



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

EXECUTIVE OFFICE



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2022, ON PAGE 204]

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5 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE.

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7 **SUP. KUEHL:** GOOD MORNING.

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9 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING. HAPPY DIA DES MUERTOS.

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11 **SUP. KUEHL:** SI.

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13 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** AND WELCOME, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, HERE
14 IN ATTENDANCE IN THE BOARD HEARING ROOM. WE WELCOME YOU TO THE
15 REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF
16 SUPERVISORS, AND TODAY IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST, 2022. WE TAKE
17 NOTE THAT A FULL COMPLEMENT OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT, WITH
18 SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND KUEHL JOINING US REMOTELY, AND THE CHIEF
19 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, INTERIM COUNTY COUNSEL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
20 AND THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. IF THOSE OF
21 YOU IN THE AUDIENCE WILL PLEASE STAND AND JOIN US AS WE PLEDGE
22 ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG. PLEASE PUT YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR
23 HEART. FACE THE FLAG. READY, BEGIN. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
24 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.



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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
2 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 2, SET MATTERS.
3 SET MATTER 1 IS A REPORT BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND
4 APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENT HEADS, AS NECESSARY, ON THE STATUS OF
5 THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDING AND CONSIDERATION OF
6 NECESSARY ACTION. SET MATTER 2 IS A DISCUSSION AND
7 CONSIDERATION OF NECESSARY ACTIONS ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER
8 RELATED TO C.O.V.I.D.-19, MONKEYPOX, AND OTHER INFECTIOUS
9 DISEASE THREATS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH. THESE ITEMS WILL BE HELD
10 FOR DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 3, CONSENT CALENDAR, BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS ITEMS 3 THROUGH 26. ON ITEM 4, THIS INCLUDES A
12 REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 8,
13 SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 10,
14 SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 11,
15 SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS
16 12, 13, AND 16, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE
17 HELD. THESE INCLUDE A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE
18 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 17, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS
19 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 19, SUPERVISOR
20 SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 20, THIS
21 INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
22 ON ITEM 22, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
23 THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
24 AGENDA. ON ITEM 24, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON
25 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 29, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS,



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1 ITEMS 29 THROUGH 91. ON ITEM 32, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS
2 THAT HER VOTE BE RECORDED AS NO. THIS ITEM RELATES TO ITEMS 94
3 AND 95. ON ITEM 81, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT HER VOTE BE
4 RECORDED AS NO. ON ITEM 82, 83, 84, AND 86, SUPERVISOR
5 MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON PAGE 70, THIS
6 INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA, WHICH WERE
7 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS
8 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM-- EXCUSE ME. ON
9 ITEM 85, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL ALSO WOULD LIKE TO HOLD THIS
10 ITEM. ON PAGE 71, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION. ON ITEM 94 AND
11 95, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT HER VOTE BE RECORDED AS
12 NO. THIS ITEM RELATES TO ITEM 32. ON PAGE 73, SEPARATE MATTER.
13 ON PAGE 74, SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDA. THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR
14 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. ITEM 2-D IS A
15 RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT AND INSTRUCT THE CHAIR TO SIGN A
16 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE, SALE, AND DELIVERY OF THE
17 TAX-EXEMPT MULTIFAMILY HOUSING REVENUE BONDS OR NOTES IN AN
18 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$33,755,000, TO
19 FINANCE THE SITE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, REHABILITATION, OR
20 DEVELOPMENT OF THE WEST LOS ANGELES VETERANS AFFAIRS BUILDING
21 402 APARTMENTS, LOCATED IN UNINCORPORATED WEST LOS ANGELES. ON
22 PAGE 77, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION. ITEM CS-4 IS AN ADDITION,
23 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THE FOLLOWING ITEMS
24 ARE BEFORE YOU. MADAM CHAIR?

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1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
2 WILL YOU PLEASE PLAY THE CODE OF CONDUCT?

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4 **SPEAKER:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR
5 ATTENTION? THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW
7 BE READ, AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE
8 EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE
9 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD
10 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,
11 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED
12 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE
13 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE
14 REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES: SPEAKERS MUST CEASE
15 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT
16 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT
17 ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE
18 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE
19 RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF.
20 PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM, AND REFRAIN FROM
21 UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,
22 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING, OR OTHER ABUSIVE
23 STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY
24 OTHER PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF
25 THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF, AND BOARD MEMBERS, AND



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1 MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY
2 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT
3 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE
4 BOARD MEETING. AND FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR
5 BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO
6 REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY
7 THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
8 COOPERATION.

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10 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** WE'LL NOW TAKE PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ALL
11 AGENDA ITEMS. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL-IN
12 INFORMATION THAT WAS ALSO PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA, AND EXPLAIN
13 THE SPEAKING RULES TO THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO
14 ADDRESS THE BOARD THIS MORNING.

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16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. FOR MEMBERS OF THE
17 PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY, AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA, PLEASE
18 CALL 877-226-8163, AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 133-6503.
19 TO REPEAT, PLEASE CALL 877-226-8163, AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE
20 NUMBER 133-6503. REMEMBER TO TURN DOWN THE VOLUME ON YOUR
21 DEVICES AS SOON AS THE MODERATOR CALLS ON YOU, OR THERE WILL
22 BE AN ECHO. DO NOT CALL THAT NUMBER IF YOU ONLY WANT TO LISTEN
23 TO THE MEETING. TO LISTEN ONLY, PLEASE CALL 877-873-8017 AND
24 FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS. TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: WHEN
25 IT'S YOUR TURN TO SPEAK, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND WHICH



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1 AGENDA ITEMS YOU WISH TO SPEAK ON. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE TO
2 SPEAK ON ONE AGENDA ITEM, OR TWO MINUTES TO SPEAK ON 2 OR MORE
3 AGENDA ITEMS. IN ADDITION, THOSE WHO WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THE
4 BOARD WITH GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE PROVIDED ONE
5 ADDITIONAL MINUTE, FOR A MAXIMUM TOTAL OF UP TO 3 MINUTES. WE
6 WILL ALLOCATE UP TO 90 MINUTES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ALL OF
7 THE ITEMS POSTED ON TODAY'S AGENDA. WE WILL ALTERNATE BETWEEN
8 IN-PERSON SPEAKERS AND TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS, UNTIL THERE ARE NO
9 SPEAKERS WAITING, OR ARE UNTIL THE 90 MINUTES HAVE ELAPSED. WE
10 WILL CONTINUE TO ACCEPT ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN
11 DURING THE MEETING. WHEN SPEAKING ON THE AGENDA ITEM, YOU MUST
12 BE ON TOPIC. OUR GOAL IS TO GET THROUGH AS MANY SPEAKERS AS WE
13 CAN. IF YOU'RE NOT SPEAKING ON TOPIC, OR IF WE CANNOT TELL IF
14 YOU'RE SPEAKING ON AN AGENDA ITEM, YOU WILL GET ONE WARNING
15 FROM COUNTY COUNSEL OR THE CHAIR. IF YOU DO NOT IMMEDIATELY OR
16 CLEARLY GET ON TOPIC, OR IF YOU STRAY OFF TOPIC AGAIN, YOU
17 WILL FORFEIT THE REST OF YOUR TIME, AND THE CHAIR WILL MOVE TO
18 THE NEXT SPEAKER. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE IN ATTENDANCE,
19 WHEN YOU HEAR OR SEE YOUR NAME DISPLAYED ON THE SCREEN, PLEASE
20 COME DOWN TO THE FRONT OF THE BOARDROOM, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST
21 YOU. PLEASE DO NOT APPROACH THE PODIUM UNTIL DIRECTED TO DO
22 SO. WE WILL BEGIN BY CALLING 10 IN-PERSON SPEAKERS, AND WHILE
23 THEY ARE COMING FORWARD, WE WILL TAKE TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS.

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1 **SPEAKER:** WILL BEN HELQUIST, CHRIS REED, DR. GENEVIEVE
2 CLAVREUL, MARIA CIBRIAN, SOTHEAVY SOK, BARBARA BONDERANT,
3 LILIANA BARAHONA, KARINA MACIAS, REGINALD JONES-SAWYER, AND
4 MARIE GRACE BARRIOS PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST
5 YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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7 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS SAMANTHA SENG. PLEASE
8 STATE THE REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND
9 WHETHER YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
10 BEGIN.

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12 **SAMANTHA SENG:** GOOD MORNING. SAMANTHA SENG, LEGISLATIVE
13 DIRECTOR AND POLICY ADVISOR AT NEXTGEN CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING
14 GENERAL COMMENT AND SPEAKING ON ITEM 17. I JUST WANT TO START
15 OFF BY THANKING SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND MITCHELL FOR THEIR
16 MOTION THERE. THE ISSUE OF STUDENT DEBT IS WIDESPREAD, AND
17 DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTS OUR BLACK AND BROWN COMMUNITIES.
18 THE FEDERAL STUDENT LOAN PROGRAMS WERE ALREADY DIFFICULT TO
19 NAVIGATE, AND IN RECENT YEARS, WITH THE PROGRESSIVE STEPS TO
20 REFORM THE PROGRAMS, THANKS TO PRESIDENT BIDEN, BORROWERS,
21 HOWEVER, WILL NEED MORE SUPPORT THAN EVER TO ENSURE THE ACCESS
22 TO THE GREATEST BENEFITS FROM THESE REFORMS. AND SO THE MOTION
23 DIRECTS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO PROVIDE CRUCIAL INFORMATION TO
24 BORROWERS, WILL PROVIDE COMMUNICATIONS TO PRESIDENT BIDEN AND
25 GOVERNOR NEWSOM, SENATE PRO TEMPORE ATKINS, AND ASSEMBLY



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1 SPEAKER RENDON IN SUPPORT OF BORROWERS, AND DIRECTS THE L.A.
2 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS TO LOOK INTO WAYS
3 TO FURTHER SUPPORT BORROWERS IN POTENTIALLY BUYING BACK SOME
4 OF THAT DEBT. SO THIS MOTION CAN SERVE AS A MODEL FOR HOW
5 STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS CAN AND SHOULD BE DOING OUTREACH
6 IN PROVIDING SUPPORT TO BORROWERS. WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO
7 COMMEND THE COUNTY FOR WORKING WITH US, THESE PAST COUPLE OF
8 MONTHS, IN OUR WORK AS PART OF THE CAMPAIGN FOR CALIFORNIA
9 BORROWERS' RIGHTS, WHICH IS THE LEADING STATEWIDE COALITION
10 FIGHTING FOR STUDENT BORROWERS IN OUR CALIFORNIA STUDENT DEBT
11 CHALLENGE, PROVIDING CRUCIAL INFORMATION FOR YESTERDAY'S
12 DEADLINE ON THE PUBLIC SERVICE LOAN FORGIVENESS WAIVER. AND
13 SO, BORROWERS ARE AGAIN LEFT LARGELY ON THEIR OWN TO NAVIGATE
14 THE STUDENT LOAN SYSTEM. AND SO GOVERNMENT, ESPECIALLY WHAT
15 L.A. IS DOING, SHOULD STEP UP AS TRUSTED SOURCES, AND HOLD
16 STUDENT LOAN SERVICES ACCOUNTABLE. SO WITH THAT, THANK YOU
17 AGAIN, SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND MITCHELL, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO
18 CONTINUE WORKING ON THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE TOGETHER. THANK YOU.

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20 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MARCEL RODARTE. PLEASE
23 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
24 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.



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1 **MARCEL RODARTE:** HI. GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE, MADAM CHAIR, AND
2 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M MARCEL RODARTE, AND
3 I'M SPEAKING ON ITEMS 12 AND 13, BUT SPECIFICALLY ITEM 13. I
4 KNOW THE ITEMS ARE BEING HELD, BUT I WANTED TO APPLAUD
5 SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR HER LEADERSHIP IN PROVIDING ADDITIONAL
6 BENEFITS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR VETERANS. OUR VETERANS
7 OFTEN FIND THEMSELVES IN SEARCH OF BENEFITS AND OPPORTUNITIES
8 AFTER THEIR SERVICE IS COMPLETED, AND AS A 21-YEAR VETERAN OF
9 THE NAVY AND THE AIR FORCE, I ENCOURAGE THE ENTIRE BOARD TO
10 SUPPORT THESE LONG-OVERDUE ACTIONS. THANK YOU.

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12 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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14 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CODY HOUNANIAN. PLEASE
15 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
16 YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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18 **CODY HOUNANIAN:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS CODY HOUNANIAN. I'M THE
19 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STUDENT DEBT CRISIS CENTER. I'M
20 CALLING TO SHARE OUR SUPPORT FOR AGENDA ITEM 17, THE MOTION
21 INTRODUCED BY SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND MITCHELL. WE ARE
22 NONPROFIT, WITH OVER 2 MILLION SUPPORTERS, AND WE ECHO THE
23 VOICES OF BORROWERS DIRECTLY IMPACTED BY THE STUDENT DEBT
24 CRISIS. AND SO, ON BEHALF OF THESE BORROWERS AND ADVOCATES,
25 SUCH AS MYSELF, WE DO WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND



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1 MITCHELL FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP ON THIS ISSUE. STUDENT DEBT IS A
2 \$1.7 TRILLION CRISIS, AND WE NEED POLICYMAKERS FROM ALL LEVELS
3 TO BE PART OF THE SOLUTION. STARTING LOCALLY, HERE IN THE
4 COUNTY, IS A GREAT STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. SO, THIS
5 MOTION IS CRITICAL TO OUR WORK, ESPECIALLY ON THE HEELS OF
6 HISTORIC REFORMS AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL. L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS
7 COULD HAVE THEIR STUDENT DEBT LOWERED BY TENS OF THOUSANDS OF
8 DOLLARS, OR EVEN ERASED COMPLETELY, DUE TO THE PRESIDENT'S
9 DEBT CANCELLATION ACTION. THE PUBLIC SERVICE LOAN FORGIVENESS
10 PROGRAM IS ANOTHER OPTION THAT PROVIDES RELIEF TO FIREFIGHTERS
11 AND TEACHERS AND NURSES AND OTHER FOLKS WHO MAKE OUR COMMUNITY
12 SAFE AND HEALTHY. AND OTHER EXISTING PROGRAMS EXIST, AS WELL.
13 BUT ALL OF THIS POTENTIAL RELIEF MEANS NOTHING IF L.A. COUNTY
14 RESIDENTS ARE UNAWARE OF THE PROGRAMS, DO NOT KNOW HOW TO
15 APPLY, AND DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO THE RESOURCES THAT CAN HELP.
16 THIS MOTION WILL ENSURE THAT MANY--

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

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21 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JACQUELINE CROCKETT. PLEASE
22 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
23 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.



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1 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. I'M JACQUELINE CROCKETT, DEPUTY
2 DIRECTOR WITH AIDS HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION. I'LL BE TALKING ON
3 AGENDA ITEM 2, 19, 45, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. L.A. COUNTY
4 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MUST WORK WITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS AND
5 VULNERABLE POPULATIONS TO SECURE SUFFICIENT PUBLIC HEALTH
6 FUNDING, AND CREATE LONG-TERM STRATEGIES THAT CAN STRENGTHEN
7 THE EVER-WEAKENING SOCIAL SAFETY NET IN L.A. COUNTY. IF SAFETY
8 SYSTEMS DON'T CHANGE, NUMEROUS INDIVIDUALS WILL CONTINUE
9 FALLING INTO POVERTY AND HOMELESSNESS, WHICH WILL INCREASE
10 EVERYONE'S VULNERABILITY TO INFECTIOUS DISEASE, AND WILL
11 THREATEN THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF OUR COMMUNITIES. THESE
12 ISSUES ARE ALL INTERCONNECTED. L.A. COUNTY HAS ALREADY
13 INVESTED \$156 MILLION IN CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT
14 PROGRAMS, AND MORE THAN \$123 MILLION TOWARDS A.B. 109, BUT
15 MUCH LESS TOWARDS SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTHCARE, WHICH
16 ARE ALL CRUCIAL FOR MAINTAINING HEALTHY COMMUNITIES. HOW MANY
17 MORE BLACK BABIES NEED TO DIE OF CONGENITAL SYPHILIS BEFORE
18 S.T.D.S ARE TAKEN SERIOUSLY? WE ASK THAT \$10 MILLION BE
19 ALLOCATED IMMEDIATELY TO S.T.D. SERVICES, SO THAT L.A. COUNTY
20 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS
21 CAN TACKLE RISING RATES TOGETHER, BEFORE EVEN LARGER OUTBREAKS
22 CONTINUE.

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24 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?
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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JASON CERVANTES. PLEASE
2 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
3 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4
5 **JASON CERVANTES:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM SUPERVISORS. I AM
6 SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 9. MY NAME IS JASON CERVANTES. I'M
7 A DIRECTOR ON THE LOCAL 1014 BOARD. I'VE BECOME THE 1014'S
8 WORKERS' COMP SUBJECT-MATTER EXPERT, SO TO SPEAK, AND I ALSO
9 SIT ON THE WORKERS' COMP LABOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE WITH THE
10 DEPARTMENT. LOCAL 1014 IDENTIFIED A PROBLEM WITH OUR CURRENT
11 T.P.A. AND THEIR PROCESSES QUITE A WHILE AGO, WHICH CAUSED US
12 TO FACILITATE TWO MEETINGS WITH THE DEPARTMENT, SO FAR: ONE
13 WITH OUR FORMER ADMINISTRATION, AND NOW ONE WITH OUR CURRENT
14 ADMINISTRATION, AND THESE MEETINGS ARE CURRENTLY ONGOING,
15 EVERY 4 TO 6 WEEKS. IN THESE MEETINGS, BOTH LABOR AND
16 MANAGEMENT HAVE COME UP WITH SOLUTIONS THAT WE FEEL COULD WORK
17 AND STREAMLINE OUR WORKERS' COMP PROCESS. SOME HAVE BEEN
18 IMPLEMENTED; QUITE A FEW HAVE NOT. WE FEEL THE DEPARTMENT
19 NEEDS TO BE GIVEN THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE THESE CHANGES. THE
20 FIRE DEPARTMENT IS IN A DIFFICULT SPOT, AS WE ARE SPECIAL
21 DISTRICT, AND WE ARE HAVING TO BEAR THE WORKERS' COMP BILL FOR
22 A T.P.A. THAT WAS CONTRACTED BY THE COUNTY. THE CURRENT T.P.A.
23 IS FAILING US BY CAUSING DELAYS IN SCHEDULING, TREATMENT, ET
24 CETERA. THESE DELAYS ARE DELAYING OUR PEOPLE GETTING BACK TO
25 WORK, WHICH IN TURN LEADS TO HIGHER WORKERS' COMP COSTS.



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2 **SPEAKER:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK YOU. WE WILL
3 NOW GO TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS.

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5 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO
7 ITEM 1, 2, 7, AND 10, AND PUBLIC COMMENT, AND YOU JUST GIVE ME
8 ONE MINUTE. I'M SUPPOSED TO HAVE AT LEAST TWO MINUTES. OKAY,
9 THANK YOU. NUMBER 1 AND NUMBER 2, I AM IN SUPPORT. IT IS
10 REALLY SAD THAT SUPERVISORS HAHN AND BARGER ARE TO BE THE ONES
11 WHO BROUGHT THE ISSUE OF R.S.V. TO THE PUBLIC, AND NOT THE
12 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. SO, THAT'S OF GREAT CONCERN OF
13 ME. AND THAT'S NOT THE FIRST TIME. IT HAS BEEN THE SAME WITH
14 THE MONKEYPOX. THINGS NEED TO CHANGE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF
15 PUBLIC HEALTH. AND ON ITEM 7, I'M VERY MUCH IN FAVOR OF ALL
16 TECHNOLOGY, ESPECIALLY FOR THE ELDERLY POPULATION AND THE
17 DISABLED. WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH IN THE COUNTY. SO, I WANT TO
18 THANK THE BOARD TO HAVE REOPENED THE BOARD TO THE MEETING. I
19 AM GLAD TO SEE THAT, AND I HOPE ALL BUSINESSES WILL FOLLOW UP
20 WHAT YOU ARE DOING. SO, THANK YOU FOR THAT, AND KEEP ON DOING
21 THE GOOD WORK. THANK YOU.

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23 **KARINA MACIAS:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE CHAIR AND BOARD
24 MEMBERS. MY NAME IS KARINA MACIAS. I AM SPEAKING ON GENERAL
25 PUBLIC COMMENT TODAY. I'M A PROUD MEMBER OF S.E.I.U. 2015, AND



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1 COUNCILMEMBER FOR THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON PARK, NOW, FOR 9
2 YEARS. I AM TRULY DISAPPOINTED ON HOW LONG THESE NEGOTIATIONS
3 ARE TAKING WITH S.E.I.U., AND THE [INAUDIBLE], OBVIOUSLY, FROM
4 THE CAREGIVERS TO BE HERE TO GIVE PUBLIC TESTIMONY. HOWEVER,
5 CAREGIVERS WON'T STOP COMING TO REMIND ALL OF YOU OF THE
6 IMPORTANCE OF INVESTING IN CARE, AND THE IMPORTANCE OF THE \$20
7 FOR CAREGIVERS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. NATIONAL CAREGIVERS MONTH
8 IS THIS NOVEMBER, AND A THANK-YOU DOESN'T GO FAR ENOUGH FOR A
9 LOT OF THESE CAREGIVERS THAT DO LIFESAVING WORK EVERY SINGLE
10 DAY OF THEIR LIVES, MANY FOR DECADES, SINCE THEY'VE BEEN HERE
11 IN L.A. COUNTY. PROTECT, PAY CAREGIVERS, RESPECT THEM. IT'S
12 TIME FOR \$20. IT'S TIME TO TAKE CARE OF OUR MOST VULNERABLE,
13 AND INVEST IN LONG-TERM CARE. THANK YOU.

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15 **REGGIE JONES-SAWYER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ASSEMBLYMEMBER
16 REGGIE JONES-SAWYER, AND I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF S.E.I.U. 721.
17 I'M ALSO HERE TO REALLY SPEAK ON BEHALF AS A SON WHOSE MOTHER
18 WAS IN THE HOSPITAL, WAS CLOSE TO DYING. AND IT REALLY, REALLY
19 BOTHERED ME, BECAUSE THERE WAS NOTHING THE PEOPLE IN THIS
20 HOSPITAL COULD DO. I WAS TOLD TO TAKE MY MOTHER HOME. AND WHEN
21 I TOOK MY MOTHER HOME TO HAVE HOME CARE, SHE HAD A MIRACULOUS
22 RECOVERY. SHE HAS DIABETES, SHE HAS KIDNEY FAILURE, AND SHE
23 HAS HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE. IF IT WASN'T FOR THE PEOPLE IN BACK
24 OF ME, MY MOTHER WOULD NOT BE HERE TODAY. IF IT WASN'T FOR THE
25 CARE THAT THEY GAVE, THE MIRACLE THAT THEY DID, MY MOTHER



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1 WOULD'N'T BE HERE TODAY. FOR ME, THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT THEY
2 DESERVE ALL THE MONEY THAT THEY NEED. FOR ME, THEIR
3 CONTRIBUTION IS INVALUABLE, AND SO WE NEED TO MAKE SURE WE
4 TAKE CARE OF THEM, BECAUSE IF THEY DECREASE THE NUMBER OF HOME
5 CARE WORKERS IN THIS AREA, THEN NOT JUST ME, THERE WILL BE
6 OTHER PEOPLE WHO WON'T BE ABLE TO ENJOY THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS,
7 NOT ONE SECOND, ONE HOUR, ONE DAY, ONE MONTH.

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9 **SPEAKER:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.

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11 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** ASSEMBLYMEMBER, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR
12 COMING TODAY, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO PARTNERING WITH MEMBERS
13 OF THE L.A. COUNTY DELEGATION IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO GET
14 US TO A POINT WHERE WE CAN MAKE THAT REAL. SO WE LOOK FORWARD
15 TO PARTNERING WITH YOU, MAKING SURE THAT STATE RESOURCES ARE
16 AT THE TABLE, AS WELL, SO WE'LL REACH OUT. THANK YOU SO MUCH
17 FOR COMING TODAY.

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19 **REGGIE JONES-SAWYER:** AND I WOULD LOVE TO CHAMPION THAT.

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21 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** EXCELLENT. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR COMING
22 TODAY. APPRECIATE YOU. NEXT WITNESS.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIR HOLLY MITCHELL, BOARD SUPERVISOR
25 JANICE HAHN, KATHRYN BARGER. MY NAME IS MARY GRACE BARRIOS.



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SUPERVISORS

1 I'M A PROUD S.E.I.U. 2015 HOME CARE PROVIDER, AN E-BOARD
2 MEMBER, AND FILIPINO ORGANIZER. FIRST, I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU
3 FOR MY LIFE TODAY. I AM 6 TIMES CANCER SURVIVOR, THANKS TO OUR
4 GREAT DOCTORS AND HEALTH SYSTEM IN HARBOR-U.C.L.A., AND
5 WHATEVER WAYS YOU CAN SUPPORT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED IN OUR
6 COMMUNITY. BUT I'M HERE TO SPEAK AGAIN ABOUT MY BROTHERS AND
7 SISTERS DESERVING-- BY THE WAY, I'M TALKING, ALSO, ON ITEM
8 NUMBER 16 IN THE AGENDA. IT'S VETERANS WEEK, VETERANS MONTH,
9 AND SO WE, IN THE HOME CARE SYSTEM, TAKE CARE OF A LOT OF OUR
10 VETERANS, MANY OF WHOM HAVE P.T.S.D. AND OTHER HEALTH ISSUES.
11 AND SO, WHAT'S ON THE TABLE RIGHT NOW? TO REACH \$20 WITH A 3-
12 YEAR CONTRACT IS A CONTRIBUTION BY THE COUNTY OF \$373 MILLION
13 WITHIN 3 YEARS, OKAY? WE'RE NOT SAYING YOU GIVE IT TO US ALL
14 AT ONCE. IT CAN BE SCATTERED, LIKE HOW YOU DID WITH S.E.I.U.
15 721. YOU SCATTERED THE RAISES, UP TO A MAXIMUM OF 12% RAISE.
16 NOW, IF YOU DON'T HELP US, THE \$75 OF WHICH \$15 A DAY IS YOUR
17 CONTRIBUTION, WE MAY HAVE TO BRING A LOT OF OUR CONSUMERS TO
18 NURSING FACILITIES, WHICH WOULD COST THE COUNTY 260-PLUS
19 DOLLARS A DAY, AND WOULD COST YOU MORE THAN A BILLION DOLLARS
20 TO TAKE CARE OF OUR LOVED ONES, RATHER THAN IN THE PRIVACY OF
21 OUR HOMES, AND GIVING THEM THE CARE THAT THEY DESERVE. STATE
22 AND THE FEDERAL HAS ALREADY COMMITTED TO HELP US FOR "TIME FOR
23 20." ALL RIGHT? SO, PLEASE, SIT IN THE TABLE. GIVE US AN
24 OFFER.
25



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1 **SPEAKER:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.

2

3 **SPEAKER:** AS OUR ASSEMBLY PERSON SAID, WE CAN ALL WORK TOGETHER
4 TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I JUST WANT TO REMIND OUR
7 WITNESSES WHO ARE HERE, IF YOU WOULD STATE THE ITEM NUMBERS AT
8 THE TOP OF YOUR PRESENTATION, SO WE MAKE SURE YOU GET YOUR
9 ACCURATE TIME REFLECTED ON THE CLOCK. SO TELL US WHAT YOU'RE
10 HERE TO SPEAK TO. THANK YOU, AND GOOD MORNING.

11

12 **BEN HELQUIST:** GOOD MORNING. ITEM 9, GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. MY
13 NAME IS BEN HELQUIST. I AM A PARTNER AT STRAUSSNER SHERMAN
14 LONNE TREGER HELQUIST. I REPRESENT HUNDREDS, IF NOT THOUSANDS,
15 OVER MY CAREER-- FIREFIGHTERS-- IN WORKERS' COMPENSATION
16 CASES. I'M ALSO COUNSEL FOR LOCAL 1014, IN THEIR INTERACTIONS
17 ON THE LABOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, WHICH IS THE WORKERS' COMP
18 CARVEOUT BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT AND TO THE UNION. I AM ASKING
19 TODAY FOR YOUR SUPPORT ON ITEM 9, WHICH IS THE MOTION FROM
20 SUPERVISORS BARGER AND HAHN, REGARDING AN ASSESSMENT OF THE
21 WORKERS' COMPENSATION SYSTEM AND POLICIES WITHIN THE FIRE
22 DEPARTMENT. WHAT I WANT TO SPEAK ON, SPECIFICALLY, IS THE
23 QUESTION OF WHY IT IS THAT OUR FIREFIGHTERS ARE OFF OF WORK
24 FOR SO LONG, AT GREAT COST TO THEIR PERSONAL HEALTH, AS WELL
25 AS TO THE COUNTY. THERE ARE THREE MAJOR THINGS, AND I'VE GOT A



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1 MINUTE AND 14 SECONDS, SO I WILL BE VERY BROAD IN SPEAKING.
2 FOREMOST, CLAIMS ARE FREQUENTLY DELAYED OR DENIED,
3 UNREASONABLY. AND WHEN THAT OCCURS, AN INDIVIDUAL SITS AT HOME
4 AWAITING TREATING FOR MONTHS, AS THE DENIED CLAIM IS
5 LITIGATED. IT ALSO PROMPTS ADDITIONAL ATTORNEY INTERACTION,
6 WHICH WE KNOW CAN SLOW THINGS DOWN. THE SECOND IS THAT WHEN A
7 CLAIM IS FINALLY ACCEPTED, TREATMENT AND COORDINATING
8 TREATMENT WITH A PROVIDER IS NEXT TO IMPOSSIBLE, BECAUSE OF
9 THE FEW NETWORK DOCTORS IN THE SYSTEM. AND THEN, FINALLY, THE
10 THIRD ISSUE IS THAT EVEN WHEN TREATMENT COORDINATION IS
11 PROVIDED ON AN ADMINISTRATIVE LEVEL, THE TREATMENT IS OFTEN
12 DENIED. AND SO WHAT WE SEE IS A SPRAINED ANKLE THAT COULD HAVE
13 BEEN TWO WEEKS' WORTH OF TREATMENT, MAYBE A FEW PHYSICAL
14 THERAPY SESSIONS, TURNING INTO MONTHS AND MONTHS OF I.O.D.
15 TIME, LABOR CODE 4850 FULL PAY, AND THEN THE BACKFILL IN THE
16 POSITION AT THE DEPARTMENT. AND I SAY THIS AS AN APPLICANT'S
17 ATTORNEY. THE VAST MAJORITY OF MY CLIENTS WISH TO GET BACK TO
18 WORK AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. IT'S NOT IN THEIR D.N.A. TO SIT
19 AT HOME. TAKING THE ASSESSMENT THAT'S BEEN PROPOSED HERE
20 WITHIN THE MOTION IS THE FIRST STEP IN KNOWING EXACTLY HOW TO
21 FIX THE PROBLEMS, AND HOLDING ANY ADMINISTRATIVE FAILURES
22 RESPONSIBLE FOR THESE DELAYS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

23
24 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
25 FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU: JULIA RAMIREZ, ANTIGONE



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1 ROBINSON, CAROL SALAS, MICHELLE DARMORY, AND KIANA JENNINGS.
2 MODERATOR, WE WILL NOW RETURN TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. MAY WE
3 HAVE THE NEXT CALLER?

4

5 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JOSEPH QUINTANA. PLEASE
6 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
7 YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

8

9 **JOSEPH QUINTANA:** JOSEPH QUINTANA, AND I AM SPEAKING TO ITEM
10 22. GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND OUR FELLOW COUNTY BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JOSEPH QUINTANA [INAUDIBLE]. I
12 REPRESENT THE LARGEST HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICE PROVIDER IN LOS
13 ANGELES COUNTY, WHICH IS UNITED AMERICAN INDIAN INVOLVEMENT.
14 WE REPRESENT MEMBERS FROM OVER 200 DIFFERENT TRIBES THROUGHOUT
15 LOS ANGELES. I REALLY WANT TO THANK EACH OF THE COUNTY BOARD
16 SUPERVISORS, IN PARTICULAR HILDA SOLIS, FOR YOUR CONTINUED
17 SUPPORT OF THE NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNITY. I ALSO WANT TO WISH
18 YOU EACH A HAPPY NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH. I THINK THIS
19 IS A GREAT TIME FOR US TO REALIZE THAT ANGELENOS, NOT ONLY ARE
20 WE DIVERSE IN OUR POPULATION, BUT WE ARE DIVERSE IN OUR
21 CULTURES, AND WE'RE DIVERSE IN HAVING ONE OF THE LARGEST
22 POPULATIONS OF URBAN AMERICAN INDIANS IN THE ENTIRE NATION,
23 AND I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE CAN CELEBRATE. REALLY, IN
24 THINKING ABOUT THIS PROCLAMATION, TOO, IS THAT WE'VE WORKED



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1 THROUGH THE PANDEMIC IN ADDRESSING THE HEALTH CONCERNS OF OUR
2 MEMBERS, AND MAKING SURE OUR MEMBERS ALSO HAVE ACCESS TO--

3
4 **SPEAKER:** EXCUSE ME, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE HAVE THE
5 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

6
7 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DAVE GILLOTTE. PLEASE STATE
8 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU'LL
9 ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

10
11 **DAVE GILLOTTE:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DAVE GILLOTTE, AND
12 I'LL BE ADDRESSING AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 9 AND PUBLIC COMMENT,
13 FOR A TOTAL OF TWO MINUTES. MY NAME IS DAVE GILLOTTE, AND I AM
14 A 30-YEAR-PLUS CAPTAIN AND A 25-YEAR UNION OFFICER
15 REPRESENTING THE L.A. COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS, AND I RISE TO
16 SUPPORT AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 9 IN THIS MOTION, AND THANK THE
17 AUTHOR, CO-AUTHOR, AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR WHAT I
18 HOPE TO BE A UNANIMOUS VOTE. THIS MOTION SIMPLY WILL SHINE A
19 LIGHT ON A BROKEN SYSTEM THAT NEEDS REPAIR, AND NEEDS A CRISIS
20 RESPONSE. I WILL TELL YOU, WHEN YOU START TO GET THE REPORTS
21 AND THE DATA ON PROCESSES AND THE CHALLENGES MY MEMBERS FACE
22 TO GET TREATED AND RETURN TO WORK, SOMETIMES WITH AMAZINGLY
23 SERIOUS AND CHALLENGING INJURIES, WITH BROKEN BONES, TORN
24 LIGAMENTS, BURNS, AND EVEN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ISSUES, AFTER
25 SEEING 4 TO 5 DEAD BODIES PER WEEK, ONLY TO BE DENIED OR



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1 DELAYED ON DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT, YOU WILL BE AMAZED AND
2 ANGRY AT THE SYSTEM THAT PUTS STOCK IN THE WORK OF TWO COUNTY-
3 MANDATED, THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATORS, SEDGWICK AND CORVEL, WHO
4 PURPOSELY AND SYSTEMATICALLY CAUSE DELAY AFTER DELAY ON
5 DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT, AND PUT OUR MEMBERS AT INCREASED RISK
6 AND LONGER RETURN TO WORK TIMES, AS IF IT WAS THEIR RELIGION.
7 YOU WILL BE SHOCKED WHEN YOU GET TO HEAR WHAT IS HAPPENING TO
8 CREATE A SYSTEM WHERE NEARLY 500 FIREFIGHTERS ARE OFF ON
9 INJURY PER MONTH. THAT NUMBER HAS NEVER BEEN HIGHER THAN 100
10 TO 150. THIS IS A CRISIS, AND WE, THE LOCAL, HAVE ALREADY
11 DECLARED THAT, AND PUSHED THE DEPARTMENT INTO SERIOUS PARTNER
12 MEETINGS TO WORK ON SOLUTIONS TO MAKE THIS SYSTEM AMAZING
13 AGAIN, LIKE WE HAD IT IN THE PAST. I WORKED WITH CHIEF FREEMAN
14 TO SET UP A CARVEOUT FROM THE STATE WORKERS' COMPENSATION
15 SYSTEM, WHICH IS A COMPLETE FAILURE. FOR A LONG WHILE, WHEN
16 MANAGED RIGHT, IT WAS A SYSTEM WHERE WE WRITE THE RULES, AND
17 WHEN THE THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATOR IS PRESSED HARD AND HELD
18 ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE WORK, WE HAD A SYSTEM THAT WORKED WELL,
19 AND GOT OUR MEMBERS TREATED AND BACK TO WORK, AND SAVED MONEY.
20 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, AND WE WILL FOLLOW UP MANY TIMES IN
21 WRITING AND IN PERSON, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE C.E.O. AND
22 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PULLING IN THE THIRD LEG OF THE
23 PARTNERSHIP TO GET THIS RIGHT. THANK YOU.

24
25 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.



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1
2 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CORDELIA ISTELE. PLEASE
3 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
4 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5
6 **CORDELIA ISTELE:** HI. MY NAME IS CORDELIA ISTELE, AND I'M CALLING
7 IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 22, AS WELL AS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I'M
8 DIRECTOR OF ORGANIZING AT ARTS FOR L.A., A NETWORK OF OVER
9 75,000 ARTS ADVOCATES WORKING FOR A MORE EQUITABLE CAREER
10 SECTOR IN THE L.A. REGION. AND I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISORS
11 SOLIS AND HAHN FOR AUTHORIZING THIS MOTION TO PROCLAIM NATIVE
12 AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH, AND ADOPT A COUNTYWIDE LAND
13 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. I'D REALLY LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR
14 CHAMPIONING THIS IMPORTANT STEP IN REDRESSING THE ERASURE OF
15 THIS LAND'S FIRST PEOPLES AND ORIGINAL STEWARDS, AS WELL AS
16 THE RECOGNITION THAT ARTS, CULTURE, AND STORIES ARE CRITICAL
17 TO CREATING A MORE JUST REGION. AND WHILE THIS LAND
18 ACKNOWLEDGMENT IS A FIRST STEP TOWARDS REDRESSING THE FORCIBLE
19 DISPOSSESSION OF THIS LAND'S ORIGINAL STEWARDS, WE KNOW THAT
20 THIS MUST BE PAIRED WITH FURTHER ACTION AND INVESTMENT THAT IS
21 DRIVEN BY TRIBAL INPUT. ARTS FOR L.A. CELEBRATES THE
22 ALLOCATION OF \$150,000 TOWARDS THIS WORK, AND STANDS IN
23 SOLIDARITY WITH THOSE WORKING TOWARDS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN
24 OFFICE OF TRIBAL RELATIONS, EFFORTS TO DIRECT MORE RESOURCES
25 TOWARDS INDIGENOUS ARTISTS AND CULTURE-BEARERS, AND



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1 OPPORTUNITIES FOR LOCAL TRIBES TO RECEIVE LAND BACK. SO, I
2 URGE THIS BOARD TO ADOPT ITEM 22 AND CONTINUE THIS IMPORTANT
3 WORK IN THE FUTURE, AND THANK SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HAHN FOR
4 THEIR LEADERSHIP, AGAIN. THANK YOU.

5
6 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

7
8 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHERI THOMAS. PLEASE STATE
9 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU WILL
10 ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11
12 **CHERI THOMAS:** HI. CHERI THOMAS. I'M THE CHAIR OF THE LOS
13 ANGELES CITY/COUNTY NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION, AND AN
14 ENROLLED MEMBER OF THE QUINULT INDIAN NATION. I'D LIKE TO
15 THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR AUTHORIZING ITEM 22, PROCLAIMING
16 NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH AND ADOPTING A COUNTYWIDE LAND
17 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. IT'S A TOOL TO COMBAT THE ERASURE OF
18 HISTORIES AND THE CULTURES OF FIRST PEOPLES. IT IS ALSO
19 IMPORTANT THAT THE COUNTY WORK TOWARD THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN
20 OFFICE OF TRIBAL RELATIONS, AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR LOCAL TRIBES
21 TO RECEIVE LAND BACK. I ALSO WANT TO STATE THAT ALLOCATING
22 \$150,000 TO ENSURE THAT THE WORK CONTINUES IS VERY IMPORTANT
23 AND APPRECIATED. TO THAT END, I RESPECTFULLY ASK FOR YOUR
24 SUPPORT ON THE MOTION. THANK YOU.



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1 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

2

3 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ROY HUMPHREYS. PLEASE STATE
4 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU'LL
5 ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, ITEMS 1, 4, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, AND
8 NOTE THAT THERE IS NO CRISIS IN THE STUDENT LOAN SITUATION.
9 NUMBER ONE, HOW MUCH "EQUITY"-- A BUZZWORD-- WILL \$333 MILLION
10 BUY, AFTER ADMIN COSTS? AIN'T MUCH, AS TO THE PROBLEM ISSUE.
11 THAT BEATS ZERO. ITEM NUMBER 4: \$85 MILLION IS A BAND-AID ON A
12 BLEEDING-OUT SITUATION DECADES IN THE MAKING. ROB THE PETER
13 SHERIFF TO PAY A BILLION-DOLLAR PAUL. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT:
14 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SPECIFICALLY, AND ALL CONTINUE FAILING TO
15 CLEAN OUT THE TUNNEL DWELLERS OF THE COUNTY AND STATE FLOOD
16 CONTROL CHANNELS, AS DOCUMENTED ON MY YOUTUBE CHANNEL, AS A
17 TASTE OF THE THIRD WORLD AND PUBLIC HOUSING FOR THE SOUTHERN-
18 BORDER ILLEGALS. STATE ASSET JOHN ACOSTA IS ONLY TOO WILLING
19 TO HELP. WE ALSO NOTE THAT THE GANG OF FOUR LIVES. GOD SAVE
20 THE COUNTY AND ROWLAND HEIGHTS. AND PLEASE GET RID OF THAT
21 HIDEOUS CLOCK ON THE SCREEN THERE. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MODERATOR, WE WILL NOW RETURN TO IN-PERSON
24 SPEAKERS.

25



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1 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS CHRIS REED, AND I'M HERE TO
2 SPEAK ON ITEM NUMBER 9 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. SUPERVISOR
3 BARGER, SUPERVISOR HAHN, THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS TO LIGHT.
4 OUR FIREFIGHTERS ARE BROKEN. WE ARE ON A SHIP, RIGHT NOW,
5 GOING IN THE WRONG DIRECTION. WITH THIS, OUR HANDS ARE ON THE
6 WHEEL, AND WE WANT TO TURN THAT THING AND GO BACK TOWARD LAND.
7 RIGHT NOW, THE SYSTEM IS TAKING MONEY AWAY FROM OUR
8 FIREFIGHTERS AND THEIR EQUIPMENT TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE SERVICE
9 TO OUR COMMUNITIES. CURRENTLY, WHEN I GO BACK TO THE STATION
10 TODAY, I'M GOING TO BE RIDING ON A 29-YEAR-OLD FIRE TRUCK THAT
11 HAS OVER 200,000 MILES ON IT, THAT WE DON'T KNOW IF IT'S GOING
12 TO BLOW A TURBO, BLOW A GASKET, OR BLOW A HYDRAULIC LINE. IT
13 HAPPENS ALL THE TIME. WE'RE TOLD THAT WE'RE PROFESSIONAL
14 ATHLETES, FROM THE FIRST DAY THAT WE WALK INTO THE ACADEMY.
15 BUT RIGHT NOW, IT DOESN'T FEEL LIKE WE'RE BEING TREATED LIKE
16 THOSE PROFESSIONAL ATHLETES, AS WE'RE TRYING TO GET BACK TO
17 WORK AS FAST AS WE CAN. THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ASPECT IS
18 PROBABLY THE BIGGEST THING THAT I'M SEEING AT THE FIRE
19 STATION. IT'S THE INDIVIDUAL THAT CANNOT GET BACK TO WORK.
20 HE'S AT HOME FIGHTING WITH HIS WIFE AND HIS KIDS, BECAUSE HE'S
21 FRUSTRATED, OR SHE'S FRUSTRATED; OR THE PERSON THAT'S BEING
22 FORCE-HIRED-- "RECALLED" IS WE CALL IT-- ON THEIR DAY OFF, TO
23 COME IN TO THE FIRE STATION AND FILL THAT SEAT. BECAUSE WHEN
24 THE PUBLIC CALLS 9-1-1, THEY EXPECT THAT FIRE ENGINE OR FIRE
25 TRUCK TO SHOW UP, AND WE PROVIDE THE BEST SERVICE WE CAN, AND



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1 WE'LL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THE BEST SERVICE WE CAN, BECAUSE WE
2 ARE THE BEST FIRE DEPARTMENT IN THE WORLD. THANK YOU ALL FOR
3 YOUR TIME.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. THIS IS NATIONAL CAREGIVERS MONTH, SO I HAVE A
6 QUESTION FOR YOU. DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA HOW DISRESPECTED LOS
7 ANGELES COUNTY CAREGIVERS FEEL, BY HOW LONG OUR CONTRACT HAS
8 BEEN DRAGGED OUT? I JUST PAID MY INCREASED RENT FOR NOVEMBER,
9 AND NOW I'M LOOKING AT WHETHER I'LL BE ABLE TO PUT A TURKEY ON
10 THE TABLE FOR THANKSGIVING. WE SAVE YOU SO MUCH MONEY BY
11 KEEPING PEOPLE IN THEIR HOMES, THAT WOULD OTHERWISE HAVE TO GO
12 TO NURSING HOMES OR GROUP HOMES. I JUST SAW, THE OTHER DAY,
13 THAT TARGET IS HIRING AT \$15 AN HOUR, TO START. HOW CAN WE
14 ATTRACT ENOUGH PEOPLE TO MEET THE INCREASING DEMAND FOR HOME
15 CARE, IF TARGET PAYS AS WELL AS HOME CARE? IT IS TIME FOR \$20
16 AN HOUR, NOW. THANK YOU.

17

18 **JULIA RAMIREZ:** BUENOS DIAS.

19

20 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JULIA RAMIREZ. THIS IS
21 MY SON. HE'S WITH ME 24 HOURS. HE DOES NOT ATTEND SCHOOL. HE
22 RAN OUT OF SCHOOL, SO I DECIDED THAT HE WOULD BE WITH ME. I
23 DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED AT THE SCHOOL. I'M NOT TOO SURE,
24 SINCE HE DOESN'T SPEAK. HE WAS VERY AFRAID. AND SO I DECIDED
25 THAT HE WAS GOING TO STAY WITH ME, AND THEN THE EXPENSES



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1 STARTED COMING UP, AND, YOU KNOW, WHEN HE'S HOME, THE FOOD AND
2 ALL THAT. I HAVE TO PAY BILLS, AND FOOD JUST WENT UP HIGH, AND
3 SO NOW I BELIEVE THAT WE DESERVE \$20 AN HOUR. EVERYTHING IS
4 EXPENSIVE-- GAS. WE DESERVE THE \$20. I THINK THAT'S IT. THANK
5 YOU. I'M VERY NERVOUS.

6

7 **JULIA RAMIREZ:** THANK YOU.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** BUENOS DIAS.

