



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

EXECUTIVE OFFICE



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



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[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON
TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2023, ON PAGE 220]

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE, AND WELCOME TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. WE WELCOME YOU TO THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, JULY 25TH, 2023. AND WE TAKE NOTE THAT A FULL COMPLEMENT OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, THE COUNTY COUNSEL, OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO ASSIST. AND WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S BOARD MEETING WITH THE COUNTY'S LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT. THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES RECOGNIZES THAT WE OCCUPY LAND ORIGINALLY AND STILL INHABITED AND CARED FOR BY THE TONGVA, THE TATAVIAM, SERRANO, KIZH, AND CHUMASH PEOPLES. WE HONOR AND PAY RESPECT TO THEIR ELDERS AND DESCENDANTS, PAST, PRESENT, AND EMERGING, AS THEY CONTINUE THEIR STEWARDSHIP OF THESE LANDS AND WATERS. WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT SETTLER COLONIZATION RESULTED IN LAND SEIZURE, DISEASE, SUBJUGATION, SLAVERY, RELOCATION, BROKEN PROMISES, GENOCIDE, AND MULTIGENERATIONAL TRAUMA. THIS ACKNOWLEDGMENT DEMONSTRATES OUR RESPONSIBILITY AND COMMITMENT TO TRUTH, HEALING, AND RECONCILIATION AND TO ELEVATING THE STORIES, CULTURE, AND COMMUNITY OF THE ORIGINAL INHABITANTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE GRATEFUL TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE AND WORK ON THESE ANCESTRAL LANDS. WE ARE DEDICATED TO GROWING AND



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1 SUSTAINING RELATIONSHIPS WITH NATIVE PEOPLES AND LOCAL TRIBAL
2 GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING (IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER) THE FERNANDENO
3 TATAVIAM BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, THE GABRIELINO TONGVA
4 INDIANS OF CALIFORNIA TRIBAL COUNCIL, THE GABRIELENO/TONGVA
5 SAN GABRIEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, THE GABRIELENO BAND OF
6 MISSION INDIANS, KIZH NATION, THE SAN MANUEL BAND OF MISSION
7 INDIANS, THE SAN FERNANDO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS. OKAY, THIS
8 MORNING, OUR INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY THE REVEREND RUDY RUBIO
9 WITH THE REFORMED CHURCH OF LOS ANGELES IN LYNWOOD IN THE
10 FOURTH DISTRICT. AND THAT WILL BE FOLLOW BY THE PLEDGE OF
11 ALLEGIANCE, WHICH WILL BE LED BY JOHN MYER, FORMER PRIVATE
12 FIRST CLASS, UNITED STATES ARMY, FROM LANCASTER IN THE FIFTH
13 DISTRICT. IF YOU ARE ABLE THIS MORNING, PLEASE STAND WITH US.

14
15 **RUDY RUBIO:** JOIN ME IN PRAYER, FRIENDS. FATHER, SON, HOLY
16 SPIRIT, I THANK YOU FOR THE GIFT OF TODAY FOR HAVING ALLOWED
17 US TO BE THIS MORNING AND FOR THE PRIVILEGE TO OFFER THIS
18 PRAYER. WE KNOW THIS IS A CRUEL AND BROKEN WORLD FULL OF MUCH
19 EVIL, AND AS THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS THE RESPONSIBILITY
20 TO GOVERN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WOULD YOU PLEASE BESTOW
21 UPON THEM MUCH GRACE, WISDOM, COURAGE, AND DISCERNMENT TO
22 CARRY OUT THEIR DUTIES WELL. IT IS MY PRAYER THAT THEY WOULD
23 SEEK YOUR WISDOM ON GOOD DAYS AS WELL AS CHALLENGING DAYS
24 BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT EVERY GOOD AND PERFECT GIFT IS FROM
25 ABOVE. WOULD YOU PLEASE PROTECT THIS BOARD AND THEIR TEAMS.



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1 WOULD YOU KEEP THEM FROM HARM, PROTECT THEM FROM ALL EVIL THAT
2 THEY WOULD KNOW YOUR GOODNESS IN A VERY REAL AND INTIMATE WAY.
3 MAY THEIR CONSTITUENTS FROM SUCH A VAST AND DIVERSE MAKE UP OF
4 VARIOUS CULTURES, FAITH BACKGROUNDS, AND WORLD VIEWS ALL KNOW
5 THAT THEIR BEST INTEREST IS WHAT DRIVES THIS BOARD TO LEAD US
6 ALL WELL. GRACIOUS GOD, WE KNOW THAT ALL PEOPLE HAVE DIGNITY,
7 WORTH, AND VALUE BECAUSE WE ARE MADE IN YOUR IMAGE. AND I PRAY
8 THAT THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WOULD EXEMPLIFY INTEGRITY AS
9 THEY LEAD MILLIONS OF PEOPLE AND OVERSEE ALL OF THE AFFAIRS OF
10 THIS COUNTY. WOULD YOU ALSO WATCH OVER THEIR FAMILIES AS THEY
11 HAVE THE BURDEN OF SHARING THEIR LOVED ONES WITH SO MANY
12 PEOPLE AND PEOPLE GROUPS. I ASK OH GOD THAT THOSE PERSONS THAT
13 DON'T YET KNOW YOU WOULD COME TO UNDERSTAND YOUR GLORIOUS
14 GOSPEL MESSAGE THAT SAVES. ALTHOUGH THIS WORLD IS BROKEN, YOU
15 HAVE PROVIDED A WAY FOR THINGS TO BE MADE RIGHT. ALTHOUGH
16 THERE IS MUCH EVIL, YOU INSTRUCT US ON HOW TO MAKE THINGS
17 BETTER, AND IT ALL STARTS WITH TRUSTING YOU. HOW COULD WE NOT
18 TRUST IN THE ONE WHO GAVE HIS BEST FOR US IN HIS SON PAYING A
19 DEBT HE DIDN'T OWE, BUT WE DID. AS TODAY'S MEETING COMMENCES,
20 MAY YOU EXTEND GRACE TO ALL THOSE INVOLVED. MAY YOUR PEACE
21 THAT SURPASSES ALL UNDERSTANDING RULE THE HEARTS AND MINDS OF
22 THOSE HERE TODAY. WHEN PEOPLE ASK OF MY COMFORT AND HOW IT
23 COMES TO BE, I SHARE THAT MY ONLY HOPE IN LIFE AND IN DEATH IS
24 THAT I AM NOT MY OWN BUT BELONG IN BODY AND SOUL TO MY
25 FAITHFUL SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST. AND THAT IS THE HOPE FOR ALL



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1 WHO BELIEVE. THIS I PRAY IN THE PRECIOUS NAME OF CHRIST, MY
2 LORD, AMEN.

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4 **JOHN MYER:** I'D LIKE TO INVITE EVERYONE TO HONOR OUR VETERANS,
5 OUR COUNTRY, AND THE WONDERFUL CITIZENS, I CALL THEM PATRIOTIC
6 CITIZENS, LIKE THESE YOUNG LOVELY LADIES THAT ARE ON THE
7 BOARD. SO, IF WE CAN START THE PLEDGE. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO
8 THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC
9 FOR WHICH IT STANDS ONE NATION, UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH
10 LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.

11

12 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** I WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK THE
13 REVEREND RUDY RUBIO FOR LEADING US IN THE INVOCATION TODAY.
14 REVEREND RUBIO IS A LIFELONG RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
15 HAVING GROWN UP IN HUNTINGTON PARK, SOUTH CENTRAL, AND WATTS.
16 CURRENTLY, HE SERVES AS PASTOR WITH THE REFORM CHURCH OF L.A.
17 IN LYNWOOD, AND AS CHAPLAIN AT THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
18 COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. REVEREND RUBIO IS PASSIONATE ABOUT
19 COMMUNITY BUILDING, CHURCH PLANTING, AND SHARING THE TRUE
20 MEANING OF THE GOSPEL IN SOUTH L.A. BECAUSE OF HIS EXPERIENCES
21 GROWING UP THERE. HE AND HIS WIFE, EDNA, ARE PROUD PARENTS OF
22 THEIR FOUR CHILDREN, GABBY, ESTEBAN, DIEGO, AND NATALIA, AS
23 WELL AS PAPA, OR GRANDPA, TO ISABELLA. I ALSO HAVE AN ISABELLA
24 AS A GRANDDAUGHTER. REVEREND RUBIO, THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN FOR
25 JOINING US THIS MORNING, FOR YOUR DEDICATION TO HELPING



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1 OTHERS, AND FOR THE GUIDANCE THAT YOU PROVIDE TO THE RESIDENTS
2 OF OUR COMMUNITIES. IT IS MY HONOR TO PRESENT YOU WITH THIS
3 CERTIFICATE AS A TOKEN OF OUR APPRECIATION TODAY FOR YOU
4 TAKING THE TIME TO LEAD US IN A PRAYER. [APPLAUSE]

5
6 **SUP. BARGER:** NOW, PLEASE JOIN ME IN THANKING PRIVATE FIRST
7 CLASS JOHN MYER FOR LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
8 THIS MORNING. PRIVATE MYER PROUDLY SERVED THE UNITED STATES
9 ARMY FROM 1961 TO 1964, LAST SERVING WITH THE ARMY SECURITY
10 AGENCY. INSPIRED BY THE VAST NUMBER OF HOMELESS AND AT RISK
11 VETERANS IN HIS COMMUNITY, HE BEGAN THE NON-PROFIT CHARITY
12 ADOPT AT RISK VETERAN IN 2018 TO HELP SUPPORT AND PROVIDE FOR
13 VETERANS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. A.A.R.V. IS A FUNDRAISING
14 CHARITY THAT WORKS WITH OTHER COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO
15 HELP HOMELESS AND AT RISK VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES. THROUGH
16 IS COMPASSIONATE WORK, PRIVATE MYER AND HIS SPONSORS ARE ABLE
17 TO CONTINUOUSLY PROVIDE A VAST ARRAY OF SERVICES FOR HOMELESS
18 VETERANS IN THEIR COMMUNITY. EVEN IN HIS EIGHTIES, PRIVATE
19 MYER WORKS SEVEN DAYS A WEEK TO ENSURE THAT AT RISK VETERANS
20 AND CHILDREN ALIKE ARE NOT FORGOTTEN. PRIVATE MYER, THANK YOU
21 FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR NATION, YOUR WORK HELPING SERVE THE
22 HOMELESS VETERANS, AND FOR LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE OF
23 ALLEGIANCE THIS MORNING. THANK YOU. LET'S GIVE HIM A ROUND OF
24 APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE]



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1 **SUP. BARGER:** AND NOW, MADAM CHAIR, IF ANY OF YOU ARE
2 ROCKSTARS, I WANT TO INTRODUCE YOU TO BOWIE. BOWIE IS REALLY
3 CUTE. I THINK THAT YOU CAN HANDLE HIM. HE IS A FOUR-MONTH-OLD
4 WELSH TERRIER AND IS LOOKING FOR HIS FOREVER HOME. YOU CAN
5 CALL THE DOWNEY ANIMAL CARE SHELTER AT 562-940-6898 OR GO
6 ONLINE TO ANIMALCARE.LACOUNTY.GOV FOR DETAILS. I WOULD ALSO
7 ENCOURAGE YOU TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR AUGUST FOR THE ANNUAL
8 CLEAR THE SHELTERS PROMOTION. ADOPTION FEES WILL BE REDUCED TO
9 JUST \$20 FOR CATS AND DOGS. ALL SEVEN OF OUR ANIMAL CARE
10 CENTERS WILL BE PARTICIPATING FOR THE ENTIRE MONTH. AND TRULY,
11 THERE IS NO BETTER TIME TO FIND A PET. THIS IS BOWIE, AND
12 BOWIE IS SO SWEET. COME HERE, BOWIE. HI. BOWIE IS GOING TO BE
13 -- HIS PAWS -- HE'S NOT GOING TO BE HUGE, BUT HE IS GOING TO
14 BE A BIG ONE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR..

15
16 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WITH THAT, WE ARE GOING TO MOVE
17 ON TO TODAY'S AGENDA. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE
18 AGENDA.

19
20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
21 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 2, CONSENT
22 CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1-28. ON ITEM 2,
23 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM
24 3, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM
25 4, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS



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1 6 AND 8, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD.
2 ON ITEM 10, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
3 ALSO THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
4 AGENDA. ON ITEM 15, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS
5 ITEM BE HELD. ALSO THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON
6 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 16, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL
7 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 21, SUPERVISOR
8 HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 22, THIS
9 INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
10 ON ITEM 23, SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
11 HELD. ON ITEM 24, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE
12 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 26, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT
13 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED
14 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 27, THIS INCLUDES A
15 REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 34,
16 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 29-51. ON ITEM 31, THE DIRECTOR
17 OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO
18 THE DEPARTMENT, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM 37,
19 THE INTERIM CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
20 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO AUGUST 8TH, 2023, AS INDICATED ON THE
21 POSTED AGENDA. ON PAGE 46, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS
22 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS
23 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
24 AGENDA. ITEM 49 G IS A RECOMMENDATION TO APPOINT JUDGE SONGHAI
25 ARMSTEAD TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF JUSTICE, CARE, AND



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1 OPPORTUNITIES DEPARTMENT AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$341,771
2 EFFECTIVE JULY 25TH, 2023. ON PAGE 47, ORDINANCE FOR
3 INTRODUCTION. ON ITEM 52, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES
4 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT AS
5 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON PAGE 48, SEPARATE MATTER,
6 ITEM 53. ON PAGE 49, SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDA. THIS IS THE
7 AGENDA FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. ITEM
8 3D IS AN ADDITION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON
9 PAGE 51, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION, ON ITEM C.S.1, COUNTY
10 COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO THE
11 DEPARTMENT. THE REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCE AND REFER BACKS
12 THROUGH C.S.4 ARE BEFORE YOU.

13
14 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY
15 SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS, AND THAT WILL BE THE
16 ORDER.

17
18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF
19 THE AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR.

20
21 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE PLAY THE
22 CODE OF CONDUCT.

23
24 **[RECORDING]:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR
25 ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF



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1 SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW
2 BE READ, AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE
3 EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE
4 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD
5 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,
6 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED
7 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE
8 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE
9 REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES: SPEAKERS MUST CEASE
10 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT
11 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT
12 ITEM.

13
14 **ATTORNEY:** LADIES AND GENTLEMAN, YOU ARE BEING DISRUPTIVE.
15 PLEASE SIT DOWN.

16
17 **[RECORDING]:** GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS
18 WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD.

19
20 **ATTORNEY:** THIS IS YOUR FIRST WARNING. YOU ARE BEING
21 DISRUPTIVE.

22
23 **[RECORDING]:** DOES NOT INCLUDE THE RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A
24 DIALOGUE --



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1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE ARE GOING TO ASK YOU TO CALM DOWN.
2 AND REMOVE YOURSELF.

3

4 **ATTORNEY:** MADAM, YOU ARE BEING DISRUPTIVE.

5

6 **[RECORDING]:** WRITING OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,
7 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING OR OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS
8 --

9

10 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, THIRD WARNING.

11

12 **ATTORNEY:** THIS IS YOUR THIRD WARNING. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,
13 PLEASE BE QUIET. YOU ARE DISRUPTING THE MEETING.

14

15 **[RECORDING]:** MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF
16 THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF, AND BOARD MEMBERS, AND
17 MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY
18 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT
19 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT --

20

21 **ATTORNEY:** THEY HAVE HAD THREE WARNINGS, MADAM CHAIR.

22

23 **[RECORDING]:** FROM THE BOARD MEETING. AND FINALLY, IF YOU
24 WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
25 THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN



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1 THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OR OTHER
2 COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

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4 **SUP. BARGER:** MADAM CHAIR, MADAM CHAIR, WE HAVE ASKED THEM TO -
5 -

6

7 **ATTORNEY:** THEY HAVE HAD THREE WARNINGS.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY, MADAM CHAIR -- [DISRUPTION FROM THE
10 AUDIENCE CHANTING "DEFUND PROBATION IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL
11 BUDGET"]

12

13 **ATTORNEY:** THIS IS YOUR LAST WARNING. YOU ARE DISRUPTING THE
14 MEETING.

15

16 **ATTORNEY:** MADAM CHAIR, WOULD YOU LIKE TO RECESS AND GO TO
17 CLOSED SESSION?

18

19 **SUP. BARGER:** I MOVE THAT WE GO TO CLOSED SESSION.

20

21 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** WELL, LET'S SEE IF WE CAN CONTINUE OUR
22 MEETING IN AN ORDERLY FASHION, AND THEN WE WILL MAKE -- YEAH,
23 OKAY. ALRIGHT. SO --

24

25 **ATTORNEY:** SHE MOVED.



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1
2 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, YOU MOVED. LET'S -- WE'LL GO INTO
3 CLOSED SESSION.

4
5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
6 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
7 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSSION ITEM C.S.1, CONFERENCE
8 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION. ITEM C.S.2 -
9 - ITEM C.S.1 WAS CONTINUED. ITEM C.S.3, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL
10 COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION, AND ITEM C.S.4,
11 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING ANTICIPATED
12 LITIGATION, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.

13
14 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE ARE GOING TO DECIDE TO CLEAR THE
15 ROOM AT THIS TIME. THANK YOU. [CLOSED SESSION]

16
17 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE ARE RESUMING OUR MEETING. EXECUTIVE
18 OFFICER, PLEASE READ OUT THE CLOSED SESSION REPORT.

19
20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THE FOLLOWING IS A
21 REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON JULY 25TH, 2023.
22 ITEM NUMBERS C.S.2 AND C.S.3, NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN.
23 ITEM NUMBER C.S.4, IN CASE ONE, THE BOARD AUTHORIZED COUNTY
24 COUNSEL TO INITIATE LITIGATION. THE DEFENDANTS AND OTHER
25 PARTICULARS WILL, ONCE THE ACTION IS FORMALLY COMMENCED, BE



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1 DISCLOSED TO ANY PERSON UPON INQUIRY. THE VOTE OF THE BOARD
2 WAS UNANIMOUS WITH ALL SUPERVISORS BEING PRESENT. IN CASE
3 NUMBER TWO, THE BOARD AUTHORIZED COUNTY COUNSEL TO INITIATE
4 LITIGATION. THE DEFENDANTS AND OTHER PARTICULARS WILL, ONCE
5 THE ACTION IS FORMALLY COMMENCED, WILL BE DISCLOSED TO ANY
6 PERSON UPON INQUIRY. THE VOTE OF THE BOARD WAS UNANIMOUS WITH
7 ALL SUPERVISORS BEING PRESENT. THANK YOU.

8
9 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. TODAY, WE ARE GOING TO BEGIN WITH ITEM
10 2, THEN ITEM 3, THEN ITEMS 4 AND 21, WHICH WILL BE TAKEN UP
11 TOGETHER, FOLLOWED BY ITEMS 6, 8, 10, 15, 16, 23, AND ENDING
12 WITH ITEM 26, WHICH WERE HELD BY SUPERVISORS, AND FINISHING
13 WITH THE REMAINING ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD AND GENERAL
14 PUBLIC COMMENT. BEFORE WE BEGIN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE
15 READ THE CALL IN INFORMATION THAT WAS ALSO PROVIDED ON THE
16 AGENDA AND EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING RULES.

17
18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO
19 PARTICIPATE REMOTELY, AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA, PLEASE CALL
20 (877) 226-8163 AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 1336503.
21 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATING REMOTELY AND IN THE BOARD
22 ROOM, YOU WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD
23 THROUGHOUT THE MEETING. YOU WILL RECEIVE ONE MINUTE TO ADDRESS
24 THE BOARD ON ITEMS HELD BY SUPERVISORS, AND UP TO A TOTAL OF
25 THREE MINUTES ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS AND GENERAL PUBLIC



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1 COMMENT, FOR A TOTAL OF SIX MINUTES FOR THIS MEETING. PLEASE
2 MONITOR YOUR TIME AND THE ITEMS YOU ARE SIGNING UP FOR, AS
3 YOUR NAME WILL NOT BE CALLED ONCE YOUR TIME HAS ELAPSED. FOR
4 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY, WHEN THE BOARD
5 MOVES TO THE ITEM YOU WISH TO ADDRESS, PROMPTLY PRESS 1 AND
6 THEN 0 TO BE ENTERED INTO THE SPEAKING QUEUE. PLEASE REMEMBER
7 TO TURN DOWN THE VOLUME ON YOUR DEVICE AS SOON AS THE
8 MODERATOR CALLS ON YOU, OR THERE WILL BE AN ECHO. YOU WILL
9 NEED TO PRESS 1 THEN 0 FOR EACH ITEM ON WHICH YOU WOULD LIKE
10 TO SPEAK. TO ENSURE WE HEAR FROM BOTH IN- PERSON AND
11 TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS, WE WILL ALTERNATE BETWEEN THE TWO
12 SPEAKING QUEUES. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE IN ATTENDANCE,
13 WHEN YOU HEAR OR SEE YOUR NAME DISPLAYED ON THE SCREEN, PLEASE
14 COME DOWN TO THE FRONT OF THE BOARD ROOM, AND STAFF WILL
15 ASSIST YOU. PLEASE DO NOT APPROACH THE PODIUM UNTIL DIRECTED
16 TO DO SO. WE WILL BEGIN BY CALLING IN-PERSON SPEAKERS, AND
17 WHILE THEY ARE COMING FORWARD, WE WILL TAKE TELEPHONIC
18 SPEAKERS.

19
20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE WILL BEGIN WITH ITEM 2, THE LOS
21 ANGELES COUNTY TO PROVIDE FREE PHONE CALLS AND ROBUST
22 PROGRAMMING IN OUR COUNTY JAILS, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR
23 MITCHELL. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE
24 PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. SUPERVISOR
25 MITCHELL, WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE SOME REMARKS?



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1
2 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'D LIKE TO START BY
3 THANKING YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR ELEVATING THIS REALLY
4 IMPORTANT OFTEN I THINK MISUNDERSTOOD AND OVERLOOKED ISSUE. IT
5 IS AN ISSUE THAT I SPENT A LOT OF TIME ON WHEN I WAS IN THE
6 STATE LEGISLATURE, UNFORTUNATELY, HAVING THE BILL VETOED BY
7 THE GOVERNOR. AND SO, LET ME BE CLEAR. I DON'T TAKE FOR
8 GRANTED OR TAKE LIGHTLY THE IMPACT THAT HAVING FAMILIAL
9 CONNECTIONS AND RELATIONSHIPS AND SUPPORT SYSTEMS ARE FOR
10 ANYONE, PARTICULARLY THOSE WHO ARE INCARCERATED. WE KNOW THAT
11 THE VAST MAJORITY OF WOMEN WHO ARE INCARCERATED ARE OUR
12 PARENTS. AND SO, BEING ABLE TO CONNECT WITH YOUR FAMILY IS
13 VERY, VERY IMPORTANT. AND I SUPPORT THAT. THAT BEING SAID,
14 THERE IS A FISCAL ASK IN THIS MOTION IN DIRECTIVES 1 AND 2
15 THAT DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO IDENTIFY FUNDING IN THE SUPPLEMENT
16 BUDGET TO PAY FOR THE FREE PHONE CALLS WITH NO REAL ANALYSIS
17 OR UNDERSTANDING OF WHERE THE MONEY WOULD COME FROM OR HOW
18 THIS WILL IMPACT OTHER FUNDING PRIORITIES. WHEN WE DIRECT AND
19 APPROVE OUR C.E.O. TO IDENTIFY FUNDING, IT BECOMES A PRIORITY
20 OF THE BOARD, WHICH PROMPTS HER TO HAVE TO WAY WEIGH THIS
21 PROGRAM DESIRE AMONG OTHER UNFUNDED PRIORITIES SET FORTH BY
22 THE BOARD. AS A REMINDER, AT FINAL CHANGES, WE HAD 25 UNFUNDED
23 MOTIONS THAT THE C.E.O. RECOMMENDED TO DEFER TO SUPPLEMENTAL.
24 WE ALSO HAD OVER 658 MILLION IN UNMET NEEDS. FURTHER, DURING
25 THAT SAME MEETING, I RAISED CONCERNS ABOUT THE FACT THAT MOST



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1 OF OUR NEW NET COUNTY COST DOLLARS AT SUPPLEMENTAL WERE GOING
2 TO THE SHERIFF, YET THIS CREATES AN UNFUNDED MANDATE IN THE
3 SHERIFF'S BUDGET. AND WE ASKED THE C.E.O. TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO
4 SUPPORT IT WITH OTHER FUNDS. IT COULD BE A.B.109, OR IT COULD
5 BE N.C.C. AND SO, I DO NOT WANT MORE NEW DOLLARS AT
6 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET TO BE TAKEN FROM OTHER PRIORITIES AND
7 GOING TO THE SHERIFF. AGAIN, I FULLY UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE
8 OF ACCESSIBILITY AND EQUITY AS IT'S RELAYED IN THE SPIRIT OF
9 THE MOTION, BUT I BELIEVE WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO APPROACH
10 THIS STRATEGICALLY FROM A BUDGET PERSPECTIVE A LITTLE
11 DIFFERENT. I KNOW THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS CURRENTLY
12 CARRYING A PRETTY HEFTY FUND IN THE -- WHAT IS THE NAME OF THE
13 FUND -- THE FUND THAT CURRENTLY HOLDS THE DOLLARS, THE INMATE
14 WELFARE FUND, THANK YOU. FROM THE '22/'23 ADOPTED BUDGET TO
15 '23/'24 RECOMMENDED, THE FUND'S BALANCE WAS 52.2 MILLION AND
16 IT DECREASED TO 48.9 MILLION. THOSE ARE BUDGET ESTIMATES. SO,
17 WE KNOW THAT THEY HAVE A HEFTY FUND FROM WHICH PROFITS FROM
18 PHONE CALLS GO TO. AND SO, GIVEN ALL OF THOSE CONCERNS, I,
19 THEREFORE, WOULD LIKE TO BRING FORWARD THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENT
20 TO THE MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION, THAT WE WOULD REPLACE
21 DIRECTIVES 1 AND 2 AND INSTEAD HAVE IT READ AS FOLLOWS:
22 THEREFORE. MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REQUEST THE L.A.
23 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE C.E.O.,
24 TO SUBMIT A REPORT BACK IN WRITING IN 90 DAYS ON THE
25 COMPREHENSIVE FISCAL IMPACT OF PROVIDING FREE TELEPHONE CALLS



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1 FOR INCARCERATED PERSONS AT ALL L.A. COUNTY JAILS. THE REPORT
2 SHOULD INCLUDE AN ANALYSIS THAT EXPLORES ALTERNATIVE SYSTEMS
3 AND OPTIONS TO REDUCE THE CURRENT \$0.07 PER MINUTE COST OF THE
4 CALLS, B) A FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT THAT INCLUDES THE COST TO THE
5 COUNTY FOR PHONE CALLS, MINIMUM SYSTEM AND SECURITY UPDATES
6 REQUIRED TO HANDLE ANTICIPATED CALL VOLUME, PROGRAMS CURRENTLY
7 FUNDED BY THE INMATE WELFARE FUND THAT WOULD NO LONGER HAVE A
8 FUNDING SOURCE WHICH CALLS BECOME FREE, C) AN IDENTIFICATION
9 OF POTENTIAL FUNDING OPTIONS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO,
10 PROGRAM REDUCTIONS, USE OF INMATE WELFARE FUNDS FUND BALANCE,
11 AND USE OF A.B.109 FUNDS, AND, D) ANY ISSUES THAT WOULD
12 PROHIBIT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS AND A
13 PROPOSED TIMELINE TO ELIMINATE OR MODIFY EXISTING CONTRACTED
14 SERVICES. YOU KNOW, AGAIN, IN THIS CURRENT TIME, EVEN TO HAVE
15 A \$0.07 PER MINUTE CONTRACT SEEMS EXCESSIVE TO ME. I WOULD
16 HOPE THAT THE SHERIFF WOULD BE ABLE TO NEGOTIATE SOMETHING
17 BETTER, EITHER FOR THE PUBLIC OR EITHER FOR THE COUNTY TO HAVE
18 TO BEAR THAT COST. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR THE
19 OPPORTUNITY, AND I HOPE THAT THOSE AMENDMENTS WILL BE
20 ACCEPTED.

21
22 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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24 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. AND I
25 APPRECIATE THAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL HAS BEEN WORKING ON THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 ISSUE, BUT I WANT TO ALSO DRAW ATTENTION THAT ON THE BOARD
2 HERE FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS I HAVE BEEN VERY MUCH INVOLVED ON
3 THIS ISSUE, AND SO HAVE SOME OF THE BOARD MEMBERS HERE. IN
4 FACT, WE HAD PREVIOUSLY TWO MOTIONS THAT THIS BOARD
5 UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED IN THE PAST ON THIS TOPIC TO TRY TO GET
6 OUR COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM IN ORDER SO THAT WE HAVE A BETTER
7 TREATMENT OF OUR MEMBERS OR FAMILY, FRIENDS THAT ARE
8 INCARCERATED AND ABLE TO COMMUNICATE WITH THEIR LOVED ONES.
9 AND I DO THINK IT'S ANOTHER REPORT THAT'S BEING ASKED, AND WE
10 HAVE ALREADY HAD TWO, AND WE'RE STILL WAITING TO GET
11 INFORMATION FROM OUR AUDITOR-CONTROLLER ON THE USE OF THE
12 WELFARE FUND FOR THE INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS BECAUSE WE KNOW
13 THAT THERE IS -- THERE WAS A NOTION THAT THERE COULD BE SOME
14 OUT-OF-COMPLIANCE SITUATIONS THERE. SO THERE IS A LOT OF
15 THINGS THAT WE DO HAVE TO BE CLEAR ABOUT. I WANT TO SAY, FIRST
16 OF ALL, I WANT TO THANK THE PEOPLE THAT HAVE COME TO THE BOARD
17 MEETING TODAY BECAUSE I KNOW THAT THEY REPRESENT FORMERLY
18 INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS IN OUR SYSTEM, AND THEY HAVE HAD TO
19 DEAL WITH A LOT OF FISCAL BURDENS THEMSELVES AND THEIR
20 FAMILIES WITH RESPECT TO EXPENSIVE PHONE CALLS. AND IT'S
21 THROUGH THESE CONVERSATIONS WITH INDIVIDUALS LIKE THOSE THAT
22 ARE SOME THAT ARE SEATED IN THE AUDIENCE AND SOME THAT ARE
23 LISTENING TO US WHO WERE FORMERLY INCARCERATED AND FAMILIES
24 THAT ALLOW ME TO CONTINUE TO PUSH FOR MOTIONS LIKE PROVIDING
25 FREE PHONE CALLS IN THE JAILS OR EVEN ABOUT THERMAL



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1 UNDERGARMENTS, LIKE A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO THAT WE HELD ON THE
2 DAIS. MEMBERS, AS YOU KNOW, THIS IS OUR THIRD MOTION ON THIS
3 ITEM, AND THE FAMILY MEMBERS WHO HAVE LOVED ONES IN OUR JAILS
4 I DON'T THINK CAN WAIT ANY LONGER. IN FACT, WE STARTED DOWN
5 THIS JOURNEY BACK IN 2021 DURING THE PANDEMIC. THE FIRST WERE
6 TWO UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED BY THE BOARD BECAUSE I THINK WE ALL
7 WE AGREE AND UNDERSTAND HOW IMPORTANT THIS SUBJECT MATTER IS.
8 THREE MOTIONS ON DIRECTING THE COUNTY TO PROVIDE FREE PHONE
9 CALLS IN JAILS TO FOLLOW THE PATH OF OTHER PROGRESSIVE
10 JURISDICTIONS, AND LEADERS SUCH AS GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM, WHO
11 SIGNED INTO LAW THIS YEAR S.B.1008 THAT PROVIDES FREE PHONE
12 CALLS IN STATE PRISONS. PRESIDENT BIDEN ALSO SIGNED A LAW
13 EARLIER IN THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR TO EASE THE COST OF
14 PRISONERS TO CONTACT THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS IN FEDERAL
15 CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES. ALL OF THESE LAWS WERE WRITTEN AND
16 IMPLEMENTED BASED ON EVIDENCE-BASED RESEARCH, DATA, AND
17 ANECDOTES THAT SHOWED THAT COMMUNICATION WITH FAMILY AND
18 FRIENDS, AS WE KNOW, IS INCREDIBLY BENEFICIAL TO SOMEONE'S
19 MENTAL HEALTH WELL BEING WHILE INCARCERATED AND IS A FACTOR IN
20 REDUCING THE RISK OF RECIDIVISM. TO ME, THIS IS A PUBLIC
21 SAFETY ISSUE, AND INVESTING IN PREVENTION, PREVENTION OF
22 PEOPLE CYCLING IN AND OUT OF OUR JAILS. IN FACT, LATER TODAY,
23 WE'LL BE HEARING ABOUT A MOTION ABOUT WHAT MORE THIS COUNTY
24 CAN DO ABOUT PREVENTION TO SUPPORT VULNERABLE RESIDENTS. DATA
25 HAS SHOWN THE COST OF COMMUNICATION CONTINUES TO BE A HURDLE,



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1 AND FAMILIES ARE OVERBURDENED BY THESE COSTS. CURRENTLY, THE
2 COST IS \$0.25 A MINUTE, AND TYPICAL CALLS ARE ABOUT 15 MINUTES
3 LONG, WHICH CAN COST ABOUT \$3.75. THIS MAY NOT SOUND LIKE A
4 LOT TO YOU AND ME ON THE DAIS, BUT THAT COST ONLY ADDS UP FOR
5 FAMILIES THAT HAVE TO PURCHASE A PHONE CARD. THEY'RE NOT
6 PAYING PER PHONE CALL BUT SEVERAL CALLS AT ONCE. A TYPICAL
7 PHONE CARD WILL ONLY ALLOT FOR ONE OR TWO CALLS. DURING COVID-
8 19, INCARCERATED PEOPLE WERE ABLE TO PROVIDE ONE CALL FOR
9 FREE, BUT THAT WAS MINIMAL COMPARED TO WHAT PEOPLE WERE
10 FACING. THEY WERE GOING WITHOUT VISITS OVER THE COURSE OF THE
11 YEAR DURING THE PANDEMIC, AND PHONE CALLS WERE THE ONLY WAY
12 THAT THEY COULD SPEAK TO THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS. PLAINLY
13 SPEAKING, COMMUNICATION WITH FAMILIES SHOULD NOT BE A
14 PRIVILEGE. 1/3 OF FAMILIES IN DEBT TRYING TO MAINTAIN CONTACT
15 WITH THOSE WHO ARE INCARCERATED, AND THIS PRIMARILY IMPACTS,
16 AS WAS STATED, WOMEN BUT, MORE SPECIFICALLY, BLACK WOMEN AND
17 LATINAS. THE REASON IS DEVASTATING BECAUSE OVER 80% OF THE
18 PEOPLE WHO ARE INCARCERATED IN THE COUNTY JAILS, AS WE KNOW,
19 ARE BLACK AND BROWN PEOPLE. FREE PHONE CALLS ARE ABOUT
20 TRANSFORMING HOW WE GO ABOUT BUSINESS HERE IN THE COUNTY OF
21 LOS ANGELES. IN FACT, MANY OF YOU KNOW I HAVE LED ON MOTIONS
22 TO REDUCE AND ERADICATE JUSTICE FEES FOR THIS COMMUNITY
23 BECAUSE I CONTINUE TO HEAR ABOUT THE FISCAL BURDEN OF BEING
24 ASSOCIATED WITH THE JUSTICE SYSTEM. ABOUT A YEAR AND A HALF
25 AGO, THE BOARD SUPPORTED MY AMENDMENTS TO THE COMMISSARY



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1 VENDOR CONTRACT TO ENSURE THAT THERE WOULD BE NO PROFIT MARK-
2 UPS ON COMMISSARY AND VENDING MACHINE ITEMS. FAMILIES, AGAIN,
3 WERE TAKING ON THE BURDEN OF PAYING 2 OR 3 TIMES MORE JUST TO
4 PURCHASE A BAG OF CHIPS TO SUPPLEMENT THEIR LOVED ONES' MEALS
5 INSIDE THE JAILS. MEMBERS, I STARTED MY REMARKS BY SAYING THAT
6 THIS WAS MY THIRD MOTION ON PUSHING FOR FREE PHONE CALLS IN
7 JAILS. ALONGSIDE THOSE TWO MOTIONS, WE HAVE RECEIVED TWO
8 REPORT BACKS. WE ALSO RECEIVED REPORT BACKS ON THE AUDIT
9 RESULTS OF THE INMATE IMPACT WELFARE FUND BASED OFF OF MOTIONS
10 THAT I AUTHORED. ADDITIONAL REPORTS WILL ALSO MEAN DELAYS,
11 DELAYS FOR FAMILY WHO ARE ASKING WHEN THE BOARD IS GOING TO
12 ACTUALLY GET THIS DONE, AND THEY HAVE BEEN ASKING FOR TWO
13 YEARS. WE HAVE HAD FUNDING SOURCES AVAILABLE, ONE OF WHICH I
14 SUGGESTED IN THE MOTION, AND THAT WAS TO UTILIZE A.B.109
15 FUNDS. FUNDING THAT WE HAVE USED FOR JAILS AND FOR PEOPLE WHO
16 ARE INCARCERATED. LAST YEAR, \$25 MILLION WAS SET ASIDE TO
17 ADDRESS I.R.C. OVERCROWDING. AND ALSO I WANT TO NOTE THIS
18 BOARD AGENDA TODAY ALONE WILL BE VOTING ON AT LEAST TWO
19 A.R.D.I. RELATED MOTIONS, ONE WHICH I AUTHORED ABOUT
20 FURTHERING AND PRIORITIZING RACIAL EQUITY AND ABOUT PREVENTION
21 AND INCLUSIVITY. TO ME, A.R.D.I., RACIAL EQUITY STRATEGIC
22 PLANS, ARE PRINCIPALS THAT WERE SUPPOSED TO HELP GUIDE HOW WE
23 ENSURE EQUITY IN ALL OF OUR SYSTEMS, ESPECIALLY FOR PEOPLE OF
24 COLOR. ONE WAY OF DOING SO IS TO LOOK AT HOW WE, AS A COUNTY,
25 CAN SERVE OUR RESIDENTS BUT BETTER AND IN A MORE HUMANE WAY.



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1 MEMBERS, I HOPE THAT YOU WILL JOIN ME, AGAIN, IN SUPPORTING
2 THIS MOTION THAT I HAVE BEFORE YOU TODAY BECAUSE I DO THINK
3 IT'S TIME FOR US TO BE ABLE TO MOVE ITEM ALONG. I KNOW THAT
4 CURRENTLY WE HAVE A CONTRACT THAT EXISTS WITH L.A.S.D. AND A
5 VENDOR. I KNOW THAT, IN ONE OF THE REPORTS BACK, THE C.E.O.,
6 L.A.S.D., AND I.S.D. PROVIDED OPTIONS, INCLUDING ONE THAT
7 WOULD INVOLVE HEFTY INVESTMENTS IN THE JAIL. I DIDN'T BELIEVE
8 WE SHOULD BE SPENDING HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS
9 THREADING CABLES AND OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT INTO
10 FACILITIES, WHEN WE COULD INVESTIGATE THAT INTO CARE FIRST
11 INITIATIVES. UTILIZING THE EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE WILL ALLOW
12 FOR MINIMAL CHANGES, BUT TO DELAY THE WORK IS NOT ONE THAT I
13 CAN SUPPORT TODAY. I'M SORRY, BUT I THINK THIS BOARD AND I
14 HAVE BEEN PRETTY FIRM THROUGH OUR UNANIMOUS SUPPORT PREVIOUSLY
15 ON THE MOTIONS THAT WERE PRESENTED BEFORE US. I WOULD ASK THAT
16 WE OWE IT TO THE FAMILIES WHO HAVE BEEN VICTIMIZED BY THE
17 SYSTEM, AND WE SHOULDN'T BE OVERBURDENING THEM ANYMORE. I,
18 TOO, WANT TO KNOW HOW WE CAN BETTER REDUCE FEES, ESPECIALLY
19 PHONE CALLS IN MANY WAYS, AND ALSO WANTING TO SEE HOW WE COULD
20 PRIORITIZE, AGAIN, CARE FIRST AND JAILS LAST AS WE MOVE
21 FORWARD. AS I SAID EARLIER, I.W.F. FUNDS, AS THEY ARE
22 CURRENTLY BEING USED, I KNOW THAT THEY ARE OUT OF COMPLIANCE,
23 AND I KNOW THAT WE NEED TO ALSO DRILL DOWN ON THE USE OF THAT
24 FUND. AND WE HAD THESE CONVERSATIONS EVEN BEFORE THIS NEW
25 SHERIFF. WE HAD THEM WITH THE PREVIOUS SHERIFF, AND WE DID NOT



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1 GET ANY CLARIFICATION OR COOPERATION. I THINK CIRCUMSTANCES
2 HAVE CHANGED THIS TIME AROUND. SO I WOULD HOPE THAT WE COULD
3 MOVE FORWARD. I DID HAVE A QUESTION, MADAM CHAIR, IF I MIGHT
4 ASK OUR C.E.O.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YES, GO AHEAD.

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS:** I WANTED TO ASK OUR C.E.O., WE CONTINUE TO HEAR,
9 FESIA, DIFFERENT NUMBERS FROM OUR OFFICE ABOUT THE ACTUAL COST
10 OF THE PHONE CALLS DEPENDING ON WHICH OFFICE. I'M HEARING
11 ANYWHERE FROM 24 MILLION TO 27 MILLION, AND NOW 60 MILLION.
12 WHY CAN'T WE LOOK AT A.B.109 AND EVEN C.F.C.I. AS A FUNDING
13 SOURCE IF WE HAVE TO USE FLEXIBLE FUNDING, WHICH I'M OPEN TO,
14 BUT I WANT TO HEAR WHAT THAT MEANS FOR US AND THE 25 MILLION
15 THAT WAS PULLED OUT LAST YEAR? I WANT TO KNOW HOW THAT -- HOW
16 THAT WAS BEING USED OR NOT BEING USED.

17

18 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. SO, A COUPLE
19 OF THINGS. THERE ARE A COUPLE OF NUMBERS AT PLAY HERE. ONE SET
20 OF NUMBERS ARE THE NUMBERS THAT ARE INDICATED IN OUR JANUARY
21 2022 REPORT. IT WAS A POINT IN TIME ANALYSIS, AND WE LOOKED AT
22 THE COST OF THE CALLS, AND IN THAT PART OF THE REPORT, WE WERE
23 TALKING ABOUT WHAT THE DIFFERENCE WOULD BE BETWEEN \$0.25 PER
24 MINUTE RATE VERSUS THE \$0.07 RATE. AND IN THAT REPORT, YOU'LL
25 SEE THAT WE SAID THE TOTAL IMPACT OF IMPLEMENTING WHAT THE



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1 BOARD HAD REQUESTED IN ITS MOTION WAS \$27.6 MILLION. WE ALSO
2 KNOW THAT, BY LOOKING AT OTHER JURISDICTIONS, WHEN YOU REDUCE
3 THE COST OF THE CALL, OR IF YOU MAKE THE CALLS FREE, THE
4 USAGE GOES UP. SO ANOTHER FIGURE I SHARED WITH YOUR OFFICES
5 PREVIOUSLY TALKED ABOUT WHAT THE RATE -- WHAT THE COST OF THE
6 CALLS WOULD BE IF YOU INCREASED THE MINUTES, BUT YOU DECREASED
7 THE RATE. WE ANTICIPATE THAT, IF WE WENT TO FREE CALLS, THAT
8 THE ESTIMATED IMPACT WOULD BE \$30.2 MILLION. IN TERMS OF USING
9 OTHER FUNDING SOURCES, MONEY FROM -- FUNDING FROM C.F.C.I. AND
10 ALSO A.B.109 ARE AVAILABLE -- WELL, LEGALLY AVAILABLE TO FUND
11 THESE ACTIVITIES. ONE OF THE ISSUES, HOWEVER, IS, AS YOU KNOW,
12 THE CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FUND HAS AN ADVISORY
13 BOARD, AND THEY MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO MY OFFICE, WHICH THEN
14 I THEN PROVIDE TO THE BOARD ABOUT WHAT THE SPENDING PLAN IS,
15 BUT C.F.C.I. FUNDS ARE N.C.C. THEY'RE LOCALLY GENERATED
16 REVENUE THAT COULD BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE. THE SAME IS TRUE
17 FOR -- WELL, SIMILARLY, IS A.B.109 FUNDING. A.B.109 FUNDING
18 COULD BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE. BUT FOR -- NOT BUT, AND UNDER
19 A.B.109, THE BOARD HAS ESTABLISHED A PUBLIC P.S.R.T. TEAM. I
20 THINK IT IS PUBLIC SAFETY REVIEW TEAM. THEY'RE ALSO ADVISORY
21 BOARD. AND WHAT THEY PROVIDE EACH YEAR ARE RECOMMENDATIONS ON
22 HOW TO FUND THE A.B.109 GROWTH. AND SO, IT'S NOT THAT THOSE
23 TWO FUNDING SOURCES ARE NOT AVAILABLE. IT'S THAT THE
24 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THOSE FUNDING SOURCES ARE NOT DIRECTLY
25 CONTROLLED BY THE C.E.O. THEY ARE CONTROLLED BY ADVISORY



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1 COMMITTEES THAT THEN MAKE ITS WAY TO THE BOARD. AND THEN,
2 SUPERVISOR, THE LAST PART ABOUT THE 25 MILLION, I WASN'T --

3
4 **SUP. SOLIS:** YEAH, I WANTED TO ASK HOW -- THAT WAS PULLED OUT,
5 RIGHT? WE PULLED THAT OUT. I WANT TO KNOW IF IT WAS UTILIZED
6 AT ALL.

7
8 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THE \$25 MILLION FROM --

9
10 **SUP. SOLIS:** FROM THIS FUND.

11
12 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO I'LL NEED TO CIRCLE BACK WITH THE
13 TEAM, CAUCUS WITH THEM RIGHT QUICK, TO SEE WHAT THAT IS.

14
15 **SUP. SOLIS:** SO, ONE OF THE QUESTIONS I DO HAVE, THOUGH,
16 C.E.O., IS THAT I KNOW THAT A.B.109 FUNDING HAS BEEN MADE
17 AVAILABLE FOR THIS PURPOSE. WE HAD PREVIOUS DISPUTES WITH THE
18 PREVIOUS SHERIFF ON THIS ITEM. AND WE KNOW THAT A PORTION OF
19 THE I.F.W. FUNDS IS SUPPOSED TO ALSO BE USED FOR SOME JAIL
20 PURPOSES AND ALSO FOR INMATES. WE KNOW THAT THERE HAS BEEN AN
21 IMBALANCE THERE. IT'S NOT A 50/50 AT ALL, AND IN SOME WAYS
22 FUNDING MAY HAVE BEEN USED IMPROPERLY IN PREVIOUS
23 ADMINISTRATIONS FOR THINGS THAT SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN EXPENDED.
24 SO, I'M STILL WAITING TO SEE WHAT THE AUDIT IS GOING TO SAY
25 ABOUT THAT AND THEN FURTHER PRESS WHY IS IT THAT WE CAN'T HAVE



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1 -- IF WE GET FUNDING -- IF WE HAVE FUNDING SOURCE AVAILABLE,
2 WHY CAN WE NOT DO THAT? I MEAN I'M SAYING THIS IS A BOARD. WE
3 HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO ASK FOR THAT.

4
5 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** ABSOLUTELY, THE BOARD CAN DO IT. I
6 THINK IN AN I THINK EFFORT TO BE MORE TRANSPARENT ABOUT OUR
7 BUDGETING PRACTICES AND TO ADD ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY VOICES,
8 THE BOARD HAS ESTABLISHED THESE ADVISORY COMMITTEES. NOW, YOU
9 KNOW, AND SO, FOR EXAMPLE, THE EXAMPLE YOU USE FOR I.C.H.S.
10 AND WE WERE USING IN A PRIOR BUDGET PHASE WE USED SOME A.B.109
11 FUNDS, THE P.S.R.T. COMMITTEE MEMBERS UNDERSTOOD -- GENERALLY
12 SPEAKING, THE COMMITTEE DOES NOT LIKE TO SEND ANY FUNDS TO
13 SHERIFF OR PROBATION. AND WHAT THEY UNDERSTOOD WAS, FOR
14 CORRECTIONAL HEALTH SERVICES, THEY REALIZED THAT THAT FUNDING
15 WOULD BE USED FOR FOLKS IN JAIL, THAT SOME OF THE FUNDING
16 WOULD GO TO SHERIFF STAFF TO MAKE SURE THAT CLINICIANS ARE
17 SAFE AS THEY PROVIDE TREATMENT, AS WELL AS THE HEALTH
18 SERVICES SIDE.

19
20 **SUP. SOLIS:** I UNDERSTAND THAT PART, BUT MY REAL ISSUE IS THAT
21 A.B.109 MONEY SHOULD BE USED AND ANY SOURCES TO HELP PROVIDE
22 AND MEET THIS GAP BECAUSE I DO BELIEVE WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION.
23 IT'S ALREADY -- PRECEDENT HAS BEEN SET BY OTHER ENTITIES,
24 LOCAL AS WELL AS STATE AND NOW FEDERAL. AND WE, AS A
25 PROGRESSIVE BOARD, I WOULD THINK WOULD WANT TO GO THAT



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1 DIRECTION AND CONTINUE TO HELP FIND OUT WHERE OTHER RESOURCES
2 ARE AVAILABLE, BUT I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD BE -- AND I RECALL
3 THERE WAS A STATEMENT MADE THAT SOMEHOW THE COUNTY IS GOING TO
4 LOSE MONEY BECAUSE WE RECEIVE MONEY FROM THIS CONTRACT. WHERE
5 DOES THAT MONEY GO?

