THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2023, ON PAGE 397]

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING. LET'S TRY THAT AGAIN. GOOD MORNING. GOOD MORNING. WE HAVE A LOT OF CHATTER UP HERE ON THE DAIS. THANK YOU. THANK YOU AND GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. WELCOME TO OUR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. WE WELCOME YOU TO OUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2023, AND WE TAKE NOTE THAT A FULL COMPLEMENT OF THE BOARD IS PRESENT. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, THE COUNTY COUNSEL, THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS ARE ALL HERE A TO ASSISTANT. 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 SUSTAINING RELATIONSHIPS WITH NATIVE PEOPLES AND LOCAL TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING (IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER) THE FERNANDENO TATAVIAM BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, THE GABRIELINO TONGVA INDIANS OF CALIFORNIA TRIBAL COUNCIL, THE GABRIELENO/TONGVA SAN GABRIEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, THE GABRIELENO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, KIZH NATION, THE SAN MANUEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, THE SAN FERNANDO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS. THANK YOU. AND THIS MORNING'S INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY REVEREND FLORENTINO "TINO" CORDOVA, THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST IN DIAMOND BAR IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. THAT WILL BE FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, WHICH WILL BE LED BY LATIA SUTTLE, FORMER CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER II, UNITED STATES ARMY, FROM OUR SECOND DISTRICT. AND IF YOU'RE ABLE, PLEASE STAND AND JOIN US.

REV. CORDOVA: [IN SPANISH] LOVING GOD, IN THIS THIS MONTH OF HISPANIC HERITAGE, WE THANK YOU FOR THE RICHNESS AND DIVERSITY OF THE HISPANIC CULTURE AND ALL OF OUR CULTURES. BLESS THOSE WHO HAVE MADE THE MARK IN HISTORY, WHO HAVE GOT FOR JUSTICE, AND WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE PROGRESS OF THEIR COMMUNITIES. GRANT US THE WISDOM TO APPRECIATE AND RESPECT THE DIFFERENCES THAT UNITE US AS HUMAN BEINGS. HELP US STRENGTHEN THE BONDS OF

FRIENDSHIP AND UNITY AMONG DIVERSE HISPANIC CULTURES AND OTHER COMMUNITIES AND CULTURES. MAY WE ALWAYS TAKE TIME CELEBRATE, LEARN, AND GROW OUT OF OUR DIVERSITY. AMEN.

LATIA SUTTLE: PLEASE PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR CHEST AND FOLLOW ME. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION UNDER GOD INDIVISIBLE FOR LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.

SUP. SOLIS: THANK YOU, PASTOR TINO, FOR JOINING US THIS MORNING AND LEADING US IN THIS BEAUTIFUL INVOCATION. PASTOR TINO CORDOVA IS A PROMINENT LEADER IN DIAMOND BAR IN THE EAST SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, WHICH IS A NEW PORTION, SOMEWHAT NEW, IN MY DISTRICT, THE AREA THAT YOU SERVE. HE'S 11TH OF 12 CHILDREN IN HIS FAMILY, WHO WERE BORN AND RAISED IN RURAL EASTERN NEW MEXICO IN A SMALL VILLAGE CALLED MOSCARO, A PLACE WHERE THE COMMUNITY TAKES CARE OF ONE ANOTHER NEEDS WITHOUT QUESTION. HE GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL IN 1983 WITH ONLY 10 PEOPLE IN HIS CLASS. AFTER GRADUATING SCHOOL, PASTOR TINO SERVED IN THE U.S. ARMY FROM 1986 TO 1990 AS AN INFANTRY SOLDIER. HE LATER CONTINUED HIS EDUCATION BY RECEIVING HIS CERTIFICATE OF INFORMATION PROCESSING SPECIALIST AT IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY IN 1992, HIS BACHELOR OF ARTS IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES AT EASTWOOD COLLEGE IN MADISON, WISCONSIN, AND A MASTER'S DEGREE IN DIVINITY AND CERTIFICATE OF RELIGION IN BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA.

HE IS THE ONLY SIBLING IN HIS FAMILY TO ACHIEVE A MASTER'S LEVEL DEGREE AND THE ONLY ONE TO ATTEND A SEMINARY TO BECOME AN ORDAINED MINISTER. PASTOR TINO WAS SELECTED AS THE INTERIM PASTOR OF FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH DISCIPLES OF CHRIST IN WATSONVILLE, CALIFORNIA IN 2013. HE THEN MOVED TO MAUI, WHERE HE SERVED AS SENIOR PASTOR AT THE LAO UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST FROM 2017 TO 2022. HE NOW SERVES AS SENIOR PASTOR AT THE DIAMOND BAR UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST. THROUGH HIS VOCATION, PASTOR TINO HAS EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND THE EMPOWERMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND YOUNG ADULTS. I'M SO PROUD OF HIS MOTIVATIONAL AND SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE TO HIS CONGREGATION AND TO HIS WORK IN OUR COMMUNITY. WE THANK YOU TODAY FOR BEING WITH US. [APPLAUSE]

SUP. MITCHELL: WE'VE GOT A BROKEN FOOT HERE, SO I SAID I'D COME TO YOU. GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR. GOOD MORNING, COLLEAGUES. PLEASE HELP ME -- WE HAVEN'T BEEN HERE A WHILE, AND I CAN'T TALK ON THE MIC. PLEASE HELP ME IN WELCOMING CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER LATIA SUTTLE, WHO JOINED THE U.S. ARMY AT THE AGE OF 17 IN 1993, PROUDLY SERVED UNTIL HER HONORABLE DISCHARGE IN 2014. SHE SERVED IN GERMANY, SAUDI ARABIA, IRAQ, KUWAIT, AND IS A SURVIVOR OF THE KHOBAR TOWERS BOMBING IN 1996. MS. SUTTLE GRADUATED FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND WITH A BACHELOR OF ARTS IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION. IN 2021, SHE RECEIVED THE BETTY FISHER AWARD IN RECOGNITION OF HER

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION WORK. SHE ALSO HELPED AUTHOR A BILL TO IDENTIFY VETERANS WITH OPEN CASES IN FAMILY COURT. SENATE BILL 1182 WAS SIGNED INTO LAW BY GOVERNOR NEWSOM IN 2022. SHE'S PROUD MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BLACK MILITARY WOMEN, WHERE SHE SERVES AS A PUBLIC RELATION OFFICER. SHE ALSO SERVED AS CHAIR OF THE N.A.A.C.P. ARMED SERVICES AND VETERAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. SHE HAS LIVED IN THE DISTRICT, THE SECOND DISTRICT, FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FROM THE BOTTOM OF OUR HEARTS FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY, OUR COMMUNITY, AND OUR COUNTY AND FOR LEADING US IN TODAY'S PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. IT GIVES ME GREAT HONOR TO PRESENT YOU WITH THIS CERTIFICATE. [APPLAUSE]

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND NOW, WE'LL HAVE OUR PET PRESENTATION BY THE HONORABLE SUPERVISOR KATHRYN BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND AS I GREET YOU EVERYONE TUESDAY, "GOOD MORNING, SUNSHINE," THIS IS SUNSHINE. SUNSHINE IS A CHIHUAHUA SPANIEL MIX AND IS ABOUT THREE MONTHS OLD. AND IS ABSOLUTELY ADORABLE. AND IS AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION AT OUR DOWNEY SHELTER. YOU CAN CALL 562-940-6898 TO ADOPT SUNSHINE. AND I KNOW THAT WE'RE ALL READING IN THE PAPER ABOUT HOW ALL OUR SHELTERS ARE OVERCROWDED. SO I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU, IF YOU NOT READY TO ADOPT, TO AT LEAST FOSTER TO HELP US BECAUSE WE HAVE A LOT OF PUPPIES. WE'VE GOT A LOT OF SENIOR

DOGS, AS WELL. I KNOW I WAS ASKED TO BRING SOME SENIOR DOGS DOWN HERE IN THE COMING WEEKS AND BIG DOGS. AND SO, THIS IS SUNSHINE, AND SUNSHINE IS AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION. AGAIN, 562-940-6898. AND GO ONLINE IF YOU WANT TO LOOK AT OTHER --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: BUT WAIT. THIS DOG HAS A COUNTY SEAL AND A KATHRYN BARGER BANDANNA -- THAT'S WORTH THE ADOPTION RIGHT THERE. DOES THAT COME WITH THE DOG?

SUP. BARGER: I'LL COME WITH THE DOG.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OOH, OKAY. THAT IS ADORABLE.

SUP. BARGER: I KNOW. BUT FOR ANYONE OUT THERE, IF YOU'RE REALLY READY TO ADOPT, THIS IS THE SWEETEST, SWEETEST DOG. THIS IS SUNSHINE. SO NOW, I HAVE A CALICO FOR YOU TO MEET. OKAY, SHE'S CRYING.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OH, SHE'S CRYING. SHE DOESN'T WANT TO LEAVE YOUR -- OH, YOU NEED TO HOLD HER FOR THE WHOLE MEETING. OH, LOOK AT THAT.

SUP. BARGER: ARE YOU GOING TO ADOPT? I DON'T KNOW IF WINSTON IS READY FOR A SISTER. ALRIGHT, SO THIS IS SUNSHINE. AND NOW, NOW WE'RE GOING TO MEET SALLY. SALLY IS A TWO MONTH OLD CALICO

THAT IS ALSO READY TO BE ADOPTED. AGAIN, THE NUMBER IS 562-940-6898 AND IS AVAILABLE AT OUR DOWNEY ANIMAL CARE SHELTER. AND AGAIN, PLEASE CONSIDER EITHER FOSTERING OR ADOPTING. SALLY IS READY FOR ADOPTION. AND SHE IS A GIRL, OBVIOUSLY.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: JUST ADORABLE. AND SO IS THE CAT. OKAY --

SUP. BARGER: AND THEN ALSO -- MADAM CHAIR, I GUESS THAT BLACK DOGS ARE HARD TO ADOPT. AND SO, THE DEPARTMENT IS DOING A BLACK DOG'S ROCK. BLACK DOGS ARE OFTEN OVERLOOKED IN CROWDED SHELTERS. LET'S CHANGE THAT. ADOPTION FEES ARE WAIVED FOR BLACK DOGS SEPTEMBER 6TH THROUGH THE 20TH, SO IF YOU ARE -- AND CATS. ALTHOUGH, I THINK DURING HALLOWEEN WE TRY TO CURB THE NUMBER OF BLACK CATS THAT ARE ADOPTED, BUT WE ARE WAIVING THE FEES ON DOGS THAT ARE ADOPTED FROM SEPTEMBER 6TH TO THE 20TH. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. OKAY, WITH THAT, WE WILL MOVE ON TO TODAY'S AGENDA. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 2, SET MATTER. ON SET MATTER 1, THE DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 26, 2023, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON PAGE 3, CONSENT CALENDAR,

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 2-41. ON ITEM 2, THIS INCLUDES AN ADDITION AS ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 3, MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS BE HELD. ITEM 4, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 6, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 7 AND 8, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ALSO THESE INCLUDE A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 16, SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 20, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM 21, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 24, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 27, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 26, 2023. ON ITEM 30, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 32, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 35, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 37, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO THIS INCLUDES A REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 39, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 40, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 42-108. ON ITEM 46, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 55, THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES REQUESTS

THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 26, 2023, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON ITEM 56, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 65, SUPERVISOR BARGER IS RECUSING HERSELF PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 84308 BECAUSE SHE RECEIVED A CONTRIBUTION OR CONTRIBUTIONS OF MORE THAN $250 WITHIN THE PAST 12 MONTHS FROM OAK RIDGE LANDSCAPE INC., WHO IS A PARTY, PARTICIPANT, OR AGENT OF A PARTY OR PARTICIPANT IN THE PROCEEDING. IN ITEM 75, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 26, 2023, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 88, SUPERVISOR BARGER IS RECUSING HERSELF PURSUANT TO 8408 BECAUSE SHE RECEIVED A CONTRIBUTION OR CONTRIBUTIONS OF MORE THAN $250 WITHIN THE PAST 12 MONTHS FROM OAK RIDGE LANDSCAPE INC., WHO IS A PARTY, PARTICIPANT, OR AGENT OF A PARTY OR PARTICIPANT IN THE PROCEEDINGS. ON ITEM 92, SUPERVISOR HAHN REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 26, 2023, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON PAGE 85, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDICTIONS TO THE AGENDA, WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 106A, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON 106E, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM RELATES TO 3D. ON 106F, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 26, 2023. ON PAGE 86,

ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION. ON PAGE 87, SEPARATE MATTER. ITEM 110 IS A RECOMMENDATION TO AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO EXECUTE A PROPOSED 15-YEAR LEASE WITH SAN PEDRO MEDICAL OFFICE PROPERTIES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH USE OF APPROXIMATELY 17,250 SQUARE FOOT OF OFFICE SPACE AND 70 ON-SITE PARKING SPACES LOCATED IN SAN PEDRO AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF NOTES THROUGH THE NOTE PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $3,053,000 FOR THE I.T. COST. ON PAGE 89, SPECIAL DISTRICTS. THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE SANITATION DISTRICT NUMBER 27 AND THE NEWHALL RANCH SANITATION DISTRICT. ON PAGE 90, THIS IS THE AGENDA FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. ON ITEM 3D, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THIS ITEM REQUESTS TO 106E. ON PAGE 92, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM C.S.-2, THIS IS AN ADDITION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THE REQUESTS FOR REFER BACKS AND CONTINUANCES THROUGH C.S.-2 ARE BEFORE YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS, AND THAT WILL BE THE ORDER.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE PLAY THE CODE OF CONDUCT.

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

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. COLLEAGUES AND THE PUBLIC, TODAY WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN WITH ITEM 21, AND THAT WILL BE FOLLOWED BY ITEMS 6, 7, 8, 3, AND 16, THEN ITEMS 32, 37, 39, 46, 56 AND 106A, WHICH WILL BE TAKEN UP TOGETHER, AND ENDING WITH ITEM 106E AND ITS RELATED ITEM 3D, WHICH WERE HELD BY SUPERVISORS, AND FINISHING WITH THE REMAINING ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. BEFORE WE BEGIN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE CALL IN INFORMATION THAT WAS ALSO PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA AND EXPLAIN THE SPEAKING RULES.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY, AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA, PLEASE CALL (877)226-8163 AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 1336503. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATING REMOTELY AND THE BOARDROOM, YOU'LL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD THROUGHOUT THE MEETING. YOU'LL RECEIVE ONE MINUTE TO ADDRESS BOARD ON ITEMS

HELD BY SUPERVISORS AND UP TO A TOTAL OF THREE MINUTES ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT FOR A TOTAL OF 6 MINUTES FOR THIS MEETING. PLEASE MONITOR YOUR TIME AND THE ITEMS YOU'RE SIGNING UP FOR, AS YOUR NAME WILL NOT BE CALLED ONCE YOUR TIME HAS ELAPSED. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US REMOTELY, WHEN THE BOARD MOVES TO THE ITEM YOU WISH TO ADDRESS, PROMPTLY PRESS 1 THEN 0 TO BE ENTERED INTO THE SPEAKING QUEUE. REMEMBER TURN DOWN THE VOLUME ON YOUR DEVICE AS SOON AS THE MODERATOR CALLS ON ON YOU, OR THERE WILL BE NOT ECHO. YOU'LL NEED TO PRESS 1 THEN 0 FOR EACH ITEM ON WHICH YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK. TO ENSURE THAT WE HEAR FROM BOTH IN-PERSON AND TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS, WE WILL ALTERNATE BETWEEN THE TWO SPEAKING QUEUES. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE IN ATTENDANCE, WHEN YOU HEAR OR SEE YOUR NAME DISPLAYED ON THE SCREEN, PLEASE COME DOWN TO THE FRONT OF THE BOARDROOM, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. PLEASE DO NOT APPROACH THE PODIUM UNTIL DIRECTED TO DO SO. WE WILL BEGIN BY CALLING IN-PERSON SPEAKERS, AND WHILE THEY'RE COMING FORWARD, WE'LL TAKE TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: GREAT. COLLEAGUES, I BROUGHT FORTH THIS MOTION TODAY TO DISCUSS OUR COUNTY'S RESPONSE EFFORTS TO TROPICAL STORM HILARY. FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 1939, LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECEIVED A WARNING THAT A TROPICAL STORM WAS INDEED HEADED OUR WAY. AND IN A TRUE ALL-HANDS ON DECK EFFORT,

OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES WORKED AROUND THE CLOCK TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR RESIDENTS WERE WARNED AND WERE ABLE TO TAKE PRECAUTIONS AND THEN ULTIMATELY WERE KEPT SAFE. THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, PUBLIC WORKS, FIRE, AND SHERIFF WERE KEY IN OUR EMERGENCY RESPONSE, BUT MANY -- OOH. UHM -- BUT MANY OF OUR OTHER DEPARTMENTS, INCLUDING PARKS, LIBRARY, AND OUR HOMELESS INITIATIVE, MOVED SWIFTLY TO ASSIST PEOPLE THEY COULD SERVE. ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 20TH, I SIGNED A DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY, WHICH ALLOWED US TO RAPIDLY RESPOND TO EMERGENCY NEEDS AND SIGNAL TO OUR STATE AND FEDERAL PARTNERS THAT WE WERE READY TO ACCEPT ANY ASSISTANCE THEY COULD OFFER. THANKFULLY, THE IMPACTS OF THE STORM WERE NOT AS SEVERE AS WE HAD EXPECTED OR HAD PREPARED FOR, BUT THE RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY PROVED THAT THEY COULD COME TOGETHER, THEY COULD LISTEN TO OUR DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS, AND PREPARE FOR AN EMERGENCY. TROPICAL STORM HILARY TESTED OUR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, AND I BELIEVE WE PASSED. AND WHILE WE MAY HAVE DODGED THE WORST OF THE STORM, WE MUST REMAIN PREPARED FOR THE NEXT EMERGENCY UPON US. SO TODAY, COLLEAGUES, WE HAVE WITH US THE DIRECTOR OF OUR OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, KEVIN MCGOWAN, OUR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, MARK PESTRELLA, OUR FIRE CHIEF, TONY MARRONE, AND ASSISTANT SHERIFF, HOLLY FRANCISCO, REPRESENTING THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SHERIFF LUNA COULD NOT BE WITH US HERE TODAY. HE'S REPRESENTING OUR COUNTY AT A CONFERENCE. BUT HE REALLY WANTED TO BE HERE, BUT I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT

DURING THOSE FOUR DAYS, HE WAS THERE ALL THE TIME ANSWERING PHONE CALLS, SHOWING UP AT PRESS CONFERENCES TO MAKE SURE RESIDENTS HEARD THE MESSAGE FROM HIM PERSONALLY. SO, COLLEAGUES, WE THOUGHT WE WOULD HAVE THEM GIVE THEIR PRESENTATION AND THEN I WILL CALL ON EACH OF YOU TO ASK QUESTIONS, IF YOU HAVE ANY. SO LET'S START WITH KEVIN, THEN WE'LL HAVE MARK PESTRELLA, OUR FIRE CHIEF, AND THEN OUR ASSISTANT SHERIFF.

KEVIN MCGOWAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. IT'S A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO BE WITH YOU THIS MORNING. FOR THE RECORD, KEVIN MCGOWAN, DIRECTOR FOR THE COUNTY'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. ON THE AFTERNOON OF WEDNESDAY AUGUST 16TH, OUR LOCAL NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE FIELD OFFICE, WHICH IS LOCATED UP IN OXNARD, PROVIDED A FORECAST BRIEFING TO ALL OF US IN PUBLIC SAFETY AND PUBLIC WORKS ON THE TROPICAL STORM. BASED ON THIS FORECAST, THE COUNTY BEGAN ITS MULTI-DAY EFFORT TO PREPARE THE COUNTY FOR STORM IMPACTS, WHICH RANGED FROM FLOODING, HIGH WINDS, HIGH SURF, STORM SURGE, AND EVEN THE POSSIBILITY OF TORNADOES. IMMEDIATELY, THE LEADERSHIP OF THE COUNTY IDENTIFIED THIS WOULD BE A WHOLE OF COMMUNITY EFFORT. THE COUNTY MOBILIZED IT'S EMERGENCY ORGANIZATION. IT CONDUCTED NUMEROUS UNIFIED COORDINATION GROUP AND COUNTY-WIDE COORDINATION MEETINGS, AND THIS WAS BASED TO SYNCHRONIZE ALL OUR EFFORTS AND ACTIVITIES, BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY TO DO

SOMETHING THAT I THINK WE'VE REALLY BUILT IN THE PAST FOUR OR FIVE YEARS IS A UNITY OF OUR EFFORTS. IN ADDITION TO THAT, THE COUNTY ACTIVATED ITS EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER, AND MANY OF OUR DEPARTMENTS, THEIR DEPARTMENT OPERATION CENTERS, WHICH ENABLE EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT RESPONSE AND RECOVERY IN A COORDINATED AND CENTRALIZED STRUCTURE. THAT ALSO INCLUDES PARTNERSHIPS WITH LOCAL, STATE, FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, AND NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS. IF YOU GO TO THE COUNTY'S EMERGENCY OPERATION CENTER DURING THESE TYPES OF EVENTS, YOU SEE THE WHO'S WHO IN THE ZOO, SO TO SPEAK. WE HAD COAST GUARD REPRESENTATIVES, SO WE HAD LIKE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN FULL FORCE THERE, ALL THE WAY TO OUR LOCAL RED CROSS CHAPTERS THAT SUPPORT IN SHELTERING OPPORTUNITIES. SO IT'S REALLY A SIGHT TO SEE. THIS TRULY WAS AN ALL HANDS ON DECK OR ALL-TEAM APPROACH. ALONG WITH ALL OF US THAT ARE SITTING HERE TODAY, THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS REALLY STEPPED UP AND MET THIS CHALLENGE HEAD ON. I.S.D., FOR EXAMPLE, PREPARED MANY OF OUR COUNTY FACILITIES. THEY TESTED ALL OUR BACK-UP GENERATORS. ONE THING WE SEE IN TROPICAL STORMS AND HURRICANES THAT HIT THE EAST COAST OR THESE AREAS THAT MORE TYPICALLY HAVE THESE TYPES OF STORMS IS LONG DURATION POWER OUTAGES. SO, THESE PARTNERSHIPS WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON AND EVEN WITH I.S.D. TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE RESILIENCY IN OUR ENERGY SYSTEM IS CRITICAL. IN ADDITION TO THAT, AND, SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU HAD BROUGHT THIS UP, THE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE,

L.A.H.S.A., AND THEN ALL OF THEIR PARTNER AGENCIES WITH THE SHERIFF, PUBLIC WORKS, FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND THEN ALL OF OUR NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS REALLY STEPPED UP AND BURNED THE MIDNIGHT OIL TO GET OUT THERE AND WARN AND PREPARE OUR UNHOUSED POPULATIONS. THE LIST GOES ON AND ON. D.P.S.S. AND THE RED CROSS STOOD READY TO SUPPORT ANY EMERGENCY SHELTERING. THAT INCLUDED SUPPORTING ANY OF THE IMPACTS FROM AN EVACUATION OF CATALINA ISLAND, WHICH WAS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LONG BEACH, AND A BIG SHELTERING OPERATION THAT WAS ON STANDBY FROM ANY IMPACTS FROM THAT. WHEN THE STORM DID ARRIVE, THE COUNTY AND THE RESIDENTS, VISITORS AND BUSINESSES, WERE WELL PREPARED. IN THE WEEKS THAT FOLLOWED THE STORM, O.E.M. CONTINUES TO WORK WITH ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENTS AND CITY PARTNERS TO ASSESS OUR RESPONSE COSTS AND DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS. AND WE CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THAT INFORMATION TO THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS TO ASSURE WE ARE SEEKING EVERY RESOURCE WE POSSIBLY CAN TO RECOVER FROM THIS NOVEL EVENT. IN SUMMARY, AND LASTLY, I JUST WANTED TO REALLY HIGHLIGHT A BIG THANK YOU AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO O.E.M. AND THE E.O.C. RESPONDERS, ALL OF OUR FIRST RESPONDERS, THE BOARD AND THE BOARD OFFICES, AND OUR C.E.O. LEADERSHIP TEAM, WHO REALLY, FROM THE GET-GO OF THIS ON WEDNESDAY, ALL THE WAY THROUGH THE FOLLOWING WEDNESDAY, WORKED 24/7, BURNED THE MIDNIGHT OIL, WORKED STRESSFUL HOURS AND REALLY MET THIS CHALLENGE HEAD ON WITH A SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME.

SO, WITH THAT, I'M GOING TO HAND IT OVER TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, MARK PESTRELLA.

MARK PESTRELLA: THANK YOU, KEVIN. MADAM CHAIR, BOARD MEMBERS, MARK PESTRELLA, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, REPORTING ON THE PUBLIC WORKS EFFORTS IN COORDINATION WITH O.E.M. AND OUR PARTNER AGENCIES TO RESPOND TO AND RECOVER FROM TROPICAL STORM HILARY. FOR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, THIS IS THE WORLD SERIES OF EVENTS. AS A CHIEF OF FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, I THINK YOU ALREADY KNOW THAT THE LAST TIME WE HAD SUCH AN EVENT WAS AROUND 1930S, '38. WE HAVE HAD A NUMBER OF STORMS, OBVIOUSLY, THROUGH THE YEARS THAT COULD BE CONSIDERED SIGNIFICANT. I THINK THIS ONE IS CONSIDERED CONSIDERED SIGNIFICANT IN TERMS OF ITS BEHAVIOR. I'LL TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE ACTUAL RAINFALL DATA AND SOME OF THE THINGS WE SAW OCCUR. ALTHOUGH IT MIGHT LOOK LIKE NOTHING HAPPENED, THAT IS ACTUALLY A VERY GOOD SIGN BECAUSE IT MEANS WE RESPONDED AND RECOVERED PROPERLY IN A VERY ROBUST WAY TO THIS EVENT, PREVENTING ANY LOSS OF LIFE AND ANY MAJOR PROPERTY DAMAGE. THAT WAS REALLY A GREAT OBJECTIVE OF OUR AGENCY AND OF THE COUNTY AS WE ENTERED INTO THESE EVENTS. I ALSO WANT TO THANK, AS I WANT TO REITERATE KEVIN'S COMMENTS, THE COUNTY TODAY IS OPERATING IN ONE VOICE MORE SO THAN EVER IN MY EXPERIENCE AS A 36 YEAR EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY. I HAVE NEVER SEEN US BE THIS COORDINATED EVER. I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE O.E.M., OUR FIRE PARTNERS, THE SHERIFF WHO

PROACTIVELY TOOK ACTION IN THIS CASE AND STEPPED UP AND CALLED US TOGETHER TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE PUBLIC ABOUT WHAT WAS COMING. HOSTING THE FIRST PRESS CONFERENCE WAS UNUSUAL FOR THE SHERIFF TO HAVE THAT KIND OF FOCUS ON AN EVENT THAT WASN'T NECESSARILY A LAW ENFORCEMENT EVENT. I APPRECIATE THEIR PARTNERSHIP. THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, THE CITIES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, ALL 88 CITIES, WE WERE COMMUNICATING WITH THE TOWN COUNCILS IN THE UNINCORPORATED COUNTIES THROUGH OUT L.A. COUNTY WHO WE WERE COORDINATING WITH EARLY ON AND THROUGHOUT THE EVENT. THIS IS KEY TO HOW WE OPERATE AT PUBLIC WORKS WHEN WE COME TO INCIDENT. WE DO YEAR ROUND PREPARATION. WE'RE CONSTANTLY PREPARING OUR SYSTEM FOR SUCH EVENTS. WE'RE LOOKING AHEAD WHAT THE ART OF THE POSSIBLE IN TERMS OF EVENTS ARE, AND, IN FACT, WE HAD BEEN THINKING ABOUT FOR SOME TIMES AND PRACTICING FOR A TROPICAL STORM EVENT LIKE THIS COMING UP INTO L.A. WE WORK, OBVIOUSLY, IN COORDINATION WITH OUR WEATHER PARTNERS AT N.O.A.A. AND WITH O.E.M. FOR THESE EARLY WARNING AND FOR WHAT TO THINK ABOUT IS COMING NEXT. THIS YEAR, IN FACT, WE ARE LOOKING AT AN EL NINO CONDITION, AND WE DO EXPECT WARMER OCEAN WATERS AND THEREFORE THE POTENTIAL FOR MORE INTENSE RAINFALL THIS WINTER THAN AVERAGE WINTER. AS EARLY WARNING GOES, PUBLIC WORKS IS ACTIVELY WARNING OUR COMMUNITIES WELL IN ADVANCE, IN COORDINATION, AS I SAID, WITH O.E.M., BUT ALSO ON A PERSONAL LEVEL, ON A SORT OF CUSTOMER LEVEL, PUBLIC WORKS COMMUNITY SERVICES GROUP WAS OUT REACHING OUT, AS I

SAID, TO TOWN COUNCILS IN UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES WELL IN ADVANCE OF THE EVENT. AND THEN WE WERE USING PREDICTIVE ANALYSIS TO DECIDE WHERE TO PRE-DEPLOY. AND THAT'S THE THIRD PIECE IS PRE-DEPLOYMENT OF OUR RESOURCES TO PLACES WHERE WE THINK IS MOST VULNERABLE, GIVE THE PREDICTED STORM. SO, A STORM LIKE THIS COMING FROM THE SOUTH WILL TYPICALLY CAUSE FLOODING IN THE LOW LYING AREAS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THAT WOULD BE LIKE THE DOMINGUEZ AREA, CARSON, LONG BEACH. THAT AREA WE EXPECT THAT WE'LL HAVE PRETTY INTENSE RAINFALL WITH AN EVENT LIKE THIS, AND WE'LL HAVE PONDING. AND WHEN WE HAVE PONDING THAT MEANS THAT THE WATER CAN'T ESCAPE TO OUR RIVER SYSTEM. SO WHAT IT DOES IS IT BUILDS UP, AND WE USE PUMPS TO PUMP THAT WATER OUT OF THE SYSTEM. THINK LOUISIANA. THINK KATRINA. PUMP SYSTEMS THAT ACTUALLY EVACUATE THE PONDED WATER. AND SO, WE HAVE A HUGE AMOUNT, OVER A THOUSAND PUMPS IN THE SOUTH BAY AREA THAT WERE -- WE CHECKED ON THEM. WE MADE SURE THEY WERE READY TO GO. WE PRE-DEPLOYED TO MAKE SURE IN CASE ANY OF THEM BROKE DOWN THAT WE COULD GET THEM UP AND RUNNING. AND IN FACT, THOSE PUMPS DID A REALLY GOOD JOB OF KEEPING THE PONDING DOWN. IN THE MOUNTAINOUS AREAS, WE'RE EXPECTING THAT THE AREAS THAT WOULD ERODE QUICKLY DUE TO EROSION, DUE TO FIRE, PREVIOUS FIRES, WOULD BE PLACES WHERE WE ARE CONCERNED. SO OUR DEBRIS BASINS ARE CLEARED YEAR ROUND, WERE CLEARED AND READY TO GO. AND, IN FACT, WE'RE WORKING ON RESERVOIR RESTORATION PROJECTS AT FOUR MAJOR RESERVOIRS RIGHT NOW. AND

THEY WERE HEAVILY IMPACTED BY INCREASED SEDIMENT DURING THE EVENT. AND THEN ON THE BACKSIDE OF THE MOUNTAINS, WITH THE SOUTHERLY FLOW, WE GET WHAT WE CALL A WRAP AROUND CONDITION, AND THAT'S WHERE THEY WRAP UP AND HEAD NORTHWEST, AND THEY WRAP AROUND THE BACKSIDE OF THE MOUNTAINS, AND THEY AFFECT THE HIGH DESERT AREA AND UP AGAINST THE NORTH FACING MOUNTAINS. AND IN SUPERVISOR BARGER'S COMMUNITIES, WE SAW SOME OF THE HIGHEST RAINFALL INTENSITIES AND PROBABLY -- WHILE, AS I SAID, THERE WAS NO LOSS OF LIFE AND NO MAJOR PROPERTY DAMAGE, WE CONTINUE TO SEE, IN CURRENT RAIN EVENTS, SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS ON THE ROAD SYSTEM IN THE NORTH COUNTY AFFECTING PEOPLE'S ABILITY TO GET TO WORK, AFFECTING TO BE ABLE TO MOVE -- JUST MOVE WITHIN COMMUNITY, AFFECTING THEIR ECONOMY PRETTY SIGNIFICANTLY. THE RAINFALL THAT WE DID EXPERIENCE, EXCEPT FOR A FEW OCCASIONS IN SANTA CLARITY AND ANTELOPE VALLEY, THE INTENSITY AND FREQUENCY OF THE STORM FOR MOST OF THE AREAS IN THE COUNTY VARIED FROM 2 TO 25 YEAR STORM. THESE ARE THE KIND OF STORMS WE SEE REGULARLY DURING OUR WEATHER EVENTS. THE RAINFALL INTENSITIES WERE WHAT WE WOULD CALL MODERATE. THAT'S ABOUT 2.3 INCHES PER HOUR, MODERATE. IN SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, HOWEVER, IN MINT CANYON, SPECIFICALLY, WE HAD 6 INCHES, AND IN CASTAIC, WE HAD 5.47 INCHES. THIS EXCEEDS A HUNDRED YEAR FREQUENCY. SO, THIS IS A ONCE IN 100 YEAR EVENT OR 1% PROBABILITY EVENT, EXCUSE ME, IN THAT AREA. IT DIDN'T LAST. WHY WE DIDN'T HAVE A MAJOR PROBLEM IS THESE STORMS ONLY LASTED

ABOUT A DAY AND A HALF. SO, THE DURATION WAS SHORT, AND IT ALLOWED THE SYSTEM THAT IS EXISTING UP THERE, MAINLY THE ROAD SYSTEM, TO DRAIN THE AREA. IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, A FEW RAIN GAUGES, LIKE THE ONE IN JUNIPER HILLS, RECORDED 7 INCHES. AND IT EXCEEDED A 500 YEAR FREQUENCY STORM. OKAY. SO WE RECEIVED -- - ALTHOUGH WE HAD THAT KIND OF RAINFALL, BECAUSE OF THE PRE-DEPLOYMENT, BECAUSE OF THE EARLY WARNING, WE WERE ABLE TO ACTUALLY PREPARE AND SAVE LIVES AND PROTECT PROPERTY WITH THAT PRE-DEPLOYMENT. WE HAVE GOTTEN SOME NICE FEEDBACK FROM AREAS LIKE LAKE LOS ANGELES, SUPERVISOR, AND OTHER AREAS IN NORTH COUNTY, WHERE THEY'RE HAPPY WITH OUR PRE-DEPLOYMENT AND EARLY WARNING SYSTEM. ALTHOUGH WE DID PRE-DEPLOY AND WE WARNED, THERE IS ONE STREET IN OUR AREA THAT IS STILL CLOSED, AND THAT'S P8 IN LAKE LOS ANGELES AREA, WHERE WE ARE STILL CLEANING UP, AND WE ARE WORKING WITH COMMUNITY TO GET THAT ROAD OPENED. IT WILL BE OPENED IN TWO WEEKS. THE FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEM, AS I SAID, WORKED VERY WELL, AND THAT'S BECAUSE YOU ALL MADE INVESTMENTS IN THE FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEM. WE CONTINUE TO MAKE THEM ANNUALLY. IN FACT, THE SUPERVISORS SPEND OVER 90% OF THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT FUNDS ANNUALLY TO MAINTAIN AND OPERATE A WORLD CLASS FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEM. THAT SYSTEM HAS TO BE MAINTAINED AND HAS TO BE INVESTED IN REGULARLY SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO EFFECTIVELY DEAL WITH WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR WEATHER SYSTEM, THE INCREASED INTENSITY, THE INCREASED PROBABILITY OF EVENTS LIKE THIS. ALSO, WHAT WE ARE ALSO DOING

IS QUICKLY CURRENTLY EDUCATING THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF BUYING FLOOD INSURANCE, PROMOTING FLOOD INSURANCE, AND EDUCATING PROPERTY OWNERS THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY THROUGH THEIR FLOOD RISK MANAGERS ABOUT THE AVAILABILITY OF F.E.M.A. PROGRAMS TO DEAL WITH THE INCREASING THREAT OF FLOOD RISK IN L.A. COUNTY. I'LL END WITH WHAT CAN COMMUNITIES DO AS WE RECOVER. THEY CAN LOOK INTO FLOOD INSURANCE FOR THEIR PROPERTIES. THEY CAN FOLLOW US AS WE PREPARE, AS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PREPARE WHAT I CALL OUR CLIMATE READY COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE LED BY PUBLIC WORKS, WHICH IS EXAMINING THE VULNERABILITY IN COORDINATION WITH THE C.S.O. OF THE COUNTY OF COMMUNITIES DUE TO CLIMATE IMPACTS AND THEN PUTTING TOGETHER AN ACTION PLAN TO INVEST IN OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES TO MAKE THEM MORE RESILIENT. AND IF PEOPLE WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THEIR COMMUNITIES WITH RESPECT TO THESE KINDS OF THREATS, THEY CAN CONTACT MY DEPARTMENT AT OUR WEBSITE AT DPW.LACOUNTY.GOV. THANK YOU.

HOLLY FRANCISCO: GOOD MORNING. AND ASSISTANT SHERIFF HOLLY FRANCISCO FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY. SHERIFF LUNA DID WANT TO BE HERE, BUT, AS CHAIR HAHN SAID, HE'S UNAVAILABLE. WE DID A LOT OF COORDINATION IN PREPARING FOR THIS STORM. TO START WITH, THE NUMEROUS PLANNING CALLS AND MEETINGS WITH O.E.M. ALLOWED FOR A

QUICK RESPONSE AND SMOOTH TRANSITION. THE SHERIFF'S SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAMS, SWISS WATER PERSONNEL AND RESCUE AIRCRAFT WERE ON ALERT AND READY FOR IMMEDIATE RESPONSE. OUR DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS CENTER OPENED ON SATURDAY AUGUST 19TH AT 6:00 A.M. TO GET AHEAD OF THIS STORM AND CONTINUED THROUGH 2:00 P.M. ON MONDAY. WE HAD REPRESENTATIVES IN THE COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER FOR INFORMATION SHARING AND CONTINUITY. OUR SHERIFF'S INFORMATION BUREAU PROVIDED UPDATES AND PREPAREDNESS MESSAGING TO ALL OUR COMMUNITIES. A LITTLE BIT ABOUT OUR H.O.S.T. TEAMS, THEY WORKED WITH L.A.H.S.A. AND DEPLOYED WITHIN THE FIVE MAIN WATERWAYS AND EDUCATING PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. THEY AND EDUCATED CITIZENS ABOUT THE IMPENDING STORM AND DIRECTED THEM TO SAFETY AND CONNECTED THEM WITH INTERIM HOUSING. OVER 160 CONTACTS WERE MADE IN THOSE AREAS OVER THE FIVE DAYS AND 97 WERE ABLE TO BE MOVED TO SAFE HOUSING. THE AFFECTED PATROL STATIONS AND OUR ARROW BUREAU PATROLLED THE RIVERBEDS, PROJECTING P.A. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE IMPENDING STORM AND POTENTIAL DANGERS. ONE OF OUR BIGGEST CONCERNS WAS AVALON STATION. SO, A LITTLE BIT OF WHAT WE DID, WE COORDINATED WITH L.A. COUNTY FIRE, L.A. COUNTY BAYWATCH, AVALON FIRE, AND AVALON HARBOR PATROL TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF THE COMMUNITY ON CATALINA ISLAND. OUR BIGGEST CONCERN WAS US NOT BEING ABLE TO GET OUR PERSONNEL THERE IF THE STORM HIT THEM SEVERELY. SO WE CREATED A UNIFIED COMMAND OVER THERE, IDENTIFIED EVACUATION ROUTES AND RESCUE PLANS FOR

THE ENTIRE ISLAND. WE HAD A CHIEF COMMANDER AND SUPPORT STAFF THERE IMMEDIATELY SO WE COULD MAKE REAL-TIME DECISIONS. AND ON AUGUST 19TH AT 7:00 A.M., WE DEPLOYED APPROXIMATELY 50 ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL TO ASSIST WITH THOSE. AT 7:30 A.M., AN EVACUATION ADVISORY WAS ISSUED ON AUGUST 19TH. AND ON AUGUST 20, AN EVACUATION WARNING WAS ISSUED. LOGISTICAL SUPPORT. INCLUDING WATER FOOD, INCLEMENT WEATHER GEAR, GENERATORS, AND MOBILE DATA COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT, WAS SENT OVER TO SUPPORT OUR PERSONNEL. AND THIS WAS THROUGH ARROW BUREAU, OUR SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT BUREAU, PORT POLICE, AND THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD. THERE WAS SECURITY DETAIL AT THE SAN PEDRO CATALINA EXPRESS AND LONG BEACH CATALINA EXPRESS TO ASSIST WITH INDIVIDUALS WHO NEEDED SHELTER COMING OFF OF THE ISLAND, WHICH WAS COORDINATED WITH O.E.M., DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AND THE RED CROSS. AFTER THE CONDITIONS WERE ASSESSED ON MONDAY, ONCE THE TROPICAL STORM PASSED, AND WAS LIFTED ON CATALINA ISLAND, AND ALL L.A.S.D. PERSONNEL WERE BACK ON THE MAINLAND DEMOBILIZED BY 2:00 P.M. OUR CUSTODY FACILITIES OPENED UP THEIR EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER AND COORDINATED WITH OUR D.O.C. AND EACH OF THE COMMANDS PREPARED THEIR 12 AND 12 ROSTER SO WE HAD PERSONNEL THAT WERE READY TO RESPOND. UNRELATED TO THE TROPICAL STORM, BUT DUE TO THE 5.5 MAGNITUDE EARTHQUAKE IN OJAI, THE MAJORITY OF OUR CUSTODY FACILITIES WENT ON LOCKDOWN PENDING FACILITIES CHECKS. NO DAMAGE WAS REPORTED, AND LOCKDOWNS WERE LIFTED. OUR PATROL STATIONS

CHECKED IN EVERY SIX HOURS AND CONTINUALLY UPDATED THE D.O.C. A COUPLE OF INCIDENTS, OUR MALIBU LOST HILLS SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM CONDUCTED RESCUE OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO SLIPPED OFF A CLIFF.. SEVERAL STATIONS ASSISTED WITH STRANDED VEHICLES IN WATERWAYS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT. AND SANTA CLARITA REPORTED TWO JUVENILES WERE RESCUED OUT OF THE FLOOD CANAL BY THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT WITH OUR ASSISTANCE. COMPTON STATION REPORTED ONE RIVER CHANNEL RESCUE AND ONE SWIFT WATER RESCUE, AND OUR EMERGENCY SERVICE DETAIL REPORTED ONE SWIFT WATER RESCUE IN THE SAN GABRIEL CITY OF SOUTH GATE. SO AGAIN, ALTHOUGH THE COMMENTS WERE THAT THE STORM DIDN'T GET THAT BAD, WE WERE PREPARED AND READY FOR ANYTHING THAT WE COULD DO. THANK YOU.

CHIEF MARRONE: SO, GOOD MORNING, YOUR HONORABLE BOARD. I'LL KEEP THE COMMENTS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IN REGARDS TO PREPARATION AND RESPONSE. THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT DID PARTICIPATE IN THE UNIFIED COORDINATING GROUP BEGINNING WEDNESDAY THE 16TH. WE DID OPEN OUR DEPARTMENT EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER, AND WE DID STAFF ADDITIONAL FIRE AND LIFEGUARD RESOURCES IN PREPARATION FOR TROPICAL STORM HILARY. OUR BIGGEST CHALLENGE DURING THE STORM WAS KEEPING UP ON THE DEMAND FOR SAND AND SANDBAGS AT OUR LOCAL FIRE STATIONS. DURING OUR PREPARATION, WE DID DELIVER 180,000 SANDBAGS TO LOCAL RESIDENTS AND OVER 300 CUBIC YARDS OF SAND. WE DID

PARTNER WITH D.P.W. AND THE DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS TO KEEP UP ON OUR SANDBAG AND SAND AVAILABILITY, BUT WE DID HAVE NUMEROUS RESIDENTS COMING TO THE FIRE STATIONS PREPARING FOR TROPICAL STORM HILARY AS THEY DID HEED OUR MESSAGING. I'M THANKFUL WE DIDN'T HAVE ANY SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS OF DAMAGE TO RESIDENCES OR APARTMENT BUILDINGS OR BUSINESSES. IT WAS BECAUSE RESIDENTS AND COMMUNITIES HEEDED THE MESSAGE THAT THEY NEEDED TO STAY AT HOME, PREPARE, AND RIDE THIS TROPICAL STORM OUT. WHEN IT COMES TO EMERGENCY RESPONSE, WE HAD ONE VERY SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT, WHERE WE RESCUED A MAN THAT WAS TRAPPED IN THE SAN ANTONIO FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT IN S.D.-1 IN POMONA. WE DID HAVE SWIFT WATER RESCUE SWIMMERS ON OUR DEPARTMENTS THREE REGIONAL AIR SQUADS. WE SAVED THAT GENTLEMAN'S LIFE. HE WHAT WAS TRANSPORTED TO THE HOSPITAL IN CRITICAL CONDITION. HOWEVER, HAD WE NOT BEEN THERE, HE WOULD NOT HAVE SURVIVED. HE WOULD HAVE DROWNED IN THAT FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT IN S.D.-1. IN S.D.-3, IN MALIBU, WE HAD A PERSON GO OVER THE SIDE OF THE CLIFF, AS ASSISTANT SHERIFF FRANCISCO DESCRIBED. WE DID PARTNER WITH THE SHERIFFS IN THE RESCUE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL. AND THEN WE DID HAVE TWO MODERATE MUD AND DEBRIS FLOWS IN S.D.-5, ONE IN PALMDALE, AND ONE IN SANTA CLARITA. IN ADDITION TO MINOR INCIDENTS, WE HAD SOME ELECTRICAL LINES DOWN, SOME UTILITY POLE FIRES, AND 28 MINOR FLOODING INCIDENTS. OUR INCIDENT CALL VOLUME INCREASED 50% DURING THE STORM, SO WE HAD 3,000 CALLS FOR SERVICE AT OUR DISPATCH CENTER, WHICH RESULTED

IN APPROXIMATELY 2000 INCIDENTS DURING THE STORM. WE NORMALLY GET ABOUT 1200 INCIDENTS A DAY. WE HAD AN ADDITIONAL 800, SO IT DID BUMP TO TO 2000. AND THAT CONCLUDES MY COMMENTS, IF THERE'S ANY QUESTIONS.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH ALL OF YOU. LET ME CALL ON MY COLLEAGUES. FIRST WILL BE SUPERVISOR BARGER, THEN SUPERVISOR SOLIS, THEN SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. BARGER: THANK YOU. I'LL MAKE MY COMMENTS SHORT. BUT I JUST FIRST OF ALL WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE KEVIN MCGOWAN AND O.E.M. I THINK I CAN SPEAK FOR ALL THE DEPARTMENTS, WHEN WE DO HAVE TO BRING AN ALL HANDS ON DECK, YOU TRULY DO BRING EVERYONE TOGETHER, AND I APPRECIATE THAT. AND I SEE CHIEF MARRONE NODDING HIS HEAD. I THINK THAT HELPS AS IT RELATES TO PREPAREDNESS, GETTING THE WORD OUT, AND LETTING PEOPLE KNOW THAT THERE ARE RESOURCES AVAILABLE, BUT ALSO MAKING SURE THE DEPARTMENTS ARE WORKING TOGETHER. SO I JUST WANT ACKNOWLEDGE YOU ON THAT. AND, MARK, YOU TOUCHED ON IT. I'M GLAD YOU TOUCHED ON P8. OBVIOUSLY, UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, I MEAN WITH THE AMOUNT OF WATER THAT COMES DOWN IN A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME, YOU HAVE FLASH FLOODS. AND UP THERE, TO COMPLICATE MATTERS, YOU HAVE MANY ROADS NOT PAVED, AND MANY OF THEM ARE PRIVATE ROADS. AND I KNOW P8 IS AN EXAMPLE THAT IS NOT A PRIVATE ROADS. AND I KNOW YOU'RE WORKING IT BECAUSE IT'S A

MAJOR THOROUGHFARE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. AND I APPRECIATE THE WORK YOU AND YOUR TEAM ARE DOING TO GET THAT OPEN AGAIN BECAUSE THAT ROAD ACTUALLY SUFFERED SIMILAR DAMAGE IN 2011 AS A RESULT OF FLASH FLOOD. SO, I GUESS MY QUESTION IS TWOFOLD. NUMBER ONE, WHAT CAN WE DO, KNOWING THESE AREAS ARE VULNERABLE, AND, IN FACT, NOW WE ARE SEEING A CHANGE IN HOW THE CLIMATE IS IMPACTING THE ENTIRE COUNTY, THE ENTIRE STATE? HOW CAN WE PREPARE? WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO TO PREPARE THOSE ROADS? AND MY SECOND PART OF THE QUESTION IS THERE ARE A LOT OF PRIVATE ROADS. AND THEY HAVE BEEN SEVERELY IMPACTED. AND THEY DO NOT FALL INTO THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT. IS THERE ANY SORT OF HELP WE CAN DO TO AID THOSE THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN A DILEMMA WHERE THEY'RE ON A PRIVATE ROAD THAT'S BEEN IMPACTED?

MARK PESTRELLA: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. CORRECT, P8 IS A MAJOR PRIORITY FOR US AND FOR YOUR OFFICE, OBVIOUSLY, TO REOPEN. AND WE'RE ACTIVELY GETTING THAT DONE IN COORDINATION WITH THE COMMUNITY. THE PRIVATE ROAD SITUATION IN NORTH COUNTY IS INTERESTING BECAUSE THE NORTH COUNTY IS DEVELOPED AS A RURAL AREA AND QUALIFIES ABSOLUTELY AS RURAL COMMUNITIES. AND THESE ROADS ACTUALLY AS THEY WERE DEVELOPED AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THOSE PROPERTIES WAS BY CHOICE THAT THEY MADE. THEY KEPT THEM BY DIRT ROADS AND KEPT THAT RURAL CROSS SECTION TO BUILD NO SIDEWALKS OR CURBS OR GUTTER. AND IN FACT, THERE IS NO SPECIAL DISTRICT THERE, LIKE YOU SAID, THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT THAT

ACTUALLY PROVIDES THAT KIND OF DRAINAGE. SO THE ROAD SYSTEM ACTUALLY PROVIDES THE ROAD THE DRAINAGE SYSTEM IN THE AREA. AND WHEN THEY'RE DIRT, THEY DO ERODE. AND ON PRIVATE PROPERTIES, IT'S EXASPERATED BECAUSE THE RESOURCES NECESSARY TO CORRECT A PRIVATE ROAD CAN BE VERY, VERY EXTENSIVE AND EXPENSIVE. AS I KNOW, THE COMMUNITY IN THAT AREA IS QUITE SELF-RELIANT. AND WHAT MY EXPERIENCE HAS BEEN THAT MOST OF THOSE PROPERTY OWNERS TAKE MATTERS IN THEIR OWN HANDS. AND SOMEONE HAS GOT A TRACTOR ON THE STREET, AND THEY COME OUT, AND THEY CLEAR THAT ROAD, AND THEY GET IT BACK UP AND GOING. BUT, AS YOU SAID, WHAT THEY'RE FACING IN NORTH COUNTY IS AN INCREASED -- AND WE'RE FACING WITH OUR OWN INFRASTRUCTURE, IS A LEVEL OF INTENSITY WE HAVEN'T SEEN BEFORE AND IN TERMS OF FREQUENCY. SO, WE JUST HAD A NUMBER OF SERIES OF STORMS DURING THE WINTER THAT KNOCKED OUT A NUMBER OF THESE ROADS AS WELL. AND SO, WHAT WE ARE DOING IS WORKING WITH COMMUNITY, ONE, ON EDUCATING THEM ON THE AVAILABILITY OF FLOOD INSURANCE FOR THEM. TWO, WE ARE WORKING WITH THEM TO GATHER AROUND AND ACTUALLY MEET PROPERTY OWNERS TO REPORT PRIVATE PROPERTY DAMAGE LIKE ROAD DAMAGE TO THE DEPARTMENT SO THAT WE CAN GATHER TOGETHER AND ACTUALLY WORK WITH THEM TO GO AFTER STATE AND FEDERAL AID, NOT NECESSARILY IN TERMS OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION, BUT IN TERMS OF LIKE CURRENT GRANTS THAT ARE AVAILABLE. FOR INSTANCE, ONE GRANT WE'RE VERY AWARE OF THAT WE WOULD LIKE THE COMMUNITY TO ENGAGE WITH US ON IS THE B.R.I.C.

GRANT FROM F.E.M.A., BUILDING RESILIENCY IN COMMUNITIES GRANT, THAT I'VE BEEN ACTIVELY PURSUING AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL SO THAT WE CAN BRING AND PACKAGE THAT KIND OF DAMAGE IN SEEKING FEDERAL AID THERE. AND OUR DEPARTMENT COULD ADMINISTER THOSE GRANTS THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT TO THOSE PRIVATE PROPERTIES. THAT'S ONE AREA THAT I WOULD SAY WE WANT COMMUNITIES TO ACTIVELY COMMUNICATE TO US WHEN THEY HAVE DAMAGE BECAUSE THE SELF-RELIANCE IN THOSE COMMUNITIES IS SO STRONG THAT THEY SOMETIMES WON'T CALL US AND TELL US THAT THEY HAVE A PROBLEM.

SUP. BARGER: THEY CALL ME.