10

11 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LILIAN BARAHONA, AND I
12 WANT TO TALK TO MS. HILDA SOLIS, BUT I THINK EVERYBODY IS
13 INCLUDED IN THIS DECISION. I HAVE BEEN WORKING FOR I.H.S.S.
14 FOR 15 YEARS, BUT I'VE ALSO WORKED IN A NURSING HOME, AND I
15 KNOW THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN BEING IN A NURSING HOME AND TAKING
16 CARE OF SOMEONE IN THEIR HOME. AND I'M ASKING YOU TO PLEASE
17 THINK ABOUT IT. WE NOW NEED THIS INCREASE, BECAUSE LIFE IS SO
18 HARD. AND THERE'S PEOPLE THAT REALLY NEED TO TAKE CARE OF
19 THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS, OR THEN THERE'S PEOPLE LIKE ME, THAT I
20 HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF OTHERS THAT ARE NOT MY FAMILY. BUT I HAVE
21 THAT SENSIBILITY TO GIVE THEM LOVE AND CARE, AND ALSO THAT
22 CARE THAT'S REQUIRED. AND THOSE ARE THINGS THAT THEY TRULY,
23 REALLY NEED: THE CARE, THE ATTENTION, AND OVERALL LOVE, THAT
24 IN NURSING HOMES, THEY'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE THAT. SO, PLEASE,
25 PLEASE, THINK ABOUT IT. PLEASE THINK ABOUT IT, BECAUSE A LOT



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1 OF PEOPLE NEED IT. MAYBE RIGHT NOW, THEY NEED IT, BUT IN THE
2 FUTURE, WE'RE THE ONES THAT ARE GOING TO NEED THAT CARE, AS
3 WELL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

4
5 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MICHELLE, AND I'LL BE
6 SPEAKING ON ITEMS 32, 94, AND 95. I WANT TO URGE YOU TO VOTE
7 YES ON ITEMS 32, 94, AND 95, WHICH WILL PROVIDE CRUCIAL
8 PROTECTION AGAINST EVICTIONS FOR TENANTS WHO HAVE FALLEN
9 BEHIND ON SMALL AMOUNTS OF RENT, DUE TO LOSS OF WORK, OR
10 ILLNESS CAUSED BY THE C.O.V.I.D.-19 PANDEMIC. ADDITIONALLY,
11 THESE PROTECTIONS WILL HELP KEEP TENANTS HOUSED, BY CAPPING
12 RENT INCREASES FOR R.S.O. UNITS AT 3%, A MUCH-NEEDED SAFEGUARD
13 FOR LOW-INCOME TENANTS WHO ARE AT RISK OF BEING PRICED OUT OF
14 THEIR HOMES. HAD THESE ACTS BEEN IN PLACE AT THE VERY
15 BEGINNING OF THE PANDEMIC, I WOULD HAVE HAD PROTECTION.
16 UNFORTUNATELY, I WAS NOT SO LUCKY, AND LIKE MANY OTHERS, I
17 LOST MY JOB, AND WASN'T ABLE TO PAY RENT AT THE TIME. SHORTLY
18 AFTER, I FOUND MYSELF EVICTED AND HOMELESS, AND FOR THE NEXT
19 TWO YEARS, LIVING OUT OF MY CAR PROVED TO BE DIFFICULT, WITH
20 NO PROTECTION OR HOME TO KEEP ME SAFE DURING THE WORST OF THE
21 PANDEMIC. BEING UNHOUSED MADE FINDING A NEW JOB NEARLY
22 IMPOSSIBLE. HAVING NO ACCESS TO BASIC HUMAN NEEDS, SUCH AS
23 RUNNING WATER TO BATHE, A TOILET OR A STOVE, FORCED ME TO HAVE
24 TO WASH IN PUBLIC BATHROOMS, A TRULY DEHUMANIZING EXPERIENCE.
25 THIS IS THE REALITY FOR MANY OF US. AND FOR WOMEN OF COLOR



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1 THAT ARE UNHOUSED, IT DRAMATICALLY LOWERS OUR LIFE EXPECTANCY.
2 MOST OF US DON'T MAKE IT PAST 35. IN MANY WAYS, THE SYSTEM HAS
3 FAILED ME AND MANY OTHERS, AND STILL CONTINUES, TO THIS
4 MOMENT. I CONTINUE TO STILL EXPERIENCE HOUSING DISCRIMINATION,
5 DUE TO THE AFTERMATH OF THE PANDEMIC. THE LIST OF REQUIREMENTS
6 TO BECOME HOUSED, PAIRED WITH RENT INCREASES, ARE EXACTLY WHY
7 HAVING THIS PERMANENT PROTECTION AND EXTENDING EMERGENCY
8 MORATORIUMS ON NOVEMBER 15TH IS CRUCIAL. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
11 FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU: JUAN JUAREZ, MILES
12 HAISLEY, MARIA LOPEZ, MARIA YGLESIAS, AND LENA GONZALEZ.
13 MODERATOR, WE WILL NOW RETURN TO REMOTE SPEAKERS. MAY WE HAVE
14 THE NEXT CALLER, PLEASE?

15

16 **MODERATOR:** AS A REMINDER, FOR REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE
17 BOARD, IF YOU NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0. DO
18 NOT PRESS 1 AND 0 A SECOND TIME, OR YOU WILL BE REMOVED FROM
19 THE QUEUE.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** WE WILL NOW HEAR THE SPANISH INTERPRETATION OF THIS
22 REMINDER.

23

24 **INTERPRETER:** [SPEAKS SPANISH]

25



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1 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER,
2 PLEASE?

3
4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS RAY PIZARRO. PLEASE STATE
5 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU'LL
6 ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

7
8 **SPEAKER:** YES, GOOD MORNING. I WILL BE ADDRESSING ITEM 8 AND
9 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I WANT TO START OFF BY THANKING
10 SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR PROCLAIMING THE AMPHITHEATER AT RANCHO LOS
11 AMIGOS THE CARLOS BENAVIDES AMPHITHEATER. THANK YOU FOR
12 RECOGNIZING CARLOS' IMPACT ON PATIENTS AND STAFF ALIKE, WITH
13 HIS WORK IN THE ARTS AND HIS ADVOCATION FOR PEOPLE WITH
14 DISABILITIES. THIS IS A WELL-DESERVED HONOR FOR A MAN WHO HAS
15 GIVEN SO MUCH TIME AND EFFORT TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF OTHERS
16 WITH DISABILITIES. SOMETHING I COULD TELL YOU, PERSONALLY
17 WITNESSING HIM, JUST FOR REFERENCE: AT ONE TIME, HE FOUGHT TO
18 HELP RANCHO STAY OPEN. HE WAS TRYING TO-- IT WAS TRYING TO BE
19 CLOSED DOWN AT ONE TIME, AND HE WAS LEADING THE FIGHT THERE,
20 AND ADVOCATING TO KEEP IT OPEN, BECAUSE OF THE IMPORTANCE IT
21 WAS FOR OTHER PEOPLE TO GAIN VALUABLE REHABILITATION SERVICES.
22 HE ALSO HELPED CREATE THE FIRST PATIENT ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR
23 RANCHO LOS AMIGOS, AND NOW OTHER COUNTY FACILITIES ARE
24 IMPLEMENTING THIS DEPARTMENT AS A FAMILY PATIENT ADVISORY
25 COUNCIL. ON TOP OF THAT, HE'S INTEGRATED WITH VOLUNTEERING,



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1 AND JUST A BIG CHAMPION FOR ALL OF US. AND I'M JUST HAPPY TO
2 BE PART OF HIS JOURNEY, AND ALWAYS CONSTANTLY INSPIRING US IN
3 DIFFERENT WAYS. AND ONCE AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO, AND
4 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

7

8 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS KATHERINE CABRERA. PLEASE
9 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
10 YOU WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **KATHERINE CABRERA:** THANK YOU. I'LL BE SPEAKING ON ITEM 20 AND
13 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. THANK YOU TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
14 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON ITEM 20. MY NAME IS
15 KATHERINE CABRERA, AND I'M A PROGRAM MANAGER AT THE
16 GREENLINING INSTITUTE. THE GREENLINING INSTITUTE IS A
17 STATEWIDE RACIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION, AND WE ARE
18 EXCITED TO BE ABLE TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION, WHICH IS A CRITICAL
19 START TO OFFERING PROTECTIONS FOR VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES
20 EXPERIENCING EXTREME HEAT. THROUGH OUR STATE-LEVEL POLICY
21 WORK, WE ENGAGE IN EXTREME HEAT ISSUES, SUCH AS THE
22 STRENGTHENING OF A.B. 2238, WHICH PASSED IN THE LAST
23 LEGISLATIVE CYCLE, THAT WILL CREATE THE NATION'S FIRST EXTREME
24 HEAT RANKING SYSTEM. WE ALSO RECENTLY ENGAGED IN SHAPING THE
25 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FORTHCOMING EXTREME HEAT AND COMMUNITY



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1 RESILIENCE GRANT PROGRAM. THROUGH OUR LOCAL EFFORTS, WE HAVE
2 PARTNERED WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS IN THE SAN GABRIEL AND
3 POMONA VALLEYS, TO SUPPORT THEM WITH THE CAPACITY AND
4 RESOURCES NEEDED TO REALIZE THEIR COMMUNITY VISIONS FOR
5 CLIMATE RESILIENCE. THROUGH THIS WORK, WE WORK WITH
6 COMMUNITIES MOST IMPACTED BY EXTREME HEAT, AS HIGHLIGHTED BY
7 THE COUNTY'S CLIMATE VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT, INCLUDING DAY
8 LABORERS, MOBILE HOME RESIDENTS, AND COMMUNITIES WITH LARGE
9 POPULATIONS OF CHILDREN. ACROSS THE BOARD, EXTREME HEAT
10 CONTINUES TO COME UP AS A KEY PRIORITY ISSUE FOR OUR PARTNERS
11 IN EASTERN L.A. COUNTY. DUE TO THEIR URGENCY OF EXTREME HEAT,
12 OUR PARTNERS HAVE EXPRESSED THE NEED TO ADVOCATE FOR A STATE
13 HABITABILITY STANDARD, TO PROVIDE A RIGHT TO COOLING FOR ALL;
14 THE NEED FOR LOCAL EXTREME HEAT POLICIES TO FILL IN STATE
15 POLICY GAPS, AS THE STATE HABITABILITY STANDARD WOULD TAKE
16 TIME TO BE IMPLEMENTED, AND MAY NOT INCLUDE ALL COMMUNITIES,
17 SUCH AS MOBILE HOME RESIDENTS AND UNHOUSED RESIDENTS; AND
18 LASTLY, THE NEED TO REDUCE FINANCIAL BURDENS FOR EXTREME HEAT
19 ADAPTATION. WE BELIEVE THIS MOTION IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO
20 ADDRESS EXTREME HEAT AND REDUCE POLLUTION, AMONGST OTHER
21 CRUCIAL BENEFITS. THANK YOU.

22
23 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.



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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS KELLY BROOKS. PLEASE STATE
2 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU'LL
3 ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4
5 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, YES. I HAVE GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ABOUT
6 I.H.S.S., THE HOME HEALTHCARE WORKERS. I THINK THAT YOU REALLY
7 NEED TO PAY ATTENTION TO WHAT'S GOING ON HERE. PARTY CITY
8 HIRES AT \$16 AN HOUR. THAT'S ABSOLUTELY LUDICROUS. THESE
9 PEOPLE DEDICATE THEIR LIVES TO TAKING CARE OF OTHER PEOPLE,
10 AND AT ANY TIME, ONE OF YOU CAN BECOME JUST AS DISABLED AS I
11 AM. I WAS A 36-YEAR-OLD MOTHER OF TWO, AND FELL AND PUT MY
12 FOOT THROUGH A WALL, AND BECAME PERMANENTLY DISABLED DUE TO
13 NERVE DAMAGE THAT BROKE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN MY BRAIN AND MY
14 FOOT. I NOW HAVE A DISEASE THAT IS PHANTOM LIMB PAIN WITHOUT
15 THE AMPUTATION. I CAN BARELY WALK, AND I HAVE RHEUMATOID
16 ARTHRITIS. I'M ONLY 46 YEARS OLD, AT THIS POINT. IT IS
17 ABSOLUTELY RIDICULOUS THAT I CANNOT GET ANYBODY TO COME AND
18 HELP ME WITH MY DAILY LIFE, BECAUSE MY HUSBAND WORKS, AND MY
19 CHILDREN WORK. AND AT \$16 AN HOUR, WITH GAS PRICES THE WAY
20 THEY ARE, IT WOULD TAKE ALMOST A DAY OF WAGES JUST FOR
21 SOMEBODY TO DRIVE TO LONG BEACH, TO COME AND TAKE CARE OF ME
22 FOR THE DAY. I THINK YOU GUYS NEED TO WAKE UP AND REALIZE THAT
23 PUTTING US IN NURSING HOMES AND GROUP HOMES IS GOING TO COST
24 YOU WAY TOO MUCH MONEY, AND \$20--



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1 **SPEAKER:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
2 PLEASE?

3
4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHRISTY MADDEN. PLEASE
5 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
6 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

7
8 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS CHRISTY MADDEN, AND I'M MAKING GENERAL
9 PUBLIC COMMENT. I LIVE IN CHATSWORTH. I'M DISABLED WITH
10 MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY, USE A POWER WHEELCHAIR, AND HAVE
11 DIFFICULTY DOING CERTAIN HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL TASKS.
12 BECAUSE OF THIS, I HIRED TWO CAREGIVERS, FELIX AND GIGI,
13 THROUGH THE I.H.S.S. PROGRAM. ORIGINALLY, THEY WERE MY
14 MOTHER'S WORKERS. SHE HAD DEMENTIA, AND HER WORKERS DID AN
15 OUTSTANDING JOB MAKING HER FEEL LOVED AND HAPPY, UNTIL SHE
16 DIED IN 2020. THESE DAYS, FELIX AND GIGI ARE STRUGGLING
17 FINANCIALLY, CARING FOR THEIR OWN DISABLED RELATIVES, AND
18 PUTTING THEIR GIFTED SON THROUGH COLLEGE. IT SEEMS SO WRONG TO
19 ME THAT SUCH DEDICATED, HARDWORKING PEOPLE EARN SO LITTLE.
20 PLEASE CONSIDER RAISING THE I.H.S.S. CAREGIVER WAGE TO \$20 AN
21 HOUR. THIS WILL HELP SAVE SOME WORKERS FROM BECOMING HOMELESS.
22 IT WILL ALSO HELP ATTRACT GOOD PEOPLE TO THE JOB, ALLEVIATE
23 THE CAREGIVER SHORTAGE, AND ENSURE THAT THE DISABLED AND
24 ELDERLY CAN CONTINUE RECEIVING QUALITY CARE IN THEIR OWN
25 HOMES. IT'S TIME FOR 20. THANK YOU.



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2 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

3

4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BERTHA MERAZ. PLEASE STATE
5 THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER YOU'LL
6 ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

7

8 **BERTHA MERAZ:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
9 BERTHA MERAZ. I AM A RESIDENT AND A PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSIONER
10 FOR THE CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS, AND I AM SPEAKING ON ITEM
11 24. I SUPPORT THE MOTION TO EXTEND THE FUNDS FOR THE TRAUMA
12 PREVENTION INITIATIVE, BASED ON EXPANSION SERVICES. THIS
13 PROGRAM GREATLY BENEFITS OUR CITY, AS WE HAVE STARTED THE
14 MEETINGS AND THE COLLABORATION. AS A MOTHER OF A SON WHO WAS
15 MURDERED 31 YEARS AGO LAST MONTH, AND 5 MONTHS LATER, MY
16 SECOND SON WAS ALSO SHOT AND LEFT DISABLED FOR THE REST OF HIS
17 LIFE, I AM BEGGING YOU TO PLEASE EXTEND THE TRAUMA SERVICE
18 INITIATIVE. WE REALLY NEED THIS IN OUR CITY. WE ARE A VERY
19 SMALL CITY, AND WE LOVE EACH OTHER, WE TAKE CARE OF EACH
20 OTHER, BUT WE ARE DESPERATELY SEEKING HELP. AS OF LAST NIGHT,
21 ANOTHER MOTHER'S HEART IS BROKEN IN OUR CITY, BECAUSE HER SON
22 WAS MURDERED. WE ARE LOSING OUR FUTURE GENERATIONS.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MODERATOR, WE WILL NOW RETURN
25 TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS.



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2 **ANTIGONE ROBINSON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ANTIGONE ROBINSON,
3 WITH THE AIDS HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION, AND I WILL BE SPEAKING ON
4 AGENDA ITEMS 2, 19, 45, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. L.A.
5 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CANNOT SUCCESSFULLY ADDRESS RISING
6 S.T.D. RATES WITHOUT INCORPORATING FEEDBACK FROM THE
7 COMMUNITIES THEY ARE TRYING TO SERVE. COLLABORATION IS KEY TO
8 HELPING OUR MOST VULNERABLE POPULATIONS ACHIEVE BETTER HEALTH.
9 IT WILL TAKE STRATEGIES THAT CAN SOLVE VARIOUS INTERRELATED
10 ISSUES AT ONCE, AND ARE DETERMINED BY KEY PARTIES ACROSS
11 MULTIPLE SECTORS. PARTNERSHIP IN SUPPORT OF C.B.O.S, IN
12 PARTICULAR, MUST BE PRIORITIZED, BECAUSE THEY PROVIDE THE
13 MAJORITY OF CARE TO THE PEOPLE WHO NEED IT MOST: THE LOW-
14 INCOME INDIVIDUALS WHO DISPROPORTIONATELY BEAR THE BURDEN OF
15 DISEASE AND OTHER NEGATIVE HEALTH OUTCOMES. A.H.F. IS AN
16 ORGANIZATION THAT SERVES THE COMMUNITY BY ADDRESSING MANY
17 PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERNS, LIKE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, FOOD
18 INSECURITY, AND HEALTHCARE. WE MAKE IT EASY FOR PEOPLE TO
19 IMPROVE THEIR LIVES BY OFFERING INTEGRATED AND COMPREHENSIVE
20 CARE IN A SINGLE SETTING. L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
21 MUST INVEST \$10 MILLION IN S.T.D. SERVICES NOW, SO THAT OTHER
22 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, LIKE A.H.F., CAN DO THE SAME,
23 BY PROVIDING CARE THAT EXTENDS BEYOND THE SCOPE OF S.T.D.S,
24 AND CAN TACKLE MULTIPLE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS AT ONCE. THANK
25 YOU.



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2 **KIANA JENNINGS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS KIANA, AND I'M
3 SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE AIDS HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION. WE'LL BE
4 SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEMS 2, 19, AND 45, AND GENERAL PUBLIC
5 COMMENT. HOW IS IT THAT BABIES ARE STILL DYING OF SYPHILIS
6 WITHIN THE LARGEST MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF ONE OF THE MOST
7 POWERFUL NATIONS IN THE WORLD? THESE LIVES COULD BE SAVED IF
8 MORE FUNDS WERE ALLOCATED TO BOLSTER THE CAPACITY OF CLINICS--
9 PRIMARILY, COMMUNITY-BASED CLINICS-- TO PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE
10 SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTHCARE TO MULTIPLE KEY POPULATIONS
11 AT ONCE; NOT JUST THOSE WITHIN THE L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY, BUT
12 WOMEN AND MOTHERS, AS WELL. IN AN ERA WHERE THE RIGHT TO
13 CHOOSE WHO YOU LOVE AND WHETHER TO BEAR CHILDREN IS BEING
14 CONTESTED, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT L.A. COUNTY STAND STRONG AND
15 BE AN EXAMPLE IN PROVIDING SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTHCARE
16 TO EVERYONE, NO MATTER THEIR GENDER OR SEXUALITY. L.A. COUNTY
17 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MUST INVEST \$10 MILLION, SO THAT THE
18 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS THAT OFFER S.T.D. SERVICES CAN
19 EXPAND THEIR CAPACITY TO OFFER MORE COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES,
20 LIKE PRENATAL CARE TO MOTHERS WITH SYPHILIS, OR REPRODUCTIVE
21 HEALTHCARE FOR WOMEN WHO MAY NOT BE READY FOR A CHILD. THANK
22 YOU.

23

24 **MARIA YGLESIAS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MARIA YGLESIAS, AND I
25 AM HERE TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT ON I.H.S.S. I AM A CAREGIVER



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1 PROVIDER, AND IT IS TRULY DIFFICULT FOR ME TO MAKE A LIVING,
2 TO PAY MY BILLS, ON THE MONEY THAT WE ARE MAKING RIGHT NOW.
3 MOST OF THE PROVIDERS ARE WOMEN, AND WE TAKE CARE OF DISABLED
4 PEOPLE, YOUR LOVED ONES, SO OTHER WOMEN CAN GO TO WORK. BUT IT
5 IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR ME TO MAKE A LIVING, TO PAY MY BILLS, TO PAY
6 THE GAS, ON THE MONEY THAT WE ARE MAKING NOW. \$20 AN HOUR IS A
7 MUST. WE MUST MAKE AT LEAST \$20 AN HOUR, IN ORDER FOR US TO
8 PROVIDE SERVICE IN L.A. THIS IS A VERY EXPENSIVE CITY, AND IT
9 IS IMPOSSIBLE TO LIVE ON \$15 AN HOUR. SO, PLEASE CONSIDER, AND
10 JUST GRANT US THE \$20 AN HOUR. WE NEED IT, AND WE NEED IT NOW.
11 THANK YOU.

12
13 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME
14 FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU: EDDIE ANDERSON, ARNULFO DE
15 LA CRUZ, BEHAN GUILLAUME, KIMBERLY ALVARADO, KARINA MACIAS.
16 MODERATOR, WE WILL NOW RETURN TO REMOTE SPEAKERS.

17
18 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** I THINK WE HAVE THE--

19
20 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICI--

21
22 **SPEAKER:** EXCUSE ME, WE STILL HAVE TWO SPEAKERS ON THE QUEUE.
23 GO AHEAD, PLEASE.



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1 **MARIA LOPEZ:** HELLO. BUENOS DIAS. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS
2 MARIA LOPEZ. I AM SPEAKING ON ITEMS 32, 94, AND 95. DO I GET
3 TWO MINUTES, OR JUST ONE?

4

5 **SPEAKER:** GO AHEAD.

6

7 **MARIA LOPEZ:** OKAY. HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS MARIA. I
8 AM UNDOCUMENTED, UNAFRAID, AND UNAPOLOGETIC. I MIGRATED TO
9 LONG BEACH AT THE AGE OF 4, AND NOW I AM THE CAMPAIGN
10 COORDINATOR FOR THE KEEP L.A. HOUSED COALITION, AND I
11 AUTONOMOUSLY ORGANIZE TENANTS THROUGHOUT LONG BEACH TO FIGHT
12 AGAINST DISPLACEMENT. I AM HERE TODAY TO STATE THAT, WITHOUT A
13 DOUBT, THE ADOPTIONS OF ITEM 32, 94, AND 95 WILL UPLIFT THE
14 COMMUNITIES YOU ALL ARE VOTED IN TO SERVE, AS WE KNOW CLEARLY
15 THAT EVICTIONS LEAD TO INSTABILITY AND, AT WORST, DEATH. THESE
16 PROTECTIONS INCLUDE LIMITS ON EVICTIONS FOR FAILURE TO PAY,
17 AND LIMITS ON RENT INCREASES FOR UNITS COVERED BY RENT
18 STABILIZATION. THESE ARE TWO CRITICAL AND HISTORIC STEPS BEING
19 TAKEN TO PREVENT MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITIES FROM FALLING INTO
20 HOMELESSNESS, AND GIVE THEM A REAL OPPORTUNITY TO RECOVER FROM
21 FINANCIAL INEQUITIES THAT WERE EXACERBATED BY THE PANDEMIC.
22 YET, L.A. COUNTY NEEDS TO ADOPT ALL OF THE NINE
23 RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE KEEP L.A. HOUSED TENANT BILL OF RIGHTS
24 PLATFORM, TO ENSURE GREATER HOUSING STABILITY AS TENANTS
25 RECOVER FROM EFFECTS OF THE PANDEMIC. IN ADDITION, WE ASK FOR



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1 YOU TO USE ALL OF YOUR POWERS TO HELP THE OVER 80 CITIES THAT
2 WON'T BE COVERED IN TODAY'S HISTORICAL VOTE. WE MUST EXPAND
3 EMERGENCY PROTECTIONS, AND THEN MOVE TOWARDS HELPING CITIES
4 ADOPT A LOCAL TENANT BILL OF RIGHTS. WE WANT ALL OF L.A.
5 COUNTY COVERED, AND CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOUR HELP. I WOULD
6 LIKE TO FINISH BY REMINDING US ALL THAT WHEN TENANTS RISE,
7 CITIES THRIVE. AND I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE MY LAST 15 MINUTES TO
8 SHOW MY SUPPORT TO MY LOCAL COMRADES, WHO DESERVE \$20 AN HOUR.
9 THANK YOU.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

12

13 **MILES HAISLEY:** HELLO. MY NAME IS MILES HAISLEY, AND I LIVE IN
14 CERRITOS. I HAVE BEEN LIVING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR TEN
15 YEARS, AND I AM HERE IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE KEEP L.A. HOUSED
16 COALITION AND ALL TENANTS. I'M A TENANT WORKER, AND 50% OF MY
17 INCOME GOES TO RENT. I WANT TO URGE YOU TO VOTE YES ON ITEMS
18 32, 94, AND 95, WHICH WOULD PROVIDE CRUCIAL PROTECTION AGAINST
19 EVICTIONS FOR TENANTS WHO HAVE FALLEN BEHIND ON A SMALL AMOUNT
20 OF RENT, DUE TO LOSS OF WORK, OR ILLNESS CAUSED BY THE
21 C.O.V.I.D.-19 PANDEMIC. ADDITIONALLY, THESE PROTECTIONS WOULD
22 HELP KEEP TENANTS HOUSED, BY CAPPING RENT INCREASES FOR R.S.O.
23 UNITS AT 3%, A MUCH-NEEDED SAFEGUARD FOR LOW-INCOME TENANTS
24 WHO ARE AT RISK OF BEING PRICED OUT OF THEIR HOMES AMID
25 SKYROCKETING RENT. THESE ARE TWO CRITICAL STEPS WE CAN TAKE TO



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1 PREVENT MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITIES FROM FALLING INTO
2 HOMELESSNESS, AND GIVE THEM A REAL OPPORTUNITY TO RECOVER FROM
3 FINANCIAL INEQUITIES THAT WERE EXACERBATED BY THE PANDEMIC.
4 L.A. COUNTY NEEDS TO ADOPT ALL OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE
5 KEEP L.A. HOUSED TENANT BILL OF RIGHTS PLATFORM, TO ENSURE
6 GREATER HOUSING STABILITY AS TENANTS RECOVER FROM THE EFFECTS
7 OF THE PANDEMIC. FURTHERMORE, EXTEND THE EMERGENCY MORATORIUM
8 ON EVICTIONS FOR NONPAYMENT OF RENT ON NOVEMBER 15TH, SO
9 INCORPORATED CITIES IN THE COUNTY CAN BE ORGANIZED TO WIN
10 SIMILAR PERMANENT TENANT PROTECTIONS.

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12 **SPEAKER:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE
13 HAVE THE NEXT REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE?

14
15 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DR. BURTON DANNETT. PLEASE
16 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING, AND WHETHER YOU
17 WILL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

18
19 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS DR. BURTON DANNETT. I AM SPEAKING ON
20 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I AM AN 83-YEAR-OLD RETIRED CLINICAL
21 PSYCHOLOGIST. I AM AN I.H.S.S. RECIPIENT, AND SO IS MY LATE
22 WIFE, MARCIA DANNETT. FINDING A CAREGIVER TO HIRE IS AN
23 ENORMOUS CHALLENGE, ESPECIALLY DURING THE PEAK OF THE
24 PANDEMIC. CAREGIVING IS SUCH AN IMPORTANT AND DIFFICULT JOB.
25 THEY HAVE TO TRY TO FIT IN SIDEWAYS, TO OUR LIFE AND



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1 LIFESTYLE. WHEN WE FIND THE RIGHT PERSON, IT IS A BLESSING. I
2 HAVE EMPLOYED SHERRY FINLEY SINCE MARCH OF 2021, AND SHE IS AN
3 ANGEL FROM HEAVEN. OUR SYSTEM IS TOPSY-TURVY. CAREGIVERS ARE
4 PAID THE LEAST. THEY'RE DOING THE HARDEST WORK, AND SPEND THE
5 MOST TIME WITH US. PLEASE RAISE THE WAGES FOR I.H.S.S.
6 CAREGIVERS, SO THAT OUR HARDWORKING CAREGIVERS EARN THE HIGHER
7 WAGES THEY NEED, FINALLY, AND SO WE, AS THE--

8
9 **SPEAKER:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
10 PLEASE?

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

15
16 **HANK TRIMBLE:** I AM CALLING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 24, AND I'LL BE
17 MAKING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. MY NAME IS HANK TRIMBLE. I AM A
18 RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS, A FORMER MAYOR,
19 CURRENT PASTOR OF A CHURCH IN THE CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS,
20 AND I SUPPORT THE MOTION MADE BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND
21 SUPERVISOR HAHN TO EXTEND THE FUNDS FOR THE TRAUMA PREVENTION
22 INITIATIVE. THIS PROGRAM GREATLY BENEFITS OUR CITY. I HAVE
23 ATTENDED A MEETING WITH A COLLABORATION OF DIFFERENT
24 STAKEHOLDERS. I WOULD LOVE TO SEE THEM CONTINUE THE WORK IN
25 OUR CITY. SUPERVISOR HAHN HAS ALWAYS BEEN A GREAT SUPPORTER OF



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1 OUR LITTLE CITY, AND I HOPE THAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S MOTION
2 TO CONTINUE THE HELP WILL BE SUPPORTED BY THE REST OF THIS
3 WISE COUNCIL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE:

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7 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DIEGO RODRIGUEZ. PLEASE
8 STATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY, AND WHETHER
9 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

10

11 **DIEGO RODRIGUEZ:** GOOD MORNING. CALLING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 21,
12 AND TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT. GOOD MORNING, ESTEEMED
13 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS DIEGO RODRIGUEZ, C.O.O. OF ALMA FAMILY
14 SERVICES, AND I AM A MEMBER OF THE HEALTH INNOVATION COMMUNITY
15 PARTNERSHIP, THE H.I.C.P. I WOULD LIKE TO FIRST THANK YOU,
16 SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS, FOR YOUR CRITICAL MOTION, ITEM 21. AS
17 A COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDER OF BOYLE HEIGHTS IN THE EAST L.A. FOR
18 NEARLY 15 YEARS, I URGE THE ENTIRE BOARD TO SUPPORT THIS
19 MOTION. THIS MOTION SEEKS TO IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL AVAILABLE
20 FUNDING TO REHAB OLD GENERAL HOSPITAL. THIS IS SUPPORTED BY
21 COMMUNITY INTEREST AND BY COUNTY STUDIES, INCLUDING THE
22 GENERAL HOSPITAL AND WEST CAMPUS DISABILITY STUDY. FOR SEVERAL
23 DECADES, THE OLD GENERAL HOSPITAL SERVED AS A CENTER FOR
24 HEALING AND HOPE FOR COUNTLESS ANGELENOS. THE AFOREMENTIONED
25 STUDY SUPPORTS OUR BELIEF THAT OLD GENERAL HOSPITAL CAN ONCE



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1 AGAIN BE A SYMBOL OF HEALTH AND WELLNESS, AS PART OF THE
2 EVOLVING L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL CAMPUS. ONCE WE HAVE, OLD
3 GENERAL WOULD BE A GAME CHANGER FOR THE BOYLE HEIGHTS AND EAST
4 SIDE COMMUNITIES.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
7 PLEASE?

8

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

12

13 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH, I WILL HIT SEVERAL OF THE ITEMS: 9, 16, AND
14 THE HIGH 89-C AND 89. THIS IS SO VAST AND EXPANSIVE THAT I
15 DON'T KNOW HOW YOU MANAGE TO KEEP IT TOGETHER. FIRST, YOU'VE
16 GOT GILLOTTE AND THE FIREFIGHTERS, WHO ARE BLOWING THE
17 WHISTLE, FRANKLY, ON THE THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATORS, SEDGWICK
18 AND ALL THOSE OTHERS. IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT THEIR JOB IS, IS
19 TO SCREW THE FIREFIGHTERS OUT OF THEIR CLAIMS, AS OPPOSED TO
20 TAKE CARE OF THESE HARDWORKING FIRST RESPONDERS. SO, IT IS
21 COMPLETELY OUTRAGEOUS. AND THE IDEA THAT THEY ARE ALL COMING
22 DOWN HERE, TRYING TO GET YOU TO-- YOU KNOW, CONGRATULATE YOU
23 ON IT IS A NICE CHOICE, BUT, YOU KNOW, IT SHOULD NEVER HAVE
24 HAPPENED. AND HERE ARE THE HOME CARE WORKERS. I'LL TELL YOU,
25 THAT ONE REALLY IS A HEARTBREAKER, BECAUSE IT IS SUCH A "WHY?"



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1 WHY, IF THE FEDS AND THE STATE HAVE AGREED THAT IT IS TIME FOR
2 20, WHAT KIND OF LAZY [EXPLETIVE] ARE THESE COUNTY BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS? I DON'T GET IT. I DON'T GET IT. AND I HATE TO BE-
4 - I LIKE TO KEEP IT FRIENDLY, AT A TIME WHEN WE HAVE HIT A LOW
5 POINT, YOU KNOW. RIGHT. AND SO, THE JOB ORDER CONTRACTING
6 PROGRAM; I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HAHN, YEARS AGO, FOR BEING
7 ALERTED WHEN LONG BEACH SHOWED ALL THE FRAUD, AND WE SORT OF
8 PATCHED OVER SOME OF THE FRAUD. AND THEN, THE SUPERVISOR WHO
9 HAS BEEN THE LEADER-- AND SHE'S ON HER WAY OUT, SO WE HAVE TO
10 BE RESPECTFUL, AND SAY, "HAPPY TRAILS"-- WHO DID MORE TO RAISE
11 THE THRESHOLD, SO THAT THE PUBLIC HAS NO CHANCE OR WAY TO
12 MONITOR OR SCRUTINIZE COUNTY SPENDING, IS SHEILA KUEHL. AND IT
13 IS A OUTRAGE. AND THESE JOB ORDER CONTRACTS, NOW, THEY FLOW
14 LIKE WATER. AND UNFORTUNATELY, IF IT WOULD RAIN, WE WOULD BE A
15 LOT BETTER OFF, BECAUSE WHAT WE HAVE IS BIG PUBLIC WORKS
16 PROJECTS THAT ARE OVERFUNDED AND UNDERPERFORMING. THE ENTIRE
17 CLIMATE CRISIS WAS A BIG MISCALCULATION BY THE COUNTY TO BUILD
18 HUGE TROUGHS, ATTACH ALL THE WATER. WE NEED EVERY LITTLE NOOK
19 AND CRANNY TO BE CATCHING THEIR OWN WATER, AND I DON'T KNOW
20 WHY WE MISSED THAT BOAT. I DON'T KNOW HOW WE MISSED IT SO
21 COMPREHENSIVELY. AND I WOULD LIKE TO NAME-- WE ARE RENAMING
22 EVERYTHING. LET'S-- I DON'T KNOW. I LIKE THAT WE ARE REMAINING
23 THE BENEVIDES. WHATEVER. BUT LET'S UN-NAME SOME OF THESE
24 THINGS. LET'S UN-NAME THE DON KNABE GOLF FLEEING CENTER, AND
25 LET'S UN-NAME THE HILDA SOLIS TINY VILLAGE OF CARE, WHILE WE



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1 ARE ROLLING WITH THESE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPERS. I DON'T UNDERSTAND
2 WHERE WE ARE GOING, IF WE'RE NOT GOING TO HAVE A WAY TO
3 PROVIDE SOMETHING THAT'S ACTUALLY AFFORDABLE FOR ANGELENOS. I
4 MEAN, DO WE WANT A SOCIETY WHERE HALF OF THE PARTICIPANTS HIKE
5 IN TO GET THEIR LUXURY CONDOS?

6

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

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

13

14 **SPEAKER:** HI. GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS TENSIA ESPINO,
15 AND I AM IN SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 22, THE LOS ANGELES
16 COUNTYWIDE LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, AND I'M SPEAKING ON GENERAL
17 PUBLIC COMMENT. I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I AM REALLY EXCITED
18 THAT THEY ARE ACTUALLY ACKNOWLEDGING THIS LAND
19 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT, AND RESPECT THE ANCESTORS AND THEIR TRIBAL
20 MEMBERS STILL LIVING ON THE HOMELAND. IT PRESERVES CULTURE,
21 EXISTENCE, AND ALSO ACKNOWLEDGES THE RESILIENCE OF THE PEOPLE
22 WHO ONCE LIVED ON THIS LAND. I GREW UP IN L.A. COUNTY ALL OF
23 MY LIFE, SO TO BE PART OF THIS IS AMAZING. GROWING UP, I WOULD
24 BE MADE FUN OF FOR BEING NATIVE AMERICAN, SO IT IS A STEP
25 TOWARDS HEALING, NOT ONLY FOR MYSELF, BUT FOR EVERYONE THAT'S



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1 NATIVE AMERICAN THAT IS LIVING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IT MAKES
2 US FEEL HEARD, AND TO BE A PART OF. SO THANK YOU FOR OPENING
3 UP THE DOORS FOR TRIBAL MEMBERS WHO ARE CURRENTLY LIVING IN
4 LOS ANGELES, AND WE CALL THIS HOME. THANK YOU. [SPEAKS NATIVE
5 LANGUAGE].

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7 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MODERATOR, WE WILL NOW RETURN TO IN-PERSON
8 SPEAKERS.

9

10 **JUAN CARLOS JUAREZ:** HOLLA. BUENOS DIAS. [SPEAKS SPANISH]

11

12 **INTERPRETER:** HELLO. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JUAN CARLOS
13 JUAREZ, AND I AM A HOME CARE WORKER, IN WHICH I TAKE CARE
14 OF MY TWO SONS, JESUS AND MANUEL. THIS IS JESUS. AND THEN
15 MANUEL, WHO NEEDS CARE 24 HOURS A DAY, AND GIVEN HIS
16 DISABILITY, HE ISN'T ABLE TO BE PRESENT. THE \$16 AN HOUR ISN'T
17 ENOUGH TO BE ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF OUR NEEDS. AND AS YOU KNOW,
18 C.O.V.I.D.-19, THAT PANDEMIC, HAS LEFT US IN A VERY VULNERABLE
19 STATE. EVERYTHING HAS GONE UP. RENT, GAS, FOOD-- EVERYTHING IS
20 EXPENSIVE. I AM ASKING YOU, RESPECTFULLY, TO APPROVE OUR
21 CONTRACT FOR OUR FAMILY, THE \$20 AN HOUR FOR OUR FAMILY, WHICH
22 IS NEEDED FOR US TO BE ABLE TO BE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

23

24 **ARNULFO DE LA CRUZ:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
25 ARNULFO DE LA CRUZ, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, S.E.I.U. 2015.



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1 THE CONTRACT THAT GOVERNS THE WAGES AND BENEFITS OF THE
2 ROUGHLY 180,000 HOME CARE PROVIDERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS
3 BEEN EXPIRED SINCE JUNE OF 2021. THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE. THAT'S
4 NOT HOW YOU TREAT HOME CARE WORKERS, THE VAST MAJORITY OF WHOM
5 ARE WOMEN AND WOMEN OF COLOR, WHO EARN LITTLE MORE THAN
6 MINIMUM WAGE. THESE ARE CAREGIVERS, AND THEY DESERVE TO HAVE
7 DIGNITY, AND IT'S TIME THAT WE CARE FOR THEM. JUST THIS PAST
8 FRIDAY, CONTRA COSTA PUT THEIR HOME CARE, I.H.S.S., ON A PATH
9 TO \$20 AN HOUR. THE WAY THEY WERE ABLE TO DO THAT, AT 16.5
10 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR, IS BECAUSE ALL OF THE WORK THAT WE HAVE
11 DONE AT THE STATE, WITH PEOPLE LIKE REGGIE JONES-SAWYER, TO
12 ALLOW COUNTIES TO MOVE FORWARD ON A PATH TO 20, AND IN DOING
13 SO, DO IT AT 16.5 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR, GET THE REST FROM THE
14 FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENT RIGHT BACK HERE IN LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY. THERE'S NO REASON WHY WE CAN'T DO THE SAME. THANK YOU.

16
17 **AUDIENCE:** TIME FOR 20! TIME FOR 20!

18
19 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** I AM GOING TO ASK THAT THE HEARING ROOM
20 RESPECT THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

21
22 **AUDIENCE:** TIME FOR 20!

23
24 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** I AM GOING TO ASK THAT THE MEMBERS IN
25 THE BOARDROOM COMPLY WITH OUR ORDER.



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2 **AUDIENCE:** TIME FOR 20!

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** MY MIC IS ON. TEST, TEST. CAN YOU HEAR
5 ME? I AM GOING TO INSIST THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
6 RESPECT THE OTHER PEOPLE WHO WISH TO TESTIFY, OR YOU WILL BE
7 ASKED TO LEAVE. THIS IS YOUR FINAL WARNING. I AM GOING TO ASK
8 THAT YOU RESPECT ALL OF THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE HERE
9 TO TESTIFY. IF YOU WISH TO EXPRESS YOUR POSITION, WAVE YOUR
10 HANDS IN SUPPORT, OR YOU CAN LIFT YOUR SIGNS. BUT IF YOU
11 CONTINUE TO DISRUPT THE HEARING, I WILL ASK THAT SECURITY
12 CLEAR THE ROOM. NEXT WITNESS, PLEASE.

13

14 **EDDIE ANDERSON:** HELLO. MY NAME IS REVEREND EDDIE ANDERSON. I
15 AM THE SENIOR PASTOR AT MCCARTY MEMORIAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH, AND
16 L.A. VOICE. I WILL JUST SPEAK ON ITEMS 32, 95, AND GENERAL
17 PUBLIC COMMENT. DR. KING ONCE SAID, "ON SOME POSITIONS,
18 COWARDICE ASKS THE QUESTION, 'IS IT SAFE?' EXPEDIENCY ASKS THE
19 QUESTION, 'IS IT POLITIC?' VANITY ASKS THE QUESTION, 'IS IT
20 POPULAR?' BUT CONSCIENCE ASKS THE QUESTION, 'IS IT RIGHT?'
21 THERE COMES A TIME WHEN ONE MUST TAKE A POSITION THAT IS
22 NEITHER SAFE, NOR POLITIC, NOR POPULAR, BUT MUST TAKE IT
23 BECAUSE THE CONSCIENCE TELLS THEM IT IS RIGHT." A COUPLE OF
24 WEEKS AGO, I GOT ARRESTED RIGHT OUTSIDE OF THIS BUILDING,
25 BECAUSE CONSCIENCE TOLD ME IT WAS RIGHT FOR I.H.S.S. WORKERS



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1 IN 2015 TO GET PAID \$20. IT IS TIME FOR 20, BECAUSE TOO MANY
2 OF MY PARISHIONERS HAVE HOME CARE WORKERS TAKE CARE OF THEM,
3 BECAUSE WHEN THEY WENT TO THE NURSING HOME, THEIR HEALTH
4 DECREASED, AND DEATH WAS IMMINENT. IT IS TIME FOR 20, BECAUSE
5 AS I CHAIR THE CALIFORNIA POOR PEOPLES' CAMPAIGN, I SAID,
6 "EVERYBODY HAS A RIGHT TO LIVE." I GOT ARRESTED LAST WEEK, BUT
7 TWO YEARS AGO, I WENT TO JAIL BECAUSE WE DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH
8 HOUSING. AND SO WE GOT TO MAKE SURE, IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
9 THAT WE SHORE UP THE SAFETY NET, AND MAKE SURE PEOPLE HAVE
10 HOUSING IN THIS CITY. IT IS TIME FOR 20, BECAUSE IF WE DON'T
11 PAY THESE HOME CARE WORKERS \$20, THEY, TOO, WILL BE THE NEXT
12 ONES WHO'LL BE A PART OF THE MORAL CRISIS OF HOMELESSNESS IN
13 THIS CITY. IT IS PAST TIME FOR US TO HEAR THE MORAL CALL OF
14 OUR CITY, AND FAIRNESS. IT IS TIME FOR FAIRNESS TO ENTER THE
15 CONVERSATION. JESUS SAID, "WHAT YOU DO TO THE LEAST OF THESE,
16 YOU DO ALSO UNTO ME." AND HOME CARE WORKERS TAKE CARE OF THE
17 LEAST OF THESE. THOSE WHO ARE HOMELESS ARE THE LEAST OF THESE.
18 I PRAY THAT L.A. COUNTY WILL TAKE CARE OF THEM. DO WHAT IS
19 RIGHT. FOLLOW YOUR CONSCIENCE. FIGURE OUT, HOW DO WE GET A
20 DEAL AT THE TABLE, WHERE EVERYONE CAN LEAVE WITH ENOUGH FOOD
21 FOR THEIR FAMILY, ENOUGH GAS IN THEIR CAR, AND ENOUGH DIGNITY
22 TO CONTINUE THEIR WORK? ALL OF US HAVE DIGNITY. IT IS TIME FOR
23 20, IT IS TIME FOR HOUSING, BECAUSE EVERYBODY HAS A RIGHT TO
24 LIVE IN THE COUNTY OF ANGELS.

25



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1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS, PLEASE.

2 [APPLAUSE].

3

4 **AUDIENCE:** TIME FOR 20!

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** I HAVE ANNOUNCED THAT THAT WAS THE FINAL
7 WARNING, AND IF YOU DON'T STOP, I WILL HAVE THE HEARING ROOM
8 EMPTIED.

9

10 **AUDIENCE:** TIME FOR 20!

11

12 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** YOU ARE DISRESPECTING YOUR COLLEAGUES
13 WHO ARE HERE TO TESTIFY, SO I AM GOING TO ASK YOU TO BE QUIET.

14

15 **AUDIENCE:** TIME FOR 20! TIME FOR 20!

16

17 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** OFFICERS, WILL YOU PLEASE CLEAR THE
18 HEARING ROOM? OFFICERS, WILL YOU PLEASE CLEAR THE HEARING
19 ROOM?

20

21 **AUDIENCE:** TIME FOR 20! TIME FOR 20!

22

23 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** MADAM EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WILL YOU PLEASE
24 READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION WHILE THE HEARING ROOM IS BEING
25 CLEARED?



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1
2 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
3 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
4 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-1, CONFERENCE
5 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION; ITEM CS-2,
6 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING ANTICIPATED
7 LITIGATION; ITEM CS-3, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR FESIA
8 DAVENPORT AND DESIGNATED STAFF; AND ITEM CS-4, DEPARTMENT HEAD
9 PERFORMANCE EVALUATION, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA.
10 THANK YOU.

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12 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** OKAY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I AM CALLING
13 US BACK INTO OPEN SESSION, AND WE HAVE QUORUM. WE HAVE AN
14 ADDITIONAL 25 MINUTES ON OUR AGENDIZED 90-MINUTE PUBLIC
15 COMMENT ALLOTTED TIME. IF THERE ARE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
16 WOULD LIKE TO CALL IN AND MAKE COMMENT ON PUBLIC COMMENT, NOW
17 IS YOUR TIME TO DO SO. THE PUBLIC COMMENT LINE WILL REMAIN
18 OPEN UNTIL... UNTIL 1:38. AGAIN, YOU HAVE AN ADDITIONAL 25
19 MINUTES TO GET US TO OUR AGENDIZED 90 MINUTES FOR PUBLIC
20 COMMENT. WE WILL WAIT A FEW MINUTES TO SEE IF ANY MEMBERS OF
21 THE PUBLIC CALL IN. IF NOT, WE WILL BEGIN WITH SET MATTER 1,
22 SINCE IT IS A RECEIVE-AND-FILE ACTION. AND LET ME ALERT THE
23 DEPARTMENT HEADS THAT IF SOMEONE CALLS IN, I MAY HAVE TO STOP
24 YOU IN THE MIDDLE OF YOUR SET MATTER 1 PRESENTATION TO TAKE
25 THE PUBLIC, BECAUSE WE ARE GOING TO DO THIS SIMULTANEOUSLY, IF



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1 WE DON'T HAVE PEOPLE TO CALL IN. SO, I WANT TO ALERT YOU. I
2 KNOW THAT'S NOT IDEAL, BUT I HOPE THAT YOU WILL BE WILLING TO
3 ROLL WITH US. THANK YOU. ANY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE CALLED
4 IN? AND THERE ARE NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HERE IN THE
5 BOARDROOM TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT, EITHER. OKAY. SO, WHILE
6 WE ARE WAITING TO SEE IF ANY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE
7 CALLING IN OR COMING IN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT, WE WILL BEGIN
8 HEARING SET MATTER 1. WE WILL HEAR FROM DR. D'ARTAGNAN SCORZA,
9 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE RACIAL EQUITY INITIATIVE, AND DR.
10 JACKIE CONTRERAS, INTERIM DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES.
11 MS. DAVENPORT, WERE YOU GOING TO BEGIN, OR CAN WE GO DIRECTLY
12 TO DR. SCORZA?

13
14 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** WE CAN GO DIRECTLY TO DR. SCORZA.

15
16 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. DR. SCORZA, WELCOME.