6

7 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** YEAH. SO, THERE ARE TWO PIECES TO
8 THIS FIGURE THAT I HAVE REFERENCED. THE FIRST PART IS WE
9 RECEIVE FUNDING, REVENUE, WHEN THE FAMILIES PAY FOR THE CALLS.
10 AND SO, THAT'S REVENUE THAT THE COUNTY RECEIVES. AND IF THE
11 FAMILIES WILL NO LONGER PAY FOR THE CALLS AND THE COUNTY PAYS
12 FOR THE CALLS, THEN WE'RE GOING HAVE TO FIGURE OUT -- IDENTIFY
13 A FUNDING SOURCE FOR THAT. THAT'S ONE PIECE.

14

15 **SUP. SOLIS:** BUT THAT'S THE WHOLE POINT. WE DON'T WANT THE
16 FAMILIES TO HAVE TO PAY.

17

18 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** I COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND. I'M JUST
19 SAYING FROM A BUDGETARY PERSPECTIVE, FUNDING HAS TO BE
20 IDENTIFIED WHEN THAT REVENUE GOES AWAY. SO FUNDING HAS TO BE
21 IDENTIFIED.

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS:** SO, THEREFORE, A.B.109 OR WHATEVER ELSE IS
24 AVAILABLE BECAUSE I UNDERSTAND THE SHERIFF I MEAN ISN'T THE
25 ONLY ONE THAT BENEFITS FROM A.B.109. WE HAVE OTHER



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1 DEPARTMENTS. SO, WE CAN ALSO, IF NEED BE, I THINK LOOK AT THE
2 WHOLE -- ALL THE PARAMETERS. SO IT ISN'T JUST ONE SHERIFF
3 FUND. THERE'S MORE TO IT THAN THAT.

4
5 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** AT THE END OF THE DAY, SUPERVISOR,
6 WHAT WE HAVE DONE WITH OUR ADVISORY COMMITTEES IS WE HAVE
7 RESTRICTED OURSELVES IN TERMS OF OUR FLEXIBILITY FUNDING, AND
8 THE UPSIDE FOR THE OUR FLEXIBILITY OR OUR LACK OF FLEXIBILITY
9 IS THAT WE ARE INVITING MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY INTO THIS
10 BUDGET PROCESS. SO, I THINK WHAT I'M TRYING TO SAY IS WE'VE
11 SET UP THIS PROCESS WHERE THE ADVISORY COMMITTEES COME IN WITH
12 RECOMMENDATIONS, AND THEN THE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE VETTED TO MY
13 OFFICE.

14
15 **SUP. SOLIS:** THAT'S FOR C.F.C.I.

16
17 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** AND FOR A.B.109.

18
19 **SUP. SOLIS:** BUT I DO THINK THIS MONEY WILL GO DIRECTLY TO THE
20 ONES THAT ARE MOST IMPACTED JUST AS YOU SAID EARLIER ABOUT HOW
21 WE'RE --

22
23 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** I DON'T DISAGREE. I DON'T DISAGREE
24 WITH YOU.



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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** I DON'T THINK THERE'S A PHILOSOPHICAL
2 DISAGREEMENT. MAYBE THERE IS WITH SOME FOLKS THAT DON'T
3 UNDERSTAND ALL THE NUANCES, BUT I DO KNOW THAT THESE FUNDS OR
4 THE SAVINGS HERE WOULD IMPACT THESE FAMILIES THAT ARE
5 INCARCERATED. I THINK THE INTENT OF A.B.109, THE NEW ADVISORY
6 GROUPS, AS WELL AS C.F.C.I. -- I'M SORRY, OUR NEW FUND,
7 ANYWAY, THAT BASICALLY OUR EFFORT SHOULD BE TO PROVIDE ARE
8 RELIEF TO FAMILIES. AND I DO BELIEVE THIS MOTION WILL ADDRESS
9 THAT. AND IT WOULD HAPPEN IMMEDIATELY IF WE CONSIDER THIS
10 MOTION TODAY. AND I DON'T ACCEPT THE AMENDMENT BECAUSE I THINK
11 IT REALLY THWARTS WHAT WE HAVE BEEN TRYING TO DO IN THE LAST
12 FEW YEARS, AND I'M NOT TAKING AWAY ANYTHING THAT SUPERVISOR
13 MITCHELL HAS SAID ABOUT HER COMMITMENT. I KNOW IT'S THERE, BUT
14 I THINK THAT THERE IS AN URGENCY.

15
16 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

17
18 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. LET ME UNDERSTAND SOMETHING BECAUSE
19 THIS BOARD APPROVED A CONTRACT WITH A PROVIDER THAT WE ALLOWED
20 TO CHARGE A FEE IN OUR JAILS.

21
22 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THAT IS CORRECT.

23
24 **SUP. BARGER:** SO WHAT CONTROL DO WE HAVE, AS A BOARD, IF WE LET
25 OUT AN R.F.P. TO CONTROL THE ACTUAL COST THAT'S CHARGED?



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2 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO, THE BOARD -- WE COULD DO SOME
3 SORT OF SOLICITATION THAT SAYS THIS IS WHAT WE ARE WILLING TO
4 PAY. SO IN TERMS OF THE CONTROL THAT THE BOARD HAS, THE BOARD
5 COULD DO A SOLICITATION. THE REASON WHY IT WAS REDUCED
6 PREVIOUSLY FROM \$0.25 TO \$0.07 IS BECAUSE THERE IS A LAW THAT
7 REQUIRED US TO DO IT.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER:** I GUESS MY FRUSTRATION IS THAT THIS IS ALMOST
10 SELF-IMPOSED BY US. AND I KNOW WHEN I GO TO PROBATION CAMP, TO
11 THE HALLS, THEY ACTUALLY HAVE ACCESS TO PHONES, AT LEAST THE
12 ONES I SAW, THAT THEY'RE NOT GETTING CHARGED IN THE DAY ROOM.
13 SO I KNOW IT CAN BE DONE. AND MY QUESTION IS WHAT IS THE
14 ACTUAL COST FOR MAKING A CALL OUT OF OUR JAILS -- ACTUAL COST,
15 NOT WHAT THEY GET BILLED, ACTUAL COST.

16

17 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO, WE WOULD HAVE TO DO -- TO DELVE
18 DOWN ON THE RESEARCH. THE ONLY THING THAT I CAN TELL YOU AS I
19 SIT HERE TODAY IS WHAT WE ARE BEING CHARGED BY THE PROVIDER,
20 WHICH IS \$0.07 A MINUTE.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH. I THINK MY FRUSTRATION IS IT'S ALMOST AS
23 THOUGH WE'RE FIGHTING OVER MONEY THAT IS -- WE HAVE CONTROL
24 OVER HOW MUCH IS BEING CHARGED PER CALL. AND I KNOW THAT WHEN
25 WE DID THE R.F.P., THERE WERE PROVIDERS THAT RESPONDED TO OUR



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1 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS AND ARE, IN FACT -- SOMEONE IS MAKING A
2 PROFIT, RIGHT?

3
4 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** I ASSUME THAT THE PROVIDER IS NOT A
5 NON-PROFIT, AND THAT THEY ARE --

6
7 **SUP. BARGER:** AND THEN PART OF THAT IS GOING INTO THE INMATE
8 RECEPTION FUND. AND I AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR SOLIS AS IT
9 RELATES TO THE TRANSPARENCY OF THAT FUND BECAUSE WE REALLY
10 DON'T KNOW WHERE THAT MONEY IS GOING, BUT I HAVE A FEELING
11 THAT, IF THEY ARE GETTING PART OF THAT PROFIT FROM THE PHONE
12 CALLS, I WOULD HOPE THAT WE WOULD GO IN AND MANDATE THAT THE
13 SHERIFF DRAW DOWN FROM THE INMATE RECEPTION FUND TO COVER THE
14 COST OF PROVIDING THESE CALLS BECAUSE THAT IS, IN FACT, WHAT
15 THE INMATE RECEPTION FUND, I WOULD THINK, IS IN PART SUPPOSED
16 TO BE DOING, CORRECT?

17
18 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO IT'S THE INMATE WELFARE FUND.

19
20 **SUP. BARGER:** I'M SORRY. INMATE WELFARE FUND.

21
22 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THE FUNDS THAT THE COUNTY RECEIVES AS
23 PART OF THE REVENUE FROM THE INMATE WELFARE FUND -- I'M SORRY,
24 AS PART OF MAKING THE CALLS, THERE IS A REVENUE SPLITTING
25 ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN US AND THE PROVIDER. WHEN THE CALLS WERE



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1 AT \$0.25 A MINUTE, THAT REVENUE STREAM, THAT REVENUE AMOUNT
2 WAS HIGHER. NOW THAT THE CALLS HAVE BEEN REDUCED TO \$0.07 PER
3 MINUTE, THAT REVENUE IS GOING DOWN. SO WE HAVE IT BUDGETED FOR
4 I BELIEVE IT IS '23/'24 AT \$3 MILLION, BUT THERE ARE TWO
5 THINGS THAT ARE HAPPENING. IF WE TAKE -- IF WE GET NO FUNDING
6 -- IF WE'RE PAYING FOR THE CALLS, IF IT'S \$0.07, \$0.05, \$0.02,
7 WE STILL HAVE TO IDENTIFY FUNDING TO PAY FOR THAT. AND THEN
8 THE FUNDING THAT WE RECEIVE FOR THE CALLS, WE'RE ALSO USING IN
9 THE INMATE WELFARE FUND TO PAY FOR PROGRAMMING. SO NOT ONLY DO
10 WE HAVE TO IDENTIFY FUNDING TO REPLACE THE MONEY WE'RE NO
11 LONGER RECEIVING BECAUSE WE WOULD NOT CHARGE ANYTHING FOR THE
12 CALLS, WE ALSO HAVE TO IDENTIFY FUNDING TO CONTINUE THE
13 PROGRAMMING.

14
15 **SUP. BARGER:** SO IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO UNDERSTAND THE ACTUAL
16 COST TO MAKE THE CALL. I KNOW, WHEN WE BUY OUR PLANS, WE KNOW
17 WHAT THE ACTUAL COST, IF YOU BUY THE PACKAGE WHERE IT'S
18 UNLIMITED USE, I MEAN, I WOULD THINK THAT WE WOULD BE ABLE TO
19 UNDERSTAND WHAT THE ACTUAL COST IS. AND THEN TO FOLLOW UP ON
20 THAT, I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE SAYING ABOUT THE PROGRAMMING
21 AND ALL. DO WE KNOW WHEN WE'RE GOING GET THE AUDIT AS IT
22 RELATES TO THE INMATE WELFARE FUND?

23
24 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO, THERE WERE -- THE AUDITOR-
25 CONTROLLER'S OFFICE JUST ISSUED A FOLLOW-UP AUDIT LAST WEEK.



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SUPERVISORS

1 AND THEY TALK ABOUT -- SO THIS WAS THEIR SECOND TIME GOING OUT
2 -- OR I DON'T KNOW IF THEY WENT OUT. THIS WAS THEIR SECOND
3 REVIEW, LET ME SAY. THEY DID AN AUDIT PREVIOUSLY, AND THEN
4 THEY WENT BACK, AND THEY JUST ISSUED A REPORT BACK WEEK SAYING
5 OH, BY THE WAY, HERE'S WHERE WE ARE ON THOSE FINDINGS THAT WE
6 HAD BASED ON OUR PRIOR AUDIT.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER:** AND THEN MY LAST QUESTION IS ON A.B.109, WHAT IS
9 A.B.109 SUPPOSED TO BE USED FOR WHEN IT WAS BROUGHT DOWN
10 BECAUSE I FEEL LIKE WE SPENT THAT 25 TIMES -- THE SAME AMOUNT
11 ON DIFFERENT THINGS. I'M JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND HOW
12 PRESCRIPTIVE IT IS.

13

14 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** YES. SO, THERE ARE A BUNCH OF
15 DIFFERENT BUCKETS IN A.B.109. ONE OF ITS USES IS ARE FOR FOLKS
16 INCARCERATED FOR THEIR SERVICES. ONE IS FOR -- ONE BUCKET CAN
17 BE USED FOR FACILITIES AND STAFFING FOR BOTH SHERIFF AND
18 PROBATION. SO THERE ARE A MYRIAD OF USES, AND THE PROGRAMMING
19 COMPONENT OF THIS COULD BE COVERED BY A.B.109 IF YOU'RE --
20 EITHER TWO WAYS, EITHER THE P.S.R.T. TEAM RECOMMENDS IT, OR
21 THE BOARD TELLS THE P.S.R.T. TEAM THIS IS OUR PRIORITY DURING
22 THIS BUDGET PHASE.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER:** AND THE C.F.C.I. WAS BROUGHT UP. I THINK
25 SUPERVISOR SOLIS BROUGHT IT UP. HAVE THEY TAKEN THE POSITION,



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SUPERVISORS

1 OR ARE THEY -- DO THEY PLAY A ROLE IN RECOMMENDATIONS

2 REGARDING THESE TYPE OF --

3

4 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO THE C.F.C.I. ADVISORY BOARD, THEY
5 HAVE JUST ISSUED THEIR PROPOSED PLAN -- THEIR SPENDING PLAN
6 FOR YEAR THREE. I AM PRETTY SURE THAT THIS -- THE PROGRAMMING
7 OR FREE PHONE CALLS IS NOT INCLUDED IN THAT PLAN. I'M GOING TO
8 BE BRINGING THAT PLAN TO THE BOARD SOME TIME BEFORE
9 SUPPLEMENTAL, EITHER AUGUST OR SEPTEMBER.

10

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

12

13 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'M GOING TO SAY A FEW THINGS,
14 AND THEN I'M GOING TO CALL ON SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND THEN
15 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR A SECOND TIME. AND I JUST WANT TO SAY
16 I'M GOING TO SUPPORT, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOUR MOTION TODAY
17 BECAUSE I THINK WE DO KNOW, THE STUDIES, THE FACTS, JUST HUMAN
18 NATURE, WE KNOW HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO HAVE SOCIAL CONNECTION
19 AND FAMILY SUPPORT FOR ALL OF US, BUT PARTICULARLY FOR THOSE
20 WHO ARE INCARCERATED IN OUR COUNTY JAILS, AND PHONE CALLS ARE
21 ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT WAYS THAT PEOPLE CAN STAY CONNECTED
22 WITH THEIR LOVED ONES, BUT AS YOU HAVE SAID, THE COST OF THESE
23 PHONE CALLS ADDS UP, AND IT BECOMES A BURDEN. AND THERE IS
24 ENOUGH BURDEN YOU HAVE WHEN YOU BECOME INCARCERATED. THERE IS
25 ENOUGH BURDEN ON YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES WHEN YOU'RE IN OUR



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1 SYSTEM. AND IF THIS IS ONE WAY WE CAN RELIEVE A LITTLE BIT OF
2 THAT BURDEN, I THINK WE SHOULD. AND YOU'RE RIGHT. WE HAVE SEEN
3 OTHER JURISDICTIONS HAVE BEEN MAKING PHONE CALLS FREE IN THE
4 JAIL. SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY MADE THAT STEP IN 2020. CALIFORNIA
5 HAS MADE PHONE CALLS FREE IN ALL STATE PRISONS STARTING
6 JANUARY 1ST OF THIS YEAR. AND WE HAVE BEEN LOOKING TO DO THIS.
7 I AGREE. WE'VE GOT A COUPLE OF MOTIONS ON THIS. IT IS OUR
8 PHILOSOPHY OF WHAT THIS BOARD HAS DONE, AND I THINK WE ALL
9 KNOW THAT IF WE'RE GOING TO MAKE THESE PHONE CALLS FREE, IT
10 MEANS THE COUNTY IS GOING TO HAVE TO PAY FOR IT. AND WE AGREE,
11 BUT THIS MOTION IS SAYING WE WANT TO DO THIS NOW. WE WANT YOU
12 TO FIND THE MONEY TO DO THIS. AND I DON'T THINK WE NEED
13 ANOTHER REPORT BACK. I THINK WE KIND OF ARE HEARING THE FISCAL
14 IMPACT, ALTHOUGH THE NUMBERS ARE KIND OF ALL OVER THE PLACE. I
15 HEARD 12. I HEARD 24. I HEARD 30 MILLION. BUT THE POINT IS WE
16 WANT DO THIS. THIS IS, I BELIEVE, THE WILL OF THE BOARD. AND
17 SO, WE WANT YOU TO FIND THAT MONEY. WE NEED TO TELL THE
18 SHERIFF AND OUR C.E.O. THAT THIS IS SOMETHING WE WANT TO DO,
19 AND I THINK THE MONEY'S THERE. WE CAN FIND THE FUNDS, AND I
20 THINK IT'S THE RIGHT TIME TO JUST DO IT. WE HAVE BEEN TALKING
21 ABOUT IT. WE HAVE BEEN MOTIONING IT, AND I THINK TODAY IS THE
22 DAY TO DO IT. AND I ALSO THINK OUR GOAL OF COURSE IS
23 DEPOPULATING OUR JAILS, WHICH WE'RE BEGINNING TO DO. WE'RE
24 STARTING TO PREVENT MORE PEOPLE FROM GOING TO JAIL. WE'RE
25 DIVERTING MORE PEOPLE WHO DON'T NEED TO BE IN JAIL, AND WE'RE



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1 REALLY TRYING TO FIND A BETTER OUTCOME FOR THOSE WHO HAVE
2 MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES BESIDES BEING IN OUR JAILS. SO I THINK
3 WE'RE GOING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION IN TERMS OF PHILOSOPHY OF
4 THIS BOARD. THIS IS ONE SMALL STEP I THINK THAT WE'RE READY TO
5 DO. SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND THEN SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR A
6 SECOND TIME. OKAY.

7
8 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I'M GLAD WE HAVE THIS
9 MOTION BEFORE US TODAY. OBVIOUSLY, STAYING CONNECTED WITH OUR
10 LOVED ONES ON A REGULAR BASIS IS IMPORTANT FOR ALL PEOPLE,
11 ESPECIALLY FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE IN CUSTODY WHO ARE NOT COPING
12 WITH THE STRESS FACTORS OF INCARCERATION AND WHO MAY ALSO BE
13 STRUGGLING WITH ISOLATION, ANXIETY, AND DEPRESSION FROM BEING
14 SEPARATED FROM FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES. AS THIS MOTION
15 HIGHLIGHTS, FOR MANY INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR FAMILIES, THE
16 ECONOMIC BURDEN OF STAYING CONNECTED THROUGH PHONE CALLS CAN
17 BE DIFFICULT. I'M GLAD THAT OUR BOARD HAS CONTINUED TO ADDRESS
18 THIS ISSUE BY ASKING OUR VARIOUS COMMISSIONS, OUR C.E.O.
19 PARTNERS, THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, AND THE O.I.G., IN
20 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE SHERIFF, TO FIND WAYS OF REMOVING THESE
21 BARRIERS BY IMPLEMENTING NO COST PHONE CALLS TO INDIVIDUALS IN
22 CUSTODY. ANOTHER ISSUE THAT WAS RAISED HERE IS PROGRAMMING.
23 ALTHOUGH MOST INDIVIDUALS IN CUSTODY EXPRESS A DESIRE TO
24 PARTICIPATE IN PROGRAMS, MANY DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE EXISTING
25 PROGRAMS AVAILABLE TO THEM, HOW TO ACCESS THEM, OR WHETHER



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1 THEY EVEN QUALIFY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAMS, WHICH IS
2 PROBLEMATIC AT BEST. OFFERING A WIDE RANGE OF EDUCATIONAL,
3 VOCATIONAL, EXPRESSIVE ARTS, AND CERTIFICATION COURSES AND
4 RESOURCES IS ESSENTIAL TO EACH INDIVIDUAL'S SKILL DEVELOPMENT,
5 ADVANCEMENT, OVERALL WELL BEING, AND REHABILITATION. FURTHER,
6 EQUITABLE ACCESS FOR PEOPLE INCARCERATED TO THESE PROGRAMS
7 SHOULD BE PRIORITIZED ALONG WITH INCREASED ACCESSIBILITY TO
8 COMMUNITY-BASED TEACHERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS, WHO WANT TO
9 SERVE AS A RESOURCE AND SUPPORT THOSE IN CUSTODY. I HEAR
10 UNANIMITY IN THIS BOARD IN A DESIRE TO PROVIDE THESE PHONE
11 CALLS. WHAT I HEAR IS A LACK OF CLARITY AROUND HOW IT WILL BE
12 FUNDED. AND SO, I JUST HAVE A COUPLE MORE QUESTIONS FOR THE
13 C.E.O. SO, AS THE ITEM IS PROPOSED BEFORE US TODAY, DOES THAT,
14 AS WAS MENTIONED EARLIER TODAY, AS WAS SUGGESTED, DOES THIS
15 ITEM PROPOSE ADDING MONEY TO THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET IN ORDER FOR
16 THIS ITEM TO BE ACHIEVED?

17
18 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SUPERVISOR, THAT'S A YES. SO, AS WE
19 MOVE TO FREE CALLS, THE INMATE WELFARE FUND HAS A RESERVE
20 BALANCE THAT HAS BEEN RAPIDLY -- IT'S DECLINING. AND THE
21 REASON WHY IT IS DECLINING IS BECAUSE IT'S BEING USED TO FILL
22 IN THE GAP THAT WAS CREATED WHEN WE REDUCED THE CALLS FROM
23 \$0.25 PER MINUTE TO \$0.07 PER MINUTE. ONCE THE RESERVE IS
24 FULLY EXPENDED, WHICH WE BELIEVE IS BY THE OF THIS FISCAL



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1 YEAR, THEN SOME FUNDING SOURCE NEEDS TO BE IDENTIFIED TO PAY
2 THE FULL COST, WHICH WE'RE ESTIMATING AS ABOUT \$30 MILLION.

3
4 **SUP. HORVATH:** SO, YOU'RE SAYING THAT THE INMATE WELFARE FUND
5 IS GOING TO FUND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, CURRENTLY?

6
7 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** IT'S -- PART OF THE FUND IS FROM THE
8 INMATE WELFARE FUND FUNDS STAFF AND CONTRACTORS, WHO MANAGE
9 AND IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAMS. SO, PART OF THAT REVENUE THAT WE
10 ARE RECEIVING, AND THE -- WHEN THE FAMILIES PAY FOR THOSE
11 CALLS, PART OF THE REVENUE FROM THOSE CALLS ARE ALSO USED TO
12 PAY FOR THE PROGRAMMING. SO, THERE'S TWO THINGS HAPPENING.
13 ONE, FREE CALLS MEANS THAT WE HAVE TO PAY THE FULL AMOUNT OF
14 THE CALLS, WHATEVER IT WILL BE. AND TWO, WE HAVE TO MAINTAIN
15 THE PROGRAMMING.

16
17 **SUP. HORVATH:** UNDERSTOOD. AND CURRENTLY, DO YOU BELIEVE -- IN
18 LEADING UP TO TODAY'S MEETING, YOU HAD SUGGESTED THAT -- I
19 KNOW IN OUR BUDGET DISCUSSION THAT THERE MAY BE AN ADDITIONAL
20 ALLOCATION OF FUNDING AVAILABLE IN SUPPLEMENTAL. WOULD YOUR
21 PROPOSAL THEN BE THAT THE FUNDING TO MAKE THIS -- TO HAVE THIS
22 MOVE FORWARD WOULD COME OUT OF THAT ADDITIONAL FUNDING
23 AVAILABLE IN SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET?



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1 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO, IF THERE ARE NO OTHER FUNDING
2 SOURCES THAT ARE IDENTIFIED -- SO, FOR EXAMPLE, THE ADVISORY
3 COMMITTEE FOR C.F.C.I., THEY ALREADY HAVE THEIR PLAN, AND I'M
4 PRETTY SURE THIS ISN'T IN IT. IF THE P.S.R.T. COMMITTEE
5 DOESN'T BELIEVE THIS IS A PRIORITY, AND IT'S NOT IN THEIR
6 PLAN, THEN THE MOST OBVIOUS FUNDING SOURCE IS N.C.C. SO, WE
7 ARE ANTICIPATING ABOUT AN ADDITIONAL \$60 MILLION IN N.C.C.
8 THAT WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET. AND THIS
9 MOTION WOULD BE ONE OF MANY MOTIONS AND OTHER DEPARTMENTAL
10 REQUESTS WE WOULD CONSIDER, BUT IF THIS WERE THE PRIORITY OF
11 THE BOARD, ESSENTIALLY WHAT IT WOULD MEAN IS TAKING ABOUT 30
12 MILLION OF THE 60 NEW AND AVAILABLE FUNDING IN SUPPLEMENTAL TO
13 FUND THIS INITIATIVE, THIS EFFORT.

14
15 **SUP. HORVATH:** AS IT'S CURRENTLY WRITTEN, DO YOU INTERPRET THIS
16 MOTION TO BE SAYING THIS IS THE PRIORITY OF THE BOARD TO DO
17 WHAT YOU JUST SAID?

18
19 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** I WOULD SAY I THINK EVERY TIME THE
20 BOARD ADOPTS A MOTION AND SAY FUND THIS, THE BOARD IS SAYING
21 THIS IS OUR PRIORITY.

22
23 **SUP. HORVATH:** SO, PRACTICALLY, WHAT WILL HAPPEN FROM THIS
24 POINT FORWARD IF WE WERE TO MOVE THIS ITEM FORWARD IS YOU
25 WOULD PROVIDE A RECOMMENDATION IN SUPPLEMENTAL FOR THIS AND



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SUPERVISORS

1 EVERYTHING ELSE THAT THE BOARD HAS ASKED FOR, AND YOU WOULD
2 PROVIDE WHAT ALLOCATION OF THE 60 MILLION WOULD GO TO EACH OF
3 THOSE ITEMS AS YOU PERCEIVE THEM TO BE PRIORITIZED BY THE
4 BOARD CURRENTLY.

5

6 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THAT IS CORRECT.

7

8 **SUP. HORVATH:** SO, WE WOULD HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY AT THAT TIME
9 TO SAY ENOUGH IS BEING ALLOCATED, ENOUGH ISN'T BEING
10 ALLOCATED, WE NEED TO LOOK AT OTHER FUNDING SOURCES?

11

12 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THAT IS CORRECT. THE ONLY THING THAT
13 I WOULD ADD TO THAT IS THERE MAY BE A TIMING, A SEQUENCING
14 ISSUE. AND SO, IF ANY OF THE FUNDS THAT ARE -- THAT WOULD NO
15 LONGER BE RECEIVED ARE USED TO SUPPORT STAFFING IN THE JAIL,
16 WE'RE GOING TO NEED A SOLUTION FOR THAT SOONER RATHER THAN
17 LATER. SO IN OUR REPORT, WE TALK ABOUT FUNDING OUR
18 CURTAILMENTS. IF WE'RE NOT GOING TO IDENTIFY FUNDING, THEN
19 LET'S FIGURE OUT HOW TO REDUCE OUR STAFFING COSTS, BUT THIS
20 BOARD HAS BEEN VERY CLEAR THAT YOU WANT PROGRAMMING, THAT
21 PROGRAMMING IS VERY IMPORTANT. SO WE NEED TO CONTINUE THE
22 STAFF THAT HELPS FACILITATE THE PROGRAMMING. SO IT'S NOT JUST
23 THE BOARD, I THINK, BEING ABLE TO MAKE A DECISION WHETHER TO
24 ACCEPT OR NOT ANY RECOMMENDATION I MAY COME BACK WITH
25 SUPPLEMENTAL. IT MAY ALSO BE A TIMING ISSUE.



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2 **SUP. HORVATH:** UNDERSTOOD. I THINK WHAT IS ALSO BEFORE IS US
3 CONSIDERATION OF THE FACT THAT THE PROGRAMMING THAT IS BEING
4 PROVIDED THROUGH THIS FUND ISN'T ACTUALLY REACHING THE PEOPLE
5 TO WHOM IT IS INTENDED, WHETHER DUE TO STAFFING ISSUES OR
6 PERCEIVED INABILITY TO ACCESS THEM FOR ANY NUMBER OF REASONS.
7 THIS BENEFIT WOULD BE A CONCRETE DIRECT BENEFIT THAT WOULD NOT
8 RELY ON STAFFING, AS OPPOSED TO SOME OTHER OF THE OTHER
9 PROGRAMS, POTENTIALLY. BUT WHAT I HEAR MOST IMPORTANTLY IS
10 THAT THERE IS STILL AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO ENSURE THAT THERE
11 IS SUFFICIENT FUNDING FOR THE PRIORITIES THAT THE BOARD IS
12 LOOKING AT GOING FORWARD. AND THAT WAS MY GREATEST QUESTION
13 HERE. THANK YOU.

14

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

16

17 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. FIRST OF ALL, I WANTED TO
18 PROVIDE CLARITY. I KNOW THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE WANTED CLARITY. I
19 HAVE REMOVED MYSELF AS COAUTHOR. AND I WANT TO BE CLEAR. THIS
20 IS A BUDGET DISCUSSION, NOT A POLICY DISCUSSION. YES, THIS
21 BOARD AND PREVIOUS BOARDS HAVE UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED MAKING
22 CALLS FREE. THE QUESTION IS HOW. AND I'M UNCLEAR AS TO THE
23 C.E.O.'S RESPONSE TO SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S QUESTION WITH REGARD
24 TO THE FACT THAT WE, AS A BOARD, WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY IN
25 SUPPLEMENTAL TO PRIORITIZE. THAT WAS NOT MY EXPERIENCE LAST



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1 YEAR. AND A PART OF MY CONCERN THAT, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, WE,
2 AS A BOARD, CONTINUE TO GIVE OUR POWER AWAY BY NOT PROVIDING
3 THOSE PRIORITIES. WE ALREADY HAVE 21 -- EXCUSE ME, 25 UNMET,
4 UNFUNDED MOTIONS THAT THIS BOARD HAS PASSED. MOTIONS THAT WE
5 HAVE ALREADY PASSED DECLARING IT'S YET ANOTHER PRIORITY THAT
6 WE'RE UNFUNDED, NOT TO MENTION OUR UNMET NEEDS. TO HAVE AN
7 INMATE WELFARE FUND, WHICH IS NOTHING MORE THAN A REGRESSIVE
8 TAX, ANY NUMBER OF ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS AND THINK TANKS HAVE
9 LOOKED AT ALL THE INMATE WELFARE FUNDS ACROSS THE STATE AND
10 CALLED THEM INTO QUESTION. WE ARE ASKING PEOPLE WHO ARE LOCKED
11 UP AND THEIR FAMILIES TO PAY FOR STAFFING AND PROGRAMS THAT
12 WE, AS THE ENTITY THAT LOCKED THEM UP, SHOULD BE PROVIDING.
13 IT'S A REGRESSIVE TAX. WITH A FUND BALANCE OF \$48 MILLION. IF
14 WE'RE GOING TO PROVIDE FREE CALLS TODAY, LET'S CHARGE IT
15 AGAINST THAT FUND BALANCE AND TELL THE SHERIFF OR US, WHOEVER
16 NEGOTIATES THAT CONTRACT, TO FIGURE OUT A CONTRACT THAT IS
17 CURRENT AND PALATABLE AND REAL. SO I'M NOT TRYING TO DELAY IT.
18 I'M TRYING TO SAY LET'S BE CLEAR ABOUT THE COST. WHY NOT
19 SPEND DOWN THE FUND BALANCE? I AM NOT INTERESTED IN CASTING A
20 VOTE. I DIDN'T IN SUPPLEMENTAL. I'M NOT INTERESTED IN CASTING
21 A VOTE TO INCREASE FUNDING TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. 70% OF
22 THE NEW N.C.C. DOLLARS WAS ALREADY RECOMMENDED BY THE C.E.O.
23 TO GO TO THE SHERIFF. IF WE'RE SITTING ON A FUND BALANCE OF
24 \$48 MILLION, WHY DON'T WE SPEND THAT DOWN WHILE WE CONTINUE TO
25 TO LOOK AND FIGURE OUT HOW TO PAY FOR IT. I'M NOT QUESTIONING



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1 WHETHER OR NOT THE COUNTY SHOULD PAY FOR IT. I'M ASKING THAT
2 WE, AS A BOARD, SET THE PRIORITIES FOR OUR N.C.C. DOLLARS THAT
3 MEET ALL OF THE NEEDS THAT WE HAVE PRIORITIZED AS A BOARD. THE
4 C.F.C.I. AND THE A.B.109 DOLLARS, PER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF
5 THOSE ADVISORY COMMITTEES, FEWER OF THOSE DOLLARS HAVE GONE TO
6 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SO NOW WE'RE SAYING USE THOSE
7 DOLLARS TO GO TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO MEET THIS NEED
8 WHEN WE HAVE A FUNDING SOURCE THAT -- WHEN WE HAVE A FUND
9 BALANCE OF \$48 MILLION. LET'S SPEND THAT DOWN AND MAKE CALLS
10 FREE TOMORROW IF WE WANT TO, BUT WHY WOULD WE SIT ON THAT FUND
11 BALANCE AND YET CONTINUE TO DRAW DOWN ON THESE OTHER FINITE
12 RESOURCES TO PUT MORE MONEY IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT? THAT
13 IS MY PROBLEM, AND THEREIN LIES MY CHALLENGE WHEN A MOTION IS
14 SOUND ON POLICY BUT WEAK ON FISCAL ANALYSIS. THEREIN LIES MY
15 DILEMMA AS A SITTING MEMBER OF THIS BOARD.

16
17 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. I SEE ON THE QUEUE MS. BARGER AND THEN
18 MS. HORVATH AGAIN.

19
20 **SUP. BARGER:** I JUST WANT TO GET A CLARIFICATION BECAUSE I'VE
21 GOT THIS SHEET IN FRONT OF ME. SO, IT'S NOT JUST IN OUR JAILS
22 THAT WE'RE RECEIVING REVENUE BECAUSE I'M SHOWING, FOR FISCAL
23 YEAR '22/'23, IS IT \$4,600,000,000 -- IS THAT -- DOES THAT
24 SOUND RIGHT? I'VE GOT A SHEET HERE. AND I'M LIKE I'M TRYING TO
25 RECONCILE --



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2 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** 4 BILLION FOR WHAT PURPOSE,
3 SUPERVISOR?

4

5 **SUP. BARGER:** FOR THE INMATE WELFARE FUND. ON THE TOTAL MINUTES
6 CALLED, IT SHOWS 144 -- YEAH, I MEAN, THE NUMBER THAT I'M
7 SEEING --

8

9 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO THOSE ARE -- SO, I THINK THOSE
10 NUMBERS YOU'RE REFERRING TO ARE THE MINUTES.

11

12 **SUP. BARGER:** RIGHT THE MINUTES AND THEN THE REVENUE ON THE
13 OTHER SIDE.

14

15 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** IT WAS 144 MILLION MINUTES THAT WERE
16 USED IN FISCAL YEAR '22/'23. IF YOU MULTIPLY THAT BY \$0.07,
17 THIS IS JUST A ROUGH CALCULATION, IT COMES OUT TO ABOUT \$10.1
18 MILLION. I THINK THAT'S THE 144 --

19

20 **SUP. BARGER:** I'M GOING TO SHOW YOU THE SHEET BECAUSE THE SHEET
21 CONTRADICTS THAT, BUT HAVING SAID THAT, IT'S NOT JUST IN OUR
22 JAILS, IT'S ALSO IN OUR STATIONS AS WELL, CORRECT, THAT WE'RE
23 CHARGING THIS FEE? NO?

24



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1 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** MY STAFF IS SAYING THAT IN THE
2 STATIONS, THEY DO NOT CHARGE A FEE.

3
4 **SUP. BARGER:** THEY DO NOT CHARGE.

5
6 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THAT'S OUR UNDERSTANDING.

7
8 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY AND SO, THEN, MY LAST QUESTION IS INMATE
9 WELFARE FUND, 51% OF ITS BUDGET IS FOR PROGRAMS AND 49% IS FOR
10 MAINTAINING THE JAILS, CORRECT?

11
12 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THAT IS CORRECT.

13
14 **SUP. BARGER:** AND THE ACTION TODAY -- BECAUSE I KNOW THAT, TO
15 YOUR POINT, WE HAVE GOT AN ISSUE. I THINK WE POSTPONED THE
16 FUNDING REQUEST FOR TASERS. THERE'S OTHER REQUESTS THAT HAVE
17 COME THROUGH. SO THE ACTION TODAY WILL ADDRESS -- WILL CREATE
18 A LOSS OF REVENUE, CORRECT? AND THEN THE NEW COST WILL BE AN
19 ESTIMATED -- TO CHAIR HAHN'S POINT, WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THE
20 COST IS BUT ESTIMATED ABOUT 30 MILLION.

21
22 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THAT IS CORRECT.

23
24 **SUP. BARGER:** AND BASED ON, AGAIN, I THINK SUPERVISOR HORVATH
25 ASKED IT -- BASED ON THE MOTIONS THAT WE HAVE HAD THAT ARE



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1 ASKING FOR YOU TO FIND THE FUNDING, HOW ARE YOU GOING TO
2 TRIAGE WHEN EACH ONE IS, AT ANY GIVEN TUESDAY, A PRIORITY? HOW
3 ARE YOU GOING TO TRIAGE THAT?

4
5 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** VERY CAREFULLY. OFTENTIMES,
6 SUPERVISOR, THERE MIGHT BE A MOTION REQUESTING MY OFFICE TO
7 FUND AN INITIATIVE, AND MAYBE THERE'S A REPORT THAT NEEDS TO
8 BE DONE. SOMETIMES THOSE REPORTS ARE NOT DONE IN A TIMELY
9 FASHION. AND SO, WE'RE WAITING ON A REPORT. IN SOME WAYS, THAT
10 MOTION IS SORT OF -- IT'S SELECTED OUT OF FURTHER
11 CONSIDERATION. BECAUSE WE HAVE SO FEW DOLLARS, WE'RE LOOKING
12 TO FUND THOSE THINGS THAT ARE LOCKED IN -- THAT ARE BASICALLY
13 SHOVEL READY. ANOTHER CONSIDERATION THAT WE WOULD LOOK AT IS
14 SOMETIMES WE'RE FUNDING THINGS THAT WE ARE BEING REQUIRED BY
15 OTHERS TO DO, LIKE A COURT SETTLEMENT, OR, YOU KNOW, WE'RE
16 TRYING TO MOVE PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES LET'S SAY PURSUANT TO
17 A CONSENT DECREE. SOMETIMES WE HAVE MOTIONS THAT WE ARE
18 LOOKING TO FUND, AND TIMING IS AN ISSUE BECAUSE WE WANT TO
19 LEVERAGE ADDITIONAL FUNDING, AND THERE ARE TIME CONSTRAINTS.
20 SO IT ISN'T A SINGLE THING THAT HELPS US DO OUR ANALYSIS.
21 WE'RE LOOKING AT A MULTITUDE OF FACTORS. IS IT READY? ARE
22 THERE -- IS IT A SEQUENCING THING? DO WE HAVE TO FUND
23 SOMETHING OVER MULTIPLE YEARS IN ORDER TO BE COMPLIANT WITH A
24 DEADLINE THAT IS MAYBE THREE YEARS OUT? SO THAT'S A GLIMPSE
25 INTO WHAT THAT ANALYSIS LOOKS LIKE. PART OF THE REASON WHY



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1 THAT ANALYSIS IS SO IMPORTANT IS BECAUSE WE NEVER HAVE ENOUGH
2 FUNDING TO GO AROUND TO FUND ALL THE MOTION REQUESTS AND ALL
3 OF THE DEPARTMENTAL REQUESTS.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER:** OKAY, THANKS.

6

7 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I SEE MS. HORVATH AND THEN
8 SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

9

10 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU AGAIN, MADAM CHAIR. SO, IF INSTEAD OF
11 THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT -- AND I KNOW WE'RE SORT OF DOING THIS
12 OUT IN THE OPEN NOW, SO I'M GENUINELY ASKING, IN DIRECTIVE 2,
13 IT CURRENTLY STATES AT THE END WHO ARE INCARCERATED, INCLUDING
14 THE USE OF A.B.109 FUNDS, IF WE INSTEAD PUT "AND/OR INMATE
15 WELFARE FUND", WOULD YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF THAT, MADAM C.E.O.,
16 THEN BE TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS, BUT TO LOOK AT THE OTHER
17 SOURCES OF FUNDING THAT WERE SUGGESTED IN THE AMENDMENT THAT
18 WAS PROPOSED TO US TODAY SO WE'RE NOT JUST LOOKING AT A.B.109
19 FUNDING, WE ARE LOOKING AT THE USE OF THE INMATE WELFARE FUND?

20

21 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO THAT WOULD NOT CHANGE MY VIEW OR
22 MY OFFICE'S VIEW BECAUSE, AGAIN, THESE TWO CONNECTED THINGS,
23 THE REVENUE THAT WE WERE RECEIVING AT THE HIGHER RATE THAT
24 WENT FROM \$0.25 A MINUTE TO \$0.07 A MINUTE, EVEN THAT
25 DECLINING REVENUE AMOUNT IS PLACED INTO THE INMATE WELFARE



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1 FUND, AND THEN THE FUNDS ARE USED FROM THE INMATE WELFARE FUND
2 TO PAY FOR PROGRAMMING, AND THEN THERE IS THE JAIL MAINTENANCE
3 PIECE. THERE'S A STATUTORY REQUIREMENT THAT TALKS ABOUT WHAT
4 THAT SPLIT IS. SO THE ANSWER IS NO BECAUSE THE LOSS OF REVENUE
5 THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT GOES INTO THE INMATE WELFARE FUND,
6 AND THEN THE INMATE WELFARE FUND IS THEN USED TO FUND
7 PROGRAMMING.

8

9 **SUP. HORVATH:** I'M CLEAR ABOUT THAT, BUT THAT ISN'T WHAT I
10 ASKED.

11

12 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** I'M SORRY.

13

14 **SUP. HORVATH:** SO, IN DIRECTIVE 2 AND DIRECTIVE 3, THERE'S A
15 CLAUSE THAT ENDS "INCLUDING THE USE OF A.B.109 FUNDS." IF WE
16 ADDED "AND/OR INMATE WELFARE FUND," THAT WOULD THEN GIVE YOU
17 DIRECTION TO USE THE EXISTING THE EXISTING FUNDS IN THE INMATE
18 WELFARE FUND TO FUND WHAT IS BEING ASKED IN THIS MOTION. SO WE
19 -- INSTEAD OF ASKING FOR A REPORT BACK, WE WOULD BE SAYING, WE
20 WANT TO USE THAT FUND EXPRESSLY -- POTENTIALLY, EXPRESSLY FOR
21 THIS PURPOSE, AND IT WOULD GIVE YOU THAT DIRECTION TO LOOK AT
22 THE INMATE WELFARE FUND AND/OR A.B.109 FUNDS, DEPENDING, SINCE
23 WE'RE NOT CLEAR ON WHAT THE EXACT AMOUNT IS GOING TO BE, SO IN
24 CASE WE NEEDED MORE THAN THE INMATE WELFARE FUND, WE HAVE
25 A.B.109 AS BACKUP, BUT WE CAN GIVE YOU THAT DIRECTION HERE



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1 TODAY BECAUSE WHAT I HEAR IS A RELUCTANCE TO DO YET ANOTHER
2 REPORT BACK ON SOMETHING THAT THIS BOARD IS UNIFIED IN GIVING
3 DIRECTION, AND YET WE WANT TO BE CLEAR THAT WE'RE USING FUNDS
4 THAT HAVE ALREADY COME INTO OUR POSSESSION FROM THESE PHONE
5 CALLS BY CHARGING PEOPLE WHO ARE CURRENTLY INCARCERATED AND
6 THEIR FAMILIES. THEY ARE THE ONES WHO HAVE PROVIDED FUNDING
7 AND TO THE INMATE WELFARE FUND. WE SHOULD BE USING THOSE
8 RESOURCES TO HELP THEIR FAMILIES. SO, IF WE ADD THAT LANGUAGE
9 INTO ITEMS 2 AND 3, WE WOULD BE DIRECTING YOU NOT ONLY TO LOOK
10 AT A.B.109 BUT THE EXISTING INMATE WELFARE FUND FUNDING AS A
11 SOURCE, AND THEN A.B.109 COULD SUPPLEMENT. SO THAT KIND OF
12 BRINGS EVERYBODY TOGETHER IN TERMS OF WHERE THE FUNDING IS
13 COMING FROM. WE'RE NOT GIVING NEW MONEY TO THE SHERIFF'S
14 DEPARTMENT. WE JUST, I HEAR YOU, ARE NOT ADDRESSING THE FACT
15 THAT THERE WILL NOT BE AN INCOMING REVENUE SOURCE TO THE
16 INMATE WELFARE FUND, SO IT'S A SPEND DOWN. THERE IS NO REVENUE
17 SOURCE THERE. AND THEN WE HAVE TO ADDRESS THE PROGRAMS IN
18 ANOTHER WAY. I'M CLEAR THAT THAT DOESN'T ADDRESS THAT CONCERN,
19 WHICH YOU RAISED, BUT AS TO THE BOARD'S CONCERN, IT ADDRESSES
20 HOW WE ARE FUNDING THESE CALLS AND NOT INCREASING THE
21 SHERIFF'S BUDGET BECAUSE WE HAVE IDENTIFIED SEVERAL SOURCES OF
22 FUNDING.

23
24 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.



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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** MADAM CHAIR, I WOULD LIKE TO PIGGYBACK ON WHAT
2 SUPERVISOR HORVATH IS TALKING ABOUT. IF YOU LOOK AT MY
3 ORIGINAL MOTION AND LOOK AT ITEM 2, DIRECTIVE 2, IT SAYS
4 DIRECT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO IDENTIFY THE NECESSARY
5 FUNDING BY FISCAL YEAR '23/'24 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET TO PAY FOR
6 THE FEES AND COSTS TO PROVIDE FREE PHONE CALLS IN COUNTY JAILS
7 FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE INCARCERATED, INCLUDING THE USE OF A.B.109
8 FUNDS. THERE WE CAN INSERT THE I.F.W. FUND. THERE IS NO
9 PROBLEM WITH THE ORIGINAL MOTION. I'M TOTALLY OPEN TO THAT.

10
11 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** RIGHT. THANK YOU. THANK YOU. THANK YOU. AND
12 I THINK THE BROADER DISCUSSION ALSO HAS TO TAKE PLACE THAT
13 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL BROUGHT UP. AND I DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S
14 STATUTORY REQUIREMENT THAT WE USE THE INMATE WELFARE FUND FOR
15 THEIR OWN PROGRAMMING. THAT REALLY DOES NOT SEEM RIGHT. IT
16 SEEMS TO ME THAT SHOULD COME OUT OF THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET, THE
17 PROGRAMMING. IF WE'RE TALKING ABOUT JUST THE COST OF THESE
18 CALLS, WHICH, AGAIN, WE'RE NOT REALLY CLEAR, YOU'RE PROJECTING
19 THAT THERE'S GOING TO BE MANY, MANY MORE CALLS BECAUSE IT'S
20 FREE. WE DON'T KNOW THAT. THAT IS A PROJECTION. SO, I THINK IT
21 MAKES SENSE THAT THIS BOARD, IF WE APPROVE THIS TODAY,
22 BELIEVES THAT WE SHOULD MAKE THE PHONE CALLS FREE. WE'RE
23 ASKING YOU TO FIND THE MONEY, BUT I THINK THE BROADER
24 DISCUSSION HAS TO BE ABOUT THE USES OF THE INMATE WELFARE
25 FUND. WE ALREADY KNOW IT WAS -- THE AUDIT SHOWED THAT IT WAS



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1 DOING THINGS THAT THE COUNTY SHOULD BE DOING, SOME MAINTENANCE
2 ISSUES, FIXING TOILETS, SOME OF THE THINGS THAT IS OUR
3 RESPONSIBILITY AND NOT SHOULD COME OUT OF THAT FUND. SO I
4 THINK WE REALLY NEED A BROADER DISCUSSION ABOUT THAT FUND AND
5 HOW IT REALLY HELPS THOSE WHO ARE INCARCERATED, HELPS THEIR
6 FAMILIES. AND I'M NOT SURE THE PROGRAMMING, WHICH HELPS,
7 SHOULD COME OUT OF THAT. I THINK WE'RE THINKING MORE OF THESE
8 KINDS OF CHARITABLE, GENEROUS KINDS OF OFFERS ABOUT BASIC
9 THINGS THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO DO LIKE MAKE PHONE CALLS. SO,
10 MS. MITCHELL, I SEE YOU ON THE QUEUE AGAIN.

11
12 **SUP. MITCHELL:** I WANTED TO CLARIFY. I HEARD SUPERVISOR HORVATH
13 ADD LANGUAGE, AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS YOU SAID THERE'S -- FROM
14 YOUR PERSPECTIVE, THERE IS NOTHING WRONG WITH YOUR ORIGINAL
15 MOTION, FINE, BUT YOUR ORIGINAL MOTION ENDS AT A.B.109. ARE
16 YOU OPEN TO ADDING INMATE WELFARE FUND TO IT?

17
18 **SUP. SOLIS:** IF YOU READ IT, IT IS OPEN ENDED. SO -- AND
19 A.B.109. SO, WE'RE LOOKING AT -- WE'RE DIRECTING THE C.E.O.
20 TO LOOK AT FUNDS. A.B.109 IS CERTAINLY A SOURCE OF IT, AND I'M
21 TOTALLY OPEN TO INCLUDING THIS IN PARTICULAR. YES, ABSOLUTELY.

22
23 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THEN I WOULD PREFER IF WE COULD ADD THE INMATE
24 WELFARE FUNDS BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW THAT AUTOMATICALLY THAT
25 WOULD BE A FUND THAT THE C.E.O. WOULD LOOK AT.



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1

2 **SUP. SOLIS:** IT SAYS INCLUDING. SO THE NOTION IS THAT YES WE
3 EXPECT US TO LOOK AT OTHER REVENUE SOURCES, BUT IF YOU WANT TO
4 BE SPECIFIC, I'M TOTALLY WITH THAT. SO I WILL ACCEPT THAT.

