABLISHED

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1 THE YOUNES AND SORAYA NAZARIAN FAMILY FOUNDATION IN THE U.S.
2 AND THE IMA FOUNDATION IN ISRAEL, NAMED AFTER HIS MOTHER. THE
3 PRIMARY MISSION OF BOTH FOUNDATIONS IS TO PROMOTE EDUCATION AS
4 THE MOST IMPORTANT CATALYST TO BRIDGE SOCIOECONOMIC GAPS. HE
5 WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN BUILDING BRIDGES BETWEEN THE IRANIAN
6 COMMUNITY AND THE GREATER AMERICAN COMMUNITY. HE WAS A KEY
7 SUPPORTER OF NUMEROUS CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS IN THE U.S. AND
8 IN ISRAEL AND NAMED THE YOUNES AND SORAYA NAZARIAN CENTER FOR
9 ISRAEL STUDIES AT U.C.L.A., THE YOUNES AND SORAYA NAZARIAN
10 CENTER FOR PERFORMING ARTS AT C.S.U.N., THE THAT NAZARIAN
11 PAVILION IN THE HISTORIC DOHENY LIBRARY AT U.S.C., AND THE
12 LIBRARY AT UNIVERSITY OF ARE HAIFA, AMONG MANY OTHERS. HE IS
13 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, SORAYA, AND HIS CHILDREN, DAVID,
14 SHULAMIT, SHARON, AND SAM. AND FINALLY, I ASK THAT WHEN WE
15 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RICHARD PODOLOR, A
16 MUSICIAN AND PRODUCER, WHO DIED ON MARCH 9TH. AFTER RICHIE WAS
17 DISCOVERED AS A GUITARIST AT 17, SUBSEQUENTLY PLAYED ON TWO
18 NUMBER ONE RECORDS. IN 1958, HIS FAMILY STARTED ONE OF THE
19 FIRST INDEPENDENT RECORDING STUDIOS IN HOLLYWOOD, AMERICAN
20 RECORDING COMPANY. IN 1962, THEY MOVED THE STUDIO TO STUDIO
21 CITY, WHERE RICHIE AND HIS BUSINESS PARTNER, BILL, RECORDED A
22 WHOLE STRING OF HITS THROUGHOUT THE '60S AND '70S. AND THEN IN
23 1984, RICHIE AND BILL BUILT A NEW STATE OF THE ART STUDIO TO
24 INCLUDE ACCOMMODATING OUTSIDE CLIENTS LIKE FLEETWOOD MAC, DON
25 HENLEY, HEART, STEVE PERRY, TOM PETTY, AND MANY OTHERS. HE IS

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1 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, LOU, AND THEIR CHILDREN, SHERRI, JAMES,
2 AND ROBERT, AND HIS BROTHER, DON. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.
3 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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5 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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7 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
8 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF BETTY DAY. I KNOW BETTY IS
9 ONE OF YOUR CONSTITUENTS, BUT I HAVE KNOWN BETTY SINCE I WAS
10 ON THE CITY COUNCIL OF LOS ANGELES STARTING IN 2001. SHE JUST
11 PASSED AWAY. SHE WAS 82. SHE WAS A MEMBER OF THE WATTS
12 COMMUNITY FOR OVER 70 YEARS. SHE REALLY WAS THE HEART AND SOUL
13 OF WATTS. AND SHE DEDICATED HER LIFE TO MAKING SURE THAT THERE
14 WAS A SAFE HAVEN FOR THE YOUTH IN THAT COMMUNITY. HER HUSBAND,
15 ARTHUR, AND HER WERE MARRIED FOR 65 YEARS BEFORE HE PASSED
16 AWAY. AND AFTER RAISING THEIR OWN CHILDREN, THEY OPENED UP
17 THEIR HOME AND PROVIDED LOVE, CARE, AND SUPPORT TO NUMEROUS
18 CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE. I REALLY GOT TO KNOW BETTY WHEN WE
19 STARTED THE WATTS GANG TASKFORCE, AND BETTY WAS ONE OF THE
20 ORIGINAL FOUNDING MEMBERS, WHERE WE CONTINUED TO MEET IN MY
21 COUNCIL OFFICE EVERY SINGLE MONDAY. AND SHE CONTINUALLY WAS A
22 BRIDGE BETWEEN L.A.P.D. AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY. SHE
23 REALLY MADE A DIFFERENCE IN REDUCING CRIME AND BEING ABLE TO
24 SPEAK TO YOUNG PEOPLE AND REALLY URGE THEM TO HAVE A DIFFERENT
25 ALTERNATIVE THAN VIOLENCE. AND SHE WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED

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1 FOR THAT. SHE ALSO WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER BRISKET. BETTY
2 COULD MAKE THE BEST BRISKET THAT I BELIEVE I HAVE EVER HAD.
3 SHE NEVER SHARED HER RECIPE WITH ANYBODY, BUT WHEN MY BROTHER
4 WAS MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES, HE HELPED TO FUND AND CREATE A
5 POCKET PARK THAT WAS KIND OF THE GROWING TREND IN THE CITY
6 BACK IN THE DAY WAS POCKET PARKS. AND HE BUILT ONE RIGHT
7 ACROSS THE STREET FROM BETTY. SHE CONSIDERED IT HER PERSONAL
8 POCKET PARK AND WAS ALWAYS GRATEFUL TO MY BROTHER FOR THAT,
9 BUT SHE WOULD HOST THESE NEIGHBORHOOD GATHERINGS, WHERE SHE
10 WOULD SERVE HER BRISKET, AND THE WHOLE NEIGHBORHOOD WOULD LINE
11 UP TO GET A PIECE OF BETTY'S BRISKET. WE WILL MISS HER. I AM
12 SO GLAD I GOT TO KNOW HER. REALLY SHE WAS VERY IMPORTANT TO ME
13 IN MY LIFE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY EIGHT CHILDREN, AND SHE IS
14 SURVIVED BY MANY OF US WHO LOVED HER AND WERE FRIENDS WITH
15 HER. SHE'LL BE GREATLY MISSED, BUT I KNOW HER SPIRIT WILL LIVE
16 ON FOREVER IN THE COMMUNITY OF WATTS. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE
17 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF ROBERT LUKIN, WHO
18 WAS A SAN PEDRO RESIDENT. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 46
19 AFTER BATTLING EWING'S SARCOMA, WHICH IS A VERY RARE FORM OF
20 BONE CANCER. HE -- OUR COMMUNITY IN SAN PEDRO CAME TOGETHER TO
21 RAISE MONEY TO ASSIST HIS FAMILY WITH MEDICAL COSTS FOR THE
22 TREATMENT AND HIS HOSPITALIZATION. SO HE REALLY DID BRING OUR
23 COMMUNITY TOGETHER. IT IS UNFORTUNATE THAT WE WERE COMING
24 TOGETHER TO BATTLE THIS TERRIBLE FORM OF CANCER WITH HIM. HE
25 WAS A PROUD MEMBER OF I.L.W.U., FOLLOWING IN HIS FATHER'S