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18 **DR. D'ARTAGNAN SCORZA:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, AND GOOD AFTERNOON,
19 MADAM CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS. I BELIEVE WE ARE WAITING FOR THE
20 ITEM TO COME UP, THE PRESENTATION TO COME UP. AS I GET
21 PREPARED IN THE MEANTIME, I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH
22 FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT AGAIN ON OUR ONGOING EFFORTS TO
23 IMPLEMENT PROJECTS FUNDED THROUGH TRANCHE ONE AND TRANCHE TWO
24 OF YOUR BOARD'S APPROVED AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN SPENDING PLAN.
25 DURING THIS PRESENTATION TODAY, WE WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE



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1 UPDATES ON THE LAUNCH DATES AND EXPENDITURE PROGRAMS THAT WERE
2 PREVIOUSLY FUNDED DURING PHASE ONE OF OUR SPENDING PLAN, WHILE
3 ALSO DISCUSSING THE STATUS OF THE PROJECT DESIGN AND
4 DEVELOPMENT PROCESS FOR NEWLY FUNDED PROJECTS IN PHASE TWO. AS
5 IS OUR REGULAR PRACTICE, WE INTEND TO COVER QUITE A FEW TOPICS
6 TODAY. I WILL BEGIN BY HIGHLIGHTING THE LAUNCH DATES AND THE
7 SPENDING PROGRESS FOR TRANCHE-ONE PROJECTS, AND THEN I WILL
8 PROVIDE A GLOBAL PROGRAM OVERVIEW OF NEWLY FUNDED PROJECTS
9 THROUGH TRANCHE TWO. LASTLY DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS, THE DIRECTOR
10 OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, WILL PRESENT ON
11 A.R.P.-FUNDED FOOD ASSISTANCE AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS. OKAY. SO,
12 OF THE APPROVED PROJECTS, AS OF OCTOBER 13TH, 2022, 43
13 PROJECTS HAVE LAUNCHED, WHERE 22 OF THOSE PROJECTS ARE
14 EXPECTED TO LAUNCH BY THE END OF THE CALENDAR YEAR. WE ARE
15 EXCITED TO NOTE THAT THE REMAINING PROJECTS ARE EXPECTED TO
16 LAUNCH IN 2023. THIS DEMONSTRATES A SIGNIFICANT ACCELERATION
17 OF THE PROJECTS THAT ARE NOW OPERATIONAL AND RUNNING TO
18 SUPPORT THE RECOVERY FROM THE PANDEMIC. AS OF OCTOBER 13TH,
19 NEARLY 22% OF TRANCHE-1 FUNDS WERE ENCUMBERED, WITH NEARLY 15%
20 OF APPROVED PROJECTS EXPENDED. WHAT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE IS
21 THAT THE COUNTY IS ALSO SPENDING MONEY ON OUR DISASTER SERVICE
22 WORKER FUNDS, AND CONTINUE TO ADVANCE EFFORTS TO PROVIDE
23 FISCAL STABILITY AND A SOCIAL SAFETY NET. OF THE 53 FUNDED
24 PROJECTS DURING TRANCHE TWO, THERE ARE NINE NEWLY FUNDED
25 PROJECTS, AS WE MENTIONED BEFORE. AS OF OCTOBER 31ST, ALL



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1 THOSE PROJECTS ARE IN DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT PHASE. TO HELP
2 EXPEDITE THE TRANCHE-TWO PROJECT DESIGN PROCESS AND APPROVALS,
3 A.R.D.I. HAS ALREADY SCHEDULED AT LEAST TWO IN-PERSON PROJECT
4 DESIGN SESSIONS FOR EACH DEPARTMENT, WITH A NEWLY FUNDED
5 TRANCHE-TWO PROJECT. THE SESSIONS WITH DEPARTMENTS WILL TAKE
6 PLACE THIS MONTH, STARTING AS EARLY AS THIS WEEK, AND WILL AIM
7 TO COMPLETE EACH PROJECT DESIGN THROUGH COLLABORATION WITH THE
8 DEPARTMENT STAFF, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDERS THAT WE MAKE
9 AVAILABLE, AS WELL AS OUR A.R.D.I. TEAM. THIS WILL ENSURE THAT
10 TRANCHE-2 PROJECTS ARE DESIGNED AND FINALIZED WITHIN THE NEXT
11 MONTH. SO, AS PREVIOUSLY SHARED, THE NINE NEWLY FUNDED
12 PROJECTS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS, WHICH ARE
13 ACCELERATING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE; STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY
14 NAVIGATORS; PROVIDING RESOURCES FOR COMMUNITY TESTING;
15 SUPPORTING THE COUNTY'S LAND BANK; EXTENDING THE FOOD
16 DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM; PROVIDING GUARANTEED INCOME FOR AT-RISK,
17 EXPECTING, AND PARENTING MOTHERS; PROVIDING RECREATION
18 PROGRAMMING AT COUNTY PARKS; ALSO, PROVIDING SERVICES FOR
19 PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD
20 SEVERITY ZONES; AND FINALLY, SUSTAINING THE PUBLIC HEALTH
21 RESPONSE IN SUPPORT FOR C.O.V.I.D.-19. NEXT, DR. JACKIE
22 CONTRERAS, DIRECTOR OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES,
23 WILL PRESENT ON THE A.R.P.-FUNDED FOOD ASSISTANCE AWARENESS
24 CAMPAIGN. DR. CONTRERAS?



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1 **DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:** THAN YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR,
2 SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR INVITING ME TO PRESENT OUR AMERICAN
3 RESCUE PLAN PROJECT. AND I JUST WANT TO START BY THANKING DR.
4 SCORZA FOR HIS LEADERSHIP IN THIS SPACE. OUR FOOD ASSISTANCE
5 AWARENESS CAMPAIGN IS AN INNOVATIVE PARTNERSHIP WITH
6 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND HYPERLOCAL MEDIA. WE ARE
7 ASKING THAT C.B.O.S PROMOTE OUR CALFRESH NUTRITION PROGRAM TO
8 HIGH-NEED AND UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS, STARTING WITH ASIANS,
9 ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDERS, SENIORS, AND L.G.B.T.Q.+ COUNTY
10 RESIDENTS. IN DECIDING WHICH POPULATIONS TO FOCUS ON, WE
11 STARTED WITH THE COUNTY'S EQUITY TOOL. WE ALSO LOOKED AT
12 VARIOUS STUDIES, CONSULTED WITH OUR POLICY EXPERTS, AND TOOK
13 TO HEART FEEDBACK WE RECEIVED IN OUR REGULAR COMMUNITY
14 ENGAGEMENT MEETINGS WITH C.B.O.S. ASIANS AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS
15 ARE PARTICULARLY SUSCEPTIBLE TO FOOD INSECURITY, OFTEN BECAUSE
16 LANGUAGE ACCESS IS TOO OFTEN AN IMPEDIMENT TO THEIR ACCESSING
17 VALUABLE INFORMATION ABOUT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES THAT THEY
18 QUALIFY FOR, SUCH AS CALFRESH. SENIORS STRUGGLE WITH FOOD
19 INSECURITY FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS, YET MANY ARE UNAWARE THAT
20 THEY QUALIFY FOR CALFRESH. THEIR WELL-DOCUMENTED EXPERIENCES
21 WITH SOCIETAL ISOLATION HELP PERPETUATE THESE CHALLENGES. AS
22 FAR AS L.G.B.T.Q.+ INDIVIDUALS, WE BASED OUR DECISION ON THE
23 WILLIAMS INSTITUTE'S EXCELLENT WORK ON FOOD INSECURITY. THEIR
24 STUDIES INDICATE THAT L.G.B.T.Q.+ ADULTS ARE 1.6 TIMES MORE
25 LIKELY TO SUFFER FROM FOOD INSECURITY, AND THAT 36% OF



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1 TRANSGENDER PEOPLE OF COLOR EXPERIENCE FOOD INSECURITY. FOR
2 EACH OF THESE POPULATIONS, THERE IS ALSO A GENERAL TENDENCE TO
3 NOT APPLY FOR BENEFITS, DUE TO CONCERNS ABOUT STIGMA, A
4 REALITY THAT WAS AFFIRMED BY ANECDOTAL EVIDENCE SHARED DURING
5 OUR MONTHLY COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETINGS. THIS IS THE FIRST
6 TIME WE ARE TAKING A LARGE-SCALE CAMPAIGN TO THE COMMUNITY,
7 THROUGH 25 FUNDED PARTNERSHIPS, EACH TO RECEIVE \$20,000 IN
8 A.R.P.A. FUNDS OVER ONE YEAR. WE BELIEVE THAT C.B.O.S
9 UNDERSTAND THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITIES THEY SERVE. THEY
10 ELICIT A HIGH LEVEL OF TRUST, AND WE THINK PEOPLE WILL BE
11 RECEPTIVE TO THEM AND THEIR HYPERLOCAL MEDIA PARTNERS, WHO
12 WILL COMPLEMENT AND STRENGTHEN THEIR OUTREACH APPROACH. NEXT
13 SLIDE. OUR PROJECT OFFICIALLY STARTED AT THE END OF SEPTEMBER.
14 WE GOT THE WORD OUT ABOUT THIS GRANT OPPORTUNITY THROUGH OUR
15 SOCIAL MEDIA, WHERE WE HAVE OVER 40,000 FOLLOWERS ON VARIOUS
16 PLATFORMS; OUR C.B.O. NETWORK OF NEARLY 1,000 AGENCIES; GOV
17 DELIVERY, WHICH REACHES OVER 61,000 D.P.S.S. SUBSCRIBERS; OUR
18 MONTHLY COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETINGS WITH C.B.O.S, WHICH WE
19 BEGAN IN APRIL OF 2021. ALL C.B.O.S THAT EXPRESSED INTEREST
20 RECEIVED A PACKET OF MATERIALS THAT EXPLAIN THE PURPOSE OF THE
21 PROJECT, AND INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO APPLY, AND WE THEN HOSTED
22 A VIRTUAL INFORMATION SESSION WHERE 45 INTERESTED C.B.O.S
23 PARTICIPATED. WE WORKED VERY HARD TO MAKE OUR REQUIREMENTS AS
24 SIMPLE AS POSSIBLE, AND I WANT TO THANK COUNTY COUNSEL, THE
25 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, AND THE C.E.O. FOR THEIR HELP WITH THAT,



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1 AS WELL AS OUR OWN D.P.S.S. CONTRACTS TEAM. THE APPLICATION IS
2 TWO PAGES. IT ASKED THE C.B.O. TO AFFIRM THAT THEY MEET ALL
3 COUNTY AND FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS TO RECEIVE A.R.P.A. FUNDS, TO
4 INDICATE WHICH OF THE THREE POPULATIONS THEY WILL FOCUS ON,
5 AND TO OUTLINE A PROPOSAL THAT ARTICULATES THEIR OUTREACH
6 STRATEGY. WE WANTED TO OFFER THEM FLEXIBILITY IN DESIGNING
7 THEIR APPROACH. OUR ONLY REQUIREMENT IS THAT THEY IDENTIFY A
8 HYPERLOCAL MEDIA PARTNER. HOW THEY DESIGN AND CONDUCT THEIR
9 OUTREACH STRATEGIES IS ENTIRELY UP TO THEM. IN PARTNERSHIPS
10 WITH C.B.O.S, WE DID IDENTIFY AN ASPIRATIONAL GOAL OF NINE OR
11 MORE NEW CALFRESH APPLICATIONS EACH MONTH, OTHER THE 12-MONTH
12 PERIOD. WHILE THE GOAL OF THE PROJECT IS ULTIMATELY TO
13 EQUITABLY INCREASE CALFRESH ENROLLMENT, IT IS ALSO FOR US TO
14 LEARN ABOUT THE BEST WAYS D.P.S.S. CAN REACH INDIVIDUALS AND
15 FAMILIES WHO QUALIFY FOR CALFRESH, AND MORE EFFECTIVELY
16 PARTNER WITH COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS. NEXT SLIDE. OUR
17 ORIGINAL DEADLINE TO APPLY WAS OCTOBER 21, AND WE EXTENDED IT
18 ONE WEEK TO FRIDAY OCTOBER 28TH, AND I AM HAPPY TO REPORT WE
19 RECEIVED 26 APPLICATIONS. WE ARE CURRENTLY REVIEWING THE
20 APPLICATIONS, AND WE'LL OFFER GRANTS TO ALL C.B.O.S THAT MEET
21 THE A.R.P.A. REQUIREMENTS, AND ARTICULATE CREATIVE, THOROUGH
22 APPROACHES TO ENCOURAGING CALFRESH ENROLLMENT IN THEIR
23 SELECTED POPULATION. WE ALSO WANT TO ENSURE THAT THE GRANTS
24 ARE DISTRIBUTED EQUITABLY AMONGST C.B.O.S THAT WILL OUTREACH
25 TO THE THREE POPULATIONS ACROSS OUR DIVERSE COUNTY. WE WILL



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1 MAKE OUR SELECTIONS THIS WEEK, AND WILL LAUNCH THE PROJECT ON
2 NOVEMBER 14. I WANT TO CONCLUDE BY SAYING THAT WE, BY NO
3 MEANS, SEE THIS AS A ONE-AND-DONE EFFORT. WE REALIZE THAT
4 THERE ARE MANY ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS OUT THERE THAT ARE NOT
5 PURSUING BENEFITS, AND SO THERE ARE THREE TAKEAWAYS I WANT TO
6 LEAVE YOU WITH. WE MUST ABSOLUTELY DETERMINE THE BEST WAY TO
7 ENCOURAGE ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES TO APPLY FOR
8 CALFRESH AND OTHER BENEFITS, AND THAT MEANS CHANGING THE
9 NARRATIVE ON WHAT IT MEANS TO RECEIVE PUBLIC ASSISTANCE. THE
10 WORK THAT OCCURS WITH THIS PROJECT WILL INFORM OUR APPROACH TO
11 TACKLING THIS HUGE SOCIETAL CHALLENGE. TWO IS, WE, D.P.S.S.,
12 MUST STRENGTHEN OUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE COMMUNITY AND THOSE
13 WE SERVE. THESE PARTNERSHIPS ARE A GREAT STRATEGY TO MOVE US
14 MORE INTENTIONALLY IN THAT DIRECTION. THREE IS, WE MUST TAKE A
15 HARD LOOK AT OUR OPTIONS IN STREAMLINING OUR AGREEMENTS AND
16 CONTRACTING PROCESSES, SO THAT EACH CAN SERVE TO FACILITATE
17 THE WORK WE ARE CHARGED WITH DOING. WE CONSIDER THIS PROJECT
18 TO BE A MODEL FOR FUTURE PARTNERSHIPS WITH COMMUNITY-BASED
19 ORGANIZATIONS, AND FUEL TO MOVE US FORWARD IN ADDRESSING THESE
20 LARGER SYSTEMIC ISSUES. TO THAT END, I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO
21 SHARING THE OUTCOMES AND THE WAYS IN WHICH THIS PROJECT
22 BENEFITS THE PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES WE SERVE. THANK YOU.

23
24 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR
25 SOLIS?



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2 **SUP. SOLIS:** OH, YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU,
3 DR. SCORZA, FOR THE INFORMATION AND OUR UPDATE ON HOW WE ARE
4 DOING ON IMPLEMENTATION OF OUR FEDERAL FUNDING. AND, DR.
5 CONTRERAS, IT IS GOOD TO SEE YOU AND HEAR FROM YOU. I AM
6 EXCITED ABOUT THE POTENTIAL OF YOUR DEPARTMENT TAKING FULL
7 ADVANTAGE OF PRESIDENT BIDEN'S AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDS, AND
8 TO SEE THAT WE'VE PUT MORE FOOD ON THE TABLE FOR MANY OF OUR
9 RESIDENTS WHO ARE IN HIGH NEED. SO, WITH THAT, I WANTED TO ASK
10 YOU, WHAT KINDS OF MODELS IS THE DEPARTMENT LOOKING INTO, TO
11 PARTNER WITH C.B.O.S? AND ARE YOU EMPLOYING ANY OTHER UNIQUE
12 OUTREACH EFFORTS, LIKE USING PROMOTORAS? AND IN PARTICULAR,
13 HOW ARE YOU REACHING OUT TO THE A.P.I. RESIDENTS AND
14 L.G.B.T.Q.?

15

16 **DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR, FOR THAT
17 QUESTION. I AGREE, WHOLEHEARTEDLY, THAT THE PROMOTORAS MODEL
18 IS AN EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF HOW WE CAN CONNECT WITH COMMUNITIES
19 IN A DIFFERENT WAY. WITH THIS PROJECT, WE WERE VERY
20 INTENTIONAL WITH CREATING A SITUATION WHERE THE PROVIDERS
21 COULD DECIDE WHAT THEIR STRATEGIES WERE GOING TO BE. I WOULD
22 IMAGINE THAT SOME OF THEM MAY USE THAT MODEL. I AM REALLY
23 HOPING THAT WE ARE SURPRISED BY WHAT THEY COME BACK WITH, THAT
24 THEY CAN IDENTIFY SORT OF SIMPLE AND ELEGANT SOLUTIONS TO
25 THESE CHALLENGES IN GETTING FOLKS ENROLLED IN CALFRESH. AS FAR



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1 AS THE HYPERLOCAL MEDIA, WE RECOGNIZE THAT WHEN A COMMUNITY
2 TRUSTS THE PERSON THAT IS COMMUNICATING TO THEM, WHETHER
3 THAT'S A C.B.O., OR WHETHER THAT'S THE MEDIA, WE CAN BE MUCH
4 MORE EFFECTIVE. SO, I THINK WE WANT TO LEARN FROM ALL OF THE
5 DIFFERENT EXAMPLES THAT WE SEE, AND REALLY CONSOLIDATE THAT
6 INFORMATION, SO THAT IT CAN INFORM HOW WE MOVE FORWARD.

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8 **SUP. SOLIS:** RIGHT. ONE QUESTION I HAD, ALSO, DR. CONTRERAS,
9 WAS, I KNOW THERE WAS A RECENT ARTICLE IN "L.A.IST"
10 PUBLICATION, SHARING THAT MORE STUDENTS ARE NOT, ACTUALLY,
11 TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE CALFRESH PROGRAM AT OUR COLLEGE
12 CAMPUSES, AND I AM WONDERING HOW WE CAN BETTER INTERSECT WITH
13 THEM, AND HAVING ELIGIBILITY WORKERS ON CAMPUS. IS THAT
14 SOMETHING YOU'VE THOUGHT OF, OR COULD INCORPORATE?

15

16 **DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:** YEAH. WE ACTUALLY HAVE A WONDERFUL MODEL
17 ON COMPTON COLLEGE, MUCH TO THE CREDIT, I WOULD SAY, OF DR.
18 CURRY, WHO HAS LED THAT EFFORT. WE DO WANT TO EXPAND THAT
19 MODEL RIGHT NOW. THAT EFFORT HAS RESULTED IN A 58%, I BELIEVE,
20 INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE STUDENTS THAT ARE ENROLLED
21 IN CALFRESH, AND SO WE'RE LOOKING AT THAT DATA. WE ARE TRYING
22 TO OUTLINE THE APPROACH, AND WE WANT TO BE ABLE TO TAKE THAT
23 TO OTHER COLLEGE CAMPUSES. WE ALSO HAVE OUR MEDICAL OUTREACH
24 DISTRICT THAT HAS WORKED WITH VARIOUS COLLEGE CAMPUSES: LONG
25 BEACH, CAL POLY POMONA, SEVERAL DIFFERENT-- I'M TRYING TO



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1 REMEMBER THE OTHER ONE; LOS ANGELES VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE.
2 SO, WE DO TRY TO REACH OUT TO THEM, GO ON TO CAMPUS, HELP TO
3 GET INDIVIDUALS ENROLLED. WE ALSO KNOW THAT THE CAMPUSES
4 THEMSELVES ARE DOING AN INCREDIBLE JOB OF TRYING TO GET THE
5 WORD OUT, PROVIDE INFORMATION TO STUDENTS, SO WE CAN INCREASE
6 THE ENROLLMENT.

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS:** GREAT. AND I KNOW WE ARE PARTNERING WITH YOUR
9 DEPARTMENT AND METRO, ON THE LIFE PROGRAM AND THE [INAUDIBLE]
10 INITIATIVES PROGRAM. I'M HOPING, PERHAPS, MAYBE SHARING
11 INFORMATION WITH THOSE CURRENT STUDENTS THAT ARE A PART OF OUR
12 CURRENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM, THAT ARE LOW-INCOME, THAT MAY
13 NOT KNOW THEY QUALIFY, YOU COULD SOMEHOW INTERSECT AND GET
14 THEM THAT INFORMATION, AS WELL, THAT THEY'RE ELIGIBLE FOR
15 CALFRESH. THAT'S JUST AN IDEA.

16

17 **DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:** GREAT. THANK YOU FOR THAT SUGGESTION.

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS:** GREAT. OKAY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.
20 THANK YOU, BOTH, FOR YOUR PRESENTATION.

21

22 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I WANT TO ECHO DR.
23 CONTRERAS'S COMMENT ABOUT, YOU KNOW, WHEN A VISIONARY LEADER
24 LEADS ONE OF THESE CAMPUSES, AND THEY UNDERSTAND THE NEEDS OF
25 THEIR STUDENT BODY, I THINK IT WAS DR. CURRY THAT



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1 STEPPED UP TO THE PLATE AND FUNDED THOSE POSITIONS ON HIS
2 CAMPUS, TO MAKE SURE THAT HE HAD PERSONNEL THERE WHOSE SOLE
3 JOB-- NOT EXTRA WORK FOR A COUNSELOR OR SOMEONE ELSE, BUT
4 THEIR SOLE RESPONSIBILITY-- WAS TO CONNECT STUDENTS. AND
5 THAT'S IMPORTANT, AND WE HAVE SEEN THE CONSEQUENCE OF THAT
6 INVESTMENT. ALSO, I'LL ADD THAT IT WAS BY HAPPENSTANCE, AT A
7 CALFRESH EVENT LAST YEAR, WHERE DR. CONTRERAS AND I AND DR.
8 CURRY WERE IN THE SAME SPACE. DR. CONTRERAS MENTIONED THE FACT
9 THAT CALFRESH RESOURCES CAN GO MUCH FURTHER IN FARMERS'
10 MARKETS, AND THERE WAS A TABLE RIGHT THERE. AND DR. CURRY
11 WALKED OVER, AND AS A RESULT OF THAT KIND OF HAPPENSTANCE
12 CONNECTION, TOMORROW, COMPTON COLLEGE WILL LAUNCH THEIR
13 FARMERS' MARKET ON CAMPUS. AND AS IT TURNS OUT, IT'S THE ONLY
14 FARMERS' MARKET IN THE CITY OF COMPTON. RIGHT. SAY IT AGAIN?
15 IT'S THE ONLY FARMERS' MARKET IN THE CITY OF COMPTON. AND SO,
16 COMPTON COLLEGE WILL HOST IT EVERY WEDNESDAY, RAIN OR SHINE.
17 THE BROADER COMMUNITY IS INVITED. BUT AGAIN, IT'S THE--
18 REMIND ME, DR. CONTRERAS. IT'S THE DOLLAR MATCH-- WHAT'S THE
19 NAME OF THE PROGRAM?

20
21 **DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:** MARKET MATCH.

22
23 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** MARKET MATCH-- THANK YOU-- WHERE YOUR
24 CALFRESH BENEFIT IS EXPANDED, IF YOU USE IT AT A FARMERS'
25 MARKET. SO, YES, GREAT LEADERSHIP AT THESE INSTITUTIONS. WE'RE



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1 GOING TO PARTNER WITH THE COUNTY TO MAKE SURE THAT THEIR
2 STUDENTS ARE BENEFITING TO THE FULLEST EXTENT FROM EVERY
3 COUNTY RESOURCE, SO THAT'S A GOOD THING. AND AGAIN, THANK YOU
4 FOR YOUR PRESENTATION AND YOUR PARTNERSHIP. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

5

6 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND TO FOLLOW UP ON THAT, IS THAT
7 UNIQUE JUST TO THAT FARMERS' MARKET THAT'S GOING TO TAKE FOOD
8 STAMPS, OR ARE WE WORKING WITH ALL THE VENDORS TO ENSURE THAT
9 IT'S HONORED?

10

11 **DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:** SO...

12

13 **SUP. BARGER:** BECAUSE I REALLY LIKE THAT.

14

15 **DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:** NO, NO. MY KNOWLEDGE IS THIS AREA IS A
16 LITTLE BIT LIMITED. I KNOW THAT WE HAVE PARTNERED WITH
17 FARMERS' MARKETS, PRIMARILY. I DID ASK THE QUESTION. IF WE
18 WANT TO ENCOURAGE HEALTHY EATING, IT WOULD SEEM THAT THERE
19 SHOULD BE A WAY TO PARTNER AND TO ACCESS THOSE DOLLARS IN A
20 REGULAR MARKET, IN A NEIGHBORHOOD MARKET, THAT SORT OF THING.
21 SO I'M GOING TO LOOK INTO THAT.

22

23 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** IT WAS STATE LEGISLATION, AS I RECALL,
24 THAT CREATED THE OPPORTUNITY FOR CALFRESH, WHEN WE
25 TRANSITIONED TO THE DEBIT CARDS, TO MAKE SURE THAT FARMERS'



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1 MARKETS COULD ACCEPT THE DEBIT CARDS. SO I THINK THE STATE
2 TOOK ACTION ON THAT, SEVERAL YEARS BACK.

3
4 **SUP. BARGER:** SO MAYBE WE COULD DO A 5-SIGNATURE LETTER, TOO,
5 BECAUSE THERE'S, I THINK, TWO... I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S
6 COMPANIES, NONPROFITS, THAT OVERSEE A LOT OF THE FARMERS'
7 MARKETS IN L.A. COUNTY, TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO EXPAND ON THIS.
8 BECAUSE, TO YOUR POINT, IT'S HEALTHY EATING, IT'S MORE COST-
9 EFFECTIVE, AND YOU ARE SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES. AND I THINK
10 IT'S FANTASTIC. KUDOS. AND I WANT TO THANK DR. SCORZA, AS
11 USUAL. ALWAYS GREAT TO SEE YOU, AND THE INFORMATION YOU
12 PROVIDE, REALLY, I THINK; AND TO CHAIR MITCHELL, FOR PUTTING
13 THIS ON THE AGENDA, SO THAT WE REALLY ARE AWARE AND ENGAGED IN
14 HOW THE MONEY'S BEING ALLOCATED. AND, DR. CONTRERAS, THANK
15 YOU. I KNOW THAT WE TALK ABOUT ADDRESSING THE MOST TARGETED
16 POPULATIONS, WHICH ALREADY ARE IN UNDERSERVED AREAS, AND SO I
17 THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO PUT THAT IN THE FRONT LINE. AND
18 I KNOW ONE OF THEM, WHICH YOU KNOW, COMING FROM D.C.F.S., ARE
19 OUR FOSTER YOUTH, WHO ARE AGING OUT, WHO REALLY DON'T WANT ANY
20 PART OF THE SYSTEM ANYMORE, EVEN THOUGH THEY PROBABLY ARE THE
21 MOST VULNERABLE AND IN THE GREATEST NEED, AND STILL ELIGIBLE
22 FOR THAT. AND SO I'M HOPING THAT WE WILL DO OUTREACH WITH OUR
23 NONPROFITS TO ENGAGE AND EDUCATE ABOUT THE FACT THAT IT'S NOT
24 BAD TO ACCEPT HELP, ESPECIALLY CALFRESH. AND I JUST REMEMBER
25 WITH THE E.B.T. CARD, THE REASON WHY WE MOVED FROM FOOD



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1 STAMPS-- BECAUSE I REMEMBER WHEN I'D BE STANDING IN LINE, WHEN
2 SOMEONE WOULD HAVE TO BRING OUT THE STAMPS AND HAND THEM TO
3 THE CASHIER, WAS OVER DIGNITY, OVER ALLOWING PEOPLE THE
4 DIGNITY TO JUST BE ABLE TO SWIPE A CARD, AND THE PERSON BEHIND
5 WOULDN'T KNOW WHETHER IT WAS CALFRESH, OR AT THAT TIME,
6 A.F.D.C.-- YOU KNOW, ALL THAT; NOT A.F.D.C., BUT IT WAS FOOD
7 STAMPS. SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO CONTINUE TO KIND
8 OF BREAK THAT STIGMA, AS WELL, ABOUT THE FACT THAT CALFRESH IS
9 EVEN-- THE NET HAS BEEN CAST WIDER FOR WHO IS ELIGIBLE NOW,
10 RECOGNIZING WITH INFLATION, PEOPLE ARE SUFFERING. WITH THE
11 HOLIDAYS COMING UP, IT'S GOING TO BE A CHALLENGE FOR PEOPLE TO
12 PUT FOOD ON THEIR TABLE. SO, I REALLY APPRECIATE WHAT YOU ALL
13 ARE DOING, AND I THINK THIS IS A GREAT PRESENTATION. AND
14 THERE'S MORE WE CAN DO, BUT IT SOUNDS TO ME LIKE YOUR ALL ARE
15 ON TOP OF IT, AND RECOGNIZE THAT. SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
16 THIS PRESENTATION. DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS: THANK YOU.

17
18 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

21
22 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU FOR THE
23 PRESENTATION. YOU TALKED ABOUT A LOT OF THINGS. ONE OF THE
24 ISSUES-- I DIDN'T KNOW IF I SAW WHICH SLIDE IT WAS ON, BUT MY
25 STAFF SEEMS TO THINK THAT THE OUTREACH CAMPAIGN FOR GETTING



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1 MORE FOLKS INTO CALFRESH HASN'T STARTED YET. OR IT IS STARTED?
2 YOU'RE GOING TO DO MORE?

3

4 **DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:** SO, THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT IS GOING TO
5 LAUNCH ON NOVEMBER 14TH, SO IT HAS NOT STARTED YET. WE'VE GOT
6 26 INTERESTED C.B.O.S, AND SO WE'RE GOING THROUGH THAT PROCESS
7 OF REVIEWING THOSE, AND THEN THE PLAN IS TO LAUNCH ON NOVEMBER
8 14TH.

9

10 **SUP. HAHN:** IS THERE A REASON THAT-- YOU KNOW, WE'VE HAD THESE
11 FUNDS FOR A YEAR, NOW. IS THERE A REASON THAT THIS OUTREACH
12 HAS BEEN DELAYED?

13

14 **DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:** YEAH. I KNOW THAT THERE'S BEEN A VERY
15 DEEP ANALYSIS OF THE POPULATIONS, AND LOOKING AT THE DATA,
16 LOOKING AT THE EQUITY TOOL, TO REALLY UNDERSTAND WHERE WE
17 COULD HAVE THE GREATEST IMPACT. ALSO, THE RELATIONSHIP-
18 BUILDING, I THINK, TAKES TIME. AND SO, DEVELOPING THAT
19 CONNECTION WITH THE COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, AND HAVING
20 THOSE CONVERSATIONS, I THINK WE'VE DONE A LOT OF FRONTLOADING,
21 SO THAT, WHEN WE LAUNCH ON NOVEMBER 14TH, WE ARE READY TO GO.

22

23 **SUP. HAHN:** RIGHT. I MEAN, YOU CAN HEAR A LITTLE BIT OF MY
24 FRUSTRATION, AGAIN, BECAUSE THIS IS SUCH A GREAT PROGRAM AND,
25 I MEAN, IT JUST IMPACTS SO MANY PEOPLE, AND CHANGES THEIR



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1 LIVES IN SO MANY WAYS. SO I THINK THERE-- I KNOW, FOR MYSELF,
2 I WOULD HAVE LIKED TO HAVE SEEN IT START EARLIER, BUT KNOWING
3 THAT, ONCE YOU START, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE EVERYTHING YOU NEED
4 TO REALLY MAKE IT HAPPEN AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. THE OTHER
5 THING: YOU DID TOUCH ON THE NEW APPLICATION. SOUNDS LIKE IT'S
6 LESS BUREAUCRATIC. BECAUSE I KNOW, IN MY OFFICE, WE'VE HEARD
7 FROM CONSTITUENTS WHO FOUND THE PROCESS VERY BUREAUCRATIC, A
8 LOT OF PAPERWORK. WOULD YOU SAY YOU'VE ALREADY ADDRESSED THAT,
9 BY SOME OF THE THINGS YOU TALKED TO US ABOUT TODAY, OR IS
10 THERE MORE THAT YOU CAN DO TO MAKE THAT APPLICATION PROCESS A
11 LITTLE MORE USER-FRIENDLY?

12
13 **DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:** SO, I WISH WE COULD SAY THAT WE'VE
14 ADDRESSED THAT. UNFORTUNATELY, THAT'S NOT THE CASE. THE
15 APPLICATION PROCESS THAT WE TRIED TO STREAMLINE WAS FOR THE
16 C.B.O.S TO ACCESS THESE DOLLARS, BECAUSE THAT CAN ALSO,
17 OFTENTIMES, BE VERY CUMBERSOME. SO THAT'S ONE PIECE OF IT. AND
18 I DON'T THINK I ADDRESSED THIS PART OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S
19 QUESTION, IN RELATION TO THE ARTICLE THAT CAME OUT. WE
20 PROVIDED INFORMATION FOR THAT ARTICLE. WE VERY MUCH AGREE THAT
21 THERE ARE WAY TOO MANY BARRIERS. IT'S MUCH TOO CUMBERSOME FOR
22 PEOPLE TO APPLY FOR CALFRESH. MANY OF THESE ARE FEDERAL AND
23 STATE REQUIREMENTS. WE ARE DOING WHAT WE CAN TO STREAMLINE THE
24 PROCESS ON OUR END, AND WE ARE ALSO DOING WHAT WE CAN TO
25 ADVOCATE FOR CHANGES AT THE STATE AND FEDERAL LEVEL. BECAUSE



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1 RIGHT NOW, IT'S SIMPLY CUMBERSOME TO REQUIRE ALL THE
2 INFORMATION WE'RE REQUIRING. AND MANY TIMES, STUDENTS, IN
3 PARTICULAR, ARE-- THE DELAYS ARE ABOUT THEM GETTING THAT
4 INFORMATION TOGETHER, AND PROVIDING WHAT THEY NEED TO PROVIDE.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN:** DO YOU FEEL LIKE YOU ARE ON A PATHWAY, THOUGH, TO
7 POSSIBLY CUT SOME OF THE BUREAUCRATIC RED TAPE, AS MUCH AS YOU
8 CAN CONTROL?

9

10 **DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:** I AM A HOPEFUL PERSON, SO I WOULD SAY
11 THAT I AM HOPEFUL, IN EACH OF THOSE AREAS, THAT WE'RE GOING TO
12 BE ABLE TO IMPACT THAT.

13

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

15

16 **SUP. KUEHL:** MADAM CHAIR, IF I MAY GET IN THE QUEUE?

17

18 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, NOW. THANKS.

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I ALSO WANT TO THANK DR.
21 SCORZA. IT'S ALWAYS REALLY INFORMATIVE AND KIND OF HOPEFUL TO
22 HEAR THE REPORT ABOUT THE FEDERAL HELP THAT WE'VE BEEN
23 GETTING. AND, OF COURSE, I ALWAYS WONDER, WHAT ARE WE GOING TO
24 DO IN A COUPLE YEARS, WHEN WE'RE NOT GETTING THAT FEDERAL HELP
25 ANYMORE? BUT-- AND, DR. CONTRERAS, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE



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1 WORK THAT YOU AND YOUR STAFF ARE DOING. ONE OF THE WAYS THAT I
2 THINK WE EXPAND OUR ABILITY TO GET NOT ONLY INFORMATION, BUT
3 ACTUAL SIGN-UPS, FOR ALL OF OUR PROGRAMS IS THROUGH OUR
4 PARTNERS. AND AS WE DISCUSSED IN THE CHILD WELFARE SUMMIT THE
5 OTHER DAY, FIRST 5 L.A., AMONG OTHERS, IS A TOUCHPOINT FOR SO
6 MANY FAMILIES IN THE 14 AREAS IN WHICH THEY'RE OPERATING,
7 ESPECIALLY THE HEALTHY START PROGRAMS, WHERE THEY WORK WITH
8 WOMEN WHO HAVE JUST GIVEN BIRTH IN THE HOSPITAL, AND MAKE
9 CERTAIN THAT THEY KNOW WHAT THEY MIGHT ACCESS. SO, IN THE
10 CALFRESH MODEL, I GUESS I'M WONDERING WHAT IT MIGHT INCLUDE,
11 AND WHAT IT MIGHT NOT INCLUDE. FOR INSTANCE, IF I DON'T ONLY
12 NEED FOOD FOR MY FAMILY, BUT NOW I HAVE A NEWBORN, AND I NEED
13 FORMULA, IS THAT SOMETHING KIND OF OUTSIDE THE AREA OF
14 CALFRESH? IT IS FOOD, AFTER ALL, BUT I DON'T KNOW WHETHER
15 THERE IS ANY CONNECTION.

16
17 **DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:** WELL, IT ABSOLUTELY WOULD BE A RESOURCE
18 THAT CALFRESH DOLLARS COULD SUPPORT, BUT THERE'S ALSO OTHER
19 RESOURCES THAT WE WOULD WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THE FAMILY IS
20 TAKING ADVANTAGE OF.

21
22 **SUP. KUEHL:** WELL, I'M JUST SAYING, AS WE DISCUSSED, SUPERVISOR
23 SOLIS WAS TALKING ABOUT THE SORT OF NEGATIVE ATTITUDE ABOUT
24 FOOD STAMPS, AND THERE IS STILL SOMEWHAT OF A STIGMA WHEN
25 PEOPLE TRY TO ACCESS, OR WHEN THEY ARE SEEN TO BE ACCESSING



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1 GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS. BUT MOST OF US HAVE, PROBABLY, EITHER IN
2 OUR OWN FAMILY OR IN FAMILY MEMBERS, WHO HAVE BEEN ON THESE
3 PROGRAMS THROUGH DIFFERENT PARTS OF OUR LIVES, AND KNOW IT'S A
4 LIFESAVER. SO, JUST ENCOURAGING YOU TO CONTINUE THE CONNECTION
5 THAT YOU'VE MADE, AND EVEN EXPAND, WITH ALL OF THE OTHER
6 ARENAS. THE C.B.O.S ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT, THERE'S NO
7 QUESTION, BUT AGENCIES LIKE FIRST 5, THAT HAVE A SPECIALIZED
8 CONSTITUENCY OF THE CHILDREN ZERO TO 5, AND THEIR FAMILIES, OF
9 COURSE, THAT I THINK ARE VERY IMPORTANT, BECAUSE THOSE FIRST 5
10 YEARS ARE IMPORTANT, NOT ONLY FOR BRAIN DEVELOPMENT, BUT IN
11 BODY DEVELOPMENT AND NUTRITION. AND THEN, ON THE OTHER END OF
12 THE AGE SPECTRUM, WHERE WE ALWAYS WORRY ABOUT OUR SENIORS'
13 ABILITY, SINCE THEY HAVE LESS MOBILITY, WHAT IS THE CONNECTION
14 IN SIGNING PEOPLE UP, OR THINGS TO WHICH THEY MIGHT BE...
15 COULD BE BENEFICIARIES WHEN THEY'RE HOMEBOUND?

16
17 **DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:** YEAH. SO, WE AT D.P.S.S. ALSO ADMINISTER
18 THE I.H.S.S. PROGRAM, SO WE WORK VERY CLOSELY WITH THE
19 DEPARTMENT OF AGING AND DISABILITIES IN COORDINATING EFFECTIVE
20 SERVICES FOR THIS POPULATION, AND SO WE WOULD DEFINITELY WANT
21 TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY'RE AWARE OF ALL OF THE RESOURCES. EVEN
22 GIVEN THAT, WE STILL KNOW THAT THEY DON'T ACCESS, OFTENTIMES,
23 THE BENEFITS THAT THEY'RE ENTITLED TO. AND SO WE ARE HOPING
24 THAT SOME OF THESE C.B.O.S ARE GOING TO FOCUS VERY DILIGENTLY
25 ON THE SENIOR POPULATION, AND DEVELOP SOME CREATIVE WAYS HOW



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1 WE CAN OUTREACH, AND MAKE SURE THAT WE GET THE RESOURCES TO
2 THOSE THAT ARE IN NEED.

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT, BECAUSE I.H.S.S.
5 WORKERS ARE THE ONLY POINT OF CONTACT FOR SO MANY OF OUR
6 SENIOR CITIZENS, OR OUR ELDERS, AS I THINK WE'RE CALLING THEM
7 NOW, WHICH I LIKE. SO THAT'S IMPORTANT. I WAS THINKING, ALSO,
8 OF MEALS ON WHEELS AND OTHER GROUPS THAT MIGHT BE THE ONLY
9 TOUCHPOINT FOR A HOMEBOUND ELDER. DO WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO
10 CONNECT? I KNOW THEY'RE SORT OF ONLY LOOSELY ORGANIZED, BUT IS
11 THAT AN ARENA THAT WE'VE BEEN OPERATING IN?

12

13 **DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:** WE DO COORDINATE WITH VARIOUS PROGRAMS
14 THAT SERVE SENIORS, SO, ABSOLUTELY. AND THEN, AGAIN, WITH THIS
15 PARTICULAR PROJECT, THE WORK THAT THE C.B.O.S DO WILL
16 HOPEFULLY MAKE THOSE SAME TYPES OF CONNECTIONS, AND THAT'S
17 SOMETHING THAT WE'RE POSITIONED TO SUPPORT.

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL:** YEAH. I THINK THAT THE 5 OF US HAVE ALWAYS BEEN
20 ALL ABOUT CONNECTION. I MEAN, EVEN IN THE WORK THAT WE'VE DONE
21 BEFORE WE CAME TO THIS BOARD, IT WAS MAKING CERTAIN THAT SO-
22 AND-SO KNEW THAT SO-AND-SO WAS DOING THIS, AND BRINGING THEM
23 TOGETHER. AND THAT, I THINK, IS REALLY IMPORTANT FOR OUR
24 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, MORE THAN EVER. AND GIVEN THE FACT THAT
25 YOU HAVE RESOURCES, AT LEAST, FOR A COUPLE OF YEARS, IT'S A



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1 GREAT WAY TO USE THEM. SO, THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THE REPORT, AND
2 MORE SO FOR THE WORK. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND AGAIN, THANK
5 YOU TO DR. SCORZA, DR. CONTRERAS. AND THEN, JUST TO CLARIFY
6 FOR ME, PARTICULARLY AS THE NEW KID ON THE BLOCK, THIS IS, DR.
7 CONTRERAS, A-- I'M GOING TO SAY IT TILL THE END OF THE YEAR.
8 PARDON THAT SIDEBAR WITH MY COLLEAGUE. THIS IS ONE OUTREACH
9 PROJECT, AS A RESULT OF A.R.P.A. DOLLARS, BUT I WILL ASSUME
10 THAT YOU HAVE ANY NUMBER OF OTHER OUTREACH PROGRAMS TO REALLY
11 HELP INCREASE OUR CALFRESH NUMBERS. I KNOW THE STATE'S
12 CALFRESH ENROLLMENT HAS LEFT MUCH TO BE DESIRED FOR A NUMBER
13 OF YEARS, WITH A NUMBER OF COUNTIES DOING ALL THEY CAN. SO,
14 THIS IS BUT ONE OUTREACH PROGRAM. CORRECT?

15

16 **DR. JACKIE CONTRERAS:** THIS IS ONE OF MANY EFFORTS THAT WE
17 HAVE, ABSOLUTELY.

18

19 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** EXCELLENT. I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY
20 THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, YOU BOTH, FOR COMING. APPRECIATE
21 YOU. SEEING NO FURTHER QUESTIONS, THIS IS A RECEIVE-AND-FILE,
22 AND SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. WITH THE HOUR OF 1:38 HAVING
23 PASSED, UNDERSTANDING THAT WE HAD NO ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE
24 PUBLIC CALL IN, NOR PRESENT IN THE BOARD HEARING ROOM, I WILL
25 OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCE THAT OUR AGENDIZED 90 MINUTES FOR PUBLIC



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1 SPEAKERS HAS ENDED. THANK YOU TO ALL THAT ADDRESSED THE BOARD.
2 AND IF YOU WERE UNABLE TO PROVIDE YOUR COMMENTS, YOU MAY
3 SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS, AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA. WE'LL
4 CONTINUE TO ACCEPT ALL WRITTEN COMMENTS THAT COME IN DURING
5 THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BECOME PART OF THE RECORD. BEFORE WE
6 APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR, I UNDERSTAND THAT SUPERVISOR
7 HAHN WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A BRIEF STATEMENT.

8

9 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. YOU KNOW, COLLEAGUES, AS WE
10 MOVE TO APPROVE THIS CONSENT AGENDA, I JUST WANTED TO TAKE A
11 MOMENT TO HIGHLIGHT HOW MUCH WE'RE STILL RELYING ON THESE
12 OUTSIDE CONTRACTS. ON TODAY'S AGENDA ALONE, WE'RE APPROVING
13 CLOSE TO \$200 MILLION IN CONTRACTS. AND IF YOU LOOK AT THE
14 AGENDA, IT ALWAYS STARTS WITH FINDING THAT WHATEVER-- SECURITY
15 SERVICES, LANDSCAPING, DISINFECTING AT THE LIBRARIES-- CAN BE
16 PERFORMED MORE ECONOMICALLY BY INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS, AND
17 THEN WE LAUNCH INTO AUTHORIZING THESE CONTRACTS. SO, THEY'RE
18 CHEAPER, BUT I THINK I ALWAYS WANT TO KNOW WHY THEY'RE MORE
19 ECONOMICAL, AND A LOT OF THE REASON IS BECAUSE OF WHAT THOSE
20 WORKERS ARE PAID, AND WHETHER OR NOT THEY GET DECENT WAGES AND
21 HEALTH BENEFITS. AND I KNOW WE'RE TRYING TO FIND THAT OUT,
22 GOING FORWARD, SO THAT WHEN WE DO AUTHORIZE THESE OUTSIDE
23 CONTRACTS, WE CAN REALLY UNDERSTAND, ARE WE MEASURING APPLES
24 TO APPLES OR ORANGES TO ORANGES? I KNOW THAT, BACK IN 2017, WE
25 APPROVED A MOTION THAT DIRECTED THAT ALL THESE PROP "A"



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1 CONTRACTS FOLLOW, AT LEAST, OUR COUNTY'S LIVING WAGE PROGRAM,
2 BUT WE KNOW THAT, SOMETIMES, LIVING WAGE IS NOT ENOUGH. SO, I
3 JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT, SO WE CONTINUE TO LOOK AT HOW WE
4 MIGHT BRING THOSE JOBS IN HOUSE, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, JUST
5 THAT STATEMENT THAT IT CAN BE DONE MORE ECONOMICALLY; THAT WE
6 UNDERSTAND THAT MIGHT BE FALLING ON THE BACKS OF THESE
7 WORKERS. AND THESE ARE JOBS THAT ARE-- YOU KNOW, DISINFECTING
8 OUR LIBRARIES IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT, OR LANDSCAPING, OR
9 WHATEVER IT IS. SO, I JUST WANTED TO MAKE THAT COMMENT, JUST
10 SO WE'RE AWARE. AND AGAIN, I'M GOING TO APPROVE IT. AND WHEN I
11 WAS CHAIR, I WAS AUTHORIZED TO SIGN MANY OF THESE CONTRACTS,
12 AS WELL. BUT I JUST FELT THAT WE, AS A BOARD, NEED TO CONTINUE
13 TO MOVE TOWARDS MAKING SURE THOSE WORKERS ARE PAID DECENT
14 WAGES AND BENEFITS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

15
16 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
17 WILL YOU PLEASE INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS ON WHICH WE
18 WILL BE VOTING?

19
20 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU: 3
21 THROUGH 7, 9, 14 AND 15, 17 AND 18, 20 AND 21, 23 THROUGH 31.
22 ON ITEM 32, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT HER VOTE BE
23 RECORDED AS NO. 33 THROUGH 80. ON ITEM 81, SUPERVISOR KUEHL
24 REQUESTS THAT HER VOTE BE RECORDED AS NO. 87 AND 88, 89-A
25 THROUGH 89-D, 92 AND 93. 94 AND 95; ON THESE ITEMS, SUPERVISOR



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1 BARGER REQUESTS THAT HER VOTE BE RECORDED AS NO. 96, 1-D
2 THROUGH 3-D.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
5 KUEHL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS,
6 WITH THE EXCEPTIONS NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER. WILL YOU
7 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL?

8

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

10

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:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. COLLEAGUES, THIS
10 WILL BE THE MEETING ORDER FOR TODAY: WE STARTED WITH SET
11 MATTER 1. WE'RE GOING TO MOVE TO AGENDA ITEM 8, FOLLOWED BY
12 SET MATTER 2, WHICH WILL BE TAKEN UP WITH ITEM 10; ITEM 11,
13 FOLLOWED BY ITEMS 12, 13, AND 16, WHICH WILL BE TAKEN UP
14 TOGETHER; ITEMS 19 AND 20; AND FINISHING WITH ITEMS 82, 83,
15 84, 85, 86, WHICH WILL BE TAKEN UP TOGETHER. WITH THAT, HAVING
16 ALREADY HEARD SET MATTER 1, AND RECEIVED AND FILED THAT
17 REPORT, WE'LL MOVE TO ITEM 8: DEDICATING THE AMPHITHEATER OF
18 RANCHO LOS AMIGOS NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTER TO CARLOS
19 BENAVIDES. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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21 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, THANK YOU SO MUCH. I HAVE
22 ASKED YOU TO MOVE THIS ITEM UP, BASICALLY, BECAUSE CARLOS HAS
23 BEEN HERE SINCE THIS MORNING, AND, OF COURSE, WE HAD TO CLEAR
24 THE AUDITORIUM, AND THEN WE WENT INTO CLOSED SESSION, SO I
25 REALLY APPRECIATE YOU BRINGING THIS ITEM UP. CARLOS BENAVIDES,



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1 WHO IS STILL HERE, THERE IN THE FRONT ROW, IS KNOWN THROUGHOUT
2 THE COUNTY AS A CHAMPION FOR INCLUSION, AND FOR THE RIGHTS OF
3 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. HE'S SERVED ON THE L.A. COUNTY
4 COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES SINCE 2014, AND HAS BEEN THEIR
5 PRESIDENT FOR THE PAST 5 YEARS. AS ONE OF MY COMMISSIONERS,
6 CARLOS IS A TRUSTED SOURCE FOR MAKING SURE THAT WE, AS A
7 BOARD, AND THE COUNTY ARE GETTING IT RIGHT FOR PEOPLE WITH
8 DISABILITIES. HE'S INVOLVED WITH SEVERAL COMMUNITY
9 ORGANIZATIONS, HE DOES OUTREACH EVENTS, AND IS A MENTOR FOR
10 FUTURE LEADERS. CARLOS IS AN ACCOMPLISHED GRAPHIC ARTIST AND
11 DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHER, WITH A PASSION FOR MUSIC. AND WE HAVE ON
12 THE SCREEN, HERE, SOME OF CARLOS' ARTWORK. AND IF YOU GO TO
13 RANCHO LOS AMIGOS IN DOWNEY, YOU WILL SEE HIS ART EVERYWHERE.
14 AND YOU WILL LIKELY SEE HIM, BECAUSE HE IS ALMOST ALWAYS
15 THERE. AT RANCHO, HE VOLUNTEERS HIS TIME TO SUPPORT PEOPLE
16 WITH SPINAL CORD INJURIES, NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS, AND OTHER
17 HEALTH CONDITIONS. HE SUPPORTS RANCHO'S ARTS AND CULTURE
18 PROGRAMS, AND HE IS THE CO-CHAIR OF THE PATIENT ADVISORY
19 COUNCIL. SUPERVISORS, I AM BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD TODAY
20 TO DEDICATE THE AMPHITHEATER AT RANCHO LOS AMIGOS THE CARLOS
21 BENAVIDES AMPHITHEATER. THANK YOU, CARLOS, FOR EVERYTHING YOU
22 DO. I WANTED TO GIVE A BIG SHOUT-OUT, ALSO, TO THE LEADERSHIP
23 AT RANCHO-- ARIES, DEB, AND BEN-- WHO HAVE HELPED WITH THIS
24 PROJECT. I ASK MY COLLEAGUES FOR THEIR SUPPORT IN HONORING
25 CARLOS, AND RECOGNIZING HIS SERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF L.A.