5

6 **SUP. HORVATH:** TO FORMALLY OFFER AS AN EXPRESSED AMENDMENT TO
7 BE CLEAR ABOUT THE LANGUAGE WHAT I'M SUGGESTING IS ON
8 DIRECTIVES 2 AND 3 -- I'M SORRY, DIRECTIVES 2 AND 3, WHERE IT
9 SAYS, "INCLUDING THE USE OF A.B.109 FUNDS," WE WOULD ADD -- WE
10 WOULD INSERT THE LANGUAGE "AND/OR INMATE WELFARE FUND."

11

12 **SUP. SOLIS:** ON MY MOTION.

13

14 **SUP. HORVATH:** DOES THAT WORK FOR EVERYBODY?

15

16 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AND TO CLARIFY, THAT WOULD NOT EXCLUDE N.C.C.
17 SO IT COULD STILL BE SEEN AS AN INCREASE TO THE SHERIFF'S
18 BUDGET OUT OF N.C.C.

19

20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** IT'S OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT YOU WILL COME
21 BACK IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL AND LAY THIS OUT.

22

23 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO, YES TO YOUR QUESTION, SUPERVISOR
24 MITCHELL, AND YES TO YOUR CLARIFICATION, SUPERVISOR HAHN.

25



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1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** RIGHT. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US BY
2 SAYING TO GO DO IT THAT IT IS INCLUDED IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL
3 BECAUSE I THINK THAT'S -- OTHERWISE, IF WE HAD A REPORT BACK
4 IN 90 DAYS, IT WOULD BYPASS THAT, OR IT WOULD BE BEYOND THAT,
5 AND I DON'T THINK THAT'S THE WILL OF THE AUTHOR OF THE MOTION.
6 YEAH. OKAY, GREAT. SO WE HAVE, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOUR
7 AMENDMENT IS BEFORE US. IT WOULD NEED --

8

9 **SUP. MITCHELL:** I'LL TAKE IT OFF THE TABLE.

10

11 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL HAS
12 TAKEN HER AMENDMENT OFF. SO, ITEM 2 AS REVISED AND NEW
13 LANGUAGE BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND HORVATH IS BEFORE US. IT WILL
14 BE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY -- I'M SORRY. SO
15 ENGAGING. I KNOW, RIGHT. I'M SORRY. WE HAVE MEMBERS OF THE
16 PUBLIC THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS US. WE'RE JUST HAVING OUR
17 OWN CONVERSATIONS BY OURSELVES, BUT WE HAVE THE PUBLIC OUT
18 HERE, WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO US. PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS
19 OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

20

21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS COME
22 FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU: BILLY TANG, DEANNA
23 STANLEY, ELVIS BAY, JEREMY HAMPTON, KENT MENDOZA, OSCAR
24 FIGUEROA, SAM LEWIS, SEAN LANDERS, TYREEK SHIP, VANCE HARRIS,



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1 AND VARDEN FAN. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE
2 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

3

4 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS RUTH. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5

6 **RUTH:** YES, MY CONCERN IS WHAT THE TIME LIMIT IS ON EACH PHONE
7 CALL. IF IT IS \$0.07 A MINUTE TIMES THREE THEN THAT MAKES IT
8 \$0.21 FOR THE DAY OR PER MINUTE. AND THEN, YOU KNOW, THEY SAY
9 THE AVERAGE IS 15 MINUTES, BUT DOES SOMEONE -- IF THEY WANT TO
10 TALK HALF AN HOUR OR 20 MINUTES, THEN THERE'S NO STIPULATION
11 IN HERE AS TO HOW LONG THE PHONE CALL IS OR CAN BE. AND
12 THERE'S NO STIPULATION AS TO CAN THEY CALL ANOTHER COUNTRY?
13 YOU KNOW, SO THERE STILL NEEDS TO BE FURTHER ANALYSIS IN MY
14 OPINION. OR, LET'S PUT IT THIS WAY, IT NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT,
15 SAY, LIKE, AFTER A TRIAL OF LIKE THREE MONTHS OR WHATEVER TO
16 SEE IF EVERYTHING IS GOING ACCORDINGLY.

17

18 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

19

20 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHRISTINE TRAN.

21

22 **CHRISTINE TRAN:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIR HAHN AND MEMBERS OF THE
23 BOARD. MY NAME IS CHRISTINE FROM THE A.C.L.U. SOUTHERN
24 CALIFORNIA. I'M HERE TODAY TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT FOR AGENDA
25 ITEM 2. IT IS TIME FOR TO BE A PRIORITY OF THE C.E.O. THIS



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1 SHOULD NO LONGER BE A BROKEN PROMISE BY THE BOARD SINCE 2021.
2 BY MAKING PHONE CALLS FREE, WE ELIMINATE THE HEAVY FINANCIAL
3 BURDEN THAT MANY FAMILIES CANNOT AFFORD OR GO INTO DEBT TO
4 SHOULDER JUST TO HEAR THE VOICE OF THEIR MOTHER, FATHER, OR
5 CHILD. WE ENCOURAGE THE USE A.B.109 FUNDING FOR PHONE CALLS.
6 THE A.B.109 BUDGET IS WELL OVER 600 MILLION, AND A SIGNIFICANT
7 PORTION IS CURRENTLY GOING TO THE SHERIFF AND PROBATION
8 OFFICES, MONEY THAT SHOULD BE SPENT ON SUPPORTING IMPACTED
9 PEOPLE, REENTRY, ON YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, AND PRETRIAL SERVICES.
10 WE ALSO TAKE THIS TIME TO URGE THE BOARD TO DIRECT THE PUBLIC
11 SAFETY AND REALIGNMENT TEAM IN THE C.I.O.'S OFFICE TO DO A
12 FULL ANALYSIS OF A.B.109 SPENDING THAT INCLUDES BASE FUNDING.
13 ADDITIONALLY, WE WANT TO EMPHASIZE ANY FUNDING GOING TO PHONE
14 CALLS SHOULD NOT MEAN THE ELIMINATION OR REDUCTION IN FUNDING
15 RECOMMENDATIONS JUST PASSED BY THE P.S.R.T. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
16 TIME.

17
18 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

19
20 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ANDREW LAMMA. YOU MAYBE
21 BEGIN.

22
23 **ANDREW LAMMA:** THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HAVING US SPEAK TODAY. MY
24 NAME IS ANDREW LAMMA. AND I REPRESENT WORTH RISES. WORTH RISES
25 IS A NON-PROFIT CRIMINAL JUSTICE ORGANIZATION THAT ADVOCATES



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1 FOR FREE CALLS ACROSS THE UNITED STATES. I THINK IT IS
2 INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT TO HIGHLIGHT WHAT SOME OF THE SUPERVISORS
3 SAID PREVIOUSLY, WHICH IS THAT, IN CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES IS
4 NOW BEHIND THE CURVE. SAN FRANCISCO HAS ALREADY IMPLEMENTED
5 FREE PHONE CALLS AS WELL AS FREE COMMUNICATIONS ON TABLETS.
6 SAN DIEGO HAS ALREADY RELEASED AN R.F.P. AND IS EVALUATING
7 PROVIDERS FOR A FREE PHONE SYSTEM, AND OF COURSE C.D.C.R. AS A
8 WHOLE NOW ALLOWS FREE PHONE CALLS IN ALL ADULT CORRECTIONAL
9 FACILITIES IN THE STATE. THIS YEAR, NATIONALLY, COLORADO AND
10 MINNESOTA HAVE ALSO PASSED LAWS REQUIRING FREE PHONE CALLS IN
11 ALL STATE PRISONS, AND MASSACHUSETTS IS SLATED TO APPROVE A
12 BUDGET TO DO SO LATER THIS WEEK. IT IS INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT
13 THAT THE COUNTY FULFILL ITS PROMISE THAT IT MADE IN 2021 AND
14 YET HAS NOT IMPLEMENTED. I REALLY PRAY THAT THE SUPERVISORS
15 PAY ATTENTION AND HOLD --

16
17 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
18 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

19
20 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS NICK GALVIN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

21
22 **NICK GALVIN:** HI. THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. MY
23 NAME IS NICK GALVIN. I'M THE PUBLIC POLICY AND ADVOCACY
24 MANAGER AT EMILIO, A NON-PROFIT PROVIDER OF PRISON
25 COMMUNICATION AND EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY. I AM HERE TO SPEAK ON



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1 BEHALF OF EMILIO IN SUPPORT OF AGENDA ITEM 2. I WOULD LIKE TO
2 POINT OUT THAT WE BELIEVE COMMUNICATION AND EDUCATION ARE
3 VITAL FOR HUMAN DIGNITY AND SUCCESSFUL REHABILITATION.
4 UNFORTUNATELY, INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS FACE SIGNIFICANT COST
5 BARRIERS TO ACCESSING THESE SERVICES. WHILE CALIFORNIA DID
6 MAKE CALLS FREE FOR STATE PRISONS EARLIER THIS YEAR, IT DID
7 NOT EXTEND TO COUNTY JAILS, WHERE INDIVIDUALS SUCH AS THOSE IN
8 L.A. MUST STILL PAY \$0.07 A MINUTE FOR PHONE CALLS. AS THE
9 ONLY NON-PROFIT PROVIDER OF CORRECTIONAL COMMUNICATION
10 SERVICES, WE KNOW THESE RATES ARE GROSSLY INFLATED. AS A QUICK
11 POINT OF COMPARISON, THE COST OF A ONE MINUTE CALL UNDER THE
12 CURRENT PROVIDER IS \$1.05. THAT SAME CALL WOULD COST LESS THAN
13 \$0.05 USING EMILIO'S NON-PROFIT PRICING STRUCTURE. WE KNOW
14 THAT INCREASING COMMUNICATION REDUCES RECIDIVISM RATES, WITH
15 VISITATION DECREASING IT IN SOME CASES UP TO 53%.

16
17 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18
19 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SANDRA SUAREZ. YOU MAY
20 BEGIN.

21
22 **SANDRA SUAREZ:** HI, MY NAME IS SANDRA SUAREZ, AND I AM THE
23 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND FOUNDER OF JESSE'S PLACE ORGANIZATION.
24 WE HELPED TO COSPONSOR THE KEEP FAMILIES CONNECTED ACT, AND WE
25 ARE IN SUPPORT OF THE FREE PHONE CALLS IN THE COUNTY JAILS.



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1 L.A. COUNTY HAS BEEN SAYING IT DO THIS SINCE 2021. OTHER
2 COUNTIES AND CITIES AND EVEN STATES HAVE BEEN PROVIDING FREE
3 PHONE CALLS FOR YEARS. IT IS TIME TO END JAIL PHONE FEES ONCE
4 AND FOR ALL. AS A SYSTEM IMPACTED PERSON, WE SPEND THOUSANDS
5 OF DOLLARS IN THE COUNTY JAILS AS THE VISITING WAS SHUT DOWN.
6 SO WE ASK THAT YOU IMPLEMENT THIS AND GIVE THE FAMILIES RELIEF
7 AS THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS WAS SPENT DURING COVID SHUT DOWN.
8 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, AND, AGAIN, MY NAME IS SANDRA SUAREZ
9 FROM JESSE'S PLACE ORGANIZATION. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

12

13 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

14

15 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. IT IS ERIC PREVEN, AND MY HEART
16 CERTAINLY GOES OUT THE THE FOLKS WHO HAVE BEEN OVERCHARGED
17 OVER ALL THESE YEARS.

18

19 **ATTORNEY:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, YOU ARE BEING DISRUPTIVE.
20 PLEASE --

21

22 **[DISRUPTION FROM THE AUDIENCE]**

23

24 **ATTORNEY:** YOU ARE BEING DISRUPTIVE. THIS IS YOUR FIRST
25 WARNING. YOU ARE BEING DISRUPTIVE.



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1

2 **ERIC PREVEN:** YOU'RE DISRUPTING MY -- SHOULD I WAIT? ARE YOU
3 GOING TO GIVE ME TIME BACK BECAUSE I AM BEING DISRUPTED.

4

5 **ATTORNEY:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, YOU ARE BEING DISRUPTIVE,
6 PLEASE CEASE YOUR DISRUPTIVE CONDUCT. THIS IS YOUR SECOND
7 WARNING.

8

9 **[DISRUPTION FROM THE AUDIENCE.]**

10

11 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** AND MAKE SURE WE ARE TELLING THE SPEAKER,
12 HOLD THEIR TIME. THE ONE ON THE PHONE.

13

14 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH.

15

16 **ATTORNEY:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, YOU ARE BEING DISRUPTIVE TO
17 THE CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. PLEASE CEASE YOUR DISRUPTIVE
18 BEHAVIOR AND CONDUCT. THE BOARD CANNOT CONTINUE THE ORDERLY --

19

20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, THAT IS YOUR THIRD WARNING. WE WILL
21 NOW, UNFORTUNATELY, HAVE TO REMOVE YOU FROM THE AUDITORIUM SO
22 THAT WE CAN CONTINUE -- BECAUSE YOU ARE BEING DISRUPTIVE.
23 THANK YOU. SERGEANT-AT-ARMS, PLEASE REMOVE THOSE WHO ARE
24 DISRUPTING THE MEETING UNLESS THEY DON'T QUIET DOWN.

25



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1 **[DISRUPTION FROM AUDIENCE]**

2

3 **ERIC PREVEN:** AM I BACK IN BUSINESS? OR AM I OUT?

4

5 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YEAH -- IS THAT MR. PREVEN -- OH, WE'VE GOT

6 --

7

8 **[DISRUPTION FROM AUDIENCE]**

9

10 **ATTORNEY:** YOU ARE BEING DISRUPTIVE. PLEASE CEASE YOUR
11 DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR SO WE CAN CONTINUE WITH THE CONDUCT OF THE
12 MEETING. THIS IS YOUR FIRST WARNING.

13

14 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YOU ARE BEING DISRUPTIVE.

15

16 **ATTORNEY:** THIS IS YOUR SECOND WARNING. YOU ARE BEING
17 DISRUPTIVE TO THE ORDERLY CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. PLEASE CEASE
18 YOUR --

19

20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, IF YOU DON'T SIT DOWN NOW, WE WILL
21 HAVE TO REMOVE YOU FROM THE AUDITORIUM. PLEASE.

22

23 **ATTORNEY:** THIS IS YOUR THIRD WARNING.

24

25 **[DISRUPTION FROM THE AUDIENCE]**



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1
2 **ATTORNEY:** MADAM CHAIR, THEY HAVE HAD THREE WARNINGS.

3
4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, PLEASE REMOVE THEM FROM THE
5 AUDITORIUM.

6
7 **ERIC PREVEN:** WELL, SHOULD I JUST -- I WILL STAND BY.

8
9 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE ARE GOING TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED
10 SESSION, A BRIEF RECESS. [THE BOARD IS IN RECESS]

11
12 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. TAKE THREE. COLLEAGUES, AND THOSE
13 LISTENING, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 549579, BECAUSE THE
14 MEETING WAS WILLFULLY DISRUPTED AND INTERRUPTED BY GROUPS OF
15 PERSONS RENDERING THE ORDERLY CONDUCTING OF THE MEETING
16 UNFEASIBLE, AND BECAUSE ORDER COULD NOT BE RESTORED BY REMOVAL
17 OF INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE WILLFULLY INTERRUPTING THE MEETING,
18 THE MEETING ROOM WAS CLEARED. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PRESS,
19 EXCEPT FOR THOSE PARTICIPATING IN THE DISTURBANCE, WILL BE
20 ALLOWED IN THE BOARD ROOM. AND WE WILL RESUME ITEM 2, AND I
21 BELIEVE WE WERE IN PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEM 2. AND WE WERE
22 HEARING FROM -- AND BY THE WAY, EVERYONE THAT WAS REMOVED FROM
23 THE HEARING ROOM WAS GIVEN INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO STILL
24 PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING VIRTUALLY. EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO
25 CALL IN BASED ON OUR INSTRUCTIONS TO SPEAK TO THE BOARD ON A



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1 PARTICULAR ITEM FOR THE REST OF THE MEETING. SO WHERE ARE WE
2 IN TERMS OF PUBLIC COMMENT?

3

4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SO, MADAM CHAIR, WE STILL HAVE MEMBERS OF
5 THE PUBLIC WAITING IN THE TELEPHONIC QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE
6 BOARD ON THIS ITEM.

7

8 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** I FEEL LIKE ERIC PREVEN WAS HANGING ON
9 THERE.

10

11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** HE STILL IS ON THERE.

12

13 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. ERIC PREVEN, WITH FORTY-FOUR SECONDS
14 LEFT.

15

16 **ERIC PREVEN:** WELL, HOLD ON, WHY DON'T WE GIVE ME THE MINUTE
17 BECAUSE --

18

19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YEAH, I AGREE. GIVE HIM THE MINUTE. I AM
20 WITH YOU ON THAT. I AM WITH YOU. GIVE HIM THE MINUTE.

21

22 **ERIC PREVEN:** SO I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THE PEOPLE WHO CALL
23 IN GET FREE CALLS. AND MOVING FORWARD, MOVING BACKWARD TO WHAT
24 YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT, I HAVE TO CONFESS THAT WAS ONE OF THE
25 MOST INFURIATING CONVERSATIONS THAT I HAVE HEARD. AND I HAVE



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1 HEARD MANY, MANY INFURIATING CONVERSATIONS BY THE BOARD. I
2 KNOW YOU WERE ALL ANGRY AND UPSET YOURSELVES BECAUSE THIS
3 SEEMS TO BE A BUREAUCRATIC MORASS, AND YOU ARE ALL BANGING
4 YOUR FISTS IN POWER AND AUTHORITY, AND YET IT HAS NOT HAPPENED
5 OVER DECADES.

6

7 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WERE YOU DONE?

8

9 **ERIC PREVEN:** OH, YOU ARE WELCOME. NO, YOU INTERRUPTED ME, BUT
10 --

11

12 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** NO, I DIDN'T SEEM LIKE YOU WERE DONE.

13

14 **ERIC PREVEN:** YOU INSERTED THE PROCESSION OF THANK YOUS THAT
15 YOU DO EIGHT MINUTES BEFORE I AM -- OR EIGHT SECONDS BEFORE
16 I'M DONE, BUT LET ME JUST FINISH THE THRUST OF IT. THE THRUST
17 OF IT IS WE HAVE TO GET THIS DONE, AND IF IT DOES COST MONEY,
18 WE HAVE TO FIND A WAY, BUT THE SHERIFF'S BUDGET, THE SYNTAX OF
19 WHOSE BUDGET HAS TO BE RESOLVED. I KNOW YOU HAVE GOT ALL THE
20 FUNDS AND THE WELFARE FUND, AND THE A.B.109. YOU WILL FIGURE
21 IT OUT, BUT IT HAS TO BE DONE. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

24



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SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS VANCE HARRIS. YOU MAY
2 BEGIN.

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4 **VANCE HARRIS:** HEY, HOW YOU DOING. MY NAME IS VANCE HARRIS. I
5 AM A MEMBER WITH THE ANTIRECIDIVISM COALITION. AND I AM HERE
6 TO SUPPORT ITEM 2. I WAS RECENTLY INCARCERATED FOR THE PAST 13
7 YEARS, AND DURING MY TIME IN THE COUNTY JAIL, I WOULD CALL MY
8 MOM EVERY DAY FOR THE FIRST 90 DAYS I WAS THERE. I WASN'T
9 AWARE THE IMPACT MY MOM WAS DEALING WITH EVERY TIME SHE WOULD
10 ACCEPT MY COLLECT CALLS. I DIDN'T KNOW MY MOM WOULD CHOOSE
11 BETWEEN WHICH BILL NOT TO PAY JUST SO SHE HAD ENOUGH MONEY TO
12 KEEP ANSWERING MY CALLS (INDISCERNIBLE). I WAS OBLIVIOUS TO
13 HER LOGIC UNTIL ONE DAY I CALLED HER AND ASKED HER IF SHE
14 WATCHED HER STORIES BECAUSE SHE WAS A BIG FAN OF SOAP OPERAS,
15 AND WHEN SHE TOLD ME THAT SHE DIDN'T BECAUSE SHE CUT HER CABLE
16 BILL OFF SO SHE COULD PAY FOR ME TO KEEP CALLING, THAT REALLY
17 BROKE ME AND THAT REALLY KIND OF LIMITED ME FROM CALLING. I
18 DIDN'T FEEL COMFORTABLE CALLING NO MORE. YOU NEVER KNOW THE
19 SACRIFICE YOUR LOVED ONES ARE MAKING JUST TO DO A SIMPLE THING
20 LIKE ANSWERING A PHONE CALL. NO FAMILY SHOULD HAVE TO FEEL
21 LIKE THAT. THEY SHOULD CHOOSE BETWEEN TALKING TO THEIR LOVED
22 ONES AND PAYING THEIR BILLS. AND NO INCARCERATED INDIVIDUAL
23 SHOULD FEEL LIKE THEY ARE A BURDEN BECAUSE THEY WANT TO TALK
24 TO THEIR FAMILY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

2

3 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS OSCAR FIGUEROA. YOU MAY
4 BEGIN.

5

6 **OSCAR FIGUEROA:** WHAT'S UP, MAN. HELLO. MY NAME IS OSCAR
7 FIGUEROA. I AM A MEMBER OF A.R.C., ANTIRECIDIVISM COALITION. I
8 AM HERE IN SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 2, AND I WANT TO THANK
9 SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR MOVING THIS MOTION FORWARD. FIRST
10 OF ALL, I WANT TO LET YOU GUYS KNOW THAT IT IS EXTREMELY
11 IMPORTANT TO HAVE FAMILY BONDS AND SOCIAL BONDS WITH THE
12 POPULATION THAT IS INCARCERATED BECAUSE, WHEN YOU DON'T HAVE
13 THAT, IT -- THERE'S A SPIRIT (INDISCERNIBLE) THAT ONLY
14 PROMOTES MORE CRIMINAL ACTIVITY, BUT WHEN YOU HAVE THAT FAMILY
15 BOND CONNECTION, EMOTIONAL SUPPORT, IT GIVES YOU COURAGE TO
16 WANT TO CONTINUE PUSHING FORWARD TO DO GOOD AND BE ABLE TO GO
17 BACK TO THAT FAMILY YOU LEFT OUT HERE. SO IT IS REALLY
18 IMPORTANT TO HAVE THAT FAMILY CONNECTION. MAKING PHONE CALLS
19 FOR FREE WOULD BE THE GAME CHANGER. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

22

23 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SAM LEWIS. YOU MAY BEGIN.
24 ONE MOMENT, MR. LEWIS.

25



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** OKAY. GO AHEAD, MR. LEWIS. YOU MAY BEGIN.

2

3 **SAM LEWIS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE BOARD OF
4 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS SAM LEWIS. I AM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
5 OF A.R.C., THE ANTIRECIDIVISM COALITION. I AM IN FULL SUPPORT
6 OF ITEM NUMBER 2. I WANT TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS,
7 FOR PUSHING THIS FORWARD, AND I WANT TO THANK ALL OF THE
8 SUPERVISORS FOR THE ROBUST DISCUSSION THAT I WATCHED YOU HAVE,
9 I WAS IN THERE, COMING TO A SOLUTION. THANK YOU. IT BROUGHT
10 TEARS TO MY EYES, AND I APPRECIATE YOU. THE LAST THING I WOULD
11 LIKE TO SAY IS, FOR THOSE THAT DISRUPT, CIVIC ENGAGEMENT MEANS
12 ALLOWING VOICES TO BE HEARD. WE FEEL SILENCED AS FORMERLY
13 INCARCERATED PEOPLE THAT WERE SET UP, THAT WERE IN THE QUEUE
14 TO SPEAK. PLEASE DON'T SILENCE US. IT IS AS IF OUR RIGHT TO
15 VOTE AND SPEAK IS GONE BACK TO THE '60S, AND WE'VE BEEN
16 STRIPPED OF OUR VOICE. PLEASE RECOGNIZE THAT THIS IS A FORM OF
17 CIVIC ENGAGEMENT THAT WE BELIEVE IN AND --

18

19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

20

21 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS KRISTINA GONZALES. YOU MAY
22 BEGIN.

23

24 **KRISTINA GONZALES:** HELLO, MY NAME IS KRISTINA GONZALES. I AM
25 PART OF THE (INDISCERNIBLE) OPENING DOORS FAMILY. WE PROVIDE A



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 PROGRAM TO BOTH PARENTS AND PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS THAT IS TWO
2 GENERATION EVIDENCE-BASED AND CULTURALLY RELEVANT. I AM
3 SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION, ITEM NUMBER
4 10 AND WANT TO THANK HER FOR PUTTING IT FORWARD. WE ARE
5 SUPPORTIVE OF A.R.D.I. AND BELIEVE MORE SHOULD BE DONE TO
6 SUPPORT LATINOS, A.A.P.I., INDIGENOUS IMMIGRANTS, AFRICAN
7 AMERICANS, AND ALL COMMUNITIES THAT EXPERIENCE EXCLUSION AND
8 PREJUDICE. WE HOPE THAT THROUGH THIS MOTION AND INTENTIONAL
9 AND ROBUST ENGAGEMENT (INDISERNIBLE) LANGUAGE ACCESS AND
10 CULTURALLY COMPETENT ENGAGEMENT. WE ALSO HOPE TO SEE AN
11 APPROACH WHERE DIVERSITY OF LANGUAGE AND CULTURE ARE NOT ONLY
12 ACCESSIBLE BUT ARE HONORED, CELEBRATED, AND RECOGNIZED AS A
13 STRENGTH IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THIS APPROACH SHOULD INCLUDE THEM
14 IN THE CHANGE MAKING PROCESS AND EQUITY ACTION PLANNING
15 EFFORTS AS ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS AND LEADERS. THANK YOU AGAIN. I
16 HOPE THE BOARD SUPPORTS THIS MOTION FOR MORE ENGAGEMENT WITH
17 OUR COMMUNITIES.

18
19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

20
21 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO ADDITIONAL REMOTE
22 SPEAKERS IN QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

23
24 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, DID WE REACH OUT TO ANYBODY THAT WE
25 HAD PHONE NUMBERS FOR THAT WAS IN-PERSON AND READY TO SPEAK?



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1

2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, WE ENGAGED ALL OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. ANY OTHER SUPERVISOR LIKE TO SPEAK ON
5 THIS ITEM? OKAY, SO WE HAVE ITEM 2 BEFORE US AS AMENDED.
6 SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S AMENDMENT WAS ACCEPTED AS A FRIENDLY
7 AMENDMENT, SO WE DON'T HAVE TO TAKE A VOTE ON THAT, IS THAT
8 CORRECT? SO MOVED BY SUPERVISOR -- OKAY, HOLD ON, WE HAVE
9 ANOTHER PERSON ON THE PHONE. NO, WE DO NOT. OKAY, SO ITEM 2 IS
10 BEFORE US, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
11 HORVATH TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL
12 THE ROLL.

13

14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEM 2 AS AMENDED TO ADD AT THE END OF
15 DIRECTIVE 2, "AND/OR INMATE WELFARE FUNDS," IS BEFORE YOU.
16 SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

17

18 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
23 HORVATH.

24

25 **SUP. HORVATH:** AYE.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

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2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

5

6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

7

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

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

11

12 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** LET'S MOVE ON TO ITEM 3, URGENT ACTIONS TO
13 SUPPORT COUNTY TENANTS, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR BARGER.
14 FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 AND
15 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, ITEM 3. SUPERVISOR BARGER,
16 WOULD YOU LIKE TO START THIS OFF?

17

18 **SUP. BARGER:** YES. GIVE ME ONE SECOND. YOU CAUGHT ME -- FIRST
19 OF ALL, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK ON THIS
20 ITEM. A COUPLE WEEKS AGO, WE VOTED TO APPROVE THE REPORT BACK
21 ON CODIFYING RIGHT TO COUNSEL AND APPROVE ADDITIONAL FUNDING
22 STAY HOUSED L.A. SOMETHING THAT I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT.
23 WHILE SITTING HERE, I WAS MOVED BY WHAT MANY OF THE TENANTS
24 AND THE PROPERTY OWNERS HAD TO SAY ABOUT THEIR FINANCIAL
25 STRUGGLES AND THEIR CHALLENGES. I BELIEVE IT IS PARAMOUNT WE



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 CONTINUE TO EXPLORE WAYS TO ASSIST THOSE WHO ARE IN EXTREME
2 NEED. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR SUBMITTING THIS
3 MOTION BEFORE US. I HELD THE ITEM SPECIFICALLY BECAUSE I'D
4 LIKE TO INTRODUCE AN AMENDMENT FOR CONSIDERATION. AND THE
5 AMENDMENT IS BUILDING ON WHAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND I HAD
6 BROUGHT IN EARLIER. I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
7 DIRECT THE C.E.O., IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DIRECTOR OF
8 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS, TO REPORT BACK IN
9 30 DAYS ON THE FEASIBILITY OF ALLOCATING UP TO \$50 MILLION IN
10 LAND BANK FUNDING TO SUPPORT COUNTY TENANT PROTECTIONS. IT IS
11 A REPORT BACK, AND THE C.E.O. SHOULD SPECIFICALLY ADDRESS THE
12 FEASIBILITY OF ALLOCATING \$40 MILLION FOR LANDLORD AND TENANT
13 RENTAL ASSISTANCE AND \$10 MILLION TO SUPPORT THE RIGHT TO
14 COUNSEL PROGRAM'S FIRST YEAR OF IMPLEMENTATION SLATED FOR
15 FISCAL YEARS '24/'25. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO READ THIS
16 AMENDMENT IN. I HOPE YOU CAN SUPPORT ME TODAY BY ADDING
17 ADDITIONAL SUPPORT FOR OUR TENANTS AND OUR MOM AND POP OWNERS
18 BECAUSE WE ALL KNOW THAT, FOR THOSE THAT ARE FACING POSSIBLE
19 EVICTION, IT IS FAR MORE BOTH MORALLY RIGHT BUT ALSO FISCALLY
20 RESPONSIBLE TO KEEP THEM IN THEIR HOUSING VERSUS HAVE THEM
21 EVICTED. SO I WOULD ASK FOR THAT TO BE CONSIDERED AS AN
22 AMENDMENT AND REPORT BACK. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

23
24 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU. MADAM CHAIR, AND YES, I UNDERSTAND
2 WE HAD A VERY LENGTHY DISCUSSION ON THIS THE LAST TIME, AND WE
3 HAD A LOT OF OUR MEMBERS FROM OUR COMMUNITY COME OUT IN STRONG
4 SUPPORT FOR TENANT RIGHTS AND ASSISTANCE OVERALL FOR BOTH MOM
5 AND POP. AND WE AGREED TO THAT. I DO WANT TO SAY WITH THIS
6 MOTION WE HAVE BEFORE US, MY ORIGINAL MOTION, IS THERE'S A
7 CERTAIN SPECIFIC FUND THAT'S BEEN MADE AVAILABLE FOR LAND
8 BANKING. THAT'S WHERE THIS MONEY IS COMING FROM. I STILL THINK
9 THAT IT IS A PRIORITY FOR THIS BOARDS BECAUSE IT IS STILL AN
10 OPTION FOR US TO BE ABLE TO ACQUIRE PROPERTIES WHERE TENANTS
11 COULD TAKE OVER THEIR OWN UNITS AND BUILD THEIR OWN FINANCIAL
12 ASSETS AND BE ABLE TO HAVE AS PART OF SECURITY FOR THEIR
13 FAMILIES. IT IS LAND BANKING. AND I KNOW THAT SUPERVISOR
14 MITCHELL RECENTLY CAME BACK FROM A TRIP, I THINK IN EUROPE,
15 WHERE THIS WAS DISCUSSED AT LENGTH IN TERMS OF HOW WE CAN
16 START UTILIZING THIS OPTION. WE HAVE ALREADY DEMONSTRATED THAT
17 HERE IN THE COUNTY. EACH OF US GOT A PORTION OR SOME MONEY SET
18 ASIDE SO WE COULD BEGIN THAT PROCESS IN OUR OWN DISTRICTS. I
19 KNOW, FOR EXAMPLE, IN THE CITY OF L.A. THAT I REPRESENT, THERE
20 IS A UNIT THERE WHERE THERE ARE SEVERAL FAMILIES THAT WERE
21 ABLE, THROUGH THIS NOTION OF LAND BANKING AND TRUST, ABLE TO
22 ACQUIRE A BUILDING. THEY SAVE PEOPLE FROM BECOMING HOMELESS.
23 AND THESE WERE PEOPLE THAT HAVE LIVED IN THESE UNITS FROM
24 ANYWHERE FROM 10 TO 15 YEARS OR LONGER. AND THE NOTION OF
25 BEING ABLE TO KEEP SOME OF THAT MONEY THERE STILL BECAUSE WE



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SUPERVISORS

1 ARE STILL EVALUATING HOW THAT MONEY CAN BE DISTRIBUTED IS
2 STILL VERY VERY IMPORTANT I THINK AS A PRIORITY FOR THE BOARD.
3 SO I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THE NOTION THAT WE HAVE TO DO
4 MORE, BUT I DON'T BELIEVE THE DIRECTION THAT THE AMENDMENT
5 WILL TAKE US IS ONE THAT I CAN SUPPORT BECAUSE I DO WANT TO
6 SEE MONIES ALLOCATED, A PORTION OF THAT, WILLING TO SAY THAT
7 OUT OF THE LAND BANK FUND THAT WE COULD ACTUALLY APPORTION AND
8 ALLOCATE \$15 MILLION FROM THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN DESIGNATED
9 TO LAND BANK INITIATIVE TO BE REDIRECTED FOR RENTAL ASSISTANCE
10 AND THEN \$10 MILLION FOR THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST, WHICH
11 CAN ALSO PARTIALLY FUND THE RIGHT TO COUNSEL. SO IT ISN'T
12 USING ALL THE FUNDING BECAUSE WE STILL HAVE I THINK A
13 COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE FOR A LAND BANK INITIATIVE. I THINK
14 THAT'S SOMETHING THAT MANY OF US ON THE BOARD MAY STILL WANT
15 TO EXPLORE. SO I WOULD JUST SAY THAT I DON'T -- I SUPPORT THE
16 ESSENCE OF THE AMENDMENT BUT NOT THE FORMULA. I WOULD STILL
17 REMAIN WITH THE FORMULA THAT WE HAD IN OUR ORIGINAL MOTION.
18 MADAM CHAIR.

19
20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, NOW, AS THE COAUTHOR, SUPERVISOR
21 HORVATH.

22
23 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I ALSO AGREE THAT IT IS
24 MORALLY RIGHT TO PROTECT OUR RENTERS AND THE HOUSING THAT THEY
25 ARE IN, WHICH IS WHY I SUPPORT INSTITUTING MORE PROTECTIONS,



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SUPERVISORS

1 AND I AGREE THAT IT IS FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE TO KEEP PEOPLE IN
2 THE HOUSING THAT THEY ARE ALREADY IN, WHICH IS WHY I SUPPORT
3 STRENGTHENING PREVENTION MEASURES FOR OUR RENTERS. WHAT THE
4 MOTION, AS DRAFTED, PROPOSES IS TO BOTH PROVIDE FUNDING FOR
5 RENTALS ASSISTANCE AND RIGHT TO COUNSEL TO GET THESE PROGRAMS
6 -- TO CONTINUE THE RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND TO HELP
7 LAUNCH THE RIGHT TO COUNSEL PROGRAM, BUT WE -- AND IT LEAVES
8 OPEN THE POSSIBILITY FOR LONG TERM SOLUTIONS, WHICH IS WE ALSO
9 NEED. WE NEED TO CREATE HOUSING SOLUTIONS THAT ARE LONG TERM
10 IF WE ARE GOING TO GET OUT OF THE HOMELESSNESS CRISIS. AND SO,
11 THIS BOTH/AND APPROACH, AS THE MOTION IS CURRENTLY DRAFTED, IS
12 SOMETHING THAT I SUPPORT. I DON'T THINK THAT WE SHOULD BE
13 TAKING FUNDING ENTIRELY AWAY FROM THOSE LONG TERM SOLUTIONS
14 LIKE LAND BANKING TO INVEST IN WHAT HOPEFULLY OUR SHORT TERM
15 SOLUTIONS TO THE CRISIS THAT WE ARE FACING. THE WAY THAT IT IS
16 DRAFTED WEAVES \$25 MILLION IN THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST
17 FUND TO DO BOTH. I THINK THE AMENDMENT WOULD NOT ALLOW FOR
18 THOSE LONG TERM SOLUTIONS TO HAVE A PROPOSED FUNDING SOURCE.
19 AND SO, I AGREE WITH THE AUTHOR OF THE MOTION. AND THAT'S
20 WHERE I STAND. THANKS.

21
22 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SO LET ME GET THIS STRAIGHT,
23 SUPERVISOR BARGER, YOUR AMENDMENT BASICALLY IS ASKING FOR A
24 REPORT BACK?



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. BARGER:** IT IS A REPORT BACK. I WAS ASKING FOR A REPORT
2 BACK.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** SO IN 30 DAYS TO LOOK AT THE FEASIBILITY.

5

6 **SUP. BARGER:** YES, IT IS NOT --

7

8 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OF TAKING 50 MILLION -- AS OPPOSED TO \$25
9 MILLION.

10

11 **SUP. BARGER:** CORRECT BECAUSE THE NEED IS I THINK GREATER THAN
12 THE AMOUNT REFLECTED IN THE MOTION.

13

14 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YEAH, AND YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT
15 ALLOCATED \$40 MILLION FOR LANDLORD AND TENANT RENTAL
16 ASSISTANCE, AND \$10 MILLION FOR THE RIGHT TO COUNSEL PROGRAM,
17 WHICH WE ALSO APPROVED.

18

19 **SUP. BARGER:** RIGHT, WHICH I THINK --

20

21 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YEAH, SO IT IS JUST -- I MEAN I KIND OF
22 WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE REPORT BACK JUST TO SEE THE FEASIBILITY
23 AND WHETHER OR NOT SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S PREDICTIONS ARE
24 SOMETHING WE NEED TO LOOK LIKE IT WOULD THEN TAKE AWAY MONEY
25 FROM OUR LONG TERM SOLUTIONS OF LAND BANKING, BUT I DO TOO. I



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SUPERVISORS

1 HEAR A LOT FROM MOM AND POP LANDLORDS. I HEAR A LOT -- AND WE
2 KNOW THERE'S A LOT OF TENANTS THAT ARE STILL LOOKING FOR US TO
3 PROTECT THEM IN WAYS. AND I DON'T KNOW. I THINK IT IS -- I'D
4 LIKE TO SEE THE FEASIBILITY OF IT, AND THEN WE CAN DECIDE
5 WHETHER OR NOT WE WANT TO ALLOCATE IT IN THAT FORM, BUT I AM
6 KIND OF ON THE SIDE OF MORE MONEY FROM LAND BANKING TO SUPPORT
7 OUR LANDLORDS AND OUR TENANTS RIGHT NOW. I JUST FEEL LIKE
8 THAT'S WHERE THE NEED IS. I CAN UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU ARE
9 SAYING, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I AM WONDERING WHAT IT WOULD HURT TO
10 HAVE THE REPORT BACK TO JUST GIVE US A BETTER PICTURE OF WHAT
11 THAT REALLY WOULD LOOK LIKE IN TERMS OF DOES THAT RUIN THE
12 LAND BANKING PROGRAM TOTALLY, OR DOES IT GIVE THE HELP RIGHT
13 NOW THAT WE THINK OUR TENANTS AND LANDLORDS NEED.

14
15 **SUP. SOLIS:** I WOULD ASK OUR C.E.O. BECAUSE THIS IS A.R.P.
16 MONEY. AND IT ISN'T EASY FOR THE COUNTY TO EVEN SET UP THE
17 PROGRAM, THE LAND BANKING. THAT'S WHY WE STARTED OUT THE WITH
18 PILOT PROGRAM BECAUSE IT'S VERY DIFFICULT, BUT WE KNOW IT
19 HELPS TO PREVENT PEOPLE FROM BECOMING HOMELESS, FAMILIES THAT
20 ARE THERE. SO IT IS A PREVENTION MECHANISM, AND IT IS ONE THAT
21 HAS GAINED A LOT OF NATIONAL SUPPORT. AND I WOULD ASK THE
22 C.E.O. WHAT OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDS ARE THERE AVAILABLE FOR
23 LAND BANKING THAT WE COULD GO TO WITHOUT JEOPARDIZING THIS
24 SOURCE OF FUNDING.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU FOR THAT, SUPERVISOR. SO,
2 AS YOU CORRECTLY STATED, THESE ARE A.R.P.A. DOLLARS THAT ARE
3 WAITING IN QUEUE TO BE DEPLOYED. IF WE DIDN'T USE A.R.P.A.
4 DOLLARS, THERE ARE OTHER THINGS THAT THE BOARD COULD CONSIDER
5 LIKE THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND. THE BOARD COULD
6 CONSIDER N.C.C., BUT AS OUR PRIOR DISCUSSION INDICATED
7 EARLIER, THERE'S A LOT OF PRESSURES ON THE N.C.C. IT IS NOT
8 THAT WE -- IT ISN'T THAT THERE IS NO N.C.C. THAT CAN BE MADE
9 AVAILABLE. IT IS WHICH PROGRAMS TO FUND WITH THE LIMITED
10 N.C.C.

11
12 **SUP. BARGER:** AND WHEN DO WE HAVE TO SPEND THE A.R.P.A. FUNDS
13 BY?

14
15 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THE A.R.P.A., THERE'S TWO DIFFERENT
16 DEADLINES. ONE IS 2026, AND THEN FOR PROJECTS THAT HAVE FOR
17 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, THERE'S A LONGER TIMELINE. IT IS PAST
18 2026. IT MIGHT BE 2028. THAT'S FOR ACTUAL CAPITAL
19 CONSTRUCTION.

20
21 **SUP. BARGER:** THIS WOULD FALL UNDER THE EARLIER CATEGORY.

22
23 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** I BELIEVE SO, YES.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** SO WE ARE BASICALLY TRYING TO FIND OUT THE
2 FUNDING FOR BOTH -- WHERE'S THE FUNDING FOR TENANT. LANDLORD
3 PROTECTIONS, AND WHERE'S THE FUNDING FOR LAND BANK, AND -- I
4 THINK IT IS KIND OF -- EXCEPT FOR THE A.R.P.A. DOLLARS, IT IS
5 SORT OF SIMILAR SOURCES OF FUNDING.

6

7 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** YES. I THINK THAT'S CORRECT. IT IS --
8 I MEAN OUR FALL BACKS ARE IF WE DON'T HAVE AN IDENTIFIED
9 SOURCE FROM THE FEDERAL OR THE STATE GOVERNMENT, THEN WE ARE
10 GOING TO LOOK TO THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND.

11

12 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YEAH. I THINK THAT WOULD BE WHAT THE REPORT
13 BACK WOULD PROBABLY SHOW US, AND WE WOULD DECIDE THEN WHETHER
14 WE WANT TO GO IN THAT DIRECTION OR NOT CHANGE THE ALLOCATION
15 OF -- IN TERMS OF SOME WOULD THINK IT WOULD JEOPARDIZE LAND
16 BANKING, BUT I LIKE THE IDEA OF A REPORT BACK, BUT I -- I MEAN
17 I WOULD SECOND THE AMENDMENT JUST FOR A DISCUSSION AND
18 POSSIBLE -- WE USUALLY GIVE EACH OTHER COURTESIES OF REPORT
19 BACKS, BUT I UNDERSTAND IT CHANGES THE FORMULA.

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS:** JUST THAT. I THINK THE EXPECTATION BECAUSE WE
22 HAVE HAD PEOPLE COME OUT TO ATTEND OUR BOARD MEETINGS AND TELL
23 US THE VALUE OF THE LAND BANKING PROGRAMS. WE HAVE. PEOPLE
24 HAVE CALLED IN. I AM SURE THEY HAVE CONTACTED ALL YOUR
25 OFFICES, BUT I THINK IT IS ONE OPTION THAT WE SHOULD NOT JUST



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SUPERVISORS

1 SAY OH, IT IS GOING TO BE TAKEN OFF THE TABLE RIGHT NOW
2 WITHOUT HAVING A SOURCE OF FUNDING THAT'S IDENTIFIED RIGHT
3 NOW. I THINK THAT SENDS THE WRONG SIGNAL TO THE PUBLIC. THAT'S
4 ALL. AND IF THERE IS OTHER FUNDING AVAILABLE, I WOULD SUPPORT
5 THAT, BUT THAT COULD BE ANOTHER MOTION. WHY DON'T WE LEAVE
6 THIS AS IT IS, AND THEN ADD ON TO IT, AND GO AFTER THE FUNDING
7 THAT OUR C.E.O. JUST IDENTIFIED?

8

9 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** I JUST WANT TO BE REALLY CLEAR. I AM
10 NOT SAYING THAT THAT FUNDING IS AVAILABLE. I AM SAYING WE CAN
11 LOOK AND SEE WHAT IS AVAILABLE, AND THEN IF FUNDING IS
12 AVAILABLE, IT IS JUST A MATTER OF PRIORITIZING.

13

14 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YEAH. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

15

16 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AS CURRENTLY PROPOSED,
17 THE AMENDMENT NEGATES THE INITIAL DIRECTION, WHICH WAS ALSO A
18 REPORT BACK TO ACTUALLY PROVIDE US WITH INFORMATION. SO THE
19 MOTION -- THE AMENDMENT COULD CONTEMPLATE DOING BOTH. IF WHAT
20 YOU WANT IS A REPORT BACK, WE COULD REPORT BACK ON BOTH
21 SCENARIOS INSTEAD OF JUST THE ONE. AND I THINK THAT WOULD
22 SATISFY --

23

24 **SUP. BARGER:** AND I WOULD SUPPORT THAT. I JUST FEEL THAT --

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** BOTH SCENARIOS BEING -- FINISH THAT
2 SENTENCE. WHAT WOULD BOTH SCENARIOS BE?

3

4 **SUP. HORVATH:** SO AS CURRENTLY WRITTEN, THE AMENDMENT ONLY
5 CONTEMPLATES GIVING ALL OF THE LAND BANK FUNDING TO RENTAL
6 ASSISTANCE AND TO RIGHT TO COUNSEL.

7

8 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** RIGHT.

9

10 **SUP. HORVATH:** BUT THE -- THE DISTINCTION THAT YOU NOTED WAS
11 THE REPORT BACK, BUT THAT'S HOW IT WAS ORIGINALLY WRITTEN. SO
12 IF WE WANT TO HAVE A REPORT BACK ON BOTH, WE COULD DO BOTH.
13 AND I JUST DON'T THINK WE SHOULD -- BUT YOUR AMENDMENT --

14

15 **SUP. BARGER:** I HEAR YOU, AND I AM WILLING TO ASK THE REPORT
16 BACK BE ON BOTH VERSUS WHAT I JUST --

17

18 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. I THINK THAT WOULD GIVE US A BETTER
19 PICTURE GOING FORWARD FOR BOTH PROGRAMS, LAND BANKING AND OUR
20 ASSISTANCE FOR --

21

22 **SUP. SOLIS:** SO AS THE AUTHOR OF THE MOTION AND OUR COAUTHOR IS
23 THAT WE INCLUDE THEN THE LANGUAGE THAT SAYS THAT WE MOVE THAT
24 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO PROVIDE A STATUS
25 REPORT, RIGHT, ON THE LAND BANK INITIATIVE FUNDED WITH THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 REMAINING BALANCE OF THE 25 MILLION IN 30 DAYS. OKAY, SO I
2 WOULD --

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** AND THE REPORT BACK ON WHAT IT WOULD LOOK
5 LIKE IF WE CHANGED THE ALLOCATION, WHAT IT WOULD LOOK LIKE FOR
6 THE LAND BANKING PROGRAM, AND WHAT IT WOULD LOOK LIKE TO HELP
7 OUR TENANTS.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER:** AND I THINK IT'S GOING TO BE INTERESTING BECAUSE
10 I THINK THE MOTION THAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND I BROUGHT IN
11 ON THE \$40 MILLION FOR TENANTS AND MOM AND POPS IS GOING TO BE
12 GOING LIVE, I THINK, IN THE NEXT 30 DAYS. IS THAT CORRECT? I
13 THINK IT IS. I WISH IT WOULD HAVE BEEN LIKE FOUR MONTHS AGO,
14 BUT BEGGARS CAN'T BE CHOOSERS. SO, I THINK IT'S SUPPOSED TO GO
15 LIVE --

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17 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** YEAH. DIRECTOR CARBAJAL IS HERE. I
18 BELIEVE HE IS IN THE BACK, BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE TIME --

19

20 **SUP. BARGER:** FROM WHAT I HAVE HEARD, IT IS IN THE NEXT 30
21 DAYS. AND I THINK THAT WILL BE TELLING IN TERMS OF THE NEED.
22 AND I THINK WE SHOULD CLOSELY -- THAT'S WHY WE LOOKED AT THE -
23 - EVEN BEYOND THE 30 DAYS, I THINK WE WILL HAVE TO REALLY BE
24 COGNIZANT OF WHAT THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE APPLYING AND HOW THAT
25 MONEY IS ALLOCATED. IS IT THE NEXT 30 DAYS? HERE HE COMES.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

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2 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** HI THERE.

3

4 **DIRECTOR CARBAJAL:** GOOD MORNING. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS.

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6 **SUP. BARGER:** IT IS GOING LIVE FOR THE APPLICATION AND TO DRAW
7 DOWN THAT MONEY --

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9 **DIRECTOR CARBAJAL:** SO WE ARE TARGETING 30 DAYS. WE ARE IN THE
10 PROCESS OF NEGOTIATING THE SUB-RECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH OUR
11 PARTNERS. AND THAT IS OUR TARGET.

12

13 **SUP. BARGER:** SO I THINK -- I AM GOING TO BE WATCHING THAT
14 CLOSELY BECAUSE I THINK THAT WILL ALSO SPEAK VOLUMES TO WHO IS
15 GOING TO BE DRAWING DOWN THIS MONEY, AND REALLY I THINK IT IS
16 IMPORTANT FOR US TO UNDERSTAND THE BENEFIT OF KEEPING PEOPLE
17 HOUSED.