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1 FOOTSTEPS AS A LOCAL 13 LONGSHOREMAN, THEN TRANSFERRING TO
2 LOCAL 63 AS A MARINE CLERK. ROBBIE WAS A DEDICATED FATHER. HE
3 SPENT MUCH OF HIS TIME COACHING HIS TWO SONS AND DOING
4 WHATEVER HE COULD TO SUPPORT THEIR BASEBALL CAREERS. ROBBIE IS
5 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, JAMIE, HIS SONS, CHASE AND TY, AND HIS
6 MOTHER, BARBARA. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE
7 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF ROBERT PERKINS, AND I KNOW,
8 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, I THINK YOU WANT TO SAY A FEW WORDS ON
9 THIS. HIS FAMILY CALLED OUR OFFICE AND LET US KNOW ABOUT HIS
10 PASSING AND ASKED FOR US TO ADJOURN OUR MEETING IN HIS MEMORY.
11 HE WAS 92 WHEN HE PASSED. AS A YOUNG MAN, HE SERVED IN THE
12 ARMY. HE RECEIVED THE WORLD WAR II VICTORY MEDAL FOR HIS
13 HONORABLE SERVICE, AND AFTER HIS DISCHARGE FROM THE ARMY, BOB
14 WENT TO WORK FOR THE U.S. POST OFFICE. AND IN 1957, HE JOINED
15 THE COUNTY FAMILY WORKING FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY AIR
16 POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT. AND IN 1974, HE BEGAN WORKING AS
17 THE CHIEF DEPUTY TO THE FOURTH DISTRICT JAMES HAYES. HE WENT
18 ON TO SERVE AS CHIEF DEPUTIES TO SUPERVISOR YVONNE BURKE, AND
19 DEANE DANA. YOU PROBABLY WORKED WITH HIM, SUPERVISOR BARGER,
20 WITH ALL YOUR YEARS HERE AS WELL. AFTER HIS RETIREMENT, BOB'S
21 LOVE OF TRAVEL INSPIRED HIM TO OPEN TWO TRAVEL AGENCIES WITH
22 HIS SON KENNETH. THE TWO MANAGED COMPTON TRAVEL AND CRENSHAW
23 IMPERIAL TRAVEL FOR OVER 20 YEARS. HE ALSO OWNED PRIMO DELI
24 IN CENTURY CITY. BOB SHOWED HIS FAITH AND LOVE OF GOD THROUGH
25 HIS COMMUNITY SERVICE. IF HE MET SOMEONE IN NEED, HE WOULD

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1 HELP WITHOUT HESITATION. HE HELPED WITH LOVE IN HIS HEART,
2 NEVER EXPECTING ANYTHING IN RETURN. HIS SPIRIT LIVES ON IN
3 EVERYONE HE TOUCHED. I AM SURE THERE'S STILL RESIDENTS OF THE
4 FOURTH DISTRICT THAT WERE HELPED BY HIM. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
5 CHILDREN, ROBERT, JR., KENNETH, AND JOYCE. DO YOU WANT TO SAY
6 SOMETHING? OH, OKAY. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY,
7 WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF RUBIE MCCLURE, WHO WAS A LONGTIME
8 RESIDENT OF SAN PEDRO. SHE IS 81 WHEN SHE PASSED. RUBIE WAS A
9 GIFTED AND COMPASSIONATE TEACHER, GUIDANCE COUNSELOR FOR THE
10 LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR MANY DECADES. WHEN SHE
11 WASN'T TEACHING, RUBIE COULD BE FOUND IN THE STANDS CHEERING
12 ON THE MANY COMMUNITY CHILDREN THAT CALLED HER MOM OR
13 FELLOWSHIPING WITH FRIENDS AT THE SAN PEDRO PENINSULA CHURCH
14 OF THE NAZARENE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, RICHARD,
15 CHILDREN, VALERIE AND SYDNEY, AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN, THANK
16 YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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18 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND IF YOU'D ALLOW ME TO ADD
19 ON MS. DAY AND MR. PERKINS, I WOULD APPRECIATE THAT. MOVING ON
20 TO SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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22 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
23 ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF SALLY BALDWIN. SALLY
24 PASSED AWAY LAST NIGHT, AND, QUITE FRANKLY, MANY HEARTS ARE
25 BROKEN. SALLY WAS A CHERISHED FRIEND, AND WHEN I BOUGHT MY