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1 COUNTY. WE THOUGHT LONG AND HARD ABOUT WHAT WE COULD HONOR YOU
2 WITH, CARLOS, AND IT SEEMED FITTING THAT THE AMPHITHEATER,
3 WHERE WE WILL SEE PEOPLE PERFORMING IN VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE
4 ART AND MUSIC WORLD, WOULD BE APPROPRIATE. SO I HOPE YOU
5 ACCEPT THIS TRIBUTE TO YOU. THAT'S, OF COURSE, IF IT GETS
6 PASSED ON THE BOARD. I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW MY COLLEAGUES ARE
7 GOING TO VOTE. BUT IF WE PASS THIS TODAY, PLEASE ACCEPT THIS
8 AS, REALLY, A SMALL TOKEN OF THE INCREDIBLE, ENORMOUS IMPACT
9 YOU HAVE HAD ON PEOPLE'S LIVES, WHO ARE LIVING WITH
10 DISABILITIES HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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12 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** OF COURSE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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14 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU,
15 SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR ACKNOWLEDGING AND NAMING THIS
16 AMPHITHEATER IN CARLOS BENAVIDES'S NAME. CARLOS AND I GO BACK,
17 AS WELL; NOT, MAYBE, AS LONG AS YOU HAVE WITH SUPERVISOR HAHN,
18 BUT I MET YOU BACK IN 2015, WHEN I JUST GOT ON THE BOARD, AND
19 I BELIEVE IT WAS AT RANCHO. AND YOU GAVE ME-- YOU WERE THERE.
20 YOU ACTUALLY WERE PART OF A TOUR. AND THAT'S WHERE I MET,
21 ALSO, DR. JORGE OROZCO FOR THE FIRST TIME. BUT YOU HAVE BEEN
22 SUCH AN ADVOCATE FOR MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY, AND I KNOW YOU
23 CURRENTLY RESIDE IN MY DISTRICT, SO I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU
24 FOR ALL THAT YOU DO TO BRING OUR COMMUNITY, ALL THE DIVERSITY
25 TOGETHER, AND THE BEAUTIFUL ARTWORK. YOU ONCE GAVE ME A PIECE



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1 OF ARTWORK, AND I WANT TO THANK YOU. BUT YOU'VE DONE SO MUCH,
2 AND YOU DESERVE SO MUCH MORE, AND WE ARE ALL THANKFUL FOR YOUR
3 COURAGE, FOR YOUR ADVOCACY, AND FOR YOUR TENACITY. SO, GOD
4 BLESS YOU, CARLOS, AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN. THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** BEAUTIFUL. AND MR. BENAVIDES IS HERE
7 WITH US IN THE ROOM, SO WE'RE ALL GOING TO GIVE YOU AN
8 OVERWHELMING ROUND OF APPLAUSE, AND CONGRATULATE YOU ON THIS
9 HONOR... [APPLAUSE]. AS SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY
10 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, MAKES THE MOTION. SEEING NO FURTHER REMARKS,
11 THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 8 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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15 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

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

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19 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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

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23 **SUP. HAHN:** YES.

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



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2 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

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

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

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12 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** CONGRATULATIONS. THANK YOU.

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14 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR:

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16 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** OF COURSE. WE'LL NOW MOVE TO SET MATTER
17 2, PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER, AND ITEM 10, ADDRESSING THE RISING
18 RATES OF R.S.V., WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR BARGER. WE'LL
19 HEAR A PRESENTATION FROM DR. MUNTU DAVIS, OUR PUBLIC HEALTH
20 OFFICER; DR. CHRISTINA GHALLY, DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES; AND
21 DR. RITA SINGHAL, CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER. GOOD AFTERNOON, ALL.
22 THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE.

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24 **DR. MUNTU DAVIS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU, CHAIR
25 MITCHELL, AND TO THE ENTIRE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AS ALWAYS,



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1 FOR YOUR CONTINUOUS LEADERSHIP AND SUPPORT. IT'S A PLEASURE TO
2 JOIN YOU AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC IN THE BOARDROOM TODAY, TO
3 PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON THE ONGOING C.O.V.I.D.-19 RESPONSE, AND
4 SOME ADDITIONAL EMERGING DISEASES. AFTER MY C.O.V.I.D.-19
5 UPDATE, DR. SHARON BALTER, OUR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S
6 DIVISION OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION, WILL
7 PROVIDE SOME KEY UPDATES RELATED TO OTHER DISEASES, AND THEN
8 TOGETHER WE'LL ANSWER ANY OF YOUR QUESTIONS. SO, GOING TO THE
9 NEXT SLIDE, HERE. SO, TODAY'S PRESENTATION, I'LL SHARE AN
10 UPDATE ON C.O.V.I.D.-19, IN TERMS OF THOSE METRICS, AND AN
11 OVERVIEW ON A COUPLE OF OTHER RESPIRATORY ILLNESSES BEING SEEN
12 IN L.A. COUNTY, INCLUDING INFLUENZA AND RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL
13 VIRUS, OR R.S.V. DOCTOR BALTER WILL PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON
14 MONKEYPOX, EBOLA, AND AVIAN FLU. SO, AS WE LOOK AT OUR
15 C.O.V.I.D. NUMBERS, WE CONTINUE TO TRACK C.O.V.I.D.-19, AND
16 OBSERVE ANY CHANGES IN TRENDS. THE GREEN TREND LINE, HERE,
17 SHOWS THE 7-DAY AVERAGE OF THE NUMBER OF CASES REPORTED DAILY.
18 DURING THE PAST WEEK, AN AVERAGE OF JUST UNDER 980 CASES WERE
19 REPORTED PER DAY, AN INCREASE FROM THE 7-DAY AVERAGE OF ABOUT
20 940 CASES REPORTED PER DAY LAST WEEK. WE ARE NO LONGER SEEING
21 THE STEADY DECLINE IN CASES WE'VE BEEN REPORTING SINCE JULY,
22 AND REPORTED CASE COUNTS APPEAR TO BE PLATEAUING SINCE OCTOBER
23 16TH. GIVEN THAT HOSPITALIZATIONS ARE A LAGGING INDICATOR, WE
24 WILL CONTINUE TO OBSERVE WHETHER CHANGES IN CASE NUMBERS HAVE
25 AN IMPACT ON ADMISSION NUMBERS AND THE ORANGE LINE IN THE



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1 COMING WEEKS. THIS PAST WEEK, THERE WAS AN AVERAGE OF 59
2 ADMISSIONS PER DAY, A SLIGHT DECREASE FROM THE 66 ADMISSIONS
3 FROM THE PREVIOUS WEEK. THE BLUE LINE IN THIS SLIDE SHOWS THE
4 7-DAY AVERAGE OF NUMBER OF DEATHS REPORTED DAILY. LIKE
5 HOSPITALIZATIONS, THIS IS ALSO A LAGGING INDICATOR, OFTEN NOT
6 SHOWING CHANGE UNTIL AFTER HOSPITALIZATIONS RISE. CURRENTLY,
7 THIS METRIC HAS PLATEAUED, WITH AN AVERAGE OF 10-12 DEATHS
8 REPORTED PER DAY, LAST WEEK. USING THE C.D.C.'S COMMUNITY
9 LEVELS FRAMEWORK, L.A. COUNTY REMAINS IN THE LOW COMMUNITY
10 LEVEL. GIVEN THE PLATEAUING OF CASES NOTED EARLIER, IT WILL BE
11 CRITICAL TO KEEP AN EYE ON OUR WEEKLY CASE RATE, WHICH
12 INCREASED SLIGHTLY THIS PAST WEEK, TO 67 CASES PER 100,000
13 PEOPLE. THE VALUES WE'RE SEEING FOR THE RATE OF NEW
14 C.O.V.I.D.-19 HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS, AND THE PROPORTION OF BEDS
15 OCCUPIED BY C.O.V.I.D.-19 PATIENTS, BOTH DECLINED SLIGHTLY
16 WHEN COMPARED TO THE PREVIOUS WEEK. ON THIS SLIDE, WE HAVE THE
17 8 EARLY ALERT SIGNALS WE MONITOR CONSISTENTLY TO IDENTIFY
18 POTENTIAL CHANGES IN C.O.V.I.D.-19 TRANSMISSION. DURING THE
19 PAST WEEK, TWO SIGNALS MET THE THRESHOLD FOR MEDIUM CONCERN,
20 UP FROM ONE SIGNAL, THE WEEK PRIOR. FOR THE SECOND WEEK IN A
21 ROW, THE NUMBER OF NEW OUTBREAKS IN SKILLED NURSING FACILITIES
22 REMAINS OF MEDIUM CONCERN, WITH THE NUMBER OF NEW OUTBREAKS
23 THIS PAST WEEK INCREASING TO 17, FROM 13 THE PRIOR WEEK.
24 WASTEWATER CONCENTRATIONS OF SARS-COV-2 ALSO INCREASED LAST
25 WEEK, MOVING THIS METRIC FROM LOW TO MEDIUM CONCERN. AS YOU



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1 MAY RECALL, A FEW WEEKS AGO, WE INTRODUCED A NEW WAY OF
2 REPORTING ON WASTEWATER VIRAL CONCENTRATIONS. WE NOW USE THE
3 WEIGHTED AVERAGE FOR VIRAL CONCENTRATION ACROSS 4 WASTEWATER
4 TREATMENT PLANTS, WEIGHTED BY THE POPULATION SERVED BY EACH.
5 THE TREATMENT PLANTS INCLUDED ARE LANCASTER, TAPIA, HYPERION,
6 AND THE JOINT WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT. THIS PAST WEEK,
7 THE VIRAL CONCENTRATION INCREASED, AND IS NOW OF MEDIUM
8 CONCERN. IT JUST CROSSED THAT THRESHOLD. AS A REMINDER, WE ARE
9 USING THE PEAK AND VIRAL CONCENTRATIONS SEEN IN WASTEWATER
10 DURING THE MOST RECENT SUMMER SURGE AS OUR REFERENCE.
11 CURRENTLY, THIS METRIC IS AT 31% OF THE PEAK SEEN IN JULY, AN
12 INCREASE FROM THE 21% WE SAW THE WEEK PRIOR. THE INCREASES WE
13 ARE SEEING IN THE EARLY ALERT METRICS ARE SLIGHT; HOWEVER,
14 THEY DO SUGGEST THAT, LOCALLY, THERE IS NO LONGER CONSISTENT
15 DECLINE IN C.O.V.I.D.-19 TRANSMISSION, AND THIS REMINDS US
16 THAT WE OUGHT TO PREPARE FOR THE POSSIBILITY OF ANOTHER WINTER
17 SURGE. WE WANT TO BE REALISTIC, SINCE EVERY C.O.V.I.D. SURGE
18 BRINGS ADDITIONAL RISK. HOWEVER, WE ARE ALSO OPTIMISTIC,
19 BECAUSE WE HAVE POWERFUL TOOLS, INCLUDING THERAPEUTICS AND THE
20 NEW BIVALENT BOOSTERS THAT CAN BLUNT THE IMPACT OF INCREASED
21 TRANSMISSION. AS WE TRY TO ANTICIPATE CHANGES THAT COULD
22 CONTRIBUTE TO A WINTER SURGE, WE ARE PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION TO
23 THE WEEKLY REPORTS OF VIRUS STRAINS CIRCULATING IN L.A.
24 COUNTY. THE MOST RECENTLY AVAILABLE DATA SHOWS THAT OMICRON
25 BA.5 CONTINUES TO BE THE DOMINANT SUBVARIANT; YET, EACH WEEK,



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1 IT'S ACCOUNTING FOR A SMALLER PROPORTION OF SAMPLES. FOR THE
2 WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 8TH, ABOUT 82% OF SEQUENCED SPECIMENS WERE
3 BA.5, IN COMPARISON TO 88% THE WEEK BEFORE, AND 92% A MONTH
4 EARLIER. WE CONTINUE TO TRACK AND LOOK AT CHANGES IN MULTIPLE
5 SUBLINEAGES OF THE VIRUS. BA.4.6 DECREASED TO 3.3% OF
6 SEQUENCED CASES, DOWN FROM 5.7% THE WEEK BEFORE. BA.4.6 HAS
7 HOVERED AROUND 3% TO 5% FOR THE PAST 7 WEEKS, INDICATING THIS
8 SUBLINEAGE IS NOT APPEARING TO RAPIDLY OUTCOMPETE OTHER
9 SUBLINEAGES AT THIS TIME. BF.7 NOW MAKES UP THE SECOND-LARGEST
10 PROPORTION OF CASES SEQUENCED, AT 4.8%, AN INCREASE FROM THE
11 3.2% IN THE WEEK BEFORE. RECENTLY, WE ADDED TWO ADDITIONAL
12 DESCENDANT STRAINS OF BA.5 TO OUR WEEKLY VARIANT REPORTING:
13 BQ.1 AND BQ.1.1. BOTH SUBLINEAGES ARE CURRENTLY AT VERY LOW
14 LEVELS IN L.A. COUNTY, ACCOUNTING FOR 2.7% OF SPECIMENS,
15 COMBINED, FOR THE MOST RECENT WEEK. HOWEVER, THE C.D.C.
16 ESTIMATES THAT, ABOUT 2 WEEKS AGO, BQ.1 AND BQ.1.1, COMBINED,
17 ACCOUNTED FOR NEARLY 17% OF CASES ACROSS THE COUNTRY, UP
18 CONSIDERABLY FROM ABOUT 9% THE WEEK BEFORE. THERE ARE REPORTS
19 THAT BQ.1 AND BQ.1.1 HAVE SOME GROWTH ADVANTAGES OVER SOME OF
20 THE OTHER SUBLINEAGES, AND SO THEY MAY BEGIN TO INCREASE HERE,
21 AS WELL. BA.2.75 ACCOUNTED FOR 1.5 PERCENT OF SPECIMENS IN THE
22 MOST RECENT WEEK, AN INCREASE FROM ABOUT 1% THE WEEK BEFORE.
23 BA.2.75.2 A DESCENDANT OF BA.2.75, REMAINS LOW, ACCOUNTING FOR
24 0.3% OF SPECIMENS IN THE WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 8TH. NOTE THAT
25 THERE HAS ONLY BEEN A TOTAL OF 8 SPECIMENS SEQUENCED AS



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1 BA.2.75.2 IN L.A. COUNTY, SO FAR. WITH RELATIVELY LOW NUMBERS
2 OF RECENTLY SEQUENCED SPECIMENS OF THESE NEW SUBLINEAGES IN
3 L.A. COUNTY, THERE IS NO ONE CANDIDATE WE CAN SAY, WITH
4 CERTAINTY, IS LIKELY TO OUTCOMPETE OTHER CIRCULATING STRAINS.
5 HOWEVER, WE HAVE LEARNED THAT IT'S IMPORTANT TO CAREFULLY
6 OBSERVE TRENDS IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS, AND RETAIN LOCAL
7 SEQUENCING CAPACITY, TO ASSESS POTENTIAL RISK. THE POSITIVE
8 NEWS IS THAT THE UPDATED PFIZER AND MODERNA BIVALENT BOOSTERS
9 CONTAIN THE BA.4 AND BA.5 SPIKE PROTEIN, AND WE EXPECT THAT
10 THIS WILL PROVIDE GOOD PROTECTION AGAINST THE BA.4 AND .5
11 SUBVARIANTS, AND THE BQ STRAINS. A FEW WEEKS AGO, NOVAVAX WAS
12 APPROVED BY THE F.D.A. TO BE USED AS A BOOSTER FOR ADULTS.
13 THAT MEANS THAT THERE ARE NOW 3 MANUFACTURERS FOR BOOSTER
14 SHOTS AVAILABLE, AND WE ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO CONSIDER GETTING
15 THEIR BOOSTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, ESPECIALLY BEFORE A
16 POTENTIAL INCREASE IN CASES. OVER 7 MILLION PEOPLE IN L.A.
17 COUNTY FACE WANING IMMUNITY FROM THEIR PREVIOUS VACCINE AND
18 BOOSTER DOSES, AND WITH FEW COMMUNITYWIDE SAFETY MEASURES IN
19 PLACE, MORE PEOPLE MAY BE VULNERABLE THIS FALL AND WINTER.
20 GETTING BOOSTED, WHICH FOR MANY MAY BE THE FIFTH DOSE IN A
21 YEAR AND A HALF, IS LIKELY TO HELP KEEP MANY OUT OF THE
22 HOSPITAL, WHICH COULD KEEP OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM FROM GETTING
23 OVERWHELMED. ENSURING PEOPLE HAVE READY ACCESS TO C.O.V.I.D.
24 AND OTHER VACCINES, LIKE THE FLU VACCINE, IS TOP PRIORITY FOR
25 PUBLIC HEALTH. PLEASE VISIT [VACCINATELACOUNTY.COM](https://vaccinate.lacounty.com) TO FIND A



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1 VACCINATION SITE NEAR YOU, REQUEST A MOBILE VACCINATION TEAM
2 FOR YOUR WORKSITE OR COMMUNITY EVENT, OR AN IN-HOME VISIT, IF
3 YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS HOMEBOUND. I WANT TO SHARE A BIT
4 ABOUT WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT THE CURRENT IMPACT OF RESPIRATORY
5 DISEASES IN L.A. COUNTY, AS WELL. FLU AND OTHER RESPIRATORY
6 ILLNESSES ARE TRACKED DIFFERENTLY THAN C.O.V.I.D., NEITHER OF
7 WHICH REQUIRE A MANDATORY REPORTING OF CASES. INSTEAD OF
8 TRACKING INDIVIDUAL CASES, WE MONITOR TRENDS IN THE PERCENTAGE
9 OF SPECIMENS TESTING POSITIVE FOR FLU OR OTHER RESPIRATORY
10 VIRUSES, SUCH AS R.S.V., AT CLINICAL LABORATORIES SERVING
11 HOSPITALS AND HEALTHCARE NETWORKS ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. ON THIS
12 SLIDE, WE SHOW THE TRENDS SEEN IN THE PAST FOR FLU SEASONS, AS
13 WELL AS THE START OF THE CURRENT FLU SEASON. THE CALENDAR FOR
14 FLU MONITORING BEGINS IN OCTOBER, AND RUNS THROUGH SEPTEMBER
15 OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR. IN L.A. COUNTY, WE TYPICALLY CONSIDER
16 THE FLU SEASON AS OFFICIALLY STARTING WHEN THE PERCENTAGE OF
17 SPECIMENS TESTING POSITIVE REACHES 5%. WHEN WE LOOK BACK TO
18 2018 AND '19 FLU SEASON-- THE YELLOW LINE HERE-- WE SEE THAT
19 THE SEASON STARTED IN DECEMBER, AND PEAKED AROUND LATE
20 FEBRUARY, WITH ONLY AROUND 17% OF SPECIMENS TESTING POSITIVE
21 AT THAT POINT. HOWEVER, THE FLU SEASON THAT YEAR LASTED A LONG
22 TIME, DECREASING GRADUALLY AND ONLY ABATING IN LATE APRIL. IN
23 CONTRAST, THE 2019-2020 FLU SEASON-- THE BLUE LINE-- WAS VERY
24 DIFFERENT. THE PERCENTAGE OF SPECIMENS TESTING POSITIVE
25 STARTED RISING IN NOVEMBER, AND ROSE SHARPLY, PEAKING IN



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1 JANUARY AT AROUND 36%. THAT YEAR, THE SEASON ENDED RATHER
2 ABRUPTLY, WITH THE PERCENTAGE OF SPECIMENS TESTING POSITIVE
3 FOR FLU DROPPING TO NEARLY ZERO BY EARLY APRIL. THE 2020-21
4 FLU SEASON, SHOWN BY THE FLAT PINK LINE, WAS EXTREMELY
5 UNUSUAL. IT WAS ESSENTIALLY SKIPPED, DUE TO THE ISOLATION AND
6 OTHER C.O.V.I.D. PRECAUTIONS. LAST YEAR, THE 2021-22 FLU
7 SEASON, SHOWN BY THE GREEN LINE, WAS ALSO VERY UNUSUAL. YOU
8 CAN SEE THAT THE FLU SEASON BEGAN IN DECEMBER, RIGHT AROUND
9 THE SAME TIME AS THE NEW OMICRON VARIANT OF COVID WAS SURGING
10 HERE FOR THE FIRST TIME. THE MANY PROTECTIONS THAT WENT INTO
11 STOPPING THE OMICRON SURGE MANAGED TO STOP FLU ALMOST
12 ENTIRELY, AND THE PERCENTAGE OF SPECIMENS TESTING POSITIVE FOR
13 FLU FELL BELOW 5% FOR MUCH OF THE WINTER. AS C.O.V.I.D.
14 PROTECTIVE MEASURES WERE DISCONTINUED IN THE SPRINGTIME, FLU
15 CASES RESUMED, AND WE EXPERIENCED AN UNUSUALLY HIGH SPRINGTIME
16 FLU SEASON AFTER THAT. AS YOU CAN SEE, FLU CASES BEGAN RISING
17 AGAIN IN L.A. COUNTY THIS PAST SEPTEMBER. THE CURRENT FLU
18 SEASON, WHICH STARTED IN THE BEGINNING OF OCTOBER, IS CAPTURED
19 BY THE SMALL RED LINE OFF TO THE LEFT. AND WITH JUST A FEW
20 DATA POINTS SO FAR, NOW, ALTHOUGH WE SEE IT IS STILL OCTOBER,
21 WE HAVE SURPASSED THE 5% THRESHOLD, AND THE AMOUNT OF
22 INFLUENZA WE'RE SEEING IS INCREASING SHARPLY. THIS IS THE
23 EARLIEST START OF THE FLU SEASON WE'VE EXPERIENCED IN THE PAST
24 FIVE YEARS. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THIS MEANS FOR THE TRAJECTORY
25 OF FLU THIS YEAR, BECAUSE, AS SHOWN ON THIS SLIDE, EVERY FLU



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1 SEASON, EVEN THE PRE-PANDEMIC, LOOKS DIFFERENT, REFLECTING IN
2 PART WHAT STRAIN OF FLU IS SPREADING, THE PERCENT OF
3 INDIVIDUALS VACCINATED, AND THE MATCH OF THE VACCINE TO THE
4 STRAINS OF INFLUENZA CIRCULATING. THIS YEAR'S FLU SEASON COULD
5 PEAK QUICKLY AND THEN DECLINE; OR IT COULD BE A MORE SEVERE
6 SEASON THAN USUAL, EITHER IN THE SEVERITY OF THE PEAK, THE
7 LENGTH OF THE FLU SEASON, OR BOTH. WHAT WE DO KNOW IS THAT,
8 GIVEN FLU ACTIVITY IS UNUSUALLY HIGH RIGHT NOW, GETTING
9 VACCINATED FOR FLU IS AN IMPORTANT STEP TO TAKE TO REDUCE
10 RISK. MANY CONCERNS COME WITH A MORE SEVERE FLU SEASON,
11 INCLUDING HOW THE HEALTHCARE WORKFORCE AND RELATED SYSTEMS
12 WILL BE AFFECTED. THIS SLIDE SHOWS THE PERCENTAGE OF EMERGENCY
13 DEPARTMENT VISITS RELATED TO INFLUENZA-LIKE ILLNESS BY AGE
14 GROUP ACROSS THE LAST THREE YEARS, FROM OCTOBER 2019 THROUGH
15 OCTOBER 2022. THE BLUE LINE REPRESENTS THE PERCENTAGE OF E.D.
16 ENCOUNTERS AMONG CHILDREN, AGES 0-4, THAT WERE RELATED TO
17 INFLUENZA-LIKE ILLNESS. YOU CAN SEE THAT, AT THE FAR RIGHT, IN
18 THE MOST RECENT DATA THIS MONTH, THIS BLUE LINE IS MOVING
19 SHARPLY UPWARDS. THE MOST RECENT DATA SHOW THAT NEARLY 26% OF
20 ZERO- TO 4-YEAR-OLDS SEEN AT EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS HAVE
21 INFLUENZA-LIKE ILLNESS. JUST BELOW IT, THE ORANGE LINE
22 REPRESENTS CHILDREN AGES 5-11. THE MOST RECENT DATA SHOWS
23 ABOUT 21% OF 5- TO 11-YEAR-OLDS BROUGHT TO THE EMERGENCY
24 DEPARTMENTS HAVE HAD INFLUENZA-LIKE ILLNESS. FOR ALL THE YEARS
25 SHOWN ON THIS GRAPH, CHILDREN UNDER 11 ALWAYS HAVE THE



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1 GREATEST PROPORTION OF E.D. VISITS RELATED TO INFLUENZA-LIKE
2 ILLNESS, SO IT IS NOT UNUSUAL THAT WE ARE SEEING THIS AGE
3 GROUP DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECTED. BUT WHAT IS UNUSUAL IS THAT
4 WE ARE SEEING SUCH HIGH LEVELS OF CHILDREN IN THE E.D.
5 REPORTING INFLUENZA-LIKE ILLNESS THIS EARLY IN THE SEASON.
6 NOW, A LITTLE BIT ABOUT RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS, OR R.S.V.
7 NOW, THIS IS A COMMON RESPIRATORY VIRUS THAT USUALLY CAUSES
8 MILD, COLD-LIKE SYMPTOMS. WHILE MANY PEOPLE RECOVER IN 1-2
9 WEEKS, R.S.V. CAN BE MORE SERIOUS, EVEN FOR OLDER ADULTS AND
10 VERY YOUNG CHILDREN. IT CAN CAUSE INFLAMMATION IN THE
11 BRONCHIOLES, OR THE SMALL AIRWAYS IN THE LUNGS. R.S.V. IS THE
12 MOST COMMON CAUSE OF PNEUMONIA AND BRONCHIOLITIS IN CHILDREN
13 UNDER ONE YEAR OLD IN THE UNITED STATES, ACCORDING TO THE
14 C.D.C. THIS GRAPH IS SET UP THE SAME AS THE PREVIOUS GRAPH,
15 SHOWING THE PERCENTAGE OF SPECIMENS TESTING POSITIVE FOR
16 INFLUENZA. IT BEGINS IN OCTOBER, AND ENDS IN SEPTEMBER. NOTE
17 THAT THE AXIS ON THE LEFT DOES NOT GO AS HIGH AS IT DID FOR
18 THE INFLUENZA GRAPH. IT ONLY GOES TO ABOUT 25%, SINCE THE
19 PERCENT OF SAMPLES TESTING POSITIVE FOR R.S.V. IS TYPICALLY
20 LOWER THAN THE PERCENT TESTING POSITIVE FOR FLU. HERE, WE'RE
21 LOOKING AT THE PERCENTAGE OF SPECIMENS TESTING POSITIVE FOR
22 R.S.V. DURING THE 5 MOST RECENT FLU SEASONS, INCLUDING OUR
23 CURRENT ONE, 2022-2023. YOU CAN SEE THAT, JUST AS WE SAW WITH
24 THE FLU SEASONS, R.S.V. SEASONS TYPICALLY BEGIN IN THE LATE
25 FALL OR EARLY WINTER, AND CAN VARY IN SEVERITY AND DURATION.



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1 THE PINK LINE ILLUSTRATES THE 2021 SEASON, DURING THE
2 C.O.V.I.D. PANDEMIC. YOU CAN SEE THAT R.S.V. WAS ESSENTIALLY
3 ABSENT UNTIL SEPTEMBER OF 2021, WHEN SOME C.O.V.I.D.-RELATED
4 PRECAUTIONS BEGAN TO LIFT. R.S.V.-POSITIVE SPECIMENS REMAINED
5 ELEVATED THROUGHOUT THE FALL, AND THE 2021-2022 R.S.V. SEASON
6 STARTED VERY EARLY AND AT A HIGH LEVEL, PEAKING IN DECEMBER,
7 JUST AS EXTRA PRECAUTIONS WERE PUT INTO PLACE IN RESPONSE TO
8 THE SIMULTANEOUS SURGE IN C.O.V.I.D., CAUSED BY THE ARRIVAL OF
9 OMICRON VARIANT. R.S.V. REMAINED AT A LOW LEVEL THROUGHOUT
10 MOST OF 2022, BEGINNING TO INCREASE IN SEPTEMBER. THE MOST
11 CURRENT SEASON OF R.S.V. IS SHOWN IN RED, AT THE FAR LEFT. WE
12 ARE STARTING AT A MUCH HIGHER LEVEL THAN USUAL. CURRENTLY, THE
13 2022-2023 SEASON, 20% OF SPECIMENS ARE TESTING POSITIVE FOR
14 R.S.V. AS YOU CAN SEE, THIS IS HIGH FOR OCTOBER. THE CURRENT
15 PERCENT OF SPECIMENS TESTING POSITIVE EXCEEDS THE PEAK
16 OBSERVED DURING 2019 AND 2020 AND 2021. AS WITH FLU, WE CANNOT
17 PREDICT WHETHER OR NOT THIS IS AN EARLY PEAK OR THE START OF A
18 SEVERE SEASON, BUT WE DO KNOW THAT R.S.V. ACTIVITY IS
19 UNUSUALLY HIGH FOR THIS TIME OF THE YEAR, AND IT DOES WARRANT
20 PRECAUTIONS. THE LINES ON THIS GRAPH REPRESENT THE PERCENTAGE
21 OF EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT VISITS BY AGE, CLASSIFIED AS RELATED
22 TO R.S.V. OR ACUTE BRONCHIOLITIS, COMMONLY CAUSED BY R.S.V.
23 THE BLUE LINE, REPRESENTING CHILDREN AGES 0-4, IS CURRENTLY AT
24 THE HIGHEST POINT WE HAVE SEEN OVER THE PAST 3 YEARS, WITH
25 NEARLY 10% OF E.D. VISITS AMONG CHILDREN AGES 0-4 BEING



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1 RELATED TO R.S.V. AS YOU CAN SEE, THIS IS UNUSUALLY HIGH,
2 UNDERSCORING THE NEED FOR PREVENTATIVE MEASURES TO PROTECT
3 CHILDREN. AS WE SEE HIGH LEVELS OF FLU AND R.S.V. ACTIVITY,
4 ESPECIALLY IN CHILDREN, WE'RE ALSO KEEPING WATCH ON THE
5 PEDIATRIC HOSPITAL CAPACITY. HERE, WE SHOW THE 7-DAY AVERAGES
6 FOR THE PERCENTAGE OF PEDIATRIC HOSPITAL BEDS OCCUPIED FROM
7 JUNE OF 2021 TO OCTOBER 26 OF 2022. THE BLUE LINE SHOWS THE
8 PERCENT OF STAFF PEDIATRIC I.C.U. BEDS OCCUPIED ACROSS L.A.
9 COUNTY. THIS NUMBER TENDS TO BE AROUND 50%-70%. THE ORANGE
10 LINE SHOWS THE PERCENTAGE OF ALL STAFFED, NON-SURGE PEDIATRIC
11 BEDS THAT ARE OCCUPIED ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. NOW, "NON-SURGE
12 BEDS" SIMPLY REFERS TO STAFFED BEDS, THE HOSPITAL BEDS BEING
13 USED WHEN THE HOSPITAL IS AT ITS REGULAR, AND EXCLUDES ANY
14 EXTRA BEDS THAT ARE AT THE HOSPITAL THAT MAY BE SET UP FOR
15 SURGES. AT THIS TIME, WE'RE NOT SEEING A MAJOR SPIKE IN
16 PEDIATRIC BED UTILIZATION, OFTEN A STRONG INDICATOR OF WHETHER
17 OUR HOSPITAL SYSTEMS ARE OVERWHELMED. THIS DOESN'T MEAN THAT
18 HOSPITALS AREN'T EXPERIENCING ANY STRESS AT THIS TIME. GIVEN
19 THE TRENDS WE SAW ON THE OTHER 4 GRAPHS, SHOWING HIGH LEVELS
20 OF FLU ACTIVITY AND R.S.V. ACTIVITY, AND ITS POTENTIAL EFFECT
21 ON CHILDREN, HEALTHCARE STAFF ARE VERY BUSY. AND AS ALWAYS,
22 WHEN THERE'S LOTS OF RESPIRATORY ILLNESS CIRCULATING,
23 HEALTHCARE WORKERS ARE ALSO VULNERABLE TO GETTING SICK AND
24 NEEDING TO STAY HOME, TO EITHER CARE FOR THEMSELVES OR ILL
25 FAMILY MEMBERS. THIS, AGAIN, CAN CREATE STRESS ON THE



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1 HEALTHCARE SYSTEM, ASSOCIATED WITH STAFFING DISRUPTIONS AND
2 SHORTAGES. WE HAVE ALERTED HOSPITALS IN L.A. COUNTY OF THESE
3 POTENTIAL STRESSORS, AND REGULARLY COMMUNICATE WITH THEM TO
4 MAKE SURE THEY'RE PREPARED FOR A POSSIBLE SURGE. SINCE WE'RE
5 SEEING UNUSUALLY HIGH LEVELS OF FLU AND R.S.V. ACTIVITY, AND
6 ARE SEEING INDICATORS OF A POSSIBLE C.O.V.I.D. SURGE IN THE
7 COMING MONTHS, IT'S IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER SOME OF THE SIMPLE
8 ACTIONS WE CAN TAKE TO PREVENT RESPIRATORY ILLNESSES. FIRST WE
9 CAN ALL TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE ANNUAL SEASONAL FLU VACCINE AND
10 C.O.V.I.D.-19 UPDATED BOOSTER THAT ARE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE.
11 BOTH VACCINES PROVIDE UPDATED PROTECTION AGAINST WHAT WE ARE
12 CURRENTLY SEEING AND/OR EXPECT TO SEE. AND IN TERMS OF THIS
13 WINTER, THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO NOTE. AS PAST PROTECTION
14 FROM VACCINES OR INFECTION WANES, THE BIVALENT BOOSTER AND THE
15 ANNUAL FLU VACCINE CAN PROVIDE SIGNIFICANT PROTECTION AGAINST
16 SEVERE DISEASE. SECOND, WE NEED TO REMEMBER TO WASH HANDS
17 FREQUENTLY, ESPECIALLY AFTER COUGHING OR SNEEZING, USING THE
18 BATHROOM, OR BEFORE PREPARING FOOD. THIS IS A GOOD TIME TO
19 RETURN TO THE BASICS OF WASHING HANDS FOR 20 SECONDS, AND
20 MAKING SURE YOU GET ALL AREAS OF YOUR HANDS, INCLUDING BETWEEN
21 YOUR FINGERS AND UNDER YOUR NAILS CLEAN. THIS IS A TRIED-AND-
22 TRUE WAY TO HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF DISEASE, AND A HEALTHY
23 HABIT FOR EVERYONE, ESPECIALLY IN THE WINTER. IF YOU'RE UNABLE
24 TO WASH YOUR HANDS, ALCOHOL-BASED HAND SANITIZER IS ALSO VERY
25 EFFECTIVE. NEXT, MASKS REMAIN AN EFFECTIVE TOOL TO LIMIT THE



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1 SPREAD OF DISEASE. WHILE INDOOR MASKING REMAINS AN INDIVIDUAL
2 PREFERENCE IN L.A. COUNTY AT THIS TIME, WE DO KNOW THAT A
3 WELL-FITTED, HIGH-FILTRATION MASK WILL PROVIDE PROTECTION
4 AGAINST RESPIRATORY ILLNESS, HELPING TO BLOCK THE SPREAD OF
5 DROPLETS IN THE AIR. AND FOR THOSE MORE VULNERABLE TO SEVERE
6 ILLNESS FROM RESPIRATORY VIRUSES, MASKING REMAINS A GOOD IDEA
7 TO PREVENT EXPOSURE. IMPORTANTLY, PLEASE STAY HOME IF YOU HAVE
8 ANY SYMPTOMS OF RESPIRATORY ILLNESS, INCLUDING COUGH OR
9 SNEEZING, A SORE THROAT, HEADACHE, MUSCLE ACHES, OR FEVER.
10 TEST FOR C.O.V.I.D., AND IF YOU HAVE PERSISTENT OR SIGNIFICANT
11 SYMPTOMS, CHECK WITH YOUR HEALTHCARE PROVIDER AS SOON AS
12 POSSIBLE, SINCE THEY CAN PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TESTS AND
13 APPROPRIATE TREATMENT FOR FLU AND/OR C.O.V.I.D. RESPIRATORY
14 ILLNESS SYMPTOMS CAN BECOME SEVERE, AND YOU SHOULD NOT WEATHER
15 THEM ON YOUR OWN. IF YOU ARE FEELING VERY UNWELL, PLEASE DON'T
16 TELL YOURSELF THAT "IT'S JUST THE FLU," AND THINK THAT IT'S
17 NOT SERIOUS. TREATMENTS FOR FLU AND C.O.V.I.D. ARE AVAILABLE
18 BY PRESCRIPTION. THE FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS CAN INDICATE A MORE
19 SEVERE INFECTION AND REASON TO SEE A DOCTOR. THESE INCLUDE
20 DIFFICULTY BREATHING, PERSISTENT CHEST OR STOMACH PAIN,
21 SIGNIFICANT VOMITING OR DEHYDRATION. YOUR MOUTH OR SKIN MAY
22 FEEL DRY, OR YOU MAY FEEL LIGHTHEADED OR DISORIENTED. YOU
23 COULD HAVE SEVERE WEAKNESS OR MUSCLE PAIN. ADDITIONAL SYMPTOMS
24 TO BE AWARE OF IN CHILDREN ARE A FEVER GREATER THAN 104
25 DEGREES, OR A LOWER, SUSTAINED FEVER PAIRED WITH OTHER



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1 CONCERNING SYMPTOMS. IT COULD BE FAST OR TROUBLED BREATHING, A
2 BLUISH DISCOLORATION OF THE SKIN, ALSO KNOWN AS CYANOSIS. THIS
3 SIGNIFIES THAT THERE IS A SHORTAGE OF OXYGEN IN THE BLOOD.
4 THERE COULD BE A SHORTAGE OF TEARS WHEN CRYING, REDUCED
5 URINATION, OR CONFUSION, WHICH ARE PEDIATRIC SYMPTOMS OF
6 DEHYDRATION. THERE COULD ALSO BE GREATER IRRITABILITY, AND NOT
7 WANTING TO BE HELD. PARENTS AND CARETAKERS SHOULD NEVER
8 HESITATE TO CALL THE PEDIATRICIAN IF THEY HAVE ANY CONCERNS
9 ABOUT THEIR CHILD'S HEALTH. IF YOU NEED HELP FINDING A
10 PROVIDER FOR YOURSELF, YOUR CHILD, OR OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS,
11 CALL 2-1-1. EVEN IF YOU'RE NOT INSURED, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
12 INFORMATION LINE WILL PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT OPTIONS THAT
13 ARE AVAILABLE TO YOU. PLEASE DON'T WAIT UNTIL SYMPTOMS ARE
14 SEVERE BEFORE ACCESSING TREATMENT AND CARE. NOW, SEASONAL FLU
15 VACCINE IS WIDELY AVAILABLE IN L.A. COUNTY. THIS IS A VACCINE
16 THAT INDIVIDUALS NEED TO GET EVERY YEAR. YOU CAN FIND IT AT
17 MANY PHARMACIES, HEALTHCARE PROVIDER OFFICES, AND PUBLIC
18 HEALTH CENTERS, AND PUBLIC HEALTH VACCINATION SITES AND MOBILE
19 VACCINE CLINICS. AND AGAIN, HOMEBOUND INDIVIDUALS CAN ALSO
20 REQUEST AN IN-HOME VACCINATION VISIT. STUDIES CONDUCTED
21 THROUGHOUT THE C.O.V.I.D.-19 PANDEMIC INDICATE THAT IT IS SAFE
22 TO RECEIVE BOTH A C.O.V.I.D.-19 VACCINE AND A FLU VACCINE AT
23 THE SAME VISIT. THE C.D.C. AND THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON
24 IMMUNIZATION PRACTICES, OR A.C.I.P., RECOMMEND THIS PRACTICE,
25 AS WELL. OFTENTIMES, YOU HEAR ABOUT PEOPLE TRYING TO TIME



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1 THEIR VACCINES, WAITING UNTIL FLU CASES RISE OR A C.O.V.I.D.
2 SURGE IS EVIDENT. GETTING THE C.O.V.I.D. BIVALENT BOOSTER AND
3 FLU VACCINE NOW, BEFORE ANY WINTER SURGE, IS THE BEST
4 PROTECTION. IT ALSO PROVIDES GREATER PROTECTION FOR OTHERS IN
5 THE COMMUNITY, INCLUDING OLDER ADULTS OR THOSE WITH UNDERLYING
6 CONDITIONS. AS I MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY, FOLKS INTERESTED IN
7 HOSTING A FREE VACCINE TEAM AT WORK OR AT A COMMUNITY SITE, TO
8 ADMINISTER THE FLU VACCINE, C.O.V.I.D. VACCINES, OR THE
9 BIVALENT C.O.V.I.D. BOOSTER, OR BOTH, CAN VISIT
10 VACCINATELACOUNTY.COM, AND CLICK ON "HOST A MOBILE VACCINE
11 CLINIC." YOU'LL FIND MANY MOBILE CLINIC PROVIDERS THERE,
12 INCLUDING OUR OWN, AT PUBLIC HEALTH. WITH THAT, I'LL TURN IT
13 OVER TO DR. BALTER, TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON MONKEYPOX
14 RESPONSE.

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16 **DR. SHARON BALTER:** HELLO. AS OF YESTERDAY, THERE WERE OVER
17 77,000 MONKEYPOX CASES REPORTED, GLOBALLY. OF THESE, ABOUT
18 28,000 WERE REPORTED IN THE UNITED STATES, AND 5,450 HERE IN
19 CALIFORNIA. THERE HAVE BEEN 2,189 CASES REPORTED IN LOS
20 ANGELES COUNTY, 121 REPORTED IN LONG BEACH, AND 30 REPORTED IN
21 PASADENA. THERE HAS BEEN A SUBSTANTIAL DECLINE IN MONKEYPOX
22 CASES OVER THE PAST FEW WEEKS. AS OF OCTOBER 20TH, OUR 7-DAY
23 AVERAGE DAILY CASES DROPPED TO JUST 5 CASES PER DAY, COMPARED
24 TO A 7-DAY AVERAGE DAILY NUMBER OF CASES OF 13, ONE MONTH
25 PRIOR, AND 41 DAILY CASES 2 MONTHS PRIOR. ALTHOUGH ALL RACIAL



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1 AND ETHNIC COMMUNITIES HAVE SEEN SIMILAR DECLINES IN CASE
2 RATES, GAPS PERSIST, WITH AFRICAN AMERICAN AND BLACK COMMUNITY
3 HAVING A HIGHER ACCUMULATIVE MONKEYPOX CASE RATE, COMPARED
4 WITH WHITE AND LATINX COMMUNITIES. HOSPITALIZATION RATES
5 REMAIN STEADY, AT 5% OF CASES, OR ABOUT 112 INDIVIDUALS. NO
6 NEW CASES HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED IN THE JAIL SYSTEM SINCE WE
7 LAST PRESENTED TO THE BOARD. ABOUT 133 CASES IN L.A. COUNTY
8 HAVE BEEN AMONG PERSONS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, WHICH IS 6%
9 OF TOTAL CASES. THIS PERCENTAGE HAS REMAINED STEADY. WE'RE
10 ENCOURAGED BY THESE TRENDS IN MONKEYPOX CASE RATES, AND ARE
11 HOPEFUL THAT THE NUMBER OF CASES WILL CONTINUE TO DECLINE OR
12 REMAIN LOW IN THE COMING WEEKS. TO SUPPORT THIS, WE WILL
13 CONTINUE TO WORK WITH PARTNERS TO ENSURE THAT RESIDENTS HAVE
14 READY ACCESS TO TIMELY AND ACCURATE MONKEYPOX INFORMATION,
15 TESTING, VACCINATION, AND TREATMENT. VACCINATIONS CONTINUE TO
16 BE A CRITICAL PART OF OUR EFFORTS TO PREVENT MONKEYPOX, AND
17 WE'VE MAINTAINED A STRONG NETWORK OF VACCINE PROVIDERS, WITH
18 VACCINATION BEING OFFERED AT OVER 100 SITES ACROSS L.A.
19 COUNTY. IN ADDITION, WE RECENTLY HIT A MILESTONE, WITH OVER
20 100,000 VACCINE DOSES ADMINISTERED. AS OF YESTERDAY, A TOTAL
21 OF 108,249 DOSES HAD BEEN ADMINISTERED, WHICH HAS RESULTED IN
22 ABOUT 71,000 INDIVIDUALS HAVING RECEIVED AT LEAST ONE DOSE OF
23 JYNNEOS VACCINE. ABOUT 55% OF VACCINATED INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE
24 ELIGIBLE FOR THE SECOND DOSE HAVE BEEN FULLY VACCINATED WITH
25 THE TWO-DOSE SERIES. AS PUBLIC HEALTH MOVES TO A NEW PHASE OF



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1 RESPONSE FOR MONKEYPOX, WE REMAIN COMMITTED TO WORKING WITH
2 COMMUNITY PARTNERS TO PROVIDE ACCURATE AND TIMELY MESSAGING
3 ABOUT MONKEYPOX TO IMPACTED COMMUNITIES, INCREASE VACCINATION
4 RATES IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES, CONNECT HIGHLY IMPACTED
5 GROUPS WITH CARE, AND IMPROVE OUR OUTREACH AND COMMUNICATION
6 STRATEGIES. NEXT, I WILL MOVE TO EBOLA, AND BEGIN WITH SOME
7 BACKGROUND AND OUR CURRENT SITUATION UPDATE. EBOLA IS A RARE
8 AND DEADLY DISEASE THAT MOST OFTEN AFFECTS PEOPLE AND NONHUMAN
9 PRIMATES. THE VIRUSES THAT CAUSE EBOLA ARE LOCATED MAINLY IN
10 SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA, AND OVER THE LAST FEW DECADES, OCCASIONAL
11 OUTBREAKS HAVE OCCURRED IN THIS REGION. EBOLA IS NOT SPREAD
12 THROUGH CASUAL CONTACT, AIR, FOOD, OR WATER, BUT RATHER
13 THROUGH DIRECT, PERSON-TO-PERSON CONTACT WITH PERSONS OR THEIR
14 BODY FLUIDS, LIKE SALIVA, BLOOD, VOMIT, URINE, OR FECES, IN
15 THE LATTER STAGES OF THE DISEASE. SINCE EBOLA IS ONLY SPREAD
16 WHEN A PATIENT IS SHOWING SYMPTOMS, MOST PEOPLE WILL HAVE A
17 VERY LOW RISK OF GETTING EBOLA. ONLY THOSE WHO COME IN DIRECT
18 CONTACT WITH A PERSON WITH EBOLA ARE AT RISK. THIS MAY INCLUDE
19 HEALTHCARE WORKERS, HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS, AND CAREGIVERS. ON
20 SEPTEMBER 20TH, 2022, THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH IN UGANDA,
21 TOGETHER WITH THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION, CONFIRMED AN
22 OUTBREAK OF EBOLA WITH THE SUDAN VIRUS IN WESTERN UGANDA. TO
23 DATE, THERE HAVE BEEN 129 CONFIRMED CASES AND 34 CONFIRMED
24 DEATHS IN UGANDA FROM EBOLA. 7 DISTRICTS ARE INVOLVED IN THE
25 OUTBREAK, WHICH NOW INCLUDES KAMPALA DISTRICT, WHERE THE



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1 CAPITAL OF UGANDA IS LOCATED. THERE ARE NO CONFIRMED CASES IN
2 THE UNITED STATES AT THIS TIME. THE C.D.C. HAS IMPLEMENTED
3 MEASURES TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF EBOLA TO THE UNITED STATES,
4 INCLUDING INSTITUTING EBOLA EXIT SCREENING FOR U.S.-BOUND
5 TRAVELERS IN UGANDA. THE U.S. HAS NOT RESTRICTED TRAVEL FROM
6 UGANDA AT THIS TIME, BUT IS CONDUCTING HEALTH SCREENING FOR
7 TRAVELERS WHO HAVE VISITED UGANDA WITHIN THE LAST 21 DAYS,
8 UPON ENTRANCE AT 5 DOMESTIC AIRPORTS: CHICAGO O'HARE,
9 HARTSFIELD-JACKSON ATLANTA, JOHN F. KENNEDY IN NEW YORK,
10 NEWARK LIBERTY, AND WASHINGTON DULLES. C.D.C. IS CONDUCTING
11 AN INITIAL SCREENING, AND COLLECTING DETAILED CONTACT
12 INFORMATION ON TRAVELERS FROM UGANDA, TO ALLOW FOR FOLLOW-UP
13 AND MONITORING. A CELL PHONE IS PROVIDED TO ANY TRAVELER
14 WITHOUT A LOCAL PHONE NUMBER. TRAVELERS WHOSE FINAL
15 DESTINATION IS L.A. COUNTY, WHO DO NOT EXHIBIT ANY SYMPTOMS,
16 AND ARE NOT CONSIDERED A HIGH RISK FOR EXPOSURE TO EBOLA AT
17 THE 5 SCREENING AIRPORTS, WILL BE REFERRED BY THE C.D.C. TO
18 THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. UPON THEIR
19 ARRIVAL TO L.A. COUNTY, TRAVELERS WILL BE PROVIDED EDUCATION
20 AND INSTRUCTIONS FOR SYMPTOM MONITORING DURING THEIR 21-DAY
21 INCUBATION PERIOD. TRAVELERS WILL BE ASKED TO CALL PUBLIC
22 HEALTH WITH ANY QUESTIONS, AND AT THE FIRST SIGN OF SYMPTOMS,
23 BEFORE SEEKING CARE IN AN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT. IF THE
24 TRAVELER BEGINS TO SHOW SYMPTOMS CONSISTENT WITH THE
25 INFECTION, PUBLIC HEALTH WILL ARRANGE FOR THE INDIVIDUAL TO BE



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1 QUICKLY ISOLATED, EVALUATED, AND CARED FOR. PUBLIC HEALTH IS
2 CURRENTLY MONITORING 32 TRAVELERS, NONE OF WHOM ARE HIGH RISK,
3 SINCE THEY WERE NEVER IN AN EBOLA OUTBREAK AREA, AND WERE NOT
4 EXPOSED TO ANYONE WITH OR SUSPECTED TO HAVE EBOLA. BECAUSE
5 MALARIA, TYPHOID, AND OTHER TRAVEL-RELATED DISEASES CAN BE
6 ACQUIRED IN UGANDA, AND SYMPTOMS ARE NONSPECIFIC, IT IS
7 EXPECTED THAT MANY TRAVELERS MAY HAVE SYMPTOMS THAT ARE
8 COMPARABLE WITH EBOLA VIRUS DISEASE, AND IF SO, ARRANGEMENTS
9 WILL BE MADE TO IMMEDIATELY EVALUATE THEM. PUBLIC HEALTH'S
10 HOSPITAL OUTREACH UNIT IS ALSO WORKING WITH ALL HOSPITALS TO
11 MAKE SURE THEY ARE ON ALERT, IN THE EVENT THAT A PATIENT WALKS
12 IN WITHOUT FIRST CALLING PUBLIC HEALTH. FINALLY, WE ARE ALSO
13 CLOSELY MONITORING A NATIONWIDE OUTBREAK OF HIGHLY PATHOGENIC
14 AVIAN INFLUENZA. THIS AVIAN INFLUENZA, OR BIRD FLU, IS A VIRAL
15 DISEASE OF BIRDS CAUSED BY TYPE "A" INFLUENZA VIRUSES. IT IS
16 FOUND NATURALLY IN WATER BIRDS, AND IS CURRENTLY AFFECTING A
17 VARIETY OF WILD BIRD SPECIES. IT IS ALSO OF CONCERN FOR
18 DOMESTIC POULTRY, AS IT'S HIGHLY CONTAGIOUS, AND MAY CAUSE
19 ILLNESS AND DEATH IN BACKYARD AND COMMERCIAL FLOCKS. IT
20 SPREADS THROUGH DIRECT BIRD-TO-BIRD CONTACT, OR INDIRECTLY IN
21 VIRUSES ON CLOTHING, FOOTWEAR, VEHICLES, RODENTS, INSECTS,
22 FEED, WATER, AND FEATHERS. THERE HAVE BEEN NEARLY 48 MILLION
23 BIRDS INFECTED IN THE UNITED STATES, INCLUDING 685,000 IN 34
24 COUNTIES IN CALIFORNIA. LAST WEEK, WE CONFIRMED 8 BIRDS IN
25 L.A. COUNTY THAT HAVE TESTED POSITIVE FOR THE VIRUS.