18

19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO, COLLEAGUES, WHAT WE HAVE BEFORE US
20 IS AN AMENDMENT AND A CLARIFICATION THAT, IF WE ARE GOING TO
21 GET A REPORT BACK, IT SHOULD BE ON BOTH SCENARIOS. DO WE NEED
22 TO REWRITE THIS AMENDMENT OR -- IS THIS ACCEPTED THEN? WOULD
23 THIS JUST BE ACCEPTED BY THE AUTHOR AND COAUTHOR?

24



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. SOLIS:** I WOULD ACCEPT IT BECAUSE IT IS A REPORT BACK ON
2 BOTH.

3
4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** ON BOTH SCENARIOS. GREAT. OKAY, ARE THERE
5 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE PHONE -- IT DOES NOT.

6
7 **SUP. SOLIS:** PEOPLE LISTENING INTO OUR CONVERSATION. PEOPLE ARE
8 LISTENING? NO ONE TOLD ME THAT. OKAY. SO WE ARE CLEAR ON THAT,
9 IF -- I DON'T THINK IT'S BEEN WRITTEN IN ITS ENTIRETY.

10
11 **SUP. HORVATH:** I THINK I CAN DO IT. IF I MAY? WE, THEREFORE,
12 MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE C.E.O., IN
13 COLLABORATION WITH THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER
14 AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS, TO REPORT BACK IN -- 14 OR 30 DAYS,
15 WHICH DID WE DECIDE? THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT SAYS 30.

16
17 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** 30.

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19 **SUP. HORVATH:** 30. ARE YOU COMFORTABLE WITH 30? I JUST AM
20 CLARIFYING WITH THE AUTHOR. WITHIN 30 DAYS ON THE FEASIBILITY
21 OF REALLOCATING UP TO \$25 MILLION AND --

22
23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** NO, \$50 MILLION.

24
25 **SUP. HORVATH:** IT HAS TO BE BOTH.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. BARGER:** IT HAS TO BE BOTH 25 AND --

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OH, I SEE WHAT YOU'RE SAYING. GOT IT. OKAY.

5

6 **SUP. HORVATH:** OKAY. SO, TO REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS ON THE
7 FEASIBILITY OF REALLOCATING UP TO BOTH, \$25 MILLION, AND \$50
8 MILLION IN LAND BANK FUNDING TO SUPPORT COUNTY TENANT
9 PROTECTIONS. IN ITS REPORT BACK, THE C.E.O. SHOULD
10 SPECIFICALLY ADDRESS THE FEASIBILITY OF ALLOCATING \$15 MILLION
11 FOR LANDLORD AND TENANT RENTAL ASSISTANCE, AND \$10 MILLION TO
12 SUPPORT THE RIGHT TO COUNSEL PROGRAMS FOR THE \$25 MILLION
13 ALLOCATION, AND \$40 MILLION FOR LANDLORD AND TENANT RENTAL
14 ASSISTANCE, AND \$10 MILLION TO SUPPORT THE RIGHT TO COUNSEL
15 PROGRAMS -- RIGHT TO COUNSEL FOR THE \$50 MILLION ALLOCATION IN
16 THE PROGRAM'S FIRST YEAR OF IMPLEMENTATION, SLATED FOR FISCAL
17 YEAR 2024-'25.

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19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** IS THAT OKAY?

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21 **SUP. BARGER:** THAT'S FINE. IT WOULD BE OR, BUT THAT'S FINE. I
22 THINK THE REPORT BACK WILL OUTLINE THAT, TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS'
23 CONCERN. REGARDING THE LAND BANK, I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT FOR
24 US TO GET A CLEAR PICTURE. SO I AM FINE WITH THAT.

25



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HORVATH:** I JUST WANTED TO CALL OUT HOW YOU WANTED IT
2 ALLOCATED.

3

4 **SUP. BARGER:** THAT'S FINE.

5

6 **SUP. HORVATH:** VERSUS HOW SHE WANTED IT FOR 25.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER:** THAT'S FIND. THAT'S FAIR.

9

10 **SUP. HORVATH:** ALRIGHT, THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE HAVE THAT CLEAR. IS THERE MEMBERS
13 OF THE PUBLIC ON THE PHONE THAT WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO US ON
14 ITEM 3.

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, MADAM CHAIR. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE
17 THE FIRST REMOTE CALLER, PLEASE.

18

19 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS MISA RAFIK. MISA RAFIK,
20 YOU MAY BEGIN.

21

22 **MISA RAFIK:** GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIRWOMAN HAHN AND MEMBERS OF THE
23 BOARD. MY NAME IS MISA RAFIK, AND I AM WITH THE NATIONAL
24 RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL. AS AN ENVIRONMENT ADVOCACY GROUP,
25 WE RECOGNIZE THAT ENSURING HOUSING SECURITY IS AN INTEGRAL



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 PART OF PURSUING ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE. JUST OVER A YEAR AGO,
2 N.R.D.C. APPLAUDED THE EFFORTS MADE BY THIS BOARD TO COMMIT
3 \$50 MILLION FOR A COUNTY-WIDE LAND BANK TO ENSURE HOUSING
4 AFFORDABILITY AND STABILITY FOR FOLKS IN L.A. RIVER ADJACENT
5 COMMUNITIES. AND NOW WE CAN APPLAUSE THIS BOARD FOR TAKING
6 URGENT ACTION FOR SUPPORTING TENANTS. HOWEVER, WE ARE
7 CONCERNED THAT THE FUNDS ARE COMING OUT OF THE COUNTY'S
8 AFFORDABLE HOUSING LAND BANK PROGRAM. AS SUCH, WE URGE THIS
9 BOARD TO AMEND THE MOTION TO DIRECT THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE TO
10 ENSURE THAT ANY FUNDS TAKEN TO THE COUNTY'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING
11 LAND BANK PROGRAM ARE BACK FILLED AND THAT THE COUNTY WORKS TO
12 IDENTIFY PERMANENT SOURCES OF FUNDING FOR ALL OF THESE
13 PROGRAMS. THANK YOU FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THESE COMMENTS.

14
15 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16
17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SISSY TRIN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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19 **SISSY TRIN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS SISSY
20 TRIN. I AM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF S.E.A.C.A, THE SOUTHEAST
21 ASIAN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE. WE HAVE PROVIDED LEGAL REFERRALS AND
22 RENTAL ASSISTANCE TO HUNDREDS OF SENIORS LIVING ON \$914 A
23 MONTH. THEY LIVE IN S.R.O.S AND RESIDENTIAL MOTELS IN CHINA
24 TOWN, PAYING NEARLY 80% OF THEIR INCOME ON RENT. THEY
25 REGULARLY SKIP MEALS AND DIVE INTO DUMPSTERS TO COLLECT



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SUPERVISORS

1 RECYCLING IN ORDER TO HAVE ENOUGH MONEY AT THE END OF THE
2 MONTH. AND EACH TIME THEIR LANDLORDS INCREASE THEIR RENT,
3 THEIR CHANCES OF FALLING INTO HOMELESSNESS ALSO INCREASES.
4 WHILE EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE HAS KEPT THEM HOUSED THUS
5 FAR, THIS IS ONLY A TEMPORARY SOLUTION. THE BEST WAY TO
6 PREVENT OUR SENIORS FROM FALLING INTO HOMELESSNESS IS TO
7 PROVIDE THEM WITH PERMANENTLY AFFORDABLE HOUSING.
8 UNFORTUNATELY, THERE'S NOT ENOUGH BEING BUILT. WHAT IS BEING
9 BUILT IS NOT FAST ENOUGH, AND THERE'S NO VIRTUALLY AFFORDABLE
10 UNITS FOR THOSE MAKING AT OR BELOW 15% A.M.I. WE NEED TO FUND
11 TEMPORARY PROGRAMS LIKE RIGHT TO COUNSEL AND RENTAL
12 ASSISTANCE, BUT WE ALSO NEED PERMANENT SOLUTIONS, AND THE LAND
13 BANK IS ONE OF THEM. PLEASE AMEND THE MOTION TO ENSURE THERE'S
14 PERMANENT AND SUSTAINABLE FUNDING FOR ALL THESE PROGRAMS.

15
16 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

17
18 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DIANE VALENCIA. YOU MAY
19 BEGIN.

20
21 **MODERATOR:** HELLO. MY NAME IS DIANE, AND I WORK IN CHINATOWN
22 WITH THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE AS A YOUTH
23 ORGANIZER. MANY OF OUR FAMILIES WORK IN RESTAURANT AND GARMENT
24 INDUSTRIES AND EARN LESS THAN \$20,000 A YEAR, AND THEY
25 STRUGGLE TO PAY RENT EVERY MONTH. THIS WAS A PROBLEM THEY



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SUPERVISORS

1 FAGED BEFORE THE PANDEMIC, AND IT WILL REMAIN AN ONGOING
2 PROBLEM FOR THEM AS LONG AS RENTS GO UP WHILE INCOMES SPACE
3 LAGS. AND OUR FAMILIES NEED THE RIGHT TO COUNSEL, EMERGENCY
4 MENTAL ASSISTANCE, AND PERMANENT AFFORDABLE HOUSING THROUGH
5 THE LAND BANK. SO PLEASE FULLY FUND ALL OF THESE PROGRAMS.
6 THANK YOU SO MUCH.

7

8 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

9

10 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SOFAMA ROCT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** HELLO?

13

14 **MODERATOR:** SOFAMA, YOUR LINE IS OPEN, GO AHEAD.

15

16 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, I DON'T THINK WE HAVE THE SPEAKER. CAN
17 WE GO TO NEXT SPEAKER.

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19 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT -- NEXT PARTICIPANT IS RUTH. RUTH, GO
20 AHEAD, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

21

22 **RUTH:** HI, MY NAME IS RUTH, AND I AM CONCERNED THAT THERE'S NOT
23 GOING TO BE A TIME LIMIT. I KNOW IT SAYS '24-'25, BUT AFTER IT
24 IS ALL SPENT, THEN IT IS JUST GOING TO GO ON AND ON AND ON? OR
25 IS THERE AN ACTUAL TIME LIMIT AND A PERMANENT SOLUTION SO THAT



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SUPERVISORS

1 WE AREN'T PAYING FOR EVERYBODY'S RENT, AND EVERYBODY -- EVERY
2 OWNER THAT HAS TENANTS? THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

5

6 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LIZ NELSON. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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8 **LIZ NELSON:** HI, GUYS. I AM CALLING AS AN AMERICAN. AND I HEAR
9 YOU GUYS TALKING A LOT ABOUT LANDLORD/TENANT RIGHTS, WHICH IS
10 FINE, BUT WHAT ABOUT PEOPLE LIKE ME, WHO JUST LOST HER HUSBAND
11 AND DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT PREDATORY BANKS AND ALL THIS STUFF. AND
12 THEY ARE OUT THERE VICTIMIZING PEOPLE BY STEALING THEIR HOMES
13 OVER PETTY AMOUNTS. THERE'S NO RESOURCES OUT THERE FOR PEOPLE
14 LIKE ME. I HAVE CALLED MS. HAHN'S OFFICE MULTIPLE TIMES AND
15 WAS TOLD THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO. THERE'S NOTHING -- YOU
16 KNOW, ANY OF YOU GUYS CAN DO. YOU DON'T DO THIS STUFF. SO IT
17 IS OVER PETTY AMOUNTS. THERE'S HUNDREDS OF CALIFORNIANS RIGHT
18 NOW THAT ARE CONSIDERED -- WE THOUGHT WE WERE HOMEOWNERS, BUT
19 IN REALITY WE ARE CARETAKERS OF THE PROPERTY BECAUSE THERE'S
20 NO SUCH THING. MINE HIT A 90 DAY MARK OVER A HELOC. AND THAT
21 WAS ENOUGH FOR THEM TO SELL MY HOUSE OUT FROM UNDER ME IN A
22 NON-JUDICIAL STATE WITHOUT ME KNOWING ABOUT IT.

23

24 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I UNDERSTAND YOU HAVE
25 CALLED MY OFFICE. WE WILL GET HER PHONE NUMBER, AND WE WILL



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SUPERVISORS

1 HAVE SOMEONE ON MY STAFF REACH OUT. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER,
2 PLEASE.

3

4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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6 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. YOU KNOW, I SUPPORT TENANT
7 PROTECTIONS, AND I SUPPORT THE LAND BANK AS WELL. I WAS TRYING
8 TO UNDERSTAND HOW THE LAND BANK WOULD WORK EXACTLY AND HOW TO
9 DO THAT. BUT AGAIN, WE GOT A LOT OF POSSIBLE THINGS TO FUND
10 AND A SHORTAGE OF MONEY, I GUESS. SO, I APPRECIATE ALL THE
11 CAREFUL IF/THEN. THIS IS LIKE PLAYING CONTRACT BRIDGE COMING
12 TO A BOARD MEETING. IT'S VERY, VERY TRICKY BECAUSE I CAN SEE
13 YOU'RE ALL POSITIONING FOR THE SUPPLEMENTAL, SO GOOD WORK ON
14 ALL THE BUREAUCRATIC MANEUVERING. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

17

18 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS FRED SUTTON. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19

20 **FRED SUTTON:** HELLO, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. FRED SUTTON
21 CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT ASSOCIATION. THE WE SUPPORT THE 15
22 MILLION BEING PUT ASIDE FOR DIRECT RENTAL ASSISTANCE. DIRECT
23 MONETARY SUBSIDY IS THE BEST AND PROVEN WAY TO KEEP PEOPLE
24 HOUSED THROUGH TEMPORARY ECONOMIC SETBACKS. MORE SHOULD BE
25 DEDICATED TO THIS PURPOSE. WE URGE THE BOARD TO TRACK THESE



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SUPERVISORS

1 DOLLARS AND THOSE BEING PUT FORTH FOR LEGAL DEFENSE TO HAVE
2 A COMPREHENSIVE UNDERSTANDING OF OUTCOMES IN A REPORT BACK.
3 RESOURCES SHOULD BE UTILIZED FOR PROGRAMS THAT MAXIMIZE THE
4 AMOUNT OF PEOPLE AND FAMILIES WE CAN HOUSE. UNDERSTANDING THE
5 DATA AND CORRELATED RESULTS IS CRITICAL TO ACHIEVE OUR SHARED
6 GOAL. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

9

10 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS HECTOR RAMIREZ. YOU MAY
11 BEGIN.

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13 **HECTOR RAMIREZ:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY
14 NAME IS HECTOR RAMIREZ. I LIVE WITH CHATSWORTH. I AM A
15 CONSUMER WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH,
16 WHICH PROVIDES SERVICES TO ALMOST A QUARTER OF A MILLION
17 PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND I REALLY WANT TO APPLAUD
18 BOTH SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR THEIR
19 COMMENTS ON THE MOTION. LAND BANKING IS ONE OF THE MEASURES
20 THAT WE, IN THE MENTAL HEALTH COMMUNITY, HAVE BEEN ASKING FOR
21 TO BE PART OF OUR FUNDING OPTIONS, PARTICULARLY TO THE MENTAL
22 HEALTH SERVICES SIDE. SO WE REALLY APPLAUD ANY DIRECTION WITH
23 THAT PARTICULAR PROJECT WITHOUT DIVERTING ANY FUNDS TO THE
24 NECESSARY PATIENT RIGHTS ADVOCACY, WHICH IS ALSO NEEDED TO
25 ENSURE THAT INDIVIDUALS WITH MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS AND



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SUPERVISORS

1 THEIR FAMILIES DON'T GET EVICTED, BUT AT THE SAME TIME,
2 ENSURING THAT THERE IS ENOUGH ACCESSIBLE HOUSING AVAILABLE FOR
3 INDIVIDUALS SO THAT WE DON'T BECOME UNHOUSED, END UP IN JAIL,
4 OR HAVE TO BE SENT TO A BOARD AND CARE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

7

8 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS IVY HONG. YOU MAY BEGIN.

9

10 **IVY HONG:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS IVY. I'M CALLING ABOUT
11 AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 3. FOR THE PAST 3 YEARS, I'VE BEEN HELPING
12 LOW INCOME ELDERS IN CHINA TOWN APPLY FOR RENTAL ASSISTANCE
13 AND MAKE REFERRALS FOR LEGAL REPRESENTATION. RIGHT TO COUNSEL
14 AND RENTAL ASSISTANCE ARE ABSOLUTELY CRUCIAL PROGRAMS, BUT
15 THEY ARE NOT ENOUGH. MANY OF OUR ELDERS LIVE IN S.R.O.S AND
16 SPEND NEARLY 80% OF THEIR INCOMES ON RENT. EVERY TIME THEIR
17 RENT IS LEGALLY INCREASED, THEIR RISK OF BECOMING HOMELESS
18 INCREASES, TOO. WHAT THEY NEED IS PERMANENTLY AFFORDABLE
19 HOUSING, BUT UNFORTUNATELY, THEY ARE TOO POOR TO QUALIFY FOR
20 MOST UNITS. THE LAND BANK IS A CRITICAL LONG TERM STRATEGY TO
21 PREVENT HOMELESSNESS, AND WE NEED TO FULLY FUND ALL OF THESE
22 PROGRAMS, NOT PIT PROGRAMS AGAINST EACH OTHER. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, WE HAVE NO ADDITIONAL REMOTE SPEAKERS
2 IN QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

3
4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, HAVING NO OTHER SPEAKERS AND SEEING
5 NONE OF MY COLLEAGUES WISHING TO SPEAK, WE NOW HAVE ITEM 3 AS
6 AMENDED BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY
7 SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
8 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

9
10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEM 3 AS AN AMENDED IS BEFORE YOU.
11 SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

12
13 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

14
15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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17 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

18
19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
20 HORVATH.

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22 **SUP. HORVATH:** AYE.

23
24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

8

9 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. NOW WE'LL MOVE ON TO ITEM 4,
10 SUPPORTING WORKERS IMPACTED BY THE ONGOING ENTERTAINMENT
11 INDUSTRY STRIKES, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AND ITEM
12 21, SUPPORT TO SMALL BUSINESSES IMPACTED BY THE ENTERTAINMENT
13 STRIKE, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. AND FOR MEMBERS
14 OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO
15 COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, WOULD YOU LIKE TO
16 START US OFF?

17

18 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I, FIRST, WANT TO
19 THANK SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR SERVING AS MY CO-CHAIR AND
20 COAUTHOR, NOT CO-CHAIR, COAUTHOR, ON THIS ITEM AND BRINGING
21 FORTH A COMPANION MOTION. CONGRATS. WHILE YOUR MOTION WITH
22 SUPERVISOR BARGER FOCUSES ON SMALL BUSINESSES, MINE IS GEARED
23 TOWARDS THE WORKERS. THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY IS A CRITICAL
24 COMPONENT, AS WE ALL KNOW, OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S ECONOMY AND
25 IS INTERCONNECTED WITH MANY OTHER EMPLOYEES AND CONTRACTORS.



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1 FROM SET DESIGNERS TO MAKE-UP ARTISTS TO PROP HOUSE SALE
2 REPRESENTATIVES, THESE WORKERS ARE DEPENDENT ON THE
3 ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY. UNFORTUNATELY, MANY OF THEM ARE
4 STARTING TO FEEL THE COLLATERAL PAIN FROM THE W.G.A. AND
5 S.A.G.-A.F.T.R.A. STRIKES, NOT TO MENTION HAVE NOT FULLY
6 RECOVERED THEMSELVES FROM THE PANDEMIC. AS FORMER SECRETARY OF
7 LABOR, I'M SERIOUSLY CONCERNED, AS WE ALL ARE. 15 YEARS AGO,
8 W.G.A. MEMBERS WENT ON STRIKE TO DEMAND PARITY BETWEEN
9 WRITER'S SALARIES AND STUDIO PROFITS. WHEN NEGOTIATIONS WERE
10 UNSUCCESSFUL WITH THE A.M.P.T.P., THE 100 DAY STRIKE PUT A
11 SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC STRAIN ON THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY.
12 WHILE ESTIMATES FOR ITS ECONOMIC IMPACT VARY, THE MILKEN
13 INSTITUTE HAS ESTIMATED THAT THE ECONOMIC LOSSES OF THE STRIKE
14 COULD HAVE BEEN BETWEEN 2.1 BILLION AND MORE THAN 20
15 MILLION A DAY AND ABOUT 38,000 JOBS. IT'S CRITICAL THAT WE
16 TAKE NECESSARY STEPS TO PROTECT WORKERS IMPACTED BY THE
17 ONGOING STRIKES WHILE SUPPORTING AND UPLIFTING UNION MEMBERS
18 IN THEIR PURSUIT OF JUST COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS.
19 THIS MOTION DIRECTS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC
20 OPPORTUNITY, THROUGH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FILM OFFICE, TO
21 WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND CULTURE TO DEMONSTRATE
22 AND QUANTIFY, WHERE POSSIBLE, THE ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF THE
23 W.G.A. AND S.A.G.-A.F.T.R.A. STRIKES ON EMPLOYEES AND
24 CONTRACTORS THAT SERVE THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY IN LOS
25 ANGELES COUNTY AND PROVIDE A REPORT BACK IN WRITING IN 30 DAYS



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1 ON THE FOLLOWING: THE IMPACT ON DIRECT, INDIRECT, AND INDUCED
2 EMPLOYMENT AND EARNINGS, AS WELL AS INFORMATION INDICATING HOW
3 MANY BUSINESSES IMPACTED BY THE STRIKE ARE SOLE PROPRIETORS OR
4 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS AND WHETHER THEY'RE ELIGIBLE FOR
5 EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE. WITHOUT PROPER SUPPORT, THESE WORKERS,
6 MANY OF WHOM LIKELY COME FROM MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES OF
7 COLOR, MAY FACE SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC SECURITY RESULTING FROM
8 THE SIMULTANEOUS STRIKES. TO THAT END, I CALL ON THE ALLIANCE
9 OF MOTION PICTURE AND TELEVISION PRODUCERS TO MEET THE
10 NEGOTIATING POSITIONS OF BOTH THE W.G.A. AND S.A.G.-A.F.T.R.A.
11 NOT JUST TO ENSURE SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS FOR WRITERS AND
12 ACTORS BUT ALSO TO PREVENT FURTHER SIGNIFICANT STRAIN ON LOS
13 ANGELES COUNTY'S ECONOMY. BY FOSTERING EQUITABLE TREATMENT OF
14 ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY WORKERS, WE ENHANCE BOTH THE WORKING
15 AND CREATIVE CONDITIONS THAT PROFOUNDLY IMPACT THE LIVES OF
16 ANGELENOS THROUGH THE ARTS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

17
18 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH, WOULD YOU
19 LIKE TO MAKE REMARKS AS THE COAUTHOR ON ITEM 4 AND ITEM 21?

20
21 **SUP. HORVATH:** OF COURSE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND BEFORE I
22 MAKE MY REMARKS REGARDING THESE TWO ITEMS, I WOULD LIKE TO
23 READ IN A MINOR AMENDMENT ON ITEM 21, WHICH WAS DISTRIBUTED BY
24 THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE LAST NIGHT. THE LAST PORTION OF THE
25 FOURTH DIRECTIVE IS BEING DELETED BECAUSE IT IS MY



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1 UNDERSTANDING THAT LABOR DISPUTES CANNOT QUALIFY AS STATE
2 EMERGENCIES, SO THE GOVERNOR WOULDN'T HAVE THE LEGAL AUTHORITY
3 TO TAKE THIS ACTION. AND TO ENSURE THAT I READ IT INTO THE
4 RECORD, DIRECTIVE 4 WOULD INSERT A PERIOD AFTER RESOURCES AND
5 DELETE THE COMMA AND ALL OF THE LANGUAGE AFTER. SO WITH THAT
6 CLARIFICATION, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR
7 ASKING ME TO COAUTHOR ON HER MOTION AND THANK SUPERVISOR
8 BARGER FOR COAUTHORING ITEM 21 WITH ME. THESE MOTIONS TOGETHER
9 RECOGNIZE THE SUBSTANTIAL IMPACT THAT THE S.A.G.-A.F.T.R.A.
10 AND W.G.A. STRIKES ARE HAVING ON ANGELENOS AND THE REGION AS
11 WHOLE, WHILE AT THE SAME TIME, OUR LABOR PARTNERS ARE FIGHTING
12 FOR THEIR LIVELIHOODS. THERE ARE NO WINNERS. NOT UNLIKE WHAT
13 WE SAW DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, PRODUCTIONS ARE LARGELY
14 GHOST TOWNS, AND ANCILLARY SECTORS, SUCH AS PROP HOUSES,
15 CATERERS, AND DRY CLEANERS THAT PROVIDE NECESSARY SUPPORT TO
16 TELEVISION AND FILM ARE FACING SERIOUS IMPACTS TO THEIR
17 BUSINESSES AND WORKFORCE. OUR SMALL BUSINESSES IN LOS ANGELES
18 ARE SUFFERING AND HAVE ALREADY STARTED TO MAKE CUTBACKS TO
19 THEIR STAFF AND HOURS. THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT A DRAWN OUT
20 LABOR STOPPAGE WILL TAKE A TOLL ON ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES, AND
21 WE ALREADY KNOW FROM THE 2007 WRITERS' STRIKE, THE ECONOMIC
22 RAMIFICATIONS WILL BE FELT FAR AND WIDE. THAT STRIKE LED TO
23 MORE THAN \$2 BILLION IN LOSS, INCLUDING \$98 MILLION IN LOST
24 REVENUE FOR VARIOUS BUSINESSES THAT PROVIDE GOODS AND SERVICES
25 TO THE INDUSTRY. SOME ARE ANTICIPATING THE OUTPUT LOSS OF THIS



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1 STRIKE TO EXCEED AT LEAST 3 BILLION, BUT THE LONGER THE
2 STRIKE, THE LARGER THE IMPACT. WHAT'S EVEN MORE TROUBLING IS
3 THE BLATANT DISREGARD FOR THE VERY PEOPLE WHO MAKE THEIR
4 PRODUCTIONS SUCCESSFUL WITH SOME A.M.P.T.P. EXECUTIVES
5 REPORTED TO HAVE STATED THEIR INTENT TO ALLOW THE STRIKES TO
6 DRAG ON UNTIL UNION MEMBERS START LOSING THEIR APARTMENTS AND
7 LOSING THEIR HOUSES. THE LIVELIHOODS OF THE CRAFTSPEOPLE,
8 COSTUMERS, HAIRDRESSERS, MAKE-UPS ARTISTS, AND THOUSANDS OF
9 OTHERS WHO ARE DEPENDENT ON THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY CANNOT
10 AFFORD MONTHS OF AN INDUSTRY AT GRIDLOCK. EVERYONE WHO IS IN
11 THIS BATTLE, THESE WORKERS ARE ON THE FRONTLINES OF THE
12 BATTLES RESULTING FROM 21ST CENTURY REALITIES LIKE A.I. AND
13 THE IMPLICATIONS NOT JUST FOR THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY BUT
14 IN SO MANY DIFFERENT SECTORS. THEY ARE FIGHTING THIS FIGHT FOR
15 ALL OF US. TODAY, WE WILL BE TAKING ACTION NOT ONLY TO
16 UNDERSTAND THE FULL BREADTH OF THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THESE
17 HISTORIC STRIKES BUT ALSO TO EXPLORE SUPPORT FOR BUSINESSES IN
18 THE IMMEDIATE AS WELL AS FOR POTENTIAL LABOR OUTAGES IN THE
19 FUTURE. OUR ACTION TODAY DOESN'T NEED TO BE ZERO SUM, AND
20 NEITHER DO THE NEGOTIATIONS. WHILE WE WORK WITH OUR PARTNERS
21 AT THE LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL LEVELS TO PROVIDE RESOURCES
22 AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY
23 THE STRIKES, I ENCOURAGE ALL PARTIES TO COME TO THE BARGAINING
24 TABLE AND ARRIVE AT FAIR AND REASONABLE AGREEMENTS. IN THE
25 MEANTIME, THE COUNTY WILL CONTINUE TO BE THE PLACE WHERE



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1 PEOPLE CAN GO FOR SUPPORT AND RESOURCES. THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT
2 OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY WILL BE HOLDING A WEBINAR DURING WHICH
3 SMALL BUSINESSES IMPACTED BY THE STRIKES CAN LEARN ABOUT
4 VARIOUS PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES TO HELP THEM DURING THIS
5 DIFFICULT TIME. THAT WEBINAR IS SCHEDULED FOR JULY 31ST, AND
6 I'LL BE SHARING MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THAT WEBINAR ON MY
7 SOCIAL MEDIA FOR THOSE WHO FOLLOW ME. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.
8 AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION ON BOTH THESE ITEMS.

9

10 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER, WOULD YOU LIKE
11 TO MAKE REMARKS? YOU WERE THE COAUTHOR FOR ITEM 21?

12

13 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND I KNOW THAT
14 SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND I, I THINK BETWEEN OF TWO OF US, WE
15 REPRESENT MOST OF THE FILM INDUSTRY STUDIOS. AND SO, WE KNOW
16 THAT WHILE IT DIRECTLY IMPACTS BUSINESSES WITHIN A SQUARE MILE
17 OF THEM, IT WILL HAVE A DEVASTATING EFFECT THROUGHOUT THE
18 ENTIRE COUNTY, AND QUITE FRANKLY, I WOULD ARGUE, THE STATE OF
19 CALIFORNIA AS A WHOLE, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU,
20 SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR ALLOWING ME TO BE A COAUTHOR ON THIS
21 MOTION. I'VE BEEN AN ADVOCATE FOR OUR FILM INDUSTRY IN LOS
22 ANGELES COUNTY MANY YEARS. DURING COVID, I MET FREQUENTLY WITH
23 THE STUDIOS TO WORK ON RESTARTING FILMING WITH APPROPRIATE
24 HEALTH PROTOCOLS IN PLACE TO ENSURE THAT THE HUNDREDS OF
25 THOUSANDS OF JOBS DEPENDENT UPON THE INDUSTRY COULD STAY IN



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1 L.A. RATHER THAN MOVE OUT OF THE STATE OR EVEN OUT OF OUR
2 COUNTRY. I KNOW THAT THERE HAVE BEEN SMALL BUSINESSES AND
3 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS THAT ARE DEPENDENT UPON FILMING, SUCH
4 AS CATERERS, PROP HOUSES, COSTUME DESIGNERS, AND MORE, AND
5 THE COUNTY'S THE COVID RELATED CLOSURES IMPACTED THEIR BOTTOM
6 LINE, ERASED THEIR SAVINGS, AND PROBABLY COST MANY THEIR JOBS.
7 AND THESE CUTS IMPACT SO MANY, EVEN THE EXTENDED COUNTY
8 FAMILY. FILM L.A. HAS INSTITUTED A 20% PAY CUT FOR ALL FILM
9 L.A. EMPLOYEES SINCE THE NUMBER OF PERMITS BEING ISSUED IS SO
10 LOW. PAUL AUDLEY, THE PRESIDENT OF THE FILM L.A., HAS STATED
11 THAT THE NUMBER OF FILM DAYS OCCURRING IN L.A. COUNTY IS AT A
12 VERY LOW POINT, WHICH ONLY EQUALS THE AMOUNT OF FILMING
13 OCCURRING DURING COVID CLOSURES. THAT SHOWS THE TRUE IMPACT OF
14 THIS ONGOING STRIKE. THAT'S WHY IT IS SO UNFORTUNATE THAT NOW
15 THAT WE ARE FULLY REOPENED THAT THESE SAME PEOPLE ARE BEING
16 IMPACTED FROM THE STRIKE WITH W.G.A. AND S.A.G.-A.F.T.R.A. I
17 WANT TO SHARE MY INTEREST IN BOTH HAVING BOTH SIDES COME TO
18 THE NEGOTIATING TABLE AND NOT DRAG THIS OUT FOR A SWIFT AND
19 FAIR RESOLUTION TO THIS ONGOING NEGOTIATION. ONLY THAT WILL
20 CONCLUDE THE STRIKE, AND I CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE BOTH SIDES TO
21 COME TO THE TABLE, BUT MAKE NO MISTAKE, IN THIS COUNTY DURING
22 COVID, WE WORKED WITH OUR SMALL RESTAURANTS THAT WERE
23 LITERALLY HANGING ON BY A THREAD AND ALLOWED THEM TO CONTRACT
24 WITH US TO PROVIDE FOOD FOR THOSE THAT WERE HOME BOUND. SO, I
25 KNOW AS A COUNTY WE DO THINK OUTSIDE OF THE BOX. AND ALSO,



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1 MAKE NO MISTAKE, THAT THE VERY PEOPLE ON THE PICKET LINES MORE
2 OF THEM HAVE SECOND JOBS, WHICH MANY TIMES ARE IN THE FOOD
3 INDUSTRY, IN SMALL BUSINESSES FOOD INDUSTRY. AND SO, THEY ARE
4 GOING TO BE NEGATIVELY IMPACTED BOTH NOT GETTING A PAYCHECK
5 BEING ABLE TO PERFORM, BUT ALSO WITH THEIR SECOND JOB BECAUSE
6 THE LAYOFFS ARE GOING TO OCCUR. SO I REALLY FEEL THAT WE HAVE
7 TO DO AN ALL HANDS ON DECK. AND WHILE WE CAN'T DECLARE AN
8 EMERGENCY, THAT DOES NOT MEAN WE CAN'T LEVERAGE STATE AND
9 FEDERAL DOLLARS TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN. IT WOULD HAVE MADE IT FAR
10 EASIER TO PULL DOWN FROM THE FEDERAL SIDE, BUT I KNOW THAT THE
11 GOVERNOR'S EXPRESSED HIS CONCERNS AND HOPES THAT WE CAN GET
12 THIS MOVING AND ADDRESS A FAIR AND EQUITABLE AGREEMENT TO THE
13 CONTRACTS. SO I KNOW THAT, AS A BOARD -- AND I'M LOOKING OVER
14 AT OUR ADVOCATES THAT WORK IN BOTH SACRAMENTO AND WASHINGTON -
15 - I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO THINK OUTSIDE OF THE BOX
16 AND LOOK FOR OPPORTUNITIES FOR US TO HELP IN ANY WAY WE CAN
17 LIKE WE DID DURING COVID FOR THOSE BUSINESSES THAT ARE HANGING
18 ON BY A THREAD. SO THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

19
20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I, TOO, WANTED TO, FIRST OF
21 ALL, THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS, HORVATH, AND BARGER FOR BRINGING
22 FORTH THESE MOTIONS. AS SUPERVISOR SOLIS SAID, IT WAS 1960
23 THAT ACTORS WALKED OFF THE SETS JOINING THE WRITER'S GUILD OF
24 AMERICA IN A STRIKE THAT LASTED 6 WEEKS FOR ACTORS AND 21
25 WEEKS FOR WRITERS. AND 60 YEARS LATER, WE'RE AT ANOTHER



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1 CRITICAL MOMENT IN OUR ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY. THIS DOES
2 REALLY FEEL LIKE IT'S A MAKE OR BREAK MOMENT. I THINK WE TODAY
3 WANT THEM TO KNOW THAT WE'RE STANDING IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE
4 WRITER'S GUILD OF AMERICA, SCREEN ACTORS GUILD UNIONS, BY
5 HELPING TO RAISE AWARENESS AND STAND IN SOLIDARITY AND
6 THINKING OUT OF THE BOX ABOUT HOW WE CAN SUPPORT THEM AS WELL
7 AS THE SMALL BUSINESSES THAT DEPEND ON OUR ENTERTAINMENT
8 INDUSTRY BEING ALIVE AND WELL AND HEALTHY AND SUPPORTING OUR
9 LOCAL ECONOMY. BUT YEAH, THIS IS ABOUT THE FIGHT FOR
10 INTELLECTUAL RIGHTS, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS, ARTISTIC
11 INTEGRITY, RESIDUALS FROM STREAMING, AND RISING CONCERNS OVER
12 THE USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE. THOSE ARE THE BIG ISSUES
13 CAUSING THE FRICTIONS BETWEEN THE STUDIOS AND THE ARTISTS. AND
14 AGAIN, THIS IS THE LARGEST INTERRUPTION TO AMERICAN TELEVISION
15 AND FILM PRODUCTION SINCE THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC IN 2020, AND
16 IT HAS RIPPLE EFFECTS NOT JUST FOR THE WRITERS AND ACTORS BUT
17 FOR THE CREW, WORKERS WHO ARE STRUGGLING AS WELL. I LISTENED
18 ON THE RADIO THIS MORNING TO A WRITER WHO REALLY WAS -- DIDN'T
19 KNOW HOW MUCH LONGER HE COULD SURVIVE DEPENDING ON HOW LONG
20 THIS STRIKE LASTED. I HEARD YOU ON THE RADIO THIS MORNING, MS.
21 BARGER, AND I THINK YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT HOW IT ALSO LIMITS
22 THE PURCHASING POWER OF THESE WRITERS AND ACTORS BECAUSE, IF
23 THEY'RE NOT MAKING AN INCOME, THEN THEY'RE NOT PURCHASING
24 THINGS THAT MAYBE WE TAKE FOR GRANTED THAT NOW THEY'RE
25 STRUGGLING TO PAY THEIR RENT, SO THEY'RE NOT PURCHASING OTHER



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1 THINGS, WHICH IMPACTS OTHER BUSINESSES. SO I THINK THIS IS
2 REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE STAND TOGETHER AND WE MAKE OUR
3 COMMITMENT. I KNOW AT THIS TIME, I THINK ABOUT SOME OF THE
4 OTHER WORKERS OUT THERE, AGAIN, LISTENING TO THE RADIO THIS
5 MORNING, K.N.X., I HEARD THAT U.P.S. AND TEAMSTERS SEEM TO BE
6 GETTING A DEAL. I HAVEN'T GOTTEN AN UPDATE, BUT THEY WERE
7 LOOKING TO AVERT A STRIKE. AND I KNOW OUR HOTEL WORKERS ARE
8 OUT THERE NOW DOING ROLLING STRIKES. I WAS WITH -- OR
9 WALKOUTS. I WAS WITH THE HOTEL WORKERS IN SAN PEDRO LAST WEEK
10 AT ONE OF OUR HOTELS THERE ON THE PICKET LINE WITH THEM
11 SHOWING MY SUPPORT. SO, WE LIKE TO SUPPORT OUR WORKERS. WE
12 KNOW THEY ARE THE BACKBONE OF ALL THE DIFFERENT INDUSTRIES AND
13 THE ECONOMY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND WE DON'T WANT TO SEE
14 ANY OF THESE MEMBERS WHO WORK SO HARD, ALL WE WANT TO MAKE
15 SURE IS THAT THEY ARE VALUED FOR THEIR WORK. THEY'RE VALUED
16 FOR THEIR TALENT, THEY'RE VALUED FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION, AND
17 THEY'RE COMPENSATED FAIRLY. AND WE STAND IN SOLIDARITY, AND WE
18 HOPE THAT THEY CAN GET BACK TO THE TABLE AND COME TO A FAIR
19 AGREEMENT FOR BOTH SIDES. MS. MITCHELL, I SEE YOU ON THE
20 QUEUE.

21
22 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. JUST AS I LISTEN TO YOU
23 ALL, I'M FULLY SUPPORTIVE OF THE WORKERS IN THIS CASE, BUT AS
24 I LISTEN TO ALL, I REALIZE THERE IS YET ANOTHER INTERESTING
25 INFLECTION POINT. THE STUDIOS PUSHED VERY HARD FOR THE



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1 CONTINUATION OF THE FILM TAX CREDIT AT THE STATE LEVEL, AND
2 THEIR ARGUMENT WAS TO CONTINUE TO GET PUBLIC RESOURCES TO
3 SUPPORT THEM IN THIS SECTOR AND IN THIS INDUSTRY. AND I HOPE
4 THAT THEY WOULD SEE THE SAME CORRELATION AND CONNECTION TO
5 THOSE WHO MAKE THE INDUSTRY WORK, THE CREATIVES WHO MAKE THE
6 INDUSTRY WORK. SO, I HAVE MET WITH LEADERS OF STUDIOS IN THE
7 SECOND DISTRICT. I'VE GOT THREE. I MET WITH SONY AND N.P.A.
8 REPRESENTATIVES JUST ABOUT A WEEK AGO ASKING THEM TO WORK HARD
9 TO REACH A FAIR AGREEMENT, TO AT LEAST COME BACK TO THE TABLE.
10 THAT WOULD BE A START, A VERY BASIC START. IT IS I THINK
11 SHORTSIGHTED ON THEIR PART THAT THEY HAVEN'T BEEN MORE
12 PROACTIVE IN THINKING THROUGH HOW THE INDUSTRY NOW FUNCTIONS
13 WITH REGARD TO RESIDUALS, THAT THEY WEREN'T BETTER HE PREPARED
14 TO OFFER A NEW SYSTEM BY WHICH CREATIVES COULD BE REIMBURSED.
15 STREAMING IS NOT BRAND NEW. IT'S SOMETHING WE'VE ALL BEEN
16 DOING FOR SEVERAL YEARS NOW. AND JUST AS WE TALK ABOUT THE
17 ROLE A.I. IS GOING TO PLAY IN EVERY WORK SECTOR, I FEEL LIKE
18 THEY SHOULD BE BETTER PREPARED TO UNDERSTAND HOW THE NEW WAY
19 IN WHICH WE VIEW T.V. AND FILM SHOULD HAVE BEEN TAKEN INTO
20 ACCOUNT AS THEY TALK ABOUT THE PEOPLE WHO MAKE THE CONTENT FOR
21 THEM. SO I PROUDLY STAND WITH YOU ALL IN SUPPORT OF MEMBERS OF
22 S.A.G.-A.F.T.R.A. AS WELL AS THE WRITER'S GUILD. THANK YOU.

23
24 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
25 THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS US ON ITEM 4 AND 2?



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1
2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, THERE ARE. MODERATOR, MAY WE OF THE
3 FIRST REMOTE CALLER, PLEASE.

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5 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVEN. YOU MAY
6 BEGIN.

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8 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. AND OBVIOUSLY, AS A MEMBER OF THE
9 WRITER'S GUILD, I'M APPRECIATIVE YOUR EFFORTS, BUT I DON'T
10 TOTALLY UNDERSTAND WHAT WATER DOING OTHER THAN NUDGING THEM TO
11 RESOLVE. SOMETHING WE SHOULD THINK ABOUT IS THE INCENTIVES.
12 I'VE ALWAYS BEEN A LITTLE DISGUSTED BY THE WAY THE STATES
13 AROUND THE COUNTRY COME UP WITH MONEY TO GET THE STUDIOS TO
14 COME IN FOR A ONE NIGHT STAND, AND EVERYBODY GETS EXCITED
15 BECAUSE THEY SPEND A MILLION DOLLARS, AND THEN THEY LEAVE AND
16 GO TO THE NEXT STATE. AND THIS DOESN'T BENEFIT THE ARTISTS.
17 WHEN WE HELP SPORTS, WE DON'T BENEFIT THE ATHLETES. WE HELP
18 THE STADIUM BUILDERS. THESE ARE BILLIONAIRE STUDIOS. THEY NEED
19 TO PAY THE WORKERS, ESPECIALLY THE CREATIVE WORKERS, THE
20 WRITERS AND THE ACTORS. WITHOUT THE WRITERS AND ACTORS, AND
21 THIS WILL BE PROVEN OVER TIME, THERE IS NOTHING. THERE IS NO
22 DRAMA. THAT'S WHY THE DIRECTORS SETTLED. NO DISRESPECT TO THE
23 WONDERFUL D.G.A. THIS HAS TO BE RESOLVED, AND THE STUDIO HAS
24 TO COME TO THE TABLE IMMEDIATELY, AND THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD



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1 CUT OFF ANY FUNDING INCENTIVES FOR THESE BASTARDS. ENOUGH IS
2 ENOUGH.

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4 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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6 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS HECTOR RAMIREZ. YOU MAY
7 BEGIN.

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9 **HECTOR RAMIREZ:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. THIS IS HECTOR
10 RAMIREZ. AS A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL DISABILITY RIGHTS
11 NETWORK, I APPLAUD THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN THIS MOTION IN
12 RECOGNIZING THAT UNION RIGHTS ARE DISABILITY RIGHTS. THANK YOU
13 VERY MUCH.

14

15 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16

17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS RUTH. YOU MAY BEGIN.

18

19 **SUP. HORVATH:** GO AHEAD.

20

21 **MODERATOR:** RUTH, GO AHEAD.

22

23 **SUP. HORVATH:** ARE YOU THERE? OKAY, WE'LL MOVE ON TO THE NEXT
24 SPEAKER.

25



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1 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO ADDITIONAL REMOTE
2 SPEAKERS IN QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

3

4 **SUP. HORVATH:** ALRIGHT, WITH THAT, ITEM 4 AND 21 ARE BOTH
5 BEFORE US. SO WE'LL TAKE ITEM 4 FIRST. IT'S MOVED BY
6 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AND I WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THIS ITEM.
7 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEM 4 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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11 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

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13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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15 **SUP. MITCHELL:**

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17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
18 HORVATH?

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20 **SUP. HORVATH:** AYE.

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER

23

24 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

25



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

2

3 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** AYE.

4

5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

6

7 **SUP. HORVATH:** AND ITEM 1 AS REVISED IS BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE
8 IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THIS ITEM.

9 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

10

11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** IT IS ITEM 21 AS AMENDED -- AS REVISED IS
12 BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

17

18 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
21 HORVATH?

22

23 **SUP. HORVATH:** AYE.

24

25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER



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1
2 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

3
4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?
5 AYE.