MARK PESTRELLA: THEY CALL YOU, EXACTLY. AND I WOULD SAY, IF THEY CALL YOU, SUPERVISOR, CALL -- PLEASE FORWARD THE INFORMATION TO US BECAUSE WE DO WANT TO PACKAGE UP THAT AND ACTUALLY GET OUR FAIR SHARE OF FEDERAL DOLLARS FOR RESILIENCE WHEN THERE'S SO MUCH ACTIVITY ON RESILIENCY NOW.

SUP. BARGER: SO, MARK, THAT RAISED A QUESTION. I KNOW MY OFFICE HAS ASKED YOU ABOUT THE PLANNING GRANTS FOR CLIMATE RESILIENCY DISTRICTS. IS THAT THE B.R.I.C. THAT YOU ARE REFERRING TO?

MARK PESTRELLA: NO, SUPERVISOR. THAT'S ACTUALLY A SPECIAL ACT THAT WAS PASSED, I BELIEVE LAST YEAR, SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

NEWSOM THAT AUTHORIZES LOCAL JURISDICTIONS TO ESSENTIALLY TAX PROPERTY OWNERS FOR THE BENEFITS OF IMPROVEMENTS, SO SETTING UP SPECIAL DISTRICTS, ESSENTIALLY, TAKING MAYBE THE TAX INCREMENT IN NEW DEVELOPMENT AND ACTUALLY APPLYING IT. THERE MAY BE A GRANT PROGRAM UNDER THAT AT CAL O.E.S. THAT WE COULD GO AFTER, CLIMATE RESILIENCY, BUT THE ACT THAT YOU ARE REFERRED TO IS ACTUALLY AUTHORIZING US TO PASS CLIMATE RESILIENCY -- CREATE CLIMATE RESILIENCY DISTRICTS LOCALLY AND THEN SECURE THE TAX INCREMENT OR ACTUALLY PROMULGATE NEW SPECIAL DISTRICT FEES TO PROVIDE THOSE KINDS OF SERVICES, RECOVERY SERVICES, TO COMMUNITY.

SUP. BARGER: AND THAT WOULD APPLY TO FIRST RESPONDERS AS WELL, I MEAN FOR FIRE AND ALL? CAN WE GET A REPORT ON WHAT THAT LOOKS LIKE BECAUSE I KNOW, RATHER THAN DOING A MOTION IN A COUPLE OF WEEKS, I THINK IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR US TO UNDERSTAND WHAT WE HAVE AVAILABLE OR WHAT WE NEED TO LOOK BECAUSE, AS I THINK WAS MENTIONED IN THE PRESENTATION, THERE ARE PROJECTIONS THAT WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE TO HAVE THAT TYPE OF WEATHER MOVING FORWARD. SO, I THINK IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT FOR US TO SEE WHAT OPTIONS WE HAVE AVAILABLE TO ADDRESS WHAT WE SEE AS PROBLEMATIC IMPACTS AS A RESULT OF THE RAINS. AND THEN MY LAST COMMENT IS THAT I WANT TO THANK THE SHERIFF AS WELL BECAUSE I KNOW THAT WHEN WE PROVIDE RECOMMENDED SHELTER IN PLACE OR EVEN EVACUATION, YOU ALL GO AND GET THE WORD OUT

AS WELL, DOOR TO DOOR, AND I KNOW THAT YOU ALL WORKED TOGETHER UP IN MY DISTRICT, UP IN NORTH VALLEY, TO ADDRESS SOME OF THE CONCERNS UP THERE. I JUST WANT TO PUBLICLY THANK YOU AS WELL AS IN SANTA CLARITA AS WELL, WHICH A LOT OF THE DEPUTIES LIVE IN SANTA CLARITA. SO, NOT ONLY WERE THEY STANDING WATCH, THEY WERE ALSO WORRIED ABOUT THEIR FAMILIES. SO, I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THAT, AND I WANT TO COMMEND OUR CHAIR BECAUSE I KNOW, JANICE, YOU HAD THE ROLE OF DECLARING ALL THE THINGS THAT WE NEEDED TO DO TO BE PREPARED. AND I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND THE JOB THAT YOU DID AS IT RELATES TO THIS STORM. SO, THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. IT'S FUNNY, EACH OF THE CHAIRS KIND OF HAS A DISASTER, AND MR. DISASTER OVER THERE COORDINATES IT. SO, WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO YOUR DISASTER -- I MEAN YOUR CHAIRMANSHIP, SUPERVISOR HORVATH. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

SUP. SOLIS: YES, THANK YOU. I JUST WANT TO SAY I FEEL LIKE WE DODGED A BULLET. WE WERE PREPARED, BUT IT WAS THE WEEKEND. AND ONE OF THE CHALLENGES I THINK FOR US MOVING FORWARD -- FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO SAY THIS ISN'T A CRITIQUE OR ANYTHING. I JUST THINK THAT SOMETIMES WE CAN PLAN FOR THE BEST, HOPE FOR THE BEST, AND SOMETIMES, BECAUSE THINGS HAPPEN ON THE WEEKEND OR A HOLIDAY, PEOPLE AREN'T ALWAYS AROUND. AND SOMETIMES, I

THINK OUR COMMUNITIES MAY NOT FULLY APPRECIATE WHO IS ON THE GROUND AND WHAT EFFORTS ARE BEING TAKEN. SO I THINK THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER. AGAIN, I WANT TO SAY WE WERE VERY FORTUNATE THAT THE STORM REALLY HIT THE SOUTHERN PORTION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. I HAPPENED TO BE LEAVING SAN DIEGO WHEN THE STORM WAS COMING IN. AND THAT AREA IN SAN DIEGO AS WELL AS PALM SPRINGS WAS HEAVILY IMPACTED. THEY'RE GOING TO GO THROUGH A LOT OF CHANGES THERE. FORTUNATELY FOR US, WE DON'T HAVE TO GO THROUGH ALL OF THAT. BUT I THINK, AS ANYTHING HAPPENS HERE, WHEN THERE ARE CATASTROPHES, WE CAN ALWAYS HAVE LESSONS TO LEARN. I KNOW ALL OF YOU DID YEOMAN'S WORK AND WOMEN. AND I APPRECIATE THAT BECAUSE I KNOW MY STAFF WAS ON THE PHONE. WE WERE ON THE PHONE WITH MANY OF YOU PROBABLY DRIVING YOU CRAZY A LITTLE BIT, BUT THAT'S WHAT WE DO, RIGHT, BECAUSE OUR CONSTITUENTS ARE CALLING US. I WANT TO SAY TO THE SHERIFF AS WELL AND TO THE OUTREACH TEAM, L.A.H.S.A., FOR HELPING TO PROVIDE THE KIND OF SERVICE THAT WE NEED FOR THOSE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS THAT ARE LIVING IN THE SANTA FE DAM OR THE WHITTIER NARROWS OR UP IN THE -- EVEN CLOSE TO THE AZUSA CANYON. I WAS REALLY PLEASE THAT THAT HAPPENED, AND I WAS HAPPY THAT, THROUGH 211, WE WERE ABLE TO BRING 176 FAMILIES AND 84 UNHOUSED INDIVIDUALS INDOORS INTO MOTELS. ONE THING THAT GETS LOST I THINK ON SOME OF US, WE ARE COORDINATING WITH CITIES. SOME OF OUR CITIES OPENED UP THEIR MOTELS AND THEY USED OUR VOUCHERS, OR WE HAVE A SYSTEM IN

PLACE WHERE L.A.H.S.A. HAS THAT. SO, I ALSO WANT TO GIVE A SHOUT OUT TO AN OUR PARTNERS BECAUSE WE DON'T ALL DO THIS ALONE, AND I THINK SOMETIMES WE DON'T GIVE THEM CREDIT FOR THAT AS WELL. SO I JUST WANT TO REMIND US ABOUT THAT BECAUSE I'M OFTEN THINKING ABOUT THE CITIES THAT I REPRESENT, WHO ALSO HAVE TO SHOULDER MUCH OF THIS AND ARE ALSO PUT UNDER A LOT OF CONSTRAINT AND LOOK TO YOU ALL FOR YOUR HELP AND YOUR LEADERSHIP. ONE THING THAT I WANTED TO MENTION WAS THAT CAME TO MY ATTENTION WAS THAT WE WERE TELLING EVERYONE IN PREPARATION FOR THE STORM TO GO TO READY L.A. COUNTY, THE SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS AND WEBSITE. AND I UNDERSTAND THERE WAS SOME FRUSTRATION ON THE PART OF SOME OF OUR CONSTITUENTS, OR MINE, THAT TOLD US THERE WASN'T ANYTHING UPDATED ON A REGULAR BASIS. I'M NOT SURE IF THAT'S ACCURATE, BUT WHEN THEY WERE TOLD TO GO THERE, THERE WASN'T ANYTHING THERE. SO, I HOPE THAT WE CAN GO AND LOOK AT THAT AND THEN HAVE WHATEVER APPROPRIATE STAFF'S AVAILABLE TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE ON IT. KEVIN, YOU WANT TO RESPOND TO THAT?

KEVIN MCGOWAN: YES. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. THE READY.LACOUNTY SITE IS OUR COUNTY-WIDE CORE PREPAREDNESS SITE. SO, THAT'S WHERE EVERYONE SHOULD GO FOR PREPAREDNESS INFORMATION. AND THAT IS PRETTY STATIC INFORMATION BECAUSE IT'S WHAT WE ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO DO DAY IN AND DAY OUT TO BE PREPARED FOR RAIN, EARTHQUAKES, SO ON, AND SO FORTH. THE

LACOUNTY.GOV/EMERGENCY SITE IS OUR DYNAMIC INCIDENT SITE. AND THE READY SITE DOES POINT PEOPLE TO THE EMERGENCY SITE. WHAT I'LL TAKE FROM THIS CONVERSATION, SUPERVISOR, IS WE NEED TO MAKE SURE WE'RE VERY CLEAR DURING AN INCIDENT THAT PEOPLE SHOULD BE GOING TO THE EMERGENCY SITE FOR CURRENT EMERGENCY-RELATED INFORMATION.

SUP. SOLIS: HOUR TO HOUR, RIGHT. SO I WOULD REALLY UNDERSCORE THAT, AND THEN ALSO PLACING -- MAKING SURE THAT IT'S IN THE DIFFERENT LANGUAGES BECAUSE WE HAD SOME PEOPLE CALLING THAT DIDN'T QUITE UNDERSTAND AFTER GOING ONTO THE WEBSITE WHAT TO DO. SO, YEAH, THERE IS A LOT OF CONFUSION THERE, BUT JUST THINGS THAT WE'RE LEARNING, RIGHT, THAT WE CAN CORRECT I THINK IS IMPORTANT. I WANT TO THANK OUR FIRE CHIEF BECAUSE WE WERE ON THE PHONE, TOO. I WAS VERY WORRIED ABOUT FLOODING RIGHT BELOW THE CITY OF AZUSA, THE DAM AREA AND ALL THAT. THANK GOODNESS WE DIDN'T SEE MAJOR HARDSHIP THERE, BUT I WILL SAY -- I REALLY WANT TO GIVE YOU CREDIT FOR WHEN I TOLD YOU PEOPLE WERE CALLING ME WHERE TO GO FOR SANDBAGS AND SAND, WE HAD SOME FIREHOUSES THAT HAD BAGS BUT NO SAND. AND THAT ISN'T YOUR FAULT, BUT I'M JUST SAYING THAT, IN TERMS OF PREPARATION, NOW THAT WE KNOW WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THIS TURBULENCE FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR, THAT WE SHOULD HAVE READY-MADE AVAILABLE SUPPLIES OF ALL THAT AND COORDINATING WITH OUR CITIES BECAUSE I KNOW THE CITY OF EL MONTE, THAT'S WHERE I WAS GETTING CALLS

FROM, SAN GABRIEL CITIES, AND IT VARIED. SO, IT'S NOT A WAY TO CRITICIZE, BUT IT'S JUST TO SAY I THINK THERE IS A BETTER WAY OF DOING THAT. AND ONE THING THAT I LEARNED ALSO IS THAT SENIOR CITIZENS THAT WANTED TO GO PICK UP SANDBAGS. THEY COULDN'T CARRY THEM. SO, I DON'T KNOW WHAT WE DO ABOUT THAT, BUT MAYBE VOLUNTEERS OR SOMETHING. AND I GET IT THAT IT'S TOUGH ON A WEEKEND TO GET PEOPLE TO COME IN, BUT I THINK WE HAVE TO HAVE A PLAN IN SOME WAY BECAUSE THIS IS A REAL ISSUE FOR US, ESPECIALLY IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS, EAST L.A., AS WELL AS IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND UNINCORPORATED PLACES WHERE PEOPLE COULDN'T GET THAT KIND OF HELP. AND I ALWAYS HAVE TO EMPHASIZE, UNINCORPORATED AREAS IS REALLY WHERE WE HAVE THE MAJOR JURISDICTION. WE'RE THE MAYORS. AND BELIEVE ME, PEOPLE GET VERY ANGRY WHEN WE'RE NOT BEING RESPONSIVE. SO, I JUST WANT TO UNDERSCORE THAT. I KNOW THERE'S MORE THAT WE CAN DO, AND I REALLY WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND REALLY KNOW THAT WE HAVE MUCH MORE TO DO TO BE PREPARED IN THE FUTURE AND TO KEEP COORDINATING. AND THE UNHOUSED IS GOING TO CONTINUE TO BE AN ISSUE FOR US, AT LEAST IN MY DISTRICT, IN THE AREAS THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN OUTLINED, BUT WHAT WE CAN DO BETTER TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE SHELTERING FOR THEM. THE CITY OF L.A., I KNOW, OPENED UP THEIR PARKS AND COMMUNITY CENTERS. WE DIDN'T DO THAT. WE'RE WAITING FOR RED CROSS TO COME IN AND SAY SOMETHING, BUT I DON'T THINK SOMETIMES WE HAVE TIME TO WAIT FOR THAT. I THINK THAT IF THERE'S A PLAN THAT WE SHOULD

BE LOOKING AT ALTERNATIVELY MAYBE IN SOME CERTAIN AREAS WHERE WE KNOW THERE ARE GOING TO BE A LARGE NUMBER OF UNHOUSED PEOPLE THAT WE COULD AT LEAST DIRECT THEM THERE AND GET THE BUSES THERE AND GET OUR GROUPS, OUR C.B.O.S THAT HELP US WITH THE UNHOUSED, TO BE PREPARED. SOME OF THEM HAVE BUSES. SOME OF THEM I KNOW WOULD GLADLY HELP US, BUT I THINK BETTER COORDINATION AT THAT GRANULAR LEVEL COULD REALLY HELP. I JUST -- THESE ARE OBSERVATIONS THAT I TAKE FROM WHAT I SAW HAPPENING IN THE STORM. AGAIN, I THINK WE DODGED A BULLET, AND I'M HAPPY THAT NOBODY LOST THEIR LIVES AND THAT EVERYBODY WAS SAFE AND THE PEOPLE YOU RESCUED WERE SAFE. SO I DO WANT TO UNDERSCORE THAT, AND I WANT MY STAFF TO WORK WITH ALL OF YOU AND, OF COURSE, TO GET IT BETTER. AND I'M ALSO INTERESTED IN SEEING WHAT F.E.M.A. CAN DO TO HELP WITH SOME OF THE DAMAGE THAT WAS DONE IN MY DISTRICT AS WELL BECAUSE THERE ARE ISSUES THERE. KEVIN?

KEVIN MCGOWAN: JUST ON THE F.E.M.A. AND THE CAL O.E.S. ON THE FINANCIAL RECOVERY SIDE, JUST TO KIND OF SET AN UNDERSTANDING FOR HOW THAT IS DONE. WE GO OUT AND DO DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS ALONG WITH THE STATE AND FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES. THIS IS CALLED A PRELIMINARY DAMAGE ASSESSMENT. WE TURN ALL THAT INFORMATION INTO THE STATE, WHICH ALSO WORKS WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS WHAT IS CALLED A PER CAPITA INDICATOR. THE PER CAPITA INDICATOR IS A DOLLAR FIGURE

THEY ASSIGN TO BOTH STATES AND COUNTIES, AND YOU HAVE TO EXCEED THAT INDICATOR AS JUST ONE METRIC FOR THEM TO HAVE THE PRESIDENT DECLARE A MAJOR DISASTER THAT THEN WE WOULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR. L.A. COUNTY'S INDICATOR IS $44 MILLION. THAT'S THE THIRD BIGGEST INDICATOR ACROSS THE NATION, INCLUDING THE STATES. SO, ONLY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND THE STATE OF TEXAS HAVE BIGGER INDICATORS THAN L.A. COUNTY. WE HAVE A REALLY HIGH BAR TO EXCEED WHEN SEEKING FEDERAL ASSISTANCE FOLLOWING DISASTERS. SO WE'RE GOING THROUGH THAT PROCESS. STORMS ARE REALLY TOUGH TO SHOW THE DAMAGE BECAUSE THIS ALSO IS RELATED TO UNINSURED COSTS SO IT GETS TECHNICAL AND WONKY. WE'RE HE PURSUING IT. WE'RE WORKING DAY IN AND DAY OUT TO GET IT, BUT I DON'T WANT ANYONE TO LEAVE THIS CONVERSATION WITH THE EXPECTATION THAT IT'S A SLAM DUNK IN THE BAG THAT WE'RE GOING TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR FEDERAL FUNDING, BUT WE'RE WORKING TOWARDS THAT. ONCE WE GET INFORMATION, WE'LL DEFINITELY PROVIDE IT TO ALL THE BOARD OFFICES AND OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM.

SUP. SOLIS: THANK YOU. I GUESS MY ONLY CONCERN WE REALLY WORK WITH THE LEGISLATURE, THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE, BECAUSE HE SPENDS A LOT OF TIME OUT HERE, TO REALLY VIEW WHAT THE DAMAGES ARE, ESPECIALLY IN POOR AREAS THAT THE INFRASTRUCTURE IS LACKING. AND I REALLY BELIEVE THAT OUR LEGISLATORS COULD LEARN SOME LESSONS TOO. I HOPE WE CAN ALSO GIVE THEM INFORMATION ON WHAT THE IMPACTS HAVE BEEN AS WE MOVE FORWARD FOR OUR

INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT. BECAUSE IT'S REALLY ABOUT THAT. WE HAVE NEGLECTED SOME AREAS FOR SO LONG. NOW IS OUR TIME TO REALLY FORTIFY ALL OF THAT. AND I KNOW YOU BELIEVE THAT. SO I WANT TO WORK WITH YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

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

SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP. I KNOW -- IT'S BEEN A GO FOR YOU IN THIS CHAIRPERSONSHIP FOR YOU WITH YOUR OWN DISTRICT AND EVERYTHING YOU'VE BEEN FACING THERE. AND THEN THIS ON TOP OF IT. SO, THANK FOR STEPPING UP IN THIS VERY IMPORTANT TIME TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE WERE COMMUNICATED WITH AND HAD WHAT THEY NEEDED. WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP, THANK YOU. I ALSO WANT TO NOTE THAT IT IS EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MONTH THIS MONTH. SO WE GOT A LITTLE BIT OF PREPAREDNESS OURSELVES TO BE PREPARED FOR HOW WE CAN DEMONSTRATE EXACTLY WHAT IT MEANS TO BE PREPARED, HOW WE EXERCISE OUR COMMUNICATIONS CHANNELS, HOW WE MAKE SURE THAT THE RESOURCES THAT PEOPLE NEED ARE MADE AVAILABLE. AND SO, I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR THE ROLE THAT YOU PLAYED IN KEEPING PEOPLE SAFE AND MAKING SURE THEY HAD ACCESS TO THE INFORMATION THAT THEY NEEDED TO UNDERSTAND WHERE THEY HAD TO GO. OBVIOUSLY, THERE'S ALWAYS OPPORTUNITY FOR IMPROVEMENT. EVERY ACTION WE HAVE WILL BRING US LESSONS LEARNED. IN THAT CATEGORY I WOULD JUST OFFER A FEW: MAKING

SURE THAT BOTH -- NOT ONLY THE SUPERVISORS OURSELVES BUT OUR OFFICE, OUR LEADS IN OUR OFFICE, ARE NOTIFIED WHEN THE EXECUTIVE ORDER IS SIGNED IN TERMS OF THE DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY SO THAT WAY, SHOULD WE GET QUESTIONS, WE'RE ALL ON THE SAME PAGE IN THE INFORMATION WE'RE ABLE TO PROVIDE, ESPECIALLY FOR PEOPLE WHO WILL BE USING THAT TO RECOVER COSTS OR SEEK ADDITIONAL KINDS OF ASSISTANCE. MAKING SURE THAT WE, AND I WILL BE BRINGING THE COMMENTS REGARDING L.A.H.S.A. BACK TO L.A.H.S.A. AS WELL, BUT WORKING WITH OUR STAFF THERE AND ALSO OUR STAFF HERE IN THE COUNTY TO ENSURE THAT WE'RE DEPLOYING FULLY AND QUICKLY THE AUGMENTED WINTER SHELTER OPERATION. KEVIN, DO YOU WANT TO SPEAK TO THAT?

KEVIN MCGOWAN: YEAH, I JUST WANTED TO ADD ON THAT I WAS GOING TO RESPOND WHEN SUPERVISOR SOLIS BROUGHT IT UP TOO, OUR PARKS AND RECS DEPARTMENT DID PARTNER WITH L.A.H.S.A. AND H.I. DURING THIS AND DID OPEN UP SOME OF THE PARK SHELTERS. FOR EXAMPLE, JACKIE ROBINSON PARK AND PAMELA PARK WERE ACTIVATED. BOTH WERE FILLED WITH PERSONNEL THAT WERE ACTUALLY BEING NOTIFIED FROM OUR FLOOD CONTROL AREAS. SO THERE WAS A LOT OF TIGHT COORDINATION BETWEEN THE PARKS AND RECS DEPARTMENT, L.A.H.S.A., AND H.I. DURING THAT TO MOBILIZE SOME OF THE DIFFERENT SHELTERING CAPABILITIES, NOT JUST A CAPABILITY WITH THE RED CROSS.

SUP. HORVATH: YES, I KNOW DR. ADAMS KELLUM WAS WORKING HER HEART OUT AND MAKING SURE HER TEAM WAS DOING WHAT NEEDED TO BE DONE. AND, ONCE AGAIN, LESSONS LEARNED. SO WE'LL BE HAVING THAT AFTER ACTION CONVERSATION AS WELL. AND THEN FINALLY, I WANT TO -- I ALSO -- I AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR SOLIS ON THE SANDBAGS ISSUE. AND MY DISTRICT HAS A LOT OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. PEOPLE LARGELY DON'T KNOW THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE COUNTY WHEN IT COMES TO GETTING WHAT THEY NEED IN A TIME OF EMERGENCY. SO, CAN YOU TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT HOW WE'RE WORKING BETWEEN L.A. CITY AND COUNTY FIRE, HOW WE'RE MAKING SURE THE RESOURCES GET OUT, AND HOW WE'RE COMMUNICATING WITH FOLKS JUST TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE NOT IN A SITUATION WHERE WE'RE LIKE, "OH, YOU'RE IN THE CITY OF L.A. SO THAT'S FOR SOMEBODY ELSE," BECAUSE NOBODY WANTS TO HEAR THAT IN A TIME OF EMERGENCY. SO, HOW ARE WE MAKING SURE WE'RE WORKING TOGETHER IN TERMS OF THAT PERSPECTIVE?

CHIEF MARRONE: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I DO SPEAK WITH THE L.A. AREA FIRE CHIEFS. WE HAVE 28 FIRE DEPARTMENTS IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, INCLUDING L.A. CITY AND L.A. COUNTY FIRE. I'LL BRING THIS UP WITH THE L.A. AREA FIRE CHIEFS OUR NEXT MEETING TO MAKE SURE WE'RE BETTER COORDINATED BECAUSE THERE IS A GAP WHEN IT COMES TO SAND AND SANDBAGS. WE DO PARTNER, LIKE I SAID, WITH D.P.W. AND BEACHES AND HARBORS FOR THE SAND AND THE BAGS, BUT WE GET RUNS AT OUR FIRE STATIONS. AND PEOPLE TAKE

ALL THE BAGS BECAUSE SOMETIMES WE'RE NOT THERE TO MAKE SURE THAT WE METER THE SANDBAGS OR THE SAND AS THEY GO OUT AND WE DON'T ALLOW SOMEBODY TO TAKE ALL OF THE BAGS. WHEN WE'RE OUT ON A CALL, WE'RE NOT ABLE TO STOP SOMEBODY FROM DOING THAT. BUT YOU'RE CORRECT. WE NEED TO HAVE A BETTER COORDINATED SYSTEM TO MAKE SURE EVERY FIRE STATION THEY GO TO, NO MATTER WHAT FIRE DEPARTMENT IT IS, THAT THEY HAVE RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO THEM. WE DO NOT CHECK I.D.S. WE DO NOT ASK PEOPLE WHERE THEY LIVE. WHEN THEY SHOW UP FOR SAND OR SANDBAGS, WE HELP THEM. I THINK THAT WE REALLY DO HAVE TO ADDRESS OUR ELDERLY POPULATION THAT MIGHT NOT HAVE THE ABILITY, AND WE NEED A MECHANISM TO FIGURE OUT WHO NEEDS SAND AND BAGS BEFORE THE EVENT AND HOW DO WE GET IT TO THEM. WE HAVE 111,000 COUNTY EMPLOYEES. I'M SURE WE CAN COME UP WITH A SOLUTION TO THIS CHALLENGE. SO, I WILL COORDINATE WITH THE LOCAL AREA FIRE CHIEFS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE DO A BETTER JOB IN THE FUTURE.

SUP. HORVATH: SURE --

MARK PESTRELLA: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, I MIGHT ALSO ADD THAT L.A. COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT PROVIDES FREE ENGINEERING ADVICE TO ALL PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, WHICH IS ALL 85 CITIES, IN PRE-EVENT SITUATIONS WHERE THEY BELIEVE THEY NEED ENGINEERING ADVICE ON HOW TO PLACE THOSE SANDBAGS. EVEN IF THEY HAVE THE QUESTION IF THEY NEED A

SANDBAG, THEY CAN CALL OR THEY CAN CONTACT US AT OUR WEBSITE DPW.LACOUNTY.GOV. AND WE'LL SEND OUT AN ENGINEER TO A SITE. WE ACTUALLY PRE-DEPLOY TO VULNERABLE LOCATIONS AND VISIT PROPERTY OWNERS, POST FIRE AND PRE-STORM, TO PREP THEM FOR THAT. WE ACTUALLY FILL OUT A FORM AND SHOW THEM WHERE TO PLACE THE SANDBAGS AND GIVE THEM WHERE THEY CAN GO GET THE SANDBAGS, WHICH STATION TO GO TO. AND THEN, IN THE EVENT THEY ARE NEEDING HELP, I HAVE COORDINATED IN THE PAST, AND WE'LL DO A BETTER JOB IN THE FUTURE, WITH FIRE AND OUR OTHER WORKFORCE TO ACTUALLY PLACE SANDBAGS FOR PEOPLE WHERE WE IDENTIFY THEM AS THE HIGH VULNERABILITY LOCATIONS IN THE COUNTY WHO ARE NEEDING SANDBAGS. SO, I'D LIKE MORE PEOPLE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE. I THINK IT'S JUST GETTING THE WORD OUT THAT WE HAVE THE BENEFIT TO ALL ESSENTIALLY EVERYONE IN THE VALLEY HERE ALL THE WAY TO AVENUE S IN THE NORTH COUNTY CAN CALL US ABOUT SANDBAGGING THEIR HOMES AND PROTECTING THEM FROM FLOOD.

SUP. HORVATH: THAT'S GREAT. I THINK AS WE HAVE THOSE LOCATIONS PRE-POPULATED, YOU CAN ALSO COMMUNICATE WITH OUR OFFICES TOO TO MAKE SURE WE'RE COMMUNICATING WITH OUR DISTRICTS. I KNOW THAT WAS ONE PLACE WHERE WE COULD TIGHTEN UP OPERATIONS. BUT AGAIN, I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU. I THINK PEOPLE IT FELT VERY SUPPORTED, VERY CLEARLY COMMUNICATED WITH IN MANY WAYS, AND JOB WELL DONE. THANK YOU.

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

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR GIVING US THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE THIS POST MORTEM, IF YOU WILL. CLEARLY, EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS IS A CRITICAL FUNCTION OF GOVERNMENT, AND IT'S GLARING APPARENT WHEN IT GOES WRONG. WE'VE SEEN THAT IN THE NEWS, BUT IT'S NOT AS OBVIOUS TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC WHEN IT GOES RIGHT. AND I THINK, FOR US, THIS WENT RIGHT. SO, I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO HAVE THIS CONVERSATION. THANK YOU -- I ECHO THE SENTIMENTS OF ALL OF MY COLLEAGUES. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, BECAUSE IT WAS THE GENTLEMAN FILLING THE SANDBAG NEXT TO ME THAT SAID YOU MIGHT NOT WANT TO FILL THAT TOO HIGH BECAUSE YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO CARRY IT BECAUSE THAT HAD NEVER OCCURRED TO ME THAT I WASN'T GOING TO BE ABLE TO CARRY OR HOW HIGH I NEEDED TO FILL THE SANDBAG. WE MIGHT NEED A LITTLE TUTORIAL FOR THE INNER CITY GIRLS LIKE MYSELF FILLING A SANDBAG FOR THE FIRST TIME HOW HIGH I NEED TO FILL IT. AND I HAD TO CHECK SOME OF MY NEIGHBORS WHO, AFTER THE STORM, THE SANDBAGS WERE ON THE CURB. I'M LIKE, "WHY ARE YOUR SANDBAGS ON THE CURB?" I'M GOING TO KEEP MY SANDBAGS FOREVER FOR THE NEXT TIME I NEED THEM. THEY DON'T GO BAD. THEY DON'T NEED TO GO TO THE TRASH. SO FOR THOSE OF US WHO AREN'T USED TO THIS NEW NORMAL, WE NEED A LITTLE INFORMATION ABOUT HOW HIGH TO FILL IT, ABSOLUTELY FOR OUR SENIORS BECAUSE IT TOOK ME A COUPLE OF

TRIPS TO TAKE THEM ONE AT A TIME DOWN THE DRIVEWAY. SO THANK YOU FOR THAT, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I COULDN'T AGREE MORE, AND WE SHOULD HAVE A WAY IN WHICH WE'RE ABLE TO GET THEM OUT TO PEOPLE WITHOUT QUESTION. THANK YOU FOR THE CLARIFICATION AND THE UNDERSTANDING WITH REGARD TO F.E.M.A., CAL O.E.S., AND THE FINANCIAL RECOVERY AND GIVEN THE HIGH VALUE INDICATOR THAT WE HAVE TO BEAR. MY QUESTION IS BASED ON WHAT WE LEARNED THROUGH THIS EMERGENCY AND OTHERS, WHAT ARE WE DOING PROACTIVELY IN EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLANNING AND BUDGETING? WHEN I THINK ABOUT THE COMPLEXITY AND DIVERSITY OF THE TOPOGRAPHY IN THE COUNTY, WHEN I HEAR ABOUT PRIVATE ROADS AND THE DIFFERENCE ALL OF US EXPERIENCE IN OUR DISTRICTS, HOW WE DO OUTREACH TO THE UNHOUSED, GIVEN THE DIGITAL DIVIDE, HOW DO MY 2000+ HOUSEHOLDS IN THE VERMONT CORRIDOR GET ACCESS TO INFORMATION WHEN WE, AS EVERY LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT, HAVE SHIFTED TO WEBSITES FOR PEOPLE TO ACCESS INFORMATION. IT FELT LIKE THE EARTHQUAKE WAS STILL SHAKING WHEN BY CELLPHONE ALARM WENT OFF. HOW WONDERFUL. BUT FOR THOSE WHO DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY, WE CAN'T FORGET THAT ELEMENT OF OUR POPULATION AND GEOGRAPHICALLY. SO, YOU KNOW, PLANNING AND BUDGETING, WHAT WILL WE BE DOING DIFFERENT, IF ANYTHING?

KEVIN MCGOWAN: THAT'S A GREAT POINT, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. THERE'S AN ON GOING EFFORT BUT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ALL OF THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND OUR CITIES. AT EVERY MOMENT, WE ARE IN

THIS CONSISTENT CYCLE OF PLANNING, PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE, AND RECOVERY, ESPECIALLY OVER THE LAST FOUR AND A HALF YEARS. AND WE ARE JOSTLING EVERY DAY, KIND OF WEARING THOSE DIFFERENT HATS. A LOT OF OUR EFFORTS, THIS IS ONE OF THOSE DISASTERS WHERE WE ARE FORTUNATE THAT WE WEREN'T IMPACTED SO SIGNIFICANTLY THAT WE DO QUALIFY FOR A F.E.M.A. MAJOR DISASTER DECLARATION. RIGHT? SO IT IS THE HALF GLASS HALF FULL ASPECT OF YOU KNOW THIS TYPE OF A DISASTER, TOO. BUT MAXIMIZING THE PROGRAMS THAT MARK HAD BROUGHT UP THAT ARE ALREADY IN EXISTENCE, HAZARD MITIGATION PROGRAMS, B.R.I.C. PROGRAMS, THAT REALLY BRING FUNDING IN TO BUILD MORE RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE. THOSE INITIATIVES, LED BY THE BOARD, THROUGH BOARD DIRECTIVES AND MOTIONS, ARE ALREADY UNDERWAY. THEY JUST TAKE TIME TO MATERIALIZE. AND WE ARE ALL WORKING, GRINDING AT IT EVERY DAY TO TRY AND BRING THOSE PROGRAMS TO BEAR IN ADDITION TO OUR JUST ALL HAZARDS EMERGENCY PROGRAM PLANNING THAT WE DEAL WITH DAY IN AND DAY OUT FOR EARTHQUAKES, FIRES, FLOODS AND REALLY TAKING THE LESSONS LEARNED FROM THESE CONVERSATIONS AND APPLYING THEM TO THE FUTURE DISASTER. SO I WANT TO ASSURE EVERYONE THAT WE ARE WORKING TOWARDS THOSE ENDS. AND THEY DO MATERIALIZE. WE DID FAIR VERY WELL FROM THIS STORM, BUT ALSO THE WINTER STORMS, THE JANUARY AND FEBRUARY WINTER STORMS, BECAUSE OF THE INVESTMENTS IN THESE RESILIENCY ACTIVITIES OVER THE YEARS.

MARK PESTRELLA: SUPERVISOR, WE HAVE A NUMBER OF THINGS GOING THAT THE BOARD HAS DIRECTED US TO GET AFTER. I WILL JUST REMIND YOU OF THEM. EARLIER THIS YEAR, WE WERE DIRECTED, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTED IN COORDINATION WITH THE OTHER DEPARTMENTS TO GET AFTER FLOOD RISK REDUCTION. THIS WAS AFTER WE HAD A REPORT ABOUT POTENTIAL IMPACTS IN LOWER LOS ANGELES AREA DUE TO FLOODING, IF YOU REMEMBER THE REPORT THAT CAME OUT. SUPERVISOR HAHN BROUGHT THAT MOTION, AND I THINK YOU WERE THE SECOND ON IT. AND IN RESPONSE TO THAT, PUBLIC WORKS IS CURRENTLY HOSTING IN NOVEMBER 2023, A NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM OVERVIEW WORKSHOP FOR ALL 88 CITIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE SPECIFIC ADMINISTRATORS FOR THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM HERE LOCALLY ARE BEING INVITED TO ATTEND ALONG WITH THE PUBLIC. WE ARE CURRENTLY WORKING A DRAINAGE NEEDS ASSESSMENT PROGRAM ACROSS LOS ANGELES COUNTY THAT CONSIDERS FLOOD PRONE AREAS, VULNERABLE FLOOD PRONE AREAS. THIS WAS ESSENTIALLY DEVELOPING A PLAN TO PUT TOGETHER A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR MEETING DRAINAGE NEEDS IN L.A. COUNTY. THE 2025 UPDATE TO THE COUNTY'S COMPREHENSIVE FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT PLAN AND REPETITIVE LOSS AREA ANALYSIS IS COMING FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. WE ARE EXPANDING WATER FOR L.A. CAMPAIGN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY UNDER THE COUNTY WATER PLAN, WHICH WILL BE IN FRONT OF THIS BOARD IN DECEMBER FOR CONSIDERATION. AND IT INCLUDES FLOODING AND WATER RESILIENCY IN THAT. WE ARE ALSO WORKING, AS I MENTIONED EARLIER, IN

DEVELOPING IN COORDINATION WITH ALL THE DEPARTMENTS, A CLIMATE READY COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE WITH PUBLIC WORKS LEADING IN COORDINATION WITH THE C.S.O. TO LOOK AT THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE ON OUR COMMUNITIES AND AGAIN GENERATE FROM COMMUNITY INPUT AND FROM THE BOARD'S INPUT ABOUT WHERE TO POINT OUR MONEY AND OUR INVESTMENTS TO READY COMMUNITIES. EXCITING INITIATIVE THAT GOT KICKED OFF THIS YEAR. I MENTIONED THE FLOOD RISK REDUCTION INITIATIVE IN OUR DEPARTMENT THAT IS GOING FORWARD. AND THEN LASTLY, I'D LIKE THE BOARD TO ABSOLUTELY GET BEHIND, YOU ALREADY HAVE, THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM, WHICH IS BEING DEBATED IN CONGRESS AT THIS TIME.

SUP. MITCHELL: I APPRECIATE YOU MENTIONING THAT. INSURANCE CAN BE SO VERY COSTLY. I KNOW OUR INSURANCE COMMISSIONER, RICARDO LARA, HAS TALKED OFTEN ABOUT THIS IDEA HE HAS OF INSURANCE COMPANIES INVESTING, HELPING GOVERNMENT INVEST IN THE FRONT END, GIVEN CLIMATE CHANGE, AROUND CLIMATE -- PREVENTING CLIMATE-INDUCED, IF YOU WILL, DISASTERS. SO I THINK THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT THAT INDUSTRY FIGURE OUT A WAY TO STEP UP TO THE PLATE ON THE FRONT END, AND WANT TO MAKE SURE HE IS AWARE OF OUR CLIMATE READY COMMUNITY'S WORK. THAT'S NUMBER ONE. AND NUMBER TWO, AS SUPERVISOR SOLIS MENTIONED, OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, WE ARE THE FIRST LINE OF GOVERNMENT DEFENSE, IF YOU WILL. AND WE ARE GOING TO TALK A

LITTLE BIT ABOUT IT LATER THROUGH A MOTION AND WORK THAT THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE HAS ALREADY DONE IN MAKING SURE THAT WE ARE PROACTIVELY STANDING UP AN ENTITY TO COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES VIA A WEBSITE AND PRINT MATERIALS. SO AGAIN, PEOPLE KNOW WHO TO CALL. THEY CAN DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN A COUNTY FIRE HOUSE AND A CITY FIRE HOUSE. TO MAKE SURE THEY KNOW WHO TO CALL IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY AND TO HAVE ACCESS TO ALL OF OUR SERVICES. SO I THINK THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT, PARTICULARLY FOR OUR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SERVICE AND WHAT YOU DID TO KEEP US ALL SAFE. AND LET ME SAY, ANGELENOS SHOULD PAT THEMSELVES ON THE BACK. THIS NOTION OF THIS KIND OF STORM WAS NEW AND NOVEL TO US. WE ALL HAVE OUR EARTHQUAKE PREPAREDNESS KITS, BUT TRYING TO GET SANDBAGS AND BE PREPARED FOR THIS KIND OF STORM WAS VERY DIFFERENT. AND I THINK ANGELENOS STEPPED UP TO THE PLATE IN A MEANINGFUL WAY TO DO THEIR BEST TO STAY SAFE. IN THAT THIS IS EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS MONTH, I HOPE PEOPLE CONTINUE TO BE COGNIZANT AND FOCUSED ON OUR NEW NORMAL HERE IN OUR REGION. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: THANK YOU. AND ACTUALLY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TOUCHED ON IT, I THINK THAT GIVEN THE ISSUES SURROUNDING THE

INABILITY FOR HOMEOWNERS TO GET INSURANCE IN HIGH FIRE AREAS NOW, AND NOW WITH THE FLOOD, I THINK IT MIGHT BE BENEFICIAL FOR US TO MAYBE GET SOME SORT OF BRIEFING IN TERMS OF WHAT OUR OPTIONS ARE BECAUSE I APPRECIATE WHAT YOU ARE SAYING, DIRECTOR PESTRELLA, ABOUT THE FLOOD INSURANCE, BUT I KNOW THAT IN SOME SITUATIONS THEY CAN'T EVEN GET IT WRITTEN. AND I KNOW THAT COMMISSIONER LARA HAS BEEN, TO YOUR POINT, OUT IN FRONT OF THIS, BUT I'M WONDERING WHAT WE MAY NEED TO DO BECAUSE, AGAIN, I THINK, GIVEN THE PROJECTIONS, YOU ARE GOING TO SEE PEOPLE WANTING TO APPLY FOR IT AND MAYBE NOT BEING ABLE TO GET IT, AND THEN I KNOW WITH THE FIRE INSURANCE, THAT IS A REAL, REAL PROBLEM WITH EVEN GETTING PEOPLE TO WRITE IT IN AREAS THAT NOW, BECAUSE OF STATE CHANGED THE MAP, ARE CONSIDERED HIGH FIRE. AND SO, I AM JUST CONCERNED THAT WE ARE SEEING A PATTERN DEVELOP. AND MAYBE GIVEN THE FACT THAT WE ARE THE LARGEST COUNTY IN THE STATE, WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO ASSIST THE COMMISSIONER IN TERMS OF JUST STATS AND HOW WE GO ABOUT MOVING FORWARD. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU, GOOD POINT. WELL, THANK YOU TO MY COLLEAGUES WHO REALLY ASKED SOME GOOD QUESTIONS, MADE SOME OBSERVATIONS ABOUT WHAT WENT RIGHT, AND MAYBE SOME OBSERVATIONS ABOUT HOW WE COULD DO BETTER. AGAIN, LET ME JUST THANK EVERYONE WHO IS SITTING HERE TODAY. I DID, OBVIOUSLY, WORK UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL WITH ALL OF YOU ON THE DAY THAT IT

WAS SUPPOSED TO REALLY HIT. I KNOW KEVIN AND I WERE TALKING EARLY IN THE MORNING, JUST A LITTLE BIT AFTER 6:30 A.M., TALKING ABOUT HOW WE WERE ALL PREPARED FOR THAT DAY. AND PEOPLE, DAMNED IF YOU DO, DAMNED IF YOU DON'T. RIGHT? WE GOT CRITICIZED THAT MAYBE WE OVERREACTED. AND IT KIND OF WAS THE HURRICANE THAT NEVER HIT. BUT I'LL TELL YOU ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE WERE ALL WATCHING, OF COURSE, WAS THE PROGRESSION OF THIS STORM. WE COULD SEE HOW IT HIT SAN DIEGO. WE COULD SEE HOW IT HIT PALM SPRINGS. WE WERE VERY AWARE OF THE IMPACT OF THIS STORM, AND ACCORDING TO ALL GOOD CALCULATIONS, IT WAS HEADED OUR WAY. IT WAS SUPPOSED TO SLAM INTO CATALINA. IT WAS HEAD ON INTO CATALINA. SO, I REALLY APPRECIATE ALL OF OUR EFFORTS TO REALLY WARN THE ISLAND, TRY TO GET THE VISITORS OFF. THERE'S A LOT OF THE RESIDENTS OF CATALINA DON'T LEAVE THAT ISLAND FOR ANY REASON, BUT WE WERE CONCERNED ABOUT THE VISITORS AND WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF WE REALLY NEEDED TO DO SOME MAJOR RESCUES. WE WERE WORRIED ABOUT THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON POWER PLANT, THAT IT MIGHT BECOME FLOODED AND THE ENTIRE ISLAND WOULD BE WITHOUT POWER AND WATER. SO REALLY DO APPRECIATE THAT, AND THEN I WAS ON THE PHONE REGULARLY WITH THE MAYOR OF AVALON, ANNIE MARSHALL, KEEPING HER UPDATED. WE WERE COORDINATING WITH CATALINA EXPRESS, WHICH IS THE PRIVATE FERRY SYSTEM THAT TAKES VISITORS AND ISLANDERS BACK AND FORTH. AND NOT FOR THIS MEETING, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO GET TOGETHER WITH THE SHERIFF JUST OFFLINE AND ANY LESSONS WE LEARNED

WORKING WITH THAT PRIVATE COMPANY. GREG BOMBARD IS THE OWNER OF CATALINA EXPRESS, AND I GUESS THERE WERE TENSE MOMENTS THERE AT ONE POINT, BUT HE WAS ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT HIS CREW AND THE SAFETY OF HIS VESSELS. AND AT SOME POINT, WE HAD THE LAST BOAT WAS LEAVING CATALINA, WHICH WAS KIND OF A SCARY MOMENT THINKING THAT WAS IT FOR THE ISLANDERS. ALTHOUGH I DO KNOW THAT SHERIFFS AND FIRE WERE ALSO READY TO SEND OTHER BOATS AND OTHER RESCUE PEOPLE IF WE NEEDED TO. YOU KNOW, I WILL SAY, IT DID -- I FELT THIS EMERGENCY WAS A WAY TO REALLY BRING OUT THE BEST IN THE RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY. SOMETIMES THINGS BRING OUT THE WORST. THIS REALLY I THINK BROUGHT OUT THE BEST. AND FOR ME, THE BEST WAS THOSE WHO EITHER CALLED OUR OFFICE OR MADE IT EVIDENT THAT THEY WERE CONCERNED ABOUT THOSE WHO WERE UNHOUSED. WE HAD A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT WERE WORRIED ABOUT THOSE IN ENCAMPMENTS AND TENTS ALONG THE RIVER BED. THEY REALLY WERE CONCERNED. SOMETIMES WE THINK PEOPLE ARE NUMB TO THOSE WHO ARE UNHOUSED OR HAVE KIND OF LOST PATIENCE WITH OUR INABILITY TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS, BUT THE NUMBER OF CALLS THAT WE GOT WITH PEOPLE THAT WERE CONCERNED, AND I HAVE TO GIVE IT AGAIN TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, WHO TOOK YOUR HELICOPTERS AND FLEW OVER THE RIVER BED WITH THE BULL HORN ALERTING PEOPLE AND TRYING TO GET THEM TO GO TO HIGHER GROUND. I REALLY APPRECIATED THAT, AND THE OTHER CONCERN THAT I GOT WAS FOR THE RESIDENTS IN ROWLAND HILLS ESTATES, WHOSE HOMES HAD COLLAPSED IN 24 HOURS AND FELL OVER THE CLIFF WITH ALL

THEIR BELONGINGS IN THERE. AND AGAIN, SOMETIMES I FEEL LIKE WE GO FROM ONE DISASTER ANOTHER. DO PEOPLE EVEN REMEMBER PEOPLE THAT LOST EVERYTHING BECAUSE WE ARE MOVING ON TO ANOTHER DISASTER? BUT WE HAD PEOPLE WHO VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THOSE. AND AGAIN, IN TERMS OF HAZARDOUS MITIGATION, APPRECIATE OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT, OUR URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE, WHO WENT THE DAY BEFORE THE STORM WAS SUPPOSED TO HIT AND GOT INTO MOST ALL, EXCEPT FOR ONE, OF THOSE COMPLETELY PANCAKED HOMES TO REMOVE HOUSEHOLD CLEANING PRODUCTS, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, THAT WE WERE WORRIED IF THERE HAD BEEN A MAJOR FLOOD SURGE, THAT STUFF COULD HAVE GONE OUT TO THE OCEAN AND BEEN DANGEROUS. BUT AGAIN, I THINK THOSE KINDS OF QUICK ACTIONS, QUICK THINKING, I APPRECIATE. AND I THINK A LOT OF WHAT WE ARE SEEING IS WE DO KNOW HOW TO PREPARE FOR DISASTERS, RIGHT. MAYBE WE HADN'T HAD A TROPICAL STORM SINCE 1939, BUT WE DO KNOW HOW TO PREPARE FOR DISASTERS. IN FACT, I WAS DOING ONE OF THE NATIONAL MEDIA INTERVIEWS, AND I WAS SAYING WE DO KNOW HOW TO PREPARE. WE MIGHT NOT HAVE HAD A TROPICAL STORM BECAUSE THE REST OF THE COUNTRY, IT WAS BIG NEWS, BECAUSE THE REST OF THE COUNTRY GOES THROUGH THIS ALL THE TIME, AND THEY WERE KIND OF SNICKERING AT OUR INABILITY TO DO STORMS. I SAID WE DO KNOW HOW TO DO EARTHQUAKES, AND IT WAS NOT A MINUTE AFTER I FINISHED THAT INTERVIEW THAT -- AND WE HAVE NOW COINED A NEW TERM, HURRIQUAKE. SO, WE HAD THE EARTHQUAKE. WE HAD THE STORM AT THE SAME TIME, BUT I DO REALLY APPRECIATE -- I THINK ONE OF THE

THINGS THAT CAME UP, I'M WONDERING DID WE DEPLOY DISASTER SERVICE WORKERS AT ANY POINT. AND I AM THINKING IN TERMS OF GOOD IDEA ON THE SANDBAGS. MAYBE GOOD IDEA IN TERMS OF ANY OUTREACH. WAS THAT INITIATED AT ANY TIME?

KEVIN MCGOWAN: SO ALL OF US SERVE AS DISASTER SERVICE WORKERS ONCE WE PROCLAIM A LOCAL EMERGENCY, BUT WE DIDN'T TAKE PEOPLE OUTSIDE OF THEIR NORMAL JOB DUTIES AND ASSIGN THEM TO LIKE AUXILIARY DUTIES THAT WE DID DURING COVID, BUT IT IS SOMETHING FOR US TO DEFINITELY LOOK THROUGH FOR SOME OF THESE NONTRADITIONAL ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. WHEN WE SEE SIGNIFICANT STORM RESOURCE DEMAND, WE HAVE THAT HAS A TOOL KIT. SO, WE'LL GO BACK AND EXPLORE THAT --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: I REALLY THINK JUST IN TERMS OF THE SANDBAG INITIATIVE MIGHT BE GOOD PLACE EITHER FOR HELPING TO FILL, HELPING CARRY. THAT MIGHT BE AN AREA TO LOOK AT. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT OUR OFFICE GOT CALLED. IT'S INTERESTING, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SOME OF YOUR NEIGHBORS PUT THEM OUT AT THE CURB. WE HAD CALLS THAT SAID NOW WHAT DO WE DO WITH THE SANDBAGS. THEY KIND OF WANTED TO GIVE THEM BACK. SO DO WE HAVE A RETURN POLICY FOR SANDBAGS? THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OR MARK?

CHIEF MARRONE: WELL, I BELIEVE THAT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN TASKED WITH THE DISTRIBUTION EFFORT FOR SAND AND

SANDBAGS. AND LIKE I SAID, WE LOOK TO D.P.W. AND BEACHES AND HARBORS FOR THE SAND AND THE BAGS. NO, WE DO NOT. AND I THINK THAT, AS I LEAVE HERE, I HAVE A NEW PLAN OF WORK TO COME UP WITH A BETTER PROGRAM THAT ADDRESSES BEING ABLE TO KEEP UP WITH THE SANDBAG AND SAND DEMAND AND ALSO HOW TO IDENTIFY RESIDENTS WHO NEED BAGS DELIVERED TO THEIR HOMES AND MAYBE LEVERAGE THAT D.S.W. COMPONENT PRIOR TO A STORM BECAUSE WE NORMALLY HAVE TIME. WE WILL FIND OUT AT LEAST ONE OR TWO DAYS BEFORE. SO WE CAN GET THEM TO THEM BECAUSE THERE IS AGAIN THERE. AND WE HAVE TO CLOSE THAT GAP.

MARK PESTRELLA: SUPERVISOR, SUPER IMPORTANT THAT WE MESSAGE TO THE COMMUNITY TO NOT DISPOSE OF THESE IMPROPERLY. SO MY EXPERIENCE WITH SANDBAGS, PEOPLE WILL LEAVE THEM OUT LONGER THAN THEY NEED TO BE OUT. THEY START TO BREAK DOWN. THEY BECOME A NUISANCE, AND THEN THEY GET INTO THE WATER SYSTEM. AND THE MATERIALS THOSE SANDBAGS ARE MADE OF ARE NOT EASILY WORKING DOWN. WE ARE WORKING ON SANDBAGS THAT WOULD BREAK DOWN. THERE IS A PRODUCT LIKE THAT, BUT WHAT I NEED ALL THE RESIDENTS TO DO THAT HAVE DECIDED THEY ARE DONE WITH THOSE SANDBAGS IS TO PUT IT IN THEIR TRASH PICK UP, TO DISPOSE OF THE BAG ITSELF IN THEIR TRASH PICKUP AND NOT TO DISPOSE OF IT BY LETTING IT DETERIORATE AND GET INTO THE FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEM OR ON THE CURB. I HEARD SOMEONE HAD IT ON THE CURB. BECAUSE THOSE BAGS CAN GET INTO OUR FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEM. THEY

CAN BLOCK IT, AND THEY ALSO BECOME WHAT WE KNOW AS POLLUTION. AND SO, THIS IS A VERY GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO MESSAGE THAT OUT LOUD TO PEOPLE. DISPOSE OF YOUR SANDBAGS PROPERLY.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: MS. MITCHELL.

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU. WHAT'S THE LIFETIME OF A SANDBAG?

MARK PESTRELLA: SUPERVISOR, I WOULD GUESS THAT A LIFETIME IS LIKE FIVE YEARS. AND THEN EVEN --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: WE DON'T WANT IT ON THE CURB FOR FIVE YEARS.

MARK PESTRELLA: AND THEN, SUPERVISOR, THAT'S BREAKING DOWN. AND THEN, SUPERVISOR, THERE'S STILL MATERIALS THAT HAVE NOT BROKEN DOWN THAT END UP IN THE WATERWAYS AFFECTING OUR BIODIVERSITY. SO I WANT THEM PUT IN THE TRASH CAN IN YOUR REGULAR DISPOSAL ONCE YOU ARE DONE WITH THEM.