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1 FIRST HOUSE WAS MY NEXTDOOR NEIGHBOR, ACTUALLY. SHE WAS A SAN
2 GABRIEL RESIDENT SINCE 1963, AND SHE TRULY LOVED HER
3 COMMUNITY, AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, HER COMMUNITY LOVED HER.
4 SALLY TAUGHT CHILDREN IN THE SAN GABRIEL SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR
5 28 YEARS. SHE WAS ACTIVE IN MANY ORGANIZATIONS, TOO MANY TO
6 EVEN LIST, BUT, IN PARTICULAR, SHE LOVED THE SHAKESPEARE CLUB,
7 VOLUNTEERING WITH THE SAN GABRIEL COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, SAN
8 GABRIEL HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION, AS WELL AS REALLY A CHERISHED
9 ONE FOR HER, THE ASIAN YOUTH CENTER. SHE WAS A LAY EUCHARIST
10 MINISTER AT CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOR, MY PARISH, AND WITH HER
11 HUSBAND, HARRY, WAS ALSO AN USHER. SHE ATTENDED U.C.L.A.,
12 WHERE SHE MET HER HUSBAND OF 61 YEARS, HARRY. HARRY AND SALLY,
13 WERE THE PERFECT COUPLE, TRULY, TRULY, AND ALSO A POWER COUPLE
14 FOR SAN GABRIEL. HARRY SERVED ON THE SAN GABRIEL CITY COUNCIL,
15 AND ACTUALLY SALLY AND I WALKED PRECINCTS TO GET HIM ELECTED
16 BECAUSE WE KNEW HE WAS THE PERFECT FIT FOR SAN GABRIEL. THEY
17 RAISED THEIR TWO AMAZING CHILDREN, GREG AND KENDALL, IN SAN
18 GABRIEL, AND SALLY WAS SO PROUD OF BOTH OF THEM. HER FACEBOOK
19 POSTS REFLECTED THAT EACH AND EVERY DAY AS WELL AS HER PRIDE
20 FOR HER GRANDCHILDREN. I AM GOING TO PERSONALLY MISS HER
21 LAUGHTER, HER HUMOR, AND, MORE IMPORTANTLY, HER HONESTY. SHE
22 WAS VERY HONEST AND KEPT ME ON MY TOES. AND SO, MY HEARTBREAKS
23 FOR THE FAMILY. IT WAS UNEXPECTED. AND WE'LL BE THERE FOR
24 HARRY AS WE GO THROUGH THIS TOUGH TIME.

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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, CAN I JOIN YOU? I KNEW HER, AND
2 NOW I REPRESENT THAT CITY. THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH, SURE. I MOVE THAT WE ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY
5 OF FRANK G. DE BALOGH, WHO PASSED AWAY IN HIS SLEEP ON MARCH
6 31ST FROM NATURAL CAUSES. HE SERVED AS MY COMMISSION APPOINTEE
7 TO THE COMMISSION ON PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES HAVING SERVED AS
8 CHAIR FOR EIGHT YEARS AND VICE CHAIR FOR FOUR YEARS. FRANK
9 SERVED FOR 11 YEARS AS A DISTRICT ADJUNCT OFFICER IN THE U.S.
10 DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND WORKED FOR 23 YEARS FOR
11 THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AS FACULTY MEMBER IN THE
12 INSTITUTE OF SAFETY AND SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT. HE ALSO SERVED AS
13 PRESIDENT OF NATIONAL COMPUTER MANAGEMENT, INC., AND FOUNDED
14 THE CALIFORNIA ETHNIC LEADERSHIP COUNCIL. HE HELD PRESIDENTIAL
15 APPOINTMENTS FOR THE NATIONAL SELECTIVE SERVICE APPEALS BOARD
16 IN THE U.S. SELECTIVE SERVICE SYSTEM FROM 1985 TO 1992. HE WAS
17 ALSO A VETERAN HAVING SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY. HE
18 RECEIVED A B.A. IN THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS FROM U.C.L.A.,
19 AND A PH.D. IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION FROM U.S.C. HE WAS
20 APPOINTED TO THE COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES IN 1997
21 AND SERVED FOR 25 YEARS. HE IS REMEMBERED MOST FOR HIS
22 ADVOCACY FOR VETERANS, THE UNHOUSED, AND GENERAL RELIEF
23 POPULATIONS. FRANK IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, JUDY, AND SON,
24 FRANK DE BALOGH, JR. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SUSAN
25 HOGREFE, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LLANO, WHO PASSED AWAY

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1 FEBRUARY 6TH AT HOME AT THE AGE OF 74 AFTER A SIX MONTH BATTLE
2 WITH CANCER. BORN DECEMBER 15TH, 1947 IN MODESTO, SUSAN CAME
3 TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA IN HER EARLY 20S AND MOVED TO THE
4 ANTELOPE VALLEY. SHE AND HER HUSBAND, BILL, OWNED CRYSTAL
5 FLORIST IN LANCASTER FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. SHE WORKED FOR
6 STATE FARM INSURANCE IN PALMDALE FOR 22 YEARS. SHE WAS
7 INVOLVED IN MANY ANTELOPE VALLEY CHARITIES AND WAS THE
8 RECIPIENT OF MANY LOCAL RECOGNITION AWARDS. SHE WAS THE
9 PROUDEST OF 1996 ATHENA INTERNATIONAL AWARD, WHICH RECOGNIZES
10 PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE AND CONTRIBUTION TO IMPROVING THE
11 LIVES OF PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY. SUSAN SERVED ON THE BOARD OF
12 DIRECTORS FOR THE PALMDALE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND WAS A
13 MEMBER OF THE PALMDALE SOROPTIMIST CLUB. SUSAN ORGANIZED THE
14 MS. PALMDALE PAGEANT AND SERVED AS CHAIRWOMAN FOR SEVEN YEARS.
15 SHE WAS ALSO A MEMBER OF CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL LOS ANGELES
16 ANTELOPE VALLEY GUILD AND WAS AN AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY
17 AMBASSADOR. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, BILL, AND NUMEROUS
18 RELATIVES. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ELENA MATYAS,
19 LONGTIME RESIDENT OF PASADENA, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
20 50. ELENA WORKED FOR 16 YEARS AS A LAWYER AND WAS AN ADVOCATE
21 FOR CAMP SAFETY. SHE CO-FOUNDED MEOW MEOW FOUNDATION WITH HER
22 HUSBAND, DOUG, AFTER THE TRAGIC DEATH OF THEIR SIX YEAR OLD
23 DAUGHTER BY DROWNING. SHE IS DESCRIBED BY LOVED ONES AS A HERO
24 AND A CHAMPION OF KINDNESS. MANY OF OUR OFFICES KNEW ELENA AND
25 HER HUSBAND, DOUG, FOR THEIR TIRELESS WORK AND LEADERSHIP