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7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

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9 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY WE'RE NOW ON TO ITEM 6, ADDRESSING
10 EXTREME HEAT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY THROUGH STATE AND FEDERAL
11 PARTNERSHIPS AND DEVELOPING A COUNTY EXTREME HEAT ACTION PLAN
12 FRAMEWORK, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR MEMBERS OF
13 THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO
14 COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, ITEM 6. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

15
16 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I'D LIKE TO THANK
17 SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR ALSO COAUTHORING AND OUR COUNTY
18 DEPARTMENTS FOR ADVISING ON THIS EFFORT. THIS SUMMER, WE'VE
19 SEEN THE DEVASTATING IMPACT OF EXTREME HEAT ACROSS THE U.S.
20 AND PARTICULARLY IN L.A. COUNTY. ALREADY THIS SUMMER, WE'VE
21 SEEN TRIPLE DIGIT TEMPERATURES IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND
22 OTHER PARTS OF OUR COUNTY. THESE TEMPERATURES ARE MORE THAN
23 JUST UNPLEASANT, THEY'RE MISERABLE AND DANGEROUS. ACCORDING TO
24 THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE, EXCESSIVE HEAT IS THE LEADING
25 WEATHER RELATED KILLER IN THE UNITED STATES. WHILE HEAT



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1 RELATED ILLNESS CAN IMPACT ANYONE, OLDER ADULTS, YOUNG
2 CHILDREN, THOSE WHO HAVE PREEXISTING HEALTH CONDITIONS ARE
3 PARTICULARLY VULNERABLE TO THE EFFECTS OF HEAT. LOW INCOME
4 AREAS AND COMMUNITIES OF COLOR BURDENED WITH POLLUTION AND
5 HIGHLY PAVED ENVIRONMENTS THAT ALSO EXACERBATE HEAT BEAR THE
6 BRUNT OF IMPACTS. AS THE IMPACT OF HUMAN CAUSED CLIMATE CHANGE
7 CONTINUES TO CHANGE OUR SURROUNDINGS, L.A. COUNTY IS FACING
8 HOTTER TEMPERATURES AND PROLONGED HEAT WAVES. IN ORDER
9 SAFEGUARD OUR COMMUNITY AND STRENGTHEN OUR COUNTY'S CAPACITY,
10 I BELIEVE IT'S CRUCIAL THAT WE ESTABLISH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
11 THAT WILL LEAD US IN INVESTING IN HEAT RESILIENCY AND CLIMATE
12 ADAPTATION MEASURES. THAT'S WHY THIS MOTION TAKES THE
13 IMPORTANT STEP FORWARD TO DIRECT THE CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY
14 OFFICE, IN CONSULTATION WITH PUBLIC HEALTH AND DEPARTMENTS, TO
15 DRAFT FRAMEWORK FOR A COUNTY SPECIFIC HEAT ACTION PLAN, WHICH
16 CURRENTLY DOESN'T EXIST. THIS FRAMEWORK WILL GUIDE THE COUNTY
17 THROUGH THE ESSENTIAL STEPS AND TIMELINE NECESSARY TO DEVELOP
18 A THOROUGH ACTION PLAN THAT INCORPORATES ROBUST COMMUNITY
19 ENGAGEMENT, BUT TO ACCOMPLISH THESE GOALS, I BELIEVE IT'S
20 ESSENTIAL THAT WE WORK IN CLOSE COORDINATION WITH OUR STATE
21 AND FEDERAL PARTNERS. PRESIDENT BIDEN'S LEADERSHIP ON CLIMATE
22 RESILIENCY THROUGH THE BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW PROVIDES
23 A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO ACCESS ESSENTIAL FINANCIAL
24 RESOURCES TO MAKE SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENTS. THE SAME IS TRUE
25 WITH GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM. THE STATE HAS ALLOCATED MORE THAN



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1 \$400 MILLION IN FUNDING FOR ITS EXTREME HEATED PLAN, A CRUCIAL
2 OPPORTUNITY FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO MAKE NECESSARY
3 INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS. WE NEED ALSO FOR THE COUNTY OF
4 LOS ANGELES TO GET MORE INVOLVED IN THE CONVERSATION IN
5 SACRAMENTO AROUND CLIMATE BOND. THIS IS A CHANCE FOR THE
6 COUNTY TO STEP UP AND ENHANCE ITS HEAT RESILIENCY AND OTHER
7 CLIMATE INITIATIVES TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE FRONT AND CENTER AND
8 THAT WE ARE TAKING ALL OF THIS INTO CONSIDERATION. IT'S TIME
9 TO ACT NOW, AND I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST YOUR AYE VOTE. THANK
10 YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

11
12 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. AND THANK YOU FOR
13 ASKING ME TO COAUTHOR THIS MOTION WITH YOU. AS WE KNOW, WE'RE
14 JUST EMERGING FROM OUR FIRST MAJOR HEATWAVE OF THE SEASON, AND
15 EXTREME HEAT IS THE DEADLIEST CLIMATE RISK FACING LOS ANGELES
16 AND OUR NATION. THE 2021 U.N. INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON
17 CLIMATE CHANGE CODE RED REPORT PROJECTED THAT, AS GLOBAL
18 TEMPERATURES RISE, THE FREQUENCY AND INTENSITY OF HEAT WAVES
19 WILL INCREASE SIGNIFICANTLY. THE CALIFORNIA FOURTH CLIMATE
20 CHANGE ASSESSMENT ESTIMATES THAT L.A. TEMPERATURES WILL
21 CONTINUE TO INCREASE BY 4 TO 5 DEGREES OVER THE COMING
22 DECADES. HEAT RELATED ILLNESS, INCLUDING HEAT STROKE, CAN BE
23 DEADLY. IN SEPTEMBER 2021, MY CONSTITUENTS IN WOODLAND HILLS
24 EXPERIENCED A RECORD SETTING TEMPERATURE OF 121 DEGREES, AS
25 HOT AS DEATH VALLEY. DURING THAT HEATWAVE, EMERGENCY ROOM



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1 VISITS INCREASED TENFOLD, AND SEVEN LIVES WERE LOST. EXTREME
2 HEAT IS ALSO ASSOCIATED WITH INCREASED RISK OF ACUTE RENAL
3 FAILURE, STROKE, AND SUICIDE. THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
4 PUBLIC HEALTH ESTIMATES THAT IN JUST TWO YEARS, HEAT WILL LEAD
5 TO 4300 EXCESS DEATHS PER YEAR, WITH THAT NUMBER MORE THAN
6 DOUBLING IN THE FUTURE. EXTREME HEAT IS AN ENVIRONMENTAL
7 JUSTICE ISSUE THAT PARTICULARLY THREATENS LOW INCOME
8 COMMUNITIES COUNTY-WIDE. APPROXIMATELY 30% OF LOS ANGELES
9 HOUSEHOLDS WITH AN INCOME OF LESS THAN \$50,000 A YEAR DO NOT
10 HAVE AN AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM. IN FACT, THE LAST APARTMENT I
11 RENTED DID NOT HAVE AIR CONDITIONING DURING THE PANDEMIC, AND
12 IT WAS DEBILITATING. WE NEED TO DO MORE TO ADDRESS AIR
13 CONDITIONING IN RENTAL PROPERTIES ACROSS THE COUNTY, WHICH I
14 KNOW WE'RE CURRENTLY WORKING ON, AND LOWER INCOME
15 NEIGHBORHOODS ARE MUCH MORE LIKELY TO BE TREE AND PARK POOR,
16 WHICH EXACERBATES THE HEAT ISLAND EFFECT. THANKFULLY, BOTH
17 WASHINGTON AND SACRAMENTO ARE BEGINNING TO PUT MORE EMPHASIS
18 ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH THREAT WITH PROGRAMS AND FUNDING RECENTLY
19 LAUNCHED. THIS MOTION WILL ENSURE WE HAVE A CLEAR PLAN TO
20 SEIZE ON THESE RESOURCES AND MAKE SURE ALL ANGELENOS ARE
21 PROTECTED. THIS MOTION ALSO DIRECTS THE CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY
22 OFFICE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH MANY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, TO
23 PREPARE AND PRESENT A HEAT ACTION PLAN, WHICH WILL BUILD ON
24 THE NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED CLIMATE VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT AND
25 WILL INCLUDE IMPROVING COMMUNICATIONS WITH RESIDENTS BEFORE



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1 AND DURING HEAT EVENTS, EXPANDING OUR NETWORK OF COOLING
2 CENTER, INCLUDING THEIR TYPES OF SPACES THAT CAN BE USED AND
3 THEIR ABILITY TO ACCOMMODATE PETS, IDENTIFYING RISKS TO COUNTY
4 INFRASTRUCTURE POSED BY EXTREME HEAT, AND IMPROVING CRITICAL
5 INFRASTRUCTURE LIKE BUS SHELTERS TO KEEP PEOPLE SAFE. DURING
6 THESE HOT DAYS, PLEASE STAY SAFE AND HYDRATED. AND IF YOU NEED
7 A SAFE SPACE, YOU CAN FIND A COOLING CENTER NEAR YOU BY
8 VISITING [READY.LACOUNTY.GOV/HEAT](https://ready.lacounty.gov/heat), OR YOU CAN ALSO GO TO MY
9 WEBSITE [LINDSEYHORVATHLACOUNTY.GOV](https://lindseyhorvathlacounty.gov). THANKS.

10

11 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OTHER SUPERVISORS THAT LIKE TO
12 SPEAK ON THIS? NO. ARE THERE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WOULD
13 LIKE TO ADDRESS US?

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST
16 REMOTE CALLER, PLEASE.

17

18 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS JACOB DARRESKY. YOU MAY
19 GIVEN.

20

21 **JACOB DARRESKY:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JACOB DARRESKY. I'M A
22 STAFF ATTORNEY AT NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES OF LOS ANGELES
23 COUNTY. NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES IS A NON-PROFIT LEGAL AID
24 ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES FREE LEGAL SERVICES TO LOW INCOME
25 INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY. EXTREME HEAT



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1 REPRESENTS AN EXISTENTIAL PUBLIC HEALTH RISK THAT
2 DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTS THE MOST VULNERABLE POPULATIONS,
3 MAINLY LOW INCOME COMMUNITIES AND COMMUNITIES OF COLOR. IN
4 CONTRAST TO OTHER NATURAL DISASTERS, THE LOCATION AND SEVERITY
5 OF EXTREME HEAT EVENTS CAN BE PREDICTED BEFOREHAND WITH THE
6 UTMOST PRECISION. THE IMPLEMENTATION OF HEAT EDUCATION AND
7 AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS CAN AND WILL MITIGATE THE EFFECTS OF
8 EXTREME HEAT ON LOW INCOME HOUSEHOLDS. AS A NON-PROFIT LEGAL
9 AID ORGANIZATION, THIS MOTION WILL HELP TO PROTECT THE HEALTH
10 SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF OUR CLIENTS. FOR THESE REASONS,
11 NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES OF L.A. COUNTY SUPPORTS THIS
12 MOTION. THANK YOU.

13
14 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

15
16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS RUTH. YOU MAY BEGIN.

17
18 **RUTH:** YES, I UNDERSTAND THAT LOS ANGELES HAS HEAT, BUT
19 COMPARED TO THE REST OF THE WORLD, WE DON'T HAVE A HEAT ISSUE.
20 I HAVE RIDDEN ACROSS UNITED STATES AT 100 MILES A DAY NINE
21 TIMES. AND I'LL TELL YOU I KNOW ABOUT WHAT HEAT IS, AND LOS
22 ANGELES DOES NOT HAVE THAT HEAT ISSUE PROBLEM. I THINK THAT
23 WHAT THE PROBLEM IS IS THAT THEY WANT TO MAKE MORE
24 REGULATIONS, MORE CONTROL, AND MORE SPENDING. SO THERE'S WAYS
25 TO GO ABOUT IT TO WHERE WE DON'T HAVE TO REGULATE OUR FREEDOMS



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1 AND OUR RIGHTS BECAUSE IT SOUNDS TO ME LIKE THEY WANT TO START
2 REGULATING US AND TELLING US WHAT WE CAN DO AND WHAT WE CAN'T
3 DO. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING.

4
5 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6
7 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

8
9 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. I WAS WAITING TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM
10 BECAUSE I CARE A LOT ABOUT THESE HEAT CRISES THAT WE'RE
11 FACING, AND I WANTED TO ADDRESS ALL OF YOU BUT SUPERVISOR
12 HORVATH BECAUSE IN STUDIO CITY THERE'S A COUNTY FLOOD DISTRICT
13 PIECE OF LAND THAT'S ADJACENT TO A PROPERTY THAT HARBOR
14 WESTLAKE WAS TRYING TO CHOP DOWN ALL THE TALL TREES IN ORDER
15 TO PUT UP AN 80,000 SQUARE FOOT -- THAT'S FOUR SOUND STAGES --
16 BUILDING ALONG WITH TWO GIANT GRASS FIELDS AND LOOK INTO
17 P.F.A.S. AND GET A PUBLIC HEALTH READING ON THAT. THE STATE
18 GOVERNMENT IS GOING TO BE COMING OUT VERY SOON TO SAY DON'T
19 PLAY ON THESE FIELDS. THE WOMEN'S WORLD CUP WILL NOT PLAY ON
20 PLASTIC FIELDS ANYMORE BECAUSE IT HURTS PEOPLE. THIS IS A
21 TERRIBLE PROJECT, AND IT HAS A WALL AROUND IT, AND IT WAS A
22 PUBLIC AMENITY PUT IN PLACE BY THE WEDDINGTONS, ONE OF THE
23 GREAT OLD L.A. FAMILIES, SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND IT SHOULD REMAIN
24 IN SOME PART THAT WAY. THERE IS A SOLUTION, BUT LIKE WITH THE
25 WRITER'S GUILD STRIKE, WE HAVE IMPERIOUS ELITE WEALTHY



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1 [EXPLETIVE] PUSHING DOWN ON THE LOCAL RESIDENTS OF STUDIO CITY

2 --

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, ALRIGHT, THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER,
5 PLEASE.

6

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

9

10 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, THEN ITEM 6 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
11 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO APPROVE
12 THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

13

14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

19

20 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
23 HORVATH?

24

25 **SUP. HORVATH:** AYE.



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1
2 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

3
4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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

7
8 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

9
10 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, LET'S MOVE ON TO ITEM 8, ADDITIONAL
11 SAFEGUARDS TO PROTECT LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS FROM THE
12 NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES OF ELECTRONIC BENEFIT TRANSFER, THE
13 E.B.T., CARD SKIMMING, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR
14 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, YOU CAN PRESS 1 THEN 0
15 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, ITEM 8. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

16
17 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU ALSO
18 FOR COAUTHORING THE MOTION ALONG WITH ME. MANY OF OUR
19 RESIDENTS RELY, AS YOU KNOW, ON BENEFIT PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED
20 BY THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES TO MEET
21 THEIR EVERY DAY NEEDS, BUT SADLY IN THESE MOST ECONOMICALLY
22 VULNERABLE RESIDENTS WHO ARE THE MOST TARGETED BY THEIR
23 BENEFITS THEFT IS TAKING PLACE. AND IN JANUARY OF THIS YEAR, I
24 AUTHORED A MOTION, AND COAUTHORED BY YOU, MADAM CHAIR,
25 DIRECTING D.P.S.S. TO IMPLEMENT A MULTILINGUAL OUTREACH



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1 CAMPAIGN TO WARN THE PUBLIC AND BUSINESSES ABOUT EMERGING
2 CRIMINAL ENTERPRISES INVOLVING SKIMMING DEVICES USED TO STEAL
3 OUR RESIDENTS' E.B.T. CARD BENEFITS. BUT DESPITE THESE
4 EFFORTS, THE PROBLEM HAS GOTTEN WORSE. IN 2022, \$21.1 MILLION
5 WAS STOLEN AND MORE THAN -- THAT WAS MORE THAN A TWENTY-FOLD
6 INCREASE FROM 2021. AND SHOCKINGLY, AS OF JUNE OF THIS YEAR,
7 \$25 MILLION IN BENEFITS WERE STOLEN. IT'S WIDELY RECOGNIZED
8 THAT THE BEST WAY TO PREVENT E.B.T. SKIMMING LIES IN UPGRADING
9 THE SECURITY OF THOSE CARDS. AND THE STATE HAS ALLOCATED \$76
10 MILLION TO ENHANCE THE SECURITY FEATURES AND TECHNOLOGY OF
11 E.B.T. CARDS OVER THE NEXT 3 YEARS, BUT UNTIL THESE MORE
12 SECURE CARDS ARE ROLLED OUT, D.P.S.S. CUSTOMERS ARE STILL AT
13 RISK OF BEING -- OF HAVING THEIR CARDS SKIMMED. I'M PROUD TO
14 AUTHOR THIS MOTION TODAY ALONGSIDE WITH YOU, MADAM CHAIR, TO
15 IMPLEMENT AND EXPLORE ADDITIONAL MEASURES TO PROTECT OUR MOST
16 VULNERABLE RESIDENTS FROM E.B.T. SKIMMING WHILE WE WAIT FOR
17 THE STATE TO ROLL OUT MORE SECURE CARDS. THE MOTION TAKES THE
18 FIGHT AGAINST E.B.T. SKIMMING A STEP FURTHER BY REQUIRING THE
19 ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUSINESSES THAT
20 BENEFIT FROM THE PATRONAGE OF E.B.T. CARD USERS TO BOTH FOSTER
21 FURTHER AWARENESS OF SKIMMING AND DIRECTLY COMBAT THIS CRIME.
22 STEALING FROM THOSE WHO RELY ON GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE, AS YOU
23 KNOW, IS UNACCEPTABLE. THESE MEASURES WILL ASSIST IN THE
24 NECESSARY FIGHT AGAINST E.B.T. CARD SKIMMING BY BOTH
25 PROTECTING THE COUNTY'S MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS AND



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1 PREVENTING MILLIONS OF TAXPAYER DOLLARS FROM LANDING IN THE
2 HANDS OF THE CRIMINALS WHO ARE TARGETING THEM. I URGE YOUR AYE
3 VOTE. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

4
5 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS
6 MOTION FORWARD AND ASKING ME TO COAUTHOR. YOU'RE RIGHT. IN
7 JANUARY OF THIS YEAR, WE BOTH AUTHORED A MOTION THAT ASKED THE
8 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES TO WORK WITH OTHER COUNTY
9 DEPARTMENTS TO IMPLEMENT STRATEGIES TO COMBAT ILLEGAL SKIMMING
10 IN THE COUNTY. AND WHILE THAT WORK SEEMED TO BE HELPFUL, IT
11 REALLY WASN'T ENOUGH. AS THE COUNTY WAITS FOR THE STATE TO
12 IMPLEMENT NEW E.B.T. CARDS WITH CHIP AND OUR TAP TECHNOLOGY,
13 OUR HANDS ARE TIED TO THE EDUCATION INFORMATION CAMPAIGNS. AND
14 MY OFFICE STILL GETS NUMEROUS CALLS EVERY WEEK FROM
15 CONSTITUENTS WHO HAVE BEEN VICTIMIZED MORE THAN ONCE AND HOW
16 THEY STRUGGLE TO RECEIVE REIMBURSEMENT. THIS PROBLEM HAS NOT
17 GONE AWAY, EVEN WITH THE STATE'S AND COUNTY'S CURRENT AND PAST
18 EFFORTS. SO, TODAY'S MOTION IS THE NEXT STEP THAT WILL ASK THE
19 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS TO WORK IN
20 CONSULTATION WITH KEY DEPARTMENTS TO HELP DRAFT A COUNTY-WIDE
21 ORDINANCE THAT REQUIRES BUSINESSES TO POST ABOUT SKIMMING
22 AWARENESS, TO INFORM CONSUMERS ABOUT THE STEPS THEY CAN TAKE
23 TO PREVENT E.B.T. CARD THEFT, AND WHERE THEY CAN GO IF THEY
24 HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY CARD THEFT, WHILE SEEING HOW FEASIBLE IT
25 IS TO PERIODICALLY PHYSICALLY CHECK POINT OF SALE TERMINALS TO



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1 DETECT ILLEGAL SKIMMING DEVICES, AND TO CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE
2 FOR MORE IMMEDIATE SOLUTIONS WITH THE STATE TO EXPEDITE FOR
3 THE CARDS WITH THE CHIP AND OUR TAP TECHNOLOGY AND WITH THE
4 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO EASE REQUIREMENTS FOR REIMBURSING THOSE
5 WHO HAVE FALLEN VICTIM TO SKIMMING. IT'S IMPORTANT TO CONTINUE
6 TO WORK TOGETHER AND TO PROVIDE AS MUCH CHANGE AND ADVOCACY AS
7 WE CAN AS A BOARD TO SERVE THE MOST UNDERREPRESENTED AND
8 MARGINALIZED MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY WHO ARE IMPACTED BY THIS
9 ILLEGAL SKIMMING. THIS IS A SOLVABLE PROBLEM, BUT IT WILL TAKE
10 MULTIPLE JURISDICTIONS, AND THE COUNTY HAS TO BE A STRONG PART
11 OF THAT SOLUTION AND A LEADER. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

12
13 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU BOTH FOR BRINGING THIS
14 MOTION IN. I THINK MY FRUSTRATION -- AND I KNOW WE ALL GET THE
15 CALLS. AND SOMETIMES IT'S FROM THE SAME PEOPLE THAT HAVE THE
16 E.B.T. CARDS WHO, EACH MONTH, ARE HAVING THE MONEY DISAPPEAR.
17 AND I JUST FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE THAT WE CAN'T GET CHIPS ON
18 THESE CARDS BECAUSE, IF YOU LOSE YOUR CREDIT CARD, WITHIN
19 SEVEN DAYS, YOU CAN GET A REPLACEMENT. I AM PERPLEXED AT WHAT
20 IS TAKING SO LONG. AGAIN, IT'S THE SAME PEOPLE BEING
21 VICTIMIZED. IN OUR OFFICE, WE HAVE INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE HAD
22 THEIR CARDS SKIMMED FOUR TIMES, FIVE TIMES, SIX TIMES. AND
23 THEY ALWAYS GET THE MONEY REPLENISHED, BUT WHERE DOES THE
24 OTHER MONEY GO? ON THE NEWS, I WATCHED A GROUP GO INTO -- I
25 THINK IT WAS A WALMART -- AND DISTRACT THE CHECKER AND STUCK



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1 ONE OF THE MACHINES THAT SKIMS ALL THE INFORMATION, AND IT WAS
2 DONE WITHIN SECONDS. AND IF YOU DIDN'T KNOW WHAT THEY WERE
3 DOING, YOU WOULDN'T THINK ANYTHING WAS AMISS. SO I THINK IT'S
4 EDUCATION FOR SURE. I MEAN I STILL DON'T QUITE KNOW WHAT TO
5 LOOK FOR. SO WHEN I GO TO AN A.T.M. OR SOMETHING, I'M ALWAYS
6 CAREFUL, BUT FROM WHAT I HAVE HEARD, YOU CAN'T EVEN TELL OR
7 DISCERN WHETHER IT IS IN FACT COMPROMISED OR NOT. SO, I THINK
8 THAT WE NEED TO DO MORE EDUCATION, BUT I ALSO HOPE THE STATE
9 WILL PUT TOGETHER A PROGRAM TO GET CHIPS ON THE E.B.T. CARDS
10 SOONER RATHER THAN LATER BECAUSE IT'S COSTING NOT ONLY THOSE
11 THAT DEPEND UPON THAT MONEY TO PAY THEIR BILLS, TO PUT FOOD ON
12 THE TABLE, BUT ALSO TAXPAYERS HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS
13 BECAUSE IT'S JUST GETTING REPLENISHED. AND THESE ARE ORGANIZED
14 GROUPS THAT ARE GOING OUT AND, FROM OUTSIDE THIS COUNTRY
15 COMING IN, AS A MATTER OF FACT BECAUSE I THINK THEY JUST BROKE
16 UP A RING THAT WAS OUT OF EASTERN EUROPE. SO THERE'S NO
17 QUESTION THAT WE NEED TO DO MORE, BUT AT A LOCAL LEVEL, I
18 APPRECIATE THIS MOTION BECAUSE WE'RE TAKING ACTION AT OUR
19 LEVEL, BUT I THINK WE ALSO NEED TO RECOGNIZE THE STATE NEEDS
20 TO PUT IT TOGETHER PRETTY QUICKLY TO ADDRESS IT AT THE STATE
21 LEVEL. THANK YOU.

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



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1 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. AGREE, FULLY SUPPORT THE MOTION,
2 ALSO HOPE AS THE STATE FIGURES OUT CURRENT TECHNOLOGY THAT
3 THEY ALSO DON'T PASS COSTS ON TO THE E.B.T. BENEFICIARY AS WAS
4 DONE IN YEARS PAST WHEN THE BENEFICIARY, WITH THEIR LIMITED
5 RESOURCE, WAS EXPECTED TO PAY A TRANSACTION FEE EVERY TIME
6 THEY USED THE CARD OR IF THEY DREW CASH OFF THE CARD. SO, I
7 AGREE WITH YOU. LET'S MAKE SURE THEY HAVE THE SAME BENEFITS
8 EVERYONE ELSE DOES WITH THE CREDIT CARD WITH THE CHIP AND NOT
9 EXCESSIVE POINT OF SALE FEES BECAUSE THE STATE WENT WITH THE
10 CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST BIDDER, WHO DIDN'T HAVE ANY A.T.M.
11 MACHINES IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTERINTUITIVE. SO I
12 COMPLETELY SUPPORT THE MOTION.

13
14 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. ARE THERE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT
15 WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS US ON ITEM 8?

16
17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST
18 REMOTE CALLER, PLEASE.

19
20 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVEN. YOU MAY
21 BEGIN.

22
23 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT ISSUE, AND THE
24 PROBLEM STEMS FROM, AMONG OTHER THINGS, SOMEBODY MENTIONED
25 PEOPLE WHO ARE COMING FROM ABROAD LIKE FROM ROMANIA. THERE WAS



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1 A RING FROM ROMANIA THAT I READ ABOUT, OR I WAS TALKING TO THE
2 U.S. ATTORNEY ABOUT. WHAT THEY DO IS THEY OBSERVE AND STEAL
3 AND THEN THEY MOVE ON VERY QUICKLY, AND THERE IS SOME DETAIL -
4 - I FORGET WHAT IT WAS -- BUT THEY'RE HARD TO TRACK, THESE
5 CHARACTERS, BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT FOLKS WITH A SOCIAL SECURITY
6 NUMBER. IT'S EASIER TO TRACK ANGELENOS THAN IT IS PEOPLE
7 COMING -- I'M NOT AGAINST PEOPLE VISITING. OBVIOUSLY, WE'VE
8 MORTGAGED OUR ENTIRE FUTURES AND SOLD OUR SOULS TO HAVE GIANT
9 SPORTING EVENTS THAT GO NOWHERE SO THAT WE CAN ROLL AROUND IN
10 CIRCLES AS A GIANT PEOPLE MOVING SOCIETY AND NOT ADDRESS THE
11 NEEDS OF THE LOCAL ANGELENOS WHO NEED TO GET TO WORK. BUT
12 GOOD WORK ON THIS. WE NEED TO CRACK DOWN, AND PEOPLE NEED TO
13 EAT. SO, THANK YOU FOR THAT.

14
15 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16
17 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER SPEAKERS IN QUEUE
18 TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

19
20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. THEN ITEM 8 IS NOW BEFORE US. MOVED BY
21 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THIS ITEM.
22 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

23
24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEM 8 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?
25



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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

4

5 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
8 HORVATH?

9

10 **SUP. HORVATH:** AYE.

11

12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

13

14 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

15

16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

17

18 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** AYE.

19

20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

21

22 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE WILL MOVE ON TO ITEM 10, ENSURING
23 INCLUSIVITY FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S ANTIRACISM, DIVERSITY,
24 AND INCLUSION STRATEGIC PLAN, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR
25 SOLIS. AND FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, YOU MAY



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1 PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON ITEM 10. SUPERVISOR SOLIS,
2 WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE REMARKS?

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR AND ALSO TO
5 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR ESTABLISHING HERSELF AS COAUTHOR.
6 THANK YOU. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT I THINK ALL OF US ARE KEENLY
7 FOCUSED ON IN HOW WE CAN MOVE THIS ITEM TOGETHER IN A
8 MEANINGFUL WAY THAT IS I BELIEVE MUCH MORE INCLUSIVE, AND CAN
9 BE. LAST WEEK, I WAS HAPPY TO COAUTHOR SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S
10 MOTION TO HAVE THE BOARD ADOPT THE COUNTY-WIDE RACIAL EQUITY
11 STRATEGIC PLAN AS PROPOSED BY A.R.D.I. AND I AM, AND WILL
12 CONTINUE TO BE, A SUPPORTER OF A.R.D.I. AS THE PURPOSE IS
13 NOBLE AND VERY DESERVING OF A COUNTY SYSTEM THAT ENSURES HOW
14 WE SERVE AND ENGAGE WITH OUR CONSTITUENTS AGAINST ANTIRACIST
15 INDIVIDUALS AND POLICIES AND THINGS OF THAT NATURE, AND TO
16 REALLY TALK ABOUT MORE INCLUSIVITY, BUT ALSO DIVERSITY. THIS
17 MOTION IS TO ENHANCE A.R.D.I.'S WORK AND TO SUPPORT HOW IT
18 WILL BE MORE INCLUSIVE FOR THE NUMEROUS COMMUNITIES THAT ARE
19 REPRESENTED IN LOS ANGELES. AS I SHARED AT THE LAST BOARD
20 MEETING, SINCE A.R.D.I. HAS BEEN CREATED, I HAVE HEARD FROM
21 CONSTITUENTS AND COMMUNITIES REPRESENTING THE DIASPORA OF L.A.
22 COUNTY WHO APPRECIATED A.R.D.I. HOWEVER FELT SOMEWHAT LEFT
23 OUT. WE HAVE RECEIVED EMAILS AND LETTERS FROM VARIOUS
24 REPRESENTATIVE GROUPS THAT ARE ASKING FOR MORE ENGAGEMENT TO
25 FEEL AND BE INCLUDED IN A.R.D.I.'S WORK. UTILIZING THE



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1 EXISTING BODIES THAT WERE CREATED BY A.R.D.I., BOTH INTERNAL
2 AND EXTERNAL, THIS MOTION IS TO ENSURE AND CLARIFY THE ROLE
3 AND RESPONSIBILITY OF A.R.D.I. FOR OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT
4 THAT IS INCLUSIVE OF COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE BEEN HISTORICALLY
5 MARGINALIZED. THE SCOPE OF A.R.D.I.'S WORK IN TERMS OF
6 ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH, AS YOU KNOW, IS MASSIVE, AND IT IS
7 NOT A RECOMMENDATION BUT AN OBLIGATION, MORE SO WITH THESE
8 COMMUNITIES, THAT WE REQUIRE LANGUAGE SUPPORT. IN A COUNTY
9 WITH OVER 100 LANGUAGES SPOKEN, WE MUST MAKE CONCERTED EFFORT
10 FOR INCLUSIVE LANGUAGE ACCESS. WE HAVE SET UP A.R.D.I. AS A
11 PASS-THROUGH, THE VEHICLE, THAT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR
12 ESPOUSING THE COUNTY'S VALUE OF ANTIRACISM, DIVERSITY, AND
13 INCLUSION, AND IT WILL BE CARRIED OUT BY OUR OVER 114,000
14 EMPLOYEES. INCLUSIVITY IS KEY TO ENSURING THAT REFORMS AND
15 COMPLETE TRANSFORMATION OF SYSTEMS ARE MINDFUL OF DIFFERENT
16 EXPERIENCES OF OUR VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES THAT WE BRING BOTH
17 INTERNALLY AND EXTERNALLY INTO AND BE SEATED AT OUR TABLES.
18 WHILE OUR COMMUNITIES HAVE EACH FACED THEIR OWN UNIQUE SET OF
19 CHALLENGES, ONLY BY STANDING TOGETHER, IN MY BELIEF, CAN WE
20 TRULY HAVE AN ANTIRACIST, DIVERSE, AND INCLUSIVE COUNTY. I
21 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK MY COAUTHOR, AND ASK FOR
22 YOUR AYE VOTE.

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



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1 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND I CAN BE PUSHY
2 SOMETIMES, BUT I DIDN'T ESTABLISH MYSELF AS THE COAUTHOR,
3 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I THOUGHT I HAD BEEN ASKED TO BE COAUTHOR,
4 BUT HOWEVER WAY IT WENT DOWN, I AM YOUR PROUD COAUTHOR, ASKED
5 OR HAVING ESTABLISHED, NOT SURE WHICH. THIS MONTH, COLLEAGUES,
6 IS THE THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNANIMOUS BOARD DECISION TO
7 DECLARE RACISM A PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE, AND ESTABLISH A.R.D.I.
8 THE PREAMBLE OF THE MOTIONS TITLED "ESTABLISHING AND
9 ANTIRACIST LOS ANGELES COUNTY POLICY AGENDA," STARTS OFF
10 GROUNDING ALL OF US ON THE FACT THAT THE UNITED STATES HAD 250
11 YEARS OF CHATTEL SLAVERY. ALTHOUGH THROUGHOUT HISTORY, PEOPLE
12 FROM DIFFERENT CULTURAL AND ETHNIC BACKGROUNDS HAVE BEEN
13 ENSLAVED, THERE IS A UNDENIABLE, SYSTEMIC, AND
14 INSTITUTIONALIZED OPPRESSION OF BLACK PEOPLE THAT CONTINUES IN
15 THE UNITED STATES BECAUSE OF THIS LEGACY. THE VIOLENT LEGACY
16 OF CHATTEL SLAVERY SHOWS UP IN RACIST ACTIONS TOWARDS NON-
17 WHITE-BODIED PEOPLE IN OUR COUNTRY ON A DAILY BASIS. TODAY, IN
18 FACT, PRESIDENT BIDEN SIGNED A PROCLAMATION ESTABLISHING THE
19 EMMETT TILL AND MAMIE TILL-MOBLEY NATIONAL MONUMENT IN
20 MISSISSIPPI AND ILLINOIS. THE NEW NATIONAL MONUMENT IS
21 INTENDED TO NOT FORGET THE STORY OF EMMETT TILL'S VICIOUS,
22 VIOLENT MURDER, THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE EVENTS AROUND HIS
23 MURDER TO THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT AND AMERICAN HISTORY, AND
24 THE BROADER STORY OF BLACK OPPRESSION, SURVIVAL, AND BRAVERY.
25 ALTHOUGH I JUST SAID THAT THERE IS AN UNDENIABLE SYSTEMIC AND



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1 INSTITUTIONALIZED OPPRESSION OF BLACK PEOPLE, AND PRESIDENT
2 BIDEN IS RECOGNIZING THIS WITH HIS ACTION, THIS FACT CONTINUES
3 TO BE CHALLENGED AND DEBATED. ON THIS, THE THIRD ANNIVERSARY
4 OF L.A. COUNTY'S ESTABLISHMENT OF A.R.D.I., THE STATE OF
5 FLORIDA UPDATED THEIR PUBLIC SCHOOL STANDARDS TO TEACH THAT
6 SOME BLACK PEOPLE BENEFITED FROM SLAVERY BECAUSE IT TAUGHT US
7 USEFUL SKILLS. THIS IS CLEARLY JUST ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF HOW
8 MUCH WORK IS STILL AHEAD OF US AND A STRONG REMINDER THAT,
9 JUST BECAUSE WE ARE IN L.A., WE CAN'T SIT IN THE COMFORT OF
10 OUR ANTIRACIST PROCLAMATION. WE, THE BOARD, OUR 39
11 DEPARTMENTS, COUNTY COMMISSIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, EVERY ENTITY
12 AND BODY WHICH IS PART OF OUR L.A. COUNTY GOVERNMENT SYSTEM
13 NEEDS TO TAKE PART IN PUTTING THE ANTIRACISM PROCLAMATION INTO
14 ACTION EVERY SINGLE DAY. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I ABSOLUTELY
15 APPRECIATE YOU UPLIFTING THE CONTINUATION OF CROSS CULTURAL
16 AND GENDER INCLUSION IN THE COUNTY'S ANTIRACISM WORK. IT IS
17 CRITICAL THERE'S COLLECTIVE LEARNING ON HOW ANTIBLACKNESS
18 UNDERPINS RACISM IN THIS COUNTRY. IT IS ALSO CRITICAL THAT
19 THERE'S COLLECTIVE LEARNING ON HOW ANTIBLACKNESS SHOWS UP IN
20 ALL CULTURAL COMMUNITIES AND HOW IT DEEPLY IMPACTS OUR
21 RESIDENTS WHO FACE INTERSECTIONAL OPPRESSION, SUCH AS BLACK
22 AND BROWN TRANSGENDER ANGELENOS. LAST YEAR, I LAUNCHED
23 SOMETHING WE CALL IN MY OFFICE OUR RACIAL JUSTICE LEARNING
24 EXCHANGE FOR THE SECOND DISTRICT. WE ARE NOW IN THE MIDDLE OF
25 OUR SECOND YEAR, AND IT'S BEEN TRULY PHENOMENAL TO SEE AN



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1 INTERSECTION OF SECOND DISTRICT CONSTITUENTS AND
2 COMMISSIONERS, AS WELL AS COUNTY DEPARTMENT HEADS AND
3 EMPLOYEES, COME TOGETHER ON A MONTHLY BASIS TO LEARN AND
4 DISCUSS DIVERSE TOPICS AROUND RACE AND RACISM. WE HAVE HAD
5 AUTHORS OF BOOKS TO JOIN US, LIKE DR. DAVID HAYES- BAUTISTA,
6 THE AUTHOR OF "EL CINCO DE MAYO: AN AMERICAN TRADITION," WHICH
7 DIGS INTO THE IMPORTANT, YET LESSER KNOWN HISTORY, OF THE
8 HOLIDAY AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO RALLY MEXICAN AMERICANS TO
9 SUPPORT THE FIGHT AGAINST THE CONFEDERACY IN SUPPORT OF
10 ABOLITION IN THE U.S. WE PARTNERED WITH THE L.A. JEWISH
11 FEDERATION TO HOST A RACIAL JUSTICE SEDER DINNER, FOCUSED ON
12 CONNECTIONS BETWEEN ANTIBLACKNESS AND ANTISEMITISM. WE LED A
13 WALKING TOUR OF HISTORIC LANDMARKS THAT CONNECT JAPANESE
14 AMERICANS AND AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURES IN THE CRENSHAW
15 DISTRICT. WE DISCUSSED THE BOOK "RACIAL FAULT LINES," AND THE
16 UNDERPINNINGS OF WHITE SUPREMACY WHILE EXPLORING THE ETHNIC
17 HISTORY OF CALIFORNIA SINCE THE LATE 19TH CENTURY. AND IN
18 SPITE OF MY OFFICE RECEIVING A COUPLE OF CONCERNING CALLS, THE
19 SECOND DISTRICT CONSTITUENTS FILLED THE MANHATTAN BEACH COUNTY
20 LIBRARY FOR THE COMMUNITY CONVERSATION ON "WHITE FRAGILITY,"
21 UTILIZING THE BOOK THAT THE LIBRARY ACTUALLY HAS IN ITS
22 COLLECTION BY ROBIN DIANGELO. WE HOSTED A SECOND ON RED LINING
23 AND ITS IMPACTS ON HOUSELESSNESS AND HOUSING TODAY. WE HAVE
24 ALSO DISCUSSED THE HISTORY OF BLACK AND BROWN RELATIONSHIPS,
25 TENSIONS, AND SOLIDARITY EFFORTS IN SOUTH L.A. AND IN FACT,



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

THIS SATURDAY, WE WILL BE AT DOCKWEILER BEACH FOR A FILM
SCREENING ON BLACK SURFERS. I SHARE ALL OF THIS WITH YOU TODAY
BECAUSE POLICY THROUGH OUR MOTIONS IS IMPORTANT TO TACKLE THE
SYSTEMIC AND INSTITUTIONAL RACISM IN OUR COUNTY GOVERNMENT
PROGRAMS. HOWEVER, A DEEP, CULTURALLY-TRANSFORMATIVE
CONVERSATION AMONGST AND WITHIN DIVERSE COMMUNITIES IS WHAT WE
TRULY NEED FOR OUR POLICIES TO HAVE THEIR INTENDED IMPACT OF
EVERY ANGELENO HAVING AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE SEEN AND BE HEARD
AND RESPECTED. THESE ARE, NO QUESTION, CHALLENGING
CONVERSATIONS. AND FOR THEM TO BE EFFECTIVE, A.R.D.I. NEEDS TO
BE RESOURCED APPROPRIATELY. THE BOARD DECLARED RACISM A PUBLIC
HEALTH CRISIS THREE YEARS AGO, AND YET WE HAVE ONLY FUNDED
NINE FULL TIME POSITIONS IN A.R.D.I. WE HAVE DONE BETTER AS
WE'VE STOOD UP OTHER NEW DEPARTMENTS THAT HAVE EQUALLY AS
CRITICAL MANDATES. AS WE DIRECT A.R.D.I. AND THE DEPARTMENTS
TO IMPLEMENT OUR FIRST COUNTY-WIDE RACIAL EQUITY STRATEGIC
PLAN AND INSTRUCT THE A.R.D.I. TEAM TO WORK ON OTHER
INITIATIVES, THE APPROPRIATE RESOURCES NEED TO BE
INTENTIONALLY ALLOCATED FOR THE COUNTY'S ANTIRACISM WORK TO BE
SUCCESSFUL. THANK YOU AGAIN, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR YOUR MOTION
AND THIS SPACE FOR CONVERSATIONS ON RACE AND RACISM WITH
CULTURAL AND LINGUISTICALLY APPROPRIATE AND GENDER INCLUSIVE
CONSTITUENT ENGAGEMENT. I ASK YOU ALL FOR AN AYE VOTE.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1
2 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU TO THE
3 AUTHORS OF THIS MOTION FOR BRINGING IT FORWARD, WHICH WE KNOW
4 WILL ENSURE THAT WE ARE BRINGING COMMUNITIES TOGETHER IN ORDER
5 TO REALIZE THE VISION OF THE COUNTY-WIDE RACIAL EQUITY PLAN.
6 THE WORK OF ELIMINATING DISPARITIES REQUIRES THAT WE ALL
7 ENGAGE IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND ENGAGE ALL PARTS OF OUR
8 COMMUNITIES, LATINO, A.A.P.I., BLACK, INDIGENOUS, AND
9 L.G.B.T.Q.+, SO THAT WE MAY LEARN FROM THEIR PERSPECTIVES AND
10 EXPERIENCES. IT IS THROUGH LISTENING AND ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT
11 THAT WE GAIN, NOT ONLY FROM COMMUNITIES' COLLECTIVE WISDOM ON
12 HOW TO PROCEED, BUT ALSO THEIR PARTICIPATION IN
13 IMPLEMENTATION. THIS ALL ULTIMATELY LEADS TO GREATER SUCCESS
14 FOR US ALL. THE KEY TO THIS WORK, AS IT IS IN ALL OUR WORK, IS
15 CENTERING COMMUNITIES IN THE WORK THAT'S BEING DONE. AND THIS
16 MOTION IS EXPLICIT ABOUT ENSURING THE CENTERING OF OUR
17 COMMUNITIES IN THE WORK. I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING THE OUTREACH
18 PLAN THAT IS DEVELOPED BY A.R.D.I.. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

19
20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
21 THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON ITEM 10?

22
23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, MADAM CHAIR. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE
24 THE FIRST REMOTE CALLER, PLEASE?



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** OR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS FRANCISCO ARAMBULLA. YOU
2 MAY BEGIN.

3
4 **FRANCISCO ARAMBULLA:** MY NAME IS FRANCISCO ARAMBULLA. I AM
5 SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE CHICANO EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION AND
6 THE HISPANIC MANAGERS ASSOCIATION. WE ARE ARE SUPPORTING ITEM
7 10, AND THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION. WE
8 SUPPORT A.R.D.I. AND KNOW THE BOARD CAN DO MORE TO ENGAGE
9 LATINO COMMUNITIES, SINCE LATINOS ACCOUNT FOR ALMOST 50% OF
10 THE COUNTY'S POPULATION, THE LARGEST IN THE COUNTY. IN FACT,
11 LATINOS COMPRISE OVER 1 MILLION OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S,
12 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S, AND SUPERVISOR HAHN'S DISTRICTS, OVER
13 700,000 IN SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S DISTRICT, OVER 600,000 IN
14 SUPERVISOR BARGER'S DISTRICT. TO ENSURE EQUITY AND
15 TRANSPARENCY, WE WANT THE BOARD TO REQUIRE THE C.E.O. TO
16 INCLUDE THE CHICANO EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATION AND HISPANIC MANAGERS
17 ASSOCIATION IN A.R.D.I. AND PART OF THE DECISION-MAKING
18 PROCESS TO ENSURE THAT THE COUNTY'S RESOURCES BE
19 PROPORTIONATELY ALLOCATED BASED ON THE COUNTY'S POPULATION. WE
20 WANT A.R.D.I. TO ENSURE THE COUNTY'S WORKFORCE PROPORTIONATELY
21 REFLECTS THE COUNTY'S POPULATION FOR DEPARTMENT HEADS, CHIEF
22 DEPUTIES, AND (INDISCERNIBLE) DEPUTIES, ALL OF WHICH
23 (INDISCERNIBLE) AND DIRECT D.H.R. TO PROVIDE SEMIANNUAL
24 REPORTS TO REFLECT THE STATUS OF THE WORKFORCE. THANK YOU VERY
25 MUCH.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

3

4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BILL FUJIOKA. YOU MAY
5 BEGIN.

6

7 **BILL FUJIOKA:** YES, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MY NAME IS BILL
8 FUJIOKA. I AM THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE
9 JAPANESE AMERICAN NATIONAL MUSEUM. I AM ALSO A HAPPILY RETIRED
10 L.A. COUNTY C.E.O. I AM CALLING TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S
11 MOTION. I HAVEN'T DONE THIS IN A LONG TIME, BUT I ALSO WANT TO
12 ENCOURAGE AN INCLUSIVE, BROAD OUTREACH FOR THIS PROGRAM. THE
13 JAPANESE AMERICAN NATIONAL, IN COLLABORATION WITH METRO, WE
14 STARTED AN ANTI-HATE CAMPAIGN THAT IS SUPPORTED BY L.A. CITY,
15 L.A. COUNTY, THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AND THE FEDERAL
16 GOVERNMENT. WITH A RISE IN ASIAN HATE, WE EASILY COULD HAVE
17 FOCUSED ON JUST AN ANTI-ASIAN HATE CAMPAIGN, BUT WE STRONGLY
18 FEEL THAT HATE IS HATE, THAT ALL VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES HAVE
19 BEEN SUBJECT TO THIS INCREASE IN OUTRAGEOUS BEHAVIOR. AND SO,
20 I SALUTE A.R.D.I. I SALUTE YOUR ACTIONS AND WHAT YOU ARE
21 TRYING TO DO TO BROADEN THE OUTREACH, AND I ENCOURAGE YOU TO
22 INCLUDE ALL THE VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES IN YOUR EFFORTS. THANK
23 YOU VERY MUCH.

24



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, BILL. THANK YOU FOR CALLING IN.
2 SAY HELLO TO DARLENE.

3

4 **BILL FUJIOKA:** OKAY.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

7

8 **BILL FUJIOKA:** I WILL, TAKE CARE.

9

10 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS AQUILINA SURIANO BURSOZA.
11 YOU MAY BEGIN.

12

13 **AQUILINA SURIANO BURSOZA:** HI. MY NAME IS AQUILINA SURIANO
14 BURSOZA. I AM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE FILIPINO WORKERS
15 CENTER AND ALSO REPRESENTING IMMIGRANTS ARE LOS ANGELES, A
16 COALITION. AND I AM CALLING IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION,
17 SUPPORTING AND THANKING OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND ALSO THE
18 LEADERSHIP OF SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AS WELL, IN REALLY HAVING
19 AND SUPPORTING, RECOGNIZING RACISM AND HOW IT REALLY IMPACTS
20 THE EVERY DAY LIFE AND THE INEQUITIES THAT EXIST TODAY IN OUR
21 SOCIETY THAT REALLY STEM FROM THE -- OUR HORRIBLE HISTORY OF
22 CHATTEL SLAVERY AND HOW ANTIBLACKNESS IS AT THE ROOT OF -- SO
23 INTERSECTIONAL TO THE RACIAL VIOLENCE THAT IS HAPPENING TO SO
24 MANY OF OUR COMMUNITIES, LIKE THE ASIAN AMERICAN PACIFIC
25 ISLANDER COMMUNITY, AND REALLY SUPPORTING THE CONTINUING OF



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 REALLY A.R.D.I. FURTHER ENGAGING, ESPECIALLY WITH THE
2 IMMIGRANT POPULATION, THOSE WHO HAVE ALL DIFFERENT TYPES OF
3 STATUS --

4
5 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6
7 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT, IS DARLENE KUBA. YOU MAY
8 BEGIN.

9
10 **DARLENE KUBA:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR AND
11 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME IS DARLENE KUBA. AND I AM WITH
12 THE LITTLE TOKYO SENIOR NUTRITION SERVICES, ACTIVE MEMBER OF
13 THE COMMUNITY, AND A THIRD GENERATION JAPANESE AMERICAN. I
14 WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR INTRODUCING THIS
15 WELL-NEEDED MOTION, WHICH I FULLY SUPPORT. WE NEED TO HAVE
16 MORE ENGAGEMENT WITH ALL COMMUNITIES, ESPECIALLY NOW. THANK
17 YOU, AND I HOPE THE ENTIRE BOARD SUPPORTS THIS MOTION.

18
19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, DARLENE. SAY HELLO TO BILL. NEXT
20 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

21
22 **DARLENE KUBA:** WILL DO.

23
24 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DELLORA ELLIS-GANT. YOU MAY
25 BEGIN.



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1
2 **DELLORA ELLIS-GANT:** GOOD AFTERNOON, ARE YOU ABLE TO HEAR ME?

3
4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU, GO AHEAD.

5
6 **DELLORA ELLIS-GANT:** OH, THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
7 DELLORA ELLIS-GANT. I AM THE PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES
8 COUNTY AFRICAN AMERICAN EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION. ON BEHALF OF
9 OUR 1,000 PLUS MEMBERS, I AM CALLING IN SUPPORT OF THIS
10 MOTION. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND MITCHELL FOR
11 THIS MOTION, AND LET YOU KNOW THAT L.A.C.A.A.E.A. IS EXCITED
12 ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITY GRANTED FOR EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATIONS TO
13 PARTICIPATE AS COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN THE PLANNING OF THE
14 OUTREACH PLAN, AND ALSO AS A PART OF THE COMMUNITY INPUT
15 ADVISORY BOARD, AND WE ARE EXCITED THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO
16 ENGAGE WITH THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT'S, INITIATIVE COMMISSIONS,
17 AND UNITS ON THEIR EQUITY PLANS. AS SUPERVISOR MITCHELL JUST
18 SHARED, THERE'S A LOT OF ACTION BEING DONE, BUT WE KNOW WE
19 MUST ENGAGE TO ADDRESS THE SYSTEMIC RACIAL TRAUMAS THAT
20 AFRICAN AMERICANS AND OTHER PEOPLE OF COLOR ARE FACING IN THIS
21 NATION, STATE, AND COUNTY. WE DO NOT WANT TO PIT GROUPS
22 AGAINST GROUPS BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT EVERYONE IS IN NEED OF
23 HELP AND THAT BY ELIMINATING THIS SYSTEMIC RACISM, EVERYONE
24 WILL HAVE EQUITY. WE ARE ENCOURAGED BY THIS VOTE, INTENTIONAL
25 MOTION, AND WE ARE IN SUPPORT.



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SUPERVISORS

1

2 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I THINK GIVE HER A COUPLE MORE
3 MINUTES SINCE WE'VE --

4

5 **DELLORA ELLIS-GANT:** AND VERY PROUD OF OUR -- OH --

6

7 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD, FINISH YOUR SENTENCE.

8

9 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT --

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11 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YOU ARE NOT SUPPOSED TO DO THAT.

12

13 **MODERATOR:** PARDON ME, MADAM CHAIR.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YEAH, I WAS GIVING HER A LITTLE BIT EXTRA
16 BECAUSE WE KIND OF SEEPED INTO HER TIME IN THE BEGINNING, BUT
17 THAT IS OKAY. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18

19 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JOANNE KUMAMOTO. YOU MAY
20 BEGIN. PARDON ME. MS. KUMAMOTO, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

21

22 **JOANNE KUMAMOTO:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS JOANNE KUMAMOTO. I AM
23 THE SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF THE LITTLE TOKYO BUSINESS
24 ASSOCIATION AND CO-CHAIR OF THE LITTLE TOKYO BID. I WANT TO
25 SUPPORT THIS ITEM 10, ENSURING THE INCLUSIVITY OF THE L.A.



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SUPERVISORS

1 COUNTY A.R.D.I. STRATEGIC PLAN. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
2 SOLIS FOR INCLUDING ALL OF THE GROUPS. WE HAVE ALL FACED
3 RACISM IN DIFFERENT WAYS FROM THE BEGINNING OF OUR HISTORY. SO
4 I WANTED TO, BASICALLY, JUST THANK EVERYONE AND HOPE -- YOU
5 KNOW, ASK FOR THEIR SUPPORT ON THIS. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

8

9 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SOPHIA PEU. YOU MAY BEGIN.

10

11 **SOPHIA PEU:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SOPHIA PEU. I AM A
12 RISING SENIOR AT GABRIELINO HIGH SCHOOL AND A RESIDENT OF SAN
13 GABRIEL IN THE FIRST DISTRICT OF L.A. COUNTY. I AM CALLING IN
14 AS AN ASIAN AMERICAN WOMAN, WHO HAS SEEN BOTH THE STRENGTHS
15 AND THE CHALLENGES MY COMMUNITY FACES, IN SUPPORT OF
16 SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION TO ENSURE INCLUSIVELY FOR THE
17 A.R.D.I. INITIATIVE. IN TIMES OF DIFFICULTY, SUCH AS THE
18 COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND IN THE WEEKS FOLLOWING THE MONTEREY PARK
19 SHOOTING, WE HAD TO FIGHT TO GET SHERIFF SAFETY UPDATES AND
20 INFORMATION ABOUT VACCINES, TESTING SITES, MENTAL HEALTH
21 SERVICES, AND COMPENSATION TRANSLATED INTO THE LANGUAGES WE
22 SPEAK, WHICH ARE CHINESE, CANTONESE, VIETNAMESE, KOREAN, AND
23 MORE. AND WHILE LOCAL GROUPS KNEW HOW TO COMMUNICATE AND UNITE
24 OUR COMMUNITY, THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT FELT MORE LIKE A BARRIER
25 TO AID RATHER THAN A PARTNER. THIS MOTION WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY



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SUPERVISORS

1 HELP CLOSE THE LANGUAGE GAP BETWEEN SERVICES AND THOSE WHO
2 NEED THEM. SO I THANK SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND MITCHELL FOR
3 PROPOSING THE MOTION, AND I URGE ALL THE SUPERVISORS TO
4 SUPPORT IT.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

7

8 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS HARUMI HATA. YOU MAY BEGIN.