SUP. SOLIS: MADAM CHAIR, CAN I JUST ADD, I THINK ONE OF THE PROBLEMS I GUESS IS DISTRIBUTION OVERALL BECAUSE NOT ALL FIRE DEPARTMENTS ARE EQUAL. AND I AM WONDERING IF SOMEHOW, D.P.W., BECAUSE YOU ARE EVERYWHERE, AND YOU HAVE YOUR YARDS STRATEGICALLY PLACED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, THAT YOU COULD ALSO HELP PROVIDE. WHEN WE DO HAVE A DISASTER LIKE THIS, MAYBE

YOU CAN HELP BE THE IDENTIFIED SOURCE IN CERTAIN AREAS, ESPECIALLY UNINCORPORATED, WHERE PEOPLE COULD PICK UP THE SANDBAGS AND THEN KNOW EXACTLY HOW AND WHAT TO DO. SO I JUST -- - I AM SORRY IF I AM BURDENED YOU GUYS, BUT --

MARK PESTRELLA: THE SUPERVISOR, THE QUESTION HAS BEEN ASKED MANY TIMES THROUGH THE YEARS ABOUT WHAT THE BEST DISTRIBUTION IS. WE LANDED ON FIRE STATIONS. AND THEN WHAT WE DID WAS COORDINATE THE BAG DISTRIBUTION THROUGH THE FIRE STATION. SO AS CHIEF MARRONE SAID, PUBLIC WORKS IS HAND IN HAND WITH FIRE DEPARTMENTS ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF SANDBAGS. WE ACTUALLY WAREHOUSE THEM, AND THEN WE DISTRIBUTE THEM TO FIRE STATIONS AS KNOWN PUBLIC SPACES TO RECEIVE THE SANDBAGS. NOW, ONE OF THE PROBLEMS WITH PUTTING THEM IN ONE OF OUR FACILITIES IS OUR PEOPLE ARE ACTIVELY OPERATING AND FLOOD FIGHTING DURING THE TIME BEFORE AND AFTER. SO WE DON'T NORMALLY HAVE PEOPLE THERE TO OPEN THE FACILITY AND HAVE PEOPLE COME IN AND DO THE HANDOUT OF SANDBAGS.

SUP. SOLIS: RIGHT, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT BECAUSE IT'S THE SAME THING WITH OPENING UP A COMMUNITY CENTER. SO THAT'S WHEN, IF WE GET TO THAT POINT, HAVING DISASTER WORKERS IN ADVANCE. IF WE KNOW IT IS GOING TO BE REALLY BAD, ALL HANDS ON DECK. THAT'S WHERE I AM COMING FROM MORE. WHEN ANOTHER ONE COMES, IT'S GOING TO BE A FAR MORE --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE USED OUR DISASTER SERVICE WORKER PROTOCOL, MAYBE FOR A LOT OF THESE AREAS, AND THAT'S SOMETHING WE WILL THINK ABOUT NEXT TIME. STAYING ON THE SANDBAG, WHERE DO WE PURCHASE THE BAGS? WHO IS OUR DISTRIBUTOR? NOT THE SAND, BUT THE BAG.

MARK PESTRELLA: WE HAVE A CONTRACT FOR IT. I DON'T KNOW THE SPECIFIC.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: WOULD IT BE APPROPRIATE GOING FORWARD TO HAVE THEM EVEN STAMP ON THE BAG MATERIAL, "PLEASE DISPOSE OF PROPERLY IN YOUR REGULAR TRASH BARREL?"

MARK PESTRELLA: WELL, I [INDISCERNIBLE] SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, BY THE WAY, A PROPERTY OWNER'S GUIDE TO SANDBAGS. AND IT ACTUALLY HAS THE INFORMATION THERE. SO, WHAT I THINK WE OUGHT TO DO --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: I THINK IT WOULD BE EASIER TO PUT IT ON THE BAG.

MARK PESTRELLA: AND HAND THAT OUT WHEN THEY COME TO PICK IT UP.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: TALK TO THEM. WHOEVER GETS THEM SHOULD JUST AT LEAST TALK TO THE VENDOR AND SAY HOW MUCH COULD YOU WRITE ON THERE. PUT EACH SUPERVISOR'S NAME ON EACH BAG. SO, MARK, WE DID HAVE SOME SERIOUS FLOODING AND RAINFALL IN A SHORT AMOUNT OF TIME IN SOME AREAS. WERE WE ABLE TO CAPTURE ANY OF THAT WATER?

MARK PESTRELLA: YES. THANK YOU FOR SETTING ME UP THAT. WE CAPTURED 13,200-ACRE FEET, SUPERVISOR, OR 4.3 BILLION GALLONS, ENOUGH TO SERVE 105,000 PEOPLE FOR ONE YEAR, IN THIS LAST STORM.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: CONGRATULATIONS. AND THE MORE OF THOSE PROJECTS, COLLEAGUES, THAT OUR VOTERS APPROVED BY MEASURE W THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO MOVE FORWARD AND BUILD, WE WANT ALL THOSE ON A FAST TRACK, MARK, BECAUSE THE QUICKER WE CAN BUILD THOSE UNDERWATER STORAGE FACILITIES, THE BETTER WE WILL BE PREPARED FOR ANY FUTURE FLOODING AND CLIMATE CHANGE INDUCED DISASTERS, WHICH I BELIEVE WE ARE GOING TO HAVE MORE OF. SO WE MIGHT HAVE SOME PUBLIC SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM. AGAIN, THANK YOU SO MUCH. IT'S CLEAR THAT WE ARE PREPARED FOR DISASTERS. THIS, AGAIN, WAS ONE WE HAD NOT EXPERIENCED IN A VERY LONG TIME, BUT I APPRECIATE EACH OF YOUR DEPARTMENTS FOR STEPPING UP, THE MEN AND WOMEN IN ALL OF YOUR DEPARTMENTS FOR THE WORK THEY DID. YES, IT WAS OVER THE WEEKEND. TECHNICALLY, THE BOARD WAS IN

RECESS, BUT YET, WE ROSE TO THE OCCASION AND SAVED PROPERTY AND LIVES. SO, THANK YOU FOR THAT. WHY DON'T WE GO TO THE PUBLIC?

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PEOPLE ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 21, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. WILL KORIE SCHMIDT AND ARNOLD SACHS PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ED MOORE. YOU MAY BEGIN. ONE MOMENT, MR. MOORE. YOU ARE OPEN NOW.

ED MOORE: CAN YOU HEAR ME?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YES, GO AHEAD.

ED MOORE: OKAY. YES, HELLO. I AM CALLING IN REGARDS TO GARY CABLE, A COUNTY EMPLOYEE WHO DOES WORK EVERY DAY IN MY BUILDING. WE HAVE COMPLAINED TO THEIR FRAUD DEPARTMENT.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: EXCUSE ME, HOLD IT. WE ARE TALKING ABOUT THE RESPONSE TO HURRICANE HILARY. SO YOU MIGHT HAVE TO CALL BACK DURING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

ED MOORE: WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO TALK ABOUT FRAUDULENT COUNTY EMPLOYEES MAKING $112,000?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: WELL, THANK YOU. WHY DON'T YOU CALL BACK DURING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT YOUR -- AND TELL US WHAT YOU FEEL? ALRIGHT, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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

ERIC PREVEN: THANK YOU. AND WHAT A LENGTHY AND EXHAUSTIVE, AND I THINK IT IS A VERY, VERY IMPORTANT CONVERSATION ABOUT A DISASTER NEVER QUITE HAPPENED, BUT I THINK IT IS STILL A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO DO AN EXHAUSTIVE REALLY KIND OF SANDBAG INVENTORY, AND SANDBAG TOOLKIT, AND POSSIBLY AND I KNOW THIS IS GOING TO SEEM MAYBE A LITTLE OVER THE TOP, HOW ABOUT A SANDBAG DASHBOARD? DOES ANYBODY -- I DIDN'T QUITE -- I WAS LISTENING, BUT I AM NOT SURE. LOOK, THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT. AND I WAS VERY HAPPY TO HEAR PESTRELLA THERE EXPLAINING THAT THESE SANDBAGS, THOUGH THEY SEEM TO BE HELPING PEOPLE, IF WE CAN GET THE SERVICE TO HAVE THEM INSTALLED PROPERLY, WHICH IS WHERE THE YOUNG PEOPLE COME IN BECAUSE I AM TELLING YOU AS AN OLDER PERSON YOU CANNOT LIFT UP A SANDBAG YOURSELF, WHICH WAS A VERY ASTUTE OBSERVATION. IF PESTRELLA COULD FIND TIME WHILE MAKING ROOM FOR THESE DISASTER PREPARATIONS TO LOOK AT THE

COUNTY FLOOD DISTRICT PROPERTY THAT IS ADJACENT TO THE HARBOR WESTLAKE PROPERTY THAT THEY ARE RUNNING AS FAST AS THEY CAN ACROSS THE FINISH LINE --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU, ERIC. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK YOU. LET'S GO TO IN-PERSON. THANK YOU, ERIC. OKAY. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. OH, WE'RE GOING TO IN-PERSON. MR. SACHS.

ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. MADAM CHAIR, I DON'T KNOW HOW STUPID YOU ARE, BUT THE FIRST LINE SAYS LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESPONSE TO TROPICAL STORM HILARY. YOU MENTIONED IT WAS A HURRICANE. IT IS NOT A HURRICANE. IT IS A TROPICAL STORM. F.E.M.A. DOESN'T RESPOND TO TROPICAL STORMS. THEY RESPOND TO HURRICANES. SO CUT THE [EXPLETIVE]. CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR DISCUSSION ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE. WHY DON'T YOU DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE BUSES THAT ARE BURNING DIRTY AIR, MADAM HOLLY MITCHELL. THE BUSES ON THE STREETS ARE DIRTY AIR. THEY ARE RUNNING EXHAUST. THEY ARE NOT -- THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO BE THE LARGEST CLEAN AIR FLEET, BUT THEY ARE NOT.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: STAY ON TOPIC. STAY ON TOPIC.

ARNOLD SACHS: IT IS ALL ABOUT THE SANDBAGS. WHY DON'T YOU GET THESE INCORPORATED COMMUNITIES TO HAVE A TRUCK GO AROUND AND

PICK UP THE SANDBAGS ON THE STREET ON THE CURB, AND THEN THEY CAN REUSE THEM, INSTEAD OF THROWING THEM IN THE TRASH? ARE THEY GOING TO END UP AT SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL? DOES THE COUNTY STILL HAVE USE OF SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL? AN INSURANCE COMPANY, THEY ARE NO INSURANCE COMPANIES IN THE STATE. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU PAY ATTENTION TO THAT.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. ALTHOUGH, YOU DID HAVE ONE GOOD SUGGESTION. NO OTHER SPEAKERS. OKAY, THIS IS A RECEIVE AND FILE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, EVERYONE. ON TO THE NEXT DISASTER. OKAY, LET'S GO NOW TO ITEM 6, ADDRESSING THE ILLEGAL STREET TAKEOVER AND RACING IN UNINCORPORATED L.A. COUNTY, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. I DO KNOW THERE'S SOME PEOPLE THAT HAVE COME DOWN HERE TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. SO MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE SIGNED UP FOR IT. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, WOULD YOU LIKE TO START US OFF?

SUP. MITCHELL: I ABSOLUTELY WOULD, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ILLEGAL STREET RACING AND TAKEOVERS HAVE BEEN A CHALLENGING AND COMPLEX ISSUE IN OUR COUNTY FOR QUITE SOME TIME. THEY HAVE DEVASTATED FAMILIES OF THOSE KILLED AND HAVE DISRUPTED THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR FAR TOO MANY OF OUR FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND NEIGHBORS. IT'S BEEN PARTICULARLY APPALLING TO ME

THAT THERE SEEMS TO BE AN UTTER DISREGARD BY THE ORGANIZERS AND PARTICIPANTS, THOSE WHO HAVE FILM IT, WHO GO, THE SPECTATORS OF THESE MASSIVE EVENTS, FOR THE SAFETY OF THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY AND THEIR VERY OWN NEIGHBORS. THESE EVENTS ARE NOT JUST DANGEROUS FOR THOSE THAT PARTICIPATE AND SPECTATE, BUT HAVE BECOME DEADLY FOR THOSE THAT LIVE IN THE COMMUNITIES WHO ARE VICTIMIZED BY THESE ACTIVITIES. THE MERE ACT OF WALKING ACROSS THE STREET AND RETURNING HOME FROM WORK OR THE GROCERY STORE HAS BECOME HAZARDOUS AND IN TOO MANY COMMUNITIES ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. AND FOR ALL OF US, I BELIEVE THAT'S UNACCEPTABLE. MULTIPLE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND EXTERNAL AGENCIES HAVE INDEPENDENTLY LOOKED FOR WAYS TO STOP THESE MASSIVE EVENTS FROM OCCURRING. THERE ARE CONTRACT CITIES THAT HAVE INCREASED THEIR FEES FOR SPECTATORS. OUR SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT AND THE HIGHWAY PATROL HAVE WORKED ON STRATEGIC ENFORCEMENT. AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS HAVE IMPLEMENTED INFRASTRUCTURE INTERVENTIONS. YET THE ISSUE CONTINUES TO PLAGUE US. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND EXTERNAL AGENCIES WORK COLLABORATIVELY AND STRATEGICALLY WITH THE HELP OF COMMUNITY TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE. TO ALSO DO IT FROM A PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY LENS. THE MOTION BEFORE US, I BELIEVE, IS A NECESSARY STEP TO ADDRESS ILLEGAL STREET RACING AND TAKEOVERS ACROSS THE COUNTY. THE MOTION CALLS FOR A FORUM TO GATHER INFORMATION AND FOR A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE AND GAIN FULLER,

BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE TOOLS THAT HAVE BEEN UTILIZED, WHICH ONES WORK BEST, WHICH ONES HAVE FAILED, AND HOW THOSE TOOLS MAY BE ENHANCED. WE HAVE TO BE PURPOSEFUL IN NAMING THIS ISSUE AND PROVIDING THE NECESSARY ATTENTION, APPROACH, AND PLATFORM TO COME UP WITH ITS SOLUTION. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I KNOW WE HAVE FAMILY MEMBERS WHO ARE HERE TO SHARE WITH US THEIR STORY, THEIR HEARTACHE, AS A RESULT OF LOSS OF LOVED FAMILY MEMBERS AS A RESULT OF STREET TAKEOVERS AND RACING, AND I ASK ALL OF YOU FOR AN AYE VOTE ON TODAY'S MOTION.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

SUP. SOLIS: YES, THANK YOU. THIS IS VERY TIMELY, AND I WANT TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, BECAUSE FOR THE LAST -- I WANT TO SAY EVEN DURING THE PANDEMIC, WE SAW MANY YOUNG PEOPLE -- UNFORTUNATELY, TAKE TO THE STREETS IN THIS WAY. AND IT ISN'T FAR REMOVED FROM ANY OF US. IN MY OWN NEIGHBORHOOD WHERE I LIVE, AT 2:00 A.M. I CAN HEAR SCREECHING BRAKES. I CAN HEAR THREE OR FOUR VEHICLES, AND I KNOW THEY ARE DOING DONUTS IN A VERY URBANIZED AREA THAT'S MIXTURE OF SENIORS AND CHILDREN AND EVEN EQUESTRIAN LIFE, BUT I HAVE SEEN THE DEVASTATION ALSO, WHERE CLOSE TO MY HOME, NEAR A SCHOOL, THERE IS A CORNER HOME WHERE APPARENTLY THE STREET IS VERY WIDE. THERE ARE TWO STREETS THAT COME TOGETHER, SO THEY USE THAT AS A WAY OF

CONDUCTING THESE, WHATEVER, THRILL ACTIVITIES. AND THEY DO IT WHEN NO ONE IS AROUND, OBVIOUSLY, AND THE POLICE AREN'T THERE. BUT THEY ACTUALLY IMPACTED A BRICK WALL THAT'S ABOUT SIX FEET HIGH. THE PEOPLE THAT OWN THE HOME HAD JUST BARELY PUT IT UP. AND IT IS DEVASTATING THE FINANCIAL IMPACT THAT THIS HAS ALSO ON COMMUNITIES, INNOCENT HOMEOWNERS AND PEOPLE OF -- OUR RESIDENTS THAT LIVE IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. BUT I AM MORE CONCERNED ALSO ABOUT WHAT TOOK PLACE HERE IN LOS ANGELES, AFTER THE NEW SIX STREET BRIDGE WAS OPENED, AFTER IT TOOK SEVEN OR EIGHT YEARS TO DESIGN AND PUT TOGETHER FOR THE COMMUNITY, THE COMMUNITY HAD BEEN DEVASTATED BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T HAVE ACCESS BACK AND FORTH, BUT THE FIRST THING THAT HAPPENED WAS THE CELEBRATION TURNED INTO A PARTY THAT GOT OUT OF CONTROL. I THANK OUR PUBLIC SAFETY, L.A.P.D. AS WELL AS HIGHWAY PATROL, AND EVERYONE THAT CAME IN WITH SOME MEASURES THERE. IT SEEMS TO HAVE TONED DOWN, BUT I THINK THERE'S LESSONS LEARNED FROM THAT THAT COULD BE UTILIZED. AND I KNOW THAT PUBLIC WORKS HAS A ROLE TO PLAY HERE, AS YOU STATE IN THE MOTION, BECAUSE THERE ARE WAYS OF PUTTING IN SPEED BUMPS OR OTHER TRACTION THAT CAN SLOW PEOPLE DOWN WHERE WE KNOW THIS IS HAPPENING. AND ALSO I THINK THERE HAS TO BE, I HATE TO SAY, A LITTLE BIT MORE ENFORCEMENT HERE BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE USING VEHICLES IN MANY WAYS THAT ARE NOT THEIR OWN. THEY RENT THEM, OR THEY TAKE THEM FROM SOME OTHER OWNER AND MISUSE THAT PROPERTY. SO THERE SHOULD BE I THINK SOME CONSEQUENCES IN

TERMS OF MAKING SURE THAT WE ARE ALL ON THE SAME PAGE HERE. SO I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THIS BECAUSE, IN ADDITION TO THE LOSS OF LIFE, UNFORTUNATELY IN YOUR DISTRICT, IT IS DEVASTATING TO SEE THAT, BUT ALSO INNOCENT LIVES THAT ARE TAKEN AND PEOPLE THAT FEEL THAT THEY CAN COME AROUND AFTER EVENTS THAT TAKE PLACE, WHETHER IT IS A SOCCER GAME OR CELEBRATION OF A TEAM, THAT THEY COME OUT AND DO THIS. AND UNFORTUNATELY, WE MAY SEE MORE AND MORE OF THIS HAPPENING UNLESS SOME ACTION IS TAKEN. SO I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT WHAT YOU ARE DOING AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR BRINGING THIS ITEM FORWARD. WE, TOO, IN THE THIRD DISTRICT ARE STRUGGLING WITH THIS ISSUE, WHICH IS WHY I BROUGHT FORWARD AN ITEM AT OUR LAST MEETING TO ADDRESS WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON IN OUR DISTRICT IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA AND THROUGH THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS IN PARTICULAR, BUT WE KNOW IT IS NOT LIMITED TO ANY ONE NEIGHBORHOOD. AND SO, I AM GLAD THAT THIS APPROACH WILL BE ALL INCLUSIVE IN TERMS OF FIGURING OUT HOW WE CAN BRING EVERYONE TO THE TABLE, PUT ALL OPTIONS ON THE TABLE. I KNOW EVEN THE STATE IS LOOKING AT THIS BECAUSE S.B.1472 JUST WENT INTO EFFECT IN 2022, WHICH GIVES JUDGES AND DISTRICT ATTORNEYS THE POWER TO CHARGE DRIVERS INVOLVED IN

STREET TAKEOVERS, RACING, AND SIDE SHOWS WITH FELONY MANSLAUGHTER IF SOMEONE IS KILLED. AND SO, ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT HAVE THEIR EYES ON THIS ISSUE BECAUSE WE ARE ALL BEING IMPACTED. AND SO, WE ALL HAVE TO DO EVERYTHING THAT WE CAN TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE ARE NOT ONLY CONSEQUENCES BUT THAT WE ARE PREVENTING THIS FROM HAPPENING IN THE FIRST PLACE, THAT WE ARE DOING ALL THAT WE CAN TO DISCOURAGING THIS BEHAVIOR. SO THANK YOU FOR THIS MOTION. THANK YOU TO ALL WHO WILL BE INVOLVED IN THIS EFFORT TO EDUCATE AND ENGAGE THE COMMUNITY AND MAKE A MEANINGFUL DIFFERENCE IN TURNING THIS ISSUE AROUND. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: THANK YOU. AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. I MEAN I THINK IT HAS PLAGUED ALL OF OUR DISTRICTS. AND I KNOW UP IN THE NORTH COUNTY, YOU'VE GOT RURAL AREAS WHERE IT IS TAKING PLACE. AND SO, I DO APPRECIATE THIS. MY ONE QUESTION, I DON'T KNOW IF WE HAVE THE ANSWER, OR IF WE CAN GET THE ANSWER. YOU MAKE REFERENCE TO THE 2005 ACTION TAKEN BY THE BOARD TO DO THE VEHICLE SEIZURE AND FORFEITURE. DO WE HAVE A TALLY IN TERMS OF WHERE THAT WENT AND HOW MANY CARS WERE SEIZED? I THINK IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO SEE IF, FESIA, IF WE COULD GET INFORMATION ON THAT ACTION? I DON'T KNOW IF IT WOULD BE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OR THE SHERIFF TO

FIND OUT IF THERE WERE SEIZURES AND FORFEITURES BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, I KNOW THAT THE PEOPLE THAT ARE WATCHING IT ARE THERE TO WITNESS A SHOW AND RECORD, BUT IF THERE IS THAT ABILITY TO SEIZE THE PROPERTY, MAYBE THAT WILL DISSUADE. AND THEN MY SECOND POINT IS I APPRECIATE THE NEED TO LOOK AT WHERE WE MAY BE ABLE TO SET UP SOMETHING THAT IT CAN BE IN AN AREA THAT IS LEGAL, LIKE IRWINDALE, WHICH IS CLOSING, BUT I DO BELIEVE THAT WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING, AT LEAST TO PROVIDE MAYBE AN AREA FOR THEM TO DO THIS. I DON'T GET IT, BUT I GUESS THERE ARE THOSE THAT THINK IT IS COOL TO DO THIS. AND MY -- I GUESS MY QUESTION IS I KNOW THAT A.A.A. SOCAL HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN THIS. ARE THEY GOING TO BE INVOLVED IN THE MOTION IN TERMS OF GIVING FEEDBACK? OR DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THEM BEING INCLUDED?

SUP. MITCHELL: I HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THEM BEING INCLUDED.

SUP. BARGER: OKAY BECAUSE I DO BELIEVE THIS IS BEING STUDIED ACROSS THE BOARD BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE AT THEIR WIT'S END, AND THEN WHEN YOU HEAR ABOUT THE INNOCENT VICTIMS THAT ARE KILLED, IT EVEN FURTHER CREATES A SENSE OF URGENCY TO ADDRESS THIS. SO I AM 100% ON BOARD AND LOOK FORWARD TO GETTING THE INFORMATION AS IT RELATES TO THE ACTION THAT WAS TAKEN BY THE BOARD BECAUSE OFTENTIMES WE TAKE ACTION, AND THEN IT -- WE DON'T

HEAR A LOT. AND I THINK IT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO HEAR IF, IN FACT, THAT WAS DONE AND WHAT WERE THE OUTCOMES. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YOU KNOW, I REALLY -- FIRST OF ALL, I SUPPORT THIS MOTION TODAY. I ABSOLUTELY THINK ADDRESSING THESE ILLEGAL STREET RACING AND TAKEOVERS IS IMPORTANT, BUT I DO APPRECIATE, SUPERVISOR BARGER, YOU EVEN HINTING AT THE IDEA THAT IS THERE A POSSIBILITY IN RELATIONSHIP TO THIS SYMPOSIUM FOR A WORKING GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO WILL GIVE US SOME IDEAS ON HOW TO ADDRESS IT. BUT ALSO TO YOUR POINT, SUPERVISOR BARGER, IS THERE A SAFE SPACE, SO TO SPEAK, FOR STREET RACING. I AM OLD ENOUGH TO REMEMBER BIG WILLIE ROBINSON, WHO WAS ACTIVE IN THE STREET RACING COMMUNITY IN THE '60S AND THE '70S AND WHO WORKED WITH THEN MAYOR TOM BRADLEY TO DEVELOP -- IT WAS OUT AT THE PORT OF LOS ANGELES. IT WAS TERMINAL ISLAND. IT WAS THE TERMINAL ISLAND RACEWAY. AND IT WAS A REGULAR, SAFE PLACE FOR RACING. AND I DON'T KNOW IF THERE'S A CORRELATION BETWEEN NO SAFE SPACE FOR THAT TO HAPPEN VERSUS THIS NEED TO CONTINUALLY TO BE ILLEGAL AND TAKE OVER INTERSECTIONS. I DON'T KNOW, BUT MAYBE THERE'S A CONNECTION. BUT BIG WILLIE USED TO BELIEVE THAT IF YOU PROVIDED A SAFE AND CONTROLLED ENVIRONMENT TO RACE YOUR CARS, AWAY FROM OUR NEIGHBORHOODS, AWAY FROM DANGEROUS INTERSECTIONS, THAT HE FELT LIKE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WERE INTERESTED IN THAT REALLY COULD HAVE A OUTLET THERE. I AM WITH

YOU KIND OF NOT BEEN A BIG FAN OF STREET RACING, ALTHOUGH I KNOW THAT CARS AND RACING ARE AS OLD AS TIME. SO I AM HOPING THAT THIS SYMPOSIUM, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, WILL PROVIDE A PLACE FOR IDEAS IF WE ARE LOOKING AT HOW TO MITIGATE THESE ILLEGAL TAKEOVERS AND ADDRESS IT, IF THERE WILL BE A SPACE FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO ADVOCATE TO THIS BOARD TO FIND A SAFE PLACE. I DON'T KNOW WHERE IT WOULD BE, BUT I THINK IF WE ARE OPEN TO SOME OF THEIR SUGGESTIONS, WE MIGHT HAVE A PATHWAY FORWARD.

SUP. MITCHELL: MADAM CHAIR, THE MOTION ACTUALLY INCLUDES LOOKING FOR A LEGAL VENUE. IT'S ACTUALLY IN THE MOTION. SO WE CERTAINLY HOPE THE SYMPOSIUM IS BROAD AND INCLUSIVE. SUPERVISOR BARGER, WE INCLUDE THE COUNTY ENTITIES THAT WE WANT TO BE INVOLVED, BUT THAT SHOULDN'T BE PERCEIVED AS LIMITED TO THE ONLY PEOPLE INVOLVED. I THINK WE SHOULD INCLUDE THOSE WHO ENGAGE IN STREET TAKEOVERS AND STREET RACING SO THEY COULD SHARE THE CULTURE AND WHAT MOTIVATES THEM SO WE DO HAVE A FULLER CLEARER UNDERSTANDING. WHAT I FIND DISTURBING IS WHEN I HEAR THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE FROM OUTSIDE OF L.A. COUNTY, WHO COME TO CERTAIN COMMUNITIES IN L.A. COUNTY BECAUSE IT INCREASES THEIR STREET CRED IF THEY DID A TAKEOVER IN COMPTON. THAT'S PROBLEMATIC FOR ME AND FOR THE PEOPLE WHO CALL COMPTON HOME. AND SO, AGAIN, WE WANT TO -- I HOPE THE CONVENERS WOULD ACTUALLY INCLUDE THOSE WHO SUBSCRIBE TO THE STREET TAKEOVER CULTURE TO COME AND SHARE WITH US WHY THEY SELECT THE

INTERSECTIONS THEY DO, SO WE REALLY DO HAVE A COMPREHENSIVE UNDERSTANDING.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AND IS YOUR FEELING THAT, BESIDES THE SYMPOSIUM, THERE WOULD BE AN OPPORTUNITY CREATE MAYBE A WORKING GROUP WITH THE PEOPLE THAT YOU'RE --

SUP. MITCHELL: HOPEFULLY, I DON'T WANT TO GET AHEAD OF THE SYMPOSIUM, BUT I THINK THE POINT OF THE MOTION IS TO CAST A WIDE NET AND HAVE A BROAD TENT TO REALLY TRY TO COME UP SOLUTIONS THAT ARE REAL, RELEVANT TODAY, AND WILL WORK. BUT AGAIN, THE MOTION ACTUALLY INCLUDES AN EXPECTATION THAT, DURING THE SYMPOSIUM, THEY WILL TALK ABOUT A LEGAL VENUE IF WE THINK THAT'S AN OPTION. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER, DID YOU WANT TO TALK AGAIN? OKAY. ANY OTHER OF MY COLLEAGUES WANT TO SPEAK ON THIS? I WOULD BE VERY INTERESTED TO HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC. I KNOW SEVERAL PEOPLE ARE COMING DOWN HERE TO EXPRESS THEIR OPINION ABOUT THIS VERY REAL AND DANGEROUS ACTIVITY THAT IS HAPPENING. SO LET'S CALL -- LET'S GO TO THE PUBLIC.

OPERATOR: WILL ANGEL JIMENEZ, ARNOLD SACHS, CINDY ANAMORADO, GHANOD GALLAS, KORIE SCHMIDT, LILI TRUJILLO PUCKETT, LORI ARGUMETTO, MARIA RIVAS CRUZ, MARIA ROSALES, NAJEE ALI, ANTIO

RUSSO, PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.
MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER PLEASE?

MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS JONATHAN BOWER. YOU MAY BEGIN.

JONATHAN BOWER: HI. THANK YOU, CHAIRPERSON HAHN. I AM JONATHAN BOWER, COUNCIL MEMBER FOR THE CITY OF COMPTON. AND I JUST WANT TO CALL AND SUPPORT THIS ITEM, ITEM 6. AS YOU HAVE DISCUSSED, THIS IS A MAJOR PROBLEM IN LOS ANGELES, PERIOD, BUT I WANT TO STRESS, TOO, THAT THIS IS AN ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEM AS WELL. AND THESE PEOPLE SHOULD BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE WITH RESPECT TO THE DAMAGE THEY ARE DOING TO THE ENVIRONMENT. THAT RUBBER THAT THEY LAY IN THE STREETS IS ACTUALLY WASHED DOWN INTO THE STORM DRAINS. THE RUBBER PARTICLES FROM THE TIRES AS WELL, AND IT CREATES A DUST THAT YOU INHALE THAT IS TOXIC ALONG WITH THE CLOUD OF RUBBER THAT ENTERS INTO YOUR HOME AND WHATNOT. WE ARE ACTUALLY WORKING IN OUR CITY TO INTRODUCE VERY STIFF ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE STREET TAKEOVERS. AND AS YOU GUYS KNOW, JUST THE OTHER -- I THINK IT WAS LAST WEEK, THE STREET RACERS RAN INTO L.A. COUNTY FIRE ENGINE 95 WITH TWO PEOPLE LOSING THEIR LIVES AND FIREFIGHTERS BEING INJURED. SO THIS IS JUST COMPLETELY UNACCEPTABLE.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JANE STUCKEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

JANE STUCKEN: JANE, I AM CALLING ON BEHALF OF SAFE STREETS ARE FOR EVERYONE. AND WE ARE A NONPROFIT. AND WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THIS MOTION TO ADDRESS ILLEGAL STREET TAKEOVERS. IT WILL HELP DISCUSS PUT INTO ACTION A DISCUSSION ABOUT TANGIBLE STEPS THAT WILL GET TO THE ROOT OF WHAT IS MOTIVATING STREET TAKEOVERS. WE WANT TO ENCOURAGE COMMUNITY-BASED SOLUTIONS, AND WE JUST CAN'T STRESS STRONGLY ENOUGH, ESPECIALLY AT A NONPROFIT LIKE OURS, HOW SERIOUS IT IS IN THESE NEIGHBORHOODS. IT IS TAKING LIVES. IT IS CAUSING SERIOUS INJURIES. IT'S LENDING SORT OF A SENSE OF LAWLESSNESS TO COMMUNITIES, AND IT CREATES CHAOS IN NEIGHBORHOODS, ESSENTIALLY. AND AS A NONPROFIT, WE ARE ACTUALLY ACTIVELY DEALING WITH THE AFTERMATH OF THESE TYPES OF SITUATIONS ALL THE TIME WITH PEOPLE WHO ARE KILLED AND INJURED.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. THANK YOU.

JANE STUCKEN: THAT'S IT. AND THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL THE WORK YOU DO.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS THAT TRAMEL CARTER. YOU MAY BEGIN.

TRAMEL CARTER: HI, I AM CALLING IN REGARDS TO THIS MOTION THAT HOLLY MITCHELL PROPOSED, WHICH I DO FEEL THAT SOMETHING LIKE THIS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED, BUT ALSO TO ONE EXTENT, IN THE DISTRICT THAT HOLLY MITCHELL REPRESENTS, IT IS A LITTLE BIASED TO ONLY BE A PART OF MOTIONS AND ORDINANCES THAT IS NOT THINGS AREN'T REALLY SO MUCH HAPPENING WITHIN HER DISTRICT. I PROPOSED THINGS TO HOLLY MITCHELL ON SAFETY ISSUES, A LOT OF AFRICAN AMERICANS HAVE PROPOSED THINGS WITH REGARD TO SAFETY ISSUES, AND IT IS JUST GETS OVERLOOKED. SO YES, SOMETHING SHOULD BE DONE ABOUT STREET RACING, BUT I ALSO THINK IT IS BIASED ON HOLLY MITCHELL'S END BECAUSE THERE ARE OTHER THINGS THAT HAVE BEEN PROPOSED TO HER OFFICE THAT AFFECTS THE LIVES AND STREET LIFE OF AFRICAN AMERICANS ON OTHER LEVELS, AND SHE DOES NOT PROPOSE THOSE THINGS. SO THAT'S WHAT I WAS CALLING TO SAY. IN REGARD TO STREET RACING, I THINK THINGS SHOULD BE LOOKED INTO, BUT I THINK IT IS BIASED THAT HOLLY MITCHELL ALSO

OVERLOOKED OTHER MATTERS OF SAFETY ISSUES WITHIN HER OWN DISTRICT.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BYRON JOSE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

BYRON JOSE: HELLO?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: HELLO.

BYRON JOSE: THIS IS -- GOOD MORNING. THINK IS BYRON JOSE, CONSTITUENT IN S.D.2. DEFINITELY UPLIFTING THAT EVERYTHING WITH THE HURRICANE, AND I KNOW PEOPLE ARE SPEAK ON THIS MATTER, BUT THERE ARE ALSO A LOT MORE PRESSING MATTERS THAT THE COMMUNITY IS HERE FOR TO SPEAK ON, SUCH AS THE JAILS. BUT AGAIN, THIS IS IMPORTANT, BUT IF YOU LOOK AT THE RESOLUTION, THERE IS STILL A LOT OF STUFF GOING ON WITH THE SHERIFF TO THE HIGHWAY PATROL, SO AGAIN HOW DO WE CONTINUE TO RESPOND TO CRISES WHETHER IT IS A HURRICANE, RIGHT, OR SOME OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY IN A WAY THAT TRULY CARE AND EMBEDS OUR COMMUNITIES INSTEAD OF JUST UPHOLDING AND FUNDING MORE OF THESE CARCERAL SYSTEMS AND GANGS INSTITUTIONS LIKE THE SHERIFF. THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS GRANDMA BEVERLY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

GRANDMA BEVERLY: HELLO. MY NAME IS GRANDMA BEVERLY. AND I AM A ROAD SAFETY ADVOCATE, HAVE BEEN FOR 14 YEARS, SINCE MY FIRST GRANDSON WAS HIT AND KILLED, NOT IN A TAKEOVER, BUT JUST CROSSING THE STREET. -- LET ME SEE. IT IS A FRIEND OF MINE, I HAVE JUST REALLY MET, IS CINDY, AND YOU WILL BE HEARING FROM HER SOON. HER BROTHER WAS HIT AND KILLED JUST BY TRYING TO CROSS THE ROAD, JUST LIKE MY GRANDSON WAS JUST TRYING TO CROSS THE ROAD. AND I DON'T DO POLICY BUT I TELL STORIES. AND THEIR FAMILY HAS CHANGED FOREVER BECAUSE EVERYBODY IS SCATTERED. THEY ARE MONETIZING IT WITH YOUTUBE. PEOPLE ARE MAKING MONEY OFF OF THIS. THERE'S A LAWLESSNESS IN OUR COUNTRY, JUST LOOK AT THE LAST PRESIDENT. WHY SHOULD ANYBODY CARE TO OBEY THE LAW WHEN THE PRESIDENT HAS WHAT GOING ON? OKAY, ENOUGH OF THAT. HOWEVER, THE THREE E'S OF ROAD SAFETY ARE EDUCATION, ENFORCEMENT, AND ENGINEERING. AND IT IS HARD TO ENFORCE THIS BECAUSE THEY SET IT UP, AND THEY GO, AND THE INTERNET.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DIANA LEE. YOU MAY BEGIN. DIANA LEE, GO AHEAD PLEASE.

DIANA LEE: CAN YOU HEAR ME.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YES, GO AHEAD.

DIANA LEE: YES, I JUST SIMPLY WANT TO SUPPORT THIS PASSING IN HONOR OF RAYMOND AND MARIA.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: HELLO.

DIANA LEE: I AM DONE, THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: GO AHEAD.

DIANA LEE: YES, I WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT THIS BILL IN HONOR OF RAYMOND AND MARIA.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 6, IF YOU HAVE

NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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

ERIC PREVEN: THANK YOU. AND FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD JUST SAY MY HEART GOES OUT TO THE FAMILIES WHO MAY HAVE LOST PEOPLE BECAUSE OF THIS OUTRAGEOUS ACTIVITY. BUT THAT SAID, OF COURSE IT IS HERE TO STAY IN SOME WEIRD CONFIGURATION. AND YOU CAN THANK "FAST AND FURIOUS" AND VARIOUS CULTURAL PIECES OF HISTORY, INCLUDING WILLIE, BUT I THINK THAT EXPLORING AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO IT SOMEWHERE SAFELY IS ONE IDEA, BUT WE REALLY NEED TO MAKE A CULTURAL SHIFT SOMEHOW. THERE NEEDS TO BE -- PEOPLE WHO ARE COOL NEED TO SAY THIS IS NOT COOL AT ALL BECAUSE IT IS NOT. IT IS VERY, VERY DANGEROUS, AND IT IS ALSO A LITTLE BIT ASININE, QUITE FRANKLY. COULD WE DO IT IN A GREENER WAY? HOW ABOUT IF WE RESTRICT IT TO ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND THEN STIMULATE THE ACTIVITY? OR MAYBE A LITTLE A.Q.M.D. PENALTY THAT WE COULD COOK UP AND FLOAT OVER AS THE PEOPLE GATHER, BUT THIS IS NOT AN AREA WHERE WE WANT TO HAVE IT PARKED IN THE MIDDLE OF OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING. IT SHOULD BE DONE A SEPARATE DAY WHEN IT IS NOT BLOCKING ALL THE OTHER STUFF.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU, ERIC. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK YOU.

ERIC PREVEN: YOU'RE WELCOME.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MEL BAILEY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

MEL BAILEY: YES, THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MEL BAILEY. I AM IN DISTRICT TWO OF COMPTON. AND I AM GLAD TO SEE ONE OF OUR COUNCIL PERSONS SPOKE EARLIER. TWOFOLD, ONE, I LIVE IN A GATED COMMUNITY WHERE THERE'S 62 HOMES. WE RECENTLY HAD SIX PEOPLE MOVE BECAUSE OF THE STREET TAKEOVERS. OUT OF THE SIX, FOUR OF THEM MOVED OUT OF THE COUNTY. THE SIGNIFICANCE IS THE FINANCIAL IMPACT THAT TAKES PLACE WITH OUR COUNTY. SO THEY MOVED OVER TO ORANGE COUNTY TO GET AWAY FROM STREET TAKEOVERS. SECONDLY, I AM ALSO AN ACCESS RIDER ADVOCATE, AND I WAS IN A VEHICLE THAT GOT STUCK IN ONE OF THE STREET TAKEOVERS. AND ONE OF THE RIDERS HAD A PANIC ATTACK JUST BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WAS HAPPENING. THEY WERE VISUALLY IMPAIRED. THEY COULDN'T TELL WHAT WAS HAPPENING JUST A BUNCH OF NOISE. SO I FIRMLY APPRECIATE THIS MOTION, AND I THANK YOU, LADIES, THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS, FOR THIS.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MIA DOUGLAS. YOU MAY BEGIN.

MIA DOUGLAS: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MIA DOUGLAS. I'M A DISTRICT DIRECTOR FOR ASSEMBLYMEMBER MIKE GIBSON, WHO REPRESENTS THE 55TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT, WHICH ENCOMPASSES THE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES OF COMPTON, WATTS, WILLOWBROOK, SAN PEDRO, WILMINGTON, HARBOR GATEWAY NORTH AND SOUTH, AND SEVERAL OTHER COMMUNITIES THAT OVERLAP WITH THE SUPERVISOR'S DISTRICTS, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. OUR DISTRICT ENCOUNTERS ILLEGAL STREET TAKEOVERS ON A WEEKLY BASIS, AND WE HAVE SEEN MANY CASUALTIES AND INJURIES FROM THESE DANGEROUS DISPLAYS. NOT ONLY DO WE SEE OUTCOMES OF PROPERTY DAMAGE AND THE BLIGHT THAT IT CAUSES, BUT IT CAN ALSO INCITE SMASH AND GRAB ROBBERIES AND HURT LOCAL BUSINESSES. ASSEMBLYMEMBER GIBSON IS IN FULL SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S MOTION. AS THE FORMER MAYOR PRO TEM OF THE CITY OF CARSON, HE PUSHED FOR THE CITY TO PASS A SIMILAR ORDINANCE THAT FINES SPECTATORS $1,000 FOR BEING A PART OF THESE ILLEGAL TAKEOVERS. WE KNOW THE DEVASTATION THAT THESE THREATS TO PUBLIC SAFETY CAUSE. ASSEMBLYMEMBER GIBSON STANDS IN SUPPORT OF CINDY AMORADO, WHO IS PRESENT TODAY. CINDY LOST HER BROTHER, RAYMOND OLIVARES, WHO WAS KILLED DURING A STREET TAKEOVER IN THE UNINCORPORATED PART OF COMPTON WHILE HIS FIANCEE MARIA RIVAS CRUZ WAS

SERIOUSLY INJURED. HE WASN'T A BYSTANDER. HE WAS SIMPLY CROSSING THE STREET.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR CALLING IN. TELL ASSEMBLYMEMBER GIBSON THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SHEVAUNDA SIMPSON. YOU MAY BEGIN.

SHEVAUNDA SIMPSON: HI, YES. I AM CALLING ON BEHALF OF RAYMOND AND MARIA TO SUPPORT THIS ITEM NUMBER 6. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ARE WE GOING IN-PERSON? WELCOME. GO AHEAD.

ANGEL NIEVES: HELLO, MY NAME IS ANGEL NIEVES. I AM WITH PROJECT STREET LEGAL. I AM THE SENIOR ORGANIZER OF THE PROGRAM. I JUST -- WELL, I RETIRED FROM LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND I PLEDGE MY LIFE TOWARDS THIS LEGAL PROGRAM. WHAT IS GOING ON IS GETTING OUT OF HAND. I RECOMMEND A LEGAL VENUE. AND I WAS AN OFFICIAL IN SUCH A PROGRAM. I WORKED WITH BIG WILLIE AND TERMINAL ISLAND IN 1970S, '80S, AND '90S. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT WAS A SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM, BUT IT CLOSED DOWN. I HIGHLY RECOMMEND YOU GUYS TO WORK WITH US TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN. AND AS A GROUP AND EVERYTHING, WE NEED TO

IDENTIFY A LEGAL SITE AND EVERYTHING. BY THE WAY, I AM ALSO IN CONTACT WITH THE CITY OF CARSON OFFICIALS. THEY TOO WOULD LIKE TO GET INVOLVED, MAYBE A POSSIBLE LOCATION AND EVERYTHING. SO LOOK ME UP. MY NAME IS BROTHER ANGEL. I AM AN OLD SCHOOL STREET RACER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU, AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS. THIS IS A ROBUST DISCUSSION YOU ARE HAVING HERE. THIS NEW NORMAL YOU TALK ABOUT. WHY DON'T YOU USE THE RACETRACK IN IRWINDALE AND RENT IT OUT, GET SOME MONEY FROM THE RACE TRACK. YOU COULD ADVERTISE TO CAR CLUBS THAT THEY COULD RACE THERE. YOU COULD HAVE DAILY RACING OVER THE WEEKEND. YOU HAVE HAD A TAKEOVER ON THE FREEWAY. YOU HAD THREE YOUNG LADIES GET KILLED IN A DRAG RACE BETWEEN TWO MASERATIS THAT KILLED THREE LADIES IN AN UBER CAR. PEOPLE JUST DON'T CARE. PEOPLE DON'T CARE ANY MORE. CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT? IT IS ALL ABOUT THE CARE, MADAM CHAIR. IT REALLY IS ABOUT L.A. CARE, WITH THE PERIODS. YOU ARE RISKING FEDERAL FUNDING IF YOU HAVE A LOCKED COUNTY. YOU DON'T KNOW THAT? IT IS A FEDERAL FUNDING. THIS NEW NORMAL, THIS NEW GENERATION, THIS NEXT GENERATION, THE DRUG CULTURE, ALL THIS [EXPLETIVE] BECAUSE OF YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

LILI TRUJILLO PUCKETT: GOOD MORNING. M NAME IS LILI TRUJILLO PUCKETT. I AM THE FOUNDER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF STREET RACING KILLS, IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION. I FOUNDED THIS ORGANIZATION IN 2014 AFTER MY DAUGHTER VALENTINA WAS KILLED WHEN A YOUNG MAN WAS JUST GIVING HER A RIDE HOME. HE ENGAGED INTO A STREET RACE, CRASHED IN DECEMBER 7TH, 2013 IN WILMINGTON. AND THERE'S NOT A DAY THAT I DON'T THINK OF MY DAUGHTER AND WHAT SHE WOULD LOOK LIKE TODAY AT 26. IT'S ALMOST BEEN 10 YEARS, AND THE PAIN GOES AND GOES EVEN FURTHER. THERE'S NOT A DAY THAT MY MY HEART DOESN'T HURT. I THINK OF HER INJURIES AS SHE BROKE HER NECK. AND SHE DIED FROM A HEAD INJURY WHEN IT STOPPED HER HEART. AND I WAS NOT THERE FOR HER. I WAS NOT AT THE SCENE WHEN HER BODY WAS TAKEN BY THE CORONER'S OFFICE. HOWEVER, WITHIN FIVE MONTHS, I CREATED SO MANY ANTI-STREET RACING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND [INDISCERNIBLE] AMONG THE YOUTH IN OUR COMMUNITIES. WE GO GO TO SCHOOLS. WE ARE GRATEFUL TO SUPERVISOR HAHN. FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS, YOU HAVE BEEN SUPPORTING OUR EFFORTS, AND WE HAVE BEEN GOING ALL OVER THE SOUTH BAY DOING WHATEVER WE CAN, AND ALL OVER THE CITIES TO SEE WHAT WE CAN DO. OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH THE A.A.A., IT IS GREAT AS WELL. SO WE WILL BE TALKING TO THEM, AS WELL. THEY WILL BE ELATED TO COME ON BOARD. WE ARE

ELATED FOR THIS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WHICH WILL ALLOW US TO COLLABORATE WITH EACH OTHER. THIS IS AMAZING, AND THIS IS GREAT. AND WHEN THE ITEM LISTS BELOW THE FEASIBILITY OF SECURING A CLOSED TRACK IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY AND LIFE SAVING. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COURAGE. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

LORI ARGUMETTO: HI, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS LORI ARGUMETTO. I AM OUR OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS DIRECTOR FOR STREET RACING KILLS. ON MAY 11TH, 2019, MY 23-YEAR-OLD NIECE WAS KILLED BY A YOUNG MAN THAT WAS STREET RACING IN THE CITY OF WILLOWBROOK. MY NIECE WAS STRUCK AT 100 MILES PER HOUR, AS THEY WERE STREET RACING DOWN 131ST AND TOWN. I JOINED THE ORGANIZATION BECAUSE I WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. I WANT TO MAKE SURE MY NIECE WAS NOT KILLED IN VAIN. I PROMISED HER WHEN WE LAID HER TO REST THAT I WOULD MAKE SURE HER LEGACY LIVES ON, ESPECIALLY BECAUSE HER SIX YEAR OLD DAUGHTER IS LIVING HER LIFE WITHOUT HER MOTHER NOW. IN REGARDS TO THE SYMPOSIUM, WE WOULD LOVE TO COLLABORATE WITH YOU GUYS TO HELP PREVENT THIS FROM HAPPENING TO OTHER FAMILIES. STREET RACING KILLS HAS, OVER THE LAST NINE YEARS, HAS CREATED MANY PROGRAMS TO HELP PREVENT ILLEGAL STREET RACING, TAKEOVERS, AND DONUTS. MORE PREVENTATIVE IS THE TEEN TRAFFIC SAFETY STUFF THAT WE DO, BUT

WE DO HAVE A PROGRAM CALLED THE RECKLESS DRIVING INTERVENTION PROGRAM. TO DATE, WE HAVE SPOKEN TO OVER 700 INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE BEEN CHARGED WITH RECKLESS DRIVING, WHETHER IT BE STREET RACING, TAKEOVERS, OR DONUTS. WE GIVE THEM AN ALTERNATIVE BY TAKING THEM TO THE TRACK IN IRWINDALE. WE HAVE PARTNERED WITH THEM. AND WE ALSO TALK TO THEM ABOUT WHY DO THEY DO THIS TYPE OF BEHAVIOR. WE REALLY JUST WANT TO STOP THIS FROM HAPPENING, AND WE WANT TO SAVE LIVES. WE KNOW IF WE WORK TOGETHER WITH YOU GUYS, WE CAN DEFINITELY SAFE LIVES TOGETHER. I DO HAVE A HASHTAG FOR MY NIECE, #LIVEFORBETTYFOREVER23.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

LORI ARGUMETTO: THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME AND THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING YOU GUYS ARE DOING.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

TEO RUSSO: HI, MY NAME IS TEO RUSSO. AND I AM FOR THIS MOTION, AND I AM GLAD THIS IS BEING BROUGHT UP. AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, THANK YOU BECAUSE IT IS SOMETHING THAT NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED. I HAVE BEEN DOING THIS A LONG TIME, RACING MY WHOLE LIFE. EVERY TIME OUR TRACKS GET SHUT DOWN, YOU PUT MORE PEOPLE ON THE STREET. AND THAT'S THE ISSUE. THEY NEED A PLACE TO BE. MAYOR BRADLEY, GOD REST HIS SOUL, REALIZED THAT, OPENED UP THE

DRAG WAY AND TOOK A LOT OF PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS. IT DOES WORK. IT DOES HELP. WHEN I WAS RACING, YOU HAD ORANGE COUNTY, YOU HAD THE OLD IRWINDALE. WE STILL HAD POMONA, YOU HAD ALL THESE TRACKS. NOW THEY ARE NOW ALL GONE. IT IS TECHNOLOGY. THE MORE NEW PARTS, THE FASTER YOU WANT TO GO. STREETS ARE GETTING SHORTER. CARS ARE GOING FASTER. WE NEED TRACKS. THANK YOU.

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

DONALD GALAS: DONALD GALAS, AND I AM A FIFTEEN YEAR ADVOCATE. I USED TO -- I GREW UP AT TERMINAL ISLAND RACEWAY. BIG WILLIE WAS MY MENTOR. I AM THE CURRENT SPOKESMAN FOR THE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF STREET RACERS. I ALSO WAS AN ELECTED NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEMBER FOR THREE TERMS, PLACING IN THE TOP THREE EVERY TIME I WAS ELECTED. MY PLATFORM WAS PUBLIC SAFETY, ILLEGAL STREET RACING. I SAY THAT WE OPEN UP -- REOPEN THE TERMINAL ISLAND RACEWAY. WE START A PILOT PROGRAM FOR ONE YEAR. WE GATHER THE STATS AND THE DATA THAT WE NEED. WE ALSO INVOKE VOCATIONAL CLASSES, HANDS ON LEARNING, PUBLIC SAFETY, A ROAD COURSE, AND ALL THOSE TYPES OF THINGS THAT PUT TOOLS BACK INTO THE HANDS OF KIDS. IF LAWS AND LEGISLATION AND LAW ENFORCEMENT WORKED, WE WOULD NOT BE HAVING THIS MEETING RIGHT NOW. YOU KNOW WHAT WE WOULD BE DOING, WE WOULD BE PASSING OUT AWARDS FOR ALL OF US AND ALL THE GREAT WORK THAT WE ARE GOING TO DO SOON. THAT'S WHAT WE ARE GOING TO BE DOING.

AND I'D ALSO LIKE TO LEAVE YOU WITH THE REMINDER THAT VALERIE D'ALESSANDRO DID NOT DIE IN VAIN. I WAS THERE THAT MORNING WHEN SHE PASSED AWAY. I GOT THE CALL BECAUSE OF THE IMPROMPTU STREET RACING IN WILMINGTON. AND ALSO MICHELLE LITTLEFIELD THAT DIED ON THE 5 FREEWAY, I WANT TO DEDICATE THIS TO HER ALSO. SHE WAS A VERY, VERY GOOD FRIEND. AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU JUST MENTIONED THAT YOU CAST A NET. YOU ARE GOING TO CAST A NET. WELL, YOU JUST CAUGHT THE BIGGEST FISH. AND MY NAME IS DON GALAS, NOT DOM TURETTLE, THE FICTIONAL CHARACTER. YOU HAVE THE REAL DEAL RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU RIGHT NOW READY TO GO TO WORK FOR ALL OF YOU AND ALL OF THE PUBLIC THAT IS IN HERE RIGHT NOW. THANK YOU.