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1 ADVOCATING FOR DROWNING PREVENTION AND POOL SAFETY. AS A
2 MATTER OF FACT, TODAY, WE PASSED MY MOTION TO SUPPORT A.B.1737
3 TO STRENGTHEN INSPECTIONS AND ENSURE DUE DILIGENCE FOR
4 COMMUNITY YOUTH AND SWIMMING POOL SAFETY AT CAMPS. ELENA IS
5 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, DOUG FORBES, AND PREDECEASED BY HER
6 DAUGHTER, ROXIE MIRABELLE FORBES. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
7 MEMORY OF HARVEY VINCENT REIMER, A RESIDENT OF CANYON COUNTRY.
8 HARVEY WAS BORN IN MARION COUNTY, KANSAS, WHERE HE GREW UP ON
9 HIS FATHER'S FARM. HE GRADUATED FROM NEWTON HIGH SCHOOL AND
10 SPENT HIS EARLY ADULT YEARS IN KANSAS BEFORE MOVING HIS YOUNG
11 FAMILY TO CALIFORNIA. THEY SETTLE IN LA CRESCENTA. HE WAS AN
12 ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE LA CRESCENTA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, WHERE
13 HE USHERED CHURCH SERVICES, AND ALONG WITH HIS WIFE, LED A
14 COUPLES' GROUP. HE ALSO SERVED AND BEGAN A 35 YEAR CAREER WITH
15 THE SPARKLETTS DRINKING WATER CORP, WHICH EVENTUALLY TOOK THEM
16 TO LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, WHERE HE WORKED AS A HEAD SUPERVISOR.
17 AFTER HIS WIFE'S PASSING, HE MOVED TO CANYON COUNTRY. HE
18 BECAME A LOYAL PARTICIPANT AT THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY SENIOR
19 CENTER. HE LUNCHEDED THERE REGULARLY AND SERVED AS HONORARY
20 ROADIE AND MEMBER OF THE SENIOR CENTER BAND AND SILVERTONES
21 CHOIR. HARVEY IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER, CATHERINE,
22 BROTHERS, NELSON AND MARLO, AND SISTERS, ARLENE AND IRMA. ALSO
23 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOHN ANDREW VALASTRO, A LONGTIME
24 RESIDENT OF VALENCIA, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 92. JOHN
25 WAS BORN IN LOS ANGELES AND GRADUATED FROM FRANCIS POLYTECHNIC

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1 HIGH SCHOOL. HE JOINED THE MILITARY AND WAS STATIONED IN BOTH
2 KOREA AND IN JAPAN. HE WAS AWARDED THE ARMY OF OCCUPATION OF
3 JAPAN MEDAL. HE WAS A HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR FOR LOS ANGELES
4 DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER, WHERE HE WORKED FOR 37 YEARS
5 BEFORE RETIRING. HE WORKED ON THE SEAL BEACH POWER PLANT,
6 CASCADE POWER PROJECT, AND PACIFIC INTERTIE. AFTER RETIREMENT,
7 HE WAS A VOLUNTEER BUS DRIVER FOR A SENIOR HOME. HE ALSO DROVE
8 A BUS FOR THE WILLIAM S. HART HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND HIS
9 FAVORITE ROUTE WAS THE SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS. WHEN HIS SONS
10 WERE YOUNG, HE COACHED THEM IN BASKETBALL, BASEBALL, FOOTBALL,
11 AND TENNIS. HE WAS EXTREMELY ATHLETIC HIMSELF AND WAS AN AVID
12 TENNIS PLAYER, RUNNER, SNOW SKIER, AND A GOLFER. IN HIS LATER
13 YEARS HE ENJOYED TAI CHI AND WALKING. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
14 WIFE, BARBARA, AND HIS TWO SONS, JOHN, JR. AND DAVID. I THINK
15 THE LAST BUT CERTAINLY NOT LEAST, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
16 STEVE BAKER, FIFTH GENERATION MONROVIAN, WHO PASSED AWAY ON
17 APRIL 4, 2022 AT THE AGE OF 80. HE WAS BORN IN BERKELEY,
18 CALIFORNIA. IN 1943, HIS FATHER ENLISTED IN THE UNITED STATES
19 NAVY. STEVE AND HIS MOTHER STAYED WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS
20 UNTIL THEY MOVED TO MONROVIA IN MARCH OF 1945. STEVE'S FATHER
21 WAS A MONROVIA NATIVE, AND HIS PATERNAL GRANDMOTHER'S FAMILY
22 HAD LIVED IN THE COMMUNITY SINCE 1888. STEVE ATTENDED WILD
23 ROSE SCHOOL, CLIFTON JR. HIGH SCHOOL, AND MONROVIA-DUARTE HIGH
24 SCHOOL. HE IS A GRADUATE OF CITRUS COLLEGE WITH AN A.A. DEGREE
25 IN MUSIC, AND WAS ALSO GRADUATE OF CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY