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1 CURRENTLY, AVIAN INFLUENZA POSES A LOW RISK TO THE GENERAL
2 PUBLIC, AND IT'S SAFE TO EAT PROPERLY HANDLED AND COOKED
3 POULTRY PRODUCTS IN THE UNITED STATES. WHILE THE SPREAD OF
4 AVIAN INFLUENZA VIRUS FROM HUMAN TO HUMAN IS VERY RARE, THEY
5 CAN CHANGE AND GAIN THE ABILITY TO SPREAD EASILY BETWEEN
6 PEOPLE. THUS, PUBLIC HEALTH IS MONITORING FOR HUMAN INFECTION
7 AND PERSON-TO-PERSON SPREAD. TO REDUCE THE SPREAD OF AVIAN
8 INFLUENZA, WE RECOMMEND TAKING THE FOLLOWING STEPS: REDUCE
9 CONTACT BETWEEN WILD BIRDS BY TAKING DOWN BIRDFEEDERS AND
10 BIRDBATHS; DON'T TOUCH SURFACES THAT ARE CONTAMINATED WITH
11 FECES FROM WILD OR DOMESTIC BIRDS; AND AVOID HANDLING WILD
12 BIRDS, AND KEEP DOGS, CATS, AND OTHER PETS AWAY FROM THEM.
13 FINALLY, PLEASE DO NOT HANDLE SICK OR INJURED BIRDS. IF YOU
14 FIND A SICK OR INJURED BIRD, YOU CAN CALL 2-1-1 TO FIND A
15 LOCAL ANIMAL CONTROL AGENCY, AND CONTACT THEM FOR ASSISTANCE.
16 PEOPLE WHO HAVE JOB-RELATED EXPOSURES TO BIRDS SHOULD WEAR
17 PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT WHEN HANDLING BIRDS. THIS
18 INCLUDES A MASK, EYE PROTECTION, GLOVES, AND DEDICATED
19 CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR. AFTER HANDLING ANY BIRD, THEY SHOULD
20 WASH THEIR HANDS WELL WITH SOAP AND WATER, AND CHANGE THEIR
21 CLOTHES BEFORE HAVING CONTACT WITH OTHER BIRDS, ESPECIALLY
22 DOMESTIC POULTRY OR PET BIRDS. THIS SAME GUIDANCE ALSO APPLIES
23 TO ANYONE WHO HAS HAD AN EXPOSURE TO A SICK OR A DEAD BIRD,
24 INCLUDING RESIDENTS WITH BACKYARD FLOCKS. FURTHERMORE, ANYONE
25 WHO HANDLED A SICK OR DEAD BIRD IN THE 10 DAYS BEFORE ONSET OF



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1 FLU-LIKE SYMPTOMS SHOULD ISOLATE FROM OTHERS AND SEEK MEDICAL
2 CARE. WHEN SEEKING CARE, THEY SHOULD LET THE PROVIDER KNOW
3 ABOUT THEIR POSSIBLE EXPOSURE. WE THANK THE PUBLIC FOR TAKING
4 THESE STEPS TO HELP US SLOW THE SPREAD OF AVIAN INFLUENZA IN
5 L.A. COUNTY. TO CLOSE, I WANT TO REITERATE THAT WE ARE CLOSELY
6 MONITORING THIS SITUATION, AND TAKING STEPS TO PREVENT AVIAN
7 INFLUENZA TRANSMISSION. OUR VETERINARY PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM
8 IS WORKING WITH APPROPRIATE STATE AND LOCAL AGENCIES TO
9 CONTINUE SURVEILLANCE, TESTING, AND TRACKING OF BIRDS FOR THIS
10 DISEASE, AND PROVIDING EDUCATION TO THE PUBLIC, INCLUDING
11 LOCAL PET STORES. WE ARE REQUESTING THAT AGENCIES AND
12 VETERINARIANS REPORT SICK OR DEAD BIRDS TO OUR VETERINARY
13 PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM, BY CALLING 213-288-7060. THE PUBLIC MAY
14 REPORT DEAD BIRDS USING THE V.P.H. ONLINE REPORTING PORTAL.
15 THE LINK APPEARS IN THIS SLIDE. THEY CAN ALSO CALL THE
16 CALIFORNIA DEAD BIRD HOTLINE, AT 877-968-2473. THANK YOU FOR
17 THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE THIS UPDATE.

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19 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** WELCOME, DR. GHALY.

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21 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I
22 THINK THE SLIDES ARE JUST COMING UP, BUT I WILL KEEP MY
23 COMMENTS RELATIVELY BRIEF TODAY. I'M GOING TO FOCUS JUST ON
24 C.O.V.I.D. I WILL MAKE A BRIEF NOTE THAT, WITH RESPECT TO
25 R.S.V., WE ARE SEEING AN INCREASE, JUST AS DR. DAVIS AND DR.



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1 BALTER SHARED, OF THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE COMING
2 INTO EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS WITH FLU-LIKE ILLNESS. A LOT OF
3 YOUNG KIDS WITH HIGH FEVERS, RESPIRATORY SYMPTOMS. WE ARE
4 CERTAINLY FEELING THAT, AS, I KNOW, ARE MANY PRIVATE HOSPITALS
5 ACROSS LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE VERY GLAD, THOUGH, TO THIS
6 POINT, THAT THAT IS NOT SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECTING OUR PEDIATRIC
7 CENSUS OR OUR P.I.C.U., OUR PEDIATRIC INTENSIVE CARE UNIT
8 CENSUS, AND WE, JUST LIKE MANY OTHER HOSPITALS, CONTINUE TO
9 HAVE BEDS THAT ARE AVAILABLE. SORRY, DR. DAVIS. GO TO THE NEXT
10 SLIDE. THANK YOU. SO, JUST VERY BRIEFLY, ON C.O.V.I.D.-19, OUR
11 NUMBERS OF HOSPITALIZATIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH A POSITIVE
12 C.O.V.I.D. TEST HAS CONTINUED TO TREND DOWN. THERE'S ALWAYS A
13 VERY LONG TAIL ON THESE DATA CHARTS, AND THAT'S BECAUSE THIS
14 IS BASED ON THE POSITIVE P.C.R. TEST. WE STILL TEST EVERYONE,
15 ON ADMISSION TO THE HOSPITAL, WITH A P.C.R. TEST. AND AS YOU
16 KNOW, THAT TEST CAN REMAIN POSITIVE FOR MONTHS, AND SO WE ARE
17 STILL SEEING A LONG TAIL OF PEOPLE THAT ARE COMING IN WITH A
18 POSITIVE C.O.V.I.D. TEST, AND WE EXPECT THAT THAT WILL PLATEAU
19 SOON. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. THANKS. SHIFTING, NOW, BRIEFLY TO
20 TESTING. AS OF OCTOBER 1ST, D.P.H. IS FORMALLY MANAGING THE
21 SUPPLY OF THE ANTIGEN TESTS AT THE LIBRARIES, AND WE ARE VERY
22 GRATEFUL TO D.P.H. FOR THEIR PARTNERSHIP. THEY HAVE THE
23 CONTRACT WITH THE STATE, AND THE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE STATE,
24 WHEREBY THE STATE IS PROVIDING THE ANTIGEN TESTS FOR
25 DISTRIBUTION AT THOSE LIBRARY SITES. THIS IS A REALLY GREAT



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1 OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO BE ABLE TO ACCESS
2 ANTIGEN SITES, IF FOR ANY REASON THEY ARE NOT ABLE TO EASILY
3 ACCESS IT IN RETAIL PHARMACIES, OR THROUGH THEIR HEALTH PLAN,
4 OR THROUGH THEIR PROVIDER. AND ALL OF THE INFORMATION ABOUT
5 WHERE THOSE SITES ARE LOCATED IS AVAILABLE ON THE COUNTY'S
6 C.O.V.I.D. TESTING WEBSITE. IN TERMS OF THE COMMUNITY TESTING
7 SITES THAT D.H.S. STILL MANAGES THROUGH OUR CONTRACTED VENDOR,
8 OUR TEST POSITIVITY RATE REMAINS AT ABOUT 11%, OVERALL. WE DID
9 SHIFT TO HAVING AN ANTIGEN-BASED STRUCTURE THAT IS PRESENT AT
10 THOSE COMMUNITY TESTING SITES, ALSO. SO, THE FIRST TEST THAT
11 AN INDIVIDUAL WOULD GET, UNLESS THEY'RE IN VERY SPECIAL
12 CIRCUMSTANCES, WOULD BE AN ANTIGEN TEST. AND THEN, IN CERTAIN
13 CASES, IF IT'S NEGATIVE, THEY WOULD REFLEX TO A P.C.R. TEST.
14 AND RIGHT NOW, ABOUT 90% OF THE TESTS THAT WE'RE USING AT THE
15 C.O.V.I.D. COMMUNITY TESTING SITES, MANAGED THROUGH OUR
16 VENDOR, ARE THE ANTIGEN TESTS, AND THE OTHER 10% ARE P.C.R.
17 TESTS. NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE. YOU CAN SEE HERE THIS IS JUST THE
18 P.C.R. TESTING CAPACITY. THE BLUE BARS REPRESENT THE USED
19 CAPACITY, OR THE TESTS THAT WERE COMPLETED, AND THE YELLOW AND
20 THE GREEN BARS REPRESENT THE UNUSED CAPACITY AT BOTH THE
21 COUNTY SITES, AS WELL AS THE STATE-FUNDED SITES. AND THAT
22 DECLINE THAT YOU SEE IN OCTOBER IS DUE TO THE SHIFT FROM THE
23 P.C.R., OVER TO THE ANTIGEN, AND YOU WILL SEE THE ANTIGEN DATA
24 ON THE NEXT SLIDE. BUT WE STILL HAVE AMPLE CAPACITY THAT IS
25 AVAILABLE AT THE COMMUNITY TESTING SITES. WE ARE COGNIZANT OF



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1 THE FACT THAT, AS WE GET CLOSER TO THESE WINTER MONTHS, WE MAY
2 SEE AN UPTICK IN THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE SEEKING TO
3 ACCESS TESTING, AND THERE REMAINS CAPACITY WITHIN A NUMBER OF
4 SITES TO BE ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE THAT VOLUME. NEXT SLIDE,
5 PLEASE. AND THIS, AS I MENTIONED, IS THE ANTIGEN TESTING
6 CAPACITY AND UTILIZATION, ALSO AT THOSE SAME SITES. AGAIN, THE
7 BLUE, SMALL BARS AT THE BOTTOM REPRESENT THE COMPLETED TESTS
8 FOR ANTIGEN, AND THE YELLOW AND THE GREEN BARS REPRESENT
9 UNUSED CAPACITY. THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT CAPACITY IS WASTED.
10 THE CAPACITY IS ROLLED OVER BETWEEN DIFFERENT SITES, OR CAN BE
11 USED THE NEXT DAY, AND OUR VENDOR HELPS MANAGE THE INVENTORY
12 AND STOCKPILE, SO THAT THE TESTS ARE NOT WASTED. NEXT SLIDE.
13 THAT IS IT FOR ME, BUT IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I WOULD BE
14 MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

15
16 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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18 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. ACTUALLY, I AM GOING TO START WITH
19 JUST SOME QUESTIONS. THEN I AM GOING TO FINALIZE IT WITH 10,
20 BECAUSE WE CONCLUDED ITEM 10 WITH THIS. BUT, DR. DAVIS, ON THE
21 VARIANTS THAT ARE COMING UP, ARE WE SEEING DIFFERENT SYMPTOMS,
22 AS IT RELATES TO THE-- I MEAN, BECAUSE I AM NOT HEARING AN
23 ESCALATION IN SEVERITY OF C.O.V.I.D. I MEAN, WHEN C.O.V.I.D.
24 FIRST HIT, INCREDIBLY SEVERE, HOSPITALIZATION HIGHLY LIKELY,
25 ESPECIALLY IF THERE WAS PRE-EXISTING. BUT IT SEEMS TO HAVE



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1 TAPERED OFF. SO I GUESS MY QUESTION IS, AS A VARIANT STARTS TO
2 MUTATE, ARE WE SEEING A CHANGE IN THE EFFECT OR IMPACT THAT IT
3 HAS ON AN INDIVIDUAL?

4

5 **DR. MUNTU DAVIS:** YEAH. I MEAN, IT IS A GREAT QUESTION. I THINK
6 WE ARE SEEING A COUPLE OF DIFFERENT THINGS. WE HAVE HAD A LOT
7 OF PEOPLE RECENTLY INFECTED, SO THAT MAY GIVE A LITTLE BIT OF
8 PROTECTION, EVEN AS IT WANES. IF THEY GET INFECTED, THEY MAY
9 HAVE LESS SEVERE SYMPTOMS. THAT'S A POSSIBILITY. THE OTHER
10 POSSIBILITY IS THAT, ALTHOUGH THESE ARE MORE INFECTIOUS,
11 MEANING THEY ARE MORE EASILY TRANSMITTED, THEY ARE NOT CAUSING
12 AS MUCH SEVERE DISEASE. BUT I THINK WE HAVE TO GO LOOK AT THE
13 DATA, ACROSS NOT ONLY OUR COUNTY, BUT ACROSS THE STATE AND
14 ACROSS THE NATION, TO REALLY GET A BETTER SENSE AS TO WHAT WE
15 ARE ACTUALLY SEEING, AND WHAT MIGHT BE THE REASON WHY WE'RE
16 NOT SEEING AS MUCH AT THE MOMENT. NOW, OF COURSE, THAT COULD
17 CHANGE AS THE VARIANTS START TO INCREASE, IN TERMS OF WHAT IS
18 CIRCULATING, WHAT IS THE PREDOMINANT STRAIN, BUT THAT IS WHAT
19 WE REMAIN TO SEE. BUT AS WE CAN SEE RIGHT NOW, GIVEN THE
20 UPDATED BOOSTER AND THE SPIKE PROTEIN THAT IT HAS, IT SHOULD
21 COVER A LOT OF WHAT WE ARE SEEING RIGHT NOW, TO PREVENT SEVERE
22 ILLNESS.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER:** AND YOU ARE PROBABLY SEEING THAT, DR. GHALY, IN
25 THE HOSPITALS, AS WELL, WITH HOSPITALIZATION?



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1
2 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** YES, EXACTLY. AND WE DO SEE A LOT OF
3 INDIVIDUALS, JUST LIKE DR. DAVIS MENTIONED, WHERE THIS MAY BE
4 THEIR SECOND OR THEIR THIRD TIME WITH C.O.V.I.D., AND SO SOME
5 OF THE SYMPTOMS THAT WE ARE HEARING, ANECDOTALLY, CAN BE A
6 LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT, AND IT CAN BE DIFFERENT AT DIFFERENT
7 POINTS IN THE SAME PERSON, OVER TIME. SOMEONE MIGHT HAVE HAD
8 C.O.V.I.D. AND HAD THERE BE A REALLY PROMINENT FEVER, AND THE
9 NEXT TIME, THEY HAD A LESS PROMINENT FEVER AND MORE PROMINENT
10 SORE THROAT, OR SOME OTHER SYMPTOMS. SO, JUST BECAUSE YOU
11 MIGHT HAVE IN YOUR MIND OF WHAT C.O.V.I.D. FEELS LIKE, IF YOU
12 HAVE HAD IT BEFORE, AND NOW, THIS TIME, YOU HAVE A SLIGHTLY
13 DIFFERENT SET OF SYMPTOMS, DON'T DISCOUNT THAT IT MIGHT BE
14 C.O.V.I.D. AGAIN. I WOULD HIGHLY ENCOURAGE ANYONE THAT HAS THE
15 LIST OF SYMPTOMS THAT ARE COMMON WITH C.O.V.I.D. TO CONSIDER
16 TESTING.

17
18 **SUP. BARGER:** AND I THINK IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN IN THE PAPER
19 TODAY-- I CAN'T REMEMBER, THE DAYS KIND OF BLEND TOGETHER--
20 ABOUT THE FACT THAT INDIVIDUALS DON'T REALIZE THAT WE HAVE
21 OUTREACH INTO THEIR HOMES, TO GIVE THE BOOSTER AND ALL. I
22 MEAN, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU SAW THAT. I THINK IT WAS TODAY. I
23 THINK THAT-- I KNOW WE REALLY TRY TO SOUND THAT ALARM AND LET
24 PEOPLE KNOW THAT IT IS AVAILABLE. IS THERE ANYTHING YOU THINK
25 THAT WE CAN OR SHOULD BE DOING DIFFERENTLY, LIKE MAYBE



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1 CONTRACTING WITH OUR C.B.O.S, WHICH WE ALREADY DO? I MEAN, I
2 DON'T KNOW WHAT ELSE WE COULD DO.

3

4 **DR. MUNTU DAVIS:** A GREAT QUESTION.

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6 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH, I KNOW. YOU'RE PROBABLY AS FRUSTRATED AS--

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8 **DR. MUNTU DAVOS:** YEAH. I MEAN, IT IS SOMETHING I THINK WE HAVE
9 DEALT WITH THROUGHOUT THE PANDEMIC. AND A LOT OF IT WE'RE
10 SEEING, AS WELL, IS STILL SOME CONFUSION AROUND, WE'VE GOT
11 ANOTHER BOOSTER, AND WHETHER OR NOT YOU NEED THAT BOOSTER,
12 WHEN YOU ALREADY GOT A BOOSTER. SO, TO BE VERY CLEAR, THE
13 BOOSTER THAT IS AVAILABLE NOW IS AN UPDATED BOOSTER,
14 SPECIFICALLY FOR THIS FALL, SPECIFICALLY FOR WHAT IS
15 CIRCULATING RIGHT NOW, AND NOT THE MONOVALENT BOOSTER THAT WAS
16 THE ORIGINAL STRAIN. SO, IMPORTANT FOR PEOPLE TO KNOW THAT
17 THAT'S REALLY SOMETHING TO GET RIGHT NOW, IF YOU ARE TWO
18 MONTHS OUT FROM WHATEVER YOUR LAST C.O.V.I.D.-19 VACCINE WAS,
19 IF YOU GOT ONE. I ALSO THINK WE DO CONTINUE TO GO INTO THE
20 COMMUNITIES. WE CONTINUE TO DO DOOR-TO-DOOR OUTREACH. WE
21 CONTINUE TO WORK THROUGH OUR C.B.O.S. WE CONTINUE TO TALK WITH
22 OUR COMMUNITY HEALTH OUTREACH WORKERS ABOUT ANY NEW STRATEGIES
23 THAT THEY THINK MIGHT BE MORE EFFECTIVE, BASED ON THEIR
24 FEEDBACK FROM THE COMMUNITY. SO WE KEEP MODIFYING OUR RESPONSE
25 WITH OUR PARTNERS, AS WE HEAR BACK ON THINGS THAT WE NEED TO



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1 DO DIFFERENTLY. AND SOME OF THE THINGS STILL REMAIN, IN TERMS
2 OF BEING ABLE TO, IF YOU ARE HOMEBOUND, GETTING A VACCINATION
3 AT YOUR HOUSE, WHICH WOULD INCLUDE ANYBODY IN THAT HOUSE, THAT
4 IS CARING FOR YOU, AS WELL. SO, AND AT THE MOBILE VACCINATION
5 SITES, AT SCHOOLS, WE CONTINUE TO DO THAT, AS WELL, TO TRY TO
6 MAKE IT AVAILABLE. BUT I THINK PEOPLE JUST AREN'T-- NOT
7 EVERYBODY HAS GOTTEN INTO THE IDEA THAT THIS NEW C.O.V.I.D.
8 UPDATED BOOSTER IS REALLY FOR RIGHT NOW, AND THAT'S WHAT IS
9 NEEDED.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER:** BUT, I MEAN, I THINK-- I DON'T KNOW WHICH ONE OF
12 MY COLLEAGUES WAS TALKING ABOUT MEALS ON WHEELS. ARE WE
13 CAPITALIZING ON OUR DEPARTMENT TO PAIR WITH THOSE THAT ARE
14 HOMEBOUND? BECAUSE, USUALLY, THE ONES THAT ARE GOING TO NEED
15 IT, AND BENEFIT, ARE THOSE THAT ARE HOMEBOUND, VERSUS STUDENTS
16 ARE AT SCHOOL. I AM JUST THINKING OUT LOUD, I MEAN, IN TERMS
17 OF-- I AM SURE YOU PROBABLY HAVE THOUGHT OF IT, BUT...

18

19 **DR. MUNTU DAVIS:** WE HAVE WORKED WITH A LOT OF THE HOME HEALTH
20 PROVIDERS, WHO MAY ALREADY KNOW THE FOLKS WHO ARE GETTING
21 MEALS ON WHEELS, AS WELL. I BELIEVE WE HAVE TALKED TO A LOT OF
22 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, LIKE MEALS ON WHEELS. I HAVE TO
23 DOUBLE-CHECK THAT, JUST TO SEE IF THEY HAVE A LIST OF PEOPLE
24 THAT MIGHT BE ELIGIBLE. SO WE TRY TO SHAKE EVERY TREE TO



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1 FIGURE OUT, IF THERE IS SOMEBODY THAT IS HOMEBOUND, HOW CAN WE
2 GET SOME OUTREACH TO THEM AND MAKE THEM AWARE?

3
4 **SUP. BARGER:** AND EVEN WITH D.H.S., YOU HAVE, PROBABLY,
5 PATIENTS THAT YOU KNOW WOULD BENEFIT. I MEAN, DO WE KEEP TRACK
6 OF WHETHER OUR PATIENTS ARE GETTING VACCINATED, SO THAT WE CAN
7 OUTREACH AND OFFER IT AT THEIR HOME?

8
9 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** YEAH, WE DO. WE HAVE IT PRETTY
10 PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED WITHIN OUR ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD, AND
11 PATIENTS ARE COMMONLY ASKED. AND WHAT WE ARE SEEING IS A
12 COUPLE OF THINGS. THERE'S A CERTAIN SET OF INDIVIDUALS WHO
13 STILL HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY VACCINATION, AND THERE'S ALWAYS A
14 NUMBER OF REASONS WHY. I FIND IT INTERESTING, WHEN THERE'S
15 TIME TO REALLY TRY TO DIG IN AND TALK TO SOMEONE ABOUT WHY,
16 AND THE REASONS ARE MULTIFOLD. AND I THINK THERE'S STILL A LOT
17 OF DISTRUST AND MISTRUST OF THE HEALTH SYSTEM, OR FEELING,
18 INCORRECTLY, THAT BECAUSE THEY HAD C.O.V.I.D. BEFORE, THEY
19 CAN'T GET IT AGAIN, AND THEN THERE'S NO VALUE TO THE VACCINE.
20 SO, WE ARE STILL HEARING A LOT OF THE SAME MISPERCEPTIONS THAT
21 ARE UNDERLYING SOME OF THESE DECISIONS, AND THE SAME LACK OF
22 TRUST IN THE HEALTH SYSTEM. AND THEN, TO DR. DAVIS'S POINT,
23 THERE'S PEOPLE THAT HAVE GOTTEN THE VACCINE, BUT NOW, I MEAN,
24 THERE'S ANOTHER BOOSTER, AND TRYING TO CLARIFY THE AGE RANGE
25 THAT'S ELIGIBLE FOR THE BOOSTER, AND THE TIME FRAME, AND WHICH



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1 BOOSTER IS IT? AND IT IS VERY COMPLICATED. AND SO I THINK THAT
2 THAT MESSAGING, AND AGAIN AND AGAIN AND AGAIN, FROM AS MANY
3 PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE, COMING FROM PUBLIC HEALTH, COMING FROM
4 SOCIAL SERVICES WHEN THEY CONTACT THE PATIENT, COMING FROM
5 HOME WORKERS, I.H.S.S., COMING FROM THE ESTABLISHED HEALTH
6 SYSTEM, AND COMING FROM THE HEALTH PLANS; ALSO, THEY ARE OFTEN
7 PUSHING OUT A LOT OF MESSAGING. AND I THINK THE MORE VOICES
8 THAT WE CAN CHIME IN AND TRY TO ADDRESS THE FACTUAL
9 MISUNDERSTANDINGS, AS WELL AS SOME OF THE UNDERLYING CONCERNS
10 AND DEEPLY HELD BELIEFS, THAT WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE OVER
11 TIME. BUT THERE'S STILL A NUMBER OF D.H.S. PATIENTS, AS WITHIN
12 ANY SYSTEM, THAT STILL ARE NOT VACCINATED.

13
14 **SUP. BARGER:** EXCELLENT. AND THEN, I NEVER THOUGHT I WOULD BE
15 SAYING "EBOLA," IN TERMS OF BEING A CONCERN. BUT SCREEN 20, IT
16 TALKS ABOUT THE MONITORING. D.H.S. HAS A 21-DAY INCUBATION
17 PERIOD, MONITORING. HOW ARE WE GOING TO DO THAT? I MEAN, LIKE
18 STAFFING. AND THEN, WHAT IF AN INDIVIDUAL CHOOSES NOT TO BE
19 COMPLIANT? I MEAN, I KNOW, WAY BACK WHEN, WHEN T.B., WE HAD A
20 PLACE OUT IN HIGH DESERT, WHERE WE WOULD SEND INDIVIDUALS THAT
21 WERE NOT COMPLIANT, AND WOULDN'T STAY HOME AND QUARANTINE. I
22 MEAN, HOW ARE WE GOING TO DO THAT WITH SOMETHING LIKE-- IF,
23 GOD FORBID?



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1 **SUP. SHARON BALTER:** CURRENTLY, EVERYBODY WE ARE MONITORING IS
2 BEING COMPLIANT. AND WITH EBOLA, THERE'S REALLY NOT A
3 QUARANTINE PRIOR TO SYMPTOM ONSET. SO, IT IS REALLY A MATTER
4 OF, THEY ANSWER OUR TEXTS OR PHONE CALLS REGARDING THEIR
5 SYMPTOMS. MOST PEOPLE TRAVELING FROM AFRICA DO HAVE SOME
6 AWARENESS OF EBOLA, AND EBOLA ACTUALLY HAS A-- YOU HAVE A MUCH
7 GREATER CHANCE OF SURVIVING EBOLA IF YOU GET TO TREATMENT
8 EARLY, AND MANY PEOPLE ARE AWARE OF THAT. AND I ACTUALLY THINK
9 THIS WORKS IN OUR FAVOR, WHEN IT COMES TO MONITORING: THAT
10 PEOPLE ACTUALLY WANT MEDICAL CARE IF THEY DO EXPERIENCE
11 SYMPTOMS, AND SO THEY ARE HAPPY TO HEAR FROM US, AND TO WORK
12 WITH US. THE REALITY IS THAT MOST OF OUR TRAVELERS FROM
13 UGANDA, BECAUSE EBOLA IS SO RARE, AND BECAUSE SO MANY OTHER
14 THINGS ARE MORE LIKELY, ARE GOING TO HAVE OTHER THINGS, SUCH
15 AS MALARIA OR TYPHOID, ALTHOUGH WE CAN TREAT THEM FOR THAT,
16 TOO, SO IT CAN BE A BENEFIT. BUT I THINK THE SEVERITY OF
17 EBOLA, AND THE GENERAL AWARENESS FROM PEOPLE TRAVELING FROM
18 THE IMPACTED AREA, WILL ACTUALLY WORK IN OUR FAVOR, IN THIS
19 CASE.

20
21 **SUP. BARGER:** EXCELLENT. AND THEN, LAST ON THIS WHOLE ISSUE,
22 WITH THE AVIAN FLU. SO, I AM SEEING A LOT OF DEAD CROWS.
23 SHOULD I BE CALLING A NUMBER, I MEAN, WHEN I WALK, OR SHOULD
24 I-- I MEAN, I AM NOT, OBVIOUSLY, PICKING THEM UP. YEAH, A LOT



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1 IN MY AREA. I HAVE PROBABLY SEEN SEVEN OR EIGHT IN THE LAST
2 WEEK AND A HALF. YEAH.

3

4 **DR. SHARON BALTER:** YES, WE WOULD DEFINITELY RECOMMEND THAT YOU
5 CALL THE DEAD BIRD LINE, AND WE WOULD REALLY RECOMMEND THAT
6 YOU NOT PICK THEM UP, YOURSELF.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER:** NO, I PROMISE YOU, I DON'T PLAN ON IT, BUT I
9 DIDN'T EVEN CONNECT IT.

10

11 **DR. SHARON BALTER:** YOU SHOULD CALL THE NUMBER.

12

13 **SUP. BARGER:** BUT I DIDN'T CONNECT IT. YEAH. YEAH. YES, THEY
14 ARE. I WILL TAKE A PICTURE AND SEND IT TO YOU NEXT TIME. YES,
15 THEY ARE. AFTER I REPORT IT.

16

17 **DR. SHARON BALTER:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER:** AND I WILL. SO, NOW ON TO THE R.S.V. SO, WE ARE
20 HEARING THAT WE SAW CONSIDERABLE NUMBERS OF R.S.V. CASES LAST
21 YEAR, BUT SHOULD NOT BE AS CONCERNED ABOUT THOSE CASES THIS
22 YEAR. HOWEVER, WOKE UP THIS MORNING TO THE FACT THAT ORANGE
23 COUNTY IS DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, DUE TO PEDIATRIC
24 HOSPITALIZATIONS. AND HOSPITALS IN OUR COUNTY, LIKE CHILDREN'S
25 HOSPITAL L.A., HAVE SAID THEY ARE STRETCHED TO CAPACITY WITH



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1 PEDIATRIC CASES. SO, I GUESS, TO DR. GHALY, AND TO YOU, DR.
2 DAVIS, COULD YOU TALK ABOUT WHAT WE ARE SEEING IN L.A. COUNTY
3 HOSPITALS? DR. GHALY, AND THEN DR. DAVIS, COULD YOU TALK ABOUT
4 WHAT YOU ARE HEARING FROM THE PRIVATE HOSPITALS, IF AT ALL?

5
6 **DR. CHRISTINA GHALY:** SURE. SO, WITH RESPECT TO THE THREE
7 HOSPITALS THAT HAVE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS WITHIN D.H.S., WE
8 ARE SEEING A LARGE NUMBER OF JUST YOUNG KIDS THAT ARE COMING
9 IN WITH FEVER. WE DO DO A STANDARD RESPIRATORY PANEL FOR
10 TESTING, AND STILL THE NUMBER OF R.S.V. CASES THAT ARE TEST-
11 POSITIVE IS STILL RELATIVELY SMALL. I THINK THAT CAN CHANGE
12 VERY, VERY QUICKLY, AND THAT'S SIMILAR TO WHAT I THINK WE'VE
13 SEEN IN ORANGE COUNTY, WAS THAT THE DATA TURNS AROUND VERY
14 FAST, AND YOU CAN GET PUSHED, IN A HOSPITAL, TO BEING OVER
15 CAPACITY OR AT CAPACITY ON YOUR PEDIATRICS BEDS QUITE QUICKLY,
16 BECAUSE MOST HOSPITALS DON'T ACTUALLY STAFF THAT MANY
17 PEDIATRICS BEDS. THANKFULLY, MOST CHILDREN DON'T EVER REQUIRE
18 GOING INTO THE HOSPITAL FOR ANYTHING. THEY DON'T EVER REQUIRE
19 A PEDIATRIC INTENSIVE CARE UNIT BED. THAT'S A VERY GOOD THING.
20 BUT THAT MEANS THAT, AS A SOCIETY IN GENERAL, WHEN WE LOOK AT
21 HOSPITAL CAPACITY, THERE'S JUST NOT A LOT OF PEDIATRICS BEDS,
22 IN GENERAL. AND IT TAKES A SPECIALIZED LEVEL OF CARE. THERE'S
23 SPECIALIZED NURSING, SPECIALIZED CERTIFICATIONS, TO BE ABLE TO
24 CARE ADEQUATELY FOR A PEDIATRIC PATIENT. IT IS NOT THE SAME
25 THING AS CARING JUST FOR AN ADULT. THEY HAVE DIFFERENT



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1 PHYSIOLOGY, DIFFERENT MEDICINES, DIFFERENT WAYS OF VENTILATING
2 PATIENTS IF THEY DID NEED TO BE ON A VENTILATOR. SO IT REALLY
3 IS QUITE DIFFERENT. BUT WHAT THAT MEANS IS THAT, WHEN YOU HAVE
4 A HOSPITAL THAT HAS 12, FOR EXAMPLE, PEDIATRIC I.C.U. BEDS,
5 YOU CAN BE AT 50% CAPACITY. THAT MEANS YOU HAVE SIX BEDS FULL.
6 YOU CAN REALLY, PRETTY QUICKLY, GET UP TO 100% CAPACITY, JUST
7 BY ADMITTING SIX PATIENTS. AND THEN, DEPENDING ON WHAT THEIR
8 TURNOVER IS AND HOW LONG THEY ARE IN THE HOSPITAL, YOU CAN SEE
9 HOW VERY QUICKLY YOU RUN INTO A DIFFICULT SITUATION. SO, I
10 KNOW, THANK YOU FOR THE MOTION, SUPERVISOR, AND I THINK IT IS
11 GREAT THAT D.P.H., IN PARTNERSHIP WITH D.H.S. AND THE PRIVATE
12 HOSPITALS AND HEALTH PLANS, CAN HELP PARTNER TOGETHER, AND THE
13 E.M.S. AGENCY, TO MONITOR THE PEDS STATUS FOR PEDIATRIC BEDS,
14 STEP-DOWN BEDS, AND I.C.U. BEDS. I THINK IT IS REALLY
15 IMPORTANT TO STAY ON TOP OF WHAT THAT CAPACITY IS, AND THEN TO
16 TRY TO ENSURE THAT THERE'S FLOW THROUGH THE SYSTEM. BUT,
17 THANKFULLY, RIGHT NOW WE DON'T HAVE A SERIOUS PROBLEM, BUT
18 REALIZE HOW QUICKLY IT CAN CHANGE.

19
20 **DR. MUNTU DAVIS:** YEAH. IN TERMS OF WHAT WE ARE SEEING, AS THE
21 SLIDE PREVIOUSLY SHOWED, WE ARE SEEING ROUGHLY ABOUT THE SAME,
22 IN TERMS OF CAPACITY, IN TERMS OF BEDS. ANECDOTALLY, WE ARE
23 REACHING OUT TO SOME HOSPITALS, TO SORT OF HEAR WHAT THEY ARE
24 SEEING, AND MANY ARE SAYING, "WE'RE SEEING INCREASES IN CASES,
25 BUT WE ARE NOT OVERSTRETCHED." WE ALSO HAVE A MEETING WITH THE



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1 HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ON THURSDAY, SO I
2 WILL GET MORE FEEDBACK AND SEE WHAT THEY ARE SEEING, AS WELL.

3
4 **SUP. BARGER:** EXCELLENT. SO, IN CLOSING, I'LL JUST, FIRST OF
5 ALL, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR CO-AUTHORING THE MOTION
6 WITH ME. IN THE LAST THREE YEARS, WE HAVE ALL BECOME PAINFULLY
7 AWARE OF THE IMPACTS RESPIRATORY INFECTIONS CAN HAVE ON OUR
8 MOST VULNERABLE POPULATIONS, AND I THINK THAT'S REALLY-- YOU
9 KNOW, MY LESSON LEARNED WITH C.O.V.I.D. IS THAT THAT'S GROUND
10 ZERO FOR REALLY WHERE YOU NEED TO START, IN TERMS OF
11 PROTECTING THOSE THAT ARE MOST VULNERABLE. ASIDE FROM
12 C.O.V.I.D., WHICH HAS TAKEN FRONT AND CENTER, WE ARE REMINDED
13 OF THE PAINFUL REALITY THAT THERE ARE OTHER DANGEROUS VIRAL
14 INFECTIONS THAT OUR COMMUNITIES ARE SUSCEPTIBLE TO, AND I
15 APPRECIATE YOUR REPORT TODAY, LETTING US KNOW HOW WE ARE
16 GETTING OUT IN FRONT OF THAT. THE COMING FLU SEASON HAS REALLY
17 PUT A SPOTLIGHT ON A POTENTIAL SURGE IN FLU, R.S.V., AND
18 C.O.V.I.D. CASES; AND R.S.V., SPECIFICALLY, CAN BE MOST
19 DANGEROUS TO OUR YOUNGEST CHILDREN, AS WE HAVE HEARD, MANY OF
20 WHOM HAVE UNDERDEVELOPED IMMUNE SYSTEMS, ENTERING THIS WINTER.
21 WE ARE ALREADY SEEING AN INCREASE IN SERIOUS CASES ACROSS THE
22 COUNTRY FROM OLDER CHILDREN, WHO ARE NORMALLY NOT AT RISK OF
23 THESE SERIOUS SYMPTOMS. SO, I THINK THAT-- AND I REALLY
24 APPRECIATED YOUR SLIDE WHERE YOU TALK ABOUT HOW WE'RE GOING TO
25 EDUCATE, AND REALLY GIVE PEOPLE THE TOOLS THEY NEED TO PROTECT



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1 THEIR YOUNG ONES, BUT ALSO PROTECT THEMSELVES. AND THEY CAN DO
2 THAT. THEY HAVE THE ABILITY TO PREVENT THE SPREAD, AND TO
3 REALLY HEIGHTEN AWARENESS ON THAT. SO I AM HOPING THAT, IF
4 THIS MOTION PASSES TODAY-- I HAVEN'T COUNTED MY VOTES-- THAT
5 WE GET IT-- YEAH, WE ARE ON TOP OF IT, AND I JUST REALLY
6 APPRECIATE THE PARTNERSHIP, PUBLIC HEALTH AND D.H.S. WORKING,
7 BECAUSE PEOPLE DON'T DIFFER BETWEEN A PUBLIC HEALTH VERSUS A
8 D.H.S., AS FAR AS THEY'RE CONCERNED. IT IMPACTS THE OVERALL
9 QUALITY OF HEALTH IN THE COUNTY, AND SO I APPRECIATE THAT, AS
10 WELL. SO THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

11
12 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

13
14 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
15 BARGER, FOR HAVING ME CO-AUTHOR ITEM 10 WITH YOU, BECAUSE IT
16 WILL HOPEFULLY ENSURE THAT OUR HEALTH DEPARTMENTS ARE DOUBLING
17 DOWN ON THE OUTREACH WITH EDUCATION TO OUR FAMILIES, OUR
18 SCHOOLS, SO THAT PARENTS CAN FIRST AND FOREMOST KNOW WHAT KIND
19 OF PREVENTATIVE MEASURES THAT THEY CAN TAKE, AND I THINK
20 THAT'S IMPORTANT. OKAY, SO SINCE THE HOUR IS LATE, LET ME
21 JUST... SO, DR. DAVIS, WHEN WE ARE TALKING ABOUT FLU SHOTS AND
22 C.O.V.I.D. SHOTS, I KNOW THAT A LOT OF PEOPLE FIND IT MORE
23 CONVENIENT TO GET BOTH AT THE SAME TIME, BUT THEY ARE FINDING
24 THAT NOT ALL VACCINE SITES OFFER BOTH. JUST FOR FOLKS
25 LISTENING RIGHT NOW, WHAT IS THE BEST PLACE FOR PEOPLE TO GO,



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1 TO GET BOTH THEIR C.O.V.I.D. BOOSTER AND THEIR FLU SHOT AT THE
2 SAME PLACE?

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4 **DR. MUNTU DAVIS:** WELL, HONESTLY, THE PLACE THAT WILL DO IT. I
5 MEAN, REALLY, AS YOU SAID, SOME PROVIDERS WILL ONLY DO ONE AND
6 NOT THE OTHER, AND THAT'S JUST BECAUSE OF WHAT THEY HAVE IN
7 STOCK. SO, REALLY, CALLING AHEAD TO WHATEVER PLACE IS MOST
8 CONVENIENT FOR YOU, AND ASKING IF THEY DO THAT, IS THE BEST
9 WAY TO DO IT, AS WELL. YOU CAN ALSO GO TO OUR WEBSITE, IN
10 TERMS OF VACCINATELACOUNTY.COM, AND IT SHOULD ALSO HELP TO
11 SORT THROUGH THOSE PROVIDERS THAT DO IT, AS WELL, IF I
12 REMEMBER CORRECTLY, IN TERMS OF GOING THROUGH THE SITE. BUT,
13 REALLY, IT IS CALLING AND ASKING AND CONFIRMING, AND TELLING
14 THEM WHAT YOU WANT. AND IF THEY DON'T KNOW, YOU CAN ALWAYS ASK
15 THEM, "DO YOU KNOW OF A PHARMACY THAT'S NEAR YOU THAT DOES DO
16 IT?" AND THEY MAY REFER YOU, AS WELL.

17

18 **SUP. HAHN:** AND ARE WE STILL RECOMMENDING THAT-- OR IS IT THE
19 RULE OF THUMB, STILL, THAT IT IS THREE MONTHS OUT FROM-- IF
20 YOU HAVE BEEN INFECTED WITH C.O.V.I.D., BEFORE YOU GET THE
21 BOOSTER? IS THAT WHAT WE ARE STILL SAYING?

22

23 **DR. MUNTU DAVIS:** I MEAN, IT IS AT LEAST THREE MONTHS, AND SOME
24 PEOPLE WILL WAIT A LITTLE BIT LONGER, A COUPLE MONTHS LONGER,
25 IN ORDER TO DO THAT. BUT THE RECOMMENDATION IS GENERALLY THREE



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1 MONTHS. BUT I WILL ALSO SAY, IN TERMS OF YOUR POINT ABOUT
2 GETTING BOTH, AT OUR PUBLIC HEALTH CLINICS AND OUR MOBILE
3 SITES, THEY DO BOTH.

4

5 **SUP. HAHN:** VERY GOOD. OKAY. THAT WAS THE RIGHT ANSWER. OKAY,
6 OVER TO M-POX, DR. BALTER. ONE OF THE SLIDES THAT SO WAS
7 INTRIGUING TO ME IS THE ONE THAT SHOWS ALMOST OVER HALF OF
8 THOSE WHO WERE VACCINATED FOR M-POX HAVEN'T GOTTEN THEIR
9 SECOND DOSE. DID I SEE THAT RIGHT? IT'S LIKE 55% HAVE NOT
10 GOTTEN THEIR SECOND DOSE.

11

12 **DR, SHARON BALTER:** 55% HAVE, BUT YES, CLOSE TO HALF HAVE NOT.

13

14 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH. SO, WHAT HAPPENS THERE? ARE THEY PROTECTED AT
15 THAT POINT, WITH JUST ONE SHOT, OR DOES IT COMPLETELY GO AWAY
16 AFTER A COUPLE MONTHS? HOW DO WE GET THOSE FOLKS BACK FOR
17 THEIR SECOND SHOT?

18

19 **DR. SHARON BALTER:** THIS IS AN EXCELLENT QUESTION, AND WE ARE
20 WORKING HARD ON THAT, BECAUSE THEY ARE DEFINITELY NOT FULLY
21 PROTECTED WITH A SINGLE SHOT. SO, WE ARE ENGAGING WITH A LOT
22 OF COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS TO
23 STRESS THE IMPORTANCE OF GETTING THE SECOND DOSE. WE RECEIVE
24 PERMISSION, WHEN PEOPLE REQUEST IT, TO GIVE THE DOSE
25 SUBCUTANEOUSLY. SOME PEOPLE WERE CONCERNED ABOUT THE



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1 EXPERIENCE OF HAVING HAD THE INTRADERMAL SHOT, WHICH DOES
2 LEAVE A LITTLE BUMP AND CAN BE MORE PAINFUL. WE HAVE 20
3 BILLBOARDS CURRENTLY IN PRODUCTION, THAT WE'RE GOING TO PUT UP
4 IN SOUTH AND EAST L.A., AND WE HAVE SECURED 20 TRANSIT
5 SHELTERS IN WEST HOLLYWOOD, HOLLYWOOD AREA, WHICH IS SEEING
6 SOME OF THE HIGHEST CASE RATES, TO TRY TO PROMOTE THE VACCINE.