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

MARIA RIVAS CRUZ: MY NAME IS MARIA RIVAS CRUZ. I'M A RECENT VICTIM OF STREET TAKEOVERS, STREET RACING. I LOST MY FIANCE RAYMOND OLIVARES, AND I GET A CONSTANT REMINDER EVERY DAY THAT HE'S NOT HERE, THAT THIS GUY, FOR WHATEVER REASON, DESTROYED OUR LIVES. I GO TO BED, AND I WAKE UP, AND HE'S NOT NEXT TO ME. I HAVE PHYSICAL SCARS ON MY FACE, ON MY HAND, ON MY ARM, ON MY LEG, BUT THE SCARS THAT NOBODY WILL EVER UNDERSTAND AND EVER SEE ARE THE ONES INTERNALLY. I AM TIRED. I AM MAD. EVERY WEEK, THERE'S DOCTORS' APPOINTMENTS, AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO ANYMORE. YES, I'M FIGHTING. IT MAY NOT LOOK PHYSICALLY, BUT

I'M FIGHTING EVERY DAY FOR US, FOR OUR FAMILIES, AND IT'S HARD. I TRY TO LOOK STRONG, BUT I'M NOT. I'M SCARED.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR YOUR COURAGE IN COMING HERE AND SPEAKING TO US. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

SYLVIA ALVARADO: GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS SYLVIA ALVARADO, AND I'M SISTER TO RAYMOND STEVEN OLIVARES, 27-YEAR-OLD CIVIL ENGINEER, AND I'M SISTER-IN-LAW TO MARIA RIVAS CRUZ, THE L.A.U.S.D. TEACHER, WHO IS NOW DISABLED DUE TO THIS RECKLESSNESS. THESE STREET RACERS CAME DOWN A STREET. AS THEY WERE CROSSING THE STREET THAT HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THAT TYPE OF ACTIVITY, THEY KILLED MY BROTHER AT THE SCENE. MY FINALLY WILL NEVER, EVER, EVER BE THE SAME. HE WAS THE ROCK. HE WAS OUR STRENGTH. HE WAS THE MAN OF OUR FAMILY, AND THEY TOOK THAT FROM US. THESE STREET TAKEOVERS, FROM A VIOLENCE, FROM A GUN VIOLENCE, VANDALISM, DRUGS, ALCOHOL, DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE, AND THEY'RE DRIVEN BY SOCIAL MEDIA, FOR VIEWS, FOR MONETIZATION, FOR FOLLOWING. IT NEEDS TO STOP, AND THE KEYS TO IT IS EDUCATION, INFRASTRUCTURE, ENGINEERING. AND S.R.K. HAS THAT. WHY ARE WE GOING TO USE DIVERSION WHEN WE CAN JUST USE EDUCATION. LET THEM KNOW THERE ARE CONSEQUENCES TO THEIR ACTIONS AND WHAT THEY CAN DO BY HEARING IMPACT STORIES FROM VICTIMS AND HOW THEY'RE DESTROYING LIVES. THANK YOU.

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

NAJEE ALI: MADAM CHAIR, HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS NAJEE ALI. AND BEFORE I START, I SINCERELY WANT TO GIVE MY CONDOLENCES TO ALL THE SPEAKERS BEFORE ME WHO LOST LOVED ONES. I'M HERE REPRESENTING THE SLAUSON SIX, WHICH IS KNOWN BY THE COMMUNITY AND THE FAMILY MEMBERS RESPECTFULLY AS THE SIX LIVES THAT WERE LOST, FOUR ADULTS, THE 11 MONTH OLD BABY, AND THE UNBORN CHILD, WHO WAS RIPPED FROM HER MOTHER'S STOMACH IN A TRAFFIC CAR COLLISION AT THE INTERSECTION OF SLAUSON AND LA BREA AUGUST 4TH OF LAST YEAR. THE FAMILY MEMBERS WANTED ME TO COME SUPPORT SUPERVISOR HOLLY MITCHELL'S MOTION. THEY'RE CONCERNED ABOUT SPEED RACING AND DRIVING FAST IN ALL FORMS. THE LOVED ONES WERE LOST IN A CAR CRASH CAUSED BY NICOLE LINTON, WHO DROVE OVER 100 MILES AN HOUR AND KILLED ALL OF THEM INSTANTLY. SO THE FAMILY MEMBERS WANTED ME TO SUPPORT HOLLY MITCHELL'S MOTION, AND WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, EVERYONE ON THIS BOARD. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU, NAJEE. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

RED CHIEF HUNT: YES, THE RED CHIEF HUNT. I SUPPORT THE MOTION TOO IF ALL IS WELL. ALSO IN SUPPORTING THE MOTION, I AGREE WITH WHAT WALTER SAID, WE HAVE TO MAKE SOMEPLACE LEGAL FOR THE

KIDS TO GO TO. I MEAN IT'S EXCITING. IT'S EVERYTHING THAT THEY WANT AND THAT WE ARE GIVING THEM, BUT WE'RE NOT GIVING THEM A LEGAL PLACE TO DO IT AT. SO, IN RETROSPECT, THIS IS WHAT KIDS DO. THEY ALWAYS WANT TO BE SOMEPLACE WHERE THEY THINK IT'S FASCINATING AND STUFF LIKE THAT. BUT MY SOLUTION IS IF THERE'S A PROBLEM, THERE'S A SOLUTION. LET'S OPEN UP TRACKS AND LET THESE KIDS RACE AND DO WHAT THEY DO AND DO IT RIGHT AND HAVE SUPERVISION SO NOBODY WON'T NOBODY GET HURT. MY HEART GOES OUT TO ALL THE FAMILIES AND STUFF LIKE THAT, BUT THE RED CHIEF HUNT SAYS -- HE ALWAYS SAYS IF THERE'S A PROBLEM, THERE'S A SOLUTION. AND LET'S GET THEM TRACKS, AND LET'S GET THEM SET UP SO WHERE THEY CAN DO IT IN AN ORGANIZED SITUATION. THE RED CHIEF HUNT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

MARIA ROSALES: GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MARIA ROSALES, AND I SPEAK TO YOU FIRST AS A WILLOWBROOK RESIDENT, AND I'M ALSO A PUBLIC HEALTH STUDENT AT CHARLES R. DREW UNIVERSITY. SO I'M VERY, VERY HAPPY TO BE HERE, AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU HAVE YOUR TEAM HERE FOR THIS MOTION. I SUPPORT THIS BECAUSE, FIRST, IT ACKNOWLEDGES THAT STREET RACING, STREET TAKEOVERS, IS A PROBLEM AND THAT IT'S CAUSING PREMATURE DEATHS IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, SECOND, THAT THERE IS ACCEPTANCE TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY ON THIS PATH

THAT, WHILE BEHAVIOR MAY CONTRIBUTE THIS PROBLEM, THIS PROBLEM CAN ALSO BE FIXED BY US. AND LASTLY BECAUSE IT INCLUDES COMMUNITY AND ORGANIZATIONS WORKING -- ALREADY DOING THE WORK TO TACKLE THIS PROBLEM AND ALSO BECAUSE IT VOICES THIS PROBLEM WITH SOLUTIONS, WHICH WILL ULTIMATELY CREATE WELLNESS AND HEALTH IN UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS.

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

JULIA WALLACE: HELLO, MY NAME IS JULIA WALLACE. I HADN'T PLANNED ON SPEAKING ON THIS ISSUE, BUT NOW THAT I'M HERE, I WILL. I AM A RESIDENTS OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, AND ALSO WE DO HAVE STREET TAKEOVERS. I WANTED TO MAKE A FEW POINTS. ONE THAT, YES, MAYBE PEOPLE COME FROM OUT OF TOWN, BUT A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO DO IT ARE FROM OUR COMMUNITIES, AND I FEEL LIKE WE SHOULDN'T SAY IT'S JUST OUT-OF- TOWNERS. IT'S PEOPLE FROM OUR COMMUNITY, AND I FEEL LIKE THAT ALSO GIVES US LEVERAGE TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE EDUCATION. MY CONCERN IS CRIMINALIZATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE, THAT THIS COULD JUST LEAD TO JUST ARRESTING A BUNCH OF PEOPLE WHEN IT REALLY DOESN'T NEED TO HAPPEN. I AGREE WITH WHAT PEOPLE'S POINTS IN EMPHASIZING TRACKS AND NOT JUST HAVING TRACKS, BUT WE'RE IN THE HOLLYWOOD INDUSTRY. THERE'S A LOT OF STUNT DRIVERS. THERE'S PEOPLE WHO ARE TALENTED PEOPLE WHO COULD BECOME PROFESSIONAL DRIVERS. INSTEAD OF BEING

CRIMINALIZED, THEY COULD LEARN AND BE ABLE TO USE THOSE THINGS FOR THE MOVIE INDUSTRY BECAUSE THERE ARE A LOT OF CAR AND CAR CHASES AND STUFF THAT HAPPEN. SO I FEEL LIKE WE NEED TO USE THIS AND STEER AWAY FROM CRIMINALIZATION OF YOUNG PEOPLE AND TRY TO HELP THEM AND EDUCATE THEM. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, VERY CREATIVE IDEA. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. NO MORE SPEAKERS IN-PERSON. DO WE HAVE ANYMORE ON THE PHONE? NO MORE. OKAY, ANY OTHER SUPERVISORS WANT TO COMMENT? SEEING NONE, ITEM 6 IS NOW BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. I'LL SECOND IT TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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

SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. MITCHELL: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. HORVATH: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: AYE.

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, AND I SEE WE HAVE A VERY IMPORTANT PERSON, THE REVEREND JAMES LAWSON, JR. IS IN OUR AUDIENCE, WHICH IS IMPORTANT. YEAH, THAT DESERVES A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE] SO, IT'S APPROPRIATE THAT WE NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 3, PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 22ND, 2023 AS THE REVEREND JAMES LAWSON, JR. DAY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IT WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE REMARKS AND THEN SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, FOR THE OPPORTUNITY. AND THANK YOU, REVEREND LAWSON, FOR JOINING US TODAY. IT'S INDEED AN HONOR. COLLEAGUES AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, REVEREND JAMES LAWSON IS TRULY A TITAN AMONG US. I THINK I'VE HAD THE PRIVILEGE, IF I THINK ABOUT HAVING MET TRULY AMERICAN ICONIC LEADERS, I THINK ABOUT DOLORES HUERTA. WE THINK ABOUT THOSE WHO ARE CALIFORNIA NATIVES WHO HAVE CALLED LOS ANGELES THEIR HOME FOR MANY YEARS. REVEREND LAWSON, FOR ME, IS AT THE TOP OF THE LIST. HE'S DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO HOLDING OUR COUNTRY ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE PROMISES IT MADE IN ITS CONSTITUTION, AND IN DOING SO, HE HAS CHANGED THE WORLD. HE IS THE KEY ARCHITECT OF WHAT HAS BECOME KNOWN AS THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT, A MENTOR TO THOUSANDS, AND AN INSPIRATION TO GENERATIONS WORLDWIDE. HE HELPED LEAD THE HISTORIC 1960 NASHVILLE SIT-IN CAMPAIGN AT THE WOOLWORTH'S LUNCH COUNTER, THE FREEDOM RIDES IN '61 AND THROUGHOUT THE DECADE CONTINUED TO ORGANIZE NEARLY EVERY MAJOR STUDENT SIT-IN, MARCH, AND PROTEST. IN 1974, THE CITY OF ANGELS WAS HONORED WHEN REVEREND LAWSON DECIDED TO MOVE HIS FAMILY TO LOS ANGELES WHERE HE SERVED AS THE PASTOR OF HOLMAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FOR OVER 25 YEARS. FOR DECADES, HE HAS WORKED WITHIN THE JANITORIAL, HOTEL, AND RESTAURANT INDUSTRIES TO FIGHT FOR THE RIGHT TO ORGANIZE, TO ORGANIZE LOW WAGE WORKERS, ACROSS BOTH THIS COUNTY AND THE NATION. REVEREND LAWSON CONTINUES TO SPEAK OUT AGAINST RACISM AND VIOLENCE AND IN SUPPORT OF IMMIGRATION

RIGHTS, EQUAL RIGHTS FOR THE L.G.B.T.Q.I.A.+ COMMUNITY, AND AGAIN JUSTICE FOR LOW WAGE WORKERS. CASE IN POINT, HIS PROLIFIC REMARKS THAT WERE MADE AT THE HOME-GOING SERVICE OF HIS LONGTIME ALLY AND PARTNER IN JUSTICE, CONGRESSMAN JOHN LEWIS. AND I QUOTE "LET US ALL IN THE SERVICE TODAY LET ALL THE PEOPLE OF THIS GREAT NATION DETERMINE THAT WE WILL NOT BE QUIET AS LONG AS ANY CHILD DIES IN THE FIRST YEAR OF LIFE IN THE UNITED STATES. WE WILL NOT BE QUIET AS LONG AS THE LARGEST POVERTY GROUP IN OUR NATION ARE WOMEN AND CHILDREN. WE WILL NOT BE QUIET AS LONG AS OUR NATION CONTINUES TO BE THE MOST VIOLENT CULTURE IN THE HISTORY OF HUMAN KIND. WE WILL NOT BE QUIET AS LONG AS OUR ECONOMY IS SHAPED, NOT BY FREEDOM, BUT BY PLANTATION CAPITALISM THAT CONTINUES TO CAUSE DOMINATION AND CONTROL, RATHER THAN ACCESS AND LIBERTY AND EQUALITY FOR ALL. THE FORCES OF SPIRITUAL WICKEDNESS ARE STRONG IN OUR LAND BECAUSE OF OUR HISTORY. WE'VE NOT CREATED THEM. JOHN LEWIS DID NOT CREATE THEM. WE INHERITED THEM, BUT IT'S OUR TASK TO SEE THOSE SPIRITUAL FORCES. I'VE NAMED THEM RACISM, SEXISM, VIOLENCE. PLANTATION CAPITALISM. THOSE POISONS STILL DOMINATE FAR TOO MANY OF US IN MANY DIFFERENT WAYS." I AM PROUD TO PROCLAIM THROUGH THIS MOTION, COLLEAGUES, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 2023, AS REVEREND JAMES LAWSON, JR. DAY TO ACKNOWLEDGE A NUMBER OF THINGS, TO ACKNOWLEDGE HIS 95TH BIRTHDAY -- [APPLAUSE] THE BATTLE FOR JUSTICE IS NOT SHORT. FOR THIS MAN, IT HAS BEEN AN ENTIRE LIFETIME. AND TO CELEBRATE AND

ACKNOWLEDGE HIS, NOT ONLY HISTORIC, BUT HIS ONGOING WORK TO ADVANCE THE PHILOSOPHY OF NON-VIOLENCE, TO END RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, TO END PLANTATION CAPITALISM, TO STRENGTHEN WORKERS RIGHTS, AND PROMOTE HUMAN DIGNITY. FURTHERMORE, THIS MOTION ASKS OUR DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS TO LAUNCH A KNOW YOUR RIGHTS CAMPAIGN FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER IN REVEREND LAWSON'S HONOR. WE ARE SO FORTUNATE TO BEAR WITNESS TO AND BENEFIT FROM REVEREND LAWSON'S LEADERSHIP IN THE FIGHT FOR WORKERS RIGHTS AND BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS FOR ALL. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, THANK YOU SO MUCH IN JOINING ME IN TODAY'S MOTION.

SUP. SOLIS: THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR ASKING ME TO JOIN YOU. I, TOO, WANT TO SALUTE THE REVEREND. I CAN'T EVEN BEGIN TO THINK BACK OF THE MANY DECADES THAT I'VE KNOWN YOU, REVEREND LAWSON. I REMEMBER THOUGH DISTINCTLY WALKING WITH YOU ACROSS THE BRIDGE. PROPOSITION 187 THAT BROUGHT OUR COMMUNITIES TOGETHER, AND WE WALKED ARM IN ARM SEVERAL TIMES. IT WASN'T JUST ONE EVENT. IT WAS A SERIES OF EVENTS THAT WENT ON AND TOOK PLACE AND HELPED TO LEAD THAT COALITION THAT YOU SO PURPOSEFULLY BROUGHT TOGETHER. LATINO, AFRICAN AMERICAN, A.A.P.I., L.G.B.T., FAR ABOVE AND BEYOND WHAT PEOPLE WERE EVEN THINKING IN THAT DAY. YOU WERE BRINGING ALL RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS AND DENOMINATIONS TOGETHER AS WELL. AND YOU BROUGHT THE LABOR MOVEMENT WITH YOU, WHICH ALL OF US KNOW IS SO DEEPLY IMPORTANT AND EMBEDDED IN OUR CULTURES, IN SOME OF

OUR CULTURES. I WANT TO SAY YOU SERVED WITH DISTINCTION WITH SO MANY, DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR., AND ONE OF MY COLLEAGUES AND I KNOW SUPERVISOR HAHN'S COLLEAGUE, THE HONORABLE CONGRESSMAN JOHN LEWIS. AND I REMEMBER DISTINCTLY WORKING ALONGSIDE WITH YOU AND MARIA LEONARD DERASO BACK IN THE DAY WHEN WE WERE TALKING ABOUT HOW WE COULD BRIDGE CIVIL RIGHTS, VOTING RIGHTS, AND IMMIGRATION RIGHTS. I RECALL THAT WALK AND GOING OUT THERE TO MOBILIZE OUR DIFFERENT VARIOUS UNIONS TO COME OUT AND ALSO BE A PART OF THAT BECAUSE IN STRENGTH AND UNITY AND BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER, THAT'S HOW WE GET THE JOB DONE, BUT YOU LED THAT, YOU AND OTHER DISTINGUISHED INDIVIDUALS. THE MARCH IN SELMA ON CIVIL RIGHTS THEN IMMIGRATION. I DON'T KNOW THAT MANY IN OUR CURRENT CLASSES, CIVICS CLASSES, EVEN UNDERSTAND WHAT TOOK PLACE A FEW DECADES AGO, OR A DECADE AGO, ALMOST TWO DECADES. BUT IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR ME TO BE INVOLVED IN THAT. THAT WAS BEFORE I BECAME LABOR SECRETARY. THE FIRST LATINA BECAUSE WE HAD THE FIRST AFRICAN AMERICAN PRESIDENT, PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA, WHO SAW FIT TO PUT PEOPLE OF DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS IN HIS CABINET, EVEN FROM PLACES THAT ARE NOT HIGH ABOVE, FROM PREP SCHOOLS OR DISTINGUISHED UNIVERSITIES, BUT LAYPEOPLE, WHO COME FROM THE GRASSROOTS. AND THAT'S WHAT I SEE IN YOU, DR. REVEREND LAWSON, THAT YOU HAVE JUST REALLY CORNERED THOSE KINDS OF THINGS THAT REALLY ESTABLISH WHO WE ARE AS REGULAR PEOPLE, REGULAR EVERYDAY PEOPLE, WHO GET UP AND FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT. YOU REMIND ME OF

PEOPLE LIKE MY FRIEND, DOLORES HUERTA, WHO CONTINUES TO ALSO SERVE AS A LOUD VOICE ALONGSIDE WITH YOU THAT HAS MEANT SO MUCH TO SO MANY OF US. I HOPE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE REALLY REALIZE ALL THE THINGS AND SACRIFICES THAT YOU HAVE GIVEN, NOT JUST TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, AND WELL-DESERVED DAY OF CELEBRATION FOR YOU, BUT MUCH MORE THAN THAT, THAT YOU ALSO GO DOWN IN HISTORY. YOUR WORK ON CREATING THE U.C.L.A. LABOR CENTER ALSO IN THE PICO UNION AREA IS TREMENDOUS. YOU HAVE BEEN THERE IN THE SWEAT SHOP FIGHTS, THE WAGE THEFT FIGHTS, MINIMUM WAGE, ALL OF THOSE ISSUES, I RECALL SEEING YOU THERE, NEVER SHYING AWAY FROM A GOOD FIGHT EITHER. AND NOW, WE KNOW THAT THIS TIME IS FOR YOU. THIS MOMENT IS FOR YOU. AND I ESPECIALLY WANT TO THANK YOU FOR ALL THE GOOD WORK AND GRACE THAT YOU HAVE PROVIDED TO SO MANY IN OUR COMMUNITIES BECAUSE NOW, MORE THAN EVER, OUR COMMUNITIES BLACK, BROWN, AND OTHER, A.A.P.I., AND L.B.G.T., AND EVERYONE HAVE TO COME TOGETHER BECAUSE THERE ARE SOME PEOPLE IN OUR CAPITOLS, CAPITOL OFFICES, THAT REPRESENT CERTAIN FOLKS, DIFFERENT IDEOLOGIES, THAT WOULD LIKE TO RIP THAT BAND-AID OFF THAT SO MANY OF US WORKED SO HARD TO HEAL ON TO MAKE SURE EVERYBODY IS INCLUSIVE. AND YOU DID THAT. SO, I STAND WITH MY COLLEAGUE AND ALL MY COLLEAGUES TO GIVE YOU THE RESPECT AND ALSO THE DIGNITY THAT YOU DESERVE BECAUSE YOU REALLY GAVE BACK. YOU DIDN'T JUST TALK AND WALK. YOU ACTUALLY DEMONSTRATED AND ADVOCATED. SO WITH THAT, I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU ON YOUR VERY

EARLY 95TH BIRTHDAY. FELICE COMPLEANNOS TO YOU. MUCHAS GRACIAS. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU TO MY COLLEAGUES FOR BRINGING THIS BEAUTIFUL MOTION FORWARD, AND AGAIN, HAPPY EARLY 95TH BIRTHDAY TO THE REVEREND JAMES LAWSON, JR. IT IS AN HONOR TO BE IN YOUR PRESENCE, TO KNOW OF YOUR HISTORY AND LEGACY, TO BE IN WITNESS TO YOUR GREATNESS. I'M SO HONORED THAT YOU ARE HERE TODAY. YOUR LEGACY IS ONE THAT IS HARD TO DESCRIBE WITH WORDS, BUT IT HAS CONTINUED TO BE FELT IN THE CONTINUED STRUGGLE FOR JUSTICE. YOU HAVE BEEN A THOUGHT LEADER FOR NON-VIOLENCE DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT, GETTING YOUR START AS A MENTOR TO SNICK AS WELL AS THE NASHVILLE STUDENT MOVEMENT. AND SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND SOLIS, YOUR MOTION HIGHLIGHTS ALL THE BEST OF REVEREND LAWSON, HIS REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENTS TO ADVANCE THE PHILOSOPHY OF NON-VIOLENCE, TO END RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, TO STRENGTHEN WORKERS' RIGHTS, AND TO PROMOTE HUMAN DIGNITY. IT IS ESSENTIAL WE CONTINUE HIS LEGACY SO FUTURE GENERATIONS KNOW OF HIS COURAGE AND WISDOM AND MAY NOT HAVE TO RELIVE THE STRUGGLES THAT HE FACED OR THE ADVERSITIES HE HAD TO OVERCOME. LET'S HOLD HIS LEGACY AND HIS IDEALS CLOSE TO US AS WE CONTINUE TO RECOVER FROM A DEEPLY INEQUITABLE PANDEMIC, AS WE CONTINUE TO LEAD THE

MOVEMENT FOR RACIAL JUSTICE IN THIS COUNTRY, AND WHILE ENSURING THAT L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS KNOW AND ARE INFORMED OF THEIR CIVIL AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS. THANK YOU.

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

SUP. BARGER: THANK YOU. AND I ALSO WANT TO WISH YOU A HAPPY, HAPPY, HAPPY BIRTHDAY, YOUNG MAN. 95. THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING YOU HAVE DONE. AND, AS MY COLLEAGUES HAVE SAID, YOUR LEGACY WILL LIVE ON. WE HAVE -- YOU HAVE DONE MUCH WORK, BUT WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK DO. AND MAKE NO MISTAKE, THIS BOARD IS UNITED AS ONE TO MAKE SURE THAT YOUR LEGACY AND THAT THE WORK THAT YOU HAVE DONE CARRIES ON. I CAN'T THINK OF A MORE FITTING WAY TO HONOR HIM THAN MAKING THE MONTH AND RECOGNIZING KNOW YOUR RIGHTS, NOT ONLY IN THE UNINCORPORATED, BUT I WOULD SAY ALL 88 CITIES BECAUSE IT IS AMAZING TO ME HOW WE THINK THAT PEOPLE UNDERSTAND AND KNOW, BUT THEN WE FIND OUT IN TIMES OF NEED THAT THEY DON'T. SO, AGAIN, HAPPY BIRTHDAY, AND THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING YOU HAVE DONE, AND I PROMISE YOU, AS A BOARD, WE WILL MAKE SURE -- AND I'M SURE YOU'LL HOLD US ACCOUNTABLE IF WE DON'T, TO MAKE SURE WE LIVE UP TO THE EXPECTATIONS AND WHAT YOU HAVE DONE ON BEHALF OF SO MANY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS GREAT

MOTION PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 22ND AS THE REVEREND JAMES LAWSON, JR. DAY HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. WHAT A FITTING, WHAT AN APPROPRIATE, AND WHAT A LONG OVERDUE RECOGNITION IT IS FOR US HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND CLEARLY, THIS MEETING IS NOT LONG ENOUGH TO TALK ABOUT EVERYTHING, REVEREND LAWSON, THAT YOU HAVE DONE, BUT WHEN YOU THINK IN THIS COUNTRY OF THE GREAT CIVIL RIGHTS ICONS, THERE WAS DR. KING, AND THERE WAS JOHN LEWIS, AND THERE WAS REVEREND JAMES LAWSON. THE THREE OF YOU REALLY NEVER WAVERED FROM THE GOAL, THE MISSION, THE DEDICATION, THE PASSION TO FIGHTING FOR EQUALITY AND RIGHTS FOR ALL. AND IT IS APPROPRIATE THAT WE LAUNCH OUR CAMPAIGN BASED ON YOUR LIFE OF KNOW YOUR RIGHTS BECAUSE YOU AND DR. KING AND JOHN LEWIS FOUGHT SO HARD FOR THE RIGHTS. SO IT IS ONLY APPROPRIATE THAT WE MAKE SURE PEOPLE KNOW WHAT RIGHTS THAT HAVE BEEN FOUGHT FOR AND HAVE BEEN DIED FOR. SO THANK YOU, REVEREND LAWSON, FOR YOUR YEARS OF SERVICE, CERTAINLY TO LOS ANGELES, BUT REALLY TO THIS COUNTRY. WE OWE YOU A HUGE DEBT OF GRATITUDE, AND IT'S SO WONDERFUL THAT WE ARE ABLE TO HONOR YOU HERE TODAY. AND WE HOPE THAT THE LIVES OF YOU AND DR. KING AND JOHN LEWIS WILL REALLY INSPIRE YOUNG PEOPLE TO BEGIN TO RISE UP AND CARRY YOUR TORCH FORWARD TO CONTINUE THAT FIGHT AND CONTINUE THAT NEVER ENDING STRUGGLE SO THAT ALL HAVE THE EQUALITY THAT IS THEIR GOD GIVEN RIGHT. THANK YOU, REVEREND LAWSON, FOR BEING HERE TODAY. AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

SUP. MITCHELL: I WAS JUST GOING TO SAY, I KNOW I'M GOING TO GET A LECTURE. I WAS BORN AND RAISED IN HOLMAN, AND I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF RECEIVING CALLS OR TEXT MESSAGES FROM REVEREND LAWSON EITHER TELLING ME WHEN I'VE DONE WELL OR AN AREA I COULD IMPROVE ON AND I KNOW, BECAUSE HE IS THE EPITOME OF SELFLESSNESS, THAT HE DOES NOT APPRECIATE US ACKNOWLEDGING HIM IN THIS WAY FOR HIS BIRTHDAY, BUT I'M VERY GLAD THAT HE'S JOINED TODAY BY KENT WONG FROM THE U.C.L.A. LABOR CENTER AND HIS SON JOHN -- EXCUSE ME, JUDGE JOHN LAWSON, WHO IS HERE AS WELL. REVEREND LAWSON, I HOPE YOU WILL ALLOW US TO PAUSE FOR A MOMENT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE SIGNIFICANT ROLE YOU HAVE PLAYED IN MANY, MANY LIVES. MADAM CHAIR, A TEAM MEMBER OF MY MINE, LENAE RICHARDSON, AND I TOOK REVEREND LAWSON'S NON-VIOLENCE TRAINING CLASS ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO. WHAT I WAS STRUCK BY, AS YOU CONTINUED TO REFERENCE WHAT YOU HOPE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE, WAS THE AGE DIVERSITY IN THE TRAINING CLASS. IT LOOKED LIKE L.A. COUNTY, THE DIVERSITY OF PEOPLE THERE WHO WANTED TO HEAR AND LEARN AND INCORPORATE THE CONCEPT TRULY OF NON-VIOLENCE INTO OUR WORK, INTO OUR DAY-TO-DAY LIVES. SO I THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR COMMENTS AND ASK FOR AN AYE VOTE ON TODAY'S MOTION AND HOPE THAT, AFTER WE TAKE THE VOTE, MADAM CHAIR, IF WE COULD INVITE REVEREND LAWSON INTO THE WELL AND PRESENT HIM WITH THE RESOLUTION, A SCROLL, PARDON ME, IF WE ARE ABLE TO DO THAT.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: EXCELLENT. EXCELLENT IDEA. DO WE HAVE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON ITEM 3, PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 22ND AS THE REVEREND JAMES LAWSON DAY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY? PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL THE REVEREND JAMES LAWSON PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: WELCOME, REVEREND LAWSON.

REV. LAWSON: WELL, I'M VERY GRATEFUL TO THE SUPERVISORS FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SAY A WORD OF GREETING TO YOU AND FOR YOUR RECOGNITION OF MY 95TH BIRTHDAY. I WANT TO EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION ON BEHALF OF MY WIFE OF 65 YEARS -- [APPLAUSE] WE HAVE BEEN A TEAM OF ONE HEART AND ONE MIND AND ONE NOTION THAT THE DIGNITY OF EVERY HUMAN BEING MUST BE REFLECTED IN OUR OWN PERSONAL BEHAVIOR. SO, I THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS RESOLUTION AND WISH YOU GODSPEED. YOU REPRESENT ALL OF US OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND YOU MUST KNOW THAT THERE ARE MANY OF US LIKE MYSELF WHO KEEP AN EYE ON YOU FROM A DISTANCE AND WHO WANT TO SEE YOUR CONTINUING GOOD WORKS. GOVERNMENT MUST BE FOR THE PEOPLE, FOR ALL THE PEOPLE. GOVERNMENT MUST BE FOR THE BABIES WHO DIE IN THE FIRST YEAR OF LIFE, TO STOP IT. IT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE BECAUSE WE HAVE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS WHERE

NOT A SINGLE BABY DIES IN THE FIRST YEAR OF LIFE. AND THAT OUGHT TO BE TRUE FOR LOS ANGELES AND EVERYWHERE IN OUR NATION. I COMMEND THE SUPERVISORS BECAUSE I FEEL AGAIN AND AGAIN THAT WHAT YOU SAY, WHAT YOU DO, WHAT YOU'RE WORKING ON ARE THINGS THAT HELP US BUILD THE KINGDOM OF GOD ON EARTH, THE BELOVED COMMUNITY. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND I WANT YOU TO TURN AROUND, SEE EVERYONE IS STANDING FOR YOU. [APPLAUSE] THANK YOU. WE USUALLY DON'T ALLOW PEOPLE TO APPLAUD IN THIS AUDITORIUM, BUT I MADE AN EXCEPTION FOR YOU, REVEREND LAWSON. I BELIEVE WE HAVE SOME OTHER SPEAKERS THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS US ON THIS ITEM. PLEASE CALL THEM.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: YES, MADAM CHAIR. AS FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. WILL BRADY ROBERTS, KORIE SCHMIDT, AND NAJEE ALI PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS TRAMEL CARTER. YOU MAY BEGIN.

TRAMEL CARTER: YES, I'M CALLING IN REGARDS TO THIS MOTION IN REGARDS TO REVEREND LAWSON, AND I THINK IT SHOULD BE APPROVED. HIS WORK THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES HAS BEEN GREAT AND TREMENDOUS. ON THE FLIP SIDE TO THAT, I FIND IT VERY INTERESTING THAT HOLLY MITCHELL IS PROPOSING AS A PART OF THIS PROPOSAL IN REGARDS TO THE TO RACISM, I SENT INFORMATION TO HER OFFICE WHERE MRS. SAVALES, HER STAFF MEMBER, MADE UP LIES ABOUT ME AND WAS NOT GIVING PROPER ASSISTANCE. COUNTY COUNSEL APPROVED AND STATED THAT MRS. SAVALES' ASSISTANT SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN MAKING LIES UP AGAINST ME SAYING I HAD A WARRANT AND WAS NOT GIVING ME ASSISTANCE THAT --

ATTORNEY: EXCUSE ME, SIR. YOU'RE OFF TOPIC. SIR, CAN YOU STICK TO --

TRAMEL CARTER: NO, THIS IS NOT OFF TOPIC. THIS IS REGARDING TO RACISM AND EQUALITY AND HOW REVEREND LAWSON WOULD LIKE THINGS TO BE PROPOSED. HE SAID GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE FOR EVERYONE. SO WHY ARE YOU STOPPING ME WHEN I'M SPEAKING ABOUT THE ACTS AND HOW REVEREND LAWSON WOULD LIKE THINGS TO BE DONE IN A NONDISCRIMINATORY MANNER? YOU'RE STOPPING ME. I'M SPEAKING ABOUT --

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

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

ERIC PREVEN: THANK YOU. AND WHAT AN APPROPRIATE AND MOVING RECOGNITION OF REVEREND LAWSON. THIS IS A SIGNIFICANT CIVIL RIGHTS LEADER, NOT JUST ON A LOCAL BASIS, TO BE CLEAR, ON A NATIONAL LEVEL. THIS IS A GREAT MAN, AND HE'S 95 YEARS OLD, AND HE LOOKS GREAT. AND I WAS VERY WARMED TO HEAR ABOUT HIS LOVING RELATIONSHIP WITH HIS WIFE. THIS IS GREAT NEWS AND NICE TO RECOGNIZE THOSE WHO HAVE COME BEFORE. I KNOW HE WORKS OUT AT C.S.U.N., WHICH IS OUT IN THE VALLEY, WHICH IS NOT FAR FROM THE RIVER, WHERE WE NEED HELP IN THE CIVIL RIGHTS SPACE BECAUSE OF A BUNCH OF VERY, VERY, WELL OFF PEOPLE FROM THE HILLS ARE TRYING TO TAKE OVER WHAT IS AN OPEN ACCESSIBLE PUBLIC SPACE IN THE VALLEY, AND THEY'RE DOING IT WITH MIGHT AND INFLUENCE OVER OUR LEADERS, INCLUDING SOME OF THE LEADERS SITTING ON THE DAIS TODAY, THE WONDERFUL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, BUT WE NEED TO HOLD FIRM AND STAND UP FOR WHAT'S FAIR AND EQUITABLE. AND WITH MR. LAWSON WE HAVE AN ALLY IN THE WORLD --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED, ERIC. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHRISTIAN TRAGEROS. YOU MAY BEGIN.

CHRISTIAN TRAGEROS: YEAH, HI. I APPRECIATE AND I'M MOTIVATED BY REVEREND JAMES LAWSON. HIS SOUL, HIS SPIRIT IS NOT ONLY INSPIRED BY GOD BUT THE HOLY SPIRIT THAT DRAWS IN ALL OUR HEARTS AS PROTECTOR AND DEFENDER OF GOD'S PEOPLE. I JUST ASSUME ANYTHING EVIL AS DEFINING AS LAWS, I FEEL A SPARK OF HOPE TO KNOW THAT THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SUPPORTS THIS FIGHT, THIS MAN'S LIFELONG FIGHT FOR HIS RIGHTS. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE BOARD FOR PROVIDING THE OPPORTUNITY AND GIVING TO PRESENT THINKING FOR REPRESENTING REVEREND --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER -- ARE WE GOING IN-PERSON? NAJEE ALI.

NAJEE ALI: OH, MADAM CHAIR, HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, YOU SAID IT ALL, NOT TOO MUCH I CAN ADD, BUT I WANTED TO SPEAK SINCERELY FROM MY HEART. I'M SO GRATEFUL TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, WHAT SHE DID FOR THIS MOTION IN HONORING BEEN PASTOR LAWSON, SOMEONE WHO I FIRST MET AS A YOUNG ACTIVIST OVER 30 YEARS AGO IN HOLMAN CHURCH. I DIDN'T KNOW WHO HE WAS AT FIRST. I ASKED SOMEONE, "WHO IS THAT BROTHER SPEAKING? HE IS VERY ARTICULATE." A FRIEND TOLD ME HE WAS DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.'S FRIEND. IN FACT, REVEREND LAWSON WAS CLOSE TO DR. KING, AND DR. KING WAS ACTUALLY IN TENNESSEE GOING TO SEE REVEREND LAWSON AND BE IN A MARCH FOR I BELIEVE

JANITORS WHEN HE WAS ASSASSINATED. SO, REVEREND LAWSON, YOU MEAN EVERYTHING TO OUR COMMUNITY AS A YOUNG ACTIVIST. WE STAND ON YOUR SHOULDERS, GRATEFUL FOR YOUR MENTORSHIP BUT, MORE IMPORTANTLY, YOUR FRIENDSHIP. I LOVE YOU, BROTHER, FROM MY HEART. I LOVE YOU. THANK YOU.

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

BRIDIE ROBERTS: MY NAME IS PASTOR BRIDIE ROBERTS. I'M THE COMMUNITY ORGANIZING DIRECTOR AT UNITE HERE LOCAL 11 AND ASSOCIATE PASTOR AT HOLLYWOOD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AND A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF CLUE, CLERGY AND LADY UNITED FOR ECONOMIC JUSTICE. AND WE RISE TODAY IN SUPPORT OF THIS INCREDIBLE MOTION TO RECOGNIZE OUR POWERFUL MENTOR AND CO-ORGANIZER IN THIS MOVEMENT TO BUILD THE BELOVED COMMUNITY HERE IN LOS ANGELES, REVEREND JAMES LAWSON. WE THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BRING THIS MOTION FORWARD. REVEREND LAWSON HAS BEEN A KEY THOUGHT PARTNER TO OUR UNION IN CROSSING THAT BRIDGE THAT YOU MENTIONED, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. IF YOU LOOK AT OUR MEMBERS SEATED HERE, YOU WILL SEE A DIVERSE AND POWERFUL POWERFUL LABOR MOVEMENT OF ALL AGES, RACES, AND NATURAL ORIGIN. AND WE ARE FIGHTING TOGETHER WITH REVEREND LAWSON'S TUTORSHIP AND PARTNERSHIP TO CREATE A LOS ANGELES THAT IS FOR ALL OF THE CITY'S ANGELS, ALL OF THIS COUNTY'S ANGELS, NOT JUST THOSE WHO HAVE, BUT EVERY PERSON TO HAVE A VOICE. THIS IS BECAUSE WE

ARE FIRMLY SUBSCRIBED TO THE POWERFUL THEORY OF NON-VIOLENCE AND THE PRINCIPLES OF NON-VIOLENCE THAT REVEREND LAWSON HAS BROUGHT FORWARD, AND LASTLY, I'LL SAY WE HAVE OFTEN TALKED ABOUT HIM AS A PHILOSOPHER AND A TEACHER, BUT WE KNOW HIM BEST AS AN ORGANIZER, THE MAN WHO HAS HELPED CHANGE THE CITY AND WILL LEAD OUR UNION INTO THE FUTURE.

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

JULIA WALLACE: THANK YOU SO MUCH. AGAIN, MY NAME IS JULIA WALLACE. I'M A MEMBER OF S.E.I.U. LOCAL 99. I WANTED TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF THIS. REVEREND JAMES LAWSON HAS BEEN AN EXAMPLE OF THE FIGHT FOR WORKERS RIGHTS AND AGAINST DISCRIMINATION AND, AS HE CALLS IT, PLANTATION CAPITALISM. THAT H.E.R.E., S.A.G., W.G.A. HAVE BEEN ON STRIKE. MY UNION, S.E.I.U. LOCAL 99, HAS BEEN ON STRIKE. IT REALLY SHOWS THAT WE NEED TO BE DISRUPTIVE, AND WE NEED TO FIGHT FOR OUR RIGHTS AND BE UNRELENTING FOR OUR RIGHTS AS REVEREND LAWSON HAS DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO STRUGGLE AGAINST EXPLOITATION AND OPPRESSION. AND I SUPPORT THIS MOTION BECAUSE ALSO WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO STAND UP FOR OURSELVES. I'M A COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER, AND WE HAVE HAD TO FIGHT FOR OUR RIGHTS AS WELL, AND I'M GOING TO SPEAK ON THAT, AND I THINK WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO SPEAK ON IT UNTIL, AS THE SAYING GOES, VICTORY IS WON, FROM THE BLACK NATIONAL ANTHEM. THANK

YOU, REVEREND LAWSON, FOR A WHOLE LIFE OF DEDICATION, OF STRUGGLE. I HOPE THAT ALL OF US TAKE ON THAT MANTLE AS WELL AND CONTINUE TO FIGHT UNTIL VICTORY IS WON. THANK YOU.

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

VELA LOPEZ: HELLO MY NAME IS VELA LOPEZ, AND I'M ALSO LIKE MY COWORKER RIGHT HERE, I'M A COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS MOTION ABOUT REVEREND JAMES LAWSON. WHAT AN HONOR TO BE HERE, AND I THANK HIM, NOT ONLY FOR ALL THE COMMUNITIES, BUT ESPECIALLY FOR THE LATINO COMMUNITY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH BECAUSE AS HIM WE ALSO HAD DOLORES HUERTA, CESAR CHAVEZ, THAT ARE NOW -- CESAR CHAVEZ IS NO LONGER ALIVE, BUT WHAT AN HONOR TO HAVE THIS PERSON AS A LEADER AS AN EXAMPLE TO FOLLOW. I CONSIDER MYSELF ALSO LIKE HIM, AND I STARTED WHEN I WAS 15 YEARS OLD. WHAT AN HONOR TO BE HERE ON THIS DAY. AND WHAT AN HONOR SEPTEMBER IS IS THE HERITAGE OF THE LATINO COMMUNITY. WHAT AN HONOR. I JUST THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR SPEAKING. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

PATRICIA MCALLISTER: YES, PATRICIA MCALLISTER. CONGRATULATIONS TO REVEREND JAMES LAWSON. I'VE NEVER HEARD OF HIM. WE'RE

TALKING ABOUT 65 YEARS AGO. I REALLY AM VERY HAPPY FOR HIM, BUT I WISH YOU WOULD BRING SOME PEOPLE HERE WHO ARE TODAY DOING WHAT WE NEED TO DO, LIKE MINISTER LOUIS FARRAKHAN, OKAY, IN HIS 90S, GAVE HIS ENTIRE LIFE. HE HAS GOT HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF BLACK MEN AND WOMEN ON THEIR FEET AWAY FROM DRUGS LIVING GOOD LIFE, BUT YOU DON'T WANT THOSE KIND OF PEOPLE UP HERE, SEE, BECAUSE THIS IS ALL FAKE. NOT HIM. BUT HE'S TAKING WHAT YOU ARE GIVING HIM. I'M TALKING ABOUT WHAT YOU'RE DOING. GET MINISTER FARRAKHAN IN HERE. YOU CAN'T DO THAT, CAN YOU? BECAUSE HE'S REALLY HELPING SOMEBODY. HE'S REALLY HELPING BLACK PEOPLE. THIS IS ALL FAKE. NOT THE MINISTER, I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT HIM. I'M TALKING ABOUT WHAT YOU'RE DOING. JOHN LEWIS, WHEN HE SAID HE SAID HE WANTED TO HELP ILLEGAL ALIENS MORE. HE'S GOT THE NASTIEST DISTRICT IN THE COUNTRY --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: ALRIGHT, MAKE SURE YOU STAY ON TOPIC. STAY ON TOPIC.

PATRICIA MCALLISTER: PRESIDENT TRUMP TALKED ABOUT HOW DIRTY IT WAS. AND YOU GAVE HIM A WELL FUNERAL.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YOUR TIME IS UP. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU AGAIN. CONGRATULATIONS, REVEREND LAWSON. IT'S UNFORTUNATE YOU COULDN'T BE BACK IN CITY HALL

BACK IN THE EARLY 2000S WHEN THEY HAD SOMEBODY SHOW UP IN A K.K.K. OUTFIT, AN AFRICAN AMERICAN DRESSED AS A GRAND WIZARD IN CITY HALL, IN LOS ANGELES CITY HALL, WHEN YOU WERE SITTING ON THE CITY COUNCIL, MADAM HAHN. AND YOU DIDN'T SAY JACK [EXPLETIVE].

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: PLEASE STICK TO THE TOPIC. NO, YOU'RE NOT. YOU'RE OFF TOPIC.

ARNOLD SACHS: I'M STICKING --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: WE ARE PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 22ND --

ARNOLD SACHS: MADAM CHAIR, WHY DON'T YOU SHUT UP? THANK YOU VERY MUCH --

ATTORNEY: SIR, THIS IS YOUR FIRST WARNING. YOU ARE OFF TOPIC. PLEASE STICK TO THE PROPER MOTION.

ARNOLD SACHS: I'M ON TOPIC. I'M ASKING THE REVEREND WHY HE WASN'T SHOWING UP FOR THE K.K.K. WE HAD A WHOLE COUNTRY OF UNITED STATES -- THIS IS THE ONLY PLACE THAT HAD THE K.K.K. IN IT. HOW RACIST IS THAT?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YOU'RE NOT STAYING ON TOPIC. THAT'S YOUR SECOND WARNING.

ARNOLD SACHS: HOW RACIST IS THAT, MADAM CHAIR? WHY DON'T YOU SAY SOMETHING ABOUT THAT?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YOUR TIME IS UP. DO WE HAVE ANOTHER SPEAKER?

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: NO OTHER SPEAKERS, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK GOD. [APPLAUSE] OKAY, LET'S TAKE A VOTE. OKAY, WE HAVE ITEM 3 IS NOW BEFORE BEFORE US, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SECONDED SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: ITEM 3 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

SUP. SOLIS: AYE [SPEAKING SPANISH].

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

SUP. MITCHELL: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

SUP. HORVATH: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER

SUP. BARGER: AYE.

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. WE'LL TAKE A QUICK BREAK TO GO CONGRATULATE REVEREND LAWSON. [BRIEF RECESS]

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. THANK YOU, AGAIN, REVEREND LAWSON, FOR BEING HERE AND ALLOWING US TO HONOR YOUR LIFE AND YOUR WORK. AND THANK YOU FOR THE RESPECT THAT THOSE IN THE AUDIENCE SHOWED REVEREND LAWSON. WE APPRECIATE THE HONOR YOU HAVE ALSO GIVEN HIM. WE ARE NOW MOVING TO ITEM 7, ENHANCING SERVICES TO THE COUNTY'S UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND PROVIDING ONLINE RESOURCES AND PRINTED MATERIALS FOR RESIDENTS, WHICH WAS HELD

BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. AND SO, FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. WE'LL LET SUPERVISOR MITCHELL OPEN IT UP, AND THEN SUPERVISOR BARGER, AS THE COAUTHOR, YOU WOULD ALSO MAKE REMARKS. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR JOINING ME AS COAUTHOR ON THIS VERY TIMELY MOTION. I BELIEVE THE BOARD HAS A SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITY TO OUR RESIDENTS WHO LIVE IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY. IN ADDITION TO THE COUNTY PROVIDING MUNICIPAL SERVICES, THIS BOARD AS SERVES AS THEIR LOCAL GOVERNMENT. THAT WAS MENTIONED ON SEVERAL MOTIONS WE HAVE HEARD ALREADY TODAY. AS MY COLLEAGUES ON THE BOARD KNOW, THE ABSENCE OF A CITY GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE IN UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES CAN CREATE CONFUSION FOR SOME OF OUR RESIDENTS WHEN THEY TRY TO UTILIZE MUNICIPAL SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY. WE, AS COUNTY GOVERNMENT, HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO GUARANTEE SERVICES DELIVERY TO OUR UNINCORPORATED AREA RESIDENTS, AS ANY CITY WOULD ITS RESIDENTS. THE COUNTY HAS RECENTLY MADE PROGRESS IN REVAMPING OUR WEBSITES IN EFFORTS TO MAKE INFORMATION MORE AVAILABLE ONLINE. AND THANK YOU TO OUR DEPARTMENT WHO LED THAT. HOWEVER, OUR UNINCORPORATED AREA RESIDENTS STILL FIND IT DIFFICULT TO LOCATE COMPREHENSIVE INFORMATION ABOUT THE VARIED SERVICES AND PROGRAMS THE COUNTY

OFFERS AND PROVIDES SPECIFICALLY TARGETING THEM IN THEIR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. THIS MOTION DIRECTS THE C.E.O. TO DESIGN A NEW COUNTY WEBSITE FOR UNINCORPORATED AREA RESIDENTS TO LOCATE PLACE SPECIFIC SERVICES AND RESOURCES BY COMMUNITY, AS WELL AS PRINTED MATERIALS, AND A OUTREACH PLAN FOR THOSE THAT DO NOT HAVE EQUITABLE ACCESS TO THE WEB. I MENTIONED EARLIER, 25% OF THE RESIDENTS IN VERMONT SQUARE, 20+ PERCENT OF MANY RESIDENTS IN EAST L.A. DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO THE INTERNET BECAUSE OF AFFORDABILITY. THE DIGITAL DIVIDE IS REAL. SO WE ALSO WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT PRINTED MATERIALS ARE AVAILABLE. WE OWE IT TO OUR UNINCORPORATED RESIDENTS TO ENSURE THAT THEY HAVE FULL AND COMPLETE ACCESS TO COUNTY RESOURCES AND SERVICES THAT ARE DESIGNED TO MEET THEIR EVERYDAY NEEDS. I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM OUR UNINCORPORATED AREA RESIDENTS ON THE POSITIVE IMPACTS OF THIS WORK AND THEIR ABILITY TO ACCESS SERVICES THAT THEY ARE ENTITLED TO. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR BARGER, FOR YOUR SUPPORT ON THIS MOTION.

SUP. BARGER: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME BE A COAUTHOR ON THIS MOTION. MUCH LIKE THE SECOND, THE FIFTH DISTRICT REPRESENTS A LARGE SWATHE OF UNINCORPORATED AREAS WITHIN THE COUNTY, NEARLY 25% OF THE UNINCORPORATED POPULATION. THERE'S NO QUESTION THAT GETTING THE WORD OUT AND ADVISING PEOPLE, AND WE JUST HEARD ABOUT THE NEED TO EDUCATE PEOPLE ON THEIR RIGHTS. MANY IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA, TO

WHICH I THINK SUPERVISOR SOLIS, EARLIER YOU TALKED ABOUT THE FACT THAT WE ARE, IN FACT, THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS, NEED TO UNDERSTAND WHAT OPTIONS AND WHAT OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE FOR THEM. AND GIVEN WHAT WE HAVE DONE WITH A.R.P.A. FUNDING, WE HAVE TARGETED THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS FOR, ESPECIALLY FOR COVID DOLLARS, IN THE PAST. AND I KNOW THERE ARE MANY MOM AND POP BUSINESSES THAT BENEFITED FROM THAT. THIS MOTION NOT ONLY LOOKS TO CREATE ONLINE TOOLS FOR RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES, AND ORGANIZATIONS, IT ASKS FOR AN OUTREACH PLAN, SO THAT WE CAN MAKE SURE THAT WE KNOW THAT OUR RESIDENTS KNOW WHAT IS AVAILABLE TO THEM. MY OFFICE WORKS REGULARLY WITH OUR TOWN COUNCILS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS, ESPECIALLY IN THE NORTH COUNTY, WHO REPRESENT MANY OF THE REGIONS THAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT. HOWEVER, WE KNOW THAT OFTENTIMES RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES STILL DON'T KNOW WHERE TO GO FOR THAT INFORMATION. SO, AGAIN, I LOOK FORWARD TO THIS MOTION BEING ROLLED OUT, AND BENEFITING THOSE THAT REALLY DO LOOK TO US FOR SUPPORT AND NEED. AND AGAIN, WHEN WE ARE TALKING ABOUT THE HURRICANE, AND THE THE THREAT TO THE AREA, THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS WERE LOOKING TO L.A. COUNTY TO SUPPORT, AS IT RELATES TO ANY IMPACT, WHETHER IT BE THE SANDBAGS, OR IN THE CASE OF STREET CLOSURES AND CLEAN UPS. SO, AGAIN, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR LETTING ME BE A COAUTHOR ON THIS MOTION.