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1 LOS ANGELES WITH A BACHELORS DEGREE IN PSYCHOLOGY. IN 2005,
2 STEVE WAS ELECTED AS CITY TREASURER AND THEN RE-ELECTED IN
3 2009, '13, AND '17 FOR THE CITY OF MONROVIA. STEVE ALSO SERVED
4 AS MONROVIA'S OFFICIAL CITY HISTORIAN AND WAS ONE OF THE
5 ORIGINAL FOUNDING MEMBERS OF THE MONROVIA HISTORIC
6 PRESERVATION GROUP. HE WAS ALSO KNOWN AS MONROVIA'S OWN
7 MONOPOLY MAN. HE HAS BEEN INVOLVED WITH MANY ORGANIZATIONS,
8 INCLUDING SERVING AS A TREASURER OF THE DUARTE HISTORICAL
9 SOCIETY AND MUSEUM FOR MORE THAN 30 YEARS, SERVING ON CITRUS
10 COLLEGE FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THE MONROVIA HISTORICAL
11 SOCIETY, FRIENDS OF THE MONROVIA PUBLIC LIBRARY, CHANGEMAKERS,
12 SANTA ANITA FAMILY Y.M.C.A., AND ALSO SERVED AS TREASURER OF
13 ST. LUKE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH. HE WAS ALSO EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
14 OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF MONROVIA FOR 17 YEARS. NOW, YOU CAN SEE
15 WHY HE IS GOING TO BE GREATLY MISSED. ON MAY 23RD, 2019, HIS
16 COMMITMENT AND ADVOCACY FOR PRESERVATION WAS RECOGNIZED BY
17 THE CONFERENCE OF CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL SOCIETIES WHEN THEY
18 ANNOUNCED THEIR 2018-'19 AWARDS OF MERIT RECIPIENTS. AND STEVE
19 BAKER WAS ON THE LIST TO RECEIVE THE WADDINGHAM/DOCTOR AWARD
20 PRESENTED TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAD GIVEN 25 YEARS OR MORE OF
21 CONSIST AND OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO A LOCAL HISTORICAL
22 ORGANIZATION. STEVE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SISTER, SUSAN, AND WILL
23 BE DEARLY MISSED BY AN ENTIRE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU, MADAM
24 CHAIR.

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

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3 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE WHEN WE
4 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOHNNY L. RIVERA. HE
5 PASSED AWAY AT HIS HOME IN DIAMOND BAR AFTER COMPLICATIONS
6 FROM A STROKE. JOHNNY WAS A RESIDENT OF DIAMOND BAR AND AN
7 ACTIVE VOLUNTEER IN THE COMMUNITY FOR OVER 44 YEARS. ON
8 OCTOBER 16TH, 1955, AT THE AGE OF 12, WHILE WORKING AT THE
9 MIRROR NEWS AS A PAPER BOY, JOHNNY SAVED THE LIVE OF A FIVE
10 YEAR OLD GIRL FROM A FLAMING DEATH. WHILE ON HIS PAPER ROUTE,
11 JOHNNY SAW A FIVE YEAR OLD GIRL WHOSE CLOTHES CAUGHT ON FIRE
12 AND WAS RUNNING AND SCREAMING. THE MIRROR NEWS ARTICLE DATED
13 NOVEMBER 21ST, 1955 NOTED RIPPING OFF HIS SHIRT AND GRABBING A
14 DISH TOWEL FROM ONE OF THE TRAILERS, JOHNNY CHASED AND CAUGHT
15 THE HYSTERICAL CHILD, ROLLED HER ON THE GROUND, AND BEAT OUT
16 THE FLAMES. AS A RESULT OF HIS HEROISM, JOHNNY HONORED BY A
17 SPECIAL ASSEMBLY AND WAS RECOGNIZED BY SUPERVISOR KENNETH HAHN
18 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. IN 1965,
19 JOHNNY WAS DRAFTED INTO THE UNITED STATES ARMY AND SERVED FROM
20 1965 TO '67. HE THEN WENT ON TO WORK FOR TRUE VALUE HARDWARE
21 DISTRIBUTION WAREHOUSE, THE NATION'S LARGEST DISTRIBUTION
22 CHAIN, FOR OVER 20 YEARS AS A LONG HAUL TRUCK DRIVER
23 DELIVERING FREIGHT ACROSS CALIFORNIA AND THE UNITED STATES. IN
24 THE '90S, JOHNNY VOLUNTEERED AT THE VETERAN'S ADMINISTRATION
25 V.A. OFFICE IN LONG BEACH AND SERVED AS AN ESCORT PUSHING

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1 DISABLED VETERANS IN WHEELCHAIRS THROUGHOUT THE V.A. HOSPITAL
2 FOR OVER 15 YEARS. HE ALSO VOLUNTEERED WITH MEALS ON WHEELS
3 AND DELIVERED MEALS TO NEEDY RESIDENTS AND DONATED TO MANY
4 CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS. JOHNNY LIVED A LIFE OF KINDNESS AND
5 COMPASSION, AND HE WILL BE MISSED BY MANY. MAY HE REST IN
6 PEACE. YES, YES. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ALSO
7 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SOMEONE WHO IS NO STRANGER TO THIS BOARD,
8 JOSEPH MAIZLISH. HE WAS A LONGTIME ACTIVIST AND CONFLICT
9 RESOLUTION COUNSELOR, WHO WORKED WITH YOUNG PEOPLE AND
10 INCARCERATED PEOPLE THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY. WE OFTEN HEARD HIS
11 TESTIMONY HERE BEFORE US IN SUPPORT OF REFORMS AND AT THE
12 BOARD MEETINGS. HE PASSED AWAY ON MARCH 16TH, 2022 AFTER A
13 BATTLE WITH CANCER. HE WAS A RESIDENT OF HIGHLAND PARK, AND
14 WORKED AS A FAMILY THERAPIST FOR MANY YEARS. JOE WAS A VERY
15 KIND AND GENTLE SOUL WHO WAS INVOLVED IN SOCIAL JUSTICE SINCE
16 HE WAS A YOUNG BOY. HE SPENT HIS LIFE FIGHTING FOR WHAT HE
17 BELIEVED IN AND WAS ACTIVE IN INTERFAITH COMMUNITIES, UNITED
18 FOR JUSTICE AND PEACE, IN STRUGGLES OVER MASS INCARCERATION
19 AND UNJUST IMPRISONMENT IN L.A. COUNTY. MAY HE ALSO REST IN
20 PEACE. LASTLY, MADAM CHAIR, I ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RICHARD
21 GUTIERREZ. RICHARD GUITIERREZ WAS UPON ON AUGUST 15TH, 1925 IN
22 EAST LOS ANGELES AND ATTENDED RIGGIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND
23 GRADUATED FROM GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL, COMPTON COLLEGE, AND THE
24 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. MR. GUTIERREZ FOUGHT IN
25 WORLD WAR II IN 1943 AS A NAVY SEABEE ASSIGNED TO THE FOURTH