7
8 **SUP. HAHN:** AND I KNOW ONE OF YOUR SLIDES TALKED ABOUT AFRICAN
9 AMERICANS CERTAINLY WERE-- SEEM TO BE INFECTED AT A HIGHER
10 RATE, ALTHOUGH THERE'S ALSO ANOTHER SLIDE ABOUT LATINOS HAVING
11 HIGHER RATES OF M-POX, BUT GETTING VACCINATED AT LOWER RATES,
12 AND WONDERING-- AND I KNOW, DURING C.O.V.I.D., I THINK A LOT
13 OF OUR SUCCESSFUL STRATEGIES WERE HOLDING SMALLER, COMMUNITY-
14 BASED EVENTS, AND PARTNERING WITH LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS, WHICH I
15 THINK YOU'VE SPOKEN TO. DO WE HAVE A DIFFERENT STRATEGY, GOING
16 FORWARD, TO-- BECAUSE IT DOES SEEM LIKE M-POX-- WELL, IT SEEMS
17 LIKE THE WHOLE ISSUE HAS KIND OF DIED DOWN A LITTLE BIT. IT
18 CAME VERY QUICKLY, AND NOW IT DOESN'T SEEM TO BE AS MUCH. BUT
19 ARE WE CHANGING OUR STRATEGY AT ALL, TO SORT OF CLOSE THAT
20 GAP, PARTICULARLY FOR LATINOS, WHO ARE GETTING INFECTED BUT
21 ARE NOT GETTING VACCINATED AT THE SAME RATE?

22
23 **DR. SHARON BALTER:** I THINK, AS WITH PREVIOUS VACCINE
24 CAMPAIGNS, WE ARE CONTINUING TO WORK WITH PROVIDERS WHO COME
25 FROM THE COMMUNITY, SENDING OUR MOBILE VACCINE TEAMS IN,



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1 WORKING WITH COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS. I THINK YOU SPEAK
2 TO A GOOD POINT, WHICH IS THAT AS MONKEYPOX HAS FADED FROM THE
3 NEWS, THERE HAS PROBABLY BEEN LESS ENTHUSIASM TO-- PEOPLE SEE
4 IT, MAYBE, LESS AS A PRESSING NEED. ALSO, PROVIDERS-- MANY
5 PEOPLE REALLY-- WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED, AS OPPOSED TO, MAYBE,
6 WITH C.O.V.I.D., THEY WOULD REALLY RATHER GET IT AT THEIR
7 PROVIDER, WHICH IS MORE PRIVATE. AND SO PROVIDERS ARE OFFERING
8 THE SECOND DOSE WHEN PEOPLE ARE COMING IN FOR ANOTHER REASON.
9 AND WE ARE SORT OF TRYING TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO CALL THEM BACK,
10 ALTHOUGH PROVIDERS ARE ALSO BUSY, AND THAT'S NOT ALWAYS
11 POSSIBLE. BUT THOSE ARE SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE ARE TRYING
12 TO DO TO IMPROVE THAT, BECAUSE, YES, WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE
13 PEOPLE COME IN FOR THEIR SECOND DOSE.

14
15 **SUP. HAHN:** AND ARE ALL THESE VACCINES COPACETIC? CAN YOU GET
16 M-BOX, BOOSTER, FLU?

17
18 **DR. SHARON BALTER:** YOU CAN.

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20 **SUP. HAHN:** SHINGLES?

21
22 **DR. SHARON BALTER:** YES.

23
24 **SUP. HAHN:** ALL AT ONCE? OKAY, THANK YOU. THANK YOU, MADAM
25 CHAIR.



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2 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS?
3 THANK YOU, ALL, FOR THE PRESENTATION. THANK YOU TO MY
4 COLLEAGUES FOR YOUR MOTION. WHEN I READ IT, I TIME-TRAVELED
5 AND REMEMBERED SITTING IN THE E.R. WITH MY THEN UNDER-ONE-
6 YEAR-OLD, WHO HAD ASTHMA. IT'S NOTHING LIKE BEING A NEW
7 MOTHER, AND THAT TEMPERATURE HITS 103, 104. THANK GOODNESS FOR
8 24-HOUR ADVISE NURSES, WHO CAN CALM US DOWN. AND AS I THOUGHT
9 ABOUT IT, REMEMBERING THAT EXPERIENCE-- AND HE DIDN'T HAVE TO
10 BE HOSPITALIZED. I WAS VERY FORTUNATE. BUT C.O.V.I.D. HAS US
11 NOW, REALLY-- ME, AT LEAST-- FOCUSED ON WHAT WE CAN DO TO
12 PREVENT. ON THE R.S.V. SIDE OF THINGS, I THINK IT IS MORE WHAT
13 WE DO TO EDUCATE PARENTS TO RECOGNIZE THE SYMPTOMS, AS OPPOSED
14 TO DIRECT PREVENTION STRATEGIES, LIKE C.O.V.I.D. AM I RIGHT OR
15 WRONG?

16

17 **DR. MUNTU DAVIS:** IT IS A LITTLE BIT OF BOTH. YEAH. I MEAN, ANY
18 TIME YOU HAVE INFLUENZA-LIKE SYMPTOMS, OR COLD SYMPTOMS, IT
19 COULD BE A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT THINGS. AND SO YOU REALLY DO
20 NEED TO WEAR YOUR MASK, WASH YOUR HANDS, DO ALL OF THOSE
21 THINGS, MAYBE NOT KISS YOUR CHILD DURING THAT TIME, ESPECIALLY
22 IF THEY ARE VERY YOUNG, BECAUSE YOU COULD TRANSMIT WHATEVER
23 YOU HAVE. SO, IT IS IMPORTANT TO DO THAT, AS WELL, AS WELL AS
24 RECOGNIZE THE SYMPTOMS. SO THERE IS A PREVENTION, AND THEN
25 THERE'S RECOGNITION. AND WHAT IS INTERESTING ABOUT THE



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1 RECOGNITION IS, SOMETIMES, ESPECIALLY FOR REALLY YOUNG
2 INFANTS, YOUNGER THAN SIX MONTHS, IT MAY JUST SIMPLY BE A
3 DECREASE IN APPETITE, OR SOME IRRITABILITY, AND SO YOU DON'T
4 QUITE NOTICE THEM. IT'S NOT THE RUNNY NOSE. IT'S NOT THE
5 FEVER, MAYBE. AND SO IT IS REALLY UNDERSTANDING THAT, TO SAY
6 THERE MAY BE AN ISSUE, ESPECIALLY WHEN IT MAY NOT BE AS
7 OBVIOUS AT THAT TIME.

8

9 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** RIGHT. AND IT IS REALLY TOUGH, BECAUSE
10 THOSE ITTY-BITTY BABIES CAN'T TELL YOU WHAT HURTS. IT IS HARD.
11 AND THANK YOU, DR. GHALY, FOR REALLY FRAMING IT FOR US,
12 BECAUSE WHEN WE HEAR "100% CAPACITY," TO REALLY UNDERSTAND HOW
13 PEDIATRICS HOSPITALIZATION AND HOW THOSE BEDS REALLY ARE
14 FRAMED. THAT WAS VERY, VERY HELPFUL FOR US TO REALLY, I THINK,
15 HAVE A CONTEXT AROUND THE NUMBERS. SO, THANK YOU, ALL, FOR
16 YOUR PRESENTATION. SEEING NO FURTHER REMARKS, SET MATTER 2 IS
17 A RECEIVE-AND-FILE, AND SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. I WILL NOW
18 TAKE AN ACTUAL VOTE ON ITEM 10. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER,
19 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THE ITEM. WOULD YOU
20 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL, EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

21

22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 10 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

25



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

2

3 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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

6

7 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

8

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

10

11 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

12

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

14 MITCHELL?

15

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

17

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

19 5-0.

20

21 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SINCE WE HAVE ALL ALREADY

22 DISPENSED WITH ITEM 8, WE WILL MOVE ON TO ITEM 11, INITIATING

23 SUPPORT FOR THE RESIDENTS OF THE CALI LAKE RECREATIONAL

24 VEHICLE RESORT, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR BARGER.

25



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1 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I AM GOING TO TRY TO MAKE
2 THIS AS... I DON'T WANT TO SAY "QUICK," BUT AS SUCCINCT AS
3 POSSIBLE. AND I KNOW THAT AMY ISN'T ABLE TO BE HERE TODAY, AND
4 SO I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR PINCH-HITTING FOR HER. BUT WE
5 HAVE HAD RESIDENTS COME IN AND BRING THEIR CHILDREN IN, AND IT
6 IS OBVIOUSLY SOMETHING THAT THIS BOARD, AS A WHOLE, IS VERY
7 CONCERNED ABOUT MAKING SURE THAT WE ARE NOT CREATING MORE
8 HOMELESS ON THE STREET, ESPECIALLY WHEN, RIGHT NOW, THEY'RE
9 SHELTERED. AND SO I WANTED TO GET A HANDLE ON EXACTLY WHAT IS
10 GOING ON WITH THIS R.V. PARK. AND SO, I GUESS, DAVID ARE YOU
11 GOING TO BE THE LEAD? IF YOU CAN INTRODUCE YOURSELF AND JUST
12 GIVE AN OVERVIEW, IN TERMS OF SOME OF THE ISSUES SURROUNDING
13 THE PROPERTY, AND POTENTIAL CONCERNS ABOUT WHY WE'RE WORKING
14 WITH THE STATE RIGHT NOW TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES.

15
16 **DAVID DEGRAZIA:** HI. GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M DAVID DEGRAZIA. I'M
17 THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR CURRENT PLANNING, IN THE REGIONAL
18 PLANNING DEPARTMENT. SO, THIS SITE THAT WE ARE LOOKING AT
19 TODAY IS THE CALI LAKE R.V. PARK. IT IS NORTHEAST OF SANTA
20 CLARITA, ON SOLEDAD CANYON ROAD, SOUTH OF THE SANTA CLARA
21 RIVER, IN THE ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST. NEXT SLIDE. SO, AS YOU
22 CAN SEE, THERE ARE FOUR OTHER R.V. PARKS IN THE AREA, MOSTLY
23 LOCATED OFF OF SOLEDAD CANYON ROAD. NEXT SLIDE. THIS IS A 2020
24 AERIAL OF THE SITE. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED BETWEEN SOLEDAD
25 CANYON AND SANTA CLARA RIVER. YOU CAN SEE, BACK IN 2017, IN



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1 THIS AREA, IT WAS ORIGINALLY RECREATIONAL USE. IT WAS
2 ESTABLISHED IN 1936 AS A PICNIC AREA. AROUND 1960, THEY WERE
3 PERMITTED FOR WEEKEND CABINS AND RESTROOMS. AND THEN IN 2000,
4 WE GRANTED A C.U.P., WHICH ALLOWED FOR 47 R.V. SPACES FOR
5 SHORT-TERM TENANCY ONLY, WHICH MEANS UNDER 90 DAYS. NEXT
6 SLIDE. THIS IS AN AERIAL FROM 2017. IN THE YEAR PRIOR, THE
7 SAND FIRE BURNED 42,000 ACRES NEARBY THIS AREA. IN 2017, A NEW
8 OWNER TOOK OVER, AND RENAMED IT FROM THE WHITE ROCK R.V. PARK
9 TO CALI LAKE R.V. PARK. AND IN THIS PHOTO, IT GENERALLY
10 CONFORMED WITH THE C.U.P. NEXT SLIDE. HERE YOU CAN SEE, IN
11 2020, THERE WAS AN UNPERMITTED EXPANSION OF THE PARK, WITH
12 GRADING. AND SO, IF YOU LOOK AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER, THAT'S
13 WHERE THAT NORTH EXPANSION TOOK PLACE. AND THAT MEANS THAT
14 THEY BASICALLY WENT FROM THE 47 APPROVED TO 103 SPACES, AND
15 THAT THEY WERE ALLOWING STAYS BEYOND THE 90 DAYS. AND SO,
16 BASICALLY, PEOPLE WERE ALLOWED TO STAY INDEFINITELY.

17
18 **SUP. BARGER:** CAN I INTERJECT ON THAT? THAT'S NOT UNUSUAL FOR
19 THIS PARK, THOUGH. I MEAN, I THINK WE HAVE ALL ACKNOWLEDGED
20 THAT THERE ARE R.V. PARKS THAT ARE NOT SUPPOSED TO BE LONG
21 TERM, BUT GIVEN THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE HOUSING SHORTAGE, WE
22 KIND OF ARE LETTING THAT GO. SO THAT ONE, I DON'T THINK, IS AS
23 EGREGIOUS AS THE OTHER ISSUE. I JUST WANTED TO STATE THAT.

24
25 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** AND, SUPERVISOR, WHAT YEAR WAS THAT?



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1
2 **DAVID DEGRAZIA:** THIS IS 2020.

3
4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** OKAY, SO IN THE MIDDLE OF C.O.V.I.D.

5
6 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH. EXACTLY. GOOD POINT.

7
8 **DAVID DEGRAZIA:** NEXT SLIDE. AND JUST TO GIVE A LITTLE BIT MORE
9 CONTEXT TO THIS SITE, SO, THIS AREA, IF YOU LOOK AT THE
10 HATCHED GREEN, IT IS ALL THIS SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL AREA.
11 NEXT SLIDE. YOU CAN ALSO SEE THAT THIS IS IN A VERY HIGH FIRE
12 HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE. SO, ALL OF THE AERIAL HERE IS IN THAT
13 AREA. AND FINALLY, THE SITE IS ALSO IN A F.E.M.A. FLOOD HAZARD
14 ZONE, AND SO ALL OF THE BLUE IS THAT AREA WHICH SORT OF
15 EXTENDS BEYOND THE RIVER ON EITHER SIDE, AND COMPLETELY COVERS
16 THE AREA THAT THE R.V. PARK IS IN. NEXT SLIDE. AND SO, DUE TO
17 THOSE REASONS, THE DEPARTMENT CANNOT RECOMMEND A FAVORABLE
18 RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE AN EXPANSION TO THE 107 SPACES THAT
19 THE APPLICANT HAS ASKED FOR. THEY HAVE REVISED THEIR
20 APPLICATION. THEY ARE NOW ASKING TO KEEP THE 47, AND TO
21 MAINTAIN THOSE AT THE 90-DAY LIMIT. COUNTY CODE DOES PROHIBIT
22 LONG-TERM R.V. TENANCY IN FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES, SUCH AS
23 THIS, AND SO THAT'S WHY THE DEPARTMENT IS NOT ABLE TO MAKE A
24 POSITIVE RECOMMENDATION AT THIS TIME.



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1 **SUP. BARGER:** SO, AGAIN, I MEAN, IN LOOKING AT THE MAP, IT IS
2 ALL ON A FLOOD PLAIN. BUT YET, I GUESS IT'S OKAY FOR 47 TO BE
3 ON A FLOOD PLAIN, BUT NOT THE REST? I MEAN, THAT ONE-- EXCUSE
4 THE PUN, JANICE, I'M GOING TO QUOTE YOU-- DOES NOT HOLD WATER
5 FOR ME, AS IT RELATES TO THE IMPACT THAT THIS HAS. BECAUSE IF
6 IT'S OKAY FOR 47, WHY IS IT NOT OKAY FOR THE RESIDENTS THAT
7 ARE CURRENTLY ON THAT SITE?

8

9 **DAVID DEGRAZIA:** YEAH. I THINK IT REALLY IS MORE THE HIGH FIRE
10 HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE THAT MAKES IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR US TO
11 APPROVE ANY SORT OF EXPANSION ON IT, BECAUSE THE CODE
12 SPECIFICALLY DOESN'T ALLOW US TO DO IT FOR THAT.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER:** SO, FOR 47, IT IS OKAY FOR THEM TO BE IN HIGH
15 FIRE, BUT FOR...

16

17 **DAVID DEGRAZIA:** BASICALLY, BECAUSE THEY ARE AN EXISTING SITE.
18 THEY ARE NOT-- WE WOULDN'T RECOMMEND AN EXPANSION BEYOND WHAT
19 IS ALREADY THERE TODAY.

20

21 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY. EXCELLENT.

22

23 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** CAN I ASK A QUICK FOLLOW-UP ON THAT, IF
24 WE DON'T MIND?

25



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1 **SUP. BARGER:** PLEASE.

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3 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** WAS THE NUMBER 47 IDENTIFIED BASED ON
4 THE RATE WITH WHICH THEY COULD BE EVACUATED, OR WAS THERE SOME
5 CRITERIA THAT HELPED ESTABLISH THAT NUMBER, AS OPPOSED TO IT
6 JUST BEING WHAT'S CURRENTLY IN--

7

8 **DAVID DEGRAZIA:** YEAH. WHEN THE C.U.P. WAS ISSUED IN 2020,
9 THERE WOULD HAVE BEEN A WHOLE HOST OF FINDINGS THAT THEY
10 NEEDED TO MAKE, AND SO IT WOULD HAVE HAD TO HAVE LOOKED AT
11 EVACUATION AND ANY OTHER HAZARDS, AND THOSE WOULD HAVE HAD TO
12 HAVE BEEN MITIGATED TO THE SATISFACTION OF ALL THE DIFFERENT
13 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. THE REASON IT GOT EXPANDED WAS BECAUSE
14 THEY CAME BACK AND DID THAT ON THEIR OWN. AND SO, IN THIS
15 CASE, WE ARE COMFORTABLE KEEPING THE 47, BUT WE DON'T FEEL
16 THAT WE CAN RECOMMEND GOING BEYOND THAT, IN SUCH AN AREA.

17

18 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** AND IF YOU COULD EDUCATE ME AGAIN ON THE
19 FIRST OR SECOND SLIDE THAT SHOWED MULTIPLE SITES, ARE ALL OF
20 THOSE 90-DAY ONLY, OR ARE ANY OF THOSE PERMANENT?

21

22 **DAVID DEGRAZIA:** THEY ARE. THEY ARE ALL CONDITIONED BY THE
23 C.U.P. TO BE 90 DAYS OR LESS.

24



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1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** AND WE'RE NOT HAVING CHALLENGES WITH ANY
2 OF THE OTHERS?

3

4 **SUP. BARGER:** I AM GOING TO-- YES. NOT ONLY IN MY DISTRICT, BUT
5 I AM SURE IN ALL OF OUR DISTRICTS, THERE ARE INDIVIDUALS
6 STAYING WELL OVER 90 DAYS, AND EVEN ON SOME OF THE VENDORS
7 THAT WE CONTRACT WITH TO OPERATE AT SOME OF OUR PARKS HAVE
8 ALLOWED THEM TO STAY FOR EXTENDED PERIODS OF TIME.

9

10 **DAVID DEGRAZIA:** YEAH, THAT'S CERTAINLY POSSIBLE.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH.

13

14 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** ARE THERE PARKS THAT ALLOW PERMANENT?

15

16 **SUP. BARGER:** WELL, I MEAN, I AM JUST THINKING-- AND I DON'T
17 KNOW WHAT THE STATUS OF BONELLI IS NOW, BUT THERE WAS A TIME
18 WHEN WE HAD A VENDOR, AND I THINK WE DID AN R.F.P., SO WE'VE
19 GOT A NEW VENDOR. BUT AT THAT TIME, THAT VENDOR WAS ALLOWING
20 PEOPLE TO LIVE OVER AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME, EVEN THOUGH IT
21 WAS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONTRACTOR. BUT, AGAIN, IT GETS
22 TO, THESE ARE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE... WITHOUT THIS ARE GOING TO
23 BECOME HOMELESS. AND SO YOU HAVE TO-- DURING C.O.V.I.D. I AM
24 GLAD YOU BROUGHT THAT UP. SO, YOU HAVE TO MAKE DECISIONS, AND
25 I THINK THAT'S WHAT WE DID.



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2 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER:** SO, I KNOW CHERI IS NOT HERE. WHO IS GOING TO
5 SPEAK FOR CHERI? IS THAT-- NO? NO ONE? OH, OKAY. WELL, THEN I
6 GUESS I WON'T ASK CHERI, BECAUSE I WAS GOING TO ASK IF WE CAN
7 PARALLEL-TRACK THE RESOURCES FROM SUPERVISOR--

8

9 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SUPERVISOR, I THOUGHT SHE WAS GOING
10 TO BE ON.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER:** OH, IS SHE ON?

13

14 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** I THOUGHT SHE WAS ON STANDBY.

15

16 **SUP. BARGER:** HI, CHERI. MAYBE NOT. ALL RIGHT. WELL, ONLY OUT
17 OF INTEREST OF TIME, BECAUSE I KNOW THAT WE'RE GOING TO GET
18 INTO WITCHING HOUR PRETTY SOON...

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL:** MADAM CHAIR, I DO HAVE A COMMENT ABOUT THE
21 HOMELESS INITIATIVE PIECE.

22

23 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY. WELL, GO AHEAD.

24



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1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** CAN WE ALLOW SUPERVISOR BARGER TO MAKE
2 HER POINT, THEN I WILL COME TO YOU, SUPERVISE KUEHL?

3
4 **SUP. KUEHL:** ABSOLUTELY. I'D NEVER WANT TO INTERRUPT THE AUTHOR
5 OF A MOTION.

6
7 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** ALL RIGHT.

8
9 **SUP. BARGER:** THEN I WILL ACTUALLY GO TO L.A.H.S.A., BECAUSE I
10 KNOW YOU ALL ARE HERE. RESIDENTS OF THE CALI LAKE R.V. RESORT
11 ARE AT RISK OF BEING HOMELESS. WHAT PREVENTION RESOURCES AND
12 STRATEGIES CAN THE COUNTY DEPLOY, IN CONJUNCTION WITH
13 L.A.H.S.A., TO ADDRESS THAT? AND THEN, THAT WAS MY QUESTION TO
14 YOU, AS WELL. CAN WE PARALLEL-TRACK THE RESOURCES FROM
15 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S R.V. MOTION TO ASSIST IN PLACEMENTS FOR
16 CALI LAKE RESIDENTS, AS WELL?

17
18 **SPEAKER:** SO, WITH L.A.H.S.A., WE NEED TO GET OUT TO THE
19 LOCATION AND KIND OF ASSESS THE INDIVIDUALS OR FAMILIES THAT
20 ARE THERE, TO DETERMINE WHAT RESOURCES THEY MAY BE ELIGIBLE
21 FOR. FIRST THOUGHTS, I AM THINKING WE CAN TRY TO DO SOME
22 REUNIFICATION WITH INDIVIDUALS, USE SOME PROBLEM-SOLVING
23 DOLLARS, WHICH ARE OUR MOST FLEXIBLE DOLLARS; POSSIBLY SOME
24 RAPID REHOUSING TO GET FOLKS BACK CONNECTED INTO PERMANENT
25 HOUSING. BUT WE CAN HAVE A BETTER ASSESSMENT OF WHAT RESOURCES



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1 WE CAN BRING, ONCE WE UNDERSTAND WHO WE ARE WORKING WITH AND
2 WHO IS AT THIS R.V. PARK, THAT'S GOING TO BE DISPLACED.

3
4 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, BECAUSE I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT.
5 BECAUSE WHEN YOU HAVE TWO YOUNG CHILDREN COME TO THE BOARD,
6 AND THEIR FEAR IS THAT THEY ARE GOING TO BE HOMELESS, AND THEY
7 WERE HOMELESS, AND THEY NOW FEEL STABILITY, THEY ARE IN
8 SCHOOL, THEY FEEL SAFE, I THINK IT IS REALLY IMPORTANT FOR US
9 TO RECOGNIZE THAT, WHILE ON PAPER, THEY MAY NOT COMPLY, BUT WE
10 HAVE AN OBLIGATION, BOTH MORALLY AND ETHICALLY, TO TRY TO-- OR
11 TO, NOT EVEN TRY; TO PROVIDE SUITABLE PLACEMENT, WHEN
12 POSSIBLE. AND IF NOT, THEN I THINK WE NEED TO ADDRESS, WITH
13 THE R.V. OWNERS OR THE SURROUNDING R.V. PARKS, HOW WE CAN,
14 EVEN USING, POSSIBLY, COUNTY LAND. I KNOW WE ARE DISCUSSING
15 THAT, BECAUSE WE HAVE VACANT LAND OUT IN THAT AREA. IT MAY BE
16 ON A TEMPORARY BASIS WE LOOK AT DOING THAT. BUT I AM VERY
17 SENSITIVE, ESPECIALLY FOR THE YOUTH, THE CHILDREN, AND I THINK
18 WE ALL ARE. I THINK WE ALL ARE. SO, I WANTED THIS PRESENTATION
19 TODAY, JUST SO THAT YOU ALL COULD HEAR-- BECAUSE IT'S REALLY
20 BEEN BOTHERING ME. AND I HAVE BEEN TRYING TO EXPLAIN TO CHAIR
21 MITCHELL ABOUT THE INVOLVEMENT OF THE STATE, SO IT'S BOTH
22 STATE AND COUNTY THAT ARE INVOLVED IN THIS. AND I KNOW THAT IT
23 IS ALL HANDS ON DECK, AND I APPRECIATE YOU ALL. AND I KNOW,
24 CHERI, IF SHE IS ON-- IS SHE ON? CHERI? ANYWAY.



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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** YOU ARE ON MUTE, CHERI.

2

3 **SUP. BARGER:** WELL, I REALLY DO APPRECIATE YOU, AND I
4 APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT YOU AND YOUR TEAM ARE DOING,
5 COLLABORATING WITH L.A.H.S.A. BUT I WANTED YOU ALL TO HEAR,
6 BECAUSE I KNOW, SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU EXPRESSED PAIN AND ANGST
7 WHEN THEY WERE HERE.

8

9 **SUP. HAHN:** I KNOW. EVERY TIME THEY CAME, I LOOKED AT YOU. I'M
10 LIKE, "WHAT ARE YOU DOING, SUPERVISOR BARGER?"

11

12 **SUP. BARGER:** I KNOW. SHE DID. AND I, OF COURSE, THE WEIGHT OF
13 THE WORLD IS ON ME, AND I TAKE IT TO HEART, AND I DO TAKE THIS
14 TO HEART. BUT IT IS FRUSTRATING FOR ME, BECAUSE I THINK THE
15 OWNER IS ASKING FOR FORGIVENESS VERSUS PERMISSION, AND HE IS
16 USING PEOPLE'S LIVES AS-- AND I GUARANTEE HE IS COLLECTING
17 RENT EVERY MONTH. I'LL GUARANTEE HE IS COLLECTING RENT EVERY
18 MONTH. AND THAT'S-- IF HE HAD THE C.U.P. FOR THAT NUMBER, I
19 WOULDN'T HAVE HEARTBURN. BUT NOW HE IS SENDING DOWN HIS
20 MANAGER AND THE ONES THAT ARE GOING TO JUST BE RELOCATED, JUST
21 TO PLEAD HIS CASE. I HAVE YET TO SEE HIM COME DOWN AND TALK TO
22 US, AS A BOARD. AND I HAVEN'T HEARD FROM HIM. SO, ANYWAY, SO I
23 JUST-- THAT WAS THE PURPOSE OF THIS MOTION, BECAUSE I REALLY
24 FEEL THAT WE NEED TO DO EVERYTHING. I KNOW WE ARE, BUT I WANT



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1 THE RESIDENTS TO KNOW THAT WE ARE GOING TO WORK WITH THEM.

2 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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6 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I THINK CHERI IS ACTUALLY
7 ON, AND SHE WAS ON MUTE WHEN SHE TRIED TO TALK TO US.

8 SUPERVISOR BARGER, DO YOU STILL WANT HER TO SAY SOMETHING?

9

10 **SUP. BARGER:** I KNOW THAT SHE HAS BEEN PLAYING A ROLE, AND SO,
11 I MEAN, IF SHE WANTS TO CHIME IN, I MEAN, THAT'S FINE. I WANT
12 TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE WORK THAT SHE AND HER TEAM ARE DOING WITH
13 L.A.H.S.A., SO IT IS UP TO HER. I HAVEN'T SEEN HER ON, SO I
14 DON'T - -

15

16 **SUP. KUEHL:** WELL, YOU CAN'T SEE ALL OF US WHO ARE IN REMOTE
17 ALL THE TIME, UNTIL WE TALK. SO, CHERI IS THERE, BUT I HAVEN'T
18 HEARD HER. I HAVE SEEN HER SPEAKING, BUT I HAVEN'T HEARD HER,
19 SO I THINK THERE'S A MUTE GOING-- AH, THERE YOU GO.

20

21 **SUP. BARGER:** OH.

22

23 **SUP. KUEHL:** NOPE. STILL CAN'T HEAR YOU, CHERI. SO I THINK, IN
24 THE INTEREST OF TIME, I WILL GO ON, AS WELL. I WANT TO THANK
25 YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER, FOR INTRODUCING THE MOTION. I AM HAPPY



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1 TO SUPPORT IT. I REALLY APPRECIATE THE COORDINATION THAT THE
2 MOTION ASKS FOR, ENSURING THAT ALL OUR DEPARTMENTS WORK
3 TOGETHER TO SUPPORT THESE RESIDENTS. YOU KNOW, WE LOOK AT
4 PEOPLE ON THE STREET. WE LOOK AT PEOPLE WHO ARE SORT OF-- I
5 GUESS WE WOULD CALL IT "SQUATTING" IN EMPTY HOUSING. WE SAW
6 THAT LAST WEEK AND THE WEEK BEFORE. AND JUST, YOU KNOW,
7 "NOBODY TOLD ME I CAN'T MOVE MY R.V. IN HERE, AND WE NEED
8 SOMEWHERE TO LIVE." AND THEIR RESILIENCY IS ADMIRABLE. I MEAN,
9 I DON'T THINK OF THEM AS LAWBREAKERS, AND I HONESTLY-- EVEN
10 THE PARK OWNER, EVEN THOUGH HE IS MAKING MONEY OFF OF IT,
11 PROBABLY THINKS, "THESE PEOPLE HAVE NOWHERE TO GO, AND I GAVE
12 THEM A PLACE TO GO." SO, ANYTHING WE CAN DO TO SUPPORT THEM,
13 TO HELP THEM BE SETTLED; SOMEWHERE NEARBY, IF THE KIDS ARE IN
14 SCHOOL. IT IS NOT EASY, BECAUSE AN R.V. PARK HAS HOOKUPS AND
15 ALL THE THINGS THAT YOU NEED TO MAKE YOUR R.V. WORK. HOWEVER,
16 AS I TALKED ABOUT A COUPLE WEEKS AGO, WHEN WE WERE TALKING
17 ABOUT THE METRO HOMELESSNESS MOTION, I AM ALWAYS CONCERNED
18 ABOUT THE ADDITIONAL INITIATIVES WE ARE GIVING TO THE HOMELESS
19 INITIATIVE, AND NOT PROVIDING ADDITIONAL RESOURCES, SOMETIMES,
20 SUFFICIENT TO DO IT. MY HOPE IS, YES, ALLOCATE THIS
21 APPROPRIATELY TO THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE, AND ADEQUATELY
22 RESOURCE IT TO REALLY HELP. IN THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS, THEY
23 HAVE BEEN TASKED WITH A COUPLE OF BIG NEW INITIATIVES: THE
24 BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION, THE NEW HOMELESS INITIATIVE FRAMEWORK.
25 THE IMPLEMENTATION OF BLUE RIBBON AND NEW FRAMEWORK IS



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1 ONGOING, ON TOP OF EVERYTHING ELSE WE TASK THEM WITH, AND I
2 LIKE IT. I MEAN, I LIKE ALLOCATING MORE WORK, SO LONG AS WE
3 ALLOCATE MORE RESOURCES. SO, THE WORK ON HOMELESSNESS
4 CONTINUES TO EXPAND, BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT PEOPLE KICKED OUT.
5 WE DON'T WANT THEM JUST TO BE HOMELESS AGAIN. AND SO IT IS IN
6 THE COUNTY'S BEST INTEREST TO HELP CHERI'S TEAM HAVE THE
7 DISCRETION AND THE RESOURCES IT NEEDS TO CARRY OUT THIS
8 IMPORTANT WORK, AND I REALLY SUPPORT IT AND HOPE THAT THAT
9 WILL BE A PART OF IT, BECAUSE IT IS NOT JUST THESE CHILDREN
10 AND THEIR PARENTS, BUT THEY HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING WRONG, AND
11 THEY REALLY NEED OUR HELP. SO I SUPPORT THIS, AND HOPE WE CAN
12 GET RESOURCES TO THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE, AND CHERI'S TEAM, AS
13 WELL. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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15 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR
16 COMMENTS ON ITEM 11? SEEING NONE, ITEM 11 IS BEFORE US. MOVED
17 BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE
18 THE ITEM. PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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

21
22 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

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



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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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

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5 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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9 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

12 MITCHELL?

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

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

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19 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** WE WILL NOW TAKE UP ITEMS 12, 13, AND 16
20 TOGETHER: ESTABLISHING REGIONAL VETERANS RESOURCES; ITEM 13,
21 BOOSTING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR VETERANS, MILITARY
22 SERVICE MEMBERS, AND THEIR FAMILIES; AND ITEM 16, RECOGNIZING
23 NOVEMBER 11TH, 2022, AS VETERANS DAY, AND SUPPORTING VETERANS
24 IN L.A. COUNTY, WHICH WERE HELD BY SUPERVISOR BARGER.
25 SUPERVISOR?



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1
2 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND I WOULD LIKE TO THANK
3 YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR CO-AUTHORING THESE MOTIONS WITH ME.
4 AS WE NEAR VETERANS DAY, IT IS FITTING TO INTRODUCE THESE
5 THREE MOTIONS TO FURTHER EXPAND THE WORK WE ARE DOING TO
6 SUPPORT VETERAN SERVICE MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES. OVER THE
7 LAST COUPLE OF YEARS, THIS BOARD HAS SUPPORTED INNOVATIVE
8 VETERAN PROGRAMMING EFFORTS, INCLUDING CREATING THE COUNTY'S
9 VETERAN PEER ACCESS NETWORK, AND MORE RECENTLY THE
10 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COUNTY'S VETERAN SUICIDE REVIEW TEAM.
11 THROUGH THESE MOTIONS, THIS BOARD WILL CONTINUE TO FIND
12 OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR COUNTY AGENCIES TO PURSUE OPPORTUNITIES
13 FOR COLLABORATION, TO BETTER SUPPORT THE COUNTY'S VETERAN
14 POPULATION. WHILE THE COUNTY HAS TAKEN A TARGETED APPROACH IN
15 SUPPORTING THE VETERAN POPULATION ON A BROADER SCALE, THE
16 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND STATE GOVERNMENT ARE INCREASINGLY
17 BECOMING MORE FOCUSED ON CREATING MORE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES
18 TO SUPPORT OTHER TARGETED POPULATIONS OF VETERANS, SUCH AS
19 AGING VETERANS, HOMELESS VETERANS, MINORITY VETERANS, AND
20 FEMALE VETERANS, AT A MORE LOCAL LEVEL. DESPITE OUR PROGRESS,
21 THE COUNTY STILL HAS MUCH WORK TO DO. OUR WORK, COMBINED WITH
22 INCREASED ADVOCACY AT THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, WE
23 WILL BE ABLE TO ADDRESS SOME OF THESE ISSUES FACING OUR
24 VETERAN POPULATION. THE MOTIONS BEFORE US WILL HELP US MOVE
25 THE NEEDLE IN SUPPORTING MORE VETERANS, AND ALSO PROVIDE US



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1 WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THEIR NEEDS, SO THAT
2 WE CAN ADVOCATE OUR FEDERAL AND STATE PARTNERS FOR NECESSARY
3 FUNDING AND PROGRAMMING TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS THAT WE IDENTIFY.
4 DESPITE HAVING THE WEST L.A. V.A. AND LONG BEACH V.A. WITHIN
5 THE COUNTY'S BORDERS, WE KNOW THAT THERE ARE VETERANS LIVING
6 IN THE EASTERN SAN GABRIEL VALLEY OR NORTHERN ANTELOPE VALLEY
7 ACCESSING THESE FACILITIES, WHICH IS EXTREMELY DIFFICULT. AND
8 I WANT TO RECOGNIZE CONGRESSWOMAN CHU, WHO REALLY PUSHED TO
9 GET A CLINIC IN THE ARCADIA AREA TO HELP WITH THE EAST SAN
10 GABRIEL VALLEY, AND THAT HAS BEEN A GAME CHANGER FOR MANY OUT
11 THERE, BUT MORE NEEDS TO BE DONE. PROVIDING VETERANS WITH
12 OPPORTUNITIES TO ACCESS RESOURCES WITHIN THEIR COMMUNITIES IS
13 CRUCIAL IN ADDRESSING VETERANS' MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, THE
14 RAPIDLY AGING VETERAN POPULATION, DISABLED VETERAN POPULATION,
15 AND THE ONE THAT-- REALLY, I SAY WE SHOULD NEVER USE THE WORD
16 "HOMELESS" AND "VETERAN" IN THE SAME SENTENCE, BUT THE
17 HOMELESS VETERAN POPULATION. IN L.A. COUNTY, THE V.A.
18 ESTIMATES THAT WE ARE HOME TO 18% OF THE TOTAL UNSHELTERED
19 HOMELESS VETERAN POPULATION, NATIONWIDE, AND 10% OF TOTAL OF
20 THE HOMELESS VETERAN POPULATIONS, NATIONWIDE. SOME OF OUR OWN
21 DATA ALSO SHOWS THAT VETERANS IN L.A. COUNTY ARE TWO TO FOUR
22 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO DIE BY SUICIDE THAN THE NON-VETERAN
23 POPULATION. CENSUS DATA ALSO ESTIMATES THAT 80% OF THE
24 VETERANS IN THE COUNTY DO NOT HAVE A DISABILITY RATING,
25 INDICATING THAT THERE IS A LARGE POPULATION OF VETERANS WHO



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1 HAVE NOT YET APPLIED FOR THE SERVICES THEY ARE ENTITLED TO,
2 AND 65% OF VETERANS IN THE V.A. SYSTEM ARE 65 YEARS AND OLDER.
3 ITEM 12 WILL SEEK OPPORTUNITIES TO BETTER SERVE VETERANS
4 ACROSS THE COUNTY, INCLUDING THE EVER-GROWING AGING VETERAN
5 POPULATION, WHICH BOTH THE V.A. AND CALVET HAVE SIGNALLED ARE
6 PRIORITY POPULATIONS. IT ALSO INCLUDES A REQUEST FOR
7 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR US TO TRACK VETERANS' STATUS, SO THAT WE
8 CAN MOVE MORE EQUITABLY, SERVING VETERANS ACROSS THE COUNTY.
9 VETERANS OFTEN FACE BARRIERS WHEN SEEKING EMPLOYMENT
10 OPPORTUNITIES. MINORITY VETERANS AND L.G.B.T.Q.+ VETERANS FACE
11 EVEN MORE BARRIERS WHEN SEEKING EMPLOYMENT. THE RATES OF
12 MINORITY VETERANS ARE EXPECTED TO INCREASE, WHILE THE RATE OF
13 NON-HISPANIC VETERANS IS EXPECTED TO DECREASE. THE INCREASED
14 DIVERSITY IN THE VETERAN POPULATION WILL REQUIRE BROADER
15 EFFORTS TO ENSURE EQUITY AND PARITY AMONG EMPLOYMENT
16 OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR VETERANS. DESPITE STATE AND FEDERAL LAW
17 MAKING VETERAN STATUS A PROTECTED CLASS, AND SERVICE IN THE
18 NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVES BEING LEGALLY PROTECTED, THE
19 REALITY IS THAT VETERANS STILL FACE CHALLENGES IN THE
20 WORKFORCE. ITEM 13 HELPS L.A. COUNTY ADDRESS THESE ISSUES. IT
21 WILL HELP US ENSURE THAT THE COUNTY IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE
22 STATE AND FEDERAL LAW FOR PROVIDING VETERAN PREFERENCE,
23 INCREASE THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUCCESS FOR VETERANS IN THE
24 COUNTY'S VETERAN INTERNSHIP PROGRAM, AND ALSO SEEK
25 OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE COUNTY TO LEVERAGE A DEPARTMENT OF



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1 DEFENSE PROGRAM THAT ALLOWS SERVICE MEMBERS TO SERVE A PORTION
2 OF THEIR ACTIVE DUTY TIME WORKING AT A PARTNER ORGANIZATION,
3 SUCH AS L.A. COUNTY. ADDITIONALLY, THIS MOTION ASKS TO EXPLORE
4 THE POSSIBILITY TO SERVE DISENFRANCHISED VETERANS, SUCH AS
5 L.G.B.T.Q.+ VETERANS WHO WERE UNJUSTLY KICKED OUT OF THE
6 MILITARY WITH OTHER THAN HONORABLE DISCHARGES DURING THE
7 "DON'T ASK, DON'T TELL" ERA, OR MORE RECENTLY UNDER THE
8 TRANSGENDER BAN; OR FOR THE NATIONAL GUARD SERVICE MEMBERS
9 WHO, DESPITE BEING CALLED UP BY THE GOVERNOR TO RESPOND TO
10 CRISES AND EMERGENCIES ACROSS THE STATE, ARE OFTEN-- AND I
11 DIDN'T KNOW THIS-- NOT ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS IF THEY WERE
12 NEVER ACTIVATED ON FEDERAL ORDERS. THROUGH THIS MOTION, WE
13 SHOULD BE ABLE TO FIND WAYS TO BETTER LEVERAGE EXISTING
14 RESOURCES IN THE COUNTY, STATE, AND FEDERAL, TO MAXIMIZE THE
15 SUCCESSES OF OUR VETERANS IN THE WORKFORCE, AND POTENTIALLY
16 FIND MORE QUALIFIED CANDIDATES IN THE EXISTING 16,900 FULL-
17 TIME VACANCIES IN OUR COUNTY WORKFORCE. LASTLY, ITEM 16 WILL
18 RECOGNIZE NOVEMBER 11TH, 2022, AS VETERANS DAY, AND ALSO JOIN
19 THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES, AND THE NATIONAL
20 ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFICERS, IN OPERATION
21 GREEN LIGHT, WHICH SEEKS TO CREATE INCREASED AWARENESS AND
22 SHINE A LIGHT ON THE PLIGHT OF VETERANS ACROSS THE COUNTRY,
23 WHO HAVE A HARD TIME CONNECTING WITH THE VETERAN BENEFITS.
24 ALSO INCLUDED IN THIS MOTION IS A DIRECTIVE TO PURSUE FUNDING
25 OPPORTUNITIES TO PROVIDE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR FIRST



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1 RESPONDERS ACROSS THE COUNTY TO ACCESS MILITARY AND VETERANS
2 COMPETENCY AWARENESS TRAINING, IN THE HOPE OF INCREASING THE
3 DIVERSION OF VETERANS IN CRISIS INTO THE CARE OF THE V.A. AS
4 WE CONTINUE TO FIND WAYS TO BETTER SERVE THE VETERAN
5 POPULATION, IT IS IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THAT LOCAL
6 GOVERNMENT HAS A ROLE TO PLAY, SERVING VETERANS. THIS IS NOT
7 ABOUT THE COUNTY COMPETING WITH THE V.A. OR CALVET. IT IS
8 ABOUT COLLABORATING AND LEVERAGING OUR RESOURCES FOR THE
9 BENEFIT OF OUR SERVICE MEMBERS AND VETERANS. IT IS ALSO
10 IMPORTANT THAT WE HELP ALL OUR VETERANS, ESPECIALLY THOSE
11 REDISCOVERING THEIR PURPOSE AFTER THEIR MILITARY SERVICE. IN
12 CLOSING, I WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TO THANK ALL OF OUR VETERANS
13 WHO HAVE SERVED, AND ESPECIALLY THANK THOSE VETERANS WHO KEEP
14 ADVOCATING FOR THEIR FELLOW BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN ARMS,
15 ESPECIALLY MY DEPUTY, ROBERT ALVAREZ, WHO HAS WORKED ON THESE,
16 AND TRULY IS GIVING HIS HEART AND SOUL TO THIS. THANK YOU,
17 MADAM CHAIR.

18
19 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?
20

21 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU SO
22 MUCH, SUPERVISOR BARGER, FOR INCLUDING ME AS A CO-AUTHOR ON
23 YOUR THREE MOTIONS TODAY. I THINK THEY ARE ALL VERY WELL
24 POSITIONED, AND YOU ARTICULATED THE INTENT OF EACH VERY WELL.
25 AND I KNOW THAT, AS WE APPROACH VETERANS DAY, WE CAN'T FORGET,



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1 AS YOU KNOW, THE MANY SACRIFICES THAT OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN
2 UNIFORM HAVE MADE TO PROTECT OUR FREEDOMS. AND MANY OF OUR
3 VETERANS, AS YOU KNOW, HAVE GONE ON, OR ARE CURRENTLY GOING
4 THROUGH, THEIR TRANSITION TO CIVILIAN LIFE. SOME HAVE HAD MORE
5 CHALLENGES THAN OTHERS IN THAT TRANSITION, BUT WE NEED TO
6 CONTINUE TO ADDRESS THE GAPS, AND ENSURE THAT NO VETERAN GOES
7 WITHOUT THE PROPER ASSISTANCE IN LEADING AN EFFORTLESS RETURN.
8 THESE ARE BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN, WHO FOR YEARS PUT THEIR LIVES
9 ON THE LINE TO PROTECT THOSE VALUES WE HOLD MOST DEAR. AND
10 YET, WHEN THEY LEAVE THEIR SERVICE, TOO OFTEN THEY HAVE FOUND
11 THAT THE SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THEM HAVE BEEN INADEQUATE OR
12 IMPOSSIBLE TO ACCESS. WE OWE THE NEARLY 250,000 VETERANS
13 LIVING IN OUR COUNTY MUCH MORE THAN A DEBT OF GRATITUDE FOR
14 THEIR SERVICE. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY HAVE THE
15 SERVICES AND SUPPORTS THAT THEY NEED THROUGHOUT THEIR CIVILIAN
16 LIFE, AS WELL AS FOR THEIR FAMILIES. AS FORMER SECRETARY OF
17 LABOR, I TOO OFTEN WITNESS THE CHALLENGES VETERANS, BOTH MEN
18 AND WOMEN, EXPERIENCE FINDING EMPLOYMENT WHEN THEY WERE COMING
19 BACK HOME. VETERANS OR THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS WERE NOT
20 CONNECTING WITH THE JOB MARKET, UPON THEIR RETURN HOME, SO I
21 DID WORK VERY CLOSELY AT THAT TIME, WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
22 VETERANS AFFAIRS, TO HELP MAKE THAT HAPPEN. BUT THIS ISN'T
23 JUST, AS WAS STATED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, A VETERANS AFFAIRS
24 ISSUE. THIS IS A NATIONAL ISSUE THAT WE HAVE TO ADDRESS
25 TOGETHER. AND HERE AT THE COUNTY, WE MUST BE BETTER PREPARED



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1 TO DO OUR PART, WITH INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS TO HELP OUR VETERANS
2 TRANSITION TO A SUCCESSFUL CIVILIAN LIFE. I RECALL UPON MY
3 FIRST FEW MONTHS AS SUPERVISOR. WHEN I WAS ONBOARDING, I
4 RECEIVED A TOUR OF PATRIOTIC HALL, WHICH IS IN MY DISTRICT. I
5 VISITED THE NEWLY RENOVATED BUILDING, AND NOTICED THE STATE-
6 OF-THE-ART KITCHEN. THAT WAS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO START A
7 VETERAN CULINARY ARTS PROGRAM. SO, WITH LOCAL STAKEHOLDERS, WE
8 BEGAN TO BUILD A PATH TO SUITABLE TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT.
9 WELL, C.O.V.I.D. PUT THAT ON HOLD, BUT NOW WE HAVE TO MOVE
10 FAST FORWARD, AND WE HAVE TO CONTINUE, AGAIN, OUR EFFORTS TO
11 OUTREACH TO THOSE VETERANS, AND TO THEIR IMMEDIATE FAMILY
12 MEMBERS, SO THAT WE HAVE FATHERS AND DAUGHTERS GRADUATING FROM
13 THIS WONDERFUL PROGRAM. AND IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, MY OFFICE
14 BEGAN A VETERAN RESOURCE EMPLOYMENT EXPO FAIR AT THE FAIRPLEX
15 IN POMONA. EVERY YEAR THAT WE WERE ABLE TO HOLD IT, WE HAD
16 WELL OVER 1,000 ACTIVE-DUTY PERSONNEL-- VETERANS, RESERVISTS--
17 AT THE EXPO, ALONG WITH THEIR FAMILIES, AND MANY THAT WERE
18 UNHOUSED VETERANS. THEY RECEIVED NEEDED SERVICES, SUCH AS
19 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES, MEDICAL SERVICES, EDUCATION
20 COUNSELORS. AND OUR COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCES WAS AMONGST THE
21 MANY DEPARTMENTS THAT WERE THERE TO OFFER HELP. THIS IS THE
22 TYPE OF INITIATIVE THAT WE NEED TO EXPAND ON, AND HAVE IT
23 BUILT OUT IN ALL OF OUR DISTRICTS. WE CAN'T FULLY ADDRESS THE
24 PROBLEM WITHOUT UNDERSTANDING ITS ROOT CAUSES, AND TODAY'S
25 MOTIONS WILL HELP US GET THE COUNTY-LEVEL UNDERSTANDING OF THE



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1 CHALLENGES AHEAD OF US ALL. I WANT TO ONCE AGAIN THANK
2 SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR ALLOWING ME TO JOIN HER IN CO-AUTHORING
3 THE MOTIONS, AND THESE MOTIONS PUT OUR WORDS INTO ACTIONS. WE,
4 AS A COUNTY, CAN, AND CAN DO BETTER, FOR OUR VETERANS. AND
5 LASTLY, I WANT TO WISH A HAPPY 247TH BIRTHDAY TO THE UNITED
6 STATES MARINE CORPS, WHO WILL CELEBRATE THAT ON NOVEMBER THE
7 10TH. THANK YOU, AND I URGE YOUR AYE VOTE ON THESE MOTIONS.
8 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER AND MADAM CHAIR.