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

SUP. SOLIS: YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND BARGER, FOR PUTTING FORWARD THE MOTION. I AM REALLY EXCITED ABOUT THE POTENTIAL OF HAVING A WEBSITE THAT CAN BE MADE AVAILABLE TO INDIVIDUALS THAT WE REPRESENT OF ALL LANGUAGES AND BACKGROUND. AND I KNOW THAT WE DO HAVE A BIG EFFORT TO TRY TO BRIDGE THAT DIGITAL DIVIDE. SO HOPEFULLY, WITH THAT EARNEST EFFORT, WE CAN ALSO WORK WITH I.S.D. TO SEE WHERE THOSE POCKETS ARE SO WE DO HAVE SOME OVERLAP THERE. I WANT TO SAY THAT I REPRESENT NOW, BECAUSE OF REDISTRICTING, 35% OF THE UNINCORPORATED POPULATION SINCE REDISTRICTING OF 2021. AND YES, WE ARE THE CITY COUNCIL, SO TO SPEAK, OR THE MAYOR REPRESENTING THESE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. MY DISTRICT IS VERY VERY DIVERSE, ABOUT 54% LATINO AND 25% AND GROWING A.A.P.I., BUT WE HAVE OTHER IMMIGRANTS AS WELL THAT SPEAK DIFFERENT LANGUAGES, ALL TOTAL PROBABLY MORE THAN 200 IN MY OWN DISTRICT. I WOULDN'T BE SURPRISED. BUT ISSUES THAT PEOPLE CARE ABOUT ARE QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES, NUISANCE ABATEMENT, AND GRAFFITI, JUST TO NAME A FEW. I AM LOOKING TO SEE ALSO HOW WE CAN ENGAGE WITH OUR 36 DEPARTMENTS. AND I DO RECALL IN PREVIOUS YEARS, WE USED TO PUT OUT A HANDBOOK, AND WE WOULD GIVE IT OUT EVERYWHERE, AND ESPECIALLY WHEN IT WAS IN DIFFERENT LANGUAGES. SO I AM HOPING WE COULD STREAMLINE THAT, BUT MAKE IT AVAILABLE TO EVERYBODY AND EVEN TO SOME OF OUR

OTHER AGENCIES THAT WE WORK WITH, EVEN SCHOOL DISTRICTS. PARENTS NEED TO KNOW WHAT WE ARE DOING. WELL, THE LIBRARIES WOULD CARRY THEM, BUT I THINK PUTTING THEM IN HAND HELPS US TO A GREATER DEGREE. I AM HOPEFUL THAT WE CAN MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS MOTION. I SUPPORT IT AND WOULD HOPE THAT WHEN WE TALK ABOUT LANGUAGE ACCESS FOR OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES, I DON'T WANT IT TO JUST IS BE EXPLORED. I WANT IT TO BE MANDATED. WE NEED TO ABSOLUTELY HAVE THAT AVAILABLE BECAUSE WHENEVER WE HAVE DISASTERS OR ANYTHING, AS WE SPOKE ABOUT EARLIER, PEOPLE CALL US IN THEIR DIFFERENT LANGUAGES. AND WE HAVE TO BE, FIRST AND FOREMOST, TAKING CARE OF THAT SAFETY NET THAT IS REALLY HOLDING UP A LOT OF OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES AND OTHERS THAT DON'T KNOW HOW TO ACCESS OUR COUNTY SERVICES. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO THE C.E.O.'S EFFORT HERE IN PUTTING FORWARD MORE SUPPORT FOR OUR UNINCORPORATED AREAS. AND THIS IS ONE WAY TO DO IT. SO I INTEND ON VOTING AYE FOR THIS MOTION. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AND THANK YOU AGAIN, SUPERVISORS BARGER AND MITCHELL, FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD, I DO FEEL LIKE THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT. AND THIS IS BOTH PROVIDING ONLINE RESOURCES AS WELL AS PRINTED MATERIALS. AND I THINK THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER BECAUSE I DO KNOW THAT MANY RESIDENTS STILL PREFER PHONE NUMBERS SOMETIMES FOR SERVICES BECAUSE THEY HAVE TROUBLE NAVIGATING ONLINE. I DO

KNOW THAT THERE USED TO BE SORT OF A PRINTED RESOURCE BOOK THAT PEOPLE HAD. AND I THINK A WHILE AGO THERE WAS ACTUALLY A NEWSLETTER THAT WENT OUT FROM THE COUNTY TO THE UNINCORPORATED RESIDENTS. I THINK WE HAVE DISCONTINUED THAT, BUT I THINK MANY OF MY RESIDENTS IN UNINCORPORATED APPRECIATED THAT. AND IT GAVE THEM A CONNECTION, AN UPDATE. I MEAN WE ALL SEND OUT NEWSLETTERS TO SOMETIMES THOSE WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO RECEIVE IT, BUT I THINK THIS WAS A GOOD RESOURCE THAT THE COUNTY DID FOR UNINCORPORATED RESIDENTS. AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT EXPLORED AS PART OF WHAT WE WILL BE HEARING ABOUT THIS MOTION. THANK YOU. DID YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. JUST WANTED TO GIVE JUST A LITTLE BIT OF A TIMELINE. SO WE ARE WORKING ON THREE THINGS SIMULTANEOUSLY. ONE IS THE WEBSITE. AND WHAT WILL BE DIFFERENT ABOUT THIS WEBSITE THIS TIME IS THAT WE WILL LIKE HAVE A LOCATER TOOL. SO YOU CAN PUT IN YOUR ADDRESS, AND YOU WILL KNOW WHERE YOUR DISTRICT IS. TWO, WE ARE WORKING ON A DIGITAL VERSION OF THAT BOOK THAT YOU DISCUSSED, BUT WE ALSO KNOW THAT HAVING THE BOOK KIND OF LIKE THE WAY WE USED TO USE PHONE BOOKS, LIKE THE HARD COPY. PEOPLE JUST WANT TO HAVE IT AND TOUCH IT AND BE ABLE TO LEAF THROUGH IT. SO WE ARE WORKING ON ALL THREE OF THOSE AS WE SPEAK. WE ANTICIPATE THE DIGITAL VERSION OF THE BOOK AND THE PRINTED COPY TO BE AVAILABLE IN THE NEXT 6 TO 8 WEEKS, AND THEN THE WEBSITE BY THE END OF THE

YEAR. HOPEFULLY, WE CAN EXPEDITE IT, BUT WE ARE TRYING TO MAKE SURE THAT WE PUT THE LOCATER TOOL INSIDE THE WEBSITE WHEN IT IS LAUNCHED INSTEAD OF TAKING A TWO STEP PROCESS.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AND HAVE YOU EXPLORED THE IDEA OF REVIVING THE NEWSLETTER TO UNINCORPORATED RESIDENTS?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: SO, YES, WE HAVE. SO WHAT IT IS FOR US, AT THE MOMENT, IS IT IS A RESOURCE AND CAPACITY ISSUE. SO C.E.O. IS RECONSTITUTING THIS GROUP WITHIN EXISTING STAFF. WE ARE PROBABLY GOING TO BRING ON SOME CONSULTANTS TO ADD SOME BANDWIDTH, WHICH WILL ALLOW US TO DO MORE SOONER RATHER THAN WAIT TO TRY TO ADD ADDITIONAL STAFF THROUGH THE BUDGET PROCESS IN FUTURE YEARS. SO IT IS ON OUR RADAR SCREEN, AND IT IS LITERALLY A MATTER OF CAPACITY, HOW MUCH WE CAN DO AND IN WHAT ORDER.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY OTHER SUPERVISORS -- OH, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU. I JUST WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S COMMENT, AND I COMPLETELY AGREE WITH YOU. I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT. I THINK THE ACTUAL LANGUAGE IN THE MOTION SAYS THE OUTREACH PLAN SHOULD INCLUDE RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW LANGUAGE ACCESS WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO THE PLAN SO

THAT THE INFORMATION CAN REACH THE COUNTY'S DIVERSION POPULATION. SO I WANTED YOU TO KNOW THAT, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, IT REALLY WASN'T PERMISSIVE, BUT IT REALLY IS A SOLID EXPECTATION. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL KORIE SCHMIDT PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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

ERIC PREVEN: THANK YOU. THIS IS VERY, VERY NICE. FIRST OF ALL, THE UNINCORPORATED AREA, VERY IMPORTANT, AND MANY OF US ARE REMEMBERING, AS THIS COMES UP, MIKE ANTONOVICH, WHO, DURING A PARTICULARLY FEISTY PERIOD, WAS INTRODUCING HIMSELF AS THE MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY THAT WAS INTENDED TO PISS OF ANTONIO VERAGOSA A LITTLE BIT. BUT THIS IS GREAT, AND WHAT I WOULD RECOMMEND IS, PART OF ROLLING OUT THE NEWSLETTER, WHICH I THINK IS A MUST DO, DAVENPORT, THAT'S NOT A MAYBE. THAT'S A LET'S DO IT QUICKLY AND EFFICIENTLY, BUT LET'S ALSO RE-BRAND

THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, SO THAT ALL THE SUPERVISORS CAN TAKE -- WHEN THEY ARE THE CHAIR, THEY BECOME THE MAYOR OF THE COUNTY OF THE UNINCORPORATED AREA. AND WHAT WE DO IS WE CELEBRATE ALL TOGETHER, AND THEN WE GIVE THE GUYS AT HARBOR WESTLAKE A CALL, AND WE GO, "HEY, I HAVE AN IDEA. LET'S NOT DO THE GIANT SPORTS COMPLEX AT THE GOLF AND TENNIS. LET'S DO IT OUT AT THE SEPULVEDA BASIN, WHERE EVERYBODY LOVES THE OLYMPICS." LET'S TRY THAT. I DON'T KNOW. I THINK THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO CELEBRATE THAT THE UNINCORPORATED DOES NEED ITS OWN WEBSITE THAT HAS ALL THE FEATURES --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU, ERIC. NEXT SPEAKER.

ERIC PREVEN: THANK YOU, BY THE WAY.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: WELL, NO. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. VERY MUCH.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU MAY BEGIN. GENEVIEVE, YOU ARE OPEN. GO AHEAD, PLEASE. MAYBE YOU ARE MUTED?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: GENEVIEVE, ARE YOU THERE? LET'S GO AHEAD AND TRY TO FIND WHERE SHE IS. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHRISTIAN TRAGEROS.

CHRISTIAN TRAGEROS: YES, I WAS TRYING TO COMMENT ON THE MOTION. I THINK IT IS A GREAT IDEA. THE THING IS THAT THE PROGRAMS THAT I DON'T KNOW IF YOU GUYS HAVE. MY EXPERIENCE OF BEING INVOLVED IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AS FAR AS LIKE THE PARENT COMMUNITIES AND STUFF LIKE THAT, I DON'T HAVE THAT MUCH OF A, HOW DO YOU SAY, AN OUTREACH APPROACH FOR ALL THE PARENTS TO INFORM THEM ABOUT WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE COUNTY. AND I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT FOR THEM FOR THE RESOURCES THAT YOU GUYS HAVE TO HAVE THAT IN ALL THE SCHOOLS, LIKE HAVE A SPECIAL DAY WHERE YOU HAVE A MEETING THAT YOU CAN OPEN UP THE AUDITORIUM, AND HAVE THEM EVERYBODY COME, AND IF YOU DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO THE WEB, THEY COULD COME AS A GROUP OR WHATEVER. AND THEY COULD SEE THE MEETINGS AND STUFF AND BEING ACCESSED TO IT. IT'S JUST LIKE A BETTER WAY OF TEACHING AND UNITING ALL THE SCHOOLS AND ALL THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND THE PARENTS AND ESPECIALLY THE COLLEGES, TOO. THE COLLEGES COULD GET INVOLVED IN THE COUNTY, TOO. WITH THE TECHNOLOGY THAT WE HAVE TODAY, I THINK IT WOULD BE GREAT TO BASICALLY NETWORK, YOU KNOW, WITH --

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

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 7, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS TRAMEL CARTER, YOU MAY BEGIN.

TRAMEL CARTER: CALLING IN REGARDS TO THIS PROPOSAL. I DO THINK PEOPLE IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS SHOULD GET ASSISTANCE, BUT THIS BEING PROPOSED BY HOLLY MITCHELL, IT IS KIND OF STRANGE BECAUSE THERE ARE AFRICAN AMERICANS AND OTHER HISPANIC PEOPLE WITHIN OUR OWN DISTRICT AND WITHIN HER AREA THAT ARE INCORPORATED THAT ARE NOT GETTING PROPER ASSISTANCE. SO BEFORE PROPOSING SOMETHING FOR OTHER UNINCORPORATED PEOPLE TO GET ASSISTANCE, WHICH I DO THINK SOMETHING LIKE THAT SHOULD BE PASSED, I DO FEEL THAT MR. MITCHELL'S OFFICE SHOULD ALSO ADHERE AND TO LISTEN TO HER OWN CONSTITUENTS, AND THEY SHOULD ALSO GET ASSISTANCE THE SAME WAY SHE ALSO PROPOSES THINGS FOR OTHER AREAS, BUT YOUR OWN CONSTITUENTS ARE NOT GETTING ASSISTANCE, PROPER ASSISTANCE. AND PRIMARILY WITH MY MATTER I PRESENTED TO HER OFFICE IN REGARD TO MRS. SAVALES' EMPLOYEE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST ME, SHE STILL HAS NOT PRESENTED MY

MATTER TO ALL OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WHICH I ASKED HER TO. SO I AM IN FAVOR OF THIS, BUT IT'S KIND OF BIASED WHEN I SEE HER NAME ON THIS MOTION WHEN PEOPLE LIKE MYSELF AND OTHER AFRICAN AMERICANS ARE NOT GETTING ASSISTANCE, AND THEY ARE INCORPORATED.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. OH, NO OTHER SPEAKERS. IS THERE ANYBODY IN -- IS GENEVIEVE -- WHERE IS SHE? SHE IS HAVING A PRIVATE CONVERSATION.

MODERATOR: SHE DISCONNECTED. SHE MAY BE TRYING TO CALL BACK IN.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NO. OKAY. WELL, SHE CAN CALL BACK MAYBE DURING PUBLIC COMMENT. OKAY. SEE NO OTHER SPEAKERS, ARE THERE ANY SUPERVISORS THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A REMARK? NO. ITEM 7 IS NOW BEFORE US. IT'S MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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

SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. MITCHELL: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. HORVATH: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: AYE.

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 8, LAUNCHING A WORKER OWNERSHIP INITIATIVE TO BUILD WEALTH, RETAIN QUALITY JOBS, AND STABILIZE BUSINESSES, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE

TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE SOME REMARKS, AND THEN SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AS THE COAUTHOR.

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. LET ME START BY SAYING THIS IS ANOTHER MOTION I AM BRINGING FORWARD THAT WILL ASSIST BLACK PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THE SECOND DISTRICT, WHETHER THEY LIVE IN INCORPORATED OR UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES. ACROSS THE BOARD, IT WILL SUPPORT ALL WORKERS IN MY DISTRICT. SO LET'S JUST GET CLEAR ABOUT MY FOCUS AS A SUPERVISOR HERE, WHO I AM HERE TO BRING MOTIONS FORWARD TO TO SUPPORT. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR JOINING ME AS COAUTHOR. THIS MOTION DIRECTS THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY TO LAUNCH A NEW COMPREHENSIVE WORKER OWNERSHIP INITIATIVE. SCALING WORKER OWNERSHIP ACROSS THE COUNTY IS AN INNOVATIVE, INCLUSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY THAT CREATES A PATHWAY FOR WORKERS TO BUILD WEALTH. EMPLOYEE OWNERSHIP HAS TRANSFORMATIVE EFFECTS ON EMPLOYEE OWNERS BY CREATING HIGH QUALITY JOBS THAT HELP FAMILIES BUILD ASSETS, WHICH HAS COMPOUNDING BENEFITS TO COMMUNITIES. AND WHEN SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSES BECOME EMPLOYEE OWNED, THEY BECOME EVEN STRONGER. THERE ARE PILOTS ALL OVER THIS COUNTRY THAT PROVE THAT FACT. AGAIN, RESEARCH SHOWS THAT WORKER OWNERSHIP MODELS LEAD TO BETTER PAY AND BENEFITS. ONE STUDY FOUND THAT THE MEDIAN PATRONAGE, WHICH IS THE SURPLUS PROFITS PAID TO WORKER

OWNERS, WAS OVER $2,400 ANNUALLY. THAT WOULD BE A MEANINGFUL INCREASE IN ANNUAL INCOME FOR OUR LOW AND MIDDLE INCOME WORKERS RIGHT HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. WE ARE FACING WHAT IS KNOWN AS A SILVER TSUNAMI, IN WHICH MORE THAN HALF OF OUR BUSINESSES ARE OWNED BY OWNERS OVER THE AGE OF 55, WHO PLAN TO RETIRE IN COMING YEARS. SO WE MUST WORK QUICKLY TO RETAIN THESE JOBS AND BUSINESSES. THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY WILL LEAD THE COMPREHENSIVE WORKER OWNERSHIP INITIATIVE, INCLUSIVE OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, FINANCIAL PRODUCTS, AND TARGETED PROCUREMENT STRATEGIES, AMONG OTHER ACTIVITIES. AND I LOOK FORWARD TO THE WORKER OWNERSHIP INITIATIVE BUILDING A MORE INCLUSIVE ECONOMY FOR ALL ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR INVITING ME TO COAUTHOR THIS MOTION. I APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED LEADERSHIP IN ENSURING GREATER EQUITY IN OUR ECONOMY THROUGH THIS WORKER OWNERSHIP MOTION. WE KNOW THE COUNTY HAS PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN FOSTERING EQUITY, AND THIS IS ANOTHER IMPORTANT STEP IN THAT WORK. TO ADDRESS GROWING INEQUALITY, THIS MOTION OFFERS A WORKER OWNERSHIP MODEL, WHERE THE BUSINESS IS OWNED AND MANAGED BY ITS WORKERS AND PROFITS DISTRIBUTED AMONG ITS WORKER OWNERS. THIS MODEL

ESTABLISHES A MORE EQUITABLE FRAMEWORK WHEREIN THE EMPLOYEE OWNERS, THEMSELVES, BENEFIT FROM BUSINESS GROWTH AND ALSO EXPERIENCE GREATER WORKER PROTECTIONS. THIS, IN TURN, LEADS TODAY GREATER COMMUNITY WEALTH, PARTICULARLY FOR PEOPLE WHO LACK ACCESS TO TRADITIONAL BUSINESS OWNERSHIP. THIS MODEL ENSURES GREATER EQUITY AS WELL AS HELPS TO RETAIN LOCAL BUSINESSES, AS SUPERVISOR MITCHELL MENTIONED. THROUGH THIS MOTION D.E.O. WILL PROVIDE EDUCATION AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR NEW BUSINESSES INTERESTED IN WORKER OWNERSHIP, AS WELL AS EXISTING BUSINESSES INTERESTED IN TRANSITIONING TO THIS MODEL. THE PROGRAM WILL ALSO ALLOW BUSINESSES TO EXPLORE BUSINESSES TO EXPLORE DIFFERENT TYPES OF WORKER OWNERSHIP MODELS AND HELP TO GET THEM IMPLEMENTED. I ENTHUSIASTICALLY SUPPORT THIS EFFORT. I AM GRATEFUL TO THE FOLKS INSIDE THE COUNTY WHO WILL HELP TO ACTUALIZE OUR VISION IN THIS MOTION, AND I HOPE WE WILL SEE AN AYE VOTE ACROSS THE BOARD. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: THANK YOU. I JUST HAVE ONE QUESTION, AND IT IS A SIMPLE ONE, I HOPE. THE $1 MILLION, I WAS TOLD THAT IT WAS BEING LOOKED AT FROM SALARY SAVINGS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT, THE D.E.O. DEPARTMENT, IS THAT CORRECT?

SUP. MITCHELL: STAFF IS GOING TO HAVE TO HELP ME WITH THAT. I BELIEVE IT IS, BUT LET ME GET A FIRM ANSWER BEFORE I RESPOND TO YOU. YES, THUMBS UP.

SUP. BARGER: SO, ALL I AM GOING TO SAY TO MY COLLEAGUES, AND I HAVE HAD MEETINGS WITH THE DEPARTMENT, AND I THINK MY FRUSTRATION IS IS THAT THEY ARE -- OR OUR DIRECT OR STRUGGLING AS IT RELATES TO GETTING STAFFING UP AND RUNNING. AND THERE IS A LOT ON THE PLATE, AND I KNOW THAT EVEN PHASE ONE OF THE GRANTS THAT WE WERE GIVING OUT ARE JUST GOING OUT. AND THAT'S BEEN IN THE WORKS FOR A LONG TIME. SO I WOULD JUST HOPE THAT IT DOESN'T IMPACT THE ABILITY TO STAFF UP BECAUSE THERE'S A PHASE TWO OF THIS FUNDING THAT WE ARE TRYING TO GET BACK OUT ON THE STREET, AND IT WILL BENEFIT THE EXACT PEOPLE WE ARE TALKING ABOUT IN THIS MOTION, OR THE BUSINESSES THAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT THIS IN MOTION. SO TO THE C.E.O., WORKING WITH OUR DIRECTOR TO MAKE SURE THAT SHE HAS ALL THE TOOLS AVAILABLE BECAUSE, AGAIN, THAT DEPARTMENT IS REALLY AN IMPORTANT COMPONENT TO ALL THE THINGS WE ARE DOING.

SUP. MITCHELL: AND I WOULD JUST SAY THAT I ECHO THAT, AND HAVE SHARED WITH THE C.E.O. ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS OUR CONCERN ABOUT, PARTICULARLY FOR MANY OF OUR NEW DEPARTMENTS, THEIR ABILITY TO STAFF UP QUICKLY. I THINK WE'VE GOT -- NOT AN INFINITE POOL, A FINITE POOL OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO ARE ADEPT

AT BEING ABLE TO TRANSITION FROM ONE DEPARTMENT TO THE OTHER AND OPERATE AT THE DEPUTY OR HIGHER LEVEL, IF YOU WILL, TO PROVIDE MEANINGFUL SUPPORT, PARTICULARLY TO THE DIRECTORS OF THESE NEW DEPARTMENTS. I COMPLETELY AGREE WITH YOU.

SUP. BARGER: YEAH. SO THAT WAS MY ONLY EXPRESSION OF CONCERN. YES, FESIA, WERE YOU GOING TO SAY SOMETHING? OH. BECAUSE I DO SUPPORT, AND TO YOUR POINT, I KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS WANTING TO RETIRE AND WANTS TO BE ABLE TO SELL/GIVE HER EMPLOYEES THAT HAVE BEEN THERE A LONG TIME THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO PURCHASE. AND I KNOW THAT THERE ARE PROBABLY MANY OUT THERE IN A SIMILAR SITUATIONS. NOW, ARE YOU GOING TO SAY SOMETHING, FESIA?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: YES, I WILL SAY THIS, SUPERVISORS. OUR RETIRING STAFF IN MANY WAYS, THEY HAVE SAVING US RIGHT NOW. AS WE HAVE ALL THESE FOLKS THAT ARE RETIRING, THEY ARE TAKING WITH THEM THIS INSTITUTIONAL KNOWLEDGE, A LOT OF THAT WE TAKE FOR GRANTED. AND SO, WE ARE ENCOURAGING THEM TO COME BACK AND HELP US OUT. WE OFTEN WORK WITH THEM AND TRY TO POINT THEM TO OUR DEPARTMENTS, INCLUDING OUR NEWER DEPARTMENTS. AND THEN THE LAST THING I WILL SAY IS WE OFTEN SEE THIS ISSUE, PARTICULARLY WHEN IT COMES TO BUDGET, YOU WILL HAVE A DEPARTMENT THAT WILL HAVE A LOT OF VACANCIES. WE KNOW THAT THEY ARE DOING EVERY POSSIBLE THING THAT THEY CAN DO TO HIRE. AND SO, MAYBE THEY HAVE A 10% OR 12% VACANCY RATE. AND THEN

THEY WILL ASK FOR ADDITIONAL POSITIONS. SO IT PUTS US IN SOMEWHAT OF A TIGHT POSITION BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT THAT IS A STRUGGLE COUNTY-WIDE, NOT JUST WITH OUR NEWER DEPARTMENTS, BUT WITH SOME OF OUR DEPARTMENTS AS WELL. AND SO, WE REAL REALLY DO APPRECIATE TWO THINGS, WHEN THE RETIREES RETIRE AND GO ON THEIR VACATION AND TRAVEL THE WORLD AND THEN COME BACK AND HELP US, AND THEN TWO, TO TRY TO BE MORE CREATIVE ABOUT WHAT WE ARE DOING TO FILL OUR EXISTING VACANCIES.

SUP. BARGER: YEAH. GO AHEAD.

SUP. MITCHELL: I WAS GOING TO SAY ALSO THAT IT IS ONE TIME DOLLARS FROM SALARY SAVINGS. AND SO, IT WOULDN'T CONTINUE TO HIT THE BUDGET ONGOING BECAUSE WE WANT HER TO STAFF UP, ULTIMATELY, BUT BASED ON THE BOOKS NOW THAT'S GONE UNSPENT BECAUSE SHE HAS NOT BEEN STAFFED UP.

SUP. BARGER: AND I HEAR THAT LOUD AND CLEAR. AND I UNDERSTAND IT IS ONE TIME, BUT THIS IS ANOTHER DIRECTIVE THAT WE ARE GIVING TO THAT DEPARTMENT. AND SO, I AM JUST COGNIZANT OF THE FACT THAT I WAS KIND OF HARD ON THE DEPARTMENT BECAUSE SMALL BUSINESSES HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR THAT MONEY, AND IT IS JUST HITTING THE STREETS. AND THE PHASE ONE HAD A TIME SPECIFIC LIMIT. WE HAVE TO SPEND IT OR LOSE IT,, BUT PHASE TWO IS OUT THERE, AND THAT IS GOING TO BE FOR NONPROFITS AND ALL THAT. I

JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE NOT CREATING A LOG JAM. AND FESIA, TO YOUR POINT, I DON'T THINK THIS DEPARTMENT FALLS IN THAT CATEGORY OF ASKING FOR MORE ITEMS THAN THEY ARE BUDGETED FOR. I THINK THEY WOULD BE HAPPY TO FUND -- AND I KNOW YOU ARE NOT TALKING ABOUT --

FESIA DAVENPORT, E.O.: NO, I AM NOT SUGGESTING THEY ARE ASKING FOR MORE ITEMS THAN THEIR BUDGETED FOR. I SAID SOMETIMES WE SEE DEPARTMENTS, THEY WILL HAVE A LARGE VACANCY RATE, AND THEN THEY ARE ALSO ASKING FOR ADDITIONAL POSITIONS BEFORE THEY FILL THE POSITIONS THAT ARE VACANT.

SUP. BARGER: SO I SUPPORT THE MOTION. I THINK, FOR ME, THE BIGGER ISSUE IS THAT DEPARTMENT ON HOW WE SUPPORT THAT DEPARTMENT BECAUSE ALL ROADS SEEM TO LEAD BACK TO THAT DEPARTMENT BEING A PARTNER WITH OTHER DEPARTMENTS WHEN WE ARE ROLLING OUT ESPECIALLY ISSUES THAT ARE GOING TO BENEFIT EQUITY AND COMMUNITIES, SO, THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ARE THERE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM?

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: YES, WILL DANIEL JENNIFERSON, KORIE SCHMIDT, NORMA RODRIGUEZ, ARPION ESEE, PATRICIA MCALLISTER, PEDRO SANCHEZ, PHILLIP KASARITIA, BOY HAPSY PLEASE COMMENT

FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS TRAMEL CARTER. YOU MAY BEGIN.

TRAMEL CARTER: HI, I AM CALLING IN AGREEMENT WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER IN HER COMMENT AND HER REFERENCES. SHE ALWAYS MAKES GOOD REFERENCES, AND SHE IS NOT A PART OF MY DISTRICT, BUT I LOVE THE WAY SHE SPEAKS ON THINGS. I WOULD ALSO GO OVER ANYTHING THAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL PROPOSES BECAUSE THERE ARE ALWAYS UNDERLYING ISSUES, BUT I AM IN AGREEMENT WITH THE POINTS THAT SUPERVISOR BARGER POINTED OUT. AND ALSO THE THINGS THAT ARE INITIATED HAVE NOT BEEN INITIATED ON A LOWER LEVEL FROM MRS. MITCHELL WITHIN HER OWN DISTRICT. SO PROPOSING EVEN MORE, SOMETHING ON A LARGER SCALE, FOR HER NAME TO BE ATTACHED TO SOMETHING THAT HASN'T WORKED WITHIN HER OWN DISTRICT ON THE THINGS THAT SHE CAN DO, SHE IS NOW PROPOSING SOMETHING ON A LARGER SCALE. IT IS A LITTLE ALARMING, BUT I AM IN AGREEMENT WITH THE POINTS THAT SUPERVISOR BARGER MADE. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I FEEL THE SAME WAY ABOUT SUPERVISOR BARGER. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DEE ABIONAS. YOU MAY BEGIN.

DEE ABIONAS: HI, MY NAME IS DEE ABIONAS. AND I AM A STAFF ATTORNEY WITH PUBLIC COUNSEL'S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONTRACTS. AND I AM CALLING IN TODAY TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT FOR THE WORKER OWNERSHIP INITIATIVE. SINCE THE START OF THE L.A. REGIONAL SMALL BUSINESS LEGAL AID PROGRAM IN 2022, PUBLIC COUNSEL AND BET TZEDEK HAVE PROVIDED FREE LEGAL SERVICES TO OVER 800 LOW INCOME SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS, INCLUDING WORKER OWNED CO-OPS ON A WIDE ARRAY OF LEGAL ISSUES. WE HAVE SEEN THE FIRSTHAND THE IMPACT OF THE PANDEMIC ON SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS AND WORKERS IN OUR COMMUNITIES WHO OPERATE A FAMILY RUN AND SERVICE-ORIENTED BUSINESSES AND KNOW THAT MUCH SUPPORT IS NEEDED TO INCUBATE NEW SMALL BUSINESSES AND TO KEEP OUR LEGACY BUSINESSES THRIVING. WE SUPPORT THE WORKER OWNERSHIP INITIATIVE BECAUSE WORKER OWNED CO-OPS REFLECT THE IDEALS WE STRIVE FOR, INCLUDING INCREASING ACCESS TO EQUITABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, FILLING NEW JOB NICHES, CREATING SUSTAINABLE BUSINESSES FOR DIVERSE COMMUNITIES, PROVIDING QUALITY JOBS AND SERVICES, SUSTAINING LEGACY BUSINESSES, AND KEEPING MONEY WITHIN OUR COMMUNITIES. WITH THE COUNTY'S SUPPORT, MORE SMALL BUSINESS WILL BE ABLE TO TRANSITION INTO WORKER CO-OPS AS THEIR OWNERS RETIRE, AND WORKERS WILL ALSO BE ABLE TO ACCESS HIGH QUALITY JOBS, EXPANDING ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR EVERYONE. SO THANK YOU TODAY FOR BRINGING THIS ITEM FORWARD.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SARA MCBROOM. YOU MAY BEGIN.

SARA MCBROOM: THANK YOU. MY NAME IS SARA MCBROOM, AND I AM THE DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL ENGAGEMENT AT PROJECT EQUITY. WE ARE A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT HELPS BUSINESS OWNERS PRESERVE THEIR LEGACY THROUGH EMPLOYEE OWNERSHIP AND WANTED TO SHARE THAT, ACCORDING TO THE RESEARCH WE HAVE DONE IN L.A. COUNTY, HALF OF BUSINESSES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE OWNED BY BABY BOOMERS NEARING RETIREMENT. THAT'S 48,000 BUSINESSES IN L.A. COUNTY, ACCOUNTING FOR 1.2 MILLION JOBS AND OVER $305 BILLION IN LOCAL REVENUE AT RISK OF CLOSURE WITHOUT AN OWNERSHIP SUCCESSION PLAN. AND IN ADDITION, WE KNOW BUSINESSES IN LA. COUNTY ARE STRUGGLING TO RETAIN WORKERS LIKE NEVER BEFORE. AND WORKERS ARE IN CRITICAL NEED OF QUALITY JOBS AND PATHWAYS TO FINANCIAL STABILITY. AT PROJECT EQUITY, WE HAVE SEEN FIRSTHAND HOW TRANSITIONING BUSINESSES TO EMPLOYEE OWNERSHIP SOLVES ALL THESE OF THESE CHALLENGES. WORKER OWNED BUSINESSES ARE STRONGER, BETTER PERFORMING BUSINESSES. LOCAL ECONOMIES WITH MORE WORKER OWNERSHIP ARE STRONGER, MORE RESILIENT, MORE EQUITABLE LOCAL ECONOMIES. SO, WE AT PROJECT EQUITY STAND --

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS NIANTARA BANERJEE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

NIANTARA BANERJEE: HI, I'M NIANTARA BANERJEE, RESEARCHER AND STRATEGIST WITH GARMENT WORKERS CENTER, PROUD MEMBER OF THE L.A. WORKERS CENTER NETWORK AND PARTNER OF L.A. LOCAL CO-OP DEVELOPER, L.A. CO-OP LAB, IN STRONG SUPPORT OF LAUNCHING THE WORKER OWNERSHIP INITIATIVE. OUR MEMBERS ARE GARMENT WORKERS, WHO CREATE $1.5 BILLION IN COTTON/TWILL APPAREL SALES, YET EXPERIENCE A HIGH RATE OF WAGE THEFT AS FAST FASHION C.E.O.S AND UNSCRUPULOUS BUSINESS OWNER ACCUMULATE STAGGERING WEALTH AT THEIR EXPENSE. FOR EXAMPLE, FASHION NOVA C.E.O., WHO RECENTLY PURCHASED A BEL AIR MEGAMANSION FOR $141 BILLION, WHILE L.A. WORKERS PRODUCING FASHION NOVA CLOTHING EARN AN AVERAGE OF $5 AN HOUR FACING FOOD AND HOUSING INSECURITY. WHILE WORKERS CONTINUE TO ORGANIZE AND RESIST SWEAT SHOPS, ADVANCING WORKER OWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE GARMENT INDUSTRY IN L.A. IS CRITICAL FOR CREATING EQUITY AND BUILIDNG AND KEEPING WEALTH LOCALLY THAT CAN TRANSFORM OUR AND OTHER LOW WAGE INDUSTRIES AND THE LIVES OF COUNTLESS WORKERS. AS WELL AS FUNDING CO-OP DEVELOPMENT AND START UP CO-OPS AND

INCREASING COUNTY PROCUREMENT FROM CO-OPS, WE URGE YOU TO PASS THIS MOTION.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MARCO CASTANOS. YOU MAY BEGIN.

MARCO CASTANOS: HELLO, HONORABLE COUNTY SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MARCO R. CASTANOS. I AM A STAFF ATTORNEY AT BET TZEDEK LEGAL SERVICES IN THE SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. OUR PROGRAM SUPPORTS THE NEEDS OF SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS AND LOW INCOME ENTREPRENEURS ACROSS L.A. COUNTY BY PROVIDING RESOURCES AND DIRECT LEGAL REPRESENTATION. OUR OFFICE STRONGLY SUPPORTS THE MOTION'S LAUNCH OF A OWNERSHIP INITIATIVE TO BUILD WEALTH, RETAIN QUALITY JOBS, AND STABILIZE BUSINESSES. BROAD BASED WORKER OWNERSHIP HAS PROVEN ITSELF EFFECTIVE TOWARD REDUCING WEALTH INEQUALITY AND INCREASING THE NUMBER OF GOOD JOBS AVAILABLE. THIS INITIATIVE PROMISES TO SPUR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT ACROSS THE COUNTY, INVITING WORKERS FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE INTO THE ECONOMY OF STAKEHOLDERS. OUR WORK INCUBATING NEW COOPERATIVES AND TRANSITIONING LEGACY BUSINESSES HAS EXPOSED US TO THE LIFE CHANGING POTENTIAL OF WORKER OWNERSHIP. THIS INITIATIVE WILL BRING LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO THE FORE OF INVASION AND ECONOMIC PARTICIPATION. THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BECRAM CHATERGEE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

BECRAM CHATERGEE: HI, MY NAME IS BECRAM CHATERGEE. AND I AM SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. I AM THE C.E.O. OF MAXIMUM PUN, A PODCAST COMPANY IN THE FIRST DISTRICT WITH 20 FULL TIME EMPLOYEES. WE RECENTLY CONVERTED TO BECOME A 100% WORKER OWNED COOPERATIVE IN JUNE WITH SOME HELP FROM PROJECT EQUITY. IT IS STILL EARLY, BUT WE ARE EXCITED ABOUT THE WAY THE MODEL EMPOWERS WORKERS AND SUPPORTS AND EQUITABLE MODEL IN THE ENTERTAINMENT BUSINESS. AND I PERSONALLY, AS A LEADER IN THE COMPANY, AM REALLY EXCITED ABOUT THE WAY THAT IT PUSHES GOVERNANCE TO OUR WORKERS FOR OUR LONG TERM SUSTAINABILITY, SO THAT THE KNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE IS SHARED AMONGST A WIDER GROUP OF WORKER OWNERS, SO IF SOMETHING HAPPENS TO ME, THE COMPANY CAN CONTINUE UNIMPEDED. AND WE WELCOME MORE RESOURCES TO HELP NEW NEW CO-OPS FORM THROUGH TRANSITION AND THROUGH INCUBATION.

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

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: AS A FINAL REMINDER, FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 8, IF YOU

HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACING IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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

HECTOR RAMIREZ: HI. GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS HECTOR RAMIREZ. I LIVE IN CHATSWORTH, AND I AM CALLING IN SUPPORT OF LAUNCHING A WORKER OWNERSHIP INITIATIVE TO BUILD WEALTH AND RETAIN QUALITY JOBS AND STABILIZE BUSINESSES. I REALLY WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR THIS INITIATIVE. THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF A REALLY GOOD OUTSTREAM START TO HELP STABILIZE OUR WORK ECOSYSTEM WHILE ALSO EMPOWERING OUR COMMUNITIES. I HOPE THAT THIS PARTICULAR MEASURE REALLY UTILIZES AN EQUITY APPROACH, HIGHLIGHTING SOME OF OUR MOST IMPACTED COMMUNITIES PARTICULARLY PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH..

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

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

ERIC PREVEN: THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU FOR THIS WORKER INITIATIVE. IT IS NICE TO SEE ALL OF THE NOT FOR PROFIT ATTORNEYS ZIPPING IN THERE TO HELP THE MOM AND POPS, BUT IT

WOULD BE NICE TO KNOW WHAT THEY ARE HELPING THEM WITH, BUT I DO LIKE THE IDEA OF BUILDING WEALTH AS LONG AS IT IS NOT ON THE BACKS OF THE WORKERS, WHICH OBVIOUSLY THIS IS NOT. SO, GREAT WORK. AND ALSO IT IS VERY, VERY EFFECTIVE TO GET THE LUNCH OUT OF THE WAY DURING SOME OF THESE LONGER STRETCHES. AND JUST AS IT RELATES TO THAT, I AM WONDERING IF THERE'S ANY OTHER METHOD THAN THE LENGTHIEST OF ALL THE METHODS. MAYBE WE SHOULD PULL UP AND NOT ALL COMMENT ON THE SAME -- I DON'T KNOW. I AM THINKING ESPECIALLY AMONG THE SUPERVISORS WHO HAVE SOME GUSTS INSIDE STILL, WHICH IS VERY GOOD NEWS, BECAUSE THERE'S NO SHORTAGE. IT'S BEEN A COUPLE OF WEEKS. I REALIZE THAT, BUT I'M AGAINST OVERLOADING THESE MEETINGS. I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE MORE 50 ITEM MEETINGS, WHERE YOU CAN GIVE IT THE FULL MEASURE OF YOUR ATTENTION, WHICH IS A GREAT AMOUNT OF ATTENTION FROM THE FIVE OF YOU TOGETHER, DURING THE LUNCH AS WELL, WHICH IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO MULTITASK. THANK YOU FOR THIS AND GOOD LUCK ON ALL THE LAWYERS.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: IS HE ADVOCATING FOR SMALLER -- SHORTER -- THIS IS FROM SOMEONE WHO SPEAKS ON EVERY ITEM. THANK YOU, MR. PREVEN. WHO IS WITH ME ON THAT? OKAY. NEXT SPEAKER PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU MAY BEGIN.

DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. I HAVE BEEN DISCONNECTED THREE TIMES TODAY. AND EVERY TIME I TRY TO GO BACK IN, THE A.T.&T. SAID WAIT A MINUTE, A.T.&T. PERSON WILL BE BACK WITH YOU. AND THEY DON'T COME BACK. THREE TIMES. ANYWAY. I THINK THAT IS A GREAT IDEA. I AM ALL IN FAVOR OF THAT. AND THANK YOU FOR THE GOOD WORK YOU ARE DOING, BUT I AM NOT PLEASED WITH THE A.T.&T. WORK AT ALL. SO I THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT THAT A LITTLE MORE CAREFULLY BECAUSE THAT IS REALLY INAPPROPRIATE TO BE DISCONNECTED ALL THE TIME, AND THEN, WHEN YOU TRY TO GO BACK IN, THEY TELL YOU WE WILL BE BACK, AND THEY NEVER COME BACK. SO, THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LOUIS ALFARROW. YOU MAY BEGIN.

LOUIS ALFARROW: COOL. HI, MY NAME IS LOUIS ALFARROW, AND I AM CALLING IN SUPPORT OF THIS INITIATIVE. I AM A MEMBER OF A WORKER'S COOPERATIVE, AND THROUGH MY MEMBERSHIP, I HAVE EXPERIENCED THE EMPOWERMENT THAT COMES FROM HAVING A VOTE IN MY WORKPLACE AND, THEREBY, HAVING A SAY IN THE DECISIONS THAT IMPACT MY DAY-TO-DAY LIFE. AND WORKER COOPERATIVES GIVE WORKERS CONFIDENCE AND EXPERIENCE IN EXERCISING THEIR VOICE, SO THEY LEARN HOW TO WORK COLLECTIVELY AND DEMOCRATICALLY. AND

BECAUSE GOVERNMENT SHOULD SERVE THE PEOPLE, I SUPPORT THIS MOTION WHICH DIRECTS RESOURCES TO WORKER CO-OPS, WHICH ARE AN ECONOMIC VEHICLE DRIVEN BY THE PEOPLE. THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS FLORA RODRIGUEZ. YOU MAY BEGIN.

FLORA RODRIGUEZ: HEY, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS FLORA RODRIGUEZ. I AM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE WORKERS CENTER THAT SERVES CAR WASH WORKERS. I AM CALLING IN SUPPORT OF THE WORKER OWNERSHIP INITIATIVE. I HAVE SEEN FIRST- HAND BY INCUBATING THE FIRST EVER WORKER OWNER COOPERATIVE IN THE CAR WASH INDUSTRY HOW MUCH THAT HAS CHANGED WORKERS LIVES, GIVING THEM THE INITIATIVE AND EMPOWERING DECISION MAKING IN THEIR INCOME, GIVING THEM INCOME STABILITY AND MOBILITY. I FULLY SUPPORT THIS. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. OH. IN-PERSON. WELCOME,.

PATRICIA MCALLISTER: OH, HI. PATRICIA MCALLISTER HERE. I HAVE SHOPPED AT AN EMPLOYEE OWNED STORE. WHEN YOU WALK IN, IT SAYS EMPLOYEE OWNED. SO I REALLY, WHEN I LOOK AT THE PEOPLE THAT

WORK THERE, I REALLY HAVE A LOT FOR RESPECT FOR THEM BECAUSE I'M SAYING THEY OWN THIS. YOU SEE WHAT I MEAN? IT IS A VERY GOOD THING. AND THE STORE IS CALLED WINCO, W-I-N-C-O. AND THEY HAVE A STORE IN LAKEWOOD, CALIFORNIA AND LANCASTER. SO YOU CAN GO THERE AND TALK TO THOSE C.E.O.S. AND SEE WHAT THEY ARE DOING, BUT I REALLY AGREE WITH THIS. AND I REALLY AGREE WITH THE FACT THAT IT IS GOING TO BE AFRICAN AMERICANS IN THERE. THIS STORE, WINCO, THEY HAVE ALL NATIONALITIES IN THERE, AFRICAN AMERICAN, HISPANIC, CAUCASIAN. THAT'S THE WAY IT SHOULD BE. SO FOR SOME PEOPLE TO CALL IN BECAUSE THEY ARE UPSET BECAUSE THEY HEAD THE WORD "BLACK PEOPLE," PEOPLE, AFRICAN AMERICAN, I DON'T UNDERSTAND. YOU SEE WHAT I MEAN? WE BUILT THIS NATION, AND WE ARE STILL BUILDING IT. IT IS GOING TO THE DOGS BECAUSE EVERYBODY ELSE WANTS TO COME HERE AND DO IT, AND THEY CAN'T DO IT LIKE WE DO IT. ALRIGHT? THAT'S WHY IT IS GOING TO THE DOGS.

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

DANIEL JEFFERSON: HELLO, MY NAME IS DANIEL JEFFERSON, AND I AM THE POLICY ANALYST WITH THE FILIPINO WORKERS CENTER. WE DO WORK WITH CAREGIVERS AND THE LARGER COMMUNITY ACROSS THE COUNTY. WE WANT TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION. SUPPORTING WORKER OWNERSHIP IS ABOUT MORE THAN JUST ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. IT IS A WAY FOR THE COUNTY TO SHOW THAT IT REALLY CARES ABOUT

WORKER PROTECTION AND EMPOWERMENT. IN 2014 WE INCUBATED OUR OWN COOPERATIVE CALLED COURAGE. AND COURAGE WORKERS CAN EXPECT A LIVING WAGE, REASONABLE HOURS, PAID SICK LEAVE, AND OTHER BENEFITS THAT WERE NOT AFFORDED TO THEM AT PREVIOUS AGENCIES. AS A RESULT, COURAGE CAREGIVERS COME TO WORK RESTED AND READY TO PROVIDE CLIENTS WITH THE QUALITY ONE-ON-ONE CARE THEY DESERVE, SPEAKING OF THE SILVER TSUNAMI THAT'S COMING. WE, AT P.W.C., SUPPORT THIS MOTION AS A WAY TO PROMOTE STRONG LABOR STANDARDS AND LASTING COMMUNITY WEALTH IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AND WE WANT TO THANK BOTH THE SUPERVISORS FOR BRINGING IT FORWARD. THANK YOU.

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

NORMA RODRIGUEZ: GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS NORMA RODRIGUEZ, AND I AM THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY PROSPERITY AND OWNERSHIP AT UNITED WAY OF GREATER LOS ANGELES. I WANT TO START OFF BY SAYING WE COULDN'T BE MORE EXCITED ABOUT THIS INITIATIVE BEING SET FORTH. AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS MITCHELL AND HORVATH FOR PUTTING THIS FORTH. AT UNITED WAY, WE JUST CELEBRATED OUR ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY IN L.A., AND WE ARE TAKING AN INTENTIONAL PIVOT TO LEAN INTO THE UNITED PART OF UNITED WAY TO REALLY HELP FURTHER MODELS THAT CREATE COLLECTIVE ADVANCEMENT. WORKER OWNERSHIP IS A CRITICAL PART OF THAT, AND WE HAVE MET WITH EACH OF YOUR OFFICES TO MAKE SURE

THERE'S A NEIGHBORHOOD BASED EFFORT IN EACH OF YOUR DISTRICTS THAT CAN BE INVESTED IN BY THE COUNTY. AND WHILE WE CAN DO THAT PROGRAMMATICALLY WITH YOU, IT WILL TAKE PUBLIC POLICY TO SCALE WITH THINGS LIKE PROCUREMENT, WHICH IS WHY WE'RE REALLY EXCITED THAT IT'S IN THE MEASURE. THESE EFFORTS DO NOT HAVE TO BE BOUTIQUE, IDEALISTIC IDEAS BUT CAN DRIVE REAL CHANGE AND NEW WAY OF BEING IN L.A. COUNTY. AND WE ARE COMMITTED AND LOOKING FORWARD TO PARTNERING WITH YOU ALL, D.E.O. AND P.A.I., ON THESE EFFORTS. THANK YOU.

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

PHILLIP GUSRITA: HELLO, MY NAME IS PHILLIP GUSRITA. I WORK WITH THE FOUNDATION FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL JUSTICE HERE IN LOS ANGELES. AND I ALSO REPRESENT THE EL SERENO/EL SEDANO COMMUNITY LAND TRUST. I AM VERY PLEASED TO SEE THE BOARD TAKING UP THIS MEASURE. WE SPEAK TOTALLY IN SUPPORT OF IT. WE REALIZE ALL THE THINGS YOU SAID IN THE MEASURE ABOUT THE VALUE OF COOPERATIVES ARE VERY, VERY REAL. WE REALIZE THE STRENGTH OF COOPERATIVES, WORKER COOPERATIVES, AS WELL AS OTHER COOPERATIVES. AND WE REALIZE THIS IS INNOVATIVE, BUT IT HAS ALSO BEEN RESEARCHED AND PROVEN THE VALUE OF WHAT COOPERATIVES CAN DO. WE ARE VERY PLEASED THIS IS HAPPENING IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. IT IS HAPPENING ALL OVER THE COUNTRY, NEW YORK, AND OHIO. CITIES LIKE OAKLAND, FOR EXAMPLE, ARE ALSO PROVIDING

BASES FOR STRONG COOPERATIVE MOVEMENTS. WE ARE VERY PLEASED THIS IS HAPPENING AND OCCURRING IN LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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

SPEAKER: [SPEAKING FOREIGN LANGUAGE] I WANTED TO SAY THAT WHEN WE SPEAK, WE EITHER BLESS OR CURSE PEOPLE. AND I WANTED TO APOLOGIZE FOR THE ANIMOSITY DIRECTED AT YOU EARLIER. CREATOR CREATED ALL OF US, AND WE ARE ALL BROTHERS AND SISTERS. AND CREATOR KNOWS YOUR HEART. SO I WANTED TO KIND OF PULL THAT BACK AND PUT OUT A BIT OF LOVE BACK INTO THE ATMOSPHERE AND WITH PRAYER BECAUSE I KNOW YOU GUYS ARE HERE FOR THE PEOPLE. YOU ARE DOING YOUR JOB. YOU AREN'T PERFECT. NOBODY IS. SO I WANTED TO KIND OF BRING THAT BACK AND REMIND EVERYONE THAT WE ARE BROTHERS AND SISTERS. WE ARE SUPPOSED TO HELP EACH OTHER OUT.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR THAT.

SPEAKER: SURE.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

PEDRO SANCHEZ: [SPEAKING SPANISH] HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS PEDRO SANCHEZ, AND I AM THE PRESIDENT OF THE VENDORS UNION. MS. HOLLY MITCHELL MIGHT REMEMBER ME FROM ALPINE VILLAGE. L.A. CO-OP HAS ASSISTED US AND HELPED US A LOT. WE ARE ALL DIVIDED. WE ARE PAYING EXCESS PRIZES EVERYWHERE ELSE. HOWEVER WE ARE ALL UNITED DRYING TO COME HERE, SO WE CAN ALL OWN OUR OWN BUSINESSES. AND THROUGH THE CO-OP, WE ALSO HAVE LAWYERS THAT ARE SUPPORTING US AND THAT ARE HELPING US. SO I AM HERE TO SUPPORT NUMBER 8, SO THIS WAY WE ARE ABLE TO SPEED UP THE PROCESS AND BECOME THE OWNERS OF OUR OWN STORES AS WE WOULD LIKE FOR OUR BUSINESSES. AND WE CONTINUE TO FIGHT, RIGHT, AND WE WOULD LIKE -- WE DON'T WANT TO BE A PUBLIC CHARGE. WE WANT TO BE OWNERS. WE KNOW YOU WILL HELP US OUT, GOD WILLING, AND WITH ALL THAT SUPPORT. AND WE JUST NEED YOUR SIGNATURE TO BE ABLE TO COME THROUGH THIS WITH THIS.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

PEDRO SANCHEZ: THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

HILALY VELASQUEZ: HELLO. MY NAME IS HILALY VELASQUEZ. I AM A COOPERATIVE DEVELOPER WITH L.A. CO-OP LAB. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE WORKER OWNERSHIP INITIATIVE. L.A. CO-OP LAB IS A PARTNER

OF MANY OF WORKERS CENTERS IN LOS ANGELES. WE ARE INCUBATING INDUSTRY BASED COOPERATIVES, AS WELL AS K3 CANNABIS, RADIA L.A. COOPERATIVE, PROOF BAKERY COOPERATIVE, RIDE ON BIKE CO-OP, [INDISCERNIBLE] SWAP MEET CO-OP, THE STRIPPERS CO-OP, WHO IS CURRENTLY ONE OF TWO UNIONIZED STRIP CLUBS IN THE COUNTRY, MANY OF WHICH ARE START UP OR INCUBATED CO-OPS, ORGANIZING FOR BETTER WORKING CONDITIONS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE INDUSTRIES. WHILE THESE RESPECTIVE INDUSTRIES NEED STRONGER PROTECTIONS AGAINST WORKPLACE HARASSMENT, WAGE THEFT, CRIMINALIZATION, AD OTHER FORMS OF EXPLOITATION, WORKERS ALSO WANT AN OPPORTUNITY AT OWNING THEIR OWN MEANS OF PRODUCTION AND, THEREFORE, IMPROVING THEIR LIVELIHOODS. INVESTING CITY DOLLARS IN LOCAL WORKER COOPERATIVES WHERE WORKERS HAVE A SAY ABOUT WORKPLACE CONDITIONS MEANS DIRECTLY SUPPORTING COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN THE MOST IMPACTED BY THE AFFECTS OF THE PANDEMIC AND THE ECONOMIC CRISIS. GARMENT WORKERS, HOME CARE WORKERS, CAR WASH WORKERS, SWAP MEET, AND STREET VENDORS, SEX WORKERS, YOGIS, RESTAURANT WORKERS, MANY ARE SOME OF WHAT MAKES THE FABRIC OF L.A. SO UNIQUE AND BEAUTIFUL.

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

ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. IT IS AWFULLY DIFFICULT FOR YOU TO DO THIS WHEN YOU ARE SPENDING

$29,000 PER STUDENT IN L.A.S.D. AND GRADING ON A 20% PASSING GRADE IN L.A. CITY. SO I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU PLAN ON DOING IT. YOU ARE LOOKING AT S.T.E.M. TECHNOLOGY, SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGLISH, AND MATH. WHERE ARE YOU GOING TO GET THE STUDENTS TO GO TO THESE S.T.E.M. SCHOOLS WHEN YOU ARE SPENDING $29,000? YOU HAD SOMEBODY DELIVER CRAPPY APPLE COMPUTERS TO L.A.U.S.D. WHO HAD A CONTRACT. HE DEVELOPED [EXPLETIVE] APPLE COMPUTERS. THEY HAVE BLACK APPLE COMPUTERS. YOU PRIVATIZED CARE. MADAM CHAIR, THERE WAS A TIME WHEN YOU COULD SPEAK ON EVERY ITEM. YOU COULD SPEAK ON EVERY ITEM FOR THREE MINUTES.