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1 DIVISION OF THE MARINES PLATOON 133 SEABEE SUPPORT, COMPANY B.
2 HE PARTICIPATED IN BATTLES IN THE ISLANDS OF SAIPAN, TINIAN,
3 AND IWO JIMA, WHERE HE EARNED THE PURPLE HEART. HE WENT ON TO
4 SERVE AS A MARINE IN THE KOREAN WAR AS WELL AS A DRILL
5 INSTRUCTOR. AFTER HIS MILITARY CAREER AND COLLEGE TRAINING,
6 RICHARD WORKED AS AN AEROSPACE ENGINEER FOR DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT
7 UNTIL HE RETIRED. DURING HIS PROFESSIONAL CAREER, HE WAS PART
8 OF A TEAM THAT DEVELOPED THE APOLLO AND WAS A LEAD ENGINEER ON
9 THE COMMAND MODULE OF THE SPACE SHUTTLE. RICHARD WAS MARRIED
10 TO VIRGINIA LOPEZ FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS. HE IS SURVIVED BY
11 HIS SIX CHILDREN, PRISCILLA, MICHELLE, RICHARD, JR., THOMAS,
12 AIDA, AND MICHAEL, 11 GRANDCHILDREN, AND SIX GREAT
13 GRANDCHILDREN, ALL OF WHOM WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. MAY HE REST
14 IN PEACE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THAT CONCLUDES MY
15 ADJOURNMENTS.

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17 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, APPRECIATE IT. I
18 MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, COLLEAGUES, WE ADJOURN IN THE
19 MEMORY OF BARBARA MORRISON. BARBARA WAS BORN SEPTEMBER 10TH
20 IN YPSILANTI, MICHIGAN AND PASSED AWAY THIS PAST MARCH 16TH AT
21 THE AGE OF 72. HER PROFESSIONAL CAREER BEGAN AT THE AGE OF
22 10, WHEN SHE MADE A RADIO APPEARANCE ON A LOCAL STATION IN
23 DETROIT, MICHIGAN. SHE RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES IN 1973 AND
24 BEGAN PERFORMING WITH BLUES ARTISTS, EDDIE VINSON AND JOHNNY
25 OTIS. SHE WENT ON TO PERFORM WITH SOME OF JAZZ MUSIC'S BIGGEST

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1 NAMES, DIZZY GILLESPIE, RAY CHARLES, KENNY BURRELL, HANK
2 CRAWFORD, ETTA JAMES, NANCY WILSON, MEL TORME, AND RAY BROWN.
3 SHE ALSO SAT IN WITH THE COUNT BASIE ORCHESTRA AND DOC
4 SEVERINSEN'S BIG BAND. IN 1985, MS. MORRISON RECORDED HER
5 FIRST SOLO ALBUM "LOVE IS A FOUR-LETTER WORD." OVER THE COURSE
6 OF HER CAREER, SHE APPEARED ON MORE THAN 20 RECORDINGS, TWO OF
7 WHICH EARNED GRAMMY NOMINATIONS IN ADDITION TO A THIRD GRAMMY
8 NOMINATION AS PRODUCER ON HER OWN BLUE LADY RECORDS. IN THE
9 '90S SHE BECAME AN ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF GLOBAL JAZZ STUDIES
10 AT U.C.L.A. AT THE U.C.L.A.'S HERB ALPERT SCHOOL OF MUSIC, AND
11 LATER IN 2020, THE BARBARA MORRISON SCHOLARSHIP FOR JAZZ WAS
12 ESTABLISHED IN RECOGNITION OF HER ACHIEVEMENTS AND SERVICE TO
13 THE U.C.L.A. COMMUNITY. IN 2009, SHE FOUNDED THE BARBARA
14 MORRISON PERFORMING ARTS CENTER RIGHT IN THE HEART OF LEIMERT
15 PARK, WHICH SHOWCASES AND HIGHLIGHTS THE TALENT OF LOCAL
16 PERFORMERS AND FEATURES THE CALIFORNIA JAZZ AND BLUES MUSEUM,
17 WHICH WAS ALSO FOUNDED BY BARBARA IN 2011, WHERE VISITORS CAN
18 LEARN ABOUT THE HISTORY OF JAZZ AND BLUES AND CALIFORNIA'S
19 ROLE IN THE MUSIC GENRE'S HISTORY. HER LOVE FOR MUSIC WAS A
20 GIFT SHE WAS HONORED TO SHARE WITH THE WORLD. I HAD THE
21 PLEASURE OF SEEING HER PERFORM JUST A FEW MONTHS AGO AT A
22 LOCAL ESTABLISHMENT IN MY DISTRICT, PIPS, ON LE BREA, AND
23 THEN I SAW HER AT A BIG JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION 2019, WHERE WE
24 ACTUALLY HAD A CONVERSATION, AND I GOT TO SPEND A LITTLE TIME
25 WITH HER. SHE HAD A PASSION FOR MENTORING AND HELPING