9

10 **SUP. KUEHL:** MADAM CHAIR, IF I MAY SOMETIME GET IN THE QUEUE?

11

12 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** ABSOLUTELY. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

13

14 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU TO
15 SUPERVISORS BARGER AND SOLIS FOR AUTHORIZING THESE MOTIONS TO
16 HONOR OUR VETERANS BY RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER 11TH AS VETERANS
17 DAY, AND THEN LOOKING INTO WAYS IN WHICH L.A. COUNTY CAN
18 FURTHER SUPPORT THEM. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER. YOU HAVE
19 ALWAYS BEEN SUCH A CHAMPION FOR OUR VETERANS, AND THEY NEVER
20 SEEM TO BE FAR FROM YOUR THOUGHTS OR YOUR ACTIONS, AND THAT IS
21 AN EXAMPLE FOR ALL OF US. AND I THINK WE KNOW THAT OUR
22 VETERANS LEAVE SERVICE, SOMETIMES, ONLY TO BE MET WITH BATTLES
23 HERE AT HOME. MANY OF THEM ARE LEFT TO FACE MENTAL HEALTH
24 CHALLENGES ALONE. TOO MANY STRUGGLE WITH POVERTY AND
25 UNEMPLOYMENT. AND AS YOU SAID, IT IS JUST TRAGIC THAT WE EVEN



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1 PUT IN THE SAME SENTENCE "HOMELESS" AND "VETERANS." I THINK
2 THAT IS JUST SUCH A SHAME, AS A SOCIETY, THAT THAT HAPPENS.
3 AND I THINK THIS MOTION, PARTICULARLY 13, WILL HELP US TO
4 DEVELOP BETTER CAREER PATHWAYS TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES,
5 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES, BOTH IN THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE
6 SECTOR, SO THAT OUR VETERANS CAN PUT THEIR WELL-HONED SKILLS
7 TO WORK, SUPPORTING THEIR FAMILIES AND BENEFITING THEIR
8 COMMUNITIES. I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE ARE EVEN GIVING A
9 SHOUT-OUT TO OUR FIRST RESPONDERS, AND MAKING SURE THAT THEY
10 ARE TRAINED TO PROVIDE INCREASED DIVERSION FOR VETERANS IN
11 CRISIS. AND I KNOW THAT I WANT TO RECOMMIT MY OWN SELF TO
12 HONORING MY VETERANS, NOT JUST THROUGH WORDS, BUT THROUGH
13 THINGS THAT WE CAN DO. AND I KNOW ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE
14 ARE DOING DOWN IN SAN PEDRO, WE ARE WORKING WITH VOLUNTEERS OF
15 AMERICA. THE COUNTY HAS WORKED WITH STATE FUNDS TO PURCHASE A
16 HOTEL, RIGHT THERE ON FIRST AND GAFFEY, WHEN YOU EXIT THE 110
17 FREEWAY. AND WE ARE GOING TO TURN THAT INTO 60 ROOMS,
18 SPECIFICALLY FOR VETERANS WHO HAVE FOUND THEMSELVES LIVING ON
19 OUR STREETS. AND IT IS AMAZING, BECAUSE SOMETIMES THESE
20 PROJECTS CAN GET PUSHBACK IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THIS ONE
21 OVERWHELMINGLY, WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS, WITH THE
22 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. AND YOU KNOW WHAT IT WAS? IT WAS THE WORD
23 "VETERANS" ATTACHED TO IT THAT I THINK EVERYONE KIND OF FEELS
24 A SENSE OF SHAME TO THINK THAT ANY OF OUR VETERANS WHO HAVE
25 SERVED THIS COUNTRY IN SUCH AN HONORABLE WAY HAVE FOUND



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1 THEMSELVES SLEEPING ON OUR STREETS. SO, THANK YOU FOR THESE
2 MOTIONS. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND BARGER, FOR DOING
3 THIS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR
4 KUEHL?

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6 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. IT IS REALLY TROUBLING,
7 AND EVERYONE HAS SPOKEN VERY ELOQUENTLY ABOUT IT. IN 1969, I
8 WAS FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO GO WITH THE U.S.O. TO VIETNAM FOR FOUR
9 WEEKS, AND WENT SORT OF TOP TO BOTTOM, EVERYWHERE THE TROOPS
10 WERE, AND WE HAD TO COUNT HOW MANY MEN WE TALKED TO, AND I
11 ENDED UP TALKING TO 10,000 GUYS OVER THE COURSE OF FOUR WEEKS.
12 AND IT HIT ME THAT, ESPECIALLY NOW, ALTHOUGH THEN THERE WAS A
13 DRAFT, BUT NOW IT IS A VOLUNTEER ARMY, PRIMARILY, PEOPLE
14 CHOOSE TO GO INTO SERVICE, BUT IT IS AN ENORMOUS BREAK IN
15 THEIR LIVES. YOU SORT OF BUILD IN YOUR LIFE TOWARDS SOMETHING--
16 - YOU AND YOUR FAMILY, MAYBE-- AND THEN YOU ARE GONE. AND WHEN
17 YOU COME BACK, YOU ARE NOT THE SAME PERSON. IT IS A HORRIBLE
18 PLACE TO BE, IN A WAR, AND IT CHANGES YOU FOREVER. AND I
19 REMEMBER FLYING HOME FROM WHAT WAS THEN SAIGON, WITH 200 GUYS,
20 AND WE GOT OFF THE PLANE, AND SOME OF THEM WERE MET BY
21 FAMILIES; NOT ALL OF THEM. BUT THEY ALL SEEMED A LITTLE LOST.
22 HAPPY TO BE HOME, REALLY GRATEFUL TO HAVE LIVED THROUGH, AS SO
23 MANY DIDN'T, BUT A LITTLE LOST. AND IT IS REALLY HARD TO START
24 THAT MOTOR UP AGAIN. THEY NEED SOME EXTRA HELP. AND ALSO, IT
25 IS INTERESTING. WHEN YOU ARE IN SERVICE, AND ESPECIALLY IN A



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1 WAR ZONE, THE RULE IS, "NO MAN LEFT BEHIND." I MEAN,
2 SOMEBODY'S GOT YOUR BACK. AND WHEN YOU GET HOME, THERE IS
3 NOTHING LIKE THAT. THERE IS NO "NO MAN LEFT BEHIND," AND
4 "WE'VE GOT YOU," AND "WE ARE THERE FOR YOU." SO THESE MOTIONS
5 ARE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT, AND I WANT TO CONTINUE WORKING WITH
6 YOU, EVEN LONGER THAN I AM HERE, ON THESE ISSUES, BECAUSE
7 THESE GUYS REALLY DESERVE IT. AND NOW, OF COURSE, IT IS GUYS
8 AND GALS. AND THANK YOU FOR MENTIONING OUR L.G.B.T.Q.
9 COMMUNITY. IT'S BEEN VERY DIFFICULT TO TRY TO GET YOUR
10 HONORABLE DISCHARGE BACK, AND ALSO FOR YOUR SPOUSE TO BE
11 RECOGNIZED AS DESERVING OF BENEFITS. SO, ALL OF THOSE THINGS
12 ARE WORTHY OF OUR WORK AND ATTENTION, AND I THANK YOU SO MUCH
13 FOR DOING THIS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

14
15 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I WOULD LIKE TO ECHO THE
16 SUPPORT FOR NOT ONLY THESE THREE MOTIONS-- AND THANK YOU,
17 SUPERVISORS BARGER AND SOLIS-- BECAUSE I AM CLEAR THAT THERE'S
18 REALLY NEVER ENOUGH RESOURCES WE CAN OFFER THOSE WHO SERVE OUR
19 COUNTRY, AND INCLUDING THEIR FAMILIES. SUPERVISOR KUEHL
20 TOUCHED ON THAT, BECAUSE THEY, TOO, HAVE MADE THE ULTIMATE
21 SACRIFICE. THE SERVICE OF FAMILIES, BECAUSE WHEN A PERSON
22 SERVES, SO DOES THEIR FAMILY. MILITARY FAMILIES ARE OFTEN
23 ASKED, OR HAVE TO SACRIFICE TIME AWAY FROM THEIR LOVED ONES,
24 WHICH IS NEVER AN EASY THING TO DO. SO I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT
25 THAT, AS WE THINK ABOUT AND THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX, AND THINK



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1 CREATIVELY ABOUT RESOURCES-- AS YOU SAID, NOT TO DUPLICATE THE
2 ROLE OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, BUT UNIQUE SPACE THAT WE COULD
3 OPERATE IN, AS LOCAL GOVERNMENT-- THAT THOSE RESOURCES ALSO BE
4 MADE AVAILABLE TO SPOUSES AND CHILDREN OF SERVICE MEMBERS. I
5 WAS STRUCK BY THE NATIONAL NEWS, LATELY, ABOUT THE NUMBER OF
6 SERVICE MEMBERS WHO WERE LEAVING THE SERVICE BECAUSE OF THEIR
7 CHILD CARE CHALLENGES. THAT STRUCK ME, BECAUSE FOR MANY YEARS,
8 WHEN I WORKED IN CHILD DEVELOPMENT, THE MILITARY WAS THE
9 PINNACLE. IT WAS THE ULTIMATE PROVIDER OF CHILD CARE SERVICES
10 ACROSS-- THEY RANKED NUMBER ONE ACROSS ALL STATES. SO, TO SEE
11 THAT MEMBERS ARE FINDING THE NEED TO LEAVE THEIR MILITARY
12 SERVICE EARLY, BECAUSE THEY HAVE DIFFICULTY FINDING
13 APPROPRIATE AND AFFORDABLE AND ACCESSIBLE CHILD CARE, IS
14 REALLY TRAGIC. AGAIN, I COMMEND THE THREE MOTIONS. HAPPY TO
15 SUPPORT. AND BEFORE I WRAP UP, I REALLY WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE
16 SEVERAL OF THE ADVOCATES FOR VETERANS IN THE SECOND DISTRICT,
17 THAT STAND UP EACH AND EVERY DAY TO ADVOCATE ON BEHALF OF
18 VETERANS: TOVA BARBER, PRESIDENT OF THE VETERANS ADVISORY
19 GROUP OF AMERICA; TED TENURIAL, WITH THE NATIVE AMERICAN
20 VETERANS ASSOCIATION; DR. LESTEAN JOHNSON, PRESIDENT AND
21 C.E.O. OF THE COMPTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, WHO COORDINATES AN
22 ANNUAL RESOURCE FAIR FOR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES; TOM
23 LASSER, WITH THE REDONDO BEACH VETERANS MEMORIAL TASK FORCE;
24 CHRISTINA RHEINGOLD, PROGRAM MANAGER FOR THE VETERAN PEER
25 ACCESS NETWORK; AND LAST, BUT NOT LEAST, I'M PROUD TO SAY THAT



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SUPERVISORS

1 THE SECOND-DISTRICT APPOINTEES TO L.A. COUNTY'S VETERANS
2 ADVISORY COMMISSION ARE TWO WOMEN VETERANS, PATRICIA JACKSON-
3 KELLEY AND JUANA MCFADDEN, WHO ARE STAUNCH ADVOCATE WHO KEEP
4 FRONT AND CENTER, FOR MYSELF AND MY TEAM, CRITICAL ISSUES
5 IMPACTING VETERANS WHO CALL THE SECOND DISTRICT HOME. AGAIN,
6 THANK YOU FOR YOUR MOTIONS, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO SUPPORTING
7 THEM. WE ARE GOING TO TAKE THE THREE ITEMS UP, INDIVIDUALLY,
8 FOR A VOTE. SO WE'LL BEGIN WITH ITEM NUMBER 12. MOVED BY
9 SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY SOLIS TO APPROVE THE ITEM.
10 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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

13
14 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

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

17
18 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

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

21
22 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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



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1 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

2

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

5

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

7

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

10

11 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** ITEM 13. MOVED BY BARGER, SECONDED BY
12 SOLIS. PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

13

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

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

17

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

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

21

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

23

24 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

25



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

2

3 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR
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:** ITEM 16. MOVED BY BARGER, SECONDED BY
14 SOLIS. PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

15

16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 16 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

17

18 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

19

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

21

22 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

23

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

25



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1 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

2

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

4

5 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

6

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

8 MITCHELL?

9

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

11

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

13 5-0.

14

15 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ITEM 19, SUPPORT FOR

16 PROPOSITION 1, THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO REPRODUCTIVE

17 FREEDOM, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SUPERVISOR?

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AND I ALSO

20 WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR CO-AUTHORING THIS MOTION

21 ALONGSIDE WITH ME. AS YOU KNOW, IT'S NO SECRET THAT, WITH

22 DOBBS VERSUS JACKSON WOMEN'S HEALTH CENTER, THE SUPREME COURT

23 IS ON A PATH TO TAKE AWAY A WOMAN'S RIGHT TO PRIVACY. MAKE NO

24 MISTAKE ABOUT IT: THIS IS AN ASSAULT ON ALL OF US. THEIR

25 DECISION WILL LEAD TO THE DEATHS OF WOMEN, PARTICULARLY WOMEN



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1 OF COLOR, AND IT WILL BE DESTRUCTIVE ON THE RIGHTS OF DIGNITY,
2 AND THE RIGHTS OF ALL. LIKE I SAID BEFORE, MANY TIMES I'M
3 OUTRAGED. I KNOW THIS ENTIRE BOARD, MY FEMALE COLLEAGUES, FEEL
4 THE VERY SAME WAY. BUT THIS BOARD IS DOING MORE THAN THAT. IT
5 IS ACTING. IN FACT, WE HAVE COLLECTIVELY BROUGHT SEVERAL
6 MOTIONS TO ENSURE OUR RESIDENTS AND THE RESIDENTS OF OTHER
7 LOCALITIES KNOW THAT THEY CAN SAFELY RECEIVE REPRODUCTIVE
8 HEALTHCARE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO
9 WHATEVER IS POSSIBLE TO GUARD THIS RIGHT. AND NOW THAT
10 PREGNANCY CRISIS CENTERS ARE EMBOLDENED TO OPERATE EVEN WITHIN
11 THE BOUNDARIES OF CALIFORNIA, WE MUST RECOGNIZE THAT
12 CALIFORNIANS ARE NOT IMMUNE TO THE DECISION OF THE SUPREME
13 COURT, OR THE DECISION OF OTHER STATES. INSTEAD, PUBLIC
14 SERVANTS IN THE STATE MUST CONTINUE TO SAFEGUARD THE RIGHT TO
15 AN ABORTION, AND THE RIGHT TO CONTRACEPTION, WITHOUT FEAR OF
16 PERSECUTION. THAT IS WHY I BROUGHT THE MOTION TODAY, TO
17 SUPPORT PROPOSITION 1. ALREADY, OUR CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION
18 PROTECTS RESIDENTS' RIGHT TO PRIVACY, WHICH OTHER RIGHTS, LIKE
19 THE RIGHT TO AN ABORTION AND THE RIGHT TO CONTRACEPTION, ARE
20 FOUNDED UPON. BUT THE DOBBS DECISION REQUIRES US TO LEAVE NO
21 STATUTE OR LAW UP FOR INTERPRETATION, WHICH IS WHY WE MUST
22 ENSHRINE THIS SPECIFIC RIGHT TO AN ABORTION AND CONTRACEPTION
23 INTO OUR STATE CONSTITUTION. THESE RIGHTS, AS YOU KNOW, ARE
24 INTERTWINED, AND HINGE ON THE RIGHT TO PRIVACY. BY EXPLICITLY
25 ENUMERATING AND GUARANTEEING EACH OF THESE INDIVIDUAL PRIVACY



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1 RIGHTS IN THE STATE CONSTITUTION, WE CAN ENSURE THESE RIGHTS
2 REMAIN PROTECTED: SOMETHING THAT THE WHIM OF JUDGES OR
3 LAWMAKERS CANNOT TAKE AWAY. THIS BOARD MUST SUPPORT
4 PROPOSITION 1. REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH, INCLUDING ABORTION, IS IN
5 FACT A HUMAN RIGHT. I ASK MY COLLEAGUES FOR YOUR AYE VOTE.
6 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

7

8 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

9

10 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
11 SOLIS, FOR INVITING ME TO CO-AUTHOR THIS MOTION WITH YOU, TO
12 SHOW OUR SUPPORT FOR PROPOSITION 1. THIS STATE PROPOSITION ON
13 OUR BALLOTS WOULD ENSHRINE REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM IN THE
14 CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION. THROUGHOUT MOST OF MY ADULT LIFE, THE
15 RIGHT FOR A WOMAN TO MAKE A CHOICE ABOUT HER REPRODUCTIVE
16 HEALTH HAS ALWAYS BEEN PROTECTED. BUT WITH THE OVERTURNING OF
17 ROE V. WADE THIS PAST SUMMER, THE FEAR OF LOSING THAT RIGHT
18 BECAME A REALITY. IT'S HARD FOR ME TO IMAGINE THAT MY
19 GRANDDAUGHTERS MIGHT NOT HAVE THAT SAME RIGHT, DEPENDING ON
20 WHICH STATE THEY LIVE IN. BUT HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, WE KNOW WE
21 REPRESENT OVER 5 MILLION WOMEN. THIS IS 1/4 OF ALL THE WOMEN
22 IN CALIFORNIA. AND AS VOTERS START TO GO TO THE POLLS OR MAIL
23 IN THEIR BALLOTS, THIS IS AN OPPORTUNE TIME FOR OUR BOARD,
24 COMPRISED OF ALL WOMEN, TO PROCLAIM OUR SUPPORT ONCE AGAIN FOR



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SUPERVISORS

1 REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM HERE IN CALIFORNIA. I URGE ALL OF OUR
2 RESIDENTS TO GET OUT AND VOTE. THANK YOU.

3
4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME JUST SAY,
5 BASED ON THE COMMENTARY WE HEARD IN THE NEWS YESTERDAY, IN
6 TERMS OF A CASE CURRENTLY BEFORE THIS COURT, THIS COURT
7 APPEARS TO BE BOUND AND DETERMINED TO TURN THE CLOCK BACK TO A
8 BYGONE ERA THAT, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, IS A BYGONE ERA FOR A
9 REASON. WE ARE CLEARLY NEVER GOING TO BE OFF THE BATTLEFIELD
10 TO CONTINUE TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF WOMEN, GIRLS, AND
11 UNDERREPRESENTED COMMUNITIES, SO I LOOK FORWARD TO SUPPORTING
12 THIS MOTION. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON THIS ITEM?

13
14 **SUP. KUEHL:** YES, MADAM CHAIR, IF I MAY JUST ADD ONE THING.

15
16 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** PLEASE.

17
18 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OF COURSE, I STRONGLY,
19 STRONGLY SUPPORT THIS. WHEN SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND I WERE BOTH
20 IN THE LEGISLATURE, I AUTHORED A BILL TO EMBED ALL OF THE
21 LANGUAGE OF ROE V. WADE INTO CALIFORNIA STATUTE, BECAUSE WE
22 HAD THIS DISCUSSION. WE THOUGHT, SOMEDAY, IT'S ALWAYS
23 POSSIBLE, BECAUSE IT WAS NOT EXPLICIT IN THE CONSTITUTION THAT
24 THERE WAS A RIGHT TO PRIVACY, AND SOMEDAY THERE MIGHT BE
25 SOMEBODY GOING THE WRONG WAY. BUT SUPERVISOR SOLIS IS CORRECT.



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1 I MEAN, IT'S ALWAYS UP TO THE NEXT LEGISLATURE TO SAY, "OKAY,
2 WE'RE NOT GOING TO DO THAT STATUTE ANYMORE," AND TAKE IT OFF
3 THE BOOKS. SO THIS IS AN EXTREMELY NECESSARY MOVE TO EMBED IT
4 IN THE STATE CONSTITUTION, AND SAY CLEARLY WHAT IT'S ABOUT. SO
5 I STRONGLY SUPPORT, AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND
6 SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION. THANK YOU, MADAM
7 CHAIR.

8

9 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. HEARING NO OTHER COMMENTS,
10 ITEM 19 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY
11 HAHN TO APPROVE THE ITEM. PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

12

13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 19 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

14

15 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

16

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

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

20

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

22

23 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

24



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

2 SUPERVISOR BARGER, ABSENT. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** AYE. I'M GOING TO ASK THAT WE HOLD THAT

5 ITEM OPEN TO ALLOW SUPERVISOR BARGER TO RETURN AND ADD ON.

6 OKAY?

7

8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** FINE.

9

10 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** WE'RE GOING TO PROCEED ON TO ITEM 22,

11 NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH AND ADOPTING THE COUNTYWIDE

12 LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

13 SUPERVISOR?

14

15 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AND I WANT TO

16 THANK, ALSO, SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR CO-AUTHORING THIS MOTION

17 ALONG WITH ME. BEFORE I BEGIN, I WANT TO FIRST START OFF BY

18 CONGRATULATING THIS YEAR'S NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

19 HONOREES: THE PHOENIX FAMILY (TOHONO O'ODHAM), SPIRIT OF

20 TRADITION; CAST AND CREW OF "RESERVATION DOGS," SPIRIT OF

21 CREATIVITY; AND DR. CARRIE JOHNSON (WAHPETON DAKOTA), SPIRIT

22 OF COMMUNITY. THE LOS ANGELES CITY/COUNTY NATIVE AMERICAN

23 INDIAN COMMISSION-- L.A.N.A.I.C., FOR SHORT-- SELECTED

24 "STRONGER TOGETHER" AS THIS YEAR'S NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE

25 MONTH THEME, AND IT'S SO FITTING THAT THESE COMMUNITY LEADERS



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1 BE RECOGNIZED FOR THEIR VAST CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE AMERICAN
2 INDIAN AND ALASKAN NATIVE POPULATION. DURING THIS MONTH, WE
3 NOT ONLY CELEBRATE NATIVE AMERICAN LEGACY AND CULTURE, AND
4 ACKNOWLEDGE THE CHALLENGES THAT NATIVE PEOPLES HAVE AND
5 CONTINUE TO FACE, BUT ALSO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE
6 MEANINGFUL FIRST STEPS TOWARDS COMBATting ERASURE, AND
7 ADVANCING TRUTH, HEALING, AND TRANSFORMATION WITH THE COUNTY'S
8 LOCAL TRIBES AND THE A.I.A.N. COMMUNITY. A LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT
9 IS A STATEMENT THAT RECOGNIZES AN AREA'S ORIGINAL INHABITANTS,
10 WHO HAVE BEEN FORCIBLY DISPOSED OF THEIR HOMELANDS, AND IS A
11 STEP TOWARD RECOGNIZING THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS THESE COMMUNITIES
12 HAVE ENDURED, AND CONTINUE TO ENDURE, AS A RESULT. IN RECENT
13 YEARS, AS YOU KNOW, INSTITUTIONS, OFTEN COLLEGES AND
14 UNIVERSITIES AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS, HAVE INCREASINGLY
15 ADOPTED LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS. AND ALTHOUGH RELATIVELY UNCOMMON
16 AMONGST THE CITY, THE COUNTY, AND STATE GOVERNMENTS IN THE
17 UNITED STATES, A LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT IS A COMMON PROTOCOL
18 WITHIN NATIVE COMMUNITIES, AND A STANDARD PRACTICE IN BOTH
19 AUSTRALIA AND IN CANADA. A YEAR AGO, I AUTHORED A MOTION WHICH
20 DIRECTED THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND CULTURE
21 TO WORK WITH L.A.N.A.I.C. TO HIRE A CONSULTANT TO FACILITATE
22 THE DEVELOPMENT OF LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND LAND ACCESS
23 POLICIES, PROTOCOLS, AND TOOLKITS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
24 COUNTYWIDE CULTURAL POLICY THAT THIS BOARD APPROVED. THAT
25 MOTION ALSO INCLUDED FUNDING HONORARIUMS TO PAY OUR TRIBAL



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1 LEADERS, OR THEIR DESIGNEES, FOR THEIR TIME AND THEIR
2 KNOWLEDGE. 22 TRIBAL NATIONS FROM, GENERALLY, 5 ANCESTRAL
3 COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE TIES TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGION,
4 AS IDENTIFIED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA NATIVE AMERICAN
5 HERITAGE COMMISSION, WERE INVITED TO ALSO PARTICIPATE IN THIS
6 PROCESS. FOUR FACILITATED SESSIONS, WITH TRIBAL LEADERS FROM 6
7 LOCAL TRIBES, TOOK PLACE BETWEEN APRIL 15TH THROUGH SEPTEMBER
8 30TH OF THIS YEAR. THROUGHOUT THAT PROCESS, THOSE
9 PARTICIPATING PROVIDED INVALUABLE INPUT AND FEEDBACK ON KEY
10 ELEMENTS THAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE FORMAL LAND
11 ACKNOWLEDGMENT FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, AS WELL AS
12 GUIDELINES FOR ITS USE. I AM VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE TIRELESS
13 WORK OF THE L.A.N.A.I.C., THE DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND CULTURE,
14 AND OUR NATIVE COMMUNITY MEMBERS, AND ESPECIALLY TO THOSE
15 LEADERS THAT CALLED IN TODAY. TODAY'S VOTE FORMALLY ADOPTS
16 SPECIFIC LANGUAGE TO BE USED AS LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT FOR THE
17 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER THE 1ST, AND ENSURE
18 THAT WE OPEN ALL BOARD MEETINGS WITH THE LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT,
19 BOTH VERBALLY AND VISUALLY. MEMBERS, I RESPECTFULLY ASK FOR
20 YOUR AYE VOTE. AND THANK YOU AGAIN, SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR
21 JOINING ME AS CO-AUTHOR.

22
23 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?
24



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1 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
2 SOLIS, FOR ALLOWING ME TO CO-AUTHOR THIS MOTION. NATIVE
3 AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH MARKS A TIME TO CELEBRATE RICH AND
4 DIVERSE CULTURES, TRADITIONS, AND HISTORIES, AND TO
5 ACKNOWLEDGE THE IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS OF NATIVE PEOPLE. AND
6 I THINK IT'S SO IMPORTANT THAT WE'RE NOT ONLY CELEBRATING THIS
7 MONTH, BUT TAKING THE OPPORTUNITY TO PUT IN PLACE A COUNTYWIDE
8 LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT POLICY THAT REALLY HAS BEEN A LONG TIME
9 COMING. I STARTED INCLUDING A LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT AT THE
10 BEGINNING OF ALL MY SPEECHES LAST FALL, AND IT HAS BEEN REALLY
11 MEANINGFUL AND IMPORTANT. AND I DON'T CARE WHERE I AM OR WHAT
12 TYPE OF AN EVENT IT IS, I ALWAYS GET APPLAUSE FROM THOSE WHO
13 ARE THERE, WHO REALIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF US HAVING A LAND
14 ACKNOWLEDGMENT. SO, I REALLY LOOK FORWARD TO IT BEING
15 INCORPORATED INTO OUR BOARD MEETINGS. I WANT TO THANK THE
16 MEMBERS OF THE LOS ANGELES CITY/COUNTY NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN
17 COMMISSION FOR YOUR WORK IN DEVELOPING THE LANGUAGE FOR THIS
18 LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT. I KNOW THERE WERE MANY VOICES AND
19 PERSPECTIVES THAT NEEDED TO BE INCLUDED, AND I APPRECIATE YOUR
20 DEDICATION TO GETTING IT RIGHT. WHEN MY FATHER WORKED TO
21 CREATE THE COMMISSION DECADES AGO, I'M SURE THIS WAS THE KIND
22 OF WORK HE HOPED THIS COMMISSION WOULD BE INVOLVED IN. IT'S
23 ESSENTIAL TO RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT THE UNIQUE CHALLENGES
24 NATIVE PEOPLE HAVE FACED, BOTH HISTORICALLY AND IN THE
25 PRESENT, AND THE WAYS IN WHICH TRIBAL CITIZENS HAVE WORKED TO



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1 CONQUER THESE CHALLENGES. THIS STATEMENT EMBODIES THE COUNTY'S
2 CONTINUED COMMITMENT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE LAND AS AN EXPRESSION
3 OF HONOR, GRATITUDE, AND APPRECIATION TO THE NATIVE PEOPLE WHO
4 HAVE LONG-STANDING HISTORY OF LIVING, WORKING, AND RESIDING IN
5 THE REGION, AND A CONSTANT REMINDER FOR ALL OF US THAT WE
6 STILL HAVE WORK AHEAD OF US. AND I, TOO, WANT TO THANK THOSE
7 THAT CALLED IN TODAY IN SUPPORT OF THIS. AND ALSO, I BELIEVE
8 WE ALL RECEIVED A LETTER FROM ERIC EISENBERG, THE PRESIDENT OF
9 OUR ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION, WHO ALSO LENT THEIR SUPPORT
10 TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE'RE ADOPTING HERE TODAY. SO,
11 THANK YOU.

12
13 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER?

14
15 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND
16 SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. I'VE SEEN
17 HOW MEANINGFUL IT IS WHEN WE TAKE ACTION TO DO RIGHT BY THE
18 TRIBES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. JUST RECENTLY, THERE WAS AN
19 ARTICLE ABOUT A FAMILY IN ALTADENA, WHO RETURNED THEIR ACRE OF
20 LAND TO THE TONGVA TRIBE. IT'S ONE OF THE FIRST PRIVATE LAND
21 RETURNS TO INDIGENOUS PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND I
22 BELIEVE IT'S AN IMPORTANT STEP IN HEALING, AND I KNOW THAT THE
23 FAMILY DID THAT FOR THAT REASON. THEY GAVE THE ORIGINAL
24 STEWARDS OF THIS BEAUTIFUL LAND BACK THE PROPERTY, WHICH WAS
25 VALUED AT OVER \$2 MILLION. THE LAND IS NOW OWNED AND ENJOYED



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1 BY THE TONGVA, TO BE USED AS A PLACE FOR TRADITIONAL
2 CEREMONIES AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING FOR THE YOUNGER
3 GENERATION OF TRIBAL MEMBERS. THE TRIBE ALSO PLANS TO BUILD A
4 STAIRCASE TO CONNECT THE LAND TO EATON CANYON, WHICH I THINK
5 IS A LOVELY VISUAL REPRESENTATION OF THE CONNECTION WE'RE
6 SEEKING TO BUILD BETWEEN THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE AND LOS ANGELES
7 COUNTY. I HOPE OUR LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT WILL BE ANOTHER STEP TO
8 BRING HEALING TO INDIGENOUS PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY, SO I
9 REALLY THANK YOU FOR THIS MOTION. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

10

11 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I, TOO, WOULD LIKE TO THANK
12 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR THE MOTION, AND THANK YOU TO THE TRIBAL
13 COMMUNITIES, THE DEPARTMENT COMMISSION, FOR YOUR DEEP
14 ENGAGEMENT AROUND THIS WORK. WHILE A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF WORK
15 REMAINS, THIS IS AN IMPORTANT STEP TOWARD RECOGNIZING THE HARM
16 CAUSED BY THE FORCIBLE DISPOSSESSION OF LAND. AND I'M VERY
17 HAPPY TO HEAR THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND CULTURE AND THE
18 C.E.O. ARE WORKING TOGETHER TO IDENTIFY FUNDING IN THE
19 DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET TO CONTINUE RESOURCING THIS WORK. I THINK
20 THIS IS IMPORTANT FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS. I HAD THE
21 PRIVILEGE, JUST LAST WEEK, OF HAVING A MEETING WITH ABOUT A
22 DOZEN TRIBAL LEADERS, TO HEAR FROM THEM ABOUT THE PRESSING
23 ISSUES OF THEIR TRIBAL MEMBERS. AND I HAVE TO SAY, THE MEETING
24 WAS, FRANKLY, RIPE WITH TENSION: TENSION BECAUSE OF THEIR
25 FRUSTRATION OF HAVING TO REITERATE THEIR CHALLENGES;



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1 FRUSTRATING GENERALLY FOR, I THINK, THE AMOUNT OF TIME IT TOOK
2 TO GET TO WHERE WE ARE TODAY WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LAND
3 ACKNOWLEDGMENT. AND SO, I THINK IT WAS AN IMPORTANT
4 CONVERSATION TO HAVE. I FELT HEARD, AND I HOPE THAT I WAS
5 SUCCESSFUL IN MAKING SURE THEY FELT HEARD BY ME. I THINK THEY
6 APPRECIATED THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT, AND
7 URGED US TO WORK TO SUPPORT URBAN NATIVE PEOPLE, THAT OUR WORK
8 NOT STOP WITH THE LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT. I THINK THAT WAS VERY
9 IMPORTANT TO THEM. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO US INTEGRATING THE
10 LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT INTO COUNTY POLICY, AS WAS STATED, AND TO
11 ADVANCING THE ONGOING CONVERSATIONS THAT ARE BEING STEWARDED
12 BY THE L.A. NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN COMMISSION. SO, TO ALL OF
13 OUR NATIVE AMERICAN RESIDENTS, WE SEE YOU, WE HEAR YOU, AND WE
14 ALL LOOK FORWARD TO ONGOING COLLABORATIVE RELATIONSHIPS. ANY
15 FURTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? HEARING NONE, ITEM 22 IS BEFORE
16 US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY HAHN TO APPROVE THE
17 ITEM. PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

18
19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 22 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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21 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

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

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25 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.



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

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4 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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8 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

11 MITCHELL?

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

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

16 5-0.

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18 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THE ABSENT MEMBERS

19 ON ITEM 19, SO WE CAN CLOSE THE ROLL ON THAT VOTE?

20

21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** YES. ITEM 19 IS BEFORE YOU, SUPERVISOR

22 BARGER.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER:** YES.

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

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4 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT, WE'RE GOING TO HEAR
5 ITEMS 82, 83, 84, 85, AND 86 TOGETHER. THEY ARE THE SETTLEMENT
6 MATTERS ENTITLED TIMOTHY NEAL V. COUNTY OF L.A., ET AL.; ITEM
7 83, SETTLEMENT OF THE MATTER ENTITLED TIMOTHY NEAL V. COUNTY
8 OF L.A., ET AL.; ITEM 84, SETTLEMENT OF THE MATTER ENTITLED
9 CLAIM OF THE ESTATE OF PEDRO LOPEZ, ET AL.; ITEM 85,
10 SETTLEMENT OF THE MATTER ENTITLED ELISA GUARDADO, ET AL. V.
11 COUNTY OF L.A., ET AL.; AND ITEM 86, SETTLEMENT OF THE MATTER
12 ENTITLED RUFINO PAREDES V. COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, ET AL.,
13 WHICH I HELD. AND, COLLEAGUES, I THOUGHT IT WAS IMPORTANT
14 TODAY THAT WE HOLD ALL THESE ITEMS TOGETHER, BECAUSE, QUITE
15 FRANKLY, WHEN I REVIEWED THE AGENDA, I WAS ASTONISHED THAT WE
16 HAVE CONTINUED TO SEE HIGH SETTLEMENT AMOUNTS THAT STEM FROM
17 ONE DEPARTMENT, AND THAT'S THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THE
18 BURDEN OF THE DEPARTMENT'S ACTIONS FALLS ON FAMILIES IN OUR
19 COMMUNITIES-- THOSE WHO, IN MANY OF THESE CASES, WILL NEVER
20 SEE THEIR LOVED ONES AGAIN, AND WHO WILL DEAL WITH TRAUMA FOR
21 THE REST OF THEIR LIVES. IN ADDITION TO THE HUMAN TOLL THESE
22 CASES REPRESENT, WE SHOULD ALSO TALK ABOUT THE FINANCIAL TOLL
23 ON THE COUNTY AND ALL OF OUR TAXPAYING RESIDENTS. ON THIS
24 AGENDA ALONE, THE SETTLEMENTS TOTAL OVER \$47 MILLION, WITH A
25 RANGE OF EXTREMELY DISTURBING ALLEGATIONS. WE ARE CONFRONTING



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1 DEPUTY-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS, IN-CUSTODY DEATH, AND EXCESSIVE
2 USE-OF-FORCE CLAIMS. IN REVIEWING THESE SETTLEMENT CLAIMS, I
3 WAS CURIOUS TO SEE HOW OUR COUNTY COMPARES IN RELATION TO
4 OTHER JURISDICTIONS. I FOUND THAT IN NEW YORK, A STATE THAT
5 SERVES ALMOST 9 MILLION PEOPLE, POLICE-ACTION CLAIMS TOTALED
6 \$77.5 MILLION, AND CIVIL RIGHTS CLAIMS TOTALED \$95 MILLION FOR
7 THE ENTIRE YEAR OF 2021. WE ARE ALMOST A QUARTER OF THE WAY TO
8 REACHING THE ANNUAL TOTAL FOR NEW YORK, JUST ON THIS BOARD
9 AGENDA ALONE. IT'S OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE THAT FAMILIES
10 IN L.A. COUNTY FEEL SAFE AND RECEIVE QUALITY SERVICE FROM OUR
11 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. EACH MEETING, WE REVIEW SETTLEMENT
12 PROPOSALS JUST LIKE THESE, AND THE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS WE
13 SPEND IS DEEPLY TROUBLING. WITH MULTIMILLION-DOLLAR
14 SETTLEMENTS LITERALLY TWICE A MONTH, I WOULD HOPE THAT THE
15 DEPARTMENT HEAD WOULD TAKE A LONG, HARD LOOK AT ACTIONS AND
16 POLICIES OF HIS DEPARTMENT, AND THE COSTLY ACTIONS OF HIS
17 DEPARTMENT, BEFORE CONTINUING TO COMPLAIN THAT THIS BOARD IS
18 DEFUNDING SAID DEPARTMENT. LET'S IMAGINE A FEW THINGS WE COULD
19 DO WITH THE ALMOST \$50 MILLION SETTLEMENTS THAT WE ARE SEEING
20 ON THIS AGENDA ALONE. FOR EXAMPLE, WE COULD EXPAND VIOLENCE
21 INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION INITIATIVES AND PROGRAMS. WE COULD
22 INVEST IN EDUCATION AND JOB TRAINING FOR OUR YOUTH, AND FUND
23 ALTERNATIVE CRISIS RESPONSES, TO NAME A FEW. I THINK THIS IS
24 UNACCEPTABLE. WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND WAYS TO ELIMINATE THE HIGH
25 COST OF LITIGATION IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND TO ENSURE



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1 THAT CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS ARE DEVELOPED BY THIS DEPARTMENT
2 AND ALL DEPARTMENTS, AND THAT THEY RESULT IN MEANINGFUL
3 CHANGE. I BELIEVE WE, AS A BOARD, NEED TO HAVE THAT
4 INFORMATION, IN ORDER TO MOVE FORWARD WITH ADDRESSING THIS
5 LONG-STANDING ISSUE. ANY COMMENTS ANYBODY WISHES TO MAKE?

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7 **SUP. KUEHL:** MADAM CHAIR, I'D LOVE TO GET IN THE QUEUE.

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9 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** YES, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SUPERVISOR KUEHL,
10 FOLLOWED BY SOLIS. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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12 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I ASSUME-- I
13 MEAN, IT FEELS LIKE HALF THE WORLD KNOWS THAT I HAD A BIT OF A
14 RUN-IN WITH THE SHERIFF, AND I WAS THINKING ABOUT THESE
15 SETTLEMENTS AND THE PAIN, THE OVERUSE OF FORCE, THE ARROGANCE
16 OF THESE INDIVIDUALS, BUT ALSO THE ATTITUDE IN THE DEPARTMENT
17 THAT SEEMS TO ALLOW THIS KIND OF BEHAVIOR. MY NEIGHBORS CAME
18 TO MY DOOR LAST NIGHT WITH THEIR CHILDREN, TRICK-OR-TREATING,
19 AND MANY OF THEM TALKED ABOUT HOW THEY WERE STILL BLOWN AWAY
20 BY THE MORNING OF SEPTEMBER 14TH, WHEN 6 OR 7 S.U.V.S PULLED
21 UP WITH LOTS OF DEPUTIES, WHO GOT OUT WITH LOTS OF EQUIPMENT,
22 INCLUDING BATTERING RAMS, AXES, AND DOGS, TO COME TO MY HOUSE,
23 WHERE THEY KNEW I WAS THE ONLY PERSON THERE, ON A VERY
24 QUESTIONABLE WARRANT, WHICH WE'RE STILL CHALLENGING. AND I
25 REALIZED THAT IT WAS A VERY SMALL TASTE OF WHAT COMMUNITIES GO



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1 THROUGH EVERY DAY IN OUR MORE IMPOVERISHED COMMUNITIES AND
2 COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, PLACES WHERE THESE DEPUTIES ARE
3 LITERALLY LORDING IT OVER THE PEOPLE. AND I FEEL LIKE THEY ARE
4 SO DESERVING OF THESE SETTLEMENTS, AND YET THEY SHOULD NEVER,
5 NEVER, NEVER HAVE EXPERIENCED THIS BEHAVIOR. SO, I THANK YOU
6 VERY MUCH FOR HOLDING THESE ITEMS AND JUST CALLING EVERYONE'S
7 ATTENTION TO WHAT IT'S COSTING THEM, AS TAXPAYERS, BUT ALSO
8 EMOTIONALLY, IN THEIR COMMUNITIES, IN OUR COMMUNITIES. IT'S A
9 LONG-LASTING SCAR. AND AS SMALL AS MINE IS, I CAN TELL YOU,
10 IT'S LONG-LASTING. I CAN'T HEAR A POUNDING ON ANYBODY'S DOOR,
11 EVEN ON TELEVISION, THAT IT DOESN'T GIVE ME A START. AND I
12 KNOW THESE LOSSES ARE SO MUCH MORE SERIOUS, AND SO MUCH MORE
13 PERMANENT, AND I'M REALLY GLAD THAT YOU HAVE DRAWN ATTENTION
14 TO THEM. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

15
16 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

17
18 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I ALSO WANT TO THANK
19 YOU FOR HOLDING THESE 5 SETTLEMENT MATTERS. I ALSO WANT TO
20 EXTEND MY DEEPEST SYMPATHIES TO THE FAMILIES OF BRICENO, NEAL,
21 LOPEZ, GUARDADO, AND PAREDES. EACH OF THESE SETTLEMENTS ARE
22 ATTACHED TO A FAMILY WHOSE LOVED ONES WERE HARMED OR KILLED BY
23 DEPUTIES FROM THE L.A. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. THE NUMBER OF
24 SETTLEMENT CLAIMS HAVE CONTINUED TO INCREASE, WITH EACH OF
25 THESE SETTLEMENTS BEING PAID BY THE TAXPAYERS. WHEN THE BOARD



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1 CALLS FOR ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY TO THE SHERIFF'S
2 DEPARTMENT, IT DOES SO ON BEHALF OF OUR TAXPAYERS. THESE 5
3 SETTLEMENTS ACCOUNT FOR ALMOST, AS YOU SAID, \$50 MILLION THAT
4 COULD HAVE GONE TO OTHER, VERY MUCH NEEDED RESOURCES AND
5 SERVICES TO OUR COMMUNITIES. IN FACT, I SEE THAT NUMBER, AND
6 LET ME TELL YOU, THAT IS HALF OF ALMOST A \$100 MILLION
7 ALLOTMENT THE BOARD APPROVED FOR 3 YEARS FOR C.F.C.I. THIS IS
8 MORE THAN JUST A NEED TO PROVIDE MORE TRAINING TO DEPUTIES.
9 RATHER, IT'S ASKING FOR A FUNDAMENTAL QUESTION IF DEPUTIES
10 SHOULD EVEN BE DISPATCHED TO CERTAIN CALLS, LIKE MENTAL HEALTH
11 ASSISTANCE. TWO OF THE 5 INVOLVED SOMEONE EXPERIENCING A
12 MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS, WITH FAMILIES ASKING FOR HELP, NOTING
13 THAT THEIR LOVED ONE HAD A MENTAL HEALTH NEED. MOST OF THESE
14 INCIDENTS ALSO INVOLVED FAMILY MEMBERS SEEING THEIR LOVED ONES
15 KILLED BY THE PEOPLE THEY THOUGHT WERE GOING TO HELP THEM.
16 OVERWHELMINGLY, PEOPLE OF COLOR, BLACK AND LATINO, ARE VICTIMS
17 OF DEPUTY-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS, AND WE CONTINUE TO SEE PEOPLE
18 WITH MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS AT A CRISIS POINT, BEING CONFRONTED
19 BY LAW ENFORCEMENT, NOT WITH THOSE WHO ARE TRAINED. ON TOP OF
20 THE BOARD CONTINUING TO SUPPORT AND STRENGTHEN OVERSIGHT OF
21 THE INSPECTOR GENERAL AND THE SHERIFF'S CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT
22 COMMISSION, THE BOARD JUST RECENTLY APPROVED PROVIDING FUNDING
23 FOR A PROGRAM WHICH, ACTUALLY, I WISH WE DIDN'T NEED, BUT WE
24 DO NEED IT. IT'S CALLED THE FAMILY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, THAT
25 GREW OUT OF THE WORK OF THESE SURVIVING FAMILIES. THE O.I.G.



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1 AND C.O.C. WILL NOW BE HOUSED IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
2 HEALTH'S OFFICE OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION. THIS PROGRAM PROVIDES
3 SUPPORT FOR BURIAL EXPENSES AND GRIEF COUNSELING FOR SURVIVING
4 FAMILIES OF LAW ENFORCEMENT MISCONDUCT AND VIOLENCE, QUITE
5 SIMPLY. IT ALSO ENSURES THAT WE HAVE CREDIBLE MESSENGERS WHO
6 WILL ENGAGE WITH FAMILIES, INSTEAD OF JUST LAW ENFORCEMENT.
7 AND I WILL CONTINUE TO STAND WITH THE VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF
8 LAW ENFORCEMENT VIOLENCE, AND CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE OFFICE
9 OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL AND THE SHERIFF CIVILIAN OVERSIGHT
10 COMMISSION. AS I'VE SHARED, ACCOUNTABILITY OVER LAW
11 ENFORCEMENT IS ALSO A PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUE. THEY MUST GO HAND
12 IN HAND, AND NO ONE IS ABOVE THE LAW. THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM
13 CHAIR, FOR BRINGING THESE ITEMS BEFORE US.

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

16
17 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I JUST WANTED TO ALSO JUST
18 THANK YOU FOR DOING THIS. I THINK IT'S SO EASY FOR US TO HAVE
19 OUR SETTLEMENTS ON CONSENT, AND WE SORT OF GET INTO THIS "THIS
20 IS THE COST OF DOING BUSINESS." AND YET, AS YOU'VE
21 HIGHLIGHTED, EACH ONE OF THESE, JUST ON TODAY'S AGENDA,
22 INVOLVED A LOVED ONE, A FAMILY. AND ALSO, YOU KNOW, THESE ARE
23 SETTLEMENTS, RIGHT? SO THAT ALSO MEANT OUR LAWYERS SPENDING
24 TIME TRYING TO SORT OF SETTLE IT, PROTECT THE COUNTY, BUT MANY
25 OF THESE FAMILIES PROBABLY STARTED AT A HIGHER AMOUNT FOR WHAT



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1 THEY BELIEVED THEIR FAMILY MEMBER'S LIFE WAS WORTH. SO, THERE
2 IS ALSO A LOT OF PAIN AND SUFFERING JUST IN THE PROCESS OF US
3 GETTING TO A SETTLEMENT. SO, I APPRECIATE YOU DOING THIS.
4 MAYBE THIS IS SOMETHING WE SHOULD DO EVERY TIME, JUST TO
5 PROVIDE TRANSPARENCY TO THE TAXPAYERS IN L.A. COUNTY, MAKE US
6 MORE AWARE OF WHAT'S HAPPENING, AND AGAIN, PUSH US EVEN WITH A
7 DEEPER COMMITMENT TO OUR ALTERNATIVE CRISIS RESPONSE EFFORTS
8 AND THE RESOURCES THAT WE NEED TO PUT BEHIND THAT, SO THAT,
9 YOU KNOW, MANY TIMES, AN UNARMED RESPONSE IS WHAT IS NEEDED.
10 BUT WE KNOW, UP UNTIL RECENTLY, WITHOUT 9-8-8, FAMILY MEMBERS
11 ONLY HAD 9-1-1 TO CALL. AND SOMETIMES, MANY TIMES, THE OUTCOME
12 WAS NOT WHAT EVERYBODY WANTED. SO, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

13
14 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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16 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND THIS QUESTION IS MORE FOR DAWYN. I
17 APPRECIATE YOU HIGHLIGHTING THIS, BUT, I MEAN, IT'S NOT UNIQUE
18 TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. WE HAVE IT IN D.H.S. WE HAVE A
19 LOT OF DEPARTMENTS, AND IT COMES OUT OF THEIR BUDGET, SO IT'S
20 TAXPAYER DOLLARS ACROSS THE BOARD. AND I GUESS MY QUESTION IS,
21 WE HAVE A-- IS THE TITLE CLAIMS OR-- RISK MANAGER. DOES THE
22 RISK MANAGER INTERACT WITH DEPARTMENTS, AS IT RELATES TO
23 CORRECTIVE ACTION, AND THEN FOLLOW UP? FOR EXAMPLE, ON ONE OF
24 THESE CASES, AN INDIVIDUAL WAS BROUGHT IN, AND I CAN'T
25 REMEMBER WHICH CASE. AND, OBVIOUSLY, THE DEPUTY KNEW THAT HE



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1 WAS SHOWING SIGNS OF BEING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF SOMETHING,
2 BUT SHE CHECKED THE BOX THAT HE WASN'T, AND THEN PUT HIM IN
3 HIS CELL BY HIMSELF, BECAUSE SHE FELT THAT HE WAS COMING OFF
4 OF SOMETHING, SO THERE IS A CONTRADICTION RIGHT THERE. SO, DO
5 WE-- I MEAN, I APOLOGIZE FOR NOT KNOWING THE CASE, BECAUSE I
6 DIDN'T KNOW I WAS GOING TO SPEAK, BUT DO WE KNOW, OR DO WE
7 COORDINATE-- IT WAS THE PAREDES CASE. DO WE KNOW IF THE RISK
8 MANAGER DOES INTERACT AND ACTUALLY CLOSELY SCRUTINIZE THESE
9 CLAIMS BOARD ITEMS, NOT JUST FOR THE SHERIFF, BUT FOR D.H.S.,
10 FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES? WE'VE HAD HUGE SETTLEMENTS
11 AT D.C.F.S., UNFORTUNATELY COMING OUT OF MY DISTRICT. SO I GET
12 IT, AND ANY LIFE LOST IS ONE LIFE TOO MANY.