ATTORNEY: SIR, YOU NEED TO STAY ON TOPIC. YOU'RE NOT ON TOPIC OF THE MOTION.

ARNOLD SACHS: AND I WAS ALLOWED TO SPEAK ON ITEMS. AND NOW IT HAS CHANGED. AFTER WE HAD THE K.K.K. LET'S NOT FORGET THAT.

ATTORNEY: YOU ARE OFF TOPIC.

ARNOLD SACHS: AND IT SUCKS.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YOUR TIME IS UP. DO WE HAVE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS?

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: NO OTHER SPEAKERS, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. ITEM 8 IS NOW BEFORE US. IT IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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

SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. MITCHELL: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. HORVATH: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: AYE.

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.

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SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, WE ARE NOW MOVING ON TO ITEM 16, PROTECTING SANTA MONICA BAY AND L.A. COUNTY BEACHES FROM TRASH AND POLLUTION, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. I BELIEVE WE HAVE MARK PESTRELLA, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, GARY JONES, DIRECTOR OF BEACHES AND HARBORS, CAROL BAKER, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR COMMUNITY AND OPERATIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS, ARE HERE AND AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS. SUPERVISOR HORVATH, WOULD YOU LIKE TO START THIS OFF?

SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR LEADERS WHO ARE JOINING US. I WILL LIMIT MY QUESTIONS FOR YOU, BUT I DO KNOW THAT THIS IS AN IMPORTANT ISSUE WE HAVE HEARD A LOT ABOUT IN OUR DISTRICT. I KNOW ALL OF US WHO HAVE COASTAL AREAS ARE HEARING ALL KINDS OF CONCERNS. AND SO, WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE LASER FOCUSED ON THIS ISSUE. WE KNOW L.A. COUNTY'S 75-MILE COASTLINE IS ICONIC, ATTRACTING 70 MILLION DAY VISITS PER YEAR, AND OCEAN TOURISM IS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR TENS OF THOUSANDS OF JOBS, AND THOSE JOBS

CONTRIBUTE APPROXIMATELY $2.2 BILLION TO OUR LOCAL ECONOMY EACH YEAR. OBVIOUSLY, OUR OCEAN IS TEAMING WITH PRECIOUS WILDLIFE, AND BIO- DIVERSITY. SO BOTH FROM AN ECONOMIC STANDPOINT, FROM SUSTAINABILITY, FROM THE RICHNESS AND THE TREASURE TAT WE HAVE IN OUR COUNTY, WE HAVE VERY IMPORTANT WORK TO DO HERE. OUR BEACHES OFFER CRITICAL OPEN SPACE, PROVIDING ACCESS TO NATURE AND A RESPITE FROM THE HEAT, ESPECIALLY FOR MILLIONS OF L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS WHO ARE HEAT BURDENED IN THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES. AS WE DISCUSSED EARLIER TODAY, TROPICAL STORM HILARY IMPACTED THE COUNTY IN MANY WAYS, INCLUDING INCREASING TRASH WASHING UP ON BEACHES. UNFORTUNATELY, AFTER A BIG STORM, IT IS BEST TO AVOID THE BEACH FOR A FEW DAYS DUE TO DEBRIS, BACTERIA, AND OTHER MATERIALS THAT WASH OFF OUR STREETS AND INTO THE OCEAN. IT SHOULDN'T BE THIS WAY. AND THIS ISN'T JUST ABOUT STORMS. THIS IS ABOUT EACH AND EVERY DAY WHAT WE CAN DO TO BETTER PROTECT OUR BEACHES AND MAKE SURE THEY ARE ENJOYABLE AND SAFE FOR EVERYONE. NORMALLY THESE STORMS, HOWEVER, THAT WE JUST RECENTLY EXPERIENCED HAPPEN IN THE WINTER, WHEN OUR YOUNG PEOPLE ARE IN SCHOOL, WHEN TEMPERATURES ARE MUCH COOLER. BUT THIS LATEST DANGEROUS MANIFESTATION OF CLIMATE CHANGE TO IMPACT OUR REGION HIT IN THE SUMMER, WHEN SO MANY RELY ON OUR WORLD CLASS BEACHES FOR RECREATION, FOR ACCESS TO NATURE, AND TO COOL OFF. I AM GRATEFUL TO PUBLIC WORKS AND OUR FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, WHICH OPERATE AN INCREDIBLE SYSTEM OF DAMS,

CHANNELS, WASHES, INFRASTRUCTURE THAT PROTECT LIFE AND PROPERTY FROM DAMAGE. OUR SYSTEM IS DESIGNED TO QUICKLY MOVE WATER OFF OUR STREETS. AND IT IS INCREASINGLY CAPTURING SIGNIFICANT AMOUNTS OF STORM WATER TO RECHARGE OUR AQUIFERS FOR BENEFICIAL REUSE, AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEE EVEN MORE OF THAT. UNFORTUNATELY, THE IMPACTS ARE FELT EVEN OUTSIDE OF STORMS, HOWEVER, BECAUSE WHEN PEOPLE AND BUSINESSES LITTER, IT GETS SWEPT OUT TO THE SEA, AND IT EVENTUALLY WASHES UP ON OUR BEACHES. GIVEN THIS REALITY, WE ARE DOING A LOT MORE TO IMPROVE OUR WATER QUALITY IN L.A. COUNTY. WE INVESTED IN AUTOMATIC RETRACTABLE SCREENS ON MANY CATCH BASINS. WE PLACED BOOMS AT TEN STRATEGIC LOCATIONS TO SKIM TRASH THAT GETS INTO WATERWAYS. WE ARE TESTING AN INNOVATIVE NEW TRASH INTERCEPTOR AT BALLONA CREEK, AND I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND THANK YOU FOR JOINING ME ON THIS MOTION AND FOR HER LEADERSHIP IN MAKING THAT HAPPEN. THE SAFE CLEAN WATER PROGRAM, OF COURSE, HAS COMMITTED MORE THAN $1 BILLION IN PROJECTS TO SUPPORT STORM WATER CAPTURE AND WATER QUALITY IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS COUNTY-WIDE. AND THROUGH OUR RECENT MOTION AND THE UPCOMING BIENNIAL REVIEW, I HOPE WE WILL FURTHER ACCELERATE THOSE PROJECTS. WE HAVE PASSED LAWS IN UNINCORPORATED L.A. COUNTY TO REDUCE THE USE OF SINGLE-USE PLASTICS, INCLUDING PLASTIC BAGS, STRAWS, FOODWARE ACCESSORIES, AND STYROFOAM. AND I BELIEVE WE CAN AND SHOULD DO MORE TO HOLD THE PRODUCERS OF THESE SINGLE-USE PRODUCTS

ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE COST OF THEIR WASTE, AND I WOULD LIKE TO EXPLORE MORE LAWS TO LIMIT THE USE OF SINGLE-USE ITEMS AND TO PROMOTE EXTENDED PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY POLICIES. THROUGH THIS MOTION, WE ARE HOPING TO SHINE A LIGHT ON THE SIGNIFICANT EFFORTS UNDERWAY BEFORE AND AFTER A STORM AS WELL AS IN OUR DAILY LIFE TO FIND OUT WHAT WE CAN DO FURTHER TO IMPROVE. WE ALSO WANT TO ENGAGE OUR MUNICIPAL PARTNERS BECAUSE WE KNOW THEY PLAY A CRITICAL ROLE. WE NEED THEM TO MANAGE TRASH, TO SWEEP THE STREETS, TO REDUCE SINGLE-USE WASTE IN ALL OF OUR CITIES COUNTY- WIDE. WITH A WET EL NINO WINTER ON ITS WAY, I WANT TO MAKE SURE WE CAN MAKE SOME TIME TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS IN ADVANCING ALL KINDS OF PROTECTIONS IN ADVANCE OF OUR NEXT BIG STORMS AND TO ENSURE THAT DAILY IMPACTS ARE ALSO ADDRESSED EFFECTIVELY. AND SO, IN THAT VAIN, I HAVE JUST A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS AND THEN HAPPY TO HAND IT OVER TO MY COAUTHOR. WHAT ARE THE MOST COMMON TYPES OF TRASH WE ARE FINDING ON OUR BEACHES TODAY AND ON WHICH BEACHES?

GARY JONES: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISOR, HONORABLE BOARD MEMBERS. THANK YOU FIRSTLY FOR YOUR FOCUS ON SUCH AN IMPORTANT ISSUE, OBVIOUSLY, FOR OUR DEPARTMENT. IT DEPENDS ON WHICH BEACHES IN TERMS OF THE TYPE OF TRASH, RANGING FROM VEGETATION, THAT WAS THE MAJORITY OF THE DEBRIS THAT WE RECEIVED ON DOCKWEILER AND VENICE BEACHES. SOUTH BAY BEACHES, MANHATTAN, REDONDO, HERMOSA RECEIVE MORE PLASTICS, CUPS, TYPE

OF TRASH. SO IT DEPENDED ON THE AREA WHAT PERCENTAGE OF TYPE OF DEBRIS WE SAW AND COLLECTED AND REMOVED.

SUP. HORVATH: AND WHEN THERE IS A STORM EVENT, WHAT ARE THE PROTOCOLS BEFORE AND AFTER TO PREVENT SOME OF THIS WASHING UP AND WHAT DO WE DO AFTERWARDS TO CLEAN IT UP?

GARY JONES: WELL, ONE OF OUR PROTOCOLS PRIOR TO STORMS IS TO ENSURE THAT THE STORM DRAINS ON OUR BEACHES ARE OPEN TO PREVENT INLAND FLOODING IN COMMUNITIES TO ENSURE THAT THERE IS A FLOW. AND AS -- THE DEBRIS AND THE TRASH THAT DOES END UP ON OUR BEACHES IS SOURCED FROM THAT. THERE ISN'T ANYTHING WE CAN DO PRESENTLY TO MINIMIZE THAT. WE DO MINIMIZE ANY TRASH THAT IS ON OUR YARDS AND IN OUR TRASH BARRELS AND ALONG THE BEACHES PRIOR TO ANY STORM EVENT SO THAT THAT IS MINIMIZED TO THE GREATEST EXTENT POSSIBLE.

MARK PESTRELLA: SUPERVISOR? THANK YOU, DIRECTOR JONES. SUPERVISOR HORVATH, MARK PESTRELLA, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS. THERE ARE MANY, MANY PROTOCOLS OCCURRING PRE-STORM THROUGHOUT THE YEAR TO REDUCE THE SOURCE OF TRASH, AS WELL AS TO REMOVE TRASH FROM OUR EXISTING SYSTEM BEFORE IT WASHES ONTO THE BEACHES. AND SPECIFICALLY AT THE BEACHES, DURING DRY WEATHER, WE ARE CURRENTLY DIVERTING EVERY SINGLE STORM DRAIN -- MAJOR STORM DRAIN THAT ENTERS THE COASTLINE TO SEWER. AND SO, WHAT'S

HAPPENING, NOT ONLY TRASH, BUT THE POLLUTANTS THAT WE CAN'T SEE WITH OUR OWN EYES ARE BEING MOVED. THE LOW FLOW, IF YOU WILL, THAT MAKES IT'S WAY AFTER PEOPLE WASH CARS, EVEN A LIGHT STORM EVENT, IT GETS MOVED, AND IT ACTUALLY GETS TREATED IN A STORM DRAIN THROUGH THE STORM DRAIN SYSTEM TO A SEWER SYSTEM EITHER AT HYPERION OR AT COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT. AND THIS HAS BEEN AN INCREDIBLE IMPROVEMENT, CREATED AND INCREDIBLE IMPROVEMENT TO THE BEACH EXPERIENCE FOR SWIMMERS AND FOR VISITORS TO THE BEACH BECAUSE WE AREN'T SEEING THAT LOW FLOW MAKE ITS WAY, AND WE ARE GETTING THE BACTERIA COUNTS THAT WE USED TO GET BECAUSE IT IS THE CONCENTRATED FLOWS THAT CARRY THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF POLLUTANTS THAT CAN CAUSE TOXICITY LIKE BACTERIA, ZINC, LEAD, OR OTHER METALS THAT MAY CAUSE HUMAN AND ALSO WILDLIFE CONDITIONS. WITH RESPECT TO TRASH, I THINK YOU NOTED, WE HAVE A NUMBER OF SYSTEMS, STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS, IN THE SYSTEM. WE HAVE OVER 20,000 CATCH BASIN INSERTS IN THE COUNTY SYSTEM THAT, IF YOU LOOK ON THE STREET, YOU'LL SEE THE STORM DRAIN. THERE IS ACTUALLY A SCREEN THERE, AND THAT SCREEN, AS YOU WROTE IN YOUR MOTION, ACTUALLY TRAPS THE TRASH, AND THEN WE HAVE STREET SWEEPING IN UNINCORPORATED AREA AT LEAST WE HAVE STREET SWEEPING THAT COMES AND REMOVES THAT TRASH BEFORE IT ENTERS THE STORM DRAIN EVERY OTHER WEEK IN MOST COMMUNITIES. SO THE PRE-NON-RAINING EVENT INVESTMENT THAT THE COUNTY HAS MADE HAS BEEN TREMENDOUS. AND ON TOP OF THAT, THE LISSA CONNECTION SYSTEM THAT WE HAVE, WHICH IS A SYSTEM BY

WHICH WE GO INTO THE DRAIN ITSELF AND ACTUALLY T.V. THE STORM DRAIN, ALL 2500 MILES OF IT OVER A SIX YEAR PERIOD TO FIND PEOPLE WHO ARE CONNECTING ILLICITLY TO THE SYSTEM AND POTENTIALLY DISCHARGING POLLUTANTS OF CONCERN INTO THE SYSTEM. AND THEN CAPTURE OF TRASH, WHICH GOES TO OUR ZERO WASTE TRASH INITIATIVE, AND WHAT THE BOARD PROVED IN 2022, WHICH IS ESSENTIALLY EDUCATING THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE IMPACTS OF ILLEGAL DUMPING. WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT THAT MANY TIMES AT MANY BOARD MEETINGS ALREADY, SO I WON'T BELABOR IT, BUT WE ARE SEEING, I HAVE ALREADY REPORTED TO THE BOARD, AN INCREDIBLE INCREASE, DURING THE COVID PERIOD ESPECIALLY, OF ILLEGAL DUMPING, AND THEN WE HAVE HAD THIS HUGE EFFORT TO GO OUT AND ACTUALLY CAPTURE IT AND WE HAVE SEEN -- SO OUR CAPTURE NUMBERS ARE VERY HIGH. AND WE ARE SEEING A REDUCTION IN THAT NUMBER AS WELL IN TERMS OF HOW MANY CASES OF ILLEGAL DUMPING WE HAVE, BUT IT IS NOWHERE NEAR WHAT WE WANT IT TO BE IN TERMS OF WHAT IS ACTUALLY BEING ILLEGALLY DUMPED IN THE COUNTY. AND OF COURSE YOU MENTIONED THAT IN A STORM EVENT, GIVEN THE HYDRAULICS THAT GO ON, BLOCKING WATER IS NOT A GOOD IDEA. IT WILL ACTUALLY FLOOD OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. SO WHAT HAPPENS IS,, AS GARY MENTIONED, AS THE DIRECTOR MENTIONED, THE BASINS ARE OPENED, THE CATCH BASINS ARE OPENED, AND WE MOVE THAT WATER ALONG WITH THE DEBRIS AND THE TRASH, UNFORTUNATELY, TO THE BEACHES. THE MOST VISIBLE TRASH ON THE BEACH, YOU ASKED, IS FLOTSAM. IT'S THE MATERIALS THAT WILL FLOAT, BUT THERE IS A LOT OF TRASH YOU

DO NOT SEE THAT IS NOT CAPTURED, AND IT IS DESPICABLE WHAT IT DOES TO OUR ENVIRONMENT. IF YOU ENTER THE OCEAN, YOU WILL SOMETIMES FIND THIS IN YOUR TOES AND IN YOUR EYES. IT IS A REALLY TERRIBLE THING. AND MOST OF THE PLACES YOU FIND THAT IS RIGHT IN LINE WITH WHERE THE STORM DRAINS ARE OUTLETTING. AND THAT'S WHY, AS A SOCIETY, WE HAVE FOCUSED ON STORM WATER AS A CONVEYOR OF POLLUTANTS OF CONCERN AND WHY WE SPENT MILLIONS, BILLIONS TO DATE ON TRYING TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF TRASH THAT ENDS UP NOT ONLY IN OUR BEACHES BUT OUR LAKES, RIVERS, AND STREAMS.

SUP. HORVATH: SO IT SOUNDS LIKE TWO MAJOR INTERVENTIONS WE HAVE TO DO BETTER WITH, ARE FIRST FIRST ADDRESSING SINGLE-USE PLASTICS. SO, WHERE ARE WE IN TERMS OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF WHAT WE -- THE MOTIONS WE HAVE ALREADY PASSED AND THE WORK WE'VE ALREADY DONE ON THIS ISSUE TO REDUCE OUR SINGLE-USE PLASTICS, AND HOW ARE WE ENGAGING OUR OUR INCORPORATED CITIES, WHO SHARE THIS RESPONSIBILITY TO SOME DEGREE WITH US ON OUR BEACHES AS WELL AS WITH OUR FLOOD DISTRICT? HELP ME UNDERSTAND WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT AND HOW ARE WE ENGAGING THEM IN TAKING RESPONSIBILITY.

MARK PESTRELLA: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. IT'S GREAT TO DAYLIGHT THIS, AND IT'S SOMETHING WE WANT TO REMIND OUR COUNTY PARTNERS AND CITY PARTNERS IS THAT THERE IS LAW TO BE COMPLIED WITH. ON

THE LEGAL FRONT OR ON THE REGULATORY FRONT, I'M PROUD TO TELL YOU THAT THE COUNTY UNINCORPORATED IS IN FULL COMPLIANCE WITH ALL THE PROVISIONS OF OUR TRASH TOTALLY MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD, MEANING ALL THE PROGRAMS THAT ARE REQUIRED AND ARE IN THE PHYSICAL -- THINGS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE PUT IN ARE PUT IN PLACE. THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT ALL OF OUR CITY PARTNERS ARE IN THE SAME COMPLIANCE ARENA. AND WE SUBMIT REPORTS TO YOUR BOARD ON A MONTHLY BASIS ABOUT NONCOMPLIANCE, SO THAT IS AVAILABLE IF YOU WANT TO KNOW WHO IS IN COMPLIANCE AND NONCOMPLIANCE. THE COUNTY PERFORMS STREET SWEEPING FOR THE U.A. AND CERTAIN CONTRACT CITIES. THE COUNTY AND MANY CITIES HAVE PLACED DEVICES ON CATCH BASINS THAT ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THAT. THE FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT IS RESPONSIBLE TO MAINTAIN, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN, THE MAJORITY OF WHAT WE CALL THE M.S. FORCES IN THE DRAINS. IT INSPECTS, AS I SAID, AND CLEANS THE CHANNELS AND DRAINS. CALTRANS REMOVES TRASH FROM RIGHT-OF-WAYS. SO ANOTHER UTILITY THAT DOES THAT. AND THE ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS OVERSIGHT OVER SOME OF THE CHANNELS, SO IT'S A SPLIT JURISDICTIONAL RESPONSIBILITY WITH A MAJORITY OF THE TRASH BEING GENERATED ON LAND, ON PRIVATELY OWNED LAND OR BUSINESSES OR PRIVATE PROPERTY, AND THEN BEING CONVEYED EITHER THROUGH ILLICIT DISCHARGE OR THROWING TRASH AWAY IMPROPERLY INTO THE SYSTEM. ON THE PLASTIC BAG BAN, IT WAS PASSED, AS YOU KNOW. THE BAN WAS PASSED. STUDIES SUCH AS THE BITE 2018 DEMONSTRATED A REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF PLASTIC BAGS OBSERVED IN THE

WATERWAYS INDICATING LEGISLATION ON SINGLE-USE BAGS WAS EFFECTIVE. IN FACT, I'M SEEING LESS PLASTIC BAGS AROUND, WHICH IS WONDERFUL, BUT I STILL SEE TOO MANY OF THEM, FRANKLY. THE COUNTY CODE 12.86 REDUCTION OF WASTE FROM SINGLE- USE ARTICLES AND EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE PRODUCTS WAS PASSED IN APRIL OF 2022. SO WE DON'T HAVE DATA FOR YOU ON THAT QUITE YES. AND THEN WE HAVE A COUNTY-WIDE POLICY TO REDUCE -- OR COUNTY POLICY TO REDUCE SINGLE-USE PLASTICS FOR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. AND THAT WAS PASSED WAS '21, AND OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS ARE DOING EXCELLENT IN THEIR -- THEY REPORT TO US ANNUALLY ON WHAT THEY'RE DOING IN TERMS OF COMPLIANCE. SO ALL OF THESE EFFORTS ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE, BUT, AS YOU NOTED, THERE IS STILL TRASH, AND IT'S STILL TO A LEVEL OF -- UNACCEPTABLE LEVEL TO THIS BOARD AND TO COMMUNITY. SO, WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD -- I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO ACCELERATING, AS YOU SAID, THE PRIORITIES OF THE BOARD IN THIS. I WOULD RECOMMEND THAT SOURCE CONTROL IS FOCUSED ON, AND THAT THIS BOARD, AND WE HAVE ALREADY BEEN PROPOSING IT, I'D ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT ON EXTENDED PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY LEGISLATION THAT MY DEPARTMENT PUT FORWARD THIS YEAR FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND SUPPORT.

SUP. HORVATH: WELL, I KNOW THAT THESE REPORTS BACK WILL HELP LEVEL SET WHERE WE ARE AND CLEARLY IDENTIFY WHERE RESPONSIBILITY EXISTS. I KNOW THERE'S BEEN A COORDINATED EFFORT IN RESPONSE TO HILARY AND MAKING SURE THAT THAT

COORDINATION CONTINUES THROUGH DAILY INTERACTIONS AND DAILY IMPACT BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT THAT COORDINATION IS WHAT'S GOING TO HELP US GOING FORWARD. SO, THERE WILL BE MORE WORK TO COME I'M SORRY TO SAY AFTER THE REPORT IS BACK, BUT IT WILL INFORM WHAT NEXT STEPS WE NEED TO TAKE TO EFFECTIVELY ADDRESS THIS ONCE AND FOR ALL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ANY OTHER SUPERVISORS? I DID WANT TO -- IT WAS INTERESTING IN THE TRASH INTERCEPTOR, AND I WAS THERE. THAT USED TO BE MY DISTRICT BEFORE HOLLY INHERITED. WE WERE THERE, MARK, WHEN WE SIGNED. GARY, WERE YOU THERE WHEN WE SIGNED THE M.O.U. WITH THE INTERNATIONAL COMPANY THAT HAD ONLY CHOSEN -- I THINK THERE WERE FIVE, OR FIVE WORLDWIDE AND ONLY ONE IN OUR PART OF THE WORLD? AND WE WERE CHOSEN, AND IT WAS A BIG SIGNING CEREMONY. AND HOW DO WE THINK, JUST BRIEFLY, THAT'S PERFORMED?

MARK PESTRELLA: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AS SUPERVISOR MITCHELL SAID OF MIC, "WELL." IN FACT, WE ARE SO PLEASED BY THE RESULTS OF THE PILOT PROGRAM FOR THE FIRST YEAR, AND WE'RE GETTING READY FOR YEAR TWO. WHAT'S SIGNIFICANT ABOUT THE OCEAN CLEAN-UP PROJECT AND THE INTERCEPTOR IS THAT IT CAN OPERATE WHEN WATER IS FLOWING. AND AS SUPERVISOR HORVATH BROUGHT FORWARD, THE ISSUE IS WHEN WE HAVE WET WEATHER, WE'RE SEEING THESE DISCHARGES. IN FACT, WE CAPTURED TONS OF TRASH. IT'S IN THE

TONS. AND IT IS PARTLY VEGETATION AND SOME NON-NATIVE VEGETATION LIKE ARUNDO AND THINGS LIKE THAT, PALM TREES AND THINGS. IT'S INTERESTING WHAT GETS IN OUR SYSTEM BECAUSE THE VERACITY AND VELOCITY OF THE FLOWS ARE INCREDIBLE. TO SEE WHAT THOSE FLOWS CAN DO TO STRIP THE LAND OF ALL OF ITS VEGETATION. HOWEVER, THERE IS STILL A LARGE PROPORTION AMOUNT OF IT, AND IN PARTICULAR THE FLOTSAM THAT'S BEING CAUGHT .AND WE HAVE SEEN A MARKED DIFFERENCE IN THE BEACH THAT'S DOWNSTREAM FROM THE INTERCEPTOR THIS YEAR AS WE RAN THE PILOT. AND FOR THE ENGINEERS IN THE ROOM, IT WAS EXCITING BECAUSE IT ACTUALLY WITHSTOOD THE FLOW -- SIGNIFICANT FLOWS, THE FORCES THAT ARE ACTING ON THE DEVICE, IT WAS DESIGNED IN A WAY IN WHICH IT COULD WITHSTAND HEAVY FLOWS AND STILL PICK UP THE TRASH. SO, IT'S BEEN A GREAT PILOT, YEAR FIRST YEAR PILOT, AND WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO YEAR TWO ON THE INTERCEPTOR, SUPERVISOR.

GARY JONES: AND WE CAN ATTEST THAT, POST HILARY, THERE WAS NOT THE EXPECTED DEBRIS FLOATING INTO MARINA DEL REY HARBOR, AND WE ATTRIBUTE THAT TO THE INTERCEPTOR AND THE CONTINUED GOOD JOB ITS DOING WITH THAT REGARD.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THAT'S GREAT. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, ARE YOU BACK ON?

SUP. MITCHELL: I WANTED TO THANK SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR INVITING ME TO COAUTHOR AND REALLY THRILLED TO HEAR ABOUT THE SUCCESS OF 007, ESPECIALLY WHEN I THINK BACK TO THE NUMBER OF RESIDENTS WHO I HEARD FROM WHO WERE NOT SUPPORTIVE AND REALLY WANTED TO SLOW DOWN THE INTERCEPTOR FROM COMING ONBOARD, AND TO KNOW THAT IT COLLECTED OVER 80 TONS OF WASTE, JUST IN THIS STORM ALONE, I THINK IS GOOD, GOOD, GOOD NEWS. I'M REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO THE FULL ANALYSIS. WE HAVE ANOTHER YEAR TO GO. I COMMITTED TO THOSE RESIDENTS WE WOULD COME BACK AND HAVE A CONVERSATION. THEY WERE CONCERNED THEIR VIEWS WOULD BE HAMPERED, BUT I THINK, FOR THE GREATER GOOD, THE 80 TONS OF TRASH THAT WAS PREVENTED FROM LEAVING THE MOUTH OF BALLONA CREEK, ENTERING OUR OCEAN, IS GOOD THING FOR EVERYBODY. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO THE FULL ANALYSIS THAT WILL TAKE PLACE. BUT THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD TODAY, AND I'M PROUD TO COAUTHOR WITH YOU. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: AS FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 16, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN

THE SPEAKING QUEUE. WILL ARNOLD SACHS, KORIE SCHMIDT, ARPIAN S.C., AND PATRICIA MCALLISTER PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE OF THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS KATHRYN PIECE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

KATHRYN PIECE: HI, GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS DR. KATHRYN PIECE. I'M THE DIRECTOR OF SCIENCE AND POLICY AT HEAL THE BAY. HEAL THE BAY STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS HAVE A LAST LINE OF DEFENSE IN BEACH CLEAN UPS FOR NEARLY 40 YEARS TO KEEP CRASH THAT TRAVELS THROUGH OUR STORM DRAIN SYSTEM OUT OF OUR OCEANS. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT TODAY'S MOTION TO EVALUATE THE COUNTY'S CURRENT ACTIONS AND ABILITY TO IMPROVE UPON STRATEGIES AND PROTOCOLS FOR PROTECTING THE SANTA MONICA BAY, OUR BEACHES, AND OUR NEIGHBORHOODS FROM THE IMPACTS OF TRASH AND OTHER POLLUTION. WITH THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE ALREADY UPON US AND AN EVER-INCREASING SUPPLY OF SINGLE-USE PLASTIC PRODUCTS CIRCULATING THROUGH OUR ECONOMY, WEATHER EVENTS SUCH AS TROPICAL STORM HILARY AND THIS COMING SEASON'S EL NINO THAT LEAD TO A MASSIVE INFLUX OF TRASH INTO OUR NATURAL ENVIRONMENT WILL ONLY INCREASE WITH TIME. PROACTIVE AND COLLABORATIVE ACTIONS ARE NECESSARY IN THE FACE OF THE WORSENING CLIMATE CRISIS, AND THIS MOTION WILL HELP FURTHER

THE PROTECTION OF OUR ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITIES. WE THANK SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR HER DEDICATION TO ADDRESSING THIS CRITICAL ISSUE, AND WE URGE YOUR YES VOTE TODAY ON THIS ITEM. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ASHLEY CRAIG. YOU MAY BEGIN.

ASHLEY CRAIG: HI. FIRST I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU ALL FOR HIGHLIGHTING THE PROBLEM OF SINGLE-USE WASTE. AS THE PRIOR SPEAKER MENTIONED, IT IS A HUGE ISSUE AND A BIG CONTRIBUTOR TO THE CLIMATE CRISIS. OUR COMMUNITIES, AS YOU KNOW, GENERATE A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF WASTE THROUGH SINGLE-USE ITEMS, ESPECIALLY PLASTICS. SO ONE OF THE THINGS I THOUGHT WAS POSSIBLY ASKING THE SUPERVISORS IF THEY WOULD BE WILLING TO PLEASE STOP USING SINGLE-USE PLASTIC ITEMS LIKE WATER BOTTLES IN MEETINGS AND IN PUBLIC AND THEN ALSO PLEASE FULLY TRANSITION TO REUSE IN YOUR OFFICES AS WELL. USING REUSABLES AT MEETINGS AND IN PUBLIC, AS WELL AS THE OFFICES, SET A GREAT EXAMPLE FOR THE REST OF YOUR COMMUNITY AND FOR YOUR CONSTITUENTS AND ALSO ARE A DIRECT CONTRIBUTOR TO SOLUTIONS AS OPPOSED TO ANOTHER CONTRIBUTOR TO THE PROBLEM. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ENRIQUE HUERTA. YOU MAY BEGIN.

ENRIQUE HUERTA: I'M SORRY. I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ON ITEM 37 AND NOT 16. THANK YOU.

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

ERIC PREVEN: THANK YOU. IT'S ERIC PREVEN, AND I THINK THIS IS VERY, VERY IMPORTANT. CLEANING UP THE BEACHES IS ONE OF THE KEY ACTIVITIES FOLLOWING A STORM. AND, AS I THINK PESTRELLA AND GARY TRIED TO EXPLAIN, YOU HAVE TO OPEN IT UP AND LET IT FLOW AT SOME POINT. WE TRY TO STAY AWAY FROM THE TOXIC STUFF. IT'S PROBLEMATIC. BUT THERE IS MONEY, AND THERE IS TECHNOLOGY. AND, OF COURSE, THE MALIBU TRIATHLON, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, THIS HAS ALWAYS BEEN A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO BILK THE TAXPAYERS FOR A GREAT FUNDRAISING LOAD FOR THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, BUT MAYBE WE COULD BEND A LITTLE OF THAT FOR TAKING CARE OF OUR WONDERFUL AND GLORIOUS BEACHES. AND IT IS A GREAT CHANGE. THEY CHARGE $22 FOR AN ANGELENO TO PUT THE OLD RIDES NEXT TO THE BEACH. THIS IS AN OUTRAGE BEYOND BELIEF. THIS MAKES ME WANT TO GO BACK TO THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL AND DOUBLE CHECK HOW MUCH THAT

COST. BUT LET'S MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE CAN ATTEND STATE BEACHES THESE PUBLIC -- ALL BEACHES IN CALIFORNIA, AND I HOPE EVERYONE IS LISTENING, ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, NO MATTER WHETHER YOU LIVE THERE OR NOT.

SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU. THANK YOU. YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED.WE'RE NOW GOING TO SPEAKERS IN THE HALL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU AGAIN. ARNOLD SACHS. AGAIN, ANOTHER ITEM WITH A LAW. YOU NEED TO GET OFF THIS LAW STUFF. IT NEEDS TO BE L.A. THAT'S THE CORRECT COUNTY DESIGNATION. THIS FRINGE THAT YOU GO THROUGH, STYROFOAM SHOULD BE BANNED. STRAWS WERE BANNED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. THEY'RE BACK. THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA BANNED STRAWS SIX YEARS AGO. THEY'RE BACK. THE TRASH THAT SHOULD BE -- THE SEWAGE THAT SHOULD BE GOING UP TO NORTH CALIFORNIA FROM HIGH PIRION SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT TO GREEN ACRES, ARE THEY SENDING THE SEWAGE UP THERE? 80 TONS OF TRASH AT THE BOOM? THAT'S 16 HUNDRED AND 60 THOUSAND TONS POUNDS OF TRASH. THAT'S RIDICULOUS. IT'S ALL ABOUT THE REALITY.

SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

PATRICIA MCALLISTER: PATRICIA MCALLISTER. I'M GLAD THIS TOPIC IS ON THE AGENDA. WE ALL KNOW THAT THE HOMELESS SLEEP AN THE BEACHES. SO WHAT YOU HAVE TO DO IS GO IN AND HAVE SOMEBODY CLEANING UP EVERY DAY, 24/7 ALMOST. YOU JUST HAVE TO DO IT. I'VE NOTICED THAT MONEY HAS REALLY BEEN BEING TAKEN OUT OF THIS AREA IN OUR CITY HERE AND IN THE COUNTY, OKAY? IT'S REALLY BEEN TAKEN OUT. I CAN SEE A COMMUNITY THAT'S CLEAN, AND YOU WALK THREE BLOCKS, NOTHING BUT TRASH. THE TRAIN STATION, WILSHIRE AND WESTERN, FILTHY. THE ESCALATORS FILTHY. TRASH WHEN YOU WALK UP, TRASH ALL IN THE GARBAGE CANS FILLED THIS HIGH JUST FILTHY. AND I'M TAKING PICTURES AND OTHER PEOPLE TOO, AND THEY'RE PUTTING IT ON THE WEB. SO I THINK YOU NEED TO STOP TAKING MONEY OUT OF THIS ITEM HERE FOR CLEANING UP OUR CITY AND PUTTING IT WHERE IT'S SUPPOSED TO GO. OKAY, I'M NOT SURPRISED.

SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK YOU. ANY OTHER SPEAKERS? SEEING NONE, NO OTHER SPEAKERS, VERY GOOD. ITEM 16 IS NOW BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE IT. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WILL SECOND. IT'S PROTECTING SANTA MONICA BAY AND L.A. COUNTY BEACHES FROM TRASH AND POLLUTION. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE -- PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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

SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

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

SUP. MITCHELL: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

SUP. HORVATH: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

SUP. BARGER: AYE.

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR PINCH HITTING. LET'S MOVE ON TO ITEM 32, INCLUSION AND EQUITY, ENGAGEMENT OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT VOTERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, WOULD YOU LIKE TO START US OFF?

SUP. SOLIS: YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU ALSO FOR AGREEING TO SUPPORT THE MOTION AS MY COAUTHOR. AS YOU KNOW, THERE'S NO SECRET THAT NEXT YEAR WE'RE GOING TO BE GOING THROUGH AN ELECTION CYCLE. WE ALL KNOW VERY MUCH THE ELECTIONS AND THE IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATING OUR RESIDENTS ABOUT THEIR RIGHT TO VOTE. AND I'M PROUD THAT THE BOARD AND THE COUNTY HAVE DONE MUCH TO REDUCE AND ELIMINATE BARRIERS TO VOTING COMPARED TO OTHER JURISDICTIONS AROUND THE COUNTRY. JUST THIS YEAR ALONE, 11 STATES HAVE ENACTED RESTRICTIVE VOTING LAWS THAT HAVE THREATENED PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO VOTE. ON THE FLIP SIDE, 13 STATES ENACTED EXPANSIVE LAWS THAT WILL MAKE IT EASIER TO VOTE, BUT THE BIGGEST IMPACT, NEGATIVE AND POSITIVE, WILL BE ON THOSE VOTERS AND POTENTIAL VOTERS NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING OR LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT VOTERS. AS WE KNOW, L.A. COUNTY IS EXTREMELY DIVERSE, AND I HAVE CONTINUED TO PUSH WITH THE SUPPORT OF YOU ALL TO ENSURE THAT HOW WE SERVE OUR 10 MILLION RESIDENTS ARE DONE IN A WAY THAT IS CULTURALLY COMPETENT AND

LINGUISTICALLY ACCESSIBLE. IN THE COUNTY, THERE ARE OVER 200 LANGUAGES THAT ARE SPOKEN, AND WE MUST FINE TUNE AND IMPROVE AND ENHANCE HOW WE'RE ENGAGING WITH OUR N.E.S. AND L.E.P. VOTERS. THIS IS OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE TO ME MORE NOW BECAUSE OF THE MAKE-UP OF MY OWN CONSTITUENTS IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. ABOUT 40% OF MY DISTRICT IS LATINO, AND 25% ARE A.A.P.I. A PERCENTAGE OF THESE INDIVIDUALS EITHER DON'T SPEAK ENGLISH AT ALL OR HAVE VERY LIMITED PROFICIENCY. THIS MOTION IS ABOUT IMPROVING THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER'S ENGAGEMENT WITH THIS POPULATION ACROSS THE COUNTY THROUGH AN EQUITY FRAMEWORK. THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER NEEDS TO WORK WITH THE IMPACTED COMMUNITY TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE VOTE CENTERS AND IN-PERSON VOTING LOCATIONS IN AREAS MOST ACCESSIBLE TO OUR ETHIC COMMUNITIES OR EXPAND TO ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION IN VOTING OVERALL. THERE'S SO MANY OF OUR FRONTLINE ADVOCACY GROUPS SUCH AS OUR A.A.P.I. ADVOCACY GROUPS LIKE A.J. SOUTHERN CAL AND CAUSE THAT HAVE BEEN PUSHING FOR MORE VOTER CENTERS IN AREAS LIKE CHINATOWN THAT I REPRESENT, WHICH ALSO NEIGHBORS KOREA TOWN, WHICH IS IN SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S DISTRICT. OUR C.B.O.S ACROSS THE COUNTY HAVE BEEN HOSTING EVENTS TO INCREASE VOTER ENGAGEMENT AND VOTER SIGN-UPS. AND IMAGINE THAT WITH ONLY AN INCREASE AS WE HAVE A DAY DESIGNATED FOR VOTER REGISTRATION. WOW. IN FACT, ANOTHER MOTION I AUTHORED WITH SUPERVISOR HAHN AS COAUTHOR ON TODAY'S AGENDA IS TO PROCLAIM SEPTEMBER 19TH AS NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DAY. WE, IN THE COUNTY, NEED TO

SUPPORT THE EFFORTS OF OUR C.B.O.S WITH OUR VOTER TURNOUT BY MAKING SURE OUR VOTING RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE AND ACCESSIBLE TO OUR COMMUNITIES NOT JUST BY LOCATION BUT ALSO IN LANGUAGE SUPPORT. THE MOTION ALSO DIRECTS THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL INCENTIVES TO HELP THEM RECRUIT VOLUNTEERS WHO CAN PROVIDE IN-LANGUAGE SUPPORT TO OUR NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING AND LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT VOTERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WITH ALL THESE THINGS, THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER MUST CONTINUE TO DEEPEN ITS PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR COMMUNITY TO HELP THEM BUILD RAPPORT, TRUST, AND CREDIBILITY WITH COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE MISTRUST OF GOVERNMENT OR MAY LACK INFORMATION ABOUT PROCESS, SERVICES, AND RESOURCES. THOSE SAME GROUPS CAN HELP THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER EDUCATE OUR COMMUNITY ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATION AND HOW TO REGISTER TO VOTE. AND WITH LINGUISTIC ACCESSIBILITY, THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER NEEDS TO ENSURE ANY VOTING MATERIALS IN DIFFERENT LANGUAGES ARE ACCURATE THROUGH COMPREHENSIVE QUALITY ASSURANCE MEASURES. I WAS EXTREMELY DISAPPOINTED TO HEAR FROM ADVOCACY GROUPS ABOUT AN INSTANCE IN WHICH KOREAN LANGUAGE SAMPLE BALLOTS WERE MISPRINTED IMPACTING AT LEAST A FEW HUNDRED PEOPLE. WITH SO MUCH INFORMATION ABOUT VOTING AND ELECTIONS GOING AROUND, I KNOW IT WILL ONLY INCREASE AS WE GET CLOSER TO THE ELECTION. WE MUST DO ALL WE CAN TO BE ACCURATE IN OUR MATERIALS AND OUR INFORMATION. WE HERE ON THE BOARD KNOW THE BENEFITS OF CIVIC ENGAGEMENT, AND IT'S A WAY TO FEEL A PART OF A LARGER

COMMUNITY AND FEELING LIKE YOU HAVE A SAY ON WHAT HAPPENS IN YOUR COMMUNITY. AN INCLUSIVE EQUITY AND INCLUSION FRAMEWORK OF HOW THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER, WITH THE SUPPORT OF A.R.D.I. AND O.I.A., SHOULD ENGAGE WITH THIS COMMUNITY AND IMPROVE VOTER EXPERIENCES. AND WE SHOULD MAKE THAT A PRIORITY. THIS IS A COMMUNITY THAT IS MADE UP OF MULTIPLE ETHNIC ENCLAVES, MANY OF WHICH ARE THE FASTEST GROWING, EITHER WILL BECOME OR HAVE ALREADY BECOME A MINORITY-MAJORITY IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS. I WANT TO THANK THE MANY OF THE COMMUNITY-BASED LEADERS AND ADVOCACY GROUPS WHO HAVE PROVIDED LETTERS OF SUPPORT AND THOSE WHO WE'LL HEAR FROM LATER TODAY. MANY HAVE MET WITH MY OFFICE SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS THEY SERVE BY SHARING THEIR CONCERNS AND PROVIDING SUGGESTIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS TO HELP US BETTER SERVE OUR CONSTITUENTS, CURRENT AND FUTURE VOTERS. THE WORK WE DO IS VERY IMPORTANT. IN FACT, IT'S ONE OF MANY WAYS I LEARN ABOUT ISSUES IMPACTING OUR CONSTITUENTS AND HOW I CAN BETTER SERVE THEM. DUE TO SOME CHANGES AND REORGANIZING OF THE DIRECTORS, I NEED TO READ IN THE FOLLOWING. SO IF I MIGHT, MADAM CHAIR. WE, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS 1) DIRECT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER COUNTY CLERK TO MEET AND CONFER AND PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH A REPORT BACK IN WRITING IN 45 DAYS WITH THE COUNTY ANTIRACISM, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION INITIATIVE, A.R.D.I., AND THE OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS, O.I.A., ON HOW IT WILL BETTER SUPPORT THE N.E.S. AND L.E.P. COMMUNITY AND VOTERS USING DATA AND

STRATEGIES TO INCREASE REGISTRATION, VOTING THROUGH EDUCATION, OUTREACH, AND SERVICE DELIVERY AND 2) AUTHORIZE THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER TO IMPLEMENT A $100 BILINGUAL PER ELECTION BONUS FOR ALL QUALIFYING COMMUNITY AND STUDENT ELECTION WORKERS TO SUPPORT RECRUITMENT AND PLACEMENT OF MULTILINGUAL SPEAKERS AT VOTE CENTERS THROUGHOUT THE 11-DAY VOTING PERIOD. 3) DIRECT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER TO CONTINUE TO RECRUIT STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS TO PROVIDE IN-LANGUAGE SUPPORT IN DIVERSE LANGUAGES THAT ARE RELEVANT TO N.E.S. AND L.E.P. VOTERS BY A) INCREASING PARTNERSHIPS WITH IMMIGRANT ADVOCACY GROUPS AND PROVIDERS TO ASSIST WITH VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT AND B) INCREASING COLLABORATING WITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS TO PLAN AND ATTEND EVENTS TO INFORM N.E.S. AND L.E.P. VOTERS ON VOTING AND ELECTIONS. 4) THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER TO UTILIZE AND EXPAND ITS EXISTING QUARTERLY LANGUAGE ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO A) CREATE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE PUBLIC IMPACTED COMMUNITIES TO SHARE THOUGHTS, SUGGESTIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE L.A.A.C. B) REVIEW PROPOSED VOTER CENTER PLACEMENT PLANS AND CRITERIA AND TO RECOMMEND CULTURALLY APPROPRIATE OR PREFERRED IN-PERSON VOTING LOCATIONS IN RELEVANT COMMUNITIES, ESPECIALLY A.A.P.I., INDIGENOUS, LATINO, AND OTHER HIGH CONCENTRATIONS OF N.E.S. AND L.E.P. VOTERS AND C) ENHANCE QUALITY REVIEW AND ASSURANCE CHECKS FOR MULTILINGUAL MATERIALS TO ENSURE THE INFORMATION IS ACCURATE AND LINGUISTICALLY CORRECT. AND D) IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL

MECHANISMS BY WHICH THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER CAN RECEIVE TIMELY, ACTIONABLE FEEDBACK BY N.E.S. AND L.E.P. VOTERS AND WORK WITH COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS TO INCREASE PARTNERSHIPS WITH HYPER LOCAL ETHNIC MEDIA TO PROMOTE INFORMATION, EDUCATION, COMBAT MISINFORMATION ABOUT THE UPCOMING AND FUTURE ELECTIONS IN OUR COUNTY AND 5) DIRECT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER COUNTY CLERK TO PROVIDE THE BOARD WITH POST ELECTION REPORT IN WRITING WITHIN 90 DAYS FOLLOWING THE CERTIFICATION OF THE MARCH 2024 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY AND NOVEMBER 2024 PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTIONS ON HOW N.E.S. AND L.E.P. VOTERS WERE SUPPORTED, THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE INCENTIVIZED RECRUITMENT AND PLACEMENT OF MULTILINGUAL ELECTION WORKERS, AND OPPORTUNITIES OR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FURTHER GROWTH AND SUCCESS WITH THIS COMMUNITY. I'M SORRY, MADAM CHAIR, I HAD TO READ ALL THAT IN, BUT THESE WERE DIRECTIVES THAT GOT CHANGED A BIT, AND I WOULD HUMBLY ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE. AND MADAM CHAIR, I'M SURE YOU WANT TO SPEAK ON THIS.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. LET'S JUST SAY I REALLY APPRECIATE THE PARTNERSHIP WITH YOU ON BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. IT'S ALWAYS A PLEASURE FOR ME TO WORK ALONGSIDE YOU IN BRINGING FORWARD MORE ACCESSIBLE SOLUTIONS TO OUR COMMUNITIES, MANY OF WHOM HAVE BEEN OVERLOOKED DUE TO LANGUAGE BARRIERS. SO I DO LOOK FORWARD TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE WILL RECEIVE ON HOW THE COUNTY CAN BEST INCREASE

VOTING ACCESSIBILITY TO OUR RESIDENTS. WE WANT OUR RESIDENTS, OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS, TO FEEL EMPOWERED AND ENGAGED AND INCLUDED IN THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS. AND NOTHING SPEAKS MORE TO THAT THAN THE ACT OF CASTING YOUR VOTE, BUT WE KNOW THERE ARE CERTAIN BARRIERS ALONG THE WAY THAT CAN PREVENT PEOPLE FROM DOING THAT. HAVING REVEREND LAWSON HERE TODAY REMINDING US OF HIS WORK AND JOHN LEWIS'S WORK AND THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, IT IS NOW INCUMBENT UPON US TO CONTINUE TO FIND WAYS TO MAKE IT MORE ACCESSIBLE. I DO LOOK FORWARD -- I KNOW WE HAVE A NEW VOTING MODEL IN L.A. COUNTY. NO LONGER DO WE HAVE THE OLD FASHIONED PRECINCTS AND POLLS THAT MANY OF US GREW UP WITH, WHERE IT WAS IN THE GARAGE OR LOCAL SCHOOL AUDITORIUM. VOTE CENTERS ARE DIFFERENT NOW. PEOPLE CAN NOW VOTE NOT JUST IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD BUT WHERE THEY WORK, WHERE THEY EAT. THERE'S JUST A NUMBER OF PLACES. I DO HOPE THAT, DEAN LOGAN, THAT YOU, IN THE REPORT BACK -- I KNOW HE'S STANDING OVER THERE -- IN THE REPORT BACK WE COULD ADDRESS THE DROP BOX -- I'M GOING TO CALL IT A SITUATION BECAUSE THERE IS A LOT OF MISINFORMATION ABOUT DROP BOXES. THERE WAS A LOT OF FEAR TACTICS THAT WERE PERPETUATED ABOUT DROP BOXES. AND I'D REALLY LIKE TO SEE OUR REGISTRAR-RECORDER ADDRESS THE HESITANCY BY SOME MUNICIPALITIES AND CITIES WHO ALMOST REFUSE TO HAVE DROP BOXES IN THEIR CITY OR LIMITED IT TO MAYBE ONE. I DO THINK DROP BOXES HAVE BECOME A VERY CONVENIENT WAY FOR PEOPLE IN THEIR BUSY LIVES TO VOTE BY MAIL, SIT AT THEIR KITCHEN TABLE

AND FILL IT OUT, AND JUST GO QUICKLY AND DROP IT OFF. WE NEED TO EDUCATE PEOPLE AND MUNICIPALITIES THAT THEY'RE SAFE AND SECURE AND A VIABLE WAY FOR PEOPLE TO CAST THEIR BALLOTS. SO, I HOPE WE SEE THAT IN THE REPORT BACK. LET ME CALL ON SUPERVISOR MITCHELL THEN SUPERVISOR BARGER AND THEN SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HAHN FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR ALL THE REASONS YOU TALKED ABOUT. AND I THINK MY ISSUE REALLY IS BROADER THAN JUST THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER. AND THAT REALLY IS OUR THRESHOLD LANGUAGES ACROSS THE COUNTY. THE MOTION TALKS ABOUT THE 18 AND THE CRITERIA BY WHICH LANGUAGES ARE ADDED. AND SO, WE'VE BEEN WORKING COLLABORATIVELY WITH A NUMBER OF COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, THOSE REPRESENTING KOREA TOWN, WHO HAVE LONG RAISED THE ISSUE. I WAS STRUCK IN THE MIDDLE OF COVID RECOGNIZING THAT AT THE STATE LEVEL NONE OF OUR E.D.D. FORMS WERE AVAILABLE IN KOREAN, WHICH WAS AMAZING. SO WE'VE GOT TO DO BETTER STATE-WIDE, BUT WE HAVE WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE BLACK ALLIANCE FOR JUST IMMIGRATION. AND WHEN WE LOOK HOW WE GET A LANGUAGE TO THE 18 TO MAKE IT A THRESHOLD LANGUAGE. AND SO, MY CONCERN IS WE'RE CONTINUING TO DISENFRANCHISE A GOOD NUMBER OF PEOPLE. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF AFRICAN LANGUAGES AND DIALECTS THAT ARE SPOKEN IN L.A. COUNTY. WE HAVE GOT ABOUT

24,000 RESIDENTS SPEAKING AN AFRICAN LANGUAGE, 7,000 OF THEM SPEAKING ENGLISH LESS THAN VERY WELL. WE HAVE GOT SEVERAL THOUSAND HAITIANS. WHILE THOSE COMMUNITIES MAY NOT MEET THE THRESHOLD TO BE ADDED, DUE TO COLONIZATION, WE KNOW THAT MANY OF THOSE COUNTRIES AND THE PEOPLE WHO HAIL FROM THERE SPEAK FRENCH OR PORTUGUESE. AND THE FRENCH AND PORTUGUESE NUMBERS DO EXCEED THE 10,000 THRESHOLD. SO, AGAIN, IT'S NOT JUST FOR THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER BUT FOR ALL COUNTY SERVICES HOW WE LOOK AT WHAT LANGUAGES ARE BEING INCLUDED AND WHICH ARE NOT. AND SO, AT LEAST IF FRENCH AND PORTUGUESE WERE ADDED, IT WOULD GIVE -- AT LEAST EXPAND THE OPPORTUNITY FOR BLACK IMMIGRANTS, AGAIN, DUE TO COLONIZATION, THOSE LANGUAGES ARE OFTEN THEIR SECOND LANGUAGE, TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ACCESS COUNTY SERVICES AND AGAIN HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXERCISE THEIR RIGHT TO VOTE. SO I REALLY WANT TO ELEVATE THE ISSUE. I'M NOT SURE WHO TO DIRECT THAT TO, MADAM C.E.O., WHEN WE LOOK AT THE THRESHOLD LANGUAGES FOR THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE, WHEN ARE WE UPDATING THE LIST BECAUSE, AGAIN, FRENCH AND PORTUGUESE, IN TERMS OF OUR OWN ASSESSMENT AT THE COUNTY, IT SEEMS TO ME THEY SHOULD HAVE ALREADY BEEN INCLUDED IN THE TOP TIER LANGUAGES?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I'M NOT EXACTLY SURE OF THE PROCESS. I KNOW FOR SOME DEPARTMENTS, THEY WORKED WITH THE STATE MANY YEARS AGO. WE WERE ESSENTIALLY UNDER A CONSENT DECREE TO INCREASE OUR LANGUAGE ACCESS. AND

THEN FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS, IT'S VOLUNTARY. MY RECOMMENDATION WOULD BE TO ALLOW MY OFFICE TO DO AN ORGANIZATIONAL SCAN, SEE EXACTLY WHAT WE'RE DOING, AND THEN COME BACK TO THE BOARD WITH SOME RECOMMENDATIONS AFTER WE HAVE DONE LIKE -- AT LEAST HAVE SOME PRELIMINARY MEETINGS WITH THE DEPARTMENTS. WHAT ARE YOU DOING? WHAT ARE THE LANGUAGES? ARE THEY REQUIRED BY YOUR FUNDING SOURCE, OR IS THIS VOLUNTARY ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY? AND THEN GET SOME DATA ON THE POPULATIONS THAT YOU MENTIONED. AND SO, WE COULD AT LEAST GET A BETTER UNDERSTANDING AND START TO FRAME WHAT A PLAN MIGHT LOOK LIKE GOING FORWARD.