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1 MUSICIANS DEVELOP THEIR CRAFT. SHE REGULARLY PERFORMED WITH
2 LOCAL ARTISTS AND TAUGHT VOCAL LESSONS. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED
3 AS A WORLD-RENOWNED AND CELEBRATED JAZZ AND BLUES ARTIST WITH
4 A SMILE CAN LIGHT UP THE ROOM, AS WELL AS FOR HER TALENT AND
5 CONTRIBUTIONS TO JAZZ AND BLUES, HER KINDNESS, HUMILITY, AND
6 PERSEVERANCE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY TWO SISTERS, PAMELA AND
7 ARMETTA, ONE BROTHER, RICHARD, 10 NIECES AND NEPHEWS, AND A
8 HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND FANS, FELLOW ARTISTS,
9 AND MANY WHOSE LIVES WERE TOUCHED BY HER MUSIC. I MOVE THAT
10 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JOHN AND
11 O'DELLA PAILLET. THE PAILLETS WERE MARRIED FOR 68 BEAUTIFUL
12 YEARS BEFORE MRS. PAILLET PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 1ST AT THE AGE
13 OF 92. THEY WERE REUNITED IN HEAVEN WHEN MR. PAILLET PASSED
14 AWAY IN JANUARY '22 AT THE AGE OF 91. THEY LIVED IN LADERA
15 HEIGHTS FOR OVER 45 YEARS AND WERE SMALL BUSINESS AND
16 RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY OWNERS. MS. PAILLET WAS BORN MAY 9TH,
17 1928 IN PASADENA. SHE GRADUATED FROM PASADENA CITY COLLEGE,
18 AND WHILE WORKING AT THE PACIFIC TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH
19 COMPANY, SHE MET THE LOVE OF HER LIFE, JOHN. THEY LATER
20 MARRIED AND STARTED THEIR FAMILY. SHE WAS VERY INVOLVED IN HER
21 CHILDREN'S EDUCATION AND SERVED AS THE P.T.A. PRESIDENT AT
22 WINDSOR HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE '60S. SHE WAS ALSO A
23 PROUD MEMBER OF JACK & JILL, THE LINKS FOUNDATION, AND THE
24 LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS. MR. PAILLET WAS BORN IN JUNE OF 1930
25 IN SUSANVILLE AND WAS LATER RECRUITED TO THE U.S. NAVY, WHERE

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1 HE SERVED TWO TOURS DURING THE KOREAN WAR IN THE NAVAL
2 WARSHIP'S ENGINE ROOM. HE WAS A DEDICATED EMPLOYEE WITH THE
3 COUNTY OF L.A. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR OVER 30 YEARS AND
4 RETIRED AS A HOMICIDE INVESTIGATOR. DURING HIS CAREER WITH THE
5 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, HE HELPED ESTABLISH THE SPECIAL
6 ENFORCEMENT BUREAU BETTER KNOWN AS S.W.A.T., AND WAS ONE OF
7 THE FIRST BLACK DEPUTIES TO WORK IN THE NARCOTICS AND HOMICIDE
8 BUREAUS. EVEN IN HIS RETIREMENT, HE CONTINUED TO SERVE,
9 OFFERING SUPPORT ON COLD CASES. THE PAILLETS HAD A PASSION FOR
10 HOSTING GATHERINGS AND ENTERTAINING. THEY LIVED A FULL LIFE
11 AND WILL BE REMEMBERED AS LOVING PARENTS AND DEDICATED
12 GRANDPARENTS. THEY ARE SURVIVED BY THEIR TWO CHILDREN, JOHN
13 JR. AND MARLA. SIX GRANDCHILDREN, ASHLEY, CHRISTOPHER,
14 BRIANCA, JOHN THE THIRD, MICHAEL, AND MORGAN, AS WELL AS A
15 HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS, WHO WILL MISS THEM BOTH
16 DEARLY. WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
17 OF KING HENRY TITUS, JR. MR. TITUS WAS BORN ON OCTOBER, 26 IN
18 FAIRFIELD, TEXAS IN 1928 AND PASSED AWAY THIS PAST MARCH 18TH
19 AT THE AGE OF 93. IN 1943, HE DECIDED TO MOVE WEST AND
20 RELOCATED BY TRAIN TO LOS ANGELES. HE GRADUATED FROM JEFFERSON
21 HIGH SCHOOL. HE WAS A JEFFERSON DIPLOMAT IN 1945, AND LATER
22 RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
23 CALIFORNIA. MR. TITUS CONTINUED HIS EDUCATION AT THE
24 CALIFORNIA LAW SCHOOL, WHERE HE RECEIVED HIS JURIS DOCTORATE
25 DEGREE. HE JOINED THE MASONIC FRATERNAL ORDER AND REMAINED AN

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1 ACTIVE MEMBER UNTIL HIS PASSING. A DECADE AFTER JOINING, HE
2 ATTAINED THE RANK OF 33RD DEGREE, AN HONOR GRANTED SPARINGLY
3 TO RECOGNIZE BROTHERS WHO DISPLAY DEDICATED COMMITMENT TO THE
4 COMMUNITY AT LARGE. HE WOULD LATER GO ON TO HOLD VARIOUS
5 POSITIONS, INCLUDING THE MOST WORSHIPFUL MASTER AND CHAIR OF
6 THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE. HE HAD A PASSION FOR GRASSROOTS
7 ORGANIZING AND WORKING ON LOCAL ELECTIONS AND CAMPAIGNS FOR
8 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES, WHICH HE SUPPORTED FOR OVER 50 YEARS.
9 HE WAS A PROUD MEMBER OF THE NEW FRONTIER DEMOCRATIC CLUB AND
10 THE L.A. COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE. IN 2000, HIS
11 CAMPAIGN EFFORTS HELPED HIS DAUGHTER, JUDGE PATRICIA TITUS,
12 WIN HER ELECTION TO SERVE AS A JUDGE FOR THE L.A. COUNTY
13 SUPERIOR COURT. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS DEVOTION TO HIS
14 FAMILY AND AS A FEARLESS POLITICAL ADVOCATE. MR. TITUS IS
15 SURVIVED BY HIS FOUR CHILDREN, RETIRED UNITED STATES DIPLOMAT,
16 DAPHNE TITUS, DR. MARSHALL TITUS, THE HONORABLE PATRICIA
17 TITUS, AND REVEREND HELENA TITUS, THREE GRANDCHILDREN, TWO
18 SISTERS, MARY AND DEBORAH, AND HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY AND
19 FRIENDS, WHO WILL KEEP HIS MEMORY ALIVE AND MISS HIM DEARLY.
20 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
21 REVEREND DOCTOR ALEXANDER HAMILTON. REVEREND DOCTOR ALEXANDER
22 HAMILTON WAS BORN APRIL 14TH IN 1945 IN INGLEWOOD AND PASSED
23 AWAY THIS PAST JANUARY 28TH AT THE AGE OF 76. HE WAS A DEVOTED
24 GOSPEL MUSICIAN FOR 60 YEARS AND DEVELOPED HIS PASSION FOR
25 MINISTRY AND WORSHIP WHILE BEING RAISED IN THE CHURCH. HE ROSE