13
14 **DAWYN HARRISON:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, FOR THE QUESTION, AND
15 THE ANSWER IS YES. MY OFFICE WORKS VERY CLOSELY WITH THE RISK
16 MANAGER, WHICH IS IN THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, AND THEY DO WORK
17 TOGETHER WITH THE DEPARTMENTS, AND I'LL DEFER TO FESIA.

18
19 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** AND, SUPERVISOR, IN ANTICIPATION OF
20 THIS QUESTION, WE ACTUALLY ASKED STEVE ROBLES, OUR RISK
21 MANAGER, TO BE HERE TO EXPLAIN THE PROCESS BETWEEN WHEN WE
22 SETTLE CASES, AND THEN WHEN CASES ARE ADJUDICATED, IF YOU'D
23 LIKE TO HAVE--



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1 **SUP. BARGER:** IT'S YOUR PREFERENCE. BUT, I MEAN, THE REASON WHY
2 I ASK THIS IS, I MEAN, OBVIOUSLY, D.C.F.S., THE DIRECTOR
3 REPORTS DIRECTLY TO THE BOARD. D.H.S., SAME. SHERIFF, NOT. AND
4 SO I GUESS I WOULD BE CURIOUS-- AND IT'S UP TO YOU, MADAM
5 CHAIR, BUT I WOULD BE CURIOUS TO KNOW IF THAT DEPARTMENT,
6 WHICH IS AUTONOMOUS, AS IT RELATES TO-- IT'S AN ELECTED
7 OFFICIAL, BUT IT COMES OUT OF THE COUNTY COFFERS WHENEVER WE
8 SETTLE A CASE-- IF THERE IS COORDINATION WITH YOU-- AND IT'S
9 GOOD TO SEE YOU, BY THE WAY-- COORDINATION WITH YOU, AS IT
10 RELATES TO CORRECTIVE ACTION. ESPECIALLY ON THE PAREDES CASE,
11 THERE WERE CONTRADICTIONS IN HOW IT WAS HANDLED. AND THEN,
12 UNFORTUNATELY, HE COMMITTED SUICIDE, SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT
13 FOR US TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THAT.

14
15 **STEVE ROBLES:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION,
16 SUPERVISOR, AND GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN, TOO. SO, THE C.E.O.'S
17 OFFICE, THE RISK MANAGER, WHICH I AM STEVE ROBLES. I'VE BEEN
18 THE RISK MANAGER HERE FOR ALMOST 10 YEARS NOW. WE HAVE OUR OWN
19 INSPECTOR GENERAL THAT IS SEPARATE FROM THE OTHER ONE, THAT IS
20 OVERSEEING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SO, WHAT WE DO IN OUR
21 OFFICE IS WE'LL INTERACT WITH ALL DEPARTMENTS, AND ALL THE
22 CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS THAT YOU SEE ATTACHED TO THESE
23 SETTLEMENTS ARE 100% COORDINATED WITH OUR INSPECTOR GENERAL.
24 AND IT'S A BACK-AND-FORTH. WE ARE PARTNERS WITH COUNTY
25 COUNSEL. WE'RE PARTNERS WITH EACH ATTORNEY THAT OVERSEES THE



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1 CASES, AS WELL, AND WE HAVE TO COORDINATE TO FIGURE OUT WHAT
2 ACTUALLY HAPPENED, SO WE CAN HELP THE DEPARTMENTS-- HELP THEM
3 ESTABLISH WHAT KIND OF CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS NEED TO HAPPEN,
4 AND WHAT IS IT THAT HAS TO HAPPEN? I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS
5 WITH THIS PARTICULAR JAIL CASE, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE
6 LOOKED AT, AND MANY, MANY YEARS AGO, WAS THE TIMELY INSPECTION
7 OF THE FACILITY, OF THE JAILS, AND GOING IN WITH OUR EVERY
8 CERTAIN NUMBER OF CHECKS. THAT WASN'T ABOUT SEVERAL YEARS AGO.
9 IT WASN'T IN THIS COUNTY, AND THAT WAS A RESULT OF CORRECTION
10 ACTIONS THAT WAS HAPPENING WITH THE SHERIFF DEPARTMENT. WE DO
11 IT WITH D.C.F.S., WE DO IT WITH D.H.S., EVERY KIND OF
12 DEPARTMENT. AND WHEN WE SEE TRENDS WITH VEHICLE ACCIDENTS,
13 WHEN WE SEE ISSUES WITH TRAINING AND POLICY, THE INSPECTOR
14 GENERAL'S JOB IS TO MAKE SURE THAT EACH DEPARTMENT HAS
15 SOMETHING IN PLACE TO FIX IT. AND IF THEY DO NOT, THEN WE WORK
16 WITH THE DEPARTMENTS TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY GET IT IN PLACE.
17 AND YOU'LL SEE THAT, A LOT OF TIMES, ON THE CORRECTIVE
18 ACTIONS.

19
20 **SUP. BARGER:** SO I GUESS, THEN, THE QUESTION-- I'LL JUST BE
21 MORE BLUNT. IS THE SHERIFF COOPERATING WITH YOUR INSPECTOR
22 GENERAL ON CORRECTIVE ACTION, AS IT RELATES TO CASES THAT ARE
23 COMING FORWARD?



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1 **STEVE ROBLES:** YES, AND THEY HAVE IMPROVED FROM WHEN I FIRST
2 STARTED, WHERE IT WAS VERY SECRETIVE. AT THIS POINT, NOW, WE
3 HAVE A REALLY GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH THE RISK MANAGEMENT
4 DEPARTMENT OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND ARE ABLE TO GET
5 INFORMATION BACK AND FORTH. A LOT OF THESE THINGS, AS YOU
6 NOTICE ON THESE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS, ARE PENDING EITHER
7 ADMINISTRATIVE OR CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS THAT HAVE TO WAIT,
8 AND THAT'S WHAT WE HAVE TO DO.

9

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

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12 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR RAISING THOSE
13 QUESTIONS. AND IF I MAY ASK YOU, MR. ROBLES, AGAIN, I WANTED
14 TO GET A SENSE OF, WAS IT JUST ME, OR WAS THIS TRULY
15 EXCESSIVE? AND SO, AGAIN, WE LOOKED AT NEW YORK, TRYING TO
16 REALLY COME AS CLOSE AS POSSIBLE, IN TERMS OF POPULATION. FROM
17 YOUR PERSPECTIVE, AS RISK MANAGER, DOES THE LEVEL OF SUITS
18 THAT WE SEE COMING FROM THIS ONE DEPARTMENT RAISE AN ANTENNA
19 FOR YOU?

20

21 **STEVE ROBLES:** EVERY YEAR, WE PUT TOGETHER AN ANNUAL REPORT,
22 AND IN THAT ANNUAL REPORT, COUNTY COUNSEL PROVIDES THE
23 LITIGATION REPORT. WE PROVIDE THE ACTUAL CLAIMS AND TRENDS OF
24 ACCIDENTS THAT-- EITHER BOTH ACCIDENTS, BECAUSE I ALSO DO
25 WORKERS' COMP, BUT ALSO THE INCIDENTS THAT OCCUR. I WOULD SAY



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1 THAT OUR TRENDS WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ARE STAYING
2 FAIRLY STABLE, BUT THEY GO UP AND THEY GO DOWN. IT'S HARD TO
3 COMPARE TO OTHER JURISDICTIONS IN OTHER STATES. IT DOESN'T
4 MEAN THAT WE CAN'T COMPARE TO THEM, BUT WE HAVE TO REALLY LOOK
5 AT THEM, BECAUSE OF THE LEGAL ISSUES THAT COUNTY COUNSEL CAN
6 CERTAINLY EXPLAIN, IF THEY'D LIKE TO. BUT WHAT WE CONCERN
7 OURSELVES ABOUT, WHEN I SEE THAT SUSTAINED TREND OF IT GOING
8 IN A CERTAIN DIRECTION, NO MATTER WHAT IT IS-- AND IT CAN BE
9 EXCESSIVE FORCE, IT CAN BE SHOOTINGS, IT CAN BE, LIKE I SAID,
10 CAR ACCIDENTS, WHICH ARE EXTREMELY EXPENSIVE FOR L.A. COUNTY--
11 THOSE ARE THE THINGS THAT WE WANT TO WORK WITH, AND WE DO, AND
12 ARE ABLE TO GET WITH THE APPROPRIATE PEOPLE IN THE
13 DEPARTMENTS, TO SAY, "LOOK, WE'RE SEEING THIS HAPPENING, AND
14 WE WOULD LIKE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. HOW DO WE GO ABOUT
15 DOING IT?" AND, FOR INSTANCE, AS AN EXAMPLE, SEVERAL YEARS
16 AGO, WE SAW A TREND IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. I ACTUALLY
17 SPOKE AT THE SHERIFF'S ACADEMY, ABOUT THE LOSSES AND THE
18 THINGS THAT WE SEE IN THOSE TRENDS, WHEN WE START TO SEE THEM.
19 AND SEVERAL OTHER DEPARTMENTS, WHERE THEY HAD VEHICLE
20 ACCIDENTS, WE WOULD SIT DOWN AND SAY, "YOU DON'T HAVE A POLICY
21 ON THIS. YOU DON'T HAVE TRAINING ON THIS. WHY NOT?" AND THEN
22 WE WOULD GET IT DONE. I AM, BY NO MEANS, AN EXCESSIVE FORCE
23 EXPERT, AS WE DO HAVE THROUGHOUT THE ORGANIZATION. WE DO HAVE
24 EXPERTS, BUT WE WOULD WANT TO ENGAGE THEM AND FIND OUT, WHAT
25 IS IT THAT'S GOING ON HERE THAT WE DON'T HAVE IN PLACE



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1 ALREADY, AND TO IMPROVE OURSELVES. AND THAT'S THE QUESTIONS WE
2 WOULD ASK.

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4 **SUP. BARGER:** I THINK THAT WOULD BE INTERESTING, THOUGH, CHAIR
5 MITCHELL. I MEAN, I KNOW-- IF THERE IS A WAY TO COMPARE APPLES
6 TO APPLES-- AND I THINK PICKING NEW YORK, BECAUSE OF
7 POPULATION, I THINK IT WOULD BE INTERESTING AND HELPFUL TO US
8 TO SEE IF THERE IS A TREND, TO YOUR POINT. I MEAN, I THINK
9 THAT IT REALLY WOULD KIND OF GIVE US-- IT WOULD EITHER MAKE US
10 LOSE SLEEP OR... YEAH.

11
12 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** AND IF THERE IS A TREND IN THE
13 CONSISTENCY OF THE ACTIONS. SO, I APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENT
14 ABOUT VEHICULAR CASES, BUT IN THE KIND OF CASES THAT WE'RE
15 SEEING TODAY-- EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE, THOSE KINDS OF DIRECT
16 OFFICER ENGAGEMENT-- I THINK WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL.

17
18 **STEVE ROBLES:** OKAY. I WILL SEE WHAT I CAN FIND.

19
20 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** I APPRECIATE THAT. THEN I WON'T LOOK TO
21 NEW YORK. I'LL LOOK INTERNAL. I'LL LOOK TO OUR OWN INTERNAL
22 TRENDS, TO SEE IF WE HAVE AN ISSUE.

23
24 **STEVE ROBLES:** ABSOLUTELY.



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1 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** I APPRECIATE THAT. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS
2 OR COMMENTS? THANK YOU VERY MUCH. HEARING NONE, WE'LL TAKE
3 EACH ITEM, INDIVIDUALLY, TO VOTE ON. SO, ITEM 82 WILL BE OUR
4 FIRST. MOVED BY MITCHELL, SECONDED BY KUEHL TO APPROVE THE
5 ITEM. PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

6

7 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 82 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

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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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SUPERVISORS

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

2

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

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** ITEM 83. MOVED BY MITCHELL, SECONDED BY
7 HAHN TO APPROVE THE ITEM. PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 83 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

12

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

14

15 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

16

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

18

19 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

20

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

22

23 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

24



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SUPERVISORS

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

3

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

5

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

8

9 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** ITEM 84 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY MITCHELL,
10 SECONDED BY BARGER TO APPROVE THE ITEM. PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

11

12 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 84 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

15

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

17

18 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

19

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

21

22 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

23

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

25



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

2

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

5

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

7

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

10

11 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** ITEM 85 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY MITCHELL,
12 SECONDED BY SOLIS TO APPROVE THE ITEM. PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 85 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

17

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

19

20 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

21

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

23

24 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

25



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SUPERVISORS

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

2

3 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR
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:** FINALLY, ITEM 86, MOVED BY MITCHELL,
14 SECONDED BY KUEHL TO APPROVE THE ITEM. PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

15

16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 86 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

17

18 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

19

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

21

22 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

23

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

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

2

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

4

5 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

6

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

8 MITCHELL?

9

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

11

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

13 5-0.

14

15 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'RE MOVING TO SPECIALS. AT
16 THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO HEAR FROM SUPERVISORS ON
17 ITEMS NOT POSTED ON THE AGENDA, TO BE PRESENTED OR REFERRED TO
18 STAFF, OR PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA. SUPERVISOR BARGER, YOU
19 HAVE AN ITEM?

20

21 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WOULD LIKE TO
22 INTRODUCE A READ-IN MOTION RELATED TO THE S.T.D. CRISIS IN OUR
23 COUNTY THAT IS NEARING A BREAKING POINT. IT IS WELL DOCUMENTED
24 THAT S.T.D. CASES ACROSS THE COUNTRY HAVE BEEN INCREASING FOR
25 NEARLY TWO DECADES, AND UNFORTUNATELY, THEY HAVE NOT SHOWN A



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SUPERVISORS

1 SIGN OF SLOWING IN L.A. COUNTY. WE HAVE SEEN CONTINUED
2 INCREASES IN CHLAMYDIA, GONORRHEA, AND SYPHILIS, AND WE EXPECT
3 THAT THIS DATA DOES NOT INCLUDE THE LIKELY UNDERREPORTING THAT
4 HAS OCCURRED IN THE LAST TWO YEARS, DUE TO THE INDIVIDUALS NOT
5 SCREENING AS FREQUENTLY. UNFORTUNATELY, THIS INCREASE IN CASES
6 HAS BEEN COUPLED WITH A DECREASE IN STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING.
7 AND WHILE I RECOGNIZE THAT THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS
8 ARE EVALUATING POTENTIAL WAYS TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR THESE
9 SERVICES, I BELIEVE IT IS IMPERATIVE FOR US TO ENSURE THAT WE
10 ARE MEETING THE URGENT NEEDS IN OUR COMMUNITIES. I KNOW THE
11 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH IS FINALIZING A REPORT-BACK IN
12 RESPONSE TO A MOTION BY CHAIR MITCHELL AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS
13 FROM THIS SUMMER, AND I'M ASKING THAT D.P.H. INCLUDE WAYS THAT
14 THE COUNTY CAN MAKE A CONSIDERABLE LOCAL INVESTMENT TOWARD
15 S.T.D. SERVICES. I BELIEVE THE MOTION ECHOES THE OBJECTIVE OF
16 THE PREVIOUS MOTION, THAT WE NEED TO PROJECT A SENSE OF
17 URGENCY IN RESPONDING TO THIS CRISIS. SO, MY MOTION FOR READ-
18 IN IS, "I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT
19 THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO INCLUDE IN THE NOVEMBER 18TH
20 REPORT, RESPONDING TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S SEXUALLY
21 TRANSMITTED DISEASE CRISIS, SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE DATA
22 BROKEN UP BY SERVICE PLANNING AREA, AND WORK OF THE C.E.O. TO
23 IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO S.T.D. SERVICES TO ADDRESS THE
24 GROWING NEED, AND INCORPORATE THIS INTO THEIR REPORT." THAT
25 WOULD BE MY READ-IN.



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2 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. COLLEAGUES, SINCE THIS A
3 REPORT-BACK, WE WILL VOTE TO APPROVE IT TODAY. WE CAN DO THAT.
4 ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE
5 ON THE SUPERVISOR'S REMARKS? HEARING NONE, THE ITEM IS BEFORE
6 US. MOVED BY BARGER, SECONDED BY MITCHELL TO APPROVE THE ITEM.
7 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

8

9 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:**

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11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ADDRESSING FUNDS NEEDED TO RESPOND TO THE
12 COUNTY'S S.T.D. CRISIS IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

15

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

17

18 **SUP. KUEHL:** AYE.

19

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

21

22 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

23

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

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

2

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

5

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

7

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

10

11 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER.
12 AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO HEAR ADJOURNMENTS.
13 WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN TODAY WITH SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AND OUR
14 ORDER WILL BE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 3, 4, 5, 1, AND I WILL
15 END IN DISTRICT 2. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

16

17 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I ASK, WHEN WE
18 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY AND HONOR OF THREE
19 EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN. I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF
20 SHIRLEY BASKIN FAMILIAN. WORKING WITH HER FIRST HUSBAND,
21 BURTON BASKIN, SHIRLEY CO-FOUNDED THE PUBLIC TELEVISION
22 STATION K.C.E.T. IN LOS ANGELES. IN 1964, K.C.E.T. BECAME AN
23 AFFILIATE OF THE NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION NETWORK.
24 BASKIN FAMILIAN SERVED AS A BOARD MEMBER FOR K.C.E.T. FOR MORE
25 THAN 60 YEARS. DURING HER 7 DECADES ON THE BOARD, THE CHANNEL



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1 PRODUCED THE LANDMARK SERIES "COSMOS: A PERSONAL VOYAGE," WITH
2 CARL SAGAN, PRODUCED AND PRESENTED "THE COUSTEAU ODYSSEY" AND
3 "AMERICAN FAMILY" FOR P.B.S. IT WAS ONE OF THE CONSORTIUM OF
4 STATIONS THAT PRODUCED THE EMMY-WINNING "AMERICAN PLAYHOUSE."
5 NOTABLY, SHIRLEY'S BROTHER, IRV ROBBINS, CREATED THE ICE CREAM
6 CHAIN BASKIN-ROBBINS, ALONGSIDE BURTON BASKIN. THE COMPANY
7 BEGAN AS A SINGLE SHOP IN GLENDALE, BEFORE EXPANDING, AND
8 SHIRLEY WORKED WITH HER HUSBAND AND BROTHER IN BUILDING
9 BASKIN-ROBBINS, AND CONTINUED TO PRODUCE ART THROUGHOUT HER
10 LIFE, COMPLETING HER MOST RECENT PIECE AT THE AGE OF 100. HER
11 ONE-WOMAN SHOWS WERE FEATURED AT LOS ANGELES CRAFTS MUSEUM,
12 INDIANAPOLIS CHILDREN'S MUSEUM, AND THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF
13 WOMEN IN THE ARTS. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN, EDIE,
14 RICHARD, AND SKIP. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE
15 ADJOURN IN HONOR AND MEMORY OF JUDY ZEIDLER. YOU COULD
16 DESCRIBE HER AS A COOKBOOK AUTHOR, BUT THAT WOULDN'T EVEN
17 BEGIN TO DESCRIBE HER INFLUENCE, AND SHE JUST DIED YESTERDAY
18 MORNING. HER COOKING CAREER WAS LAUNCHED IN THE 1960'S, WITH A
19 SIGNATURE STRUDEL BAKED TO ORDER. SHE BECAME A REGULAR JEWISH
20 FOOD CONTRIBUTOR TO THE L.A. TIMES, BECAUSE THEY WEREN'T, AT
21 THE TIME, DOING A VERY GOOD JOB TALKING ABOUT OUR VERY
22 SPECIFIC COMMUNITY FOODS. LATER, SHE WORKED FOR THE JEWISH
23 JOURNAL, AND WENT ON FOR 4 DECADES WRITING FOR THEM. SHE ALSO
24 PUBLISHED NUMEROUS COOKBOOKS, INCLUDING "THE GOURMET JEWISH
25 COOKBOOK" AND "JUDY ZEIDLER'S INTERNATIONAL DELI COOKBOOK:



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1 GREAT RECIPES FROM THE BROADWAY DELI." THE BROADWAY DELI,
2 WHICH MANY OF US KNEW OUT HERE ON THE WEST END OF TOWN FOR
3 MANY, MANY YEARS, WAS OPENED AND RUN BY HER AND HER HUSBAND,
4 AND WAS A WONDERFUL PLACE TO GO, TO GATHER, AND CERTAINLY TO
5 EAT. IN THE 1980'S AND 90'S SHE HOSTED "JUDY'S KITCHEN" ON THE
6 JEWISH TELEVISION NETWORK. SHE WAS A SUPPORTER OF THE SKIRBALL
7 CULTURAL CENTER, AND CREATED THE RESTAURANT AT THE SKIRBALL,
8 ZEIDLER'S CAFE AND JUDY'S COUNTER. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER 5
9 CHILDREN, ONE OF WHOM IS OUR FRIEND, THE HONORABLE ZEKE
10 ZEIDLER, WHO IS JUDGE ON THE SUPERIOR COURT IN THE JUVENILE
11 DIVISION. AND FINALLY, I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE
12 ADJOURN IN MEMORY AND HONOR OF A FABULOUS WOMAN, ROZ WYMAN,
13 WHO DIED ON OCTOBER 27TH. SHE WAS THE YOUNGEST PERSON EVER
14 ELECTED TO THE L.A. CITY COUNCIL. SHE WAS 22 IN 1953, AND WAS
15 ACTUALLY BEST KNOWN, I GUESS, FOR KEEPING AN UNUSUAL CAMPAIGN
16 PROMISE: VOWING TO BRING MAJOR-LEAGUE BASEBALL TO L.A. IT TOOK
17 A LONG ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE DODGERS' OWNER, WALTER
18 O'MALLEY, BEFORE HE FINALLY AGREED. I MEAN, THINK ABOUT THIS:
19 TO BRING THE BUMS FROM BROOKLYN, AND HEAD TO L.A. IT WAS THE
20 OPENING CHAPTER IN WHAT WOULD BECOME THE WESTWARD MIGRATION OF
21 QUITE A FEW PROFESSIONAL SPORTS TEAMS. ROZ WAS ALSO A STALWART
22 FEMINIST, WORKED TO EMPOWER WOMEN RUNNING FOR OFFICE, A VERY
23 GOOD AND CLOSE FRIEND AND SUPPORTER OF SENATOR DIANNE
24 FEINSTEIN. SHE LAUNCHED A SECOND, AND IN SOME WAYS EVEN MORE
25 INFLUENTIAL POLITICAL CAREER, AS A FUNDRAISER AND POWER BROKER



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1 FOR THE STATE AND NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY. IN 1973, SHE
2 PRESIDED OVER THE VERY FIRST \$1 MILLION FUNDRAISER FOR THE
3 DEMOCRATIC HOUSE AND SENATE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE IN WASHINGTON,
4 D.C. SHE CHAIRED THE 1984 DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION. AND
5 IN THE 1990'S, SHE OVERSAW LOS ANGELES AREA FUNDRAISERS FOR
6 PRESIDENT CLINTON AND MANY OTHER NATIONAL POLITICAL FIGURES.
7 SINCE 1952, SHE HAD BEEN A DELEGATE AT EVERY DEMOCRATIC
8 NATIONAL CONVENTION, UNTIL THE PANDEMIC RUINED HER STREAK IN
9 2020. SHE WAS A REAL FORCE. I WANT TO ALSO MENTION HER LOVE OF
10 THE ARTS, AND HOW VERY STRONGLY SHE SUPPORTED THEM. I HAVE TO
11 SAY, KRISTIN SAKODA WROTE ME A CONDOLENCE NOTE WHEN ROZ
12 PASSED, AND A THANK-YOU FOR APPOINTING ROZ-- ZEV HAD
13 APPOINTED HER BEFORE ME-- TO THE ARTS COMMISSION, WHERE SHE
14 SERVED FOR YEARS AND YEARS, AND WAS SUCH A STRONG, STRONG
15 SUPPORTER OF THE ARTS, IN EVERY WAY, IN L.A. COUNTY. SHE'S
16 SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN, BETTY LYNN, ROBERT, AND BRAD. THANK
17 YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I THINK SUPERVISOR--

18
19 **SUP. SOLIS:** MAY WE JOIN YOU?

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21 **SUP. KUEHL:** OTHER PEOPLE. RIGHT.

22
23 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** YES, IF WE COULD MAKE THAT ALL MEMBERS,
24 GIVEN OUR RECENT EXPERIENCE IN RENAMING THE FOUNTAIN FOR HER,
25 AND ALL OF THAT. SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR HAHN?



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2 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH, AND I JUST WANTED TO ADD MY COMMENTS TO THE
3 ADJOURNMENT FOR ROZ WYMAN, AND JUST ADD THAT SHE WAS SUCH A
4 FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITH. AND, OF COURSE, MY DAD WAS HER
5 PARTNER IN BRINGING THE DODGERS TO LOS ANGELES, AND NOBODY
6 LOVED THE DODGERS MORE THAN ROZ. YOU COULD ALWAYS SEE HER
7 SITTING IN HER SEAT. HER AND TOMMY LASORDA WERE GOOD FRIENDS.
8 ONE OF THE OTHER THINGS THAT SHE DID, ONE OF THE FIRST, WAS IN
9 1960, WHEN JOHN F. KENNEDY WAS ACCEPTING THE NOMINATION FOR
10 THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY. THE CONVENTION HAD BEEN IN THE SPORTS
11 ARENA, BUT ROZ TELLS THIS GREAT STORY OF REALLY CORNERING
12 BOBBY AT... I BELIEVE IT WAS THE BILTMORE, AND CONVINCING HIM
13 THAT THE NOMINATION SPEECH, FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER, SHOULD BE
14 IN THE OUTDOOR LOS ANGELES MEMORIAL COLISEUM. AND SHE HAD TO
15 DO A LOT OF CAJOLING, BECAUSE EVERYBODY WAS A LITTLE UNSURE
16 ABOUT THAT LARGE OF A VENUE, AND WHAT WOULD IT LOOK LIKE, BUT
17 IT ENDED UP BEING A SPECTACULAR EVENT. AND THEN SHE LOVED TO
18 SAY, WHEN OBAMA GAVE HIS ACCEPTANCE SPEECH IN COLORADO, IN
19 DENVER, AT THE OUTDOOR, LIKE THAT WAS A BIG DEAL, AND SHE'S
20 LIKE, "WE DID IT FIRST, IN LOS ANGELES." SO SHE WAS CERTAINLY-
21 - SHE WAS THE YOUNGEST WOMAN EVER ELECTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL
22 OF LOS ANGELES, AND THEN SHE WAS THE OLDEST DELEGATE TO THE
23 DEMOCRATIC PARTY, AT 89. SO, SHE HAD SUCH A RANGE OF IMPACT TO
24 SO MANY PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES. I AM PLEASED THAT WE WERE ABLE
25 TO NOT ONLY DEDICATE THE FOUNTAIN IN GRAND PARK TO HER, BUT



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1 EARLIER, WE WERE ABLE TO ENSHRINE HER IN THE COURT OF HONOR AT
2 THE LOS ANGELES MEMORIAL COLISEUM, WITH A BRONZE PLAQUE THAT
3 TALKED ABOUT HER HISTORY IN LOS ANGELES, BUT ALSO HER HISTORY
4 WITH THE LOS ANGELES MEMORIAL COLISEUM. AND I WAS HONORED TO
5 HAVE SERVED WITH HER ON THAT COMMISSION, BRIEFLY, BUT I'D
6 NEVER REALLY SAT WITH HER IN ANY KIND OF A BOARD MEETING, SO
7 THAT WAS A THRILL FOR ME. AND IT WAS VERY POIGNANT. WE ALL
8 KNOW THE PUBLIC ROZ WYMAN, BUT YESTERDAY, AT THE SMALL FAMILY
9 SERVICE, HER GRANDKIDS ALL GOT UP AND TALKED ABOUT THE GRANDMA
10 ROZ WYMAN THAT MAYBE MANY OF US DID NOT HAVE A CHANCE TO SEE,
11 AND IT WAS VERY TOUCHING, AND I KNOW THEY'RE GOING TO MISS HER
12 VERY MUCH. WE ALSO HAD THE TORCH AT THE COLISEUM LIT, THE
13 OTHER DAY, IN HER MEMORY. SO, THANK YOU FOR ADJOURNING FOR
14 HER, SHEILA, AND I AM HAPPY THAT WE ARE ALL ADDED TO THAT.
15 ALSO, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE
16 MEMORY OF ANDRE NICHOLAS CHICO, WHO WAS BORN ON FEBRUARY 19TH,
17 1976. ANDRE WAS THE ONLY SIBLING TO MY LONG BEACH FIELD
18 DEPUTY, HERLINDA CHICO. SHE IS ALSO A LONG BEACH COMMUNITY
19 COLLEGE TRUSTEE. HE WAS THE FATHER OF FIVE BEAUTIFUL CHILDREN.
20 HE GREW UP IN THE CITY OF COMMERCE, TO A CIVICALLY ENGAGED AND
21 TIGHT-KNIT FAMILY. ANDRE PARTICIPATED IN CITY PROGRAMS, AND
22 NEVER MISSED A CHANCE TO GO TO CAMP COMMERCE WITH HIS
23 CHILDHOOD FRIENDS. HE WAS VERY POPULAR, FUNNY, AND ATHLETIC,
24 AND FEW PEOPLE COULD RESIST ANDRE'S CHARISMA AND CHARM. HE WAS
25 A PEOPLE MAGNET. HE MADE FRIENDS WHEREVER HE WENT, AND



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1 CONSTANTLY RAN INTO SOMEONE HE KNEW FROM HIS LIFE'S JOURNEY.
2 HE TRULY WAS THE LIFE OF THE PARTY. HE PASSED AWAY
3 UNEXPECTEDLY ON OCTOBER 24TH, AND HAS LEFT A VERY LARGE HOLE
4 IN THE LIVES OF HIS FAMILY, HIS FRIENDS, HIS COMMUNITY. HE'S
5 SURVIVED BY HIS FATHER NICK, WHO WAS A LONGTIME COUNTY
6 EMPLOYEE HIMSELF, HIS MOTHER TINA, HIS SISTER HERLINDA, AND
7 HIS FIVE CHILDREN, ANDRE JR., WHO'S 25, ELIAS, WHO'S 20, AVA,
8 WHO'S 18, ASHER, 7 YEARS, AND ELLA, ONLY 6 YEARS. HE ALSO HAS
9 A HUGE CIRCLE OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO HAVE BEEN DEVASTATED
10 BY THIS LOSS. OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES TO HERLINDA AND HER WHOLE
11 FAMILY ON THIS TRAGIC LOSS. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
12 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF RICHARD STILLHARD, WHO WAS
13 72 WHEN HE PASSED AWAY. HE WAS A RESIDENT OF TORRANCE. RICK
14 SPENT SIX YEARS SERVING IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY, BEFORE
15 STARTING HIS CAREER IN AVIATION. HE BEGAN AS A MECHANIC FOR A
16 SMALL AIRLINE IN SANTA BARBARA, BEFORE MOVING TO LOS ANGELES
17 IN 1988, AS AN AIRPLANE STRUCTURAL ENGINEER FOR THE FLYING
18 TIGERS LINE, NOW FEDEX, WHERE HE WORKED UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT
19 IN 2020. RICK WAS A LIFELONG CAR ENTHUSIAST AND AN AVID
20 OUTDOORSMAN, WHO HAD A LOVE AND A PASSION FOR SAILING,
21 CLIMBING, AND DIVING. HE COULD OFTEN BE FOUND IN THE GARAGE,
22 WORKING ON VARIOUS WOOD PROJECTS, OR FIXING THINGS. HE IS
23 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 25 YEARS, DIANA, AND TWO CHILDREN,
24 ALEXANDRA AND JARED. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

25



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SUPERVISORS

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

2

3 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
4 ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF FRANCES "JEAN" MALUCCIO,
5 LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LA CRESCENTA, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
6 OF 81, ON OCTOBER 12TH. JEAN WAS RAISED IN TEMPLE CITY, AND ON
7 JUNE 20TH, 1964, SHE MARRIED MICHAEL MALUCCIO. THEY MOVED TO
8 LA CRESCENTA IN 1967 WITH THEIR TWO CHILDREN, JULIE AND
9 MICHAEL. IN 1959, SHE WENT TO WORK FOR PACIFIC BELL, THEN THE
10 EXAMINER NEWSPAPER, UNTIL 1965, AND THE VERDUGO HILLS BOWL
11 FROM 1977 TO 1987. SHE WAS ALSO A BUSINESS OWNER, AND OPERATED
12 THE SHENANIGANS RESTAURANT IN GLENDALE FROM 1987 TO 1990, AND
13 THE ROCKING HORSE BOUTIQUE, IN LA CRESCENTA, FROM 1991 TO
14 1995. SHE WAS ALSO AN AVID VOLUNTEER. SHE SUPPORTED AND WAS
15 INVOLVED IN MANY LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE VERDUGO
16 HILLS HOSPITAL, LOCAL P.T.A.S, VERDUGO HILLS COUNCIL OF BOY
17 SCOUTS SILENT AUCTION, GLENDALE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL DAYS OF WINE
18 & ROSES, GLENDALE HEALTHY KIDS, C.V.C.A.N., C.V. FIREWORKS,
19 C.V. FIRE SAFE COUNCIL, FIREHOUSE TEEN CENTER, MARY PINOLA
20 FOUNDATION, PROM PLUS, RELAY FOR LIFE, GLENDALE POLICE
21 DEPARTMENT/MONTROSE STATION, LA CRESCENTA WOMEN'S CLUB, AND
22 THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 288. SHE WAS A COACH FOR JUNIOR
23 BOWLERS AT VERDUGO HILLS BOWL. FOR 30 YEARS, JEAN WAS DEEPLY
24 INVOLVED IN THE CRESCENTA VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AND
25 ENJOYED PLANNING COMMUNITY EVENTS AND MIXERS PROMOTING LOCAL



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1 BUSINESSSES. SHE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY HER COMMUNITY. JEAN
2 IS SURVIVED BY HER THREE SIBLINGS, TWO CHILDREN, AND THREE
3 GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. JIM
4 NYHOLT, A LONGTIME ANTELOPE VALLEY RESIDENT, WHO PASSED AWAY
5 AT THE AGE OF 75. JIM WAS A BELOVED FATHER, GRANDFATHER,
6 BROTHER, UNCLE, VETERINARIAN, FRIEND, MENTOR, LEADER, AND A
7 COMMUNITY FIGURE. BORN ON APRIL 24TH, 1947, IN BRIGHTON,
8 COLORADO, JIM WAS RAISED ON A COLORADO FARM, AND GREW UP WITH
9 A LOVE OF ANIMALS. HE GRADUATED FROM COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY
10 IN 1971, WITH A DOCTORATE IN VETERINARY MEDICINE. THAT SAME
11 YEAR, HE BEGAN WORKING AT SCHUMANN ANIMAL HOSPITAL, WHICH HE
12 PURCHASED IN 1980, AND NAMED ANTELOPE VALLEY ANIMAL HOSPITAL.
13 JIM MARRIED DIANA NYHOLT IN 1973, AND HAD THREE CHILDREN.
14 JIM'S PASSION FOR ANIMALS AND TEACHING LED HIM TO LEAD THE
15 QUARTZ HILL 4-H CLUB, AS COMMUNITY LEADER FOR 20 YEARS. IN
16 2015, JIM WAS HONORED TO BE THE GRAND MARSHAL OF THE ANTELOPE
17 VALLEY FAIR PARADE. HE WAS RECOGNIZED FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO
18 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY FAIR LIVESTOCK COUNCIL, 4-H COMMUNITY,
19 HEIFER PROJECT, AND HIS ROLE AS THE ANTELOPE VALLEY FAIR
20 VETERINARIAN. JIM IS SURVIVED BY HIS THREE CHILDREN, JOSH
21 NYHOLT, JAMIE FOUST, JENNA NYHOLT DE PRADA, THEIR SPOUSES,
22 FOUR GRANDCHILDREN, AND HIS SISTER SUSAN. ALSO, THAT WE
23 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOHN POLIFRONIO, A RESIDENT OF HOLLYWOOD,
24 WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84. JOHN FOUNDED COUNTERPOINT
25 RECORDS & BOOKS IN 1979, IN A LITTLE HOLE IN A WALL, MOVING



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1 ONE YEAR LATER TO ITS CURRENT, 42-YEAR LOCATION ON FRANKLIN
2 AVENUE IN HOLLYWOOD. JOHN'S LOVE OF MUSIC BEGAN AT AGE 14,
3 UPON HEARING STRAVINSKY'S "RITE OF SPRING," AND HE DREAMED OF
4 OPENING A RECORD STORE. FROM THEN ON, HE WAS A DEVOTED
5 AUDIOPHILE, AND AMASSED A LARGE AND ECLECTIC COLLECTION OF
6 VINYL. JOHN HAD SUCH A PASSION FOR MUSIC THAT HE DEVELOPED AN
7 INCREDIBLE ABILITY TO IDENTIFY, WITHIN A FEW BARS, THE
8 COMPOSER, CONDUCTOR, ORCHESTRA, AND THE ENGINEER OF
9 RECORDINGS. JOHN IS IS SURVIVED BY SUSAN, HIS WIFE AND PARTNER
10 OF 44 YEARS. ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOHN SHEA, A
11 LONGTIME RESIDENT OF PASADENA, AND CHAIRMAN OF THE
12 CONSTRUCTION COMPANY J.F. SHEA, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
13 96. HE WAS BORN IN 1926, IN OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, AND GREW UP
14 IN LOS ANGELES, WHERE HE ATTENDED LOS ANGELES HIGH SCHOOL.
15 JOHN WENT ON TO ATTEND U.S.C.'S VITERBI SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING,
16 AND WAS ALSO A STANDOUT TENNIS PLAYER FOR THE TROJANS. IN
17 1958, JOHN AND HIS TWO COUSINS ENTERED THE INFRASTRUCTURE
18 BUSINESS, AND NAMED THEIR COMPANY J.F. SHEA. THE WALNUT-BASED
19 BUSINESS WORKED IN HEAVY CONSTRUCTION, HOMEBUILDING, AND
20 COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE. J.F. SHEA BECAME A NATIONALLY KNOWN
21 CIVIL CONTRACTOR, AND A KEY CONTRIBUTOR TO MAJOR SUBWAY JOBS
22 IN LOS ANGELES, SAN FRANCISCO, WASHINGTON, D.C., AND NEW YORK.
23 JOHN WAS A MAJOR DRIVING FORCE IN THE COMPANY'S DECISION TO GO
24 INTO THE REAL ESTATE BUSINESS, AND ESTABLISHED SHEA HOMES AND
25 SHEA PROPERTIES. IT IS NOW ONE OF THE LARGEST PRIVATELY HELD



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1 HOMEBUILDING COMPANIES IN THE UNITED STATES. ALONG WITH HIS
2 SUCCESS IN BUSINESS, JOHN WAS ALSO ACTIVE IN PHILANTHROPY
3 THROUGHOUT HIS LIFE. HE AND HIS WIFE, DOROTHY, GAVE TENS OF
4 THOUSANDS OF SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FUNDED MORE THAN 1,000
5 RENOVATIONS AT MORE THAN 500 CAMPUSES IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF
6 LOS ANGELES, AND OUTSIDE OF CALIFORNIA. JOHN GAVE GENEROUSLY
7 IN LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES, WITH THE GOAL OF STOPPING
8 GENERATIONAL CYCLES OF DISADVANTAGE AMONG FAMILIES. JOHN IS
9 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 54 YEARS, DOROTHY, HIS EIGHT CHILDREN,
10 31 GRANDCHILDREN, AND ONE GREAT-GRANDSON. THOSE ARE MY
11 ADJOURNMENTS.

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13 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?
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15 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
16 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF EL MONTE POLICE
17 CHIEF BEN LOWRY. EL MONTE POLICE CHIEF BEN LOWRY WAS A 21-YEAR
18 LAW ENFORCEMENT VETERAN, WHO STARTED HIS LAW ENFORCEMENT
19 CAREER WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN THE
20 YEAR 2000. HE BEGAN HIS TENURE WITH THE EL MONTE POLICE
21 DEPARTMENT IN 2002, AND IN 2013, LOWRY STARTED WITH COMMAND
22 RESPONSIBILITIES AS A LIEUTENANT, AND MANAGED THE FIELD
23 SERVICES DIVISION, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE DIVISION, PATROL
24 DIVISION, TRAFFIC SAFETY BUREAU, COMMUNITY RELATIONS OFFICE,
25 SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM, DETECTIVE BUREAU, GANG AND



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1 NARCOTICS UNIT, S.W.A.T., VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS, PARKING
2 ENFORCEMENT, COMMUNITY EVENTS, AND THE RECORDS BUREAU. CHIEF
3 LOWRY POSSESSED TWO ASSOCIATE DEGREES FROM RIO HONDO COLLEGE,
4 A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE FROM UNION INSTITUTE AND UNIVERSITY, AND
5 A MASTER'S DEGREE FROM WOODBURY UNIVERSITY. HE GRADUATED FROM
6 THE PRESTIGIOUS CALIFORNIA P.O.S.T. COMMAND COLLEGE PROGRAM, A
7 14-MONTH PROGRAM DESIGNED TO PREPARE LAW ENFORCEMENT LEADERS
8 OF TODAY FOR THE CHALLENGES OF THE FUTURE. SADLY, CHIEF LOWRY
9 PASSED AWAY ON OCTOBER 24TH, DUE TO HEALTH ISSUES. HIS SUDDEN
10 LOSS LEAVES A HUGE HOLE IN THE HEARTS OF SO MANY, IN A YEAR
11 THAT HAS DEVASTATED THE EL MONTE COMMUNITY AND ITS POLICE
12 DEPARTMENT. MAY WE CARRY HIS LEGACY FORWARD IN CONTINUED ACTS
13 OF PUBLIC SERVICE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. THAT
14 CONCLUDES MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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16 **SUP. BARGER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, MAY I BE INCLUDED ON THAT
17 ADJOURNMENT?

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19 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES.

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21 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. PLEASE. THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
24 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JAMES NAPOLEON JACKSON. MR.
25 JACKSON WAS BORN ON JANUARY 26TH, 1933, IN SHORTER, ALABAMA,



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1 AND PASSED AWAY OCTOBER 14TH, AT THE AGE OF 89, HERE IN LOS
2 ANGELES. HE WAS A LONG-TERM RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF CARSON. HE
3 PROUDLY SERVED HIS COUNTRY AS A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES
4 NAVY, AND RECEIVED AN HONORABLE DISCHARGE IN 1956. HE WAS A
5 DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVANT WHO WORKED FOR THE CITY OF LOS
6 ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TRAFFIC DIVISION FOR 31
7 YEARS, UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT IN 1988. IN HIS SPARE TIME, HE
8 ENJOYED COACHING POP WARNER FOOTBALL, BASEBALL, AND TRACK IN
9 THE WILLOWBROOK COMMUNITY. HE ALSO TAUGHT HIS CHILDREN AND
10 GRANDCHILDREN HOW TO PLAY GOLF, AND WAS AN ORIGINAL MEMBER OF
11 THE VICTORIA GOLF CLUB, WHERE HE PREVIOUSLY SERVED ON THE
12 TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE, AS WELL AS THEIR BOARD OF DIRECTORS. HE
13 WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS BELOVED WIFE OF 61 YEARS, YVONNE
14 JACKSON, WHO I ALSO ADJOURNED IN HER MEMORY. MRS. JACKSON
15 PASSED AWAY AUGUST 26TH OF THIS SAME YEAR. HE LEAVES BEHIND TO
16 CHERISH HIS MEMORY TWO SONS, REGINALD, AND REGINALD'S PARTNER
17 PAT PRESCOTT, AND STANLEY, AND A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY AND
18 FRIENDS WHO WILL ALL MISS HIM DEARLY. THANK YOU, ALL, AND WE
19 WILL TAKE ALL--

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21 **SUP. KUEHL:** MADAM CHAIR?

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

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25 **SUP. KUEHL:** COULD I ADD JUST ONE THING?



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2 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** SURE.

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4 **SUP. KUEHL:** I WAS THINKING ABOUT WHEN I ADJOURNED FOR ROZ, AND
5 TALKED ABOUT WHO SHE LEFT BEHIND. I WAS THINKING, OFTEN, WE DO
6 NOT ACKNOWLEDGE THE BEST FRIEND, THE PERSON WHO HAS BEEN SO
7 IMPORTANT; THE REAL FAMILY, IN A WAY. SO I WANTED TO MENTION
8 JEAN FURSTENBERG, WHO WAS ROZ'S CONSTANT COMPANION IN SO MANY
9 PLACES, A DYNAMO IN HER OWN RIGHT. AND I THINK WE SHOULD ADD
10 HER TO THE LIST, IF IT IS OKAY WITH YOU, CELIA AND JEFF, OF
11 THE PEOPLE WHO RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE TO SHOW OUR ADJOURNMENT,
12 IF THAT'S ALL RIGHT. AND MY OFFICE WILL BE IN TOUCH ABOUT
13 THAT. BUT I WANTED TO MENTION HER IN PUBLIC, AS WELL. THANK
14 YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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16 **SUP. MITCHELL, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER IS
17 NODDING CONFIRMATION. SO, AGAIN, WE WILL NOW TAKE ALL THE
18 MOTIONS AS SECONDED. IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION TO A UNANIMOUS
19 VOTE, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND
20 COLLEAGUES, WE ARE NOW GOING BACK INTO CLOSED SESSION. WHILE
21 WE'RE IN CLOSED SESSION, WE WILL BE SHOWING FOUR VIDEO
22 PRESENTATIONS, THE FIRST BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, WHO HAS A
23 PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING THE E.D.I. MEDIA'S EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL
24 CHINESE AMERICAN FILM AND TELEVISION FESTIVAL, AND A
25 PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING CAROL CALANDRA, DIRECTOR OF THE



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1 VETERANS RESOURCE CENTER AT PASADENA CITY COLLEGE. SUPERVISOR
2 SOLIS HAS A PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING DR. JONATHAN LUCAS, THE
3 CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER, ON HIS RETIREMENT. AND I HAVE
4 A PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING THE ACHIEVEMENTS FOR THE 35TH
5 ANNUAL QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY AWARDS FOR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS.
6 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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8 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE BOARD WILL RECONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION
9 TO DISCUSS CS-3, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR FESIA
10 DAVENPORT AND DESIGNATED STAFF, AND ITEM CS-4, DEPARTMENT HEAD
11 PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND
12 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.



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**CLOSED SESSION ITEMS
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5 **CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING**
6 **LITIGATION**

7 (Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section
8 54956.9)

9
10 Vanessa Bryant v. County of Los Angeles, et al., U.S. District
11 Court, Central District of California, Case Number: CV 20-
12 09582. (22-2308)

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14 **No reportable action was taken.**

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17 **CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED**
18 **LITIGATION**

19 (Paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section
20 54956.9)

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22 Initiation of litigation (one case). (22-4039)

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24 **The Board authorized County Counsel to initiate litigation.**
25 **The defendant(s) and the other particulars will, once the**
26 **action is formally commenced, be disclosed to any person**
27 **upon inquiry. The vote of the Board was unanimous, with**
28 **all Supervisors being present.**

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

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

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37 Employee Organization(s) for represented employees: All



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1 individual member unions of the Coalition of County Unions,
2 AFL-CIO; Local 721, SEIU; All affiliated member unions of
3 AFSCME Council 36; Association of Deputy District Attorneys;
4 Los Angeles County Association of Environmental Health
5 Specialists; Los Angeles County Public Defenders; and
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7 Unrepresented employees (all). (17-0363)
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9 **No reportable action was taken.**
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12 CS-4. DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS
13 (Government Code Section 54957)
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15 Department Head performance evaluations. (11-1977)
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17 **No reportable action was taken.**