SUP. MITCHELL: I APPRECIATE THAT. MY SOURCE WAS THE L.A. ALMANAC ANALYSIS OF THE 2021 CENSUS COMMUNITY SURVEY WHERE I GOT MY NUMBERS IN TERMS OF THE NUMBER OF L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS WHO SPEAK THESE LANGUAGES. I WOULD SAY, SUPERVISOR SOLIS MENTIONED EARLIER, SHE THINKS THERE ARE 200 LANGUAGES SPOKE IN HER DISTRICT ALONE. I APPRECIATE THAT SOMETIMES IT'S RESTRICTED BY FUNDING SOURCE, BUT THE COUNTY EXCEEDS EVERY OTHER LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT, PROBABLY JUST SHY OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN TERMS OF DIVERSITY AND THE LANGUAGES, THE INDIGENOUS LANGUAGES, THAT ARE SPOKEN HERE. SO, I THANK YOU FOR THE ANALYSIS BECAUSE I THINK WE'RE GONNA HAVE TO LEAD WHERE OTHERS AREN'T IN MAKING SURE THAT THE THRESHOLD IS APPROPRIATE FOR L.A. COUNTY TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE NOT LEAVING COMMUNITIES BEHIND WHO SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO VOTE

AND GET INFORMATION IN THEIR LANGUAGE THAT THEY'RE MOST COMFORTABLE WITH, FIRST AND FOREMOST, AS WELL AS ACCESSING OTHER COUNTY SERVICES. SO I APPRECIATE YOU LOOKING INTO THAT AND US BEING ABLE TO FOLLOW UP AND REALLY TRACK WHAT WE ARE DOING TO EXPAND OUR LIST OF THRESHOLD LANGUAGES. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: THANK YOU. AND I DO REMEMBER VOTING IN A GARAGE WITH THE GARAGE DOOR OPEN. DO WE EVEN HAVE THAT, DEAN, ANYMORE, HOMES? NO. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. I KNOW YOU REFERENCED CHINATOWN, BUT WE GOT CALLS, AND DEAN KNOWS, AND I WANT TO PUBLICLY THANK YOUR TEAM BECAUSE YOU DO RESPOND WHEN WE REACH OUT WITH ISSUES AS IT RELATES TO PEOPLE FEELING DISENFRANCHISED AND NOT BEING ABLE TO VOTE. BUT IN OUR RURAL AREAS UP IN THE NORTH COUNTY, THAT HAS BEEN A CHALLENGE, AND IT'S HAMPERED BY A LACK OF TRANSPORTATION AND THEN THE SPARSE GEOGRAPHY. SO, WHEN WE'RE LOOKING AT THIS, I HOPE WE LOOK AT ACCESS AS WELL IN RURAL AREAS AND TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION LIMITATIONS ON TRANSPORTATION AS IT RELATES TO PEOPLE GETTING THERE. AND THEN WE'VE SEEN ERRORS IN VOTING MATERIALS EVEN THOSE IN ENGLISH. AND SO, I THINK IT'S OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THAT WE GET INFORMATION THAT IS EASY TO UNDERSTAND

AND ACCURATE VOTING MATERIALS FOR OUR VOTING RESIDENTS MOVING FORWARD. AGAIN, THIS IS NOT A CRITICISM OF YOU, DEAN LOGAN, BECAUSE I KNOW THAT WE HAD AN ISSUE UP IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, PALMDALE, AS A MATTER OF FACT. AND YOU AND YOUR TEAM HELPED TO ADDRESS THE CONCERNS BECAUSE THE ONE PART OF PALMDALE FELT LIKE THEY WERE NOT GETTING A FAIR A SHAKE AT BEING ABLE TO VOTE. AND SOMETIMES, PERCEPTION BECOMES REALITY. SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT. I LOOK FORWARD TO THIS REPORT BACK AND SEE WHAT WE CAN DO AS A BOARD TO SUPPORT OUR REGISTRAR-RECORDER. THANK YOU.

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

SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU BOTH FOR BRINGING THIS ITEM FORWARD. I THINK IT'S INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT, ESPECIALLY AS WE EMBARK ON YET ANOTHER VOTING SEASON TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE ENGAGING EVERY SINGLE PERSON IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN VOTING. A RECENT BERKELEY INSTITUTE OF GOVERNMENTAL STUDIES POLL SHOWED US THAT THE PERSISTENT GAPS IN VOTING PARTICIPATION FIND THAT THE CALIFORNIA VOTERS WHO CAST BALLOTS MOST FREQUENTLY DON'T REFLECT THE STATE'S POPULATION OVERALL. REGULAR VOTERS ARE THOSE WHO VOTED IN GIVE OR MORE OF THE LAST SEVEN ELECTIONS ARE OLDER, DISPROPORTIONATELY WHITE, AND MORE LIKELY TO BE COLLEGE GRADUATES, MARRIED, AND OWN THEIR HOMES. THESE VOTERS COMPRISE

THE MINORITY, 39%, OF ALL REGISTERED VOTERS IN CALIFORNIA. BY CONTRAST, INFREQUENT VOTERS AND NONVOTERS, THOSE WHO HAVE VOTED IN ONLY ONE OR TWO ELECTIONS OR NONE AT ALL, ARE MUCH YOUNGER, TEND TO BE SINGLE, AND INCLUDE LARGE NUMBERS OF NON-COLLEGE GRADUATES, RENTERS, AND LATINOS. INFREQUENT VOTERS ACCOUNT FOR 28% OF THE OVERALL ELECTORATE, AND THESE FIGURES ARE PARTICULARLY CONCERNING IN A COUNTY WHERE MORE -- WHERE, OF ITS MORE THAN 10 MILLION RESIDENTS, 49% IDENTIFY AT LATINO ALONE. THESE NUMBERS ARE STAGGERING. WE HAVE TO DO MUCH BETTER TO ENGAGE OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITIES IN THE ACT OF VOTING. AND SO, SINCE WE HAVE THAT RESPONSIBILITY, I KNOW THAT'S WHY THIS MOTION IS COMING FORWARD, AND I'M GLAD TO SEE WE'RE GOING TO BE DOING EVEN MORE ON TOP OF THE INVESTMENTS WE HAVE ALREADY MADE AS A COUNTY TO ENSURE THAT EVERY SINGLE PERSON GETS THAT OPPORTUNITY TO CAST THEIR BALLOT. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ARE THERE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK. IF THERE ARE, PLEASE CALL THEIR NAMES.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL ARNOLD SACHS, BENJAMIN TRAN, DANIEL JEFFERSON, ESTHER LIMB, FARRAH SUE, KORIE SCHMIDT, NANCY YAP, ARPIAN S.C., PATRICIA MCALLISTER, AND RED CHIEF HUNT PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS JASMINE TOWBAR. YOU MAY BEGIN.

JASMINE TOWBAR: GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS JASMINE TOWBAR, AND I'M THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR FOR THE SALVADORIAN AMERICAN IN EDUCATIONAL FUND. WE'RE AN ORGANIZATION THAT HISTORICALLY HAS WORKED WITH IMMIGRANTS AND ARE FORMED AND FOUNDED BY IMMIGRANTS. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION, ITEM 32. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO ENSURE THAT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER IS WORKING FOR EQUITY FRAMEWORK TO ENSURE THEY'RE ENGAGING WITH NON-ENGLISH AND LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT VOTERS IN THE WAY THAT THEY INCLUSIVE OUGHT. WE NEED MORE VOTING CENTERS IN DIVERSE COMMUNITIES, QUALITY ASSURANCE OF ANY VOTING MATERIALS THAT GO OUT IN THE COMMUNITY, INCREASING ENGAGEMENT WITH COMMUNITY PROVIDERS AND ADVOCACY GROUPS TO REACH VOTERS AND FUTURE VOTERS, RETAINING MORE VOLUNTEERS AND STAFF WHO CAN PROVIDE LANGUAGE TO SUPPORT VOTERS. I HAVE SERVED IN THE PAST AS A POLL WORKER MYSELF, AND I HAVE SEEN THE NEED OF LANGUAGE APPROPRIATE SERVICES FOR THIS COMMUNITIES THAT ARE SO EAGER AND SO PROUD TO BE ABLE TO VOTE IN THEIR NEW HOST COUNTRY.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS RACHEL COCHAR.

RACHEL COCHAR: HELLO, MY NAME IS RACHEL COCHAR, AND I'M WITH THE ASIAN PACIFIC COMMUNITY FUND WHICH SUPPORTS A.A.P.I. C.B.O.S, AND THUS THE GREATER A.A.P.I. COMMUNITY. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION, ITEM 32, AND WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO ENSURE AN EQUITY FRAMEWORK FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTY, ESPECIALLY FOR OUR NON-ENGLISH AND LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT VOTERS AND ALSO WORKING WITH C.B.O.S THAT ARE ACTIVELY WORKING WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. WE NEED TO DO MORE TO ADDRESS UNNECESSARY BARRIERS FOR ALL OF OUR NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING AND LIMITED ENGLISH SPEAKING PROFICIENT VOTERS. THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS EVA ARIANA. YOU MAY BEGIN.

EVA ARIANA: YES. MY NAME IS EVA ARIANA. [INDISCERNIBLE] BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION, ITEM 32. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO ENSURE THAT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER IS WORKING FROM AN

EQUITY FRAMEWORK TO MAKE SURE THEY'RE ENGAGING WITH NON-ENGLISH, LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT VOTERS IN L.A. THAT IS INCLUSIVE AND MORE VOTE CENTERS IN DIVERSE COMMUNITIES, QUALITY ASSURANCE OF ANY VOTER MATERIALS THAT GO OUT TO THE COMMUNITY, INCREASED ENGAGEMENT WITH COMMUNITY PROVIDERS AND ADVOCACY GROUPS TO ENGAGE OUR VOTERS AND FUTURE VOTERS, RETAINING MORE VOLUNTEERS AND STAFF THAT CAN PROVIDE LANGUAGE SUPPORT TO VOTERS. WE NEED DO MORE TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY BARRIERS TO VOTING FOR OUR NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING AND LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT VOTERS. THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JACKIE WOO. YOU MAY BEGIN.

JACKIE WOO: GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR HAHN AND MEMBERS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JACKIE WOO, AND I'M SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF AGENDA ITEM 32 TO ENSURE THE ENGAGEMENT OF THE NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING AND LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT VOTERS IN L.A. COUNTY'S ELECTIONS THROUGH A LENS OF INCLUSION AND EQUITY. THE PLAN WILL ADDRESS THE CHALLENGES AROUND CRITERIA FOR VOTE CENTER LOCATIONS SO THAT LARGE URBAN ETHNIC NEIGHBORHOODS HAVE VOTE CENTERS THAT ARE CULTURALLY SENSITIVE AND ACCESSIBLE AND THAT THERE ARE SUFFICIENT BILINGUAL ELECTION WORKERS TO HELP LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT

VOTERS CAST A BALLOT. TOGETHER, WE BELIEVE THAT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER, A.R.D.I., AND O.I.A. CAN CREATE EQUITABLE AND REALISTIC VOTE CENTER CRITERIA AND PROVIDE LONG TERM INVESTMENT IN NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNITY CENTERS TO MEET REQUIREMENTS AND SERVE AS VOTE CENTERS AND HELP CREATE A POOL OF BILINGUAL ELECTION WORKERS TO HELP OTHERS PARTICIPATE IN DEMOCRACY AND TO ALSO ENCOURAGE THAT THERE IS SUFFICIENT FUNDING FOR THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER TO FULFILL THESE ACTS THAT WE ARE MAKING. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING HOW NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING AND LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY VOTERS ARE SUPPORTED, WHAT LESSONS ARE LEARNED ON HOW THE COUNTY CAN IMPROVE UPON THIS PLAN AND STRIVE FOR EQUITY. THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ADOLFO ARIAGA. YOU MAY BEGIN.

ADOLFO ARIAGA: YES, MY NAME IS ADOLFO ARIAGA. AND MY ORGANIZATION [INDISCERNIBLE] A MONASTIC INDIAN GROUP. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION, ITEM NUMBER 32. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR THE MOTION TO ENSURE THAT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER IS WORKING FROM AN EQUITY FRAMEWORK TO ENSURE THAT THEY'RE ENGAGING WITH NON-ENGLISH AND LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT VOTERS IN A WAY THAT

INCLUDES THROUGH MORE VOTER CENTERS IN DIVERSE COMMUNITIES, QUALITY INSURANCE OF ANY VOTER MATERIALS THAT GO OUT TO THE COMMUNITY, INCREASING ENGAGEMENT WITH COMMUNITY PROVIDERS AND ADVOCACY GROUPS TO ENGAGE OUR VOTERS AND FUTURE VOTERS, RETAINING MORE VOLUNTEERS AND STAFF THAT CAN PROVIDE A LANGUAGE SUPPORT TO VOTERS. WE NEED TO DO MORE TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY BARRIERS --

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS WONG WEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

WONG WEN: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS WONG WEN WITH A.A.P.I. EQUITY ALLIANCE. WE ARE A COALITION OF OVER 40 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS SERVING AND REPRESENTING THE OVER 1.6 MILLION ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDERS ACROSS THE COUNTY. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HAHN FOR THE MOTION TODAY. WHAT WE SAW IN 2022 SHOULD NOT BE REPEATED, BUT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL IS RIGHT. WE KNOW THAT THIS IS A SYMPTOM OF THE WIDER SYSTEMIC ISSUE OF EXCLUSION AND NEGLECT OF PEOPLE WHO SPEAK A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH, SOMETHING WE HAVE SEEN AT ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT. WE ARE GLAD THAT THE BOARD, PARTICULARLY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, IS PRIORITIZING THIS ISSUE THROUGH THIS MOTION AND HOPEFULLY THROUGH FULLY FUNDING THE COUNTY-WIDE LANGUAGE ACCESS PLAN, WHICH WE HOPE WILL ACCELERATE THE

COUNTY'S EFFORTS TO TEAR DOWN BARRIERS TO ACCESSING SERVICES FOR LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT PEOPLE. WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE REPORT BACK AND WORKING WITH THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER AND ALL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO TRULY BE INCLUSIVE OF COMMUNITIES OF COLOR.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MICHELE FARRAGE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

MICHELE FARRAGE: HI THERE. MY NAME IS MICHELE FARRAGE. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE ASIAN YOUTH CENTER. AND WE ARE A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION SERVING THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AREA OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THIS AREA OF THE COUNTY IS HOME TO THE LARGEST ASIAN IMMIGRATION POPULATION OUTSIDE OF ASIA IN THE UNITED STATES. AND A LOT OF THE CITIZENS SPEAK CHINESE, VIETNAMESE, AND OTHER ASIAN LANGUAGES. SO, I'D LIKE TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION TO ENSURE THAT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER IS WORKING FROM AN EQUITY FRAMEWORK, IS MAKING ACCESSIBLE IN LANGUAGE THE INFORMATION THAT VOTERS NEED AND ALSO THE LOCATIONS ARE SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE AREA AND ARE ACCESSIBLE TO THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO WANT TO VOTE AND WHO ARE DEEPLY ENGAGED IN AND INVESTED IN EQUALITY OF GOVERNMENT SERVICES.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS HECTOR RAMIREZ. YOU MAY BEGIN.

HECTOR RAMIREZ: YES, HELLO, SUPERVISORS. TODAY, THIS WEEK IS ACTUALLY DISABILITY VOTING RIGHTS WEEK. 1 IN 7 VOTERS WITH A DISABILITY HAD TROUBLE VOTING IN 2022, AND THAT'S A SLIGHT INCREASE FROM FROM 1 TO 9 IN 2020. THAT'S WHY TODAY I'M CALLING IN SUPPORT OF THIS ITEM TO ENSURE THAT DISABLED VOTERS HAVE THE SUPPORT THEY NEED TO CAST A BALLOT WITH CONFIDENCE AND EASE. LET'S BUILD A DEMOCRACY THAT WORKS FOR ALL OF US. OUR DEMOCRACY THRIVES WHERE EVERYBODY CAN MAKE THEIR VOICE HEARD. AND ALSO LANGUAGE EQUITY IS A DISABILITY ISSUE. SO DEFINITELY WANT TO SUPPORT AND REALLY THANK YOU FOR THIS.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS YASAMI KUCKS. YOU MAY BEGIN.

YASAMI KUCKS: GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS YASAMI KUCKS, AND I'M THE COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR AT [INDISCERNIBLE]. I WOULD

LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION, ITEM NUMBER 32. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER MOTION TO ENSURE THAT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER IS WORKING FOR AN EQUITY FRAMEWORK TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE ENGAGING WITH NON-ENGLISH AND LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT VOTERS IN A WAY THAT'S INCLUSIVE THROUGH MORE VOTE CENTERS IN DIVERSE COMMUNITIES, QUALITY ASSURANCE OF ANY VOTER MATERIALS THAT GO OUT TO THE COMMUNITY, INCREASING ENGAGEMENT WITH COMMUNITY PROVIDERS AND ADVOCACY GROUPS TO ENGAGE OUR VOTERS AND FUTURE VOTERS, RETAINING MORE VOLUNTEERS AND STAFF THAT CAN PROVIDE IN-LANGUAGE SUPPORT TO VOTERS. WE NEED TO DO MORE TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY BARRIERS TO VOTING FOR NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING AND LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT VOTERS. THANK YOU. HAVE A GOOD REST OF YOUR DAY.

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

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 32, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PEDRO HERNANDEZ. YOU MAY BEGIN.

PEDRO HERNANDEZ: HI, MY NAME IS PEDRO HERNANDEZ. I'M THE LEGAL AND POLICY DIRECTOR AT CALIFORNIA COMMON CAUSE. THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGISTRAR AND COUNTY CLERK HAS TAKEN A NUMBER OF ACTIONS TO ENSURE THAT NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING AND LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT VOTERS HAVE FULL ACCESS, AND WE APPRECIATE THAT. AND WE SUPPORT THIS MOTION. AND WITH THIS MOTION, IT WILL PUSH THE COUNTY FURTHER, WHICH WE SUPPORT. THANK YOU FOR ELEVATING THE TOPIC. I DO AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR MITCHELL THAT THE -- NOT INCLUDING MANY LANGUAGES, AFRICAN LANGUAGES, IS SOMETHING THAT STEMS AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL, AND WE ALSO THINK CALIFORNIA COULD BE DOING A LOT MORE. SO, WE APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENT. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR BRINGING THIS.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHRISTIAN TEGAROS. YOU MAY BEGIN. CHRISTIAN TEGAROS, PLEASE BEGIN. THEY'VE DROPPED OUT OF THE QUEUE. OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS TRAMEL CARTER. YOU MAY BEGIN.

TRAMEL CARTER: I'M CALLING IN REGARDS TO THE MOTION THAT IS BEING PROPOSED IN REGARDS TO LANGUAGE BARRIERS. AND THOUGH THIS IS A VERY GOOD PROPOSAL, I DO THINK THAT OTHER LANGUAGE BARRIERS SHOULD BE INCLUDED, BUT IT'S BEEN THIS WAY FOR A VERY

LONG PERIOD OF TIME THROUGH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ONCE AGAIN THROUGH MRS. MITCHELL'S OFFICE. SHE'S ACTING VERY SURPRISED TODAY, BUT MANY OF HER CONSTITUENTS WITHIN HER DISTRICT HAVE PROPOSED TO HER THAT EVEN THROUGH THE M.T.A. BUS SYSTEM, IT WAS ONLY A SPANISH LANGUAGE WHEN OTHER RACES AND OTHER LANGUAGES ARE NOT BEING PROMOTED. SO A LOT OF THE L.A. COUNTY FUNDING GOES TO A LOT OF SPANISH AND ASIAN, BUT YOU NEVER EVER SEE OTHER LANGUAGE BARRIERS FOR AFRICAN AMERICANS, HAITIANS, OR JAMAICANS. BUT ONCE AGAIN, MRS. MITCHELL IS AWARE OF THIS. IT'S PRIMARILY WITHIN HER DISTRICT, BUT SHE'S ACTING SURPRISED TODAY WHEN MANY OF HER CONSTITUENTS HAVE BEEN TELLING HER THIS FOR OTHER THINGS LIKE THE M.T.A. BUS WITH THE RECORDINGS BEING PLAYED. AND SHE HAS NEVER EVER ADDRESSED IT. SO IT'S JUST ALARMING, LIKE I SAID, AGAIN TO SEE HER NAME ON CERTAIN THINGS THAT ARE BEING PROPOSED AGAIN TODAY, BUT IT'S - -

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. WE'LL NOW GO IN-PERSON. WELCOME.

ESTHER YOUNGLAND: HI. NAME IS ESTHER YOUNGLAND. PRESIDENT OF NONPROFIT THROUGH PEACE AND CHAIR OF THE D.A.'S A.A.P.I. ADVISORY BOARD. I SUPPORT THIS MOTION BECAUSE I'M A STRONG ADVOCATE FOR LANGUAGE ACCESS. I CREATED THE HOW TO REPORT A HATE CRIME BOOKLETS AND EXPANDED THAT EFFORT TO CREATE IT INTO

14 DIFFERENT LANGUAGES WITH THE HELP OF COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS, WHO SAW THE IMPORTANCE OF MEETING THE PEOPLE AT THEIR LEVEL. TO ENSURE OUR DIVERSE L.A. COMMUNITY KNOW THEIR RIGHTS AND THAT THEIR RIGHTS ARE PROTECTED, THIS MOTION IS A GREAT EFFORT BECAUSE LANGUAGE JUSTICE EQUALS LANGUAGE ACCESS, WHICH MAKES THE ELECTION A MORE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS. I APPRECIATE SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HAHN FOR INTRODUCING THIS MOTION TO ENSURE THAT OUR COMMUNITIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO GET MORE INVOLVED IN THE ELECTION PROCESS. I ALSO WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS ARE ESSENTIAL TO THE COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY IF WE INTEND TO GET A LOT OF NEW VOTES. I URGE THE BOARD TO APPROVE THIS MOTION. THANK YOU.

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

DANIEL JEFFERSON: HELLO AGAIN. DANIEL FROM THE FILIPINO WORKERS CENTER. WE SUPPORT THIS MOTION. AS PART OF THE LOS ANGELES FILIPINO COMMUNITY, P.W.C. SEEKS TO EDUCATE FILIPINOS ACROSS THE COUNTY IN A WAY THAT IS INCLUSIVE OF BOTH FILIPINO LANGUAGES AND CULTURAL CONTEXTS. WE SUPPORT THIS MOTION AS A STEP TOWARDS A MORE EQUITABLE ELECTORAL SYSTEM THAT RECOGNIZES THE UNIQUE DIVERSITY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IT'S HARD ENOUGH FOR NON-U.S. BORN CITIZENS BEING IN A COUNTRY THEY DID NOT GROW UP IN AND IN A SYSTEM THAT THEY ARE STILL LEARNING.THEY DESERVE TO VOTE IN THEIR OWN LANGUAGES AT VOTING

CENTERS IN THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES. AND WE WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HAHN FOR INTRODUCING THIS MOTION, AND YEAH, WE LOOK FORWARD TO IT. THANK YOU.

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

BENJAMIN TRAN: HELLO, L.A. BOARD OF SUPERVISOR. MY NAME IS BENJAMIN TRAN, POLICY STRATEGIST WITH ASIAN AMERICANS ADVANCING JUSTICE, SOUTHERN CALIFONRIA, OR A.J. SOCAL, IN SUPPORT OF MOTION 32. WE ARE A SOCIAL JUSTICE ORGANIZATION THAT PROTECTS AND STRENGTHENS THE RIGHTS AND DIGNITY OF ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES, ESPECIALLY THOSE THAT ARE MOST DISADVANTAGED. TIME AND TIME AGAIN WE HAVE SEEN THE EXCLUSION OF OUR COMMUNITIES DUE TO LANGUAGE BARRIERS AND INADEQUATE OUTREACH EFFORTS. IN THE 2022 PRIMARY ELECTION, THERE WERE NO PLANS FOR VOTE CENTERS IN KOREA TOWN OR CHINATOWN. THIS MOTION IS TO EXAMINE THE PROTOCOLS THAT ALLOW THESE INJUSTICES AND IDENTIFY WHAT MUST CHANGE. ON A PERSONAL NOTE, AS A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF L.A. COUNTY, I GREW UP BEING MY IMMIGRANT PARENTS' TRANSLATOR BECAUSE OF INADEQUATE LANGUAGE ACCESS. AS I WAS LEARNING AMERICAN HISTORY, I WAS HELPING MY MOM WITH HER CITIZENSHIP TEST. BEING LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT MAKES THEM NO LESS DESERVING OF HAVING A VOICE IN OUR DEMOCRACY, AND IT'S OUR JOB TO DO SO. THANK YOU, AND I ENCOURAGE YOUR AYE VOTE.

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

ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. I, TOO, REMEMBER VOTING IN GARAGES WITH A SET UP WITH PEOPLE THERE. AS A MATTER OF FACT, I GOT THE VOLUNTEERS $15 AN HOUR. THEY WERE GETTING $7.50 BACK IN 2010. SO I ASKED, I SAID, "WHY DON'T YOU GIVE THEM MORE MONEY?" SO THE SUPERVISORS HAD TO DOUBLE THE RATE TO $15. YOU'RE TAKING AWAY VOLUNTEERS FROM THE WORK. THAT SUCKS. A LOT OF PEOPLE DEPEND ON THAT. LINDSEY, MADAM HORVATH, IF YOU LOOK BEHIND YOU AND YOU SEE THAT CLOCK, THAT'S WHITE. IF YOU LOOK AT YOUR NAME, THAT'S WHITE. THIS ISN'T WHITE. THIS IS CAUCASIAN. THERE'S A BIG DIFFERENCE. THIS RACISM THAT YOU ENDORSE BY METAL DESIRE. SHE WAS THE ONE WHO CAME IN HERE AND SAID THERE ARE BLACK PEOPLE ON SKID ROW. THERE ARE BROWN PEOPLE ON SKID ROW. THERE ARE NO WHITE PEOPLE ON SKID ROW. IT'S YOU JANICE HAHN. YOU'RE A LIAR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

ARNOLD SACHS: OH, CAN I LEAVE THIS FOR THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS TO TAKE UP?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. YOUR TIME IS GOING. YOUR TIME IS RUNNING. GO AHEAD. GO AHEAD. YOU'RE BREAKING INTO HER TIME. START THE CLOCK.

PATRICIA MCALLISTER: PATRICIA MCALLISTER. I THINK THAT THE PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT VOTING, AS WE KNOW THE BOARD HAS BEEN OPEN, WIDE OPEN, AND WE'VE GOT MILLIONS OF UNVETTED ILLEGAL ALIENS HERE, AND THEY ARE AFRAID. THEY'RE NOT CRAZY. YOU WON'T BE SEEING THEM AT THE POLLS BECAUSE THEY KNOW THAT'S THE WAY OF TRACKING THEM, IMMIGRATION. THAT'S WHY YOU'RE BRINGING THEM IN HERE. I JUST READ TODAY A BUS LOAD -- BUS LOADS OF THEM CAME IN UNVETTED. HOW DO I KNOW THEY ARE UNVETTED? THEY SAID THEY HADN'T EATEN IN TWO DAYS. SO, IF THEY HAD WENT THROUGH IMMIGRATION, THEY FEED THEM, YOU KNOW, AND GIVE THEM CLOTHES. UNVETTED. YOU GUYS, THE DEMOCRATS ARE BRINGING IN THESE ILLEGAL ALIEN MIGRANTS BY THE BUS LOADS, AND THEY'RE COMING IN OUT OF TEXAS, TOO, THE GOVERNOR. SO, THEY'RE NOT GOING THERE. THE MEDIA DIDN'T REPORT THIS, BUT CALIFORNIA IS AS SICK AS THESE DEMOCRATS. SIX REPUBLICANS WERE SENT TO CONGRESS THIS LAST MIDTERM ELECTION, THAT'S RIGHT. THEY DID LIKE I DID. THEY JUST WENT DOWN THE BALLOT. ANYBODY WHO WAS REPUBLICAN, WE VOTED FOR THEM. WE'RE GETTING YOU DEMOCRATS OUT OF OFFICE.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

NANCY YAP: HELLO, EVERYONE. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I'M NANCY YAP, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FROM CAUSE, THE CENTER FOR ASIAN AMERICANS UNITED FOR SELF-EMPOWERMENT. THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR HAHN FOR THIS MOTION, BUT ALSO THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND ALL YOU SHARED TODAY. I THINK ALL YOUR COMMENTS REALLY RESONATED WITH ME AND WERE JUST REALLY PASSIONATE ABOUT HOW WE CAN IMPROVE THIS PROCESS, ESPECIALLY FOR LIMITED ENGLISH AND NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING PARTICIPANTS. ALSO REGARDING VOTE CENTERS, WE DO FEEL LIKE THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE WAS RESPONSIVE TO SOME OF OUR NEEDS. HOWEVER, WE KNOW SOME OF THE CRITERIA WAS REALLY -- PREVENTED US FROM HAVING VOTE CENTERS IN CERTAIN AREAS THAT WERE ETHNIC NEIGHBORHOODS, HIGH DENSE POPULATIONS, AND ALSO LOW INCOME WORKING CLASS VOTERS. SO WE JUST WANT TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE THOSE RESOURCES, LOOKING FORWARD TO THE REPORT AND ALL THE WAYS COLLABORATION CAN MAKE THIS BETTER. THANK YOU, EVERYBODY.

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

FARRAH: GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS FARRAH, AND I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE SAME NONPROFIT THAT NANCY JUST SPOKE OFF OF, CENTER FOR ASIAN AMERICANS UNITED FOR SELF-EMPOWERMENT, ALSO KNOWN AS CAUSE, AND AS A STAKEHOLDER OF L.A. COUNTY. I'M

EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR MOTION 32 TO SUPPORT INCLUSIVE ENGAGEMENT OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING VOTERS. I BELIEVE THAT THIS MOTION IS KEY TO ADDRESSING EXISTING CHALLENGES AROUND CRITERIA FOR VOTE CENTERS AND ENSURE THAT LARGE URBAN ETHNIC NEIGHBORHOODS AS WELL AS ALL NEIGHBORHOODS HAVE VOTE CENTERS THAT ARE CULTURALLY SENSITIVE AND ACCESSIBLE. IT WAS CLEAR IN 2022 PRIMARY ELECTIONS THAT THESE CRITERIA WERE MAKING VOTING INACCESSIBLE IN ETHNIC NEIGHBORHOODS SUCH AS KOREA TOWN AND CHINATOWN BECAUSE HISTORIC POLLING PLACES COULD NO LONGER FIT THE CURRENT CRITERIA. CAUSE TOOK DIRECT ACTION TO ADDRESS THIS WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER'S OFFICE, AND WE WERE ABLE TO DETERMINE NEW VOTE CENTERS JUST IN TIME FOR ELECTION DAY. FROM THIS EXPERIENCE, WE BELIEVE THAT, IN COLLABORATION WITH A.R.D.I. AND O.I.A., THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER CAN CREATE EVEN MORE EQUITABLE AND REALISTIC VOTE CENTER CRITERIA. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING AND SUPPORTING THE REPORTS AND PLANS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. LET'S GO BACK TO THE PHONES. MODERATOR, LET'S HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LANA JUMPFY.

LANA JUMPFY: THANK YOU SO MUCH. THIS IS LANA JUMPFY. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE BLACK ALLIANCE FOR JUST IMMIGRATION,

ALSO KNOWN AS B.A.J.I. B.A.J.I. FIGHTS FOR THE RIGHTS OF BLACK MIGRANTS AND AFRICAN AMERICANS TOWARDS RACIAL JUSTICE AND MIGRANT RIGHTS. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HAHN FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR CONSISTENTLY LIFTING UP THE CONCERNS OF BLACK MIGRANTS, PARTICULARLY AS IT PERTAINS TO THE SPECIAL NEEDS THAT WE HAVE. AND LANGUAGE ACCESS, LANGUAGE JUSTICE, OF COURSE IS ONE OF THEM. VERY GLAD TO SEE THIS FRAMING OF ANTIRACISM, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION AS WE DISCUSS MAKING SURE ALL OF US HAVE ACCESS TO THE VOTING BALLOT. DOING THIS IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 32. AS OUR SISTER ODELIA ROMERO OF CIELO OFTEN REMINDS US, LANGUAGE JUSTICE IS HUMAN RIGHT AND NOT A PRIVILEGE. I JUST WANT TO LIFT UP AGAIN A CONVERSATION ABOUT THE THRESHOLD AS IT PERTAINS TO LANGUAGES. THERE IS THE LANGUAGES, SUCH AS FRENCH AND PORTUGUESE, THAT SHOULD BE MEETING THE THRESHOLD AS WELL AS ARABIC. I WANT TO ADD THAT ALSO TO THE LIST. AND THEN I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO LOOK AT THE CERTAIN SPECIFIC LANGUAGES IN A NOD TO THE HISTORICAL AND DEMOGRAPHIC TIES TO L.A. COUNTY. FOR EXAMPLE --

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ALIA YOSOUFI. YOU MAY BEGIN.

ALIA YOSOUFI: HELLO, MY NAME IS ALIA YOSOUFI, AND I'M WITH THE ORGANIZATION THE COUNCIL ON AMERICAN-ISLAMIC RELATIONS GREATER L.A. CHAPTER, ALSO KNOWN AS C.A.R.E. L.A. WE ARE THE LARGEST MUSLIM-LED CIVIL RIGHTS ORGANIZATION IN THE COUNTRY, AND OUR OFFICE IS THE LARGEST IN CALIFORNIA. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION, ITEM NUMBER 32. WE NEED TO DO MORE TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY BARRIERS TO VOTING FOR OUR NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING AND LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT VOTERS. VOTING IS A CIVIL RIGHT THAT EVERY CITIZEN SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN FULLY REGARDLESS OF WHAT LANGUAGE THEY SPEAK. AND THIS MOTION WOULD BE A STEP IN THAT DIRECTION. THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS FRANCISCO MORENO. YOU MAY BEGIN.

FRANCISCO MORENO: GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS FRANCISCO MORENO, AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF [INDISCERNIBLE] COUNCIL OF MEXICAN FEDERATIONS. WE'RE A NONPROFIT WORKING FOR MORE THAN 22 YEARS SUPPORTING OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES, ESPECIALLY THE MEXICAN. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK AND APPLAUD SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HAHN BECAUSE THIS MOTION, ITEM NUMBER 32, FINALLY WE HAVE MORE FREEDOM TO ACT ON

BEHALF OF OUR COMMUNITY THAT DOESN'T UNDERSTAND OR ARE NOT ENGLISH, ARE LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT, IN TERMS OF VOTING. WE HAVE SOFTWARE FOR THE LAST DECADE THAT OUR COMMUNITY DOESN'T UNDERSTAND, YOU KNOW THE SYSTEM OF VOTING. AND NOW, WITH THIS MOTION, WE ARE SO GLAD THAT WE CAN GET MORE VOTERS FROM OUR COMMUNITY. WE HAVE CITIZENS FOR MORE THAN 30 OR 40 YEARS THAT ARE NOT PROFICIENT IN ENGLISH, AND WE ARE --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS AND EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS RICHARD CHANG. YOU MAY BEGIN.

RICHARD CHANG: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS RICHARD CHANG, AND I'M THE DIRECTOR OF THE NATIVE HAWAIIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER DATA POLICY LAB AND A CONSTITUENT OF DISTRICT FOUR. I'VE WORKED WITH NUMEROUS ASIAN AMERICAN AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES IN L.A. COUNTY OVER THE PAST 15 YEARS, AND I STRONGLY SUPPORT SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HAHN'S EFFORTS TO IMPROVE INCLUSION AND EQUITY AND TO INCREASE ENGAGEMENT OF NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING RESIDENTS AND LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY VOTERS IN L.A. COUNTY. MEANINGFUL CIVIC PARTICIPATION FOR OUR COMMUNITIES REQUIRES IN-LANGUAGE SUPPORT THAT SERVES OUR INCREASINGLY DIVERSE COMMUNITIES,

RESTORATION OF ACCESSIBLE VOTING CENTERS, AND GREATER COLLABORATION WITH OUR COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS SARAH REYES. YOU MAY BEGIN.

SARAH REYES: HELLO. THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SARAH REYES, AND I'M WITH THE TRANS LATINA COALITION, WHICH IS CONTINUOUSLY ADVOCATING FOR THE RIGHTS HAVE TRANS GENDER NONCONFORMING AND INTERSEX COMMUNITIES. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION, ITEM 32. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, THANK YOU FOR YOUR MOTION EMPHASIZING EQUITY WITH THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER'S ENGAGEMENT OF NON-ENGLISH AND LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT VOTERS. THIS MOTION CALLS FOR MORE VOTE CENTERS IN DIVERSE COMMUNITIES, REDUCING BARRIERS FOR VOTING FOR NON-ENGLISH SPEAKERS AND LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT VOTERS IS ESSENTIAL. THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ANAYA MOLINA. YOU MAY BEGIN. GO AHEAD.

ANAYA MOLINA: HELLO?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: HELLO.

ANAYA MOLINA: OKAY. YES, I'M HERE. I AM ANAYA MOLINA FROM [INDISCERNIBLE], AND I AM SPEAKING FOR ITEM NUMBER 32 AND THANKING HILDA SOLIS FOR THE HARD WORK SHE'S BEEN DOING FOR OUR COMMUNITY. NOW, I WOULD LIKE TO NOW MAKE A MOTION FOR THIS ITEM NUMBER 32 TO MAKE SURE THESE FOLKS, THESE COMMUNITIES THAT ARE NOT BEING HEARD, TO BE ABLE TO BE ACCESS TO THESE VOTERS IN DIFFERENT LANGUAGES. SO WE THANK HILDA SOLIS FOR PUTTING THE MOTION AND CONTINUE OUR SERVICES IN THIS COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

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

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: THERE ARE NO OTHER SPEAKERS, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. SO, ITEM 32 AS REVISED IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I WILL SECOND IT TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: ITEM 32 AS REVISED IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

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

SUP. MITCHELL: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

SUP. HORVATH: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER

SUP. BARGER: AYE.

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY LET'S GO ON TO ITEM 37, PROTECTING VULNERABLE STUDENTS FROM EXTREME HEAT ON SCHOOL CAMPUSES, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON ITEM 37. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

SUP. SOLIS: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR COAUTHORING THIS MOTION WITH ME. COLLEAGUES, THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE IMPACTS OF MAN-MADE CLIMATE CHANGE ARE ALREADY EVIDENT. SEVERE STORMS, DROUGHT, AND TEMPERATURE EXTREMES HAVE BECOME MORE FREQUENT OCCURRENCES AND HOTTER, LONGER HEAT WAVES ARE THREATENING THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF OUR RESIDENTS. UNFORTUNATELY, CHILDREN ARE PARTICULARLY SUSCEPTIBLE TO HEAT STRESS AND OTHER HEAT RELATED ILLNESSES, AND THEY MAKE UP ALMOST HALF OF THOSE THAT ARE GETTING SICK. TRAGICALLY, HEAT EXPOSURE IS BELIEVED TO BE THE CAUSE OF A 12-YEAR-OLD STUDENT'S DEATH DURING PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASS LATE LAST MONTH IN LAKE ELSINORE. DUE TO THE NATURE OF THEIR DESIGN, MANY OF THE SCHOOLS ARE SOME OF THE HOTTEST LOCATIONS IN THE COUNTY. PLAY BACKYARDS DOMINATED BY ASPHALT INCREASE HEAT RISK, AND THE LACK OF TREES ON MANY CAMPUSES RESULT IN FEWER OPPORTUNITIES FOR COOLING SHADE. IT'S CLEAR MANY SCHOOLS NEED TO REIMAGINE THEIR CAMPUSES TO ADDRESS EXTREME HEAT. FORTUNATELY, THERE ARE FEDERAL AND STATE OPPORTUNITIES TO SECURE FUNDING TO MAKE CAMPUSES MORE RESILIENT. GOVERNOR NEWSOM RECENTLY ANNOUNCED $73 MILLION IN ADDITIONAL FUNDING FROM CAL FIRE FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO REPLACE ASPHALT WITH GREEN SPACES, TREES, AND VEGETATION.

THESE AND OTHER GRANTS, LIKE THE CALIFORNIA SCHOOL FACILITIES PROGRAM AND THE GREEN SCHOOL YARD GRANT PROGRAM, CAN HELP MODERNIZE MANY OF OUR CAMPUSES. BUT NOT ALL DISTRICTS HAVE THE BANDWIDTH, AS WE KNOW, TO SECURE THESE RESOURCES, ESPECIALLY SMALLER DISTRICTS EVEN IN MY OWN UNINCORPORATED AREAS, WHICH IS WHY WE CAN LEVERAGE THE EXPERTISE WITHIN OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, LIKE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND OUR CLIMATE SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE L.A. COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION TO BRING THAT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THESE DISTRICTS. AND WHILE THESE LONG TERM EFFORTS ARE UNDERWAY, THERE ARE STEPS WE CAN TAKE NOW TO KEEP STUDENTS SAFE FROM EXTREME HEAT. ALREADY A NUMBER OF DISTRICTS MAKE CAMPUSES AVAILABLE AS COOLING CENTERS DURING INSTANCES OF EXTREME HEAT, BUT WE DO NOT HAVE A CENTRAL DATABASE TRACKING WHICH SCHOOLS ARE AVAILABLE AND OUR UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT'S PREVENTING OTHERS FROM DOING THE SAME. THAT'S WHY THIS MOTION, IN PARTICULAR, FURTHER ASKS THE COUNTY O.E.M. TO COLLABORATE WITH L.A. COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION TO WORK WITH OUR SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO DO AN ASSESSMENT OF WHICH SCHOOLS ARE AVAILABLE FOR COOLING AND WHAT THE BARRIERS ARE FOR THOSE THAT ARE NOT. AND FINALLY, WHILE THESE STEPS ARE IN PLACE, OUR STUDENTS, OUR SCHOOL STAFF, AND PARENTS NEED TO BE EMPOWERED WITH INFORMATION ON HOW TO SAFEGUARD THEIR HEALTH NOW. SO, THE MOTION HAS OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH WORKING WITH THE CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER, D.P.W., AND

L.A. COUNTY OFFICE OF ED TO PUT TOGETHER A TOOLKIT OF BEST PRACTICES TO DISSEMINATE THAT TO OUR SCHOOL DISTRICTS. THIS TOOLKIT WILL HELP PROTECT STUDENTS NOW WHILE THE TERM LONG TERM EFFORTS TO MODERNIZE OUR CAMPUSES IS UNDERWAY. AND WE KNOW THAT'S GOING TO BE A TREMENDOUS FISCAL IMPACT AS WELL. COLLEAGUES, I KNOW WE ALL WANT TO SAFEGUARD THE WELLBEING OF OUR MOST VULNERABLE STUDENTS. I BELIEVE THE MOTION REPRESENTS AN IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO BEGIN THIS WORK, AND WE CAN WORK HAND IN HAND WITH OUR SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND OUR OWN L.A. COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, WHO I KNOW ALSO IS CONCERNED WITH THE GROWING IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE. I RESPECTFULLY ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE, AND I KNOW THAT I'D LIKE TO RECOGNIZE MY COAUTHOR, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR HER REMARKS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR INVITING ME TO PARTICIPATE WITH YOU ON THIS ONE. I KNOW IT'S AN IMPORTANT ISSUE. MAKING OUR SCHOOLS SAFE AND INCLUSIVE SPACES FOR OUR CHILDREN AND FOR OUR FAMILIES IS ESSENTIAL. SCHOOL PLAYGROUNDS ARE SHOCKINGLY SOME OF THE HOTTEST LOCATIONS IN OUR COMMUNITIES. A RECENT U.C.L.A. LUSKIN REPORT FOUND THAT ON A 93 DEGREE DAY AT A SCHOOL IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, A CLIMBING STRUCTURE MEASURED 115 DEGREES, A

PLASTIC SLIDE MEASURED 122 DEGREES, THE ASPHALT MEASURED 145 DEGREES, AND THE RUBBER PLATFORM MEASURED A WHOPPING 162 DEGREES, HOT ENOUGH TO CAUSE A THIRD DEGREE BURN ON OUR CHILDREN. OUR CHILDREN NEED TO GET OUTSIDE AND PLAY FOR THEIR PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH. COOLER SCHOOLS ARE CLEARLY HEALTHIER SCHOOLS, AND THEY LEAD TO BETTER LEARNING OUTCOMES. BECAUSE SCHOOLS ARE ALREADY CENTERS OF OUR COMMUNITY, THEY ARE A NATURAL PLACE FOR A COMMUNITY TO GATHER, AS WELL. A THIRD OF LOW INCOME ANGELENOS DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO AIR CONDITIONING IN THEIR HOMES, SO COOLING CENTERS AT OUR SCHOOLS ARE AN OPTION FOR THOSE WHO NEED IT. THEY'RE OFTEN POORLY ATTENDED BECAUSE PEOPLE DON'T KNOW ABOUT THEM OR DON'T FEEL WELCOME. MAKING SCHOOLS COOLING CENTERS DOESN'T IMPACT INSTRUCTION TIME, AND HAVING MORE SCHOOL COOLING CENTERS MAKES A LOT OF SENSE AND MAKES THOSE COOLING CENTERS MORE ACCESSIBLE SAFE SPACES RIGHT WITHIN OUR OWN COMMUNITIES. SCHOOLS ARE ALSO A GREAT WAY TO GET INFORMATION AND TIPS ON HOW TO STAY SAFE OUT TO OUR FAMILIES, INCLUDING STRATEGIES TO KEEP TEMPERATURES DOWN AT HOME AND HOW TO TELL IF A RELATIVE IS FACING HEAT EXHAUSTION OR LIFE THREATENING HEAT STROKE. I JUST TOURED WEST HOLLYWOOD ELEMENTARY YESTERDAY WITH OUR SUPERINTENDENT, AND WE WERE PLEASED TO SEE THAT THE SCHOOL'S PRIORITIZING MAKING THE CAMPUS COOLER AND SAFER FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE, BUT THAT CAN'T BE LIMITED TO THE EXCEPTION. THIS MUST BE THE RULE FOR ALL OF OUR SCHOOLS. CAMPUSES LIKE THIS ONE SHOULDN'T HAVE TO REINVENT

THE WHEEL. THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO RELY ON RESOURCES THAT ARE ALREADY SHARED FROM ACROSS THE COUNTY ON HOW WE CAN MAKE ALL OUR CAMPUSES COOLER. AND THEY SHOULD GET THE BEST PRACTICES ON HOW TO MAKE SAFE SPACES MORE INVITING FOR FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO NEED A COOL PLACE TO GO. I'D ALSO LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, KELLY GOMEZ, WHO LED AN INITIATIVE TO SET A MINIMUM THRESHOLD OF 30% GREEN SPACE BY 2035 AS A GREAT STEP IN THAT DIRECTION. IT'S MY EXPECTATION THAT THE L.A. COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION WILL WORK WITH SCHOOL DISTRICTS LARGE AND SMALL ACROSS OUR COUNTY TO COMPREHENSIVELY SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES. I'D ALSO LIKE TO SEE MORE SCHOOLS TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SAFE CLEAN WATER PROGRAM TO DO MULTI-BENEFIT WATER QUALITY AND SCHOOL GREENING PROGRAMS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I'M EXCITED TO CO-PRESENT THIS MOTION WITH YOU TO CONTINUE WORKING TOGETHER ON ISSUES OF EXTREME HEAT IN L.A. COUNTY. I'M EXCITED TO SEE THIS WORK MOVE FORWARD. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SEEING NO OTHER SUPERVISORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, ITEM 37.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 37, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. WILL KORIE SCHMIDT PLEASE COME FORWARD,

AND STAFF WILL STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ENRIQUE HUERTA. YOU MAY BEGIN.

ENRIQUE HUERTA: HI, ENRIQUE HUERTA, LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR AT CLIMATE RESOLVE. THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM 37. WE NEED TO PROTECT OUR VULNERABLE STUDENTS FROM EXTREME HEAT. EXTREME HEAT IS NOT JUST CAUSING INHUMANE CONDITIONS THAT THREATEN THE HEALTH OF SCHOOL CHILDREN, IT IS ALSO DETRIMENTAL TO THEIR LEARNING. IT ALSO FUELS THE RACIAL ACHIEVEMENT GAP FOR BLACK AND LATINO CHILDREN WHO DISPROPORTIONATELY SUFFER ON SCORCHING SCHOOL DAYS BECAUSE THEY OVERWHELMINGLY LIVE AND LEARN IN HOTTER AREAS THAN BETTER OFF STUDENTS. CLIMATE RESOLVE SUPPORTS THIS MOTION AND RESPECTFULLY ASKS FOR YOUR AYE VOTE. THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PAUL PERZAK. YOU MAY BEGIN.

PAUL PERZAK: GOOD AFTERNOON, ESTEEMED SUPERVISORS AND COMMUNITY LEADERS AND ADVOCATES. MY NAME IS PAUL PERZAK, AND I AM WITH THE Y.M.C.A. OF METROPOLITAN LOS ANGELES, WHICH I

BELIEVE IS WELL KNOWN FOR ITS FOCUS ON YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, HEALTHY LIVING, AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, AND I BELIEVE THAT EACH OF OUR EMPHASES ARE RELEVANT TO ITEM 37 ON TODAY'S DOCKET, WHICH I SUPPORT WITH GRATITUDE FOR SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND HORVATH FOR THEIR MOTION TO SAFEGUARD OUR CHILDREN, STUDENTS IN OUR SCHOOLS, FROM EXTREME HEAT CONDITIONS. THE IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE APPEAR TO BE EVIDENT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS WELL GLOBALLY. AND WITH HEAT WAVES INCREASING INTENSITY AND DURATION HERE EVERY YEAR, THE WELLBEING OF OUR STUDENTS, VULNERABLE JUVENILES, IS AT RISK. THIS MOTION, ITEM 37, IS IMPORTANT TO HELP PROTECT OUR CHILDREN BY KEEPING SCHOOL CAMPUSES SAFE, BY KEEPING CHILDREN COOL, AND BY PROVIDING TOOL KITS IN SCHOOLS DESCRIBING BEST PRACTICES TO ADDRESS MANAGING EXCESS HEAT AND REGARDING ACCESS TO AVAILABLE COOLING CENTERS. I ASK THAT YOU VOTE IN SUPPORT OF THIS IMPORTANT MOTION AND THANK YOU FOR HEARING MY APPEAL.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DENA FLOREZ. YOU MAY BEGIN.

DENA FLOREZ: HELLO, EVERYBODY. MY NAME IS DENA FLOREZ. I AM THE BOARD PRESIDENT FOR THE BASSETT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 37. OUR CHILDREN ARE OUR MOST VALUABLE RESOURCES FOR THEY ARE OUR FUTURE. AND

FOR THAT REASON, I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND SUPERVISOR HORVATH FOR THEIR MOTION TO PROTECT STUDENTS FROM EXTREME HEAT CONDITIONS. THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY, THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE ARE EVIDENT WITH LONGER, HOTTER HEAT WAVES THREATENING THE HEALTH OF VULNERABLE STUDENTS. THAT IS WHY THIS MOTION IS SO IMPORTANT TO HELP COOL SCHOOL CAMPUSES, PROVIDE TOOL KITS TO SCHOOLS, AND WITH BEST PRACTICES TO ADDRESS HEAT, AND EXPAND THE AVAILABILITY OF COOLING CENTERS. I ASK THAT YOU VOTE IN SUPPORT OF THIS IMPORTANT MOTION. THANK YOU, EVERYONE.

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

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. DO WE HAVE ANY IN-PERSON SPEAKERS?

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: NO.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NO. OKAY, SO ITEM 37 IS NOW BEFORE US, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: ITEM 37 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. HORVATH: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: AYE.