9

10 **MODERATOR:** AND PARDON ME, THAT PERSON REMOVED THEMSELVES FROM
11 THE QUEUE. OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DANIELLA GOMEZ. YOU MAY
12 BEGIN. DANIELLA GOMEZ, YOU MAY BEGIN.

13

14 **DANIELLA GOMEZ:** HI, ON MY LINE? HELLO?

15

16 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YEAH, GO AHEAD WE CAN HEAR YOU.

17

18 **DANIELLA HERNANDEZ:** OH, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ACTUALLY
19 DANIELLA HERNANDEZ. I AM A RESIDENT OF THE FOURTH DISTRICT AND
20 SERVE AS A SENIOR DIRECTOR OF CAMPAIGN DEVELOPMENT WITH INNER
21 CITY STRUGGLE. WE ARE A COMMUNITY- BASED ORGANIZATION IN
22 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1. I AM CALLING IN IN SUPPORT OF ITEM
23 10. LATE LAST YEAR, WE LEARNED ABOUT THE RACIST AND CORRUPT
24 CONVERSATIONS THAT WERE HAPPENING BEHIND CLOSED DOORS IN THE
25 L.A. CITY COUNCIL. WE WERE APPALLED TO HEAR THE ANTIBLACK,



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 ANTI-INDIGENOUS, AND HOMOPHOBIC COMMENTS MADE BY THREE CITY
2 COUNCIL MEMBERS, INCLUDING OUR OWN IN C.D.1 AND C.D.14, GIL
3 CEDILLO AND KEVIN DE LEON. WE WERE FURTHER DISGUSTED TO HEAR
4 THEIR SCHEME TO ATTEMPT TO DILUTE BLACK VOTING POWER IN THE
5 CITY OF L.A. THROUGH THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS. THESE ARE
6 PUBLIC OFFICIALS WHO ARE MEANT TO REPRESENT OUR BEST
7 INTERESTS, BUT WE LEARNED THAT THEY DID NOT EVEN REPRESENT OUR
8 VALUES. SINCE THE DISCOVERY OF THIS AUDIO, WE HAVE JOINED
9 OTHER BLACK, INDIGENOUS, PEOPLE OF COLOR --

10
11 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

12
13 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC CHEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

14
15 **ERIC CHEN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE
16 BOARD. MY NAME IS ERIC CHEN, AND I AM A PASTOR, COLLEGE
17 ALUMNI, AND A HUMAN EQUITY ACCESS RELATIONS COMMISSIONER OF
18 SAN GABRIEL IN DISTRICT 1. I AM ALSO AN EDUCATOR AT GABRIELINO
19 HIGH SCHOOL, AND I HAVE BEEN COACHING SPEECH AND DEBATE FOR
20 OVER 20 YEARS IN A TITLE 1 DISTRICT WITH ABOUT 60% A.A.P.I.
21 AND 30% LATINX STUDENTS. MANY OF THE STUDENTS I WORK WITH ARE
22 L.G.B.T. OR COME FROM L.G.B.T. FAMILIES. I WANT TO THANK
23 SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR THIS MOTION TO ENSURE INCLUSIVITY OF ALL
24 MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR CREATING
25 THE A.R.D.I. INITIATIVE AND CO-SPONSORING THIS MOTION. IT IS



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 FANTASTIC THAT WE FINALLY HAVE A REPORT OF THE STATE OF BLACK
2 AMERICANS IN L.A., AND RESOURCES SHOULD BE ALLOCATED
3 ACCORDINGLY BASED ON THE DATA. YOU MUST ALSO DO THE SAME FOR
4 THE A.A.P.I., INDIGENOUS, LATINX, AND L.G.B.T. COMMUNITIES TO
5 ENSURE THERE'S EQUITABLE JUSTICE FOR ALL. I URGE THE BOARD TO
6 SUPPORT THIS MOTION.

7

8 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

9

10 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS EDWARD BARSUMIAN. YOU MAY
11 BEGIN.

12

13 **EDWARD BARSUMIAN:** HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

14

15 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU.

16

17 **EDWARD BARSUMIAN:** LOVELY. SO, AS INTRODUCED, MY NAME IS EDWARD
18 BARSUMIAN. I AM THE COALITION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
19 DIRECTOR AT THE ARMENIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF AMERICA WESTERN
20 REGION. I'M CALLING TO EXPRESS OUR FIRM SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR
21 SOLIS'S MOTION, ITEM NUMBER 10, AND WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
22 SOLIS FOR PUTTING THIS MOTION FORWARD. IT WAS VERY SUPPORTIVE
23 OF A.R.D.I. AND FEEL THEY CAN AND SHOULD AND DO MORE TO
24 INCLUDE VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES LIKE THE ARMENIAN AMERICAN
25 COMMUNITY ALONGSIDE SO MANY OTHERS THAT NEED SUCH SUPPORT,



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 INCLUDING THE A.A.P.I. COMMUNITY, LATINO, INDIGENOUS, AND
2 L.G.B.T.Q. COMMUNITIES THROUGH MORE ROBUST AND EFFECTIVE
3 ENGAGEMENT. MOST OF THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS I WORK WITH AND
4 ADVOCATE FOR SPEAK A PRIMARY LANGUAGE THAT IS NOT ENGLISH, AND
5 OFTENTIMES THEY ARE VERY WARY OF GOVERNMENT AS A RESULT OF
6 THEIR LIVED TRAUMAS AND HAVE SIMILARLY BEEN UNDERREPRESENTED.
7 I HOPE THAT THROUGH THIS MOTION, A.R.D.I. WILL ENSURE LANGUAGE
8 ACCESS AND THAT ANY ENGAGEMENT THEY DO IS CULTURALLY
9 COMPETENT. WE WOULD LIKE A.R.D.I. TO DO MORE, AND WE ARE HAPPY
10 TO EXTEND OUR SUPPORT IN OUTREACH ENDEAVORS THAT WILL MAKE
11 THESE VALUABLE RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR THE ARMENIAN AMERICAN
12 COMMUNITY.

13
14 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

15
16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS FARRAH SOO. YOU MAY BEGIN.

17
18 **FARRAH SOO:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
19 IS FARRAH, AND I AM SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE L.A. BASED NON-
20 PROFIT C.A.A.U.S.E., CENTER FOR ASIAN AMERICANS UNITED FOR
21 SELF-EMPOWERMENT AND AM ALSO SPEAKING AS A RESIDENT OF THE
22 CITY OF ALHAMBRA. I AM HERE TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR AGENDA ITEM
23 10, AS WELL. AS AN ORGANIZATION THAT HAS DIRECT EXPERIENCE
24 WORKING WITH AND SERVING ASIAN AMERICANS AND PACIFIC
25 ISLANDERS, WE BELIEVE THAT THE INTENTIONAL INCLUSION AND



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SUPERVISORS

1 OUTREACH OF A.A.P.I.S AND ALL VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES IS KEY TO
2 BUILDING SUSTAINABLE AND EQUITABLE APPROACHES TO A.R.D.I.'S
3 STRATEGIC GOALS. THE CREATION A.R.D.I. GIVES US MUCH HOPE FOR
4 WHAT IS POSSIBLE AND WHAT IS TO COME, AND WE WANT TO ENSURE
5 THAT A.A.P.I.S ARE INTENTIONALLY INCLUDED IN ALL OF IT. WE
6 HAVE SUBMITTED WRITTEN COMMENTS AS WELL AS PROVIDED ADDITIONAL
7 INFORMATION FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. AGAIN, WE URGE THE BOARD
8 TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM 10. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND
9 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR PROPOSING THIS MOTION. AND THANK YOU
10 FOR YOUR TIME.

11
12 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13
14 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS NANCY YAB. YOU MAY BEGIN.

15
16 **NANCY YAB:** HI, THIS IS NANCY YAB FROM THE CENTER FOR ASIAN
17 AMERICANS UNITED FOR SELF-EMPOWERMENT AS WELL. I AM HERE AS AN
18 INDIVIDUAL JUST TO PERSONALLY THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND
19 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR THIS MOTION AND TO THE ENTIRE BOARD
20 FOR YOUR CONTINUED COMMITMENT TO ANTIRACISM, DIVERSITY, AND
21 INCLUSION THROUGH THIS INITIATIVE. THE ASIAN AMERICAN AND
22 PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES ARE DIVERSE WITH REALLY DIVERSE
23 NEEDS. I SUPPORT THIS MOTION TO INCLUDE OUR COMMUNITIES AND
24 OUR VOICES IN THE STRATEGIC PLAN. AS OUR COMMUNITIES GROW, WE
25 WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS WORK. WE KNOW WE ARE STRONGER



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SUPERVISORS

1 TOGETHER AND CAN TACKLE RACISM TOGETHER. TO SUPERVISOR
2 MITCHELL'S POINT AROUND DIFFICULT CONVERSATIONS, WE KNOW THAT
3 THAT IS A KEY PART TO TACKLING ALL OF THIS AND THAT THE
4 COLLABORATION IS GOING TO BE NECESSARY. WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD
5 TO BEING ABLE TO BE PART OF THIS PLAN. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
6 TIME.

7

8 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

9

10 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JULIE FUN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

11

12 **JULIE FUN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MEMBERS OF THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF
13 SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND SUPERVISOR
14 SOLIS FOR THIS MOTION. I CALL TODAY TO SUPPORT THE LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY'S ANTIRACISM DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION INITIATIVE AND FOR
16 THE NEWEST MOTION TO ENSURE INCLUSIVITY FOR ASIAN AMERICANS
17 AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS AMONG OTHER VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES IN
18 THE STRATEGIC PLAN. AS A FACULTY IN THE ONLY SECOND COLLEGE
19 OF ETHNIC STUDIES IN THE NATION, AT CAL STATE L.A., I'M A
20 COMMUNITY ADVOCATE AND EDUCATOR. I KNOW THROUGH RESEARCH AND
21 AS AN ACTIVIST THAT OUR HISTORY AS BLACK, INDIGENOUS, PEOPLE
22 OF COLOR IS BOUND TOGETHER AND INTERSECTIONAL. JUST AS THE
23 CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT AFFECTED ALL OF OUR ABILITY TO GAIN
24 EQUAL ACCESS TO HOUSING, EDUCATION, AND VOTING RIGHTS, SO DID
25 CIVIL RIGHTS ADVOCATES, AS A CROSS CULTURAL COMMUNITY,



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 CONTINUE THEIR EFFORTS SO THAT JAPANESE AMERICANS, IN TURN,
2 RECEIVED REDRESS. THE HISTORY OF BLACK ENSLAVEMENT WOULD
3 RECEIVE REPARATIONS AND EVENTUALLY NATIVE HAWAIIAN
4 SOVEREIGNTY. THIS ADVOCACY OCCURRED NOT SILOED AND IN A
5 VACUUM. WE KNOW THAT WE ARE STRONGER TOGETHER.

6

7 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU.

8

9 **JULIE FUN:** BUT ALL OF OUR VOICES MATTER --

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11 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK YOU
12 FOR CALLING. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13

14 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS FAWN GWEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

15

16 **FAWN GWEN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
17 FAWN GWEN. I AM A RISING THIRD YEAR AT STANFORD UNIVERSITY, A
18 CURRENT RESIDENT OF L.A. KOREA TOWN, AND AN INTERN AT
19 C.A.A.U.S.E. AND THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. WITH MY TIME, I
20 STRONGLY URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM
21 10 FOR L.A. COUNTY'S A.R.D.I. STRATEGIC PLAN INCLUDING ACTIVE
22 ENGAGEMENT FOR VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES LIKE ASIAN AMERICANS AND
23 PACIFIC ISLANDERS. AS L.A. COUNTY IS A VIBRANT TAPESTRY OF
24 DIVERSE COMMUNITIES, WE NEED A BEACON OF HOPE AND LEADING
25 ADVOCATES FOR THESE COMMUNITIES MUST UTILIZE THIS CRUCIAL



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SUPERVISORS

1 MOMENT TO UPLIFT THE UNHEARD VOICES AND SPECIFICALLY ENSURE
2 INTENTIONAL OUTREACH TO A.A.P.I. FOLKS. MANY OF THESE GROUPS
3 CALL L.A. COUNTY THEIR HOMES. WE MUST DO WHAT WE CAN TO MAKE
4 SURE IT FEELS LIKE ONE. THIS ITEM WILL ENABLE US TO COMBAT
5 RACISM AND VIOLENCE IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND ENSURE INCLUSIVITY
6 IN THE FIGHT FOR JUSTICE. I HOPE THAT THE BOARD EMPOWERED BY
7 THE UNWAVERING SPIRIT OF DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION CAN CONTINUE
8 TO INVEST IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND WORK TOGETHER TO CREATE A
9 BETTER, MORE EQUITABLE FUTURE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

10
11 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

12
13 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS HARUMI HATA. YOU MAY BEGIN.

14
15 **HARUMI HATA:** THANK YOU. I APOLOGIZE FOR THE PRIOR MISHAP. MY
16 NAME IS HARUMI HATA. I'M A LAWYER PRACTICING IN LOS ANGELES. I
17 AM THE PRESIDENT OF THE J.A.B.A., THE JAPANESE AMERICAN BAR
18 ASSOCIATION. J.A.B.A. IS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION OF LAWYERS,
19 AND OUR MEMBERS ARE IN THE GREATER LOS ANGELES AREA AND OTHER
20 AREAS. ON BEHALF OF J.A.B.A., I AM SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF THE
21 MOTION ITEM NUMBER 10. WE THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND
22 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR THIS MOTION. WE SUPPORT A.R.D.I. AND
23 FEEL STRONGLY THAT MORE SHOULD BE DONE TO INCLUDE VULNERABLE
24 COMMUNITIES, SUCH AS THE A.A.P.I. COMMUNITIES, INCLUDING THE
25 JAPANESE AMERICAN COMMUNITY, THROUGH ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT,



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SUPERVISORS

1 INCLUDING USING FOREIGN LANGUAGES PRINCIPALLY SPOKEN BY THE
2 CONSTITUENTS WHOM YOU REPRESENT AND SERVE. WE HOPE THAT
3 A.R.D.I. WILL ENSURE LANGUAGE ACCESS AND THAT THE ENGAGEMENT
4 WILL BE CULTURAL INCLUSIVE. WE WOULD LIKE A.R.D.I. TO DO MORE
5 TO REPRESENT AND ENGAGE WITH OUR COMMUNITIES. WE RESPECTFULLY
6 REQUEST THAT THE BOARD SUPPORT THIS MOTION FOR MORE ACTIVE
7 ENGAGEMENT WITH OUR COMMUNITIES, INCLUDING THE JAPANESE
8 AMERICAN COMMUNITY AND OTHER A.A.P.I. COMMUNITIES.

9
10 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

11
12 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS AMIMA THOMPSON. YOU MAY
13 BEGIN.

14
15 **AMIMA THOMPSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS AMIMA. I
16 AM NINE YEARS OLD. I AM BLACK, ASIAN, AND INDIGENOUS.
17 (INDISCERNIBLE) PACIFIC ISLANDERS AND ASIAN AMERICAN BECAUSE I
18 THINK THAT EVERYONE SHOULD BE ABLE TO BE INCLUDED IF THEY WANT
19 TO. I ALSO ASK THAT THE JAIL FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE CLOSED. I
20 THINK THAT THEY SHOULD NOT BE IN JAIL BECAUSE -- BECAUSE
21 THAT'S NOT RIGHT. SO THAT'S IT. THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, WELL SAID. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.
24



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DIEGO RODRIGUEZ. YOU MAY
2 BEGIN.

3

4 **DIEGO RODRIGUEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. FIRST, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK
5 SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND MITCHELL FOR CHAMPIONING THIS MOTION. MY
6 NAME IS DIEGO RODRIGUEZ, AND I AM THE C.O.O. OF ALMA. I
7 WHOLEHEARTEDLY STAND WITH A.R.D.I.T BUT URGE TO THEM TO
8 BROADEN THEIR ENGAGEMENT EFFORTS WITH VULNERABLE GROUPS LIKE
9 OUR A.A.P.I., LATINO, AND BLACK COMMUNITIES. AS A SOCIAL
10 SERVICES PROVIDER, I WORK WITH DIVERSE COMMUNITIES WITH UNIQUE
11 LINGUISTIC AND CULTURAL REQUIREMENTS AND WITH MANY INDIVIDUALS
12 WITH DEEP-SEATED DISTRUST IN THE SYSTEM. THROUGH THIS MOTION,
13 WE HOPE A.R.D.I. WILL MOVE TOWARDS GREATER COLLABORATION WITH
14 DIVERSE GROUPS, CRAFTING CULTURALLY COMPETENT STRATEGIES. I
15 URGE A.R.D.I. TO AMPLIFY THEIR INTERACTIONS WITH DIVERSE
16 STAKEHOLDERS TOWARDS MORE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT. ONCE AGAIN,
17 THANK YOU FOR THE MOTION, AND I URGE THE BOARD TO APPROVE IT.

18

19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

20

21 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERICKA OW. YOU MAY BEGIN.

22

23 **ERICKA OW:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
24 ERICKA OW. I AM A RISING SENIOR AT U.C. DAVIS, AND I'M
25 VOICING MY SUPPORT FOR AGENDA ITEM 10, WHICH WILL EXPAND



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 COMMUNITIES THE ANTIRACISM, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSIVITY
2 INITIATIVE AND STRATEGIC PLAN SERVES. I AM SPEAKING FROM MY
3 ASIAN AMERICAN EXPERIENCE TO URGE THE INCLUSION OF OUR
4 COMMUNITIES IN A.R.D.I.'S FRAMEWORK THAT L.A. COUNTY
5 PROGRESSES WITH A.A.P.I. INTERESTS EMBROILED IN ITS
6 TRAJECTORY. I SUPPORT THIS MOTION BECAUSE I BELIEVE A.R.D.I.
7 VALUES SHOULD BE EMBEDDED INTO EVERY POLICY IN L.A. AND THAT
8 THESE POLICIES SHOULD REPRESENT MY COMMUNITY ADEQUATELY. WE
9 NEED INTENTIONAL LEADERSHIP, FUNDING, AND POLICIES THAT CAN
10 SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVE NOT ONLY THE A.A.P.I. COMMUNITIES BUT
11 ALSO OTHER COMMUNITIES OF COLOR AND MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES.
12 THESE IMPROVEMENTS CAN BE FOSTERED AFTER THE LOS ANGELES
13 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PASSES AGENDA ITEM 10 AND INCLUDES
14 A.A.P.I.S IN A.R.D.I. FROM THIS, WE CAN TRULY HONOR
15 INTERSECTIONAL APPROACHES TO COUNTERING SYSTEMIC RACISM. I'M
16 OFTEN (INDISCERNIBLE) THAT MY GENERATION'S EFFORTS WILL BE
17 REFLECTED IN FUTURE POLICIES SO THAT L.A. COUNTY WILL LISTEN
18 TO OUR VOICE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

19
20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

21
22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERICA ORTUNO. YOU MAY
23 BEGIN.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **ERICA ORTUNO:** HI. HELLO. MY NAME IS ERICA ORTUNO. AND I AM ON
2 THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COUNTY HISPANIC MANAGERS
3 ASSOCIATION, AND I AM IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 10 AND WANTED TO
4 THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. I AM
5 ASKING THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVE THIS MOTION, SO
6 THAT THERE WILL BE EQUITY AND TRANSPARENCY IN IMPLEMENTATION
7 OF A.R.D.I. PLAN. OUR ASSOCIATION CARES ABOUT COMMUNITY AND
8 WANTS TO ENSURE OR PARTICIPATION IN A.R.D.I. WE ALSO CARE FOR
9 OUR MEMBERS AND WANT TO ENSURE OUR MEMBERS ALSO RECEIVE THE
10 BENEFITS PROVIDED UNDER A.R.D.I. THANK YOU.

11
12 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13
14 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LIZ NELSON. YOU MAY BEGIN.

15
16 **LIZ NELSON:** I AM AGAINST THIS BECAUSE I BELIEVE IT IS TERRIBLE
17 TO DO THIS. IT IS STUNTING THE GROWTH OF PEOPLE TO BE UNITED.
18 AND I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHAT DEFINITION YOU GUYS ARE GOING OFF OF
19 WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT WHITE PEOPLE. ARE YOU GOING OFF BLOCK'S
20 LAW OR WHAT? LIKE WESTERS? BECAUSE THERE'S A MASSIVE
21 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO. A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE JUST
22 UNINFORMED OF WHAT THAT MEANS AND WHAT WHITE PEOPLE REALLY
23 ARE. IT IS NOT CAUCASIAN PEOPLE OR LIGHT-SKINNED, IT IS A
24 DIFFERENT RACE OF PEOPLE. WE JUST GOT THE BLAME, BUT WE ARE
25 UNITED. THIS ISN'T SEGREGATION, AND IF WE UNITE, ALL OF US



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 TOGETHER, I THINK WE WOULD TERRIFY A LOT OF POLITICAL PEOPLE.
2 SO I THINK THIS IS JUST A WAY TO KEEP PEOPLE SUBJUGATED. AND
3 IN THAT BILL RIGHT THERE, WHATEVER THE THING IS, NUMBER 10, I
4 AM NOT REPRESENTED.

5

6 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

7

8 **LIZ NELSON:** THAT'S PRETTY RACIST.

9

10 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DERRICK STEEL. YOU MAY
11 BEGIN.

12

13 **DERRICK STEEL:** HELLO, EVERYONE. AND THANK YOU FOR THE
14 OPPORTUNITY. MY NAME IS DERRICK STEEL, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
15 THE SOCIAL JUSTICE LEARNING INSTITUTE AND, IN THIS CAPACITY,
16 SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE BLACK (INDISERNIBLE) LOS ANGELES
17 COUNTY, I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR
18 SPEAKING TO THE HISTORY OF HOW WE GOT THIS AMAZING OPPORTUNITY
19 TO EVEN HAVE THE A.R.D.I. OFFICE. HAVING THAT HISTORY AS A
20 FOUNDATION OF THIS ITEM AND THE OFFICE, THE A.R.D.I. TEAM HAS
21 BEEN AMAZING IN ENSURING THAT THE NATURAL LAW RIGHT TO JUSTICE
22 AND PROFESSIONAL FAIRNESS OF THE COUNTY'S MOST IMPACTED
23 COMMUNITY MEMBERS, PARTICULARLY IN THIS CASE, THE VARIOUS
24 PARTS OF THE BLACK LOS ANGELES EXPERIENCE ARE AT THE CENTER OF
25 THE STUDY, THE ACTIONS, THE RECOMMENDATIONS, AND ALL THE



THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS

1 EFFORTS THUS FAR. SO, IT ONLY SETS THE TABLE FOR SOLIDARITY,
2 REBUILDING OF TRUST IN RELATIONSHIPS REPAIRING THE HARM AND
3 SHARED ABUNDANCE THAT WE ALL WILL BE ABLE TO SHARE. A.R.D.I.'S
4 SUCCESS GIVES US THE OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE WHOLE, FREE,
5 THRIVING, HEALTH, LIBERATED LIVES TOGETHER. SO TO KNOW THERE
6 IS MORE RESOURCES GOING THEIR WAY AND TO BE ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH
7 THE AMBITIOUS GOALS THEY HAVE IN FRONT OF THEM, WE ARE EXCITED
8 TO GET THAT SUPPORT. SO PLEASE, WE URGE YOU TO VOTE YES.

9

10 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

11

12 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CINDY WU. YOU MAY BEGIN.

13 CINDY WU, YOU MAY BEGIN. WE ARE GOING TO MOVE ON TO GLORIA

14 SANHIANG. YOU MAY BEGIN.

15

16 **GLORIA SANHIANG:** HI, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS GLORIA SANHIANG. I
17 AM A RESIDENT OF SAN GABRIEL. I AM AN ASIAN AMERICAN, AND I AM
18 A SINGER SONGWRITER. I WROTE MUSIC TO SUPPORT THE STOP ASIAN
19 HATE MOVEMENT DURING THE PANDEMIC. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
20 SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR THIS MOTION, WHICH I FULLY
21 SUPPORT. AND I HOPE IT IS VOTED THROUGH. AND I WANT TO EXPRESS
22 APPRECIATION, ESPECIALLY FOR A.R.D.I.'S WORK ON THE RECENT
23 STATE OF BLACK LOS ANGELES REPORT, AND I HOPE THAT THIS WORK
24 CAN BE EXPANDED TO INCLUDE OTHER COMMUNITIES THAT FACE RACISM



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SUPERVISORS

1 AND INJUSTICE LIKE THE LATINX, INDIGENOUS, AND A.A.P.I.
2 COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

3

4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

5

6 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER SPEAKERS IN QUEUE
7 TODAY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

8

9 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. THEN ITEM 10 IS NOW BEFORE US, MOVED
10 BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS --

11

12 **SUP. MITCHELL:** MADAM CHAIR, IF I COULD MAKE A COMMENT. I
13 APOLOGIZE.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** I APOLOGIZE, TOO.

16

17 **SUP. MITCHELL:** I JUST FELT COMPELLED TO CLARIFY. I AM NOT THE
18 AUTHOR OF THE ORIGINAL A.R.D.I. MOTION. I WASN'T ON THE BOARD
19 OF SUPERVISORS IN JULY OF THREE YEARS AGO. AND IT WAS SAID A
20 COUPLE OF TIMES. AND SO, I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE
21 WERE CLEAR AND GIVE ALL DUE RESPECT TO THOSE WHO WERE HERE AND
22 CARRIED THAT ORIGINAL MOTION. I JUST ALSO FEEL COMPELLED TO
23 SAY THAT I THINK IT IS REALLY IMPORTANT THAT AS I READ THAT
24 MOTION THAT I THINK THE INTENT ALL OF YOU HAD WAS THAT
25 A.R.D.I. ALWAYS BE FULLY INCLUSIVE OF EVERY ETHNIC COMMUNITY.



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SUPERVISORS

1 AND I DON'T KNOW THAT A.R.D.I., UNDER ITS CURRENT LEADERSHIP,
2 HAS SHOWN ANY SIGNS OF NOT DOING SO, BUT I AM PROUD TO
3 COAUTHOR THIS MOTION TO PROVIDE FURTHER CLARITY. AND IT REALLY
4 IS MY EXPECTATION, I HOPE IT IS THE EXPECTATION OF ALL THOSE
5 THAT CALLED IN, THAT EVERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT BROADEN THEIR
6 OUTREACH AROUND LANGUAGE ACCESS TO ETHNIC GROUPS. IT'S NOT
7 JUST THIS ONE DEPARTMENT WITH NINE STAFF, BUT THAT EVERY
8 COUNTY DEPARTMENT STAND IN THE GAP AND DO THAT, AS WELL. SO
9 THANK YOU. I ASK FOR AN AYE VOTE.

10

11 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. ITEM 10 IS NOW BEFORE US.
12 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO
13 APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

14

15 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEM 10 IS BEFORE YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

16

17 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

18

19 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISE MITCHELL.

20

21 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

22

23 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
24 HORVATH?

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HORVATH:** AYE.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

8

9 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** AYE.

10

11 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

12

13 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. LET'S MOVE TO ITEM 15, BUILDING LOS
14 ANGELES COUNTY'S PREVENTION INFRASTRUCTURE, WHICH WAS HELD BY
15 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE
16 TELEPHONE, YOU MAY PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM,
17 ITEM 15. WE HAVE D'ARTAGNAN SCORZA, WHO IS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
18 OF RACIAL EQUALITY, IS AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS. SUPERVISOR
19 MITCHELL, WOULD YOU LIKE TO START US OFF?

20

21 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, AND, COLLEAGUES, I AM
22 PLEASED TO BRING FORWARD THIS MOTION, WHICH SIGNIFICANTLY
23 ADVANCES THE COUNTY'S PREVENTION WORK, MOVING IT FURTHER
24 UPSTREAM FOR INDIVIDUALS, CHILDREN, AND OUR FAMILIES. I WOULD
25 LIKE TO THANK AND ACKNOWLEDGE MY COAUTHOR, SUPERVISOR HORVATH,



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SUPERVISORS

1 YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS HAVE MADE THIS EVEN STRONGER. SO WE
2 APPRECIATE YOU. BEFORE I MAKE MY COMMENTS, I WOULD LIKE TO
3 INVITE DR. SCORZA, WHO SERVED AS CHAIR OF THE PREVENTION
4 SERVICES TASKFORCE, TO SHARE A FEW HIGHLIGHTS FROM YOUR
5 PERSPECTIVE ON THIS 18 MONTH JOURNEY THAT BROUGHT US TO WHERE
6 WE ARE TODAY.

7
8 **DR. SCORZA:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR. AND GOOD AFTERNOON,
9 SUPERVISORS. IT IS A PLEASURE TO BE HERE WITH YOU AGAIN. I
10 WILL KEEP MY REMARKS BRIEF, BUT WHAT I REALLY JUST WANT TO
11 ACKNOWLEDGE IS THAT YOUR BOARD AND ITS LEADERSHIP DIRECTED US
12 TO DO A FEW THINGS. AND THAT'S TO COME BACK WITH YOU WITH A
13 SET OF RECOMMENDATION ON A GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE THAT IS
14 DESIGNED TO COORDINATE AND EFFECTUATE A COMPREHENSIVE
15 COMMUNITY-BASED PREVENTION SERVICES DELIVERY SYSTEM, AMONG A
16 FEW OTHERS. THROUGH HUNDREDS OF HOURS OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH
17 AND ANALYSIS LOOKING AT THE COUNTY'S PREVIOUS EFFORTS AND
18 CURRENT SYSTEMS, WE WERE ABLE TO IDENTIFY THINGS THAT WORKED
19 VERY WELL, AS WELL AS OPPORTUNITIES TO STRENGTHEN OUR
20 ABILITIES TO DEEPEN COLLABORATION TO ALSO SUPPORT A DEEPER
21 ANALYSIS AROUND OUR FUNDING STREAMS AND OUR PROGRAM
22 INVENTORIES AS WELL AS DEVELOP A COUNTY-WIDE VISION AND
23 FRAMEWORK FOR PROMOTION AND PREVENTION. WE ARE EXCITED TO NOTE
24 THAT THIS WORK HAS RESULTED IN A REPORT THAT IS BEFORE YOU AND
25 WAS SUBMITTED BY THE TASKFORCE FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND



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FUNDAMENTALLY UNDERSCORES THE IMPORTANCE OF LIFTING UP PREVENTION AND PROMOTION IN TODAY'S -- AND THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY. ONE THING I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT IS THAT, THROUGHOUT THIS PROCESS, WE INCLUDED PEOPLE WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE. WE APPOINTED 12 INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE OFFICIALLY NOMINATED BY THE TASKFORCE TO SERVE ON THE TASKFORCE ITSELF, AS WELL AS THE MANY SUB TABLES THAT WE HAD. AND WE SECURED FUNDING FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS THROUGH PHILANTHROPY TO RECOGNIZE AND SUPPORT THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THAT SPACE. FINALLY, I'LL SAY THAT SOME OF THE MAJOR FINDINGS THAT WE IDENTIFIED WAS THE NEED TO CONTINUE TO DE-SILO THE WORK, TO STRENGTHEN OUR EXISTING SYSTEMS, WHERE GREAT PREVENTION AND COLLABORATION IS OCCURRING, BUT TO ALSO GROUND THAT IN COMMUNITY EXPERTISE AND ENTHUSIASM AND INTEREST. WITH THAT BEING SAID, SUPERVISOR, I TURN IT BACK OVER TO YOU. THANK YOU.

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK YOU AND THE TASKFORCE MEMBERS AND THE MANY COMMUNITY MEMBERED WHO HAVE BEEN DEDICATED TO THIS WORK FOR THE LAST YEAR AND HALF AND WELL BEYOND THAT. THIS IS A COMMON ISSUE. I HEARD THIS WEEKEND AT N.A.C.O. HAVE HEARD FOR YEARS IN TERMS OF HOW GOVERNMENT CAN AND SHOULD BE MORE EFFECTIVE IN TRULY PROVIDING SUPPORTIVE SERVICES EARLY. SO COLLEAGUES, WHEN I BROUGHT THIS MOTION, ALONG WITH YOU SUPERVISOR HAHN, IN 2021, IT WAS CENTERED ON THE BELIEF THAT, AS A COUNTY, WE CAN AND SHOULD DO



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SUPERVISORS

1 BETTER. WE COULD DO BETTER IN OFFERING SERVICES TO FAMILIES
2 BEFORE A NEGATIVE EXPERIENCE OCCURRED IN THEIR LIVES. THE
3 FINDINGS THAT ANCHORED THAT MOTION WERE SOBERING. SIMPLY PUT,
4 WHILE WE, AS A COUNTY, HAD INVESTED IN A NUMBER OF PREVENTION
5 EFFORTS, IT WASN'T CLEAR THESE EFFORTS HAD BEEN SET UP TO BE
6 SUCCESSFULLY INTEGRATED AND COORDINATED ACROSS DEPARTMENTS.
7 THE WORK OF THIS TASKFORCE HAS DEMONSTRATED THAT WE HAVE A
8 COMPELLING REASON TO CREATE NEW STRUCTURES AND SYSTEMS THAT
9 BOTH EASILY FACILITATE COORDINATION AND THE ADVANCEMENT OF
10 MARGINALIZED POPULATIONS. IN THE PAST, I HAVE TALKED ABOUT HOW
11 I SPEND PROBABLY FAR TOO MUCH TIME THINKING DEEPLY ABOUT THE
12 ROLE OF GOVERNMENT, AND IN RELATION TO THIS WORK, I HAVE
13 THOUGHT MORE DEEPLY ABOUT THE TERM, "SAFETY NET." WE OFTEN
14 PRIDE OURSELVES AT THE COUNTY FOR BEING THE SAFETY NET, AND,
15 WHILE THAT IS IMPORTANT, THIS MOTION IS ABOUT FUNDAMENTALLY
16 CHALLENGING OURSELVES AROUND THAT NOTION. THIS MOTION IS ABOUT
17 HOW WE CHALLENGE OURSELVES TO OPERATE AT A DIFFERENT LEVEL. I
18 DON'T THINK IT IS ACCEPTABLE THAT ANGELENOS HAVE TO HIT ROCK
19 BOTTOM, HIT THE SAFETY NET, BEFORE COUNTY GOVERNMENT STEPS IN.
20 INSTEAD, I THINK WE CAN AND SHOULD HOLD OURSELVES TO A
21 DIFFERENT STANDARD. WE WILL WORK TO STEP IN LONG BEFORE THE
22 SAFETY NET IS NECESSARY. AS THE MOTION EXPLAINS, WE WILL MOVE
23 FROM PREVENTION TO PROMOTION. OUR GOAL, AS A COUNTY, SHOULD BE
24 TO CREATE THE CONDITIONS THAT INCREASE THE LIKELIHOOD OF
25 IMPROVED LIFE OUTCOMES FOR EVERY ANGELENO. I RECOGNIZE THIS



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SUPERVISORS

1 NEXT STEP OF WORK IS COMPLEX. AND SO, I WANT TO BOTH THANK
2 THOSE DEPARTMENT HEADS THAT WILL SERVE ON THE GOVERNING
3 COMMITTEE, INCLUDING DR. CONTRERAS, WHO HAS AGREED TO SERVE AS
4 THE INAUGURAL CHAIRWOMAN, AND CHALLENGE US ALL TO LEAN IN HARD
5 AND STAND IN OUR POWER. THIS WORK COMES WITH GREAT
6 RESPONSIBILITY, AND I, NOT ONLY AS A SUPERVISOR, BUT AS A
7 FELLOW ANGELENO, AM COUNTING ON US TO STRIVE TO GET -- STRIKE
8 THE RIGHT BALANCE. AGAIN, JUST THIS WEEKEND AT THE NATIONAL
9 ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY OFFICERS, WE SAW SEVERAL COUNTIES ACROSS
10 THE COUNTRY WHEN N.A.C.O. ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND AWARDS FOR DOING
11 JUST THIS KIND OF TRUE PREVENTION WORK, WHERE THEY WERE ABLE
12 TO STAND UP NEW DEPARTMENTS TO CREATE APPROPRIATE CROSS
13 FUNCTIONS TO MEET FAMILIES ARE THEY REALLY ARE AND TO PROVIDE
14 ASSISTANCE. LASTLY, I WANT TO THANK AND ACKNOWLEDGE BRANDON
15 NICHOLS, DIRECTOR OF OUR DEPARTMENT OF CHILD AND FAMILY
16 SERVICES. MR. NICHOLS HAS INFORMED ME AND MY OFFICE THAT HE
17 BELIEVES IN THIS SO STRONGLY THAT HE IS COMMITTING \$1 MILLION
18 OF D.C.F.S.'S FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO FUND THIS WORK. WE PAY
19 FOR WHAT WE VALUE, AND THIS IS A CLASSIC EXAMPLE, AND I AM
20 DEEPLY APPRECIATIVE. FOR MR. NICHOLS, I BELIEVE THIS IS A
21 LONG-AWAITED STEP IN CREATING THE INFRASTRUCTURE TO MOVE CHILD
22 AND FAMILY WELL-BEING TO ITS TRUE PROPER PLACE. I BELIEVE THIS
23 IS EXACTLY THE KIND OF LEADERSHIP AND INVESTMENT OF BOTH TIME
24 AND MONEY THAT IT WILL TAKE TO TRANSFORM OUR COUNTY BEYOND THE
25 SAFETY NET AND TO REALLY PROVIDE TRUE PREVENTION AND SUPPORTS



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SUPERVISORS

1 WHEN FAMILY NEED IT THE MOST, UPSTREAM AND EARLY. THANK YOU
2 VERY MUCH, COLLEAGUES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COAUTHORSHIP. AND I
3 ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE.

4
5 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND THANK YOU FOR ASKING ME
6 TO BE YOUR COAUTHOR ON THIS ITEM. I AM VERY PROUD TO CHAMPION
7 L.A. COUNTY'S WORK TO MOVE TOWARD A MORE ROBUST PREVENTION
8 PROGRAM AND APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN YOU IN THIS. ON
9 A NEAR DAILY BASIS, WHEN I AM IN THE DISTRICT, I HEAR FROM
10 PEOPLE, NO MATTER WHICH PART OF THE DISTRICT, HOW MUCH THEY
11 WANT MORE SERVICES LOCATED IN THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES. WITH THIS
12 MOTION, WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO BETTER CARE FOR CHILDREN,
13 FAMILIES, OLDER ADULTS, OUR UNHOUSED NEIGHBORS, IMMIGRANT
14 COMMUNITIES, AND EVERYONE IN NEED BY CONNECTING THEM TO
15 COMMUNITY- BASED SERVICES BEFORE THEY COME IN CONTACT WITH OUR
16 COUNTY SYSTEMS. FOR ME, THIS ALSO ENHANCES THE IMPACT OF OUR
17 MANDATED SUPPORTER MODEL, WHICH THIS BOARD UNANIMOUSLY
18 SUPPORTED EARLIER THIS YEAR, AND CONTINUES TO MOVE L.A. COUNTY
19 IN THE DIRECTION OF CARE FIRST AND NOT REQUIRING PEOPLE TO
20 FALL DEEPER INTO POVERTY, INTO HARM'S WAY, IN ORDER FOR COUNTY
21 TO STEP IN AND PROVIDE THE SUPPORT THAT EVERY HUMAN BEING
22 DESERVES WITH DIGNITY AND RESPECT. WE ALSO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY
23 TO FOCUS ON PREVENTION AND THUS MITIGATE FUTURE HARM. THE
24 COUNTY IS IN A UNIQUE POSITION TO CREATE AN INTENTIONAL AND
25 COORDINATED SYSTEM THAT PROMOTES FAMILY AND INDIVIDUAL WELL-



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1 BEING, REPLACING OUR SAFETY NET ALL TOGETHER. LET'S TALK ABOUT
2 COORDINATION. WHEN PEOPLE EXIT JAIL OR THE CHILD WELFARE
3 SYSTEM, THEY SHOULD BE CONNECTED TO ALL OF THE RESOURCES THEY
4 MAY NEED, FROM DOCTORS AND BENEFITS TO MENTAL HEALTHCARE AND
5 SUBSTANCE USE TREATMENT. THESE SERVICES ARE UNDER THE PURVIEW
6 OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS, YET THEY MUST BE OFFERED IN A SEAMLESS
7 CONTINUUM OF CARE TO ENSURE THAT INDIVIDUALS GET WHAT THEY
8 NEED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE, IF WE ARE GOING TO EXPECT THEM TO
9 BE EFFECTIVE. IT IS MY HOPE AND EXPECTATION THAT THE COMMITTEE
10 WILL COLLABORATIVELY IMPROVE AND MORE INTENTIONALLY INTEGRATE
11 OUR PREVENTION SYSTEM OF CARE AND HIGHLIGHT GAPS IN FUNDING,
12 SO THAT WE CAN ACHIEVE THE BOLD OBJECTIVES OF THIS WORK. AS
13 THE COMMITTEE KICKS OFF, I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT SOME ADDITIONAL
14 GOALS, INCLUDING BEING MINDFUL TO PREVENT DUPLICATIVE WORK
15 STREAMS AND MAKING SURE WE ALIGN AND INTEGRATE WITH THE
16 COUNTY'S EFFORTS TO DEVELOP HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION PROGRAMS
17 AS WELL AS THE COUNTY'S WORK IN THE JUSTICE SPACE AS WE WORK
18 TO CLOSE OUR CAMPS, HALLS, AND MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. WE MUST BE
19 SENSITIVE TO THE UNIQUE NEEDS OF THE L.G.B.T.Q.+ COMMUNITY AND
20 THOSE IMPACTED BY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE
21 TO EFFECTIVELY ADDRESS THIS DEVASTATING EPIDEMIC. WE MUST BE
22 INCLUSIVE OF THE MANY OTHER AGENCIES AND RESOURCES THAT ARE
23 OUT THERE THAT WILL BE NEEDED TO BUILD THE INFRASTRUCTURE
24 ENVISIONED, FROM FOOD BANKS AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTERS AND
25 WORKFORCE CENTERS TO OUR PARTNERS IN CITY GOVERNMENT AND



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1 L.A.U.S.D. THIS WORK WILL REQUIRE ALL OF US TO COME TOGETHER
2 AND ROLL UP OUR SLEEVES. AND, AS SUPERVISOR MITCHELL SHARED, I
3 AM ALSO GRATEFUL TO THE D.C.F.S. DIRECTOR, BRANDON NICHOLS,
4 FOR COMMITTING \$1 MILLION TO THIS WORK. AND IT IS MY HOPE THAT
5 THIS IS THE FIRST OF MANY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS DEDICATING
6 RESOURCES TO ENSURE THIS NEW COLLABORATIVE APPROACH IS A
7 SUCCESS. AUDRE LORDE SAID THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A SINGLE
8 ISSUE STRUGGLE BECAUSE WE DO NOT LIVE SINGLE ISSUE LIVES. THIS
9 FOUNDATIONAL PRINCIPLE, THAT PEOPLE HAVE VARIED AND
10 OVERLAPPING IDENTITIES, MUST BE GROUND ALL OUR PREVENTION AND
11 PROMOTION EFFORTS. AND THROUGH THIS LENS, WE CAN ACHIEVE
12 SIGNIFICANT REDUCTIONS IN DISPARITIES AND INCREASE WELL-BEING
13 FOR THE PEOPLE MOST IMPACTED BY HISTORICAL AND STRUCTURAL
14 DISCRIMINATION AND OPPRESSION, WHICH IS EXACTLY WHAT THIS
15 MOTION AIMS TO DO. MY OFFICE IS COMMITTED TO WORKING WITH THE
16 COMMITTEE, THE COMMUNITY, AND ALL OF OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO
17 MAKE SURE THIS WORK IS DONE CORRECTLY AND EFFECTIVELY, THAT IT
18 IS INCLUSIVE, AND THAT IT CAN BE TRULY TRANSFORMATIONAL IN ITS
19 EFFORTS THAT THE MOTION ENVISIONED. I WANT TO THANK YOU
20 EVERYONE FOR THEIR DEDICATION TO DOING BETTER FOR THE
21 RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY. I LOOK FORWARD TO BREAKING DOWN
22 SILOS AND ENSURING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE, OUR FAMILIES, OUR
23 COMMUNITY MEMBERS, AND LOVED ONES ARE GETTING THE SUPPORT,
24 RESOURCES, AND TOOLS THEY NEED TO THRIVE. AND ONE IMPORTANT
25 QUESTION THAT I WAS ASKED, WHICH I WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO



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1 ANSWER ON THE RECORD IF YOU WOULD, DR. SCORZA, IS IF IT IS
2 CLEAR TO YOU WHAT WE INTEND WITH THE WORD PREVENTION BECAUSE I
3 THINK IT CAN BE A TERM OF ART FOR THOSE OF US WHO SIT IN THE
4 SEATS, BUT I THINK IT CAN HAVE DIFFERENT MEANINGS FOR
5 DIFFERENT PEOPLE, SO IF YOU CAN REALLY DEFINE WHAT IT IS WE
6 MEAN WHEN WE ARE TALKING ABOUT PREVENTION FROM THE COUNTY
7 PERSPECTIVE.

8
9 **DR. SCORZA:** THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THAT QUESTION, SUPERVISOR.
10 THE WORK OF THE TASKFORCE STARTED WITH THE CONCEPT OF
11 PREVENTION, AND WE WENT BEYOND THAT TO REALLY TALK ABOUT
12 PROMOTION. AND WHEN WE STARTED WITH PREVENTION, WHICH IS
13 ESSENTIALLY PROVIDING SUPPORT AND RESOURCES TO STOP THE
14 OCCURRENCE OR WORSENING OF NEGATIVE OUTCOMES, HARM, OR
15 SUFFERING, WE REALIZED THAT IT WASN'T JUST ABOUT STOPPING
16 THINGS FROM HAPPENING, BUT WE NEEDED TO PROMOTE POSITIVE
17 THINGS TO OCCUR AS WELL. SO IN TERMS OF THE PREVENTION
18 CONTINUUM, THE IDEA IS THAT NOT ONLY TO PREVENT NEGATIVE
19 THINGS FROM HAPPENING BUT TO SUPPORT POSITIVE OUTCOMES, WELL-
20 BEING, AND THRIVING. THE TWO CONCEPTS FOR US ARE COMPLIMENTARY
21 BECAUSE WE'RE LOOKING AT THE RISKS AND THE CONDITIONS THAT
22 PEOPLE DEAL WITH, BE IT RACISM OR ABLEISM OR PEOPLE WITH
23 DISABILITIES WHO MAY FACE SPECIFIC CHALLENGES, BUT LOOKING AT
24 SO WE CAN CULTIVATE HEALING, RESTORATION, AND JUSTICE. AND I
25 THINK THAT'S THE ULTIMATELY THE CORE CONCEPT HERE, IT'S NOT



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1 STOPPING AT PREVENTING BAD THINGS FROM HAPPENING BUT INVESTING
2 IN A FUTURE TRAJECTORY WHERE FOLKS RECEIVE THE SUPPORT OR
3 MAYBE WE DON'T EVEN INTERVENE IN THEIR LIVES AT ALL. WE GET
4 OUT OF THE WAY SO THEY CAN THRIVE. SO I THINK IT IS REALLY
5 THINKING ABOUT HOW WE, AS A COLLECTIVE, CAN STRENGTHEN
6 POSITIVE OUTCOMES.

7

8 **SUP. HORVATH:** THAT GREAT TO HEAR. I KNOW THAT WE WANT TO MAKE
9 SURE THAT PEOPLE'S ENCOUNTER WITH L.A. COUNTY IS NOT A
10 NEGATIVE EXPERIENCE OR ISN'T SEEN AS A PUNISHMENT FOR HOW THEY
11 HAVE EXISTED, BUT IT IS ENHANCEMENT TO THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE.
12 AND I THINK THAT IS REALLY THE INTENTION, NOT ONLY OF THIS
13 MOTION, BUT OF OUR ENTIRE BOARD. AND I AM EXCITED TO SEE IT
14 MOVE FORWARD. I DON'T SEE ANY OF MY COLLEAGUES IN THE QUEUE,
15 SO I WILL TURN TO OUR PUBLIC COMMENT.

16

17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE
18 SPEAKER, PLEASE?

19

20 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS DERRICK STEEL. YOU MAY
21 BEGIN.

22

23 **DERRICK STEEL:** HELLO, EVERYONE. AGAIN, DERRICK STEEL,
24 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SOCIAL JUSTICE LEARNING INSTITUTE
25 AND TODAY SPEAKING IN THE CAPACITY OF MY MEMBERSHIP AND A



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1 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT ADVISORY
2 COMMITTEE. I BRING UP C.F.C.I. BECAUSE I BELIEVE THIS MOTION
3 IS AN AMAZING ADDITION TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CARE FIRST
4 AGENDA, AS IS ALL THE WORK THAT WE ARE BRINGING IN C.F.C.I. IT
5 HELPS TO ESTABLISH A NEW NORMAL OF HOW GOVERNMENT SHOULD WORK,
6 INCLUDING THE LIVED EXPERIENCES OF THOSE MOST IMPACTED, WHILE
7 BEING IN CONCERT WITH THE COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS WHO
8 ARE POISED TO BE SUPPORTIVE IN ALL THESE EFFORTS. GOVERNMENT
9 CAN'T DO IT ALL ON ITS OWN. IT'S GOING TO COME FROM DOING THIS
10 WORK TOGETHER, AND WE ASK, ALL OF US WHO SIGNED ONTO THE
11 LETTER WE SENT TO YOU ALL, FOR YOUR AYE VOTE ON THIS MEASURE
12 BECAUSE WE BELIEVE THAT THIS IS GOING TO BE TRANSFORMATIVE.
13 THANK YOU.