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1 TO FAME IN 1972 BY CONDUCTING AND ARRANGING ARETHA FRANKLIN'S
2 GRAMMY AWARD WINNING ALBUM "AMAZING GRACE" THAT WAS RECORDED
3 RIGHT HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. HE ALSO ACHIEVED COMMERCIAL
4 SUCCESS BY CONDUCTING AND ARRANGING MUSIC FOR OTHER MUSICIANS,
5 SUCH AS GLADYS KNIGHT & THE PIPS, NAT KING COLE, LOU RAWLS,
6 SAMMY DAVIS, JR., SHIRLEY CAESAR, AND MAHALIA JACKSON. HE WAS
7 THE PASTOR OF PHILADELPHIA CHURCH FELLOWSHIP OF LOS ANGELES
8 AND SPENT 48 YEARS AS CHOIR DIRECTOR DIRECTING THE NEW
9 GENERATION SINGERS, THE IMMANUEL GOSPEL COMMUNITY CHOIR, AND
10 THE VOICES OF INSPIRATION CHOIR, WHO RELEASED SEVERAL ITEMS
11 INCLUDING "GLORY" AND "HALLELUJAH!" AND "GOD CAN." HE WILL BE
12 REMEMBERED AS A MAN OF GOD, A LOVING HUSBAND, AND A SUCCESSFUL
13 MUSICIAN THAT TOUCHED MANY LIVES WITH HIS TALENTS. HE IS
14 SURVIVED BY HIS BELOVED WIFE, ALICIA HAMILTON, AND A HOST OF
15 EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS, INCLUDING MEMBERS OF HIS CHURCH
16 CONGREGATION AND THREE CHOIRS, WHO WILL ALL MISS HIM DEARLY.
17 AND WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
18 ALEJANDRO ZUNIGA. MR. ZUNIGA, KNOWN BY MANY AS ALEX, WAS BORN
19 SEPTEMBER 21ST, 1988 IN LOS ANGELES AND PASSED AWAY ON
20 MARCH 24TH AT THE AGE OF 33. GROWING UP IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES,
21 HE ATTENDED JOHN FREEMAN HIGH SCHOOL, AND AFTER GRADUATING,
22 ESTABLISHED A CAREER WORKING IN THE TRADE INDUSTRIES
23 PERFORMING CONSTRUCTION, ROOFING, AND ELECTRICAL WORK. AS A
24 UNION MEMBER, MR. ZUNIGA CONTRIBUTED TO BUILDING THE
25 LANDSCAPE AND SKYLINE OF LOS ANGELES WORKING ON VARIOUS

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1 PROJECTS AT L.A.X. AND SOFI STADIUM. HE HAD A PASSION FOR
2 WORKING WITH HIS HANDS AND WAS SO PROUD TO HAVE A CAREER THAT
3 HE LOVED TO PROVIDE FOR HIS FAMILY. HE NEVER COMPLAINED WHEN
4 HE HAD TO WORK NIGHT SHIFTS AND DID NOT LET THE LONG HOURS
5 STOP HIM FROM GETTING HIS CHILDREN READY FOR SCHOOL EACH AND
6 EVERY MORNING. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A HARD WORKER, AN
7 ADVOCATE AND MENTOR FOR HIS FELLOW CONSTRUCTION WORKERS, AND,
8 MOST IMPORTANTLY, AS AN ADORING FATHER TO HIS FIVE VERY YOUNG
9 CHILDREN, WHO WERE HIS PRIDE AND JOY. HE IS SURVIVED AND WILL
10 BE DEEPLY MISSED BY HIS CHILDREN, ALEJANDRA, ADRIAN,
11 PRISCILLA, SOFIA, AND VALENTINE, AND HIS EXTENDED FAMILY,
12 FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS, AND COLLEAGUES. THANK YOU, COLLEAGUES. WE
13 WILL TAKE ALL THE MOTIONS AS SECONDED, AND IF THERE'S NO
14 OBJECTION TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.
15 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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17 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** IN ACCORDANCE BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
18 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
19 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEMS C.S.1, CONFERENCE
20 WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR FESIA DAVENPORT AND DESIGNATED STAFF AND
21 ITEM C.S.2, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATION, AS
22 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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CLOSED SESSION ITEMS FOR APRIL 5, 2022

CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
(Government Code Section 54957.6)

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

Employee Organization(s) for represented employees: All individual member unions of the Coalition of County Unions, AFL-CIO; Local 721, SEIU; All affiliated member unions of AFSCME Council 36; Association of Deputy District Attorneys; Los Angeles County Association of Environmental Health Specialists; Los Angeles County Public Defenders; and

Unrepresented employees (all). (17-0363)

No reportable action was taken.

CS-2. DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS
(Government Code Section 54957)
Department Head performance evaluations.
(11-1977)

No reportable action was taken.

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2 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do
3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors on April 5, 2022, were
6 thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my direction and
7 supervision;

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

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

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16 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
17 14th day of April 2022, for the County records to be used only
18 for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts as
19 on file of the office of the reporter.

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