14
15 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16
17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS VALERIE BRADFORD. YOU MAY
18 BEGIN.

19
20 **VALERIE BRADFORD:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
21 VALERIE BRADFORD, AND I AM PRESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY
22 BRANCH OF THE N.A.A.C.P., AND I CALLED IN AT 9:00 A.M. SO THAT
23 I COULD SPEAK ON ITEM 10, AND ON ITEM 10, AND EVEN THOUGH I
24 PRESSED 1-0, MY NAME WAS NOT CALLED. MAY I PLEASE SPEAK ON
25 ITEM 10 FOR THE RECORD.



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2 **SUP. HORVATH:** WE CAN HAVE YOU SPEAK ON ITEM 10 DURING PUBLIC
3 COMMENT, WHICH COMES JUST A LITTLE BIT LATER IN THE MEETING. I
4 APOLOGIZE THAT WE WEREN'T ABLE TO CAPTURE YOU DURING THAT
5 DISCUSSION, BUT WE WILL ABSOLUTELY HEAR YOU AT THAT TIME.

6

7 **VALERIE BRADFORD:** OKAY, DO I NEED TO CALL IN AGAIN OR PRESS
8 TEN AGAIN?

9

10 **SUP. HORVATH:** YOU CAN HANG ON THE LINE, AND THEN YOU WILL
11 PRESS THE SAME THING THAT YOU DID TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM WHEN
12 WE CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT LATER IN THE MEETING.

13

14 **VALERIE BRADFORD:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. HORVATH:** YOU GOT IT. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

17

18 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LIZ NELSON. YOU MAY BEGIN.

19

20 **LIZ NELSON:** HI, YOU GUYS. I DIDN'T PLAN TO BE HERE ALL DAY. I
21 AM SORRY, BUT NUMBER 15 AS WRITTEN IS EXTREMELY VAGUE, AND IT
22 LACKS A STATEMENT OF DEFINITIVE TERMS LIKE WHAT IT MEANS, AND
23 THERE'S A LOT OF ROOM FOR LOOPHOLES IN THIS THING. AND IT JUST
24 DOESN'T SIT RIGHT THE WAY IT IS CURRENTLY WRITTEN OUT. YOU
25 KNOW, WHAT YOU SAID ABOUT PREVENTION, PROMOTION, ALL THIS AND



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1 DON'T INTERVENE AT ALL SOMETIMES IS AN AWESOME IDEA. THAT'S
2 THE WAY IT SHOULD BE. AND MS. HAHN, I JUST WANT TO LET YOU
3 KNOW THAT MY DAD RESPECTED YOUR DAD AND CALLED HIM A FRIEND
4 BACK IN THE DAY. SO YOU KNOW, I JUST WANTED TO PUT THAT THERE
5 AND REMIND EVERYBODY THE GOVERNMENT IS SUPPOSED TO BE SMALL.
6 AND ITS FUNCTION IS TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR RIGHTS AREN'T
7 INFRINGED. THAT'S IT. AND IF THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG, THEN
8 THEY STEP IN AND HELP OUT, BUT THEY AREN'T SUPPOSED TO BE A
9 PART OF EVERY ASPECT OF OF OUR LIVE.

10

11 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED. THANK YOU VERY
12 MUCH FOR YOUR COMMENTS. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13

14 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS HECTOR RAMIREZ. YOU MAY
15 BEGIN.

16

17 **HECTOR RAMIREZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, HECTOR
18 RAMIREZ. I AM (INDISERNIBLE) MEXICAN. AND WHEN I AM CALLING IN
19 SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION, I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL
20 FOR THIS PARTICULAR ITEM AND THE LEADERSHIP. AS A FORMER
21 MEMBER OF THE (INDISCERNIBLE) COMMITTEE, I SAW FIRSTHAND THE
22 BENEFIT OF STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND PARTICIPATION WITH OUR
23 LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS AND SYSTEMS OF CARE. AND THIS WOULD
24 REALLY DRIVE IN THE DIRECTION OF IT, MAKING SURE THAT THE
25 COUNTY IS INCLUSIVE, DIVERSE, EQUITABLE, AND ACCESSIBLE. AND



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1 SO, I VOTE -- I ASK YOU TO VOTE FOR IT AND SUPPORT THE MOTION
2 MOVING FORWARD.

3

4 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

5

6 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS NANCY HARRIS. YOU MAY
7 BEGIN.

8

9 **NANCY HARRIS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. AND THANK YOU. I REPRESENT THE
10 FAITH FOSTER FAMILIES NETWORK, A NETWORK AND COLLABORATIVES OF
11 SEVEN FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND CHURCHES IN SOUTH L.A.
12 THAT HAVE COME TOGETHER TO SUPPORT THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM. I
13 APPLAUD SUPERVISOR MITCHELL ON THIS MOTION. WE HAVE TO GET THE
14 WORK DOWN ON THE GROUND. THE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY NEED TO
15 HAVE ACCESS TO SERVICES RIGHT IN THEIR COMMUNITY, AND THEY
16 NEED TO BE INVOLVED IN WHAT THOSE SERVICES LOOK LIKE. WE ARE
17 IN FULL SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION AND THIS PROJECT, AND WE ALSO
18 WOULD LIKE TO THANK DIRECTOR BRANDON NICHOLS FOR HIS GENEROUS
19 DONATION OF THE MONEY TO SUPPORT THE PROJECT. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

22

23 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU MAY
24 BEGIN.

25



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1 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

2

3 **SUP. HORVATH:** YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU.

4

5 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YEAH. ANYWAY, I AM VERY UPSET BECAUSE
6 I WAS IN PERSON AT THE MEETING TODAY, AND I WAS NOT ALLOWED TO
7 SPEAK TO MANY OF THE ITEMS. AND WHEN YOU KICK EVERYBODY OUT
8 THIS MORNING, YOU DIDN'T TELL ANYBODY THAT WE COULD CALL BY
9 PHONE WITH THE ITEM ON THE PHONE. YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT
10 (INDISERNIBLE) FOR THE COUNTY. (INDISERNIBLE) NEED TO MAKE
11 SOME NEW RULE SO THINGS HAPPEN SO PEOPLE LIKE MYSELF ARE NOT
12 DENIED THE RIGHT TO SPEAK ON ITEM WE HAVE SIGNED UP FOR. THANK
13 YOU FOR LISTENING.

14

15 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16

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

19

20 **SUP. HORVATH:** ALRIGHT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WITH THAT, ITEM 15
21 IS BEFORE US, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AND I WILL SECOND
22 TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

23

24 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEM 15 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

25



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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

2

3 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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5 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
8 HORVATH.

9

10 **SUP. HORVATH:** AYE.

11

12 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR
13 BARGER.

14

15 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

16

17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN.

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19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** AYE.

20

21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

22

23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. WE'RE GOING STRAIGHT TO ITEM 23,
24 ACCELERATING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SAFE CLEAN WATER PROGRAM,
25 WHICH IS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC



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1 ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS
2 ITEM, ITEM 23. SUPERVISOR HORVATH, WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE SOME
3 REMARKS?

4
5 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. IN NOVEMBER 2018, AS WE
6 ALL KNOW, VOTERS APPROVED MEASURE W THE SAFE CLEAN WATER
7 PROGRAM. THE PROGRAM BECAME A CRITICAL FUNDING SOLUTION FOR
8 MANY COUNTY WATER GOALS INCLUDING FUNDING IMPROVEMENTS TO OUR
9 AGING FLOOD CONTROL INFRASTRUCTURE, IMPROVING WATER QUALITY
10 AND THE HEALTH OF THE BAY, INCREASING OUR LOCAL WATER SUPPLY
11 BY CAPTURING STORM WATER AND CREATING MULTI-BENEFIT PROJECTS,
12 SUCH AS PARK IMPROVEMENTS, STREET TREES, AND WORKFORCE
13 OPPORTUNITIES. WE HAVE A LOT TO BE PROUD OF IN THE FIRST FOUR
14 YEARS OF THIS PROGRAM. AND AS OF NEXT MONTH, WE WILL HAVE 126
15 APPROVED PROJECTS IN 50 CITIES. THOSE PROJECTS REPRESENT
16 NEARLY \$1 BILLION IN INVESTMENT LEVERAGING AND ADDITIONAL \$624
17 MILLION, REPRESENTING GOOD PAYING UNION JOBS AS WELL. THESE
18 PROJECTS WILL INCREASE ANNUAL AVERAGE STORM WATER CAPTURE BY
19 NEARLY 60,000 ACRE FEET. IF ALL THAT WATER WENT INTO OUR
20 AQUIFERS THAT WOULD BE ENOUGH WATER SUPPLY TO SERVE NEARBY A
21 HALF MILLION ANGELENOS. HOWEVER, WE STILL HAVE PLENTY TO DO.
22 ON WET WEATHER DAYS, IT'S STILL NOT SAFE TO SWIM AT OUR WORLD
23 CLASS BEACHES DUE TO POLLUTION RUNOFF. ON THE FIRST DAY OF
24 SUMMER THIS YEAR, A DRY DAY, FOUR OF OUR MOST ICONIC BEACHES
25 WERE CLOSED TO SWIMMING DUE TO WATER QUALITY ISSUES. WE NEED



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MORE SAFE CLEAN WATER PROGRAM PROJECTS TO COME ONLINE, AND WE
NEED MORE PARTNERS TO BRING THESE PROJECTS FORWARD. VOTERS
APPROVED A VERY COMPLEX PROGRAM WITH MANY RULES IN THE
STATUTES, AND I WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE FLOOD CONTROL
DISTRICT FOR SETTING IT ALL UP. MY STAFF AND I HAVE MET WITH
MANY STAKEHOLDERS INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF THE COUNTY, WHO HAVE
HIGHLIGHTED OPPORTUNITIES TO STRENGTHEN THIS PROGRAM. TODAY'S
MOTION ASKS PUBLIC WORKS TO REPORT BACK AND IDENTIFY AREAS
WHICH AREAS HAVE THE BEST POTENTIAL FOR NEW MULTI-BENEFIT
PROJECTS SO THAT WE CAN BE MORE STRATEGIC IN ADVANCING THESE
ESSENTIAL PROJECTS. THIS MOTION WILL ALSO IDENTIFY WAYS TO
STREAMLINE THE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR MANY TYPES OF PROJECTS
TO ENCOURAGE SMALLER CITIES, SCHOOL DISTRICTS, AND NON-PROFITS
TO ACCESS MEASURE W RESOURCES. THIS MOTION ALSO ASKS PUBLIC
WORKS TO REPORT BACK ON THEIR STAFFING NEEDS TO ADAPTIVELY
MANAGE MEASURE W WITH AN UNDERSTANDING THAT THE FLOOD CONTROL
DISTRICT NEEDS MORE STAFF RESOURCES TO MANAGE THIS GRANT-
FUNDED PROGRAM. ALL OF THIS WILL FIT INTO A BIENNIAL REVIEW
THAT IS EXPECTED BACK TO THE BOARD AT THE END OF THIS YEAR. WE
HAVE TO MAKE THE MOST OF OUR SCARCE WATER RESOURCES, WHICH IS
WHY I LOOK FORWARD TO ENGAGING IN THIS WORK OVER THE COMING
MONTHS. I ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS



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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO COMMEND
2 SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR PRESENTING THIS MOTION. THIS IS
3 SOMETHING THAT I KNOW IS VERY NEAR AND DEAR TO MANY OF US.
4 WHEN WE WERE INITIALLY INVOLVED IN CREATING MEASURE W, HER
5 PREDECESSOR WAS VERY ACTIVE AND OUR OFFICES ALL WERE, AND I
6 KNOW HOW IMPORTANT IT WAS FOR MY COMMUNITY BECAUSE THEY ARE
7 LOOKING FOR EQUITY, AND THEY ARE LOOKING FOR FUNDING
8 ALLOCATION PROCESS THAT REALLY WILL ENCUMBER MORE COMMUNITY
9 ENGAGEMENT AND INVOLVEMENT AND THAT WE REALLY DO TAKE A LOOK
10 AT SOME OF THOSE PROJECTS THAT PERHAPS WERE NOT REALLY VIEWED
11 AS IMPORTANT BUT NOW, BECAUSE OF OUR PRIORITIES AND THEY'RE
12 CHANGING, WE NEED TO TAKE A SECOND LOOK. SO, I WHOLE-HEARTEDLY
13 SUPPORT THE MOTION. THANK YOU.

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

16
17 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND YOU KNOW, FOR FULL DISCLOSURE, I
18 WAS NOT EMBRACING MEASURE W. I'M JUST LAYING IT OUT THERE, BUT
19 I ACKNOWLEDGE WHAT A VALUABLE TOOL THIS IS GOING TO BE FOR
20 GENERATIONS TO COME, AND I REALLY DO BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE AN
21 OPPORTUNITY. AND ONE OF THE THINGS I'M HEARING, I KNOW I'M
22 LOOKING BACK THERE AT PUBLIC WORKS STAFF THAT IS BACK THERE,
23 BUT I KNOW ONE OF THE FRUSTRATIONS I'M HEARING FROM SOME OF
24 THE CITIES THAT ACTUALLY DID EMBRACE IT IS THAT IT'S SLOW
25 GETTING OUT THERE. AND I JUST KIND OF WANT TO LAY OUT BECAUSE



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1 I'M LOOKING AT THE TIMELINES, AND I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT
2 THIS, AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR BRINGING IT
3 FORWARD. THE PROJECTS THAT ARE MOVING FORWARD AND THE QUESTION
4 THAT GETS ASKED IS CAN CHANGES BE MADE TO IMPROVE OUR ABILITY
5 TO DELIVER PROJECTS BASED ON LOOKING AT THE ORDINANCE? I GUESS
6 IT WOULD BE A QUESTION FOR YOU IN TERMS OF ROLLING OUT BECAUSE
7 I KNOW THAT WHAT I EXPLAIN TO MY CITIES AS YOU ARE WALKING UP
8 IS THAT THERE WERE LAYERS PUT IN PLAY TO MAKE SURE WE DIDN'T
9 JUST THROW MONEY OUT THERE, THAT IN FACT THERE WERE CHECKS AND
10 BALANCES. I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE WE'RE NOT HAVING TOO MANY
11 CHECKS WITHOUT REALLY GETTING MOVING ON THAT. SO, THE QUESTION
12 WOULD BE, GIVEN THAT WE HAVE HAD FOUR YEARS TO EVALUATE THE
13 ROLL OUT OF THE SAFE CLEAN WATER PROGRAM, SHOULD WE LOOK AT
14 THE ORDINANCE TO SEE IF THERE ARE CHANGES THAT CAN BE MADE TO
15 IMPROVE OUR ABILITY TO DELIVER PROJECTS? AND THEN JUST GIVE
16 YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD.

17
18 **ANGELA GEORGE MOODY:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS, CHAIR HAHN.
19 MY NAME IS ANGELA GEORGE MOODY. I'M THE CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR
20 FOR PUBLIC WORKS, AND I'M HERE TODAY ANSWERING QUESTIONS ON
21 BEHALF OF DIRECTOR PESTRELLA. WITH REGARDS TO YOUR QUESTION
22 ABOUT POSSIBLE CHANGES TO THE ORDINANCE, WE'RE AT A VERY
23 CRUCIAL POINT IN THE IMPLEMENTATION. AT THIS POINT IN TIME,
24 JUST AS SUPERVISOR HORVATH STATED, THERE'S GOING TO BE A
25 BIENNIAL REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD. AS A PART OF THAT, THERE



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1 ARE SURVEYS, THERE'S ASSESSMENTS, LISTENING SESSIONS. WE DO AN
2 ASSESSMENT OF EXACTLY WHAT WE HAVE BEEN HEARING OVER THE LAST
3 FEW YEARS. AND WE ALWAYS ANTICIPATED HAVING TO DO THIS. WE
4 KNEW THAT IT WOULD BE AN ITERATIVE, ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT
5 PROCESS, THAT THERE MIGHT BE POSSIBLE CHANGES TO THE
6 ORDINANCE. AND THROUGH THAT REPORT AND THE COMPILATION OF ALL
7 THE INFORMATION THROUGH THAT SURVEY AND OTHER INFORMATION,
8 LISTENING TO THOSE APPLYING FOR FUNDS FOR THEIR PROJECTS,
9 IMPLEMENTING PROJECTS THROUGHOUT THE REGION, WE'RE COMING BACK
10 TO THE BOARD SHOULD THERE BE ANY DESIRES, ANY NEEDS, AND UNDER
11 CONSULTATION WITH COUNTY COUNSEL, WITH ANY ORDINANCE CHANGES.

12
13 **SUP. BARGER:** GREAT. AGAIN, I SUPPORT THIS, AND I WANT TO THANK
14 YOU FOR THE WORK THAT YOU ALL DO. I GET POSITIVE FEEDBACK IN
15 MY DISTRICT WORKING WITH THE ARE ARBORETUM ON BALDWIN LAKE. I
16 KNOW YOU'RE WORKING ON A PROJECT WITH DESCANSO GARDENS. THERE
17 ARE SO MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR US TO REALLY MAKE EFFECTIVE
18 CHANGE THAT'S GOING TO BE FOR GENERATIONS TO COME OF BENEFIT.
19 SO THIS IS AN INVESTMENT IN INFRASTRUCTURE WITHIN L.A. COUNTY
20 THAT WILL BE A MODEL NOT ONLY FOR THE STATE BUT THROUGHOUT THE
21 UNITED STATES. SO, THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND, YEAH, I SUPPORT THIS. THANK
24 YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. AGAIN, OUR
25 VOTERS ARE PRETTY AMAZING IN L.A. COUNTY. WHEN WE MAKE THE



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1 CASE THAT IF THEY AGREE TO TAX THEMSELVES, THEIR MONEY WILL GO
2 TOWARDS TRANSPORTATION OR SOLVING THE HOMELESS CRISIS OR
3 CERTAINLY FOR CLEAN SAFE WATER, AND I KNOW I WORKED HARD TO
4 GET THIS MEASURE PASSED AS WELL, AND BESIDES ALL THE GREAT
5 BENEFITS THAT ARE ACHIEVED BY THESE PROJECTS, AGAIN, WE JUST
6 HAVE TO ALWAYS KEEP IN MIND THAT OUR -- AGAIN, THOSE THAT VOTE
7 TO TAX THEMSELVES, THEY REALLY DESERVE TO SEE THE PROJECTS
8 THAT ARE BUILT BECAUSE THIS IS NOT THE LAST TIME WE'LL
9 PROBABLY BE ASKING THEM TO HELP US OUT ON FUTURE REVENUE
10 STREAMS. SO BIG RESPONSIBILITY I THINK WE HAVE TO THE VOTERS,
11 TO THE TAXPAYERS, TO SAY THANK YOU FOR DOING THIS AND THESE
12 PROJECTS, AGAIN, ARE GOING TO BE BUILT BECAUSE YOU AGREED TO
13 TAX YOURSELVES KNOWING THAT WE WOULD USE YOUR MONEY FOR THESE
14 AMAZING PROJECTS. AND I'M EXCITED. I HAVE ONE PROJECT THAT
15 WE'VE ALREADY BROKE DOWN IN SOUTH WHITTIER, VENTURE PARK,
16 WHICH IS AN UNDERGROUND STORM CAPTURE PROJECT. AND IN
17 COLLABORATION WITH OUR REC AND PARKS DEPARTMENT AT THE END OF
18 THE DAY NOT ONLY WILL WE BE ABLE TO CAPTURE STORM WATER BUT WE
19 WILL IMPROVE THE PARK, AS WELL. SO AT THE END OF THE DAY,
20 THOSE THAT USE THE PARK WILL NOT EVEN KNOW THAT THERE IS THIS
21 UNDERGROUND STORAGE SYSTEM THERE. AND YET WE KNOW HOW VALUABLE
22 THAT IS IN CAPTURING RAINWATER THAT DOES COME TO L.A. SO,
23 THANK YOU FOR DOING THIS. ANYWAY WE CAN SPEED IT UP,
24 STREAMLINE IT, MAKE IT MORE EFFICIENT, MORE ACCOUNTABLE IS A



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1 GOOD THING. SO THANK YOU. ARE THERE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT
2 WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM?

3

4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MODERATOR, MAY WE OF THE FIRST REMOTE
5 SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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7 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS MICHAEL SKADUDO. YOU MAY
8 GIVEN.

9

10 **MICHAEL SKADUDO:** GOOD AFTERNOON. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

11

12 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YES.

13

14 **MICHAEL SKADUDO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS. MY NAME
15 IS MICHAEL SKADUDO, AND I'M WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES L.A.
16 SANITATION AND ENVIRONMENT. I SERVE AS A PRINCIPLE ENGINEER
17 OVERSEEING THE SAFE CLEAN WATER PROGRAM WITHIN THE CITY. I'D
18 LIKE TO BEING BY THANKING FIRST THE COUNTY BOARD OF
19 SUPERVISORS AND THE DISTRICT STAFF FOR THE SAFE CLEAN WATER
20 PROGRAM FOR GETTING THIS PROGRAM OFF THE GROUND. THEIR
21 LEADERSHIP HAS BEEN OUTSTANDING. I'M HERE TODAY TO PROVIDE
22 SUPPORT FOR THE MOTION PUT FORTH BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH.
23 MEASURE W IS THE NEXT EVOLUTION OF WHAT OUR PROP O WAS WITHIN
24 THE CITY OF L.A. THE CITY IS COMMITTED TO SEEING MEASURE W
25 SUCCEED. AS SUCH, THE CITY IS PARTICIPATING IN THE DISTRICT'S



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1 ONGOING METRICS AND MONITORING STUDY AND THE STAKEHOLDER AND,
2 WHAT WAS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED, THE REGIONAL OVERSIGHT
3 COMMITTEE'S BIENNIAL REVIEW. WE'RE EXCITED TO SHARE OUR
4 EXPERIENCES AND WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED FROM PROP O AND IN OUR
5 FIRST COUPLE OF ROUNDS OF THE PROGRAM, SPECIFICALLY IN
6 STREAMLINING THE APPLICATION AND REPORTING PROCESS AND
7 DEVELOPING SPECIFIC APPLICATIONS FOR ONGOING O & M. WITHIN THE
8 CITY OF L.A., WE HAVE A SIMILAR MOTION --

9

10 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. WE HATE TO CUT YOU
11 OFF. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR WORK ON MEASURE O, AND WE LOOK TO
12 COLLABORATE WITH YOU ON LESSONS LEARNED WITH MEASURE O. NEXT
13 SPEAKER -- PROP O. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14

15 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MAGGIE GARDENER. YOU MAY
16 BEGIN.

17

18 **MAGGIE GARDENER:** HI. I'M MAGGIE GARDENER, AND I'M SPEAKING ON
19 BEHALF OF L.A. WATER KEEPER. WE'RE IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR
20 HORVATH'S MOTION ON ACCELERATING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SAFE
21 CLEAN WATER PROGRAM. THE PROGRAM HAS GOTTEN OFF THE GROUND
22 QUICKLY AND INVESTED IN OVER 100 INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS. NOW
23 THAT THE PROGRAM IS ESTABLISHED, IT'S TIME TO CONSIDER HOW IT
24 CAN WORK EVEN BETTER. THE PROGRAM WAS DESIGNED TO BE ADAPTIVE,
25 AND THIS MOTION REQUESTS A REPORT ON ACTIONS THAT WOULD BEGIN



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1 PROGRAM ADAPTATION. A COMPREHENSIVE WATERSHED PLANNING EFFORT
2 AND A PLANNING GROUP DEDICATED TO ONGOING AND ITERATIVE
3 MANAGEMENT WOULD HELP ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A PROACTIVE
4 VISION, SOMETHING WE BELIEVE IS CRITICAL TO THE PROGRAM'S
5 FUTURE SUCCESS. UPDATING THE REGIONAL PROGRAM APPLICATION IS A
6 STEP THAT COULD MAKE WHAT IS AN ARDUOUS PROCESS MORE
7 ACCESSIBLE FOR NONTRADITIONAL APPLICANTS AND SMALLER
8 MUNICIPALITIES ESPECIALLY. WE ALSO APPRECIATE THAT THE MOTION
9 CALLS FOR COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE L.A. COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL
10 AND THE CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY OFFICE, AS WE BELIEVE BOTH
11 OFFICES HAVE A CRITICAL ROLE TO PLAY IN WATERSHED PLANNING.
12 THANK YOU.

13
14 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

15
16 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS THERESA VILLEGAS. YOU MAY
17 BEGIN.

18
19 **THERESA VILLEGAS:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE. THANK YOU FOR
20 TAKING MY CALL TODAY. AND THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR
21 BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. AS CHAIR OF THE UPPER L.A. RIVER
22 WATERSHED, ALSO KNOWN AS U.L.A.R., THAT DRAINS INTO THE
23 PACIFIC OCEAN, THE LOS ANGELES RIVER, AND INCLUDES THE ARROYO
24 SECO, THE VERDUGO WASH, THE TUJUNGA WASH, AND PACOIMA WASH,
25 THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES TO DO MORE REGIONAL PARTNERSHIPS. THE



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1 UPPER L.A. RIVER WATERSHED COMPRISED OF JUST A LITTLE OVER 10
2 CITIES, AND OVER THE LAST FOUR YEARS, WE HAVE APPROVED FUNDING
3 FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS THAT INCLUDE WATER SUPPLY AND
4 IMPROVED WATER QUALITY PROJECTS IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES AND
5 IN THOSE AREAS OF LOS ANGELES WITH THE GREATEST NEED FOR
6 WATER QUALITY AND WATER SUPPLY. AND WE KNOW THAT MORE CAN BE
7 DONE, SO WE'RE REALLY APPRECIATIVE OF THIS EFFORT TO BE ABLE
8 TO REVIEW WHAT WE HAVE DONE OVER THE LAST FOUR YEARS AND BRING
9 EFFICIENCIES FORWARD AND ALSO TO BE ABLE TO ASSIST THE
10 DISTRICT --

11
12 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
13 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14
15 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

16
17 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH. I APPRECIATE THE CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY
18 OFFICER BEING HERE AND THE CITY OF PROP O AND MEASURE W. THESE
19 WATER PROJECTS, LIKE THE COUNTY FLOOD DISTRICT THAT GOES RIGHT
20 BY STUDIO CITY GOLF AND TENNIS, NEED TO BE SCRUBBED SO THAT
21 THERE'S NOT EXAMPLES OF PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS GETTING THE
22 BENEFIT OF PUBLIC FUNDING FOR PROJECTS THAT BENEFIT AN ELITE
23 GROUP OF ANGELENOS, WHO ARE TAKING OVER OUR OPEN PUBLIC
24 SPACES. IT'S NOT A NICE FEELING. THERE IS ALSO THE C.O.C. REC
25 PARK, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, I KNOW YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT ONE TOO,



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1 WHERE THEY'RE FIXING TO KNOCK DOWN A PERFECTLY CHARMING MID
2 CENTURY BUILDING AND STICK UP A GIANT SOMETHING OR OTHER
3 BECAUSE THEY FOUND SOME FUNDING. THIS IS NOT -- WE DON'T WANT
4 TO DO AN EXPERIMENT ON EXPENSIVE STATE OF THE ART PROJECTS
5 THAT ARE SHOW PIECES. WE WANT OUR OPEN SPACE. THAT'S VERY
6 IMPORTANT. BOTH THESE PROJECTS IN STUDIO CITY, I'VE BROUGHT
7 THEM TO YOUR ATTENTION NOW. WE HAVE TO ADDRESS IT. WE HAVE TO
8 SPEAK LIKE A COMMUNITY TO OUR LEADERS AND FIND A WAY TO FIND
9 SOME BALANCE BECAUSE WE CANNOT DO THIS. WE CANNOT, UNDER THE
10 BANNER OF SUSTAINABILITY, RUIN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS.

11
12 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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

16
17 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. ITEM 23 IS NOW BEFORE US. MOVED BY
18 SUPERVISOR HORVATH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE
19 THESE ITEMS. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

20
21 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEM 23 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

22
23 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

24
25 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?



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1

2 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

3

4 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
5 HORVATH?

6

7 **SUP. HORVATH:** AYE.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

10

11 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

12

13 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

14

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

16

17 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

18

19 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, LET'S MOVE TO ITEM 26, WHICH IS ABOUT
20 PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
21 WATER SYSTEMS. I HELD IT. FOR MEMBERS ON THE PUBLIC ON THE
22 TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON ITEM 26.
23 THIS IS PERFECT AFTER THE LAST ITEM ABOUT CLEAN AND SAFE
24 WATER. THE SAFETY OF DRINKING WATER IS CERTAINLY A GROWING
25 CONCERN, AND SOME OF THE BIGGEST THREATS ARE TOXIC CHEMICALS



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1 CALLED POLYFLUORINATED ALKALI SUBSTANCES, ALSO KNOWN AS
2 P.F.A.S. OR FOREVER CHEMICALS. THESE SYNTHETIC CHEMICALS ARE
3 KNOWN TO BUILD UP IN OUR BODIES AND NEVER BREAKDOWN IN THE
4 ENVIRONMENT. STUDY HAVE LINKED THEM TO DECREASED FERTILITY,
5 INCREASED RISK OF HIGH CHOLESTEROL, OBESITY, HIGH BLOOD
6 PRESSURE, CERTAIN CANCERS, AND LIVER AND IMMUNE SYSTEM DAMAGE.
7 JUST RECENTLY, THE U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY CONDUCTED THE FIRST
8 EVER NATIONWIDE ANALYSIS OF FOREVER CHEMICALS IN DRINKING
9 WATER, AND THEY FOUND THAT NEARLY 45% OF OUR NATION'S DRINKING
10 WATER CONTAINS THESE CHEMICALS AND IDENTIFIED SOUTHERN
11 CALIFORNIA AS A HOT SPOT. SO, WE POTENTIALLY HAVE A PROBLEM ON
12 OUR HANDS. I SAY POTENTIALLY BECAUSE WE DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH
13 INFORMATION, AT THIS POINT, TO UNDERSTAND THE EXTENT OF THE
14 PROBLEM HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. L.A. COUNTY'S DRINKING WATER IS
15 MANAGED BY 206 SEPARATE WATER DISTRICTS, SOME OF WHOM ARE
16 LIKELY TESTING FOR THESE CHEMICALS, AND SOME OF WHOM ARE
17 LIKELY NOT, AND SOME THAT WE DON'T KNOW. SO TODAY, I PUT
18 FORWARD THIS MOTION THAT I HOPE WILL SET THE GROUNDWORK FOR US
19 TO TAKE THIS CHALLENGE ON. FIRST, IT ASKS FOR A REPORT BACK
20 FROM PUBLIC HEALTH, PUBLIC WORKS, AND OUR CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY
21 OFFICE IN 90 DAYS WITH INFORMATION ABOUT WHICH OF OUR 206
22 WATER SYSTEMS ARE CURRENTLY TESTING FOR P.F.A.S. AND WHICH ARE
23 NOT, INFORMATION ABOUT WHICH TYPE OF P.F.A.S. CHEMICALS THEY
24 ARE TESTING FOR, OPTIONS TO HELP OUR WATER DISTRICTS TO
25 CONDUCT MORE TESTING, AND POTENTIAL STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING



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1 SOURCES TO SUPPORT MORE TESTING. SECOND, IT ASKS FOR A MORE
2 EXTENSIVE REPORT BACK IN 120 DAYS WITH ANALYSIS OF THE
3 STATEWIDE P.F.A.S. REGULATIONS THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN THE WORKS
4 AND WHETHER THERE ARE ANY GAPS IN THE PROPOSED REGULATIONS AND
5 WHETHER THEY REFLECT THE CONCERNS OF L.A. COUNTY. I KNOW THIS
6 IS AN ISSUE NOT EVERYONE IS FOCUSED ON. IT MIGHT BE EVEN NEW
7 FOR SOME PEOPLE, BUT I THINK IT'S ONE WE'LL BE HEARING MORE
8 AND MORE ABOUT IN THE FUTURE. AND I HOPE THE INFORMATION WE
9 GET FROM THIS REPORT BACK WILL SET US UP TO DO EVERYTHING WE
10 CAN TO PROTECT OUR RESIDENTS AND MAKE SURE THEY'RE GETTING THE
11 CLEAN SAFE DRINKING WATER IN THEIR HOMES. I SEE SUPERVISOR
12 SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR HORVATH ON THE QUEUE.

13
14 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND CONGRATULATIONS
15 ON BRINGING THE MOTION FORWARD. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT YOU'RE
16 CORRECT NOT MANY PEOPLE MAY KNOW ABOUT WHAT'S IN THEIR WATER.
17 AND I KNOW IN AREAS THAT I REPRESENT, LOW INCOME AND
18 DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES IN PARTICULAR, PEOPLE CAN ACTUALLY
19 SEE THINGS IN THEIR WATER. AS RECENT AS A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO,
20 THAT WAS THE CASE WHERE I LIVED IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. WE
21 KNOW THAT WE HAVE SEVERAL SUPER FUND CLEANUP SITES IN OUR
22 COUNTY, AND I KNOW IN MY DISTRICT I HAVE SEVERAL, AND THERE IS
23 ALWAYS A CONSTANT MINDSET THAT HOW WELL ARE WE DOING AND HOW
24 CLEAN IS THE WATER AND ARE WE ABLE TO REUSE THAT WATER. I KNOW
25 THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PUBLIC HEALTH AND



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1 OTHER DEPARTMENTS WILL DO THEIR JOB, BUT I THINK WE DO HAVE AN
2 OBLIGATION TO WORK VERY CLOSELY WITH THE WATER COMPANIES, BUT
3 ESPECIALLY GIVING MORE INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT THESE IMPACTS
4 ARE BECAUSE WHAT I'M READING HERE IS THAT WE KNOW THAT
5 P.F.A.S. CAN RESULT IN INCREASED CHOLESTEROL, IMPACTS ON
6 LIVER, INFANT BIRTHS OUTCOMES, WEAKENED RESPONSES TO
7 VACCINATION, INCREASED RISKS TO PREGNANT WOMEN, AND ALSO HIGH
8 RISK OF KIDNEY AND TESTICULAR CANCER. SO ALL THESE THINGS
9 SHOULD ALARM US. SO I DO HOPE THAT OUR STAFFS WILL DO A GOOD
10 JOB AND KEEP US INFORMED ON THIS BECAUSE THIS IS EVERYBODY'S
11 ISSUE. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR INTRODUCING THE MOTION.

12
13 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SUPERVISOR
14 HORVATH?

15
16 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU FOR BRINGING
17 THIS ITEM FORWARD. I'M REALLY EXCITED THAT YOU INTRODUCED IT
18 AND THAT WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT IT
19 AND DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT TODAY. P.F.A.S., LIKE THE
20 PROLIFERATION OF SINGLE-USE PLASTICS AND MICRO PLASTICS, ARE A
21 THREAT TO ANGELENOS PUBLIC HEALTH AND TO OUR NATURAL
22 ENVIRONMENT. THESE CHEMICALS HAVE BEEN AGGRESSIVELY PUSHED BY
23 THE PETROCHEMICAL INDUSTRY AND ARE NOW UBIQUITOUS IN EVERY DAY
24 PRODUCTS LIKE FOOD WRAPPERS, MAKE-UP, FURNITURE, AND
25 CLOTHING. THEY ARE KNOWN AS FOREVER CHEMICALS BECAUSE THEY'RE



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SUPERVISORS

1 EXTREMELY HARD TO BREAKDOWN, WHICH MEANS THEY PERSIST IN
2 NATURE, IN WATER, IN OUR FOOD SYSTEMS, AND EVEN IN OUR BODIES.
3 THE C.D.C. HAS IDENTIFIED THEM IN DRINKING WATER AS ONE OF THE
4 SEMINAL PUBLIC HEALTH CHALLENGES OVER THE COMING DECADES DUE
5 TO INCREASED CANCER RISK. ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMUNITIES
6 THAT LIVE NEAR INDUSTRIAL SITES ARE THE MOST AT RISK OF HAVING
7 HIGH CONCENTRATIONS OF P.F.A.S. IN THEIR BLOODSTREAMS.
8 HOWEVER, A C.D.C. STUDY FOUND THAT MORE THAN 97% OF THE U.S.
9 POPULATION HAS THEM IN THEIR BODIES. THE PUBLIC MAY NOT KNOW
10 THAT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY WE HAVE MORE THAN 200 INDIVIDUAL
11 WATER DISTRICTS, AND I'M ESPECIALLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE
12 SMALLER DISTRICTS THAT MAY LACK THE ABILITY TO SUFFICIENTLY
13 ADDRESS THIS PROBLEM. SO I'M PLEASED THAT THE FORTHCOMING
14 COUNTY WATER PLAN WILL ALSO BE DISCUSSING THE VULNERABILITY OF
15 THESE SMALLER SYSTEMS, AND I COMMEND THE BOARD, LED BY
16 SUPERVISOR BARGER, FOR HER ATTENTION TO SMALL WATER DISTRICTS
17 IN PREVIOUS BOARD ACTIONS. I'M PLEASED THAT LAST YEAR'S
18 INFLATION REDUCTION ACT EARMARKED MONEY SPECIFICALLY FOR WATER
19 DISTRICTS TO ADDRESS P.F.A.S., AND I'M HOPEFUL THAT THIS
20 POSITION US TO ACCESS THOSE RESOURCES. I URGE THE DEPARTMENT
21 TO WORK QUICKLY ON THIS REPORT BACK SO WE CAN UNDERSTAND MORE
22 AND DO ALL THAT WE CAN TO KEEP OUR COMMUNITIES SAFE AND THANK
23 OUR CHAIR FOR LEADING US IN THIS EFFORT.

24



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YEAH, I KNOW WHEN I SERVED ON
2 L.A.F.C.O., I THINK YOU WERE ON WITH ME, SUPERVISOR BARGER,
3 AND THAT'S WHEN WE HAD THE ISSUES WITH SATIVA WATER DISTRICT,
4 WHICH WAS IN COMPTON. THAT WAS MY INITIAL AWAKENING OF WATER
5 DISTRICTS, HOW MANY WE HAVE IN L.A. COUNTY. MANY OF THEM ARE
6 GOVERNED BY VOLUNTEERS. THERE WASN'T A LOT OF ACCOUNTABILITY
7 AND TRANSPARENCY IN TERMS OF EVEN WHAT THEY WERE CHARGING
8 THEIR CUSTOMERS AND THE KIND OF WATER THAT THEY WERE
9 DELIVERING TO THEIR CUSTOMERS, BUT A LOT OF THESE WATER
10 DISTRICTS STARTED A LONG TIME AGO, SORT OF LIKE THE WILD, WILD
11 WEST. SOME OF THEM WERE ONE WELL AND FOUR BACKYARDS, AND THAT
12 BECAME A WATER DISTRICT. SO THIS IS SERIOUS, BUT I DO KNOW
13 THAT I'M GOING TO PUT A LOT OF FAITH IN OUR DEPARTMENT OF
14 PUBLIC HEALTH AND OUR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, PARTICULARLY
15 FOR NAVIGATING A PATHWAY FORWARD ON HOW WE CAN SEE WHO IS
16 TESTING AND WHO IS NOT FOR THESE FOREVER CHEMICALS. DO WE HAVE
17 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THIS ON THIS
18 ITEM?

19
20 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST
21 SPEAKER, PLEASE?

22
23 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS MAGGIE GARDENER. YOU MAY
24 BEGIN.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **MAGGIE GARDENER:** HI. I'M MAGGIE GARDENER, AND I'M SPEAKING ON
2 BEHALF OF L.A. WATER KEEPER. WE ARE IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR
3 HAHN'S MOTION ON P.F.A.S. TESTING IN L.A. COUNTY WATER
4 SYSTEMS. P.F.A.S. ARE EMERGING CONTAMINANTS, SO DETERMINING
5 HOW WIDESPREAD THEIR PRESENCE EXTENDS IS INTEGRAL TO ENSURING
6 CLEAN AND SAFE WATER FOR L.A. COUNTY. L.A. WATER KEEPER
7 PARTICIPATED IN A WATER KEEPER ALLIANCE EFFORT TO TEST SURFACE
8 WATERS ACROSS THE UNITED STATES LAST JUNE. WE TESTED THE L.A.
9 RIVER AND HAVE CONTINUED TO TEST THE L.A. RIVER FOR P.F.A.S.
10 AS PART OF OUR COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAM. WE KNOW THAT THE
11 L.A. RIVER AS WELL AS 83% OF THE SURFACE WATER SAMPLES TAKEN
12 BY WATER KEEPER CHAPTERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY TEST POSITIVE FOR
13 AT LEAST ONE P.F.A.S. COMPOUND. GIVEN OUR EXPERIENCE WITH
14 SURFACE WATERS, WE SUPPORT THE COUNTY INDEXING THE CURRENT
15 TESTING PROTOCOLS AND EXPLORING OPTIONS TO EXPAND TESTING OF
16 WATER SYSTEMS IN THE COUNTY. WE ALSO SUPPORT THE COUNTY
17 EXPLORING POTENTIAL FUNDING MECHANISMS FOR INCREASED TESTING
18 AND THE STRENGTHENING OF REGULATORY STANDARDS BASED ON
19 RESULTS. THANK YOU.

20
21 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR THE WORK THAT YOU
22 ALL DO OUT THERE. OKAY, ITEM 26 IS NOW BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE
23 IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO APPROVE THIS ITEM.
24 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** ITEM 26 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

2

3 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

4

5 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

6

7 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

8

9 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR

10 HORVATH?

11

12 **SUP. HORVATH:** AYE.

13

14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

15

16 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

19

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

21

22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

23

24 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, NOW WE'RE TO SPECIALS, AND AT THIS

25 TIME IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO HEAR FROM SUPERVISORS ON ITEMS



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1 NOT ON THE POSTED AGENDA TO BE PRESENTED OR REFERRED TO STAFF
2 OR PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT
3 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL HAS ONE, AND I ALSO HAVE ONE. SUPERVISOR
4 MITCHELL?

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. ACTUALLY, I
7 HAVE TWO.

8

9 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** MY SCRIPT ONLY SAYS YOU HAVE ONE. OH, NO.
10 YOU KNOW WHAT? IT HAS SPECIALS. YOU'RE RIGHT. SUPERVISOR
11 MITCHELL HAS SPECIALS.

12

13 **SUP. MITCHELL:** IN SO MANY WAYS. THANK YOU, MS. BARGER. SO, AM
14 I DOING MY READ-IN -- AM I DOING THEM BOTH TOGETHER?

15

16 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** YES.

17

18 **SUP. MITCHELL:** OKAY GREAT, THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
19 MADAM CHAIR. FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO TALK ABOUT THAT TODAY --
20 WELL, THE 27TH IS BLACK WOMEN'S EQUAL PAY DAY. EMPLOYERS ARE
21 NOT LEGALLY ALLOWED TO PAY YOU LESS BECAUSE OF YOUR SEX OR
22 RACE PURSUANT TO FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL LAWS. WE ALL KNOW
23 THAT TO BE TRUE. HOWEVER, THE REALITY DOESN'T ALWAYS MATCH
24 THAT. HERE IN CALIFORNIA, WOMEN EARN ONLY \$0.88 FOR EVERY
25 DOLLAR EARNED BY OUR MALE COUNTERPARTS, AND FROM THERE THE



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1 NEWS GETS PROGRESSIVELY WORSE FOR WOMEN OF COLOR. A WOMAN, A
2 BLACK WOMAN, EARNS \$0.67 FOR EVERY DOLLAR A WHITE MAN EARNS
3 COSTING HER \$907,680 OVER A 40 YEAR PERIOD OF FULL-TIME
4 EMPLOYMENT. I'M BRINGING THIS FORWARD BECAUSE, AGAIN, THIS
5 THURSDAY, THE 27TH, HAPPENS TO BE BLACK WOMEN'S EQUAL PAY DAY
6 MARKING THE APPROXIMATE DATE THAT A BLACK WOMAN MUST WORK INTO
7 THE NEW YEAR TO MAKE WHAT OUR WHITE MALE COUNTERPARTS MADE BY
8 THE END OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR. EVERY WOMAN OF COLOR HAS A
9 DIFFERENT KIND OF EQUAL PAY DAY. THE WAGE GAP BLACK WOMEN FACE
10 IS AN ECONOMIC CONSEQUENCE OF MISOGYNOIR, A TERM COINED BY
11 AUTHOR AND RESEARCHER MOYA BAILEY, WHICH CAPTURES THE
12 INTERSECTIONAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ANTIBLACKNESS AND
13 MISOGYNISTIC OPPRESSIONS BLACK WOMEN INCUR IN THE WORKFORCE.
14 AGAIN, MISOGYNOIR. FURTHERMORE, THIS PAY GAP EXISTS ACROSS
15 INDUSTRIES REGARDLESS OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT. AND DURING
16 THE HEIGHT OF THE PANDEMIC, BLACK WOMEN EXPERIENCED AN
17 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE THAT WAS THREE TIMES HIGHER THAN PRE
18 PANDEMIC LEVELS. SO I BROUGHT TODAY'S MOTION FORWARD TODAY IN
19 RECOGNITION OF THIS DAY TO NOT ONLY BRING AWARENESS TO THE
20 RACIAL AND GENDER PAY EQUITY GAP BUT TO ALSO BRING FORWARD
21 SOLUTIONS ON HOW THE COUNTY CAN WORK TO CLOSE THE GENDER AND
22 RACIAL WAGE GAP FOR EVERY ANGELENO. WHILE CALIFORNIA HAS TAKEN
23 STEPS IN RECENT YEARS TO ADDRESS SALARY AND HOURLY PAY
24 TRANSPARENCY, THE COUNTY CAN DO MORE AND FOLLOW EXAMPLES FROM
25 CITIES LIKE NEW YORK, WHO ENACTED A PAY TRANSPARENCY ORDINANCE



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1 BACK IN 2022. SO MY MOTION ASKS COUNTY COUNSEL, IN
2 COLLABORATION WITH OTHER DEPARTMENTS, TO PROVIDE A REPORT BACK
3 ON OPTIONS FOR A PAY TRANSPARENCY ORDINANCE REQUIRING
4 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO REPORT ON AN PUBLISH ON A PERIODIC BASIS
5 SALARY AND DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION FOR BOTH THE COUNTY
6 WORKFORCE AND OUR COUNTY CONTRACTORS. ADDITIONALLY, WE'RE
7 ASKING THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS, THE
8 CENTER FOR FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT TO CREATE A "EQUAL PAY FOR
9 EQUAL WORK" PROGRAM THAT WILL PROVIDE EDUCATION AND OUTREACH
10 TO ALL WORKERS, PARTICULARLY LOW INCOME WOMEN AND OTHER
11 MARGINALIZED WORKERS, ON STATE AND LOCAL EQUAL PAY AND PAY
12 TRANSPARENCY LAWS AND RELEVANT FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAMS,
13 INCLUDING TRAININGS ON EFFECTIVE SALARY NEGOTIATION. FINALLY,
14 WE HAVE ASKED D.C.B.A. TO LEAD ON A REPORT BACK THAT INCLUDES
15 A POLICY LANDSCAPE ANALYSIS, BEST PRACTICES FROM OTHER
16 JURISDICTIONS, THAT THE COUNTY MAY CONSIDER TO FURTHER
17 CONTINUE TO CLOSE THE PAY GAP FOR BLACK WOMEN AND ALL WOMEN OF
18 COLOR AND OTHER DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED GROUPS AND ANY
19 RECOMMENDATIONS OF ADDITIONAL STRATEGIES THEY MAY HAVE FOR
20 CLOSING THE PAY GAP. THIS MOTION IS ESSENTIAL AND WILL MAKE A
21 SIGNIFICANT IMPACT, AS 80% OF BLACK WOMEN ARE THE BREADWINNERS
22 FOR THEIR HOUSEHOLDS, MEANING THEY CARRY THE SOLE, PRIMARY, OR
23 CO-BURDEN OF UPLIFTING THEIR FAMILIES AND THEIR COMMUNITIES.
24 I'M PROUD TO BRING THIS MOTION FORWARD TODAY, AND I LOOK
25 FORWARD TO HAVING THE COUNTY PLAY A MORE MEANINGFUL ROLE IN



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1 REDUCING THE RACIAL AND GENDER PAY GAP TO SUPPORT BLACK WOMEN
2 AND ALL WOMEN, IN PARTICULAR WOMEN OF COLOR, IN THE WORKPLACE.

3
4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. AND FOR MY SPECIAL, MADAM CHAIR AND
7 COLLEAGUES, ON AUGUST 4TH, 2022, A CAR TRAVELING AT EXCESSIVE
8 SPEEDS DOWN LA BREA AVENUE RAN A RED LIGHT AND CRASHED THROUGH
9 A BUSY INTERSECTION ON SLAUSON AVENUE KILLING FIVE PEOPLE,
10 INCLUDING A PREGNANT MOTHER, WHO WAS NEAR TERM. THE INCIDENT,
11 WHICH HAPPENED IN BROAD DAYLIGHT, LEFT AN INDELIBLE MARK ON
12 THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY, A MARK STILL FELT VERY STRONGLY
13 NEARLY ONE YEAR LATER. SHORTLY AFTER THE CRASH, THIS BOARD
14 ACTED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADOPT A MOTION TO IMPROVE TRANSPORTATION
15 SAFETY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND TRANSPARENCY FOR LOS ANGELES
16 COUNTY. AS WE APPROACH THE ANNIVERSARY OF THIS CRASH, MY
17 OFFICE HEARS REGULARLY FROM RESIDENTS ACROSS THE DISTRICT, WHO
18 ARE EAGER TO WORK TOGETHER TO IMPROVE TRANSPORTATION SAFETY IN
19 THE UNINCORPORATED PARTS OF THE COUNTY. IN THIS LAST YEAR
20 ALONE, WE'VE BEEN WORKING IN CLOSE COORDINATION WITH COMMUNITY
21 MEMBERS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO DEVELOP A
22 COMMUNITY TRAFFIC SAFETY PLAN FOR THIS AREA TO ADVOCATE FOR
23 STATE LEGISLATION THAT WOULD EXPAND THE TOOLS IN OUR TOOLKIT
24 ON SAFETY AND TO INSTALL INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS IN HIGH
25 CRASH AREAS. ONE OF THE LAST REMAINING ACTIONS FROM THE AUGUST



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1 2022 MOTION WAS TO DEVELOP SOLUTIONS TO MORE PROACTIVELY
2 IMPROVE HOW WE COORDINATE INVESTMENTS AND DECISION-MAKING
3 RELATED TO TRANSPORTATION. CURRENTLY, TRANSPORTATION PLANNING,
4 SERVICES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES ARE SPREAD THROUGHOUT COUNTY
5 DEPARTMENTS. THIS IS DISTINCT FROM JURISDICTIONS OF OVER 1
6 MILLION RESIDENTS ACROSS THE COUNTRY, WHERE SERVICES TEND TO
7 BE CENTRALIZED. THESE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES ALL HAVE A
8 RELATIONSHIP TO ONE ANOTHER, BUT THERE IS NO CENTRALIZED PLACE
9 FOR COORDINATION AND ALIGNMENT ON PRIORITIES. OUR CONSTITUENTS
10 ARE UNCLEAR ABOUT WHO TO GO TO FOR WHAT ISSUES OR WHO TO TRACK
11 VARIOUS TRANSPORTATION RELATED SERVICES. ON JUNE 30TH OF THIS
12 YEAR, THE C.E.O. REPORTED BACK TO THE BOARD WITH A
13 RECOMMENDATION TO ESTABLISH A TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE, WHICH
14 WOULD ALLOW ALL TRANSPORTATION RELATED FUNCTIONS OF THE COUNTY
15 TO FOLLOW CLEAR PRIORITIES, COORDINATE BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS,
16 AND ENGAGE THE PUBLIC. SO TODAY, AS WE APPROACH THE
17 ANNIVERSARY OF THE SLAUSON SIX CRASH, I PRESENT THIS READ-IN
18 MOTION, WHICH WILL BE TAKEN UP AT THE SEPTEMBER 12TH REGULAR
19 BOARD MEETING AND PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE BOARD AND THE
20 PUBLIC TO WEIGH IN. THE MOTION HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO YOUR
21 OFFICES, SO I'LL ONLY SUMMARIZE THE MOTION'S DIRECTIVES TODAY.
22 THE MOTION WOULD REPLACE THE EXISTING HIGHWAY SAFETY
23 COMMISSION WITH A NEWLY RECONSTITUTED TRANSPORTATION
24 COMMISSION, WHICH WILL ADVISE AND ASSIST THE BOARD ON ALL
25 MATTERS PERTAINING TO TRANSPORTATION POLICIES, STATE AND



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1 FEDERAL LEGISLATION, GOALS, PLANS, PROCESSES, CONTRACTS, AND
2 MOBILITY RELATED MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS. IT WOULD ESTABLISH A
3 TASKFORCE OF DEPARTMENT HEADS THAT HAVE A ROLE IN
4 TRANSPORTATION THAT WOULD REPORT TO THE COMMISSION, INCLUDING
5 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, REGIONAL PLANNING, SHERIFF,
6 AGING AND DISABILITY, PUBLIC HEALTH, THE CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY
7 OFFICE, AND THE C.E.O. OF A.R.D.I. THE MOTION ALSO ESTABLISHES
8 A SET OF GOVERNING RULES FOR THE COMMISSION, INCLUDING
9 LEADERSHIP STRUCTURE, FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS, AND EXPERTISE OF
10 COMMISSIONERS AND ASKS FOR A REPORT BACK ON HOW TO SUPPORT
11 THIS COMMISSION LONG TERM. COLLEAGUES, THE SECOND DISTRICT HAS
12 THE DUBIOUS DISTINCTION OF HAVING THE LARGEST NUMBER OF
13 UNINCORPORATED RESIDENTS IN THE COUNTY AND THE HIGHEST SHARE
14 OF TRAFFIC-RELATED DEATHS IN THE COUNTY. I ALSO OVERSEE A
15 DISTRICT WITH THE LARGEST SHARE OF TRANSIT DEPENDENT RIDERS IN
16 THE COUNTY. SO THE CONSTITUENTS OF THE SECOND DISTRICT AND
17 OVER 1 MILLION CONSTITUENTS ACROSS THE COUNTY RELY ON US TO
18 KEEP THEM SAFE WHILE TRAVELING AND TO WORK TO IMPROVE THEIR
19 CHOICES FOR TRAVELING. MY OFFICE HAS WORKED WITH SEVERAL OF
20 THE IMPACTED DEPARTMENTS ON THIS MOTION, AND STAFF ACROSS THE
21 COUNTY HAVE SHARED THEIR ALIGNMENT AND APPRECIATION FOR TRYING
22 TO IMPROVE THE STATUS QUO FOR OUR CONSTITUENTS. WE CAN AND
23 SHOULD BE SETTING AN EXAMPLE FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTRY FOR SAFE,
24 RELIABLE, SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY CHOICES FOR ALL AND



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1 PARTICULARLY THE MOST IMPACTED RESIDENTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
2 THOSE ARE MY TWO READ-INS.

3

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

5

6 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AND IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT ON THE FIRST
7 ONE, WE NEED TO VOTE ON THE FIRST ONE ON BLACK WOMEN'S EQUAL
8 PAY DAY.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** YES, WE'LL TAKE GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, AND
11 THEN WE WILL VOTE ON THAT ITEM WITH THE REMAINING ITEMS.

12

13 **SUP. MITCHELL:** APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

14

15 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. AND THEN I HAVE A READ-IN. IT'S A
16 REQUEST FOR THE ASSESSOR TO REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE 2023
17 TAX ROLL. GIVEN THE RISING INTEREST RATES AND SLOWING HOUSING
18 MARKET, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BELIEVE IT WOULD BE IN THE
19 BEST INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC TO HAVE THE ASSESSOR REPORT ON THE
20 STATUS OF THE 2023 TAX ROLL. I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD
21 OF SUPERVISORS REQUEST THE ASSESSOR TO VERBALLY REPORT BACK
22 TO THE BOARD ON THE STATUS OF THE 2023 TAX ROLL AND ITS
23 TRANSFER TO THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER DURING THE AUGUST 8TH, 2023
24 BOARD MEETING.

25



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** AND MADAM CHAIR, THAT WILL BE VOTED ON WITH
2 THE REMAINING ITEMS, AS WELL.

3
4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO, NOW, SEEING NO OTHER SPECIALS,
5 WE'LL MOVE ON TO PUBLIC COMMENT. WE WILL HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF
6 THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS
7 NOT HELD BY SUPERVISORS AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. FOR
8 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, YOU MAY PRESS 1 THEN 0
9 NOW TO COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS. YOU MUST INDICATE THE AGENDA
10 ITEM NUMBERS THAT YOU WISH TO ADDRESS, INCLUDING GENERAL
11 PUBLIC COMMENT IN ORDER FOR US TO ALLOCATE THE APPROPRIATE
12 AMOUNT OF TIME. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE
13 PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THE REMAINING ITEMS AND
14 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

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16 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, YOU WILL HAVE TO UP
17 TO THREE MINUTES TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS
18 AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. AND ONE MINUTE FOR ONE ITEM, TWO
19 MINUTES FOR TWO OR MORE ITEMS, AND ONE ADDITIONAL MINUTE FOR
20 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND CLEARLY
21 INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU'LL BE ADDRESSING. YOU MAY ONLY
22 ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THESE ITEMS. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE
23 FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE.



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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS STEVE LEE. PLEASE STATE
2 THE ITEM NUMBERS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY AND WHETHER YOU'LL
3 ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4
5 **STEVE LEE:** MY NAME IS STEVE LEE. I'M ADDRESSING GENERAL PUBLIC
6 COMMENT. DEAR BOARD MEMBERS, THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. I'M FROM
7 VAL VERDE. AND IN APRIL OF THIS YEAR, N.A.S.A. DID A FLY OVER
8 OF CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL TO MEASURE CARBON DIOXIDE EMITTING
9 FROM THEIR SITE. THEY FOUND A HUGE C.O.2 BUBBLE THAT ENGULFED
10 THE MAJORITY OF THE TOWN OF VAL VERDE, A TOWN WITH AN AVERAGE
11 INCOME OF \$30,300, WELL IN THE POVERTY LEVEL. RECENTLY, THE
12 LANDFILL HAS RECEIVED 23 SMELL VIOLATIONS, WHICH THEY CANNOT
13 FIX. SECTION 28F OF THE C.U.P. SAYS IF THE NUISANCE CANNOT BE
14 FIXED, THEN THEY MUST CLOSE UNTIL IT CAN. THEY ARE STILL OPEN,
15 AND THE TOWN IS STILL SUFFERING WITH SEVERE HEADACHES AND
16 OTHER HEALTH ISSUES. IN THIS HEATWAVE, WE CANNOT EVEN OPEN OUR
17 WINDOWS AT NIGHT TO COOL OUR HOUSES OR ENJOY THE SHADE ON OUR
18 PROPERTY BECAUSE OF THE STENCH AND THE DANGERS OF C.O.2
19 INFILTRATING OUR TOWN. IS THERE ANYONE THAT'S GOING TO HELP
20 ONE OF THE POOREST TOWNS HERE IN SANTA CLARITA VALLEY? WE ARE
21 BEGGING. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

22
23 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JEREMY WOLF. PLEASE STATE
2 THE ITEM NUMBERS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY AND WHETHER YOU'LL
3 BE ADDRESSING ON GENERAL GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY
4 BEGIN.

5
6 **JEREMY WOLF:** I'M ADDRESSING ITEM NUMBER 23, AND MY NAME IS
7 JEREMY WOLF, AND I'M A LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM MANAGER AT THE LAS
8 VIRGENES MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT. AND LAS VIRGENES MUNICIPAL
9 WATER DISTRICT REPRESENTS 75,000 RESIDENTS IN WESTERN LOS
10 ANGELES COUNTY. AND WE'VE BEEN A KEY STAKEHOLDER IN L.A.
11 COUNTY'S CLEAN SAFE WATER PROGRAM SINCE ITS INCEPTION. SO I
12 WAS CALLING EARLIER IN SUPPORT AND ASKING FOR AN AYE VOTE, BUT
13 NOW NOW I'M CALLING TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS AND SUPERVISOR
14 HORVATH AND HER STAFF FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS MOTION. WE
15 REALLY THINK IT'S GOING TO HELP IMPROVE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF
16 THE SAFE CLEAN WATER PROGRAM AND IMPROVE STREAMLINE OF
17 EXISTING REGIONAL PROGRAMS. SO, WE THANK SUPERVISOR HORVATH,
18 HER STAFF, AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF APPROVING THIS.
19 THANK YOU.

20
21 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

22
23 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. PLEASE
24 STATE THE ITEM NUMBERS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY AND WHETHER
25 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.



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2 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON. DR. GENEVIEVE
3 CLAVREUL. I WILL SPEAK TO ITEM 53, 49A AND 49C, AND PUBLIC
4 COMMENT. ON ITEM 53, I AM OPPOSED. (INDISCERNIBLE) SHE DIDN'T
5 DO MUCH WORK WHEN SHE WAS WITH THE W.G.I. I THINK THAT IS A
6 BIG WASTE OF MONEY. ON ITEM 49A, I THINK IT'S GREAT TO ADD
7 ANOTHER PARTICIPATION IN HOMELESS AROUND NUMBER THREE. AND
8 THEN ON 49C, IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO HAVE A HUMAN AND
9 COMPASSIONATE (INDISERNIBLE) PEOPLE WHO HAVE SERIOUS MEDICAL
10 NEEDS AND SO ON. I THINK THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT. MANY TIMES,
11 THEY DON'T GET THE MEDICATIONS THEY NEED AND SO ON. AND ON THE
12 PUBLIC COMMENT, I WANT TO VOICE AGAIN MY DISPLEASURE OF THE
13 WAY THAT BOARD MEETING WAS HANDLED TODAY. I THINK YOU
14 VIOLATED THE BROWN ACT MULTIPLE TIMES BY NOT ALLOWING PEOPLE
15 TO SPEAK WITH ITEMS THEY SIGNED UP FOR, INCLUDING ME. AND I
16 HOPE THAT FOR THE NEXT MEETINGS YOU DEAL WITH THE PEOPLE WHO
17 ARE DISRUPTING, HAVE THEM REMOVED, SO PEOPLE LIKE MYSELF WHO
18 FOLLOW THE RULE AND ARE POLITE AND SO ON ARE NOT DEPRIVED OF
19 BEING HEARD. THANK YOU SO MUCH. HAVE A NICE DAY.

20

21 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, GENEVIEVE. AND WE'LL
22 LOOK INTO THAT BECAUSE IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO ALL OF US THAT -
23 - ESPECIALLY WHEN WE'RE DOING REMOTE VIRTUAL THAT WE MAKE SURE
24 WE GET EVERYBODY ON AND DON'T REMOVE PEOPLE AND WE'LL LOOK
25 INTO IF WE HAD SOME PROBLEMS TODAY.



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2 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, BUT I KNOW YOU ARE TRUST
3 YOURSELF.

4

5 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

6

7 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MONISHA PARKER. PLEASE
8 STATE THE ITEMS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY AND WHETHER YOU'LL
9 ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

10

11 **MONISHA PARKER:** HI. MY NAME IS MONISHA PARKER. I'M ADDRESSING
12 ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE FOR NOT HAVING
13 AN ALTERNATIVE. WHEN METROLINK DOES A MAINTENANCE ON AUGUST
14 5TH AND 6TH HERE IN ANTELOPE VALLEY, THERE'S NO REASONABLE
15 ACCOMMODATION FOR A PERSON WHO IS IN A WHEELCHAIR WHO WANTS TO
16 RIDE THE METROLINK ON THE WEEKENDS. KATHRYN BARGER, WHEN ARE
17 YOU GOING TO START (INDISERNIBLE) IN ANTELOPE VALLEY? YOU
18 HAVE BEEN IN OFFICE FOR SEVERAL YEARS, AND NOTHING HAS CHANGED
19 IN ANTELOPE VALLEY. YOUR STAFF IS GOING TO COST YOU YOUR RE-
20 ELECTION. THANK YOU. BYE.

21

22 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

23



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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS VALERIE BRADFORD. PLEASE
2 STATE THE ITEM NUMBERS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY AND WHETHER
3 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4
5 **VALERIE BRADORD:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I'M ADDRESSING
6 ITEM NUMBER 10. MY NAME IS VALERIE BRADFORD, AND I'M PRESIDENT
7 OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY BRANCH OF THE N.A.A.C.P.. I'M SPEAKING
8 TODAY IN SUPPORT OF A.R.D.I., SPECIFICALLY SUPPORTING
9 A.R.D.I.'S COLLABORATIVE EFFORT AND OUTREACH TO ENGAGE
10 COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND INPUT. AFRICAN AMERICANS ARE
11 APPROXIMATELY 4% OF THE POPULATION IN SANTA CLARITA VALLEY.
12 AND WHILE EACH COMMUNITY IS DIFFERENT AND EACH PROTECTED GROUP
13 HAS ITS OWN CHALLENGES TO FACE, OFTENTIMES WE FEEL LIKE WE'RE
14 ALL ALONE IN THE CENTURY OLD FIGHT OF RACISM. I HAVE SEEN AND
15 DO SEE THE NEED FOR THIS INITIATIVE TO ENGAGE AND ADDRESS THE
16 CONCERNS AND EXPERIENCES THAT AFRICAN AMERICANS ARE FACING IN
17 SANTA CLARITA AND THE NEED FOR REPRESENTATION THAT LOOKS LIKE
18 ME IN THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS OF THE COUNTY AND A.R.D.I.'S
19 EFFORTS. I URGE YOU TO CONSIDER A GREATER COLLABORATIVE EFFORT
20 WITH ORGANIZATIONS LIKE OURS AND OTHER AFRICAN AMERICAN
21 COMMUNITY LEADERS. I ASK YOU TO APPROVE THE AGENDA ITEM AND
22 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

23
24 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.



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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SARAH OLAUDES. PLEASE STATE
2 THE ITEM NUMBERS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY AND WHETHER YOU'LL
3 ADDRESS ON PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4
5 **SARAH OLAUDES:** HELLO MY NAME IS SARAH OLAUDES. I AM A MEMBER
6 OF VAL VERDE AND THE CASTAIC COMMUNITY. I'M SPEAKING TODAY
7 ABOUT CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL, WHICH IS LOCATED IN SANTA
8 CLARITA. SINCE MID MAY, CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL HAS RECEIVED
9 OVER 20 PLUS AIR QUALITY VIOLATIONS. I CANNOT GO OUTSIDE OF MY
10 HOUSE TO ENJOY MY YARD BECAUSE THE AIR IS THICK WITH WAVES OF
11 HARSH TRASH ODORS AND STRONG METHANE GAS ODORS. RESIDENTS ARE
12 EXPERIENCING HEALTH ISSUES, LOSS OF ENJOYMENT OF OUR HOMES,
13 AND STRESS ABOUT HOW THIS EXPOSURE IS GOING TO AFFECT US LONG
14 TERM. MYSELF AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY HAVE WRITTEN
15 ASKING THAT THE LANDFILL BE SHUT DOWN AND THE METHANE GAS
16 ISSUES BE ADDRESSED IMMEDIATELY. THE LANDFILL IS POISONING THE
17 AIR AND COMMUNITIES OF CASTAIC AND VAL VERDE AND OTHER PARTS
18 OF SANTA CLARITA. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME TODAY.

19
20 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

21
22 **SUP. BARGER:** MADAM CHAIR, WHILE WE HAVE THIS NEXT SPEAKER, ON
23 THOSE CALLING IN REGARDING CHIQUITA CANYON, WE'RE GOING TO BE
24 SENDING SOMETHING OUT. A.Q.M.D. IS ACTIVELY INVOLVED, AND
25 THERE IS DEFINITELY A PROBLEM AS IT RELATES TO THE LANDFILL



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1 AND SOME OF THE METHANE GAS OR WHAT THEY THINK IS METHANE GAS
2 AFFECTING THE COMMUNITY. SO WE'LL BE FOLLOWING UP WITH THEM.

3
4 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

5
6 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MIKAELA DRUCKER. PLEASE
7 STATE THE ITEM NUMBERS YOU'RE ADDRESSING TODAY AND WHETHER
8 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

9
10 **MIKAELA DRUCKER:** HI, MY NAME IS MIKAELA DRUCKER. AND I'M WITH
11 THE A.C.L.U. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. I'M CALLING TO SUPPORT
12 ITEM 2 AND OPPOSE 42 AND 43. FIRST OF ALL, THE USE OF CANINES
13 OR APPREHENSION OR FIGHTS IS NOT HUMANE FOR THE DOGS
14 THEMSELVES AND FOR HUMANS. IT'S ALSO IMPORTANT TO NOTE THE
15 HISTORY OF USING DOGS TO ATTACK INDIVIDUALS, ESPECIALLY PEOPLE
16 OF COLOR. IT ALSO IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THE USE OF CANINES TO
17 ATTACK PEOPLE OF COLOR BY THE L.A.S.D. THROUGHOUT HISTORY. WE
18 FIRMLY SUPPORT THE IDEA THAT L.A.S.D. SHOULD STOP ITS PRACTICE
19 OF USING CANINES FOR THIS AND SHOULD DEFINITELY NOT GET
20 ANOTHER CANINE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

21
22 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.



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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ABIGAIL DESESSA. PLEASE
2 STATE THE ITEM NUMBERS YOU ARE ADDRESSING TODAY AND WHETHER
3 YOU'LL ADDRESS ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU MAY BEGIN.

4
5 **ABIGAIL DESESSA:** HELLO, I'M SPEAKING ON GENERAL PUBLIC
6 COMMENT. I AM ABIGAIL DESESSA, A 24 YEAR RESIDENT OF CASTAIC
7 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I HAVE WRITTEN TO ALL THE SUPERVISORS,
8 THE E.P.A., ASSEMBLYWOMAN FOR DISTRICT 40, AND DR. FERRER OF
9 L.A. COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH. WE MUST GET ACTION TO STOP THE
10 DANGEROUS GASES SPREADING OVER OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND
11 BUSINESSES IN CASTAIC FROM CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL, WHICH IS
12 OPERATING OUTSIDE ITS C.U.P. WE ARE GETTING SICK. I AM GETTING
13 SICK. A.Q.M.D. HAS ISSUED 23 NOTICES OF VIOLATIONS SINCE MID
14 MAY THIS YEAR. N.A.S.A. HAS NOW DOCUMENTED THE GIANT PLUME OF
15 GASES OVER US FROM SPACE. WE CANNOT USE OUR OWN PROPERTY, OPEN
16 OUR WINDOWS AT NIGHT FOR COOLER AIR. WE ARE RUNNING UP LARGE
17 UNSUSTAINABLE ELECTRIC BILLS BEING LOCKED IN OUR HOMES, AND
18 OUR HOME VALUES ARE PLUMMETING WITH THIS CONTINUING EVENT.
19 PLEASE STOP THE POISONING OF OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
20 ATTENTION TO THIS MATTER

21
22 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS?

23
24 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO OTHER SPEAKERS IN QUEUE
25 TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.



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2 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, SO HEARING NO OTHER SPEAKERS, WE'RE
3 THROUGH WITH PUBLIC COMMENT. AND NOW, WE'RE GOING TO BE VOTING
4 ON THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS THAT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER WILL
5 INDICATE.

6

7 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THE FOLLOWING ITEMS
8 ARE BEFORE YOU: ITEM 1, 5, 7, 9, 11-14, 16-20, 22, 24, AND 25,
9 27-30, 32-36, 38-48, 49A-49G, 50A, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S READ-
10 IN MOTION, AND 50C, SUPERVISOR HAHN'S READ-IN MOTION, 53, AND
11 1D-3D.

12

13 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY, THOSE ITEMS ARE NOW BEFORE US, MOVED
14 BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO
15 APPROVE THESE ITEMS WITH THE EXCEPTIONS NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE
16 OFFICER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

17

18 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

19

20 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

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22 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

23

24 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

25



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1 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR
2 HORVATH?

3

4 **SUP. HORVATH:** AYE.

5

6 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

7

8 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

9

10 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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12 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** AYE.

13

14 **EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

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16 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** OKAY. NOW IT'S APPROPRIATE TO HEAR
17 ADJOURNMENTS, AND WE'LL GO IN THE ORDER OF 5, 1, 2, 3, AND 4.
18 SO, SUPERVISOR BARGER, YOU WILL START. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.
19 I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF REED
20 E. HALLADAY, RESIDENT OF NEWHALL, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
21 OF 76. HE WAS BORN IN PROVO, UTAH ON MAY 15TH, 1947 AS THE
22 THIRD AND LAST CHILD OF ELMO AND INEZ HALLADAY. HE ATTENDED
23 AND GRADUATED FROM BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY IN 1971 WITH A
24 BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AND A MASTER'S DEGREE
25 IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION. HE MARRIED HIS ETERNAL COMPANION,



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1 SWEETHEART AND FRIEND, CHRISTINE SMITH, ON SEPTEMBER 29TH,
2 1972, IN THE SALT LAKE CITY TEMPLE. REED JOINED GOLDMAN SACHS
3 IN 1976 AFTER COMPLETING HIS M.B.A. AND BEGAN A SUCCESSFUL AND
4 FULFILLING CAREER AS A PRIVATE WEALTH MANAGER. HE AND HIS TEAM
5 LEFT GOLDMAN TO START THEIR DREAM COMPANY, BEL AIR INVESTMENT
6 ADVISORS, WHICH QUICKLY BECAME ONE OF THE TOP INVESTMENT FIRMS
7 IN THE NATION. REED AND CHRISTINE MADE THE LOS ANGELES SUBURB
8 OF SANTA CLARITA THEIR HOME AND EVENTUALLY BUILT A SANCTUARY
9 RESIDENCE BEHIND THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL THEIR CHILDREN
10 ATTENDED. HIS HOME WAS ALWAYS OPEN TO THOSE SEEKING SOLACE,
11 AND HIS GENUINE HOSPITALITY BROUGHT PEOPLE TOGETHER IN A
12 SPIRIT OF UNITY AND LOVE. HE ALSO SERVED FAITHFULLY IN HIS
13 CHURCH IN VARIOUS POSITIONS AND LEADERSHIP CALLINGS. REED'S
14 TWO FAVORITE PLACES TO BE, OTHER THAN HIS HOME IN NEWHALL,
15 WHERE HIS RANCH IN MONTANA AND ANYWHERE IN OR NEAR PARIS. REED
16 NOT ONLY FELL IN LOVE WITH THE FRENCH PEOPLE AND LANGUAGE BUT
17 ALSO FELL IN LOVE WITH THE BEAUTY OF THE FRENCH LANDSCAPE AND
18 ARCHITECTURE. HE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
19 LOVING WIFE, THEIR FOUR CHILDREN, AND THEIR WONDERFUL SPOUSES,
20 ELIZA AND CRAIG DUMAIS, SOREN AND KIMBERLEE HALLADAY, EMILY
21 AND PATRICK NORTON, AND JAKE AND LYNN HALLADAY, HIS SISTER,
22 MARLENE COTE, AND 13 GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
23 MEMORY OF DAVID LINUS MCDONALD, A LIFELONG RESIDENT OF
24 GLENDORA, WHO PASSED A WAY ON JUNE 3RD AT THE AGE OF 74. DAVID
25 WAS BORN ON OCTOBER 15TH, 1948 IN GLENDORA, CALIFORNIA. HE



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1 ATTENDED GLENDORA HIGH SCHOOL AND JOINED THE BAND. AFTER HIGH
2 SCHOOL, HE WENT TO CITRUS COLLEGE UNTIL HE JOINED THE AIR
3 FORCE. HE SERVED TWO TOURS IN VIETNAM WORKING AS A RADIO
4 OPERATOR. UPON HIS RETURN, HE OBTAINED A DEGREE IN BUSINESS
5 ADMINISTRATION FROM CAL STATE LOS ANGELES. HE LOVED TRAVELING
6 AND VISITED FIVE OUT OF SEVEN CONTINENTS WITH THE LOVE OF HIS
7 LIFE, SHARON WALTER, WHO HE MARRIED IN 1972, AND THEY HAD FOUR
8 CHILDREN. DAVID WAS ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN HIS COMMUNITY. HE WAS
9 A MEMBER OF GRACE CHURCH OF GLENDORA FOR OVER 40 YEARS AND
10 SERVED IN MANY CAPACITIES, INCLUDING ELDER, DEACON, AND SUNDAY
11 SCHOOL TEACHER. HE ORGANIZED A LIVING NATIVITY ON THE LAWN
12 GLENDORA CITY HALL, OVERSAW THE HOMEBOUND MINISTRY, AND
13 DIRECTED FUNERALS. HE'LL BE TRULY MISSED. DAVID IS SURVIVED BY
14 HIS CHILDREN, JENNIFER, ANDREA, BRIAN, AND HIS SEVEN
15 GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
16 ANNETTE O'MALLEY, A DEDICATED MEMBER OF THE BLUE RIBBON SINCE
17 1971, WHO PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY AT HOME LAST WEEK. ANNETTE
18 WAS THE WIFE OF PETER O'MALLEY, A LONGTIME PRESIDENT OF THE
19 LOS ANGELES DODGERS. BORN IN ROSKILDE, DENMARK ON FEBRUARY
20 1ST, 1942, ANNETTE ATTENDED SCHOOLS IN COPENHAGEN, LONDON, AND
21 PARIS. ANNETTE WAS INTRODUCED TO PETER BY A MUTUAL FRIEND
22 WHILE SHE WAS IN LOS ANGELES ON A LEAVE FROM A POSITION AS A
23 COSTUME SUPERVISOR AND DESIGNER AT THE ROYAL DANISH THEATRE IN
24 COPENHAGEN. THEY WERE MARRIED ONE YEAR LATER IN 1970. IN 1971,
25 ANNETTE WAS INVITED BY DOROTHY BUFFUM CHANDLER TO BECOME AN



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1 EARLY MEMBER OF THE AMAZING BLUE RIBBON 400, A WOMAN'S
2 VOLUNTEER SUPPORT ORGANIZATION FOR THE MUSIC CENTER IN LOS
3 ANGELES. FOR DECADES, ANNETTE WAS ACTIVE AS A VOLUNTEER FOR
4 THE MUSIC CENTER PERFORMING ARTS AND EDUCATION. SHE SERVED ON
5 THE HARVARD-WESTLAKE SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES. ANNETTE ALWAYS
6 LOOKED FORWARD TO AND ENJOYED ATTENDING SPRING TRAINING WITH
7 HER FAMILY AT DODGERTOWN, VERO BEACH, FLORIDA, WHERE SHE HAD
8 AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEND TIME WITH THE PLAYERS, THEIR WIVES,
9 AND CHILDREN. HER FAMILY AND THE DODGERS WERE THE LOVE OF HER
10 LIFE, AND SHE'S SURVIVED BY PETER, HER HUSBAND OF 52 YEARS,
11 THEIR THREE ADULT CHILDREN, KATHERINE, KEVIN, AND BRIAN, EIGHT
12 GRANDCHILDREN, AND HER SISTER, MERETE LUNN. LAST BUT NOT
13 LEAST, I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADJOURN IN MEMORY
14 OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS, WHO WERE IDENTIFIED AS INDIGENT
15 VETERANS BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER AND WERE
16 SUBSEQUENTLY BURIED WITH DIGNITY AND HONOR AT RIVERSIDE
17 NATIONAL CEMETERY IN THE LAST MONTH. LAUNA LYNN VEGA, ARMY.
18 GARY ALLEN WEST, MARINES. JOHN RAY DUPLER, ARMY. KENNETH HAHN
19 OH, ARMY. SANDRA ALVARO FERNANDEZ, ARMY. RUDY ANTOINE ASHFORD,
20 NAVY. JACK JAMES BELLNAVIS, JR., ARMY. WELDON CLEVELAND IVORY,
21 ARMY. CURTIS ALBERT FLETCHER, ARMY. CHRISTOPHER GERALD BIGG,
22 NAVY. LUTHER KING JOHNSON, ARMY. ROGER ERIC THURNELL, AIR
23 FORCE. THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS AND SACRIFICES IN SERVICE TO OUR
24 COUNTRY WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

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3 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I HAVE ONE

4 ADJOURNMENT. I MOVE TODAY THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN IN

5 THE MEMORY OF ANGELITA ARELLANO. ANGELITA ARELLANO WAS BORN IN

6 1922 IN JOMULQUILLO, ZACATECAS, MEXICO. SHE AND HER HUSBAND,

7 JOSE, RAISED EIGHT CHILDREN, WHO, AS THEY GREW UP, SLOWLY

8 MADE THE TREK TO THE UNITED STATES IN HOPES OF ACHIEVING THE

9 AMERICAN DREAM. MANY OF THEM ESTABLISHED ROOTS IN EAST LOS

10 ANGELES. AND IN 1972, ANGELITA AND JOSE JOINED THEM THERE.

11 ANGELITA WORKED AS A SEAMSTRESS, A BABYSITTER, AND A CARETAKER

12 FOR HER ELDERLY NEIGHBORS. AFTER HER HUSBAND, JOSE, PASSED

13 AWAY IN 1985, ANGELITA BECAME DEDICATED TO CARING FOR HER

14 FAMILY. ANGELITA DIED ON JULY 15TH, 2023 FROM COMPLICATIONS OF

15 A STROKE. SHE WAS A GRANDMOTHER OF LOS ANGELES TIMES

16 COLUMNIST, GUSTAVO ARELLANO. LAST YEAR, MY OFFICE WAS PROUD TO

17 CELEBRATE HER CENTENNIAL BIRTHDAY BY PRESENTING HER WITH A

18 HAND- PAINTED SCROLL DECORATED WITH PURPLE ROSES, ANGELITA'S

19 FAVORITE COLOR AND FLOWER. MY HEART GOES OUT TO ANGELITA'S

20 LOVED ONES MOURNING HER LOSS, AND MAY HER HEART REST IN PEACE.

21 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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23 **SUP. BARGER:** MAY I JOIN YOU ON THAT, HE'S -- YEAH. OH, I'M SO

24 SORRY. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND I READ ABOUT THAT IN HIS
2 COLUMN, AND HE MENTIONED YOU PRESENTING THE SCROLL. SO THANK
3 YOU FOR THAT. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

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5 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. COLLEAGUES, I
6 MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOANN
7 QUARLES. MRS. QUARLES WAS BORN IN WACO TEXAS AND PASSED AWAY
8 THIS PAST JUNE 28TH HERE IN LOS ANGELES. HER FAMILY RELOCATED
9 TO L.A. WHEN SHE WAS FIVE YEARS OLD. SHE GRADUATED FROM
10 JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL. SHE WAS A JEFFERSON DEMOCRAT. AND SHE
11 WORKED AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT FOR FIRST INTERSTATE
12 BANK, BECOMING A FULL-TIME HOUSEWIFE AND MOTHER, WHO SUPPORTED
13 HER HUSBAND'S REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS, THE BEDFORD
14 GROUP. HER HOBBIES INCLUDED ROLLER SKATING, SHE LOVED TO
15 TRAVEL AND GO ON CRUISES, SINGING, FASHION DESIGN, AND HOSTING
16 EVENTS FOR HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS, MOST NOTABLY THE OBAMAS AT
17 HER BEAUTIFUL, BEAUTIFUL HOME IN THE SECOND DISTRICT. SHE WAS
18 A PROUD MEMBER OF WEST ANGELES CHURCH OF GOD AND CHRIST FOR
19 OVER 30 YEARS. AND AT WEST A, SHE SERVED ON THE WOMEN'S
20 AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. MRS. QUARLES WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED. AND SHE
21 WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A LOVING AND JOYOUS PERSON, WHO LOVED
22 SERVING HER COMMUNITY. HER PHILANTHROPIC AND GIVING SPIRIT
23 INSPIRED THE GRAND PARK FOUNDATION'S ALL SKATE FOR ALZHEIMERS,
24 THE FIRST OUTDOOR ROLLER RINK IN DOWNTOWN L.A. AT GLORIA
25 MOLINA GRAND PARK, BRINGING AWARENESS AND RESOURCES TO



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1 INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES, AND CARETAKERS IMPACTED BY DEMENTIA.
2 MRS. QUARLES IS SURVIVED BY HER LOVING HUSBAND OF 56 YEARS,
3 CHARLES, HER THREE CHILDREN, BRICKELL, STARLETT, AND QUENTIN,
4 HER TWO SISTERS, BERTHA AND JOYCE, AS WELL AS A HOST OF
5 EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

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7 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

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9 **SUP. HORVATH:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I FIRST MOVE THAT WHEN
10 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF NATHAN "NATE"
11 GOLLER. NATE WAS 95 AND PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY ON JULY 15TH IN
12 SANTA MONICA. HE WAS A SUCCESSFUL ATTORNEY AND REAL ESTATE
13 MOGUL BEGINNING IN THE MID-1950S. HE WAS KNOWN THROUGHOUT WEST
14 HOLLYWOOD BUSINESS COMMUNITY FOR HIS WRY SENSE OF HUMOR AND
15 DEEP FRIENDSHIPS WITH MANY. BORN IN 1928, IN NEW YORK CITY,
16 NATE ARRIVED IN LOS ANGELES IN 1944 AND LATER JOINED THE ARMY.
17 HE GRADUATED FROM U.S.C. SCHOOL OF LAW IN 1951. FIVE YEARS
18 LATER, NATE AND HIS FIRST WIFE, DESIGNER PHYLLIS MORRIS,
19 FOUNDED PHYLLIS MORRIS ORIGINALS, A COMPANY THAT CREATED
20 CUSTOM FURNITURE FOR TOP NAMES IN THE CORPORATE AND
21 ENTERTAINMENT REALMS. WITH A LARGER THAN LIFE PERSONALITY,
22 NATE AND HIS SECOND WIFE, ACTRESS AND SINGER IRINA MALEEVA,
23 ENJOYED ENTERTAINING AT THEIR HILLTOP BEVERLY HILLS HOME. NATE
24 WAS HIGHLY REGARDED FOR HIS SAGE ADVICE IN BOTH LAW AND
25 INVESTMENTS. HE HAD CLOSE FRIENDSHIPS WITH SOME OF LOS



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1 ANGELES'S LEADING BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY FIGURES. IN 2013, HE
2 RECEIVED THE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FROM THE WEST
3 HOLLYWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR HIS DECADES OF DEDICATION TO
4 THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE COMMUNITY THROUGH HIS MANY
5 ENDEAVORS AND CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS. SOME OF THOSE
6 ENDEAVORS INCLUDED HIS EFFORTS TO HELP FOUND VISIT WEST
7 HOLLYWOOD, THE CITY'S CONVENTION AND VISITOR BUREAU, AS WELL
8 AS THE WEST HOLLYWOOD DESIGN DISTRICT. LATER IN LIFE, HE WAS A
9 DEVELOPING PARTNER OF THE ROBERTSON LANE HOTEL, RETAIL, AND
10 OFFICE PROJECT, ONE OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS IN WEST
11 HOLLYWOOD HISTORY, WHICH WILL BE BREAKING GROUND SOON. NATE IS
12 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, IRINA, AND CHILDREN, JOHN AND JAMIE.
13 NEXT, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
14 OF DEPUTY NICOLE ORIS VERA SANTOS. DEPUTY NICOLE ORIS VERA
15 SANTOS WAS BORN ON JUNE 2ND, 1992 IN ARCADIA TO ELI AND LIZA
16 VERA. HER PARENTS CALLED HER THEIR MIRACLE BABY, AS HER MOTHER
17 HAD A VERY DIFFICULT PREGNANCY. NICOLE WAS RAISED IN CHINO
18 WITH HER OLDER SISTER, FELISHA, AND YOUNGER BROTHERS,
19 CHRISTIAN AND ELIEZER, JR. SHE WAS DEEPLY RELIGIOUS FROM A
20 YOUNG AGE. NICOLE'S FAITH WAS A GUIDING LIGHT THAT SHAPED HER
21 CHARACTER, ACTIONS, AND RELATIONSHIPS, AND IT CONTINUES TO
22 INSPIRE ALL WHO HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF KNOWING HER. NICOLE
23 GRADUATED FROM CHINO HIGH SCHOOL IN 2010, WHERE SHE PLAYED
24 BASKETBALL ALL FOUR YEARS, AND AT THE AGE OF 18, STEPPED INTO
25 THE ROLE OF FRESHMAN HEAD COACH WHEN THE TEAM FOUND ITSELF



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1 WITHOUT A LEADER. NICOLE RECEIVED A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN
2 COMMUNICATIONS FROM CAL STATE SAN BERNARDINO, COMPLETING HER
3 EDUCATION IN JUST THREE YEARS. NICOLE SERVED THE LOS ANGELES
4 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR SEVEN YEARS, MAKING A
5 SIGNIFICANT IMPACT DURING HER TENURE. HER PROFESSIONAL JOURNEY
6 BEGAN AT INMATE RECEPTION CENTER, AND SHE WENT ON TO WORK
7 UNDERCOVER WITH THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING TASKFORCE. INSPIRED BY
8 HER MOTHER, NICOLE HAD A DEEP DESIRE TO WORK PATROL. IT WAS
9 HER DREAM TO WORK AT CENTURY STATION, WHERE HER FATHER ELI,
10 UNCLE FRANKIE, AND BROTHER ELI, JR. HAD WORKED. AT CENTURY
11 STATION, SHE DEDICATED HER EFFORTS TO THE SUMMER CRIME IMPACT
12 TEAM, SHOWCASING AN UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO HER COMMUNITY.
13 NICOLE LOVED WORKING SIDE BY SIDE WITH ELI, JR. IN THE FIELD
14 AT CENTURY STATION AND HOPED TO DO THE SAME ONE DAY WITH HER
15 BROTHER CHRISTIAN, A RIVERSIDE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTY. WHILE
16 NICOLE POSSESSED AN EXCEPTIONAL ARRAY OF TALENTS AND
17 ACHIEVEMENTS, IT WAS HER ROLES AS DAUGHTER, SISTER, MOTHER,
18 AND WIFE THAT FULFILLED HER MOST. THIS PAST NEW YEAR'S EVE,
19 SHE MARRIED DANNY SANTOS, THE LOVE OF HER LIFE, AND INSTANTLY
20 EMBRACED HER ROLE OF STEPMOTHER TO DANNY'S BEAUTIFUL
21 DAUGHTERS, EVA AND ZOE, LOVING THEM AS HER OWN. SPENDING TIME
22 WITH DANNY AND THE GIRLS BROUGHT HER TREMENDOUS JOY AND
23 HAPPINESS. NICOLE'S EXCEPTIONAL COMPETENCE WAS MATCHED BY HER
24 INFECTIOUS SMILE AND LAUGHTER, WHICH RADIATED WARMTH AND
25 CAPTIVATED THOSE AROUND HER. SHE CONSISTENTLY PLACED THE NEEDS



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1 OF OTHERS BEFORE HER OWN, FINDING GREAT JOY IN ASSISTING AND
2 SUPPORTING THOSE IN NEED. NICOLE POSSESSED A UNIQUE ABILITY TO
3 FORGE CONNECTIONS, NURTURE FRIENDSHIPS, AND ENGAGE IN PROFOUND
4 CONVERSATIONS WITH PEOPLE FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE. SHE WILL BE
5 REMEMBERED FOR HER UNWAIVERING FAITH, HER PROFOUND LOVE FOR
6 HER FAMILY, AND HER EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY.

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8 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN YOU ON THAT. ALL MEMBERS?
9 LET'S HAVE ALL MEMBERS.

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11 **SUP. HORVATH:** ABSOLUTELY. AND FINALLY. I MOVE WHEN WE ADJOURN
12 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RICHARD SETTLE, LONGTIME WEST
13 HOLLYWOOD RESIDENT. RICHARD SETTLE PASSED AWAY ON JULY 19TH AT
14 THE AGE OF 76. FEW HAVE DOCUMENTED WEST HOLLYWOOD LIFE AS
15 EXTENSIVELY AS RICHARD. HE WAS ONE OF THE ORIGINAL OFFICIAL
16 CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD PHOTOGRAPHERS, WHOSE WORK SPANS DECADES
17 AND INCLUDES A LARGE COLLECTION OF PHOTOGRAPHS THAT DOCUMENT
18 THE COMMUNITY'S EARLY YEARS. HE WAS WIDELY KNOWN FOR HIS
19 KNOWLEDGE OF THE CITY'S HISTORY. MANY KNEW RICHARD FROM HIS
20 WEEKLY APPEARANCES TO PHOTOGRAPH OFFICIAL WEST HOLLYWOOD
21 EVENTS AND CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY. AND HE
22 WAS EVEN BRAVE ENOUGH, DURING MY TENURE, TO OCCASIONALLY WEAR
23 A NOTRE DAME SWEATSHIRT TO THOSE MEETINGS. BORN IN A SMALL
24 TOWN, SETTLES' PASSION FOR PHOTOGRAPHY BLOSSOMED EARLY IN LIFE
25 AS HE SKILLFULLY CAPTURED THE ESSENCE AND BEAUTY OF HIS



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1 SURROUNDINGS. IN THE 1960S, RICHARD MADE WEST HOLLYWOOD HIS
2 HOME, DRAWN TO ITS VIBRANT AND DIVERSE CULTURE. HE HAD A
3 PROFOUND CONNECTION WITH THE CITY'S L.G.B.T.Q.+ COMMUNITY, AND
4 HIS PHOTOGRAPHS OFTEN CONVEYED THEIR STRUGGLES AND TRIUMPHS
5 WITH RAW HONESTY AND EMPATHY. THROUGHOUT THE DECADES, SETTLES'
6 LENS DOCUMENTED THE ERA OF ACTIVISM, THE RISE OF THE
7 L.G.B.T.Q.+ RIGHTS MOVEMENT, AND THE EXUBERANT CELEBRATIONS OF
8 LOVE AND EQUALITY DURING PRIDE EVENTS. RICHARD ENTERED PUBLIC
9 SERVICE AS A MEMBER OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD PUBLIC FACILITIES
10 COMMISSION IN EARLY 1984, THE CITY'S FOUNDING. IN THAT ROLE,
11 HE ENTERED A MUSTANG CONVERTIBLE FOR THE FIRST PRIDE PARADE,
12 THE FIRST BORDER COMMISSION MEMBER TO DO SO WITH HIS FRIEND
13 JAMES LITZ. RICHARD'S FRIENDSHIP AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO HIS
14 COMMUNITY WILL BE MISSED BY HIS CLOSE FRIENDS AND ALL OF THE
15 WEST HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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17 **SUP. HAHN, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
18 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF BERNARD MATTERA, WHO WAS A
19 LIFELONG RESIDENT OF SAN PEDRO, WHO PASSED AWAY JUST SHY, TWO
20 WEEKS SHY, OF HIS 90TH BIRTHDAY. BENNY WAS A RETIRED
21 COMMERCIAL FISHERMAN OF 55 YEARS. HE WAS A PROUD OWNER OF
22 SEVERAL FISHING BOATS, INCLUDING BAIT AND TUNA BOATS. HE WAS A
23 PRAYERFUL MAN AND WOULD PRAY UP TO 15 COMPLETE ROSARIES DAY
24 FOR HIS FAMILY AND WHOEVER HAD A REQUEST AND NEED. MOST OF
25 ALL, BENNY WAS A FAMILY MAN, WHO ESPECIALLY LOVED BEING A



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1 GRANDFATHER. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN, HIS SEVEN
2 CHILDREN, HIS 17 GRANDCHILDREN, AND NINE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN.
3 I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE
4 MEMORY OF DR. NITA REBECK, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF RANCHO PALOS
5 VERDES, WHO WAS 87 WHEN SHE PASSED AWAY. BORN ON A FARM IN
6 MINNESOTA, NITA KNEW FROM A YOUNG AGE THAT SHE WANTED TO
7 BECOME A DOCTOR. AFTER GRADUATING VALEDICTORIAN FROM HER
8 PAROCHIAL HIGH SCHOOL, SHE WENT ON TO STUDY MEDICINE AT TEMPLE
9 UNIVERSITY IN PHILADELPHIA. SHE THEN MOVED TO L.A. AND BEGAN
10 HER CAREER AS KAISER PERMANENTE MEDICAL GROUP. FOR MANY YEARS,
11 SHE WAS HEAD PHYSICIAN AT KAISER MEDICAL CLINICS IN HUNTINGTON
12 PARK AND CUDAHY. NITA RETIRED FROM KAISER AFTER BEING A FULL
13 PARTNER FOR 50 YEARS. SHE IS RECOGNIZED AS BEING THE LONGEST
14 SERVING KAISER PHYSICIAN. NITA WAS PROCEEDED IN DEATH BY HER
15 HUSBAND, THE HONORABLE JOSEPH P. REBECK. SHE IS SURVIVED BY
16 HER DAUGHTER, RAMONA, SON-IN-LAW, RICHARD, AND HER GRANDSON,
17 THE APPLE OF HER EYE, IAN. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
18 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF GLEN OLSON, WHO WAS A
19 LONGTIME RESIDENT OF TORRANCE AND WAS 62 WHEN HE PASSED AWAY.
20 GLEN WAS A PART OWNER, VICE PRESIDENT, AND QUALITY CONTROL
21 MANAGER OF DASCO ENGINEERING, AN AEROSPACE MANUFACTURING
22 COMPANY THAT BUILDS PARTS FOR MAJOR COMMERCIAL AND MILITARY
23 AIRCRAFT PROJECTS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. HE LED A FULL LIFE, AN
24 ACTIVE LIFE, SURFING, SKIING, BOATING, MOUNTAIN BIKING,
25 HIKING, AND CAMPING IN THE SIERRA MOUNTAINS. HIS SUDDEN



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1 PASSING WAS A SHOCK TO HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND SERVES AS A
2 REMINDER TO NOT LET LIFE PASS US BY. GLEN IS SURVIVED BY HIS
3 CHILDREN, LAUREN, SEAN, AND BRETT. AND WE WILL TAKE ALL OF
4 THOSE MOTIONS AS SECONDED. AND IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION TO A
5 UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ACTION. AND THAT CONCLUDES
6 TODAY'S MEETING. THE NEXT SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION MEETING OF
7 THE BOARD WILL BE HELD TUESDAY, AUGUST 1ST, 2023 AT 9:30 A.M.,
8 AND THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD WILL BE HELD ON
9 TUESDAY, AUGUST 8TH AT 9:30 A.M. HAVE A GOOD DAY.

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**CLOSED SESSION ITEMS
FOR JULY 25, 2023**

**CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING
LITIGATION**

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

Phillip Urquidi, et al. v. City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, et al., Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 22STCP04044. (23-2378)

In Open Session, this item was referred back to County Counsel.

**CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING
LITIGATION**

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

Committee to Support the Recall of District Attorney George Gascon v. Dean C. Logan, et al., Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 23STCP02365. (23-2629)

No reportable action was taken.

**CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING
LITIGATION**

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

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1 Court Case No. 22STCP03795, California Court of Appeal
2 (Second District, Division Four) Case No. B326869. (23-2630)

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4 **No reportable action was taken.**
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1 I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number
2 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do
3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors July 25, 2023, were
6 thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my direction and
7 supervision;

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

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

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
16 31st day of July 2023, for the County records to be used only
17 for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts as
18 on file of the office of the reporter.

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