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. ITEM 39, PROCLAIMING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

SUP. SOLIS: YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. COLLEAGUES, NATIONAL HISPANIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH HAS BEEN CELEBRATED FOR DECADES TO RECOGNIZE THE MANY ACCOMPLISHMENTS MADE BY OUR HISPANIC AND LATINO COMMUNITY. HISPANIC HERITAGE WEEK WAS FIRST PROCLAIMED BY PRESIDENT LYNDON B. JOHNSON BACK IN 1968, BUT WAS ESTABLISHED BY LEGISLATION SPONSORED BY FORMER LOS ANGELES CONGRESSMAN EDWARD R. ROYBAL. IN 1988, PRESIDENT REAGAN EXPANDED IT TO HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH, AND IT HAS SINCE BEEN PROCLAIMED ANNUALLY. TODAY, OVER 60 MILLION PEOPLE OF HISPANIC AND LATINO ORIGIN CALL THE UNITED STATES THEIR HOME. THAT MAKES UP NEARLY 18% OF THE AMERICAN POPULATION. AND AS A NATION, WE HONOR THEIR HISTORIES, THE CULTURES, AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF AMERICANS WHOSE ANCESTORS CAME FROM HISPANIC AND LATINO ORIGINS FROM SEPTEMBER 15TH THROUGH OCTOBER 15TH EVERY YEAR. AS THE ONLY LATINA ON THE BOARD, TO ME, IT IS IMPORTANT TO CONTINUE OUR TRADITION OF RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS MADE BY HISPANICS AND LATINOS, WHO MAKE UP ALMOST 49% OF OUR COUNTY'S POPULATION. THIS YEAR, I AM PROUD TO HONOR SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING, SOME OF YOU MAY KNOW, ACTOR, PRODUCER, AND DIRECTOR, EDWARD JAMES OLMOS, BEST KNOWN FOR HIS ROLE AS LIEUTENANT MARTIN "MARTY" CASTILLO IN "MIAMI VICE," "AMERICAN ME," WILLIAM ADAMA IN THE

REIMAGINED "BATTLESTAR GALACTICA," AND TEACHER, JAIME ESCALANTE, IN "STAND AND DELIVER," FOR WHICH HE RECEIVED AN ACADEMY AWARD NOMINATION. WE ARE ALSO RECOGNIZING TELEVISION JOURNALIST AND ANCHOR, GISELLE FERNANDEZ, BEST KNOWN TODAY FOR BEING THE ANCHOR ON YOUR MORNING ON SPECTRUM NEWS 1. SPEAKER EMERITUS, ANTHONY RENDON, WHO SERVED AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CALIFORNIA ASSEMBLY, ALSO REPRESENTING DISTRICT 62. MARTIN HERRERA, WHO SERVES AS A COUNCILMAN FOR THE CITY OF EL MONTE, SECOND DISTRICT, AND A PIONEER HIMSELF ON L.G.B.T.Q.+ RIGHTS. SERGIO BASTECHERIA, WHO SERVES AS THE OPERATIONS DIRECTOR AT GOD'S PANTRY, A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION WORKING TO HELP REACH MARGINALIZED INDIVIDUALS BY PROVIDING THEM WITH A SECOND CHANCE AT LIFE. DEBBIE MOTA, WHO SERVES AS A MANAGER OF OUTREACH AND REGIONAL COORDINATION AT UNION STATION HOMELESS SERVICES, WHERE SHE HELPED OVER 1000 UNHOUSED PEOPLE IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY FIND A PATHWAY TO PERMANENT HOUSING. HECTOR TRINIDAD PLACENCIA, WHO ESTABLISHED PLACENCIA'S CONSULTING, AND CONSULTING FIRM SPECIALIZING IN IMMIGRANT RIGHTS AND QUEER AND TRANSGENDER JUSTICE. LUCIA TORRES, WHO SERVES AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LAS FOTOS PROJECT, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND DIOCA FEM, AND EXECUTIVE PODCAST PRODUCER, STORY EDITOR, AND CO-HOST OF THE CRITICALLY ACCLAIMED PODCAST KNOWN AS "LOCATORA BRAVIO," WHICH BREAKS DOWN POP CULTURE, FEMINISM, AND SEXUAL WELLNESS AND OFFERS FRESH TAKES ON TRENDING TOPICS THROUGHOUT NUANCED INTERVIEWS

WITH UP AND COMING LATINX CREATIVES. ALBA GABRIELLA, AN EAST L.A. RESIDENT WHO HAS BEEN MANIFESTED HER LOVE FOR MODELING AT A BUDDING PROFESSION IN FRONT OF THE CAMERA AND PARTNERED WITH STREETWARE STAPLES, SUCH AS BORN X, RAISED, AND GLOBAL RETAIL GIANTS LIKE HELLO, KITTY AND THE HUNDREDS. AND OF COURSE, OUR VERY OWN LOS ANGELES COUNTY HISPANIC MANAGERS ASSOCIATION AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHICANO EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION. ALL OF THEM ARE COMMITTED TO BUILDING A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR GENERATIONS TO COME. SO I RESPECTFULLY ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE IN ACKNOWLEDGING THEM FOR THEIR SELFLESS CONTRIBUTIONS, BUT ALSO DIRECT COUNTY-WIDE COMMUNICATIONS, ALONG WITH ALL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, TO WORK WITH LA PLAZA DE CULTURA AND ARTISTS L.A.C.M.A., THE MUSIC CENTER, DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, THE DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND CULTURE, AND OUR COUNTY LIBRARY IN PROMOTING AND SPONSORING THEIR HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH RELATED EVENTS, PROGRAMS, AND RESOURCES, INCLUDING ON RESPECTIVE WEBSITES AND SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS AS WELL AS TO RECEIVE A REPORT BACK FROM OUR C.E.O., IN COLLABORATION WITH ALL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, METRO, AND OTHER RELEVANT COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, ON AN ANNUAL COUNTY-WIDE EVENT TO BEGIN IN 2024 THAT COMMEMORATES HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH BECAUSE IT IS CRITICAL THAT WE RECOGNIZE THE NUMEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS OF OUR RESIDENTS FROM DIVERSE HISPANIC AND LATINO CULTURES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND I ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE.

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

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING THE MOTION FORWARD. AND I WANTED TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO HONOR, AS I'VE DONE SINCE I WAS ELECTED TO THE BOARD, AND RECOGNIZE AN EXCEPTIONAL GROUP OF LOCAL LEADERS, WHO ARE NOMINATED BY COMMUNITY MEMBERS, FAMILY, AND PEERS, FOR THEIR ONGOING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE HISPANIC AND LATINO COMMUNITY, WHO CALL THE SECOND DISTRICT HOME. KAREN RAMIREZ IS OUR YOUTH LEADER AWARD RECIPIENT. SHE'S A STUDENT AT G.A.L.A., THE GIRLS ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP ACADEMY, AND SHE WAS RECENTLY ELECTED BY HER PEERS ACROSS L.A.U.S.D. AS THE L.A.U.S.D. BOARD STUDENT MEMBER, SO I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE KAREN RAMIREZ. SERGIO PAWS IS OUR TRAIL BLAZER AWARD RECIPIENT, A PROACTIVE COMMUNITY LEADER AND YOUTH ADVOCATE WITH 25+ YEARS OF PROGRESSIVE EXPERIENCE IN THE NONPROFIT SOCIAL SERVICES FIELD. OUR SMALL BUSINESS INFLUENCER AWARD, CATHE CALIAY, ORIGINATING AS A STREET VENDOR, THEIR STORY IS ONE OF HARD WORK AND TIRELESS DEDICATION AND A TESTAMENT TO THE POWER OF DREAMS AND THE IMPACT OF COMMUNITY SUPPORT. LAWRENCE VILLAQUARTA IS OUR PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENT. AT THE AGE OF 12, HE IMMIGRATED FROM EL SALVADOR AND SERVES NOW AS THE DIRECTOR OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AT THE BREEZY FOUNDATION, WHERE HE HAS CONSISTENTLY PROVIDED VITAL SUPPORT TO MARGINALIZED, LOW INCOME, AND AT-RISK YOUTH AND THEIR

FAMILIES. OUR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AWARD RECIPIENT IS JORGE NUNO. JORGE GREW UP IN VIBRANT SOUTH L.A. DURING THE '80S AND '90S AND WAS RAISED IN A HOUSEHOLD FILLED WITH ASPIRATIONS OF IMMIGRANT PARENTS, WHO WERE FROM JALISCO, MEXICO. HE BIRTHED THE S.C.L.A. PRINT, WHICH IS L.A. COUNTY'S SOLE LATINO UNION-OWNED PRINT SHOP, PRODUCING TOP QUALITY CUSTOM MATERIALS. AND IN 2007, HE FOUNDED THE BIG HOUSE IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES, WHICH IS A BUSINESS INCUBATOR AND COMMUNITY HUB. THRILLED TO HONOR THESE VERY FORWARD THINKING, PROUD SECOND DISTRICT RESIDENTS AND WANT SO SAY MY OFFICE ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH, WILL BE HOSTING OUR HISPANIC HERITAGE BOOK FAIR AT LA PLAZA LA ALAMEDA IN FLORENCE-FIRESTONE. WE WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENGAGE WITH 16 TALENTED HISPANIC AUTHORS FROM ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. AGAIN, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR CREATING AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US ALL TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS HISPANICS AND LATINO ANGELENOS PROVIDE TO OUR COMMUNITY EACH AND EVERY DAY. THANK YOU.

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

SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I AM EXCITED TO BE ALSO CELEBRATING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH, PROUDLY REPRESENTING A DIVERSE DISTRICT, INCLUDING THE NORTHEAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. I KNOW MANY OF MY CONSTITUENTS WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN A WHOLE HOST OF EVENTS. WE HAVE A COUPLE THAT WE ARE ALSO

HOSTING IN OUR DISTRICT. WE ARE HOSTING A PROGRAM AT EL CARISO PARK IN SYLMAR. THERE ARE A COUPLE OF COMMUNITY EVENTS THAT WE ARE ALSO PARTICIPATING IN. WE ARE EXCITED TO SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY LED EVENTS THAT ARE HAPPENING IN OUR DISTRICT, AND I AM EXCITED ALSO TO SUPPORT ALL THOSE WHO WILL BE HONORED THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR THEIR REMARKABLE WORK AND CONTRIBUTIONS DURING THIS IMPORTANT MONTH OF RECOGNITION. WE KNOW THESE MONTHS OF RECOGNITION ARE IMPORTANT TO CELEBRATE OUR CULTURE, BUT THEY SHOULDN'T BE THE ONLY TIME WE RECOGNIZE AND UPLIFT OUR CULTURES. AND SO, WE WANT TO CONTINUE THIS WORK EACH AND EVERY DAY. THERE ARE COUNTLESS INDIVIDUALS, GROUPS, AND INSTITUTIONS TO THANK THROUGHOUT MY DISTRICT AND THROUGHOUT OUR ENTIRE COUNTY ALL YEAR LONG. AND I WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT MANY IN OUR COMMUNITY IDENTIFY EITHER AS LATINO OR LATINX AND MAY NOT FIND REPRESENTATION FROM THE TITLE HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH, THOUGH THAT IS WHAT IT IS OFFICIALLY CALLED. SO AS OUR TERMINOLOGY CONTINUES TO EVOLVE, OUR OFFICE IS CONTINUING TO LEARN TO LISTEN TO ENGAGE AND TO UNDERSTAND HOW WE CAN BEST MEET OUR COMMUNITIES WHERE THEY ARE WITH THE LANGUAGE THAT IS MOST APPROPRIATE AND EMBRACED. AND SO, WE ARE VERY EXCITED TO LEARN AND CELEBRATE MORE THIS MONTH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP ON THIS ITEM AND EXCITED TO SEE ALL THE EVENTS THAT WILL BE HAPPENING COUNTY-WIDE. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. AND HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH IS A WONDERFUL CELEBRATION OF THE RICH AND DIVERSE CULTURES, TRADITIONS, CONTRIBUTIONS OF HISPANIC AND LATINX COMMUNITIES. IT'S AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO RECOGNIZE THE SIGNIFICANT IMPACT THE INDIVIDUALS OF HISPANIC AND LATINX DESCENT HAVE HAD ON SHAPING OUR SOCIETY. AND DURING THIS MONTH LONG CELEBRATION, IT IS IMPORTANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE IMMENSE CULTURAL, ARTISTIC, AND INTELLECTUAL CONTRIBUTIONS OF HISPANIC AND LATINX THROUGHOUT OUR HISTORY. FROM LITERATURE AND MUSIC TO ART, DANCE, AND CUISINE, THEIR INFLUENCE CAN BE SEEN AND APPRECIATED IN VARIOUS ASPECTS OF OUR DAILY LIVES. HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH IS ALSO A GREAT TIME TO PROMOTE INCLUSIVITY, UNDERSTANDING, AND APPRECIATION OF DIFFERENT CULTURES. IT IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE HISTORIES, THE TRADITIONS, AND THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE HISPANIC AND LATINX COMMUNITIES, FOSTERING A SENSE OF UNITY AND RESPECT. LET'S TAKE THIS MONTH TO HONOR THE PAST, CELEBRATE THE PRESENT, AND PAVE THE WAY FOR A MORE INCLUSIVE AND DIVERSE FUTURE, WHETHER IT IS BY ATTENDING CULTURAL EVENTS THAT MANY OF YOUR OFFICES ARE HOSTING, EXPLORING HISPANIC LITERATURE AND MUSIC, OR SIMPLY ENGAGING IN CONVERSATIONS ABOUT HERITAGE. WE CAN ALL PLAY A PART IN APPRECIATING AND CELEBRATING THE BEAUTIFUL DIVERSITY OF HISPANIC AND LATINX CULTURES, AND WHAT A PLEASURE IT IS TO SERVE WITH OUR ONLY LATINA ON THE BOARD, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, WHO MADE HISTORY IN SO MANY PARTS OF HER LIFE, FIRST

LATINA TO CERTAINLY SERVE AS SECRETARY OF LABOR, FIRST LATINA IN THE SENATE. WERE YOU THE FIRST LATINA TO REPRESENT YOUR DISTRICT IN CONGRESS? I KNEW THERE WAS A GUY BEFORE YOU, BUT THE FIRST LATINA. YES, OH YES, YOU GOT THE PROFILES IN COURAGE, FIRST LATINA. SO YOU ARE A WALKING HISTORY LESSON, STILL ALIVE, WALKING HISTORY LESSON FOR ALL OF US, AND IT IS A PLEASURE FOR US TO SERVE WITH YOU. SO THANK YOU FOR HIGHLIGHTING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. ARE THERE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON PROCLAIMING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH? PLEASE CALL THEIR NAMES.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 39, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. WILL KORIE SCHMIDT PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS TRAMEL CARTER, YOU MAY BEGIN.

TRAMEL CARTER: HI, I AM IN AGREEMENT IN PASSING THE ORDINANCE FOR THE HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH. IT IS JUST -- IT HAS A LOT OF THINGS ADDED, BUT DURING BLACK HISTORY MONTH, A LOT OF THESE

THINGS WEREN'T ADDED. BUT I AM IN FOR THE ACHIEVEMENT TO SHOW THE HISTORY AND THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF HISPANIC PEOPLE WITHIN OUR COUNTY AND THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AND I THINK IT SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED, BUT I ALSO THINK THAT THESE SAME PROVISIONS SHOULD BE HIGHLIGHTED FOR OTHER RACES, ALSO, THE SAME TYPE OF PROVISIONS LIKE DURING BLACK HISTORY MONTH AND OTHER MONTHS. THESE SAME PROVISIONS ALSO SHOULD BE ADDED IN THOSE ALSO AS FAR AS WAIVING FEES ON CERTAIN MONTHS. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DON'T WAIVE ANY FEES DURING BLACK HISTORY MONTH. SO I AM IN AGREEMENT WITH HIGHLIGHTING EACH RACE AND THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS, BUT USE THE SAME PROVISIONS THAT YOU ARE USING FOR THIS ONE FOR OTHER RACES ALSO WHEN YOU ARE HIGHLIGHTING THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS FOR WHATEVER MONTH IT MAY BE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. USE THE SAME TYPE OF WAYS --

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MADISON GYROSE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

MADISON GYROSE: HI, THANK YOU SO MUCH TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR PRESENTING THIS MOTION. MY NAME IS MADISON GYROSE, A REPRESENTATIVE OF SELF-HELP GRAPHICS AND ART, LOCATED IN COUNTY DISTRICT ONE, CALLING IN SUPPORT OF TODAY'S ITEM 39 MOTION TO PROCLAIM SEPTEMBER 15TH THROUGH OCTOBER 15TH AS THE

COUNTY OF L.A.'S HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH. AS A CHICANO LATINX CENTERED AND B.I.P.O.C. FOCUSED LEGACY ARTS ORGANIZATION, SELF-HELP GRAPHICS GREATLY VALUES CELEBRATING THE RICH AND VARIED CULTURES OF THE LATINO AND LATINX COMMUNITIES ACROSS OUR GREAT COUNTY, WHICH FOSTERS STORYTELLING AND ORAL HISTORIES, MULTIGENERATIONAL LEARNING, AND INTERPERSONAL CONNECTION WITH OUR NEIGHBORS, AS WELL AS COMMUNITY PRIDE, AS WELL AS MANY OTHER BENEFITS. WE HOPE THE COUNTY SUPERVISORS WILL CONSIDER PASSING THIS MOTION TO FURTHER ADVANCE OUR COUNTY'S CULTURAL EQUITY AND POLICY INITIATIVES. THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHRISTINA YURCENAS. YOU MAY BEGIN.

CHRISTINA YURCENAS: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CHRISTINA YURCENAS. I AM A PROGRAM MANAGER AT LOS ANGELES GENERAL MEDICAL CENTER FOUNDATION AND FLAGSHIP PROGRAM, THE WELLNESS CENTER, A ONE-STOP DESTINATION FOR HEALTH AND WELLNESS FOR FAMILIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE APPLAUD THIS MOTION. WE APPLAUD SOLIS FOR THIS MOTION TO CELEBRATE HISTORY, CULTURE AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF LATINX AMERICANS AND THE CULTURE AS A WHOLE. WE PRIDE OUR CURRENT EFFORTS IN ALWAYS PROMOTING COMMUNITY CENTERED EVENTS TO CELEBRATE A SENSE OF PRIDE,

ACCOMPLISHMENT, AND WE TRULY LOOK FORWARD TO PARTNERING TO SUPPORT THE EVENTS TO COME WITH BOTH IN-PERSON AND SOCIAL MEDIA SUPPORT WITH THE EVENTS PLANNED. WE LOOK FORWARD TO BEING ABLE TO HELP OUR COMMUNITIES [INDISCERNIBLE]. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS RICKY AVALES. YOU MAY BEGIN.

RICKY AVALES: HI, MY NAME IS RICKY AVALES. I AM HERE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF ARTS FOR L.A. I WANTED TO START BY THANKING SUPERVISOR SOLIS AS A TRAILBLAZER FOR THIS MOTION. PROCLAIMING THE MONTH IN RECOGNITION OF A SPECIFIC GROUP MIGHT BE SEEN AS SOME AS PERFORMATIVE, BUT THIS COULDN'T BE FURTHER FROM THE TRUTH. LATINX PEOPLE MAKE UP 50% OF LOS ANGELES. IN OTHER WORDS. WE ARE THE LARGEST RACIAL DEMOGRAPHIC IN THE REGION. YET THIS IS SO OFTEN OVERLOOKED AND FORGOTTEN AS LATINX WORKERS CONTINUE TO STRUGGLE FOR PARITY AND REPRESENTATION, INCLUDING IN ENTERTAINMENT BOTH ON AND OFF THE SCREEN. PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 15TH THROUGH OCTOBER 15TH HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH IS NOT PERFORMATIVE. IT IS A HISTORICAL AND CEREMONIAL REMINDER THAT LATINX PEOPLE MAKE UP THE RICH AND VIBRANT CULTURAL LANDSCAPE THAT WE ALL CHERISH. RECOGNIZING

THESE TRAILBLAZERS, CELEBRATING OUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO SOCIETY, AND ENCOURAGING AN ANNUAL COUNTY-WIDE EVENT IS AN IMPORTANT STEP TOWARD JUSTICE, THOUGH WE MUST ALSO CONTINUE TO FIND WAYS TO ACHIEVE EQUITY SO THAT LATINX PEOPLE CAN THRIVE. THANK YOU, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR SUPPORT.

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

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

HECTOR RAMIREZ: YES, HELLO. FIRST OF ALL, LET ME START OFF BY THANKING SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR THIS PARTICULAR MOTION, WHICH I SUPPORT. AS A HISPANIC, LATINX, QUEER INDIGENOUS PERSON THAT VOLUNTEERS AND LIVES WITH HIS FAMILY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, I KNOW THAT REPRESENTATION MATTERS. NOT ONLY BY REALLY HIGHLIGHTING THE IMPORTANT WORK THAT OUR COMMUNITY DOES IN THIS FIELD, BUT ALSO BY REALLY HELPING TO HIGHLIGHT HOW LATINO WORKERS SOMETIMES CAN -- AND OFTENTIMES ARE RAISED FROM KIND OF THIS PICTURE PERFECT WHITE WORLD THAT WE HELPED TO CREATE. AND HAVING THIS PARTICULAR MOTION SET IN PLACE HELPS TO REALLY PROVIDE A STARTING GROUND TO REALLY HAVE THOSE DISCUSSIONS BY HIGHLIGHTING THOSE BRAVE INDIVIDUALS FROM OUR COUNTY THAT ARE REALLY HELPING TO NOT ONLY SUPPORT THE LATINX AND HISPANIC COMMUNITIES BUT ALL THE RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY. SO ONCE

AGAIN, AS SOMEBODY WHO HAS TWO CHILDREN AND LOOK AT YOU AND THEY GO OH, SHE LOOKS AND SHE SOUNDS LIKE US. AND SIMILARLY, TO ALL THE SUPERVISORS, I THANK YOU FOR THIS MOTION.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JONATHAN FOSTER. YOU MAY BEGIN.

JONATHAN FOSTER: HELLO.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: HELLO.

JONATHAN FOSTER: HI. JONATHAN FOSTER. I KNOW THEY HAVE DONE A LOT OF GOOD THINGS HERE, BUT WHAT I HAVE SEEN IN 52 YEARS IS LIKE JAMIEL SHAW IS DEAD. ALL OF SOUTH CENTRAL IS BLACK. IT'S ALL HISPANIC NOW. THEY HAVE KILLED SO MANY PEOPLE HERE. THEY'RE KILLING FROM LOS ANGELES TO MAINE, FROM SEATTLE TO FLORIDA. THEY HAVE KILLED MORE PEOPLE IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THAN EVER DIED IN THE MEXICAN AMERICAN WAR. THEY HAVE KILLED IN THE MILLIONS HERE. AND WE ARE DOING A CELEBRATION FOR A WHOLE MONTH. ASK THE JAMIEL SHAW FAMILY IF THAT'S WHAT REALLY SHOULD BE BEING DONE HERE. AND THE OTHER PEOPLE THAT THEY KILLED HERE, AND I KNOW THAT THEY HAVE CONTRIBUTED. YEAH, THEY HAVE, BUT THEY HAVE ALSO KILLED HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF

PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTRY. BLACKS HAVE BEEN DECIMATED OUT OF LOS ANGELES. AND WE ARE DOING A MONTH -- A WHOLE MONTH CELEBRATION OF IT. I THINK YOU NEED TO GET YOUR BRAINS CHECKED, PERSONALLY. IT IS A BUNCH OF RACISM IS WHAT I SEE.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. YOUR TIME IS UP.

JONATHAN FOSTER: AND THEY CONTRIBUTED, OKAY.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YOUR TIME IS UP. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, IS THERE ANYBODY --

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: NO OTHER SPEAKERS, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. SO WE HAVE ITEM 39 AS REVISED IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY -- I WILL SECOND IT TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: ITEM 39 IS REVISED IS BEFORE YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. MITCHELL: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: AYE.

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, SO NOW WE ARE ON TO ITEM 46, OUR CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT SPENDING PLAN, WHICH I HELD. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON ITEM 46. AND FESIA, I KNOW YOU ARE HERE, YOU MIGHT BE AVAILABLE IF ANYONE HAS QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS. COLLEAGUES, I HELD THIS BOARD LETTER FOR DISCUSSION BECAUSE I JUST WANTED TO SHARE MY FRUSTRATION. YOU KNOW, IN 2020, OUR VOTERS OVERWHELMINGLY PASSED MEASURE J, WHICH DIRECTED THE COUNTY TO INVEST 10% OF UNRESTRICTED LOCAL FUNDS TO VARIOUS COMMUNITY PROGRAMS. AND EVEN THOUGH THE LEGALITY OF MEASURE J HAS BEEN CHALLENGED, THIS BOARD COMMITTED TO IMPLEMENTING THE WILL OF THE VOTERS BY CREATING THE CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT INITIATIVE. WE ARE NOW CALLING THAT THE C.F.C.I. AND WHEN WE FIRST CREATED C.F.C.I., THREE YEARS AGO, OUR C.E.O. ESTIMATED THAT THE TOTAL AMOUNT WOULD BE $300 MILLION, WHICH WAS ALREADY LESS THAN WHAT THE ADVOCATES HAD ESTIMATED. I THINK THEY WERE IN THE $900 MILLION MARK, THAT WE WOULD PHASE IN THIS INVESTMENT OVER THE COURSE OF THREE YEARS. AND I ALSO THINK THE ADOVCATES PROBABLY WANTED IT RIGHT AWAY, BUT WE SAID WE WOULD PHASE IN $300 MILLION OVER THREE YEARS. AND WE WERE RIGHT ON TRACK WITH THIS PROEJCTION FOR THE FIRST TWO YEARS. OUR C.E.O. DEDICATED $100 MILLION TO THIS INITIATIVE THE FIRST YEAR AND THE ANOTHER $100 MILLION THE SECOND YEAR. BUT NOW IN OUR THIRD YEAR, WHEN WE WERE ALMOST TO THAT GOAL, I EXPECTED TO SEE ANOTHER $100 MILLION, AND I CERTAINLY KNOW

THOSE IN OUR COMMUNITY HAD HOPED TO SEE ANOTHER $100 MILLION TO BRING US TO THAT $300 MILLION PROMISE. AND OUR C.E.O. TELLS US THAT WE HAVE FALLEN SHORT. THIRD YEAR SPENDING PLAN REFLECTS ONLY $88 MILLION, JUST RIGHT UNDER THE $100 MILLION, BRINGING OUR TOTAL TO JUST OVER $288 MILLION. AND I KNOW, I HAVE TALKED TO FESIA ABOUT IT, TALKED TO ALL THE NUMBER CRUNCHERS, I'VE KIND OF HEARD THE EXCUSES. I KNOW WE ARE GOING TO SAY THAT $300 MILLION WAS JUST AN ESTIMATE AND THAT WE HAVE MORE RESTRICTED FUNDS THAT ORIGINALLY THOUGHT BECAUSE OF THINGS LIKE WAGE INCREASES AND LEGAL SETTLEMENTS. BUT FRANKLY, I AM STILL DISAPPOINTED THAT IN OUR $43 BILLION BUDGET, WE COULD NOT FIND THAT $12 MILLION TO ALLOCATE TO THIS CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT INITIATIVE, WHICH WE ALL HAVE REALLY SUPPORTED, AND WE KNOW OUR COMMUNITY OVERWHELMINGLY BELIEVES IN THIS IDEA THAT THE MORE MONEY WE CAN SPEND IN OUR COMMUNITIES THAT WE CAN PREVENT MORE INCARCERATIONS. WE CAN PREVENT MORE PEOPLE GOING INTO OUR JAILS. WE CAN HAVE BETTER, STRONGER YOUTH DEVELOPMENT IN THIS COUNTY. WE CAN HAVE MORE JOB TRAINING. WE CAN HAVE MORE AFTER SCHOOL MENTORING, TUTORING. WE CAN INVEST MORE IN OUR BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS AND THINGS LIKE THAT. SO, I DO KNOW THAT OUR COMMUNITY HAS REALLY SPOKEN UP THAT THEY BELIEVE THIS IS THE DIRECTION THIS BOARD SHOULD GO AND THIS COUNTY. SO THEY WERE TOLD THAT DOLLAR AMOUNT THREE YEARS AGO, AND I KNOW THEY WERE EXPECTING IT, AND NOW WE HAVE TO GIVE THEM THAT NEWS THAT WE WILL BE ABOUT $12

MILLION SHORT. AND I CAN SEE YOU SHUFFLING YOUR PAPERS OVER THERE READY TO DEFEND THE POSITION, BUT REALLY $12 MILLION DOESN'T FEEL LIKE A LOT COMPARED TO OUR ENTIRE COUNTY BUDGET, AND I KNOW THINGS ARE ALREADY SPOKEN FOR. AND I KNOW WE ARE GOING THROUGH PRIORITIZING UNFUNDED MOTIONS. I KNOW ALL THAT, BUT REALLY, WHEN YOU LOOK AT WHAT THIS MONEY COULD FUND IN EACH OF OUR DISTRICTS, I BELIEVE THE INVESTMENT, THE PAYBACK, WOULD JUST BE SO INCREDIBLE ON HOW I THINK THAT WOULD SAVE THE COUNTY MONEY IN THE LONG RUN. SO I KNOW WE FIND MONEY TO MAKE OUR DEPARTMENTS WHOLE SOMETIMES WHEN WE COME UP SHORT, AND I JUST WANT TO ASK YOU, FESIA, THAT MAYBE IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL, WE COULD REALLY LOOK TO SEE IF THERE'S ANOTHER $12 MILLION SO WE CAN JUST GET TO THAT $300 MILLION MARK BECAUSE OTHERWISE I REALLY THINK THAT IS JUST GOING TO HANG OUT THERE AND BE A CONSTANT SOURCE OF FRUSTRATION FOR OUR COMMUNITY ADVOCATES. AND SO, AGAIN, I KNOW YOU AREN'T GOING TO GIVE IT TO US NOW, BUT IF YOU COULD JUST SEE IF YOU CAN FIND THAT $12 MILLION IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL, I REALLY THINK IT WOULD MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE IN THE FUTURE OF THIS COUNTY AND, AGAIN, SAVE US MONEY IN THE LONG TERM. SO, THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: YES, FESIA, HOW MUCH MONEY IS SITTING THERE UNSPENT AT THIS POINT IN THE UNENCUMBERED?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: SUPERVISOR, SO WE ARE ROLLING OVER ABOUT $170 MILLION.

SUP. BARGER: SO WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, JANICE, AND I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU ARE SAYING, AND 12 MILLION IN THE WORLD OF THINGS, IN MY WORLD IT IS A LOT. IN YOUR WORLD, YOU WANT FESIA TO FIND IT, BUT I WOULD THINK OUR ADVOCATES ARE ASKING WHY AREN'T SPENDING THE MONEY THAT IS SITTING THERE RIGHT NOW. AND I KNOW THEY ARE GOING TO BE SPEAKING TODAY. I AM INTERESTED TO HEAR WHAT THEY HAVE TO SAY, BUT THE $12 MILLION I THINK IS ONLY PART OF THE FRUSTRATION I'M HEARING FROM THE COMMUNITY AS IT RELATES TO THE MONEY THAT WE HAVE SET ASIDE. SO WHILE I APPRECIATE WANTING TO FIND THE MONEY, IT ISN'T JUST ABOUT THROWING MONEY AT THE SITUATION. I THINK IT IS MORE ABOUT WHAT ACTIONABLE ITEMS ARE GOING TO BE TAKEN WITH THE MONEY THAT'S SITTING THERE THAT IS ROLLED OVER. AND I NOW WE'VE GOT PLANS. AND I KNOW THIS BOARD HAS BEEN VERY ENGAGED IN THAT, BUT I THINK THE MONEY IS A SIGN, BUT I THINK ACTION IS REALLY WHAT I HAVE HEARD IS THE EXPECTATION AS IT RELATES TO WHAT IS ALREADY SET ASIDE. SO DO YOU KNOW WHERE WE STAND WITH THE MONEY THAT IS ROLLED OVER?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: THANK YOU. SO, WE ARE ROLLING OVER ABOUT $170 MILLION. TO DATE, THE BOARD HAS APPROPRIATED ABOUT $675 MILLION TO C.F.C.I., FORMERLY MEASURE J, FROM YEAR ONE.

SO I HAVE A BREAKDOWN OF WE HAVE A THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR. SO THE WAY THE PROCESS WORKS IS THE BOARD ALLOCATES THE FUNDING, APPROPRIATES THE FUNDING. WE THEN DO AN ALLOCATION. IT IS PUT IN A BUDGET UNIT HERE IN THE COUNTY. AND THEN WHEN APPROPRIATE, IT IS GIVEN TO THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR. THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR THEN, IN AN ATTEMPT TO REALLY TRY TO LIVE UP TO THE PURPOSES OF C.F.C.I. TO DISTRIBUTE MONEY INTO THE COMMUNITY IN A BROAD AND DIVERSE FASHION, THEN ESSENTIALLY DOES A SOLICITATION. SO FOR EXAMPLE, THE YEAR ONE FUNDING, THAT WAS $100 MILLION IN N.C.C. AND ABOUT $87 MILLION IN A.R.P.A. FUNDING. THOSE FUNDS WERE DISTRIBUTED TO ABOUT 118 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, ALL COMMUNITY SERVING AND FOR THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH C.F.C.I. WAS GENERATED. SO THE YEAR ONE FUNDING IS OUT THE DOOR, AND THE CONTRACTS BETWEEN THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR AND THOSE 118 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS IS SET. THE YEAR TWO FUNDING, WHICH WAS $200 MILLION, SO IT WAS $100 MILLION FROM THE FIRST YEAR PLUS ANOTHER $100 MILLION, OUR THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR IS CURRENTLY IN THE PROCESS OF COMPLETING A SOLICITATION, WHICH I BELIEVE WILL BE COMPLETED ANY TIME NOW. SO THEN THAT MONEY CAN GET OUT THE DOOR. SO THAT'S $200 MILLION THAT IS WAITING TO BE CONTRACTED, AND THEN THERE WILL BE THE FUNDING FOR YEAR THREE, WHICH IS THE $288.

SUP. BARGER: THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I COMPLETELY AGREE. I MEAN THAT WAS ALSO PART OF MY FRUSTRATION IS THE UNSPENT. I FEEL LIKE IF THAT MONEY WAS GIVEN TO EACH OF US IN OUR DISTRICTS, WE COULD PROBABLY GET THE MONEY OUT TO OUR COMMUNITY- BASED ORGANIZATIONS VERY QUICKLY, BUT THAT'S NOT THE PROCESS THAT WAS SET UP FOR THIS. AND THAT THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR, TAKING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE, IS WHERE I FEEL LIKE THERE'S A DELAY. AND THAT'S AN AREA THAT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE SPED UP, BUT I STILL BELIEVE WE SHOULD KEEP OUR PROMISE ABOUT THE $300 MILLION. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU. TO -- A QUESTION AND A COMMENT, IF I MAY, MADAM CHAIR. SO IS THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR -- HELP ME UNDERSTAND THE PROCESS. SO IS THE C.F.C.I. ADVISORY BOARD RECOMMENDING GRANTS TO SPECIFIC ORGANIZATIONS OR TO CATEGORIES? YOU SEE WHAT I'M SAYING? BECAUSE I AM NOT SURE WHY THE DELAY WITH THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATION. WHAT IS THE RECOMMENDATION THEY ARE RECEIVING FROM THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: SO, THE RECOMMENDATION THAT WE RECEIVE FROM THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE IS BASICALLY IN SERVICE AREAS. THAT'S WHAT WE RECEIVE FROM THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE. SOMETIMES, FOLKS THAT ARE SUBMITTING PROPOSAL WILL SUBMIT A PROPOSAL FOR A SPECIFIC ENTITY, BUT WE ALL UNDERSTAND THAT WE

CAN'T CONTRACT THAT WAY. AND SO, THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE SENDS US CATEGORY SERVICE AREAS, AND THEN C.E.O. REVIEWED THAT PLAN, MAKES SURE THAT IT IS ALL APPROPRIATE, AND THEN WE SUBMIT OUR RECOMMENDATIONS TO MOVE FORWARD.

SUP. MITCHELL: HAS EITHER THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, OR HAS THE COUNTY -- COMING FROM NONPROFIT SOCIAL SERVICE DELIVERY WORK IN COMMUNITY, WHAT HAVE WE DONE TO HELP SHORE UP THE INFRASTRUCTURE OF OUR C.B.O.S, TO ENCOURAGE THEM TO APPLY? WHAT ARE WE DOING IN TERMS OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE? THAT WAS A BIG DEAL AT THE STATE. MONIES WOULD COME DOWN. THE TOP FIVE ORGANIZATIONS THAT MIGHT NOT REFLECT THE COMMUNITY OR BE LED BY PEOPLE OF COLOR WEREN'T ALWAYS THE ONES. SO WHAT ARE WE DOING TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR C.B.O.S ARE AT THE TABLE READY, APPLY, RECEIVE THE DOLLARS, POST HASTE?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: SO ONE OF THE PROGRAMS THAT CAME -- WELL, WE HAD A SIMILAR PROGRAM BEFORE C.F.C.I., BUT WE ADOPTED IT FOR THIS PURPOSE, IS AN INCUBATION LAB. AND SO, WE DO HAVE AN INCUBATION LAB, WHICH ALLOWS COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, SMALLER ONES WHO HAVE NEVER HAD A CONTRACT WITH THE COUNTY BEFORE, WHO MAY NOT UNDERSTAND ALL THE INS AND OUTS, WHAT YOU NEED TO DO TO AVOID AND AUDIT, ETC., WE HAVE BASICALLY A TRAINING ACADEMY THAT THEY CAN ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE IN, AND

THEN THAT WILL THEN PUT THEM IN A BETTER POSITION TO COMPETE FOR AND THEN RECEIVE AND ADMINISTER FUNDS IF THEY ARE SELECTED THROUGH THE AMITY, THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR'S SOLICITATION PROCESS.

SUP. MITCHELL: AND DO WE HAVE A SENSE OF HOW MANY HAVE APPLIED, RECEIVED THE GRANT, AND WHAT KIND OF THE DENIAL RATE IS BECAUSE THAT'S SOMETHING I THINK THAT SHOULD BE CLOSELY MONITORED AS WELL?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: I DO NOT HAVE THAT INFORMATION AT MY FINGERTIPS, BUT I THINK WE CAN CERTAINLY GET IT.

SUP. MITCHELL: OKAY. I HEAR YOU, MADAM CHAIR, LOUD AND CLEAR. I THINK MY CONCERN, I WON'T CALL IT A SOURCE OF FRUSTRATION, BUT CONCERN ARE THE CARRY OVER DOLLARS. THOSE ARE DOLLARS THAT CAN AND SHOULD BE BENEFITING PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. SO I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT. AND THEN ALL GET BACK ON MY BANDWAGON IN TERMS OF THE BUDGETING PROCESS. I HEAR THE CONCERN EXPRESSED, BUT IT'S BEING DIRECTED AT THE C.E.O., WHO HAS HAD THE POWER, BASED ON OUR CURRENT BUDGETING PROCESS, TO MAKE THE DECISION, AS OPPOSED TO THE BOARD MEMBERS. IF THAT'S THE WAY WE FEEL, THEN WE SHOULD BE IN THE POSITION TO, THROUGH THE BUDGET PROCESS, MAKE THE DECISION ON WHERE THE MONEY GOES. AND SO, I WILL, AGAIN, I WILL BEAT THAT

SAME DEAD HORSE. I THINK THE BUDGETING PROCESS BELONGS TO US AS OPPOSED TO THE C.E.O. BECAUSE THEN WE WOULD HAVE THAT POWER. WE WOULD BE ASKING THE C.E.O. TO FIND THE $12 MILLION. WE COULD DO IT IN THE BUDGET PROCESS OURSELVES. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. BUT JUST TO BE CLEAR ON WHEN THE MONEY GETS TO THE C.B.O.S, THEY ARE SPENDING IT. I DON'T FEEL LIKE -- ISN'T THE DELAY MORE WITH THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR.

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: I THINK THAT IS --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: I THINK ONCE THEY GET THE MONEY, THEY HAVE BEEN VERY GOOD ABOUT SPENDING IT.

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: I DO NOT HAVE SPECIFIC ON THE SPEND DOWN. WHAT I WILL SAY IS FOR YEAR ONE FUNDS, THE SOLICITATION -- OUR CONTRACT WHERE WE PAID THE FUNDS TO AMITY WAS ENTERED INTO IN MARCH OF 2022. THEY THEN DID THE SOLICITATION PROCESS. THEY DID THE PROPOSERS' CONFERENCE, THE EDUCATION. THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR ENTERED INTO CONTRACTS WITH THE C.B.O.S IN MARCH OF 2023. NOW, I WILL SAY THIS, WITHOUT HAVING EYES ON THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR'S PROCESS, I BELIEVE THAT HANDLING A ALLOCATION OF FUNDS THIS LARGE IS PROBABLY NEW TO

THAT ENTITY, AND THEY ARE ALSO PROBABLY IMPROVING AS THEY GO ALONG. OUR EXPECTATION IS IS, AS THEY GET THROUGH MORE AND MORE SOLICITATIONS, THAT THEY WILL ALSO IMPROVE THEIR PROCESSES AND BECOME QUICKER. THAT'S WHAT THE HOPE IS.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: LET'S FOLLOW UP ON WHAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL BROUGHT UP. IS THIS PROCESS OF THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR, HOW DID THAT COME ABOUT?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: YEAH. THANK YOU FOR ASKING THAT. SO COMING OUT OF WHEN MEASURE J, AND IT WAS STILL CALLED MEASURE J, THE BOARD APPOINTED AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE. THE COMMITTEE, AND, QUITE FRANKLY, MANY MEMBERS OF THE PHILANTHROPY COMMITTEE THAT OFTEN WORK WITH THE COUNTY, WANTED A THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR TO ADMINISTER THE FUNDS AND NOT HAVE THE FUNDS ADMINISTERED BY THE COUNTY. SO THAT WASN'T A C.E.O. IMPOSED REQUIREMENT. THAT WAS US WORKING WITH THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND REALLY TRYING TO BE TRUE TO THE SPIRIT OF THIS ALLOWING THE COMMUNITY TO HAVE A VOICE IN THE BUDGETING.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: IS IT POSSIBLE TO CHANGE THAT PROCESS NOW? AND WHAT WOULD THAT TAKE?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: SO IN ORDER TO CHANGE THE PROCESS, I CAN'T REMEMBER OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD IF IT WERE IN THE BOARD

MOTION, WHERE THE BOARD SAID WE ARE GOING AHEAD REGARDLESS OF THE LEGAL STATUS OF MEASURE J, BUT EVEN IF IT WERE IN A BOARD MOTION, CERTAINLY THE BOARD COULD VOTE TO REIMAGINE OR CHANGE HOW THOSE FUNDS ARE DISTRIBUTED AND WHETHER -- AND THE ROLE OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR PROCESS.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: I MEAN WHETHER IT WAS MEASURE H OR --

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NO, WHETHER WITH IT WAS MEASURE H, I AM MAKING A POINT HERE, OR MEASURE J, I MEAN I DON'T THINK ANYBODY WANTED TO CREATE AN INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX. RIGHT? WE ALWAYS SAID THE MESSAGE WITH H AND THE MESSAGE WITH J WAS THERE ARE COMMUNITY- BASED ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE DOING THIS WORK. THIS WILL JUST BE ADDED RESOURCES. WE DIDN'T WANT TO REINVENT THE WHEEL WITH MEASURE H. WE SAID THAT OVER AND OVER AGAIN. WE JUST WANTED TO GET THE MONEY OUT THE DOOR TO THOSE WHO WERE ON THE GROUND DOING THE HARD WORK TO HELP THEM EXPAND, AND I FEEL LIKE THIS IS VERY SIMILAR. WE DON'T WANT TO REINVENT THE WHEEL, BUT WE DON'T WANT A SYSTEM THAT IS BUREAUCRATIC OR IS CLUNKY IN THE WAY WE GET THE MONEY OUT TO OUR COMMUNITIES TO -- YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT HONORING THE SPIRIT OF THE VOTERS, IT WAS TO GET THIS MONEY OUT INTO OUR

COMMUNITIES AND INVEST IN OUR COMMUNITIES AS OPPOSED TO OUR JAILS AND OUR JUVENILE FACILITIES. SO THAT WAS THE POINT. SO, IT WOULD BE INTERESTING IF THIS BOARD IS INTERESTED IN RE-LOOKING AT THE PROCESS.

SUP. BARGER: CAN I JUST SAY, JUST IN DEFENSE OF AMNESTY, THEY DO A GREAT JOB. AND THEY DO A LOT OF WORK IN THE STATE. IS THAT THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR? AND SO, I JUST WANT TO CLARIFY, AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A COMPARISON AS TO WOULD BIT FASTER WITH THE COUNTY? I DON'T KNOW. BUT I DON'T WANT TO SAY ANYTHING DISPARAGING ABOUT THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR OR IMPLY THAT THEY ARE PART OF THE PROBLEM BECAUSE THEY DO AMAZING THINGS. AND THEY WERE WORKING WITH US AT BARRY NIDORF TO ADDRESS THE OVERDOSES IN GETTING A DRUG TREATMENT FACILITY ON SITE THERE. SO I FEEL --

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: WE CAN PROVIDE -- WE CAN GET THAT INFORMATION AND PROVIDE THAT TO THE BOARD.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THAT'S FINE, BUT I DO THINK THEY ARE PART OF THE PROBLEM BECAUSE THAT'S WHERE THE DELAY IS. SUPERVISOR --

SUP. BARGER: D.E.O., OUR DEPARTMENT.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: SO, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU ALREADY SPOKE.

SUP. MITCHELL: I WOULD JUST ADD, I THINK THE CHALLENGE -- I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THERE'S ALWAYS AN EVALUATION PROCESS IN TERMS OF WHAT WE PUT IN PLACE. I CHAIRED FIRST FIVE. FIRST FIVE COMMISSIONS ACROSS THE STATE HAVE HEAVY RESERVES, AND THE STATE IS FOREVER TRYING TO COME DOWN AND TAKE THE MONEY. SO I THINK IT IS VALUABLE TO REALLY TAKE A LOOK AT IT. I APPRECIATE WHY THERE WAS A DESIRE TO HAVE SOMEONE OTHER THAN THE COUNTY TO ADMINISTER THE MONEY. FOLKS DIDN'T WANT THE MONEY TO GET LOST IN THE COUNTY. I GET THAT. AND SO, I THINK IT IS FAIR JUST WE LOOK AT THE PROCESS AND ASK, AND THAT WE TALK ABOUT CAPACITY BUILDING. YES, ORGANIZATIONS ARE DOING THE WORK. THIS IS CONTRACTING WITH THE COUNTY. IT IS NEW FOR SOME. CONTRACTING WITH THE COUNTY AT THIS LEVEL OF FUNDING MAY BE NEW, AND THAT, HAVING RUN NONPROFITS, CAN BE COMPLICATED. I DON'T KNOW WHAT AMITY'S CAPACITY WAS BEFORE THEY GOT THIS CONTRACT, IF THEY HAD THE BACK OF THE HOUSE SUPPORTS TO BE ABLE TO ADMINISTER AND GET THE MONEY OUT THE DOOR. WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT OUR OWN COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, AND IF YOU DON'T HAVE PEOPLE IN THE SEATS TO DO THE WORK, IT SLOWS THE PROCESS. SO I THINK AN ON GOING EVALUATION, IS IT WORKING, IS IT WORKING BEST, REALLY MAKES SENSE, WHETHER IT IS THE COUNTY ADMINISTERING THE CONTRACTS, A THIRD PARTY, WHOEVER IT IS.

SUP. BARGER: AMITY SHOULD HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE US THEIR SIDE OF IT. I'M SORRY. I KNOW YOU ARE WAITING TO SPEAK, BUT THEY SHOULD HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND.

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: IF I COULD JUST ADD ONE VERY IMPORTANT CLARIFICATION, IN THE BOARD LETTER ON THE PROGRAMMING, SOME OF THE PROGRAMS ARE ADMINISTERED BY COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AS WELL. SO IN THIS REPORT BACK, WHAT WE WOULD DO IS WE WOULD DO A COMPARISON. WHAT IS AMITY'S TIMEFRAMES FOR GETTING OUT THEIR SOLICITATION AND CONTRACTING WITH THE C.B.O.S, AS WELL AS THE DEPARTMENTS.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YES, SOME OF THIS MONEY DOES GO TO COUNTY DEPARTMENT, BUT, AGAIN, I THINK THAT IN HEARING FROM THE ADVOCATE, A LOT OF THEM WANT TO GET IT TO THE COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS ALMOST -- NOT INSTEAD OF BUT EQUALLY TO COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. BUT OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS ARE DOING THE WORK. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU. I WANT TO ALSO THANK MICHELLE AND ALBERT, WHO ARE CURRENTLY SERVING ON THE C.F.C.I. COMMITTEE AMONG ALL THE MEMBERS. I KNOW IT TAKES A LOT OF WORK TO DO -- TO GIVE THE DIRECTION THAT THE COMMITTEE IS GIVING. AND I THINK THE CHAIR'S POINT IS WELL TAKEN IN TERMS OF RESOURCES, AND WE DO HAVE ANOTHER ROUND OF OUR BUDGETING PROCESS COMING

UP IF THAT IS WHERE THIS BOARD WOULD LIKE TO SEE PRIORITIZED FUNDING. WE CAN -- WE HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO CLOSE THAT GAP. THAT AUTHORITY DOES RESIDE WITH US AND NOT WITH THE COMMITTEE. I WOULD SAY I AM GLAD THERE'S AN INCUBATION ACADEMY. I THINK WHAT WE HAVE ALSO HEARD IS THAT SOME KEY LEARNINGS HAVE BEEN THAT COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS WHO ARE DOING THIS WORK MIGHT NOT EVER HAVE THE BACK OF HOUSE INFRASTRUCTURE TO BE ABLE TO PROCESS COUNTY FUNDING, WHICH IS CONCERNING BECAUSE THESE ARE SOME OF THE ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE CLOSEST TO THE PEOPLE WHO NEED THAT HELP. AND SO, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE AND EXPLORE WHETHER THERE'S SOME SORT OF INFRASTRUCTURE WE, AS A COUNTY, CAN PROVIDE FOR SOME OF THOSE SMALLER ORGANIZATIONS, WHO ARE PROVIDING THAT VERY IMPORTANT WORK, ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF RECENT DECISIONS FROM THE COURT AS IT RELATES TO OUR NEW BAIL SCHEDULE AND THE FACT THAT MEASURE J HAS COME BACK INTO PLAY. AND SO, I'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM THE C.E.O. WITH REGARD TO THOSE TWO RECENT EVENTS, HOW ARE WE MAKING SURE THAT THIS FUNDING IS ACTUALLY REALIZING MEASURE J NOW THAT IT IS BACK IN PLAY? HOW ARE WE MAKING SURE THIS FUNDING IS ACTUALLY DELIVERING THE SUPPORTS AND SYSTEMS THAT WE NEED AS IT RELATES TO THE NEW REALITY WE WILL EXPERIENCE WITH THE NEW BAIL SCHEDULE?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: SO TWO SEPARATE EVENTS I THINK THAT CONVERGE ON THE SAME POPULATION. THE NEW BAIL SCHEDULE, A LOT

OF THOSE SERVICES THAT WILL BE PROVIDED FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BAILED THEMSELVES ARE PRETRIAL, PRETRIAL SERVICES. SOME WOULD CALL THAT A PREVENTION. SOME WOULD CALL THAT AN INTERVENTION. THE C.F.C.I. SPENDING PLAN SPANS THE CONTINUUM FROM ALL THE WAY FROM PREVENTION, REGARDING EDUCATION, AND JOB ACCESS, THROUGH THE INCARCERATION PROCESS, AND THEN POST-INCARCERATION, INCLUDING REENTRY. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PROGRAMS. I CAN NOT DELINEATE THEM ALL, BUT THEY ARE IN AN ATTACHMENT TO THE BOARD LETTER. WITH REGARD TO HOW WE ARE ENSURING THAT, ONE OF THE THINGS WE HAVE IMPLEMENTED IN OUR CONTRACTING PROCESS WITH THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR IS TO ENSURE THAT THERE ARE METRICS, MILESTONES, AND OUTCOMES FOR THE POPULATIONS THAT ARE BEING SERVED BY THESE C.B.O.S. THAT REQUIREMENT TOOK EFFECT, I BELIEVE, THIS YEAR, LIKE WITHIN THE LAST FOUR OR FIVE MONTHS. AND SO, WHAT WE WANT TO SEE ON THE BACK END IS, AFTER THE MONEY HAS GONE OUT THE DOOR, TELL US WHO WAS SERVED, HOW WERE THEY SERVED, AND HOW MANY WERE SERVED, AND WHAT IS BETTER.

SUP. HORVATH: I KNOW THAT RECENTLY, AS IT RELATES TO MEASURE J, THERE WAS A DECISION BY THE COURTS THAT IT WAS NOT DEEMED UNCONSTITUTIONAL, AND NOW THERE'S A FURTHER INQUIRY THAT HAS BEEN MADE TO THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT, WHICH IMPACTS WHAT THE COUNTY WILL DO NEXT. I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT, AS THAT PROCESS IS GOING FORWARD, IT IS NOT GOING TO IMPACT OUR

ABILITY TO USE THESE C.F.C.I. DOLLARS AS THEY'RE INTENDED TO MOVE THE PROGRAMMING FORWARD THAT WE NEED TO BUILD.

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: YES, YOU ARE CORRECT. MY UNDERSTANDING, AND COUNTY COUNSEL CAN CORRECT ME, IS THERE'S A PETITION THAT HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE SUPREME COURT, WHICH BASICALLY PLACES MEASURE J, THE ORIGINAL BALLOT MEASURE, ON HOLD, BUT FOR OUR PURPOSES, IT IS A NON-ISSUE BECAUSE RIGHT AFTER THAT TRIAL COURT DECISION, THIS BOARD OR THE BOARD MOVED FORWARD WITH IMPLEMENTING MEASURE J, WHICH WE NOW CALL C.F.C.I. ANYWAY. SO REGARDLESS OF WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE LEGAL ENTITY, THE BOARD HAS ADOPTED THIS POLICY. THERE'S A MOTION. THERE'S A BOARD FISCAL POLICY THAT NOW INSTRUCTS US TO DO IT, SO IT REALLY HAS NO BEARING ON OUR IMPLEMENTATION.

SUP. HORVATH: GREAT BECAUSE I DON'T WANT US TO BE A PROCESS PROBLEM. I WANT US TO BE FOCUSED ON IMPLEMENTATION, AND IF WE ARE THE PROBLEM IN TERMS OF OUR PROCESS, THEN WE NEED TO MAKE CHANGES TO ENSURE THE WORK IS BEING DONE AND THOSE PROGRAMS ARE BEING IMPLEMENTED.

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: THAT HAS BEEN A VERY IMPORTANT MESSAGING POINT I THINK GOING FORWARD, LIKE WHAT IS THE STATUS, AND WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN WITH THE FUNDING. AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO GO FORWARD, UNLESS THERE IS DIRECTION TO GO

OTHERWISE. I WOULD JUST LIKE TO POINT OUT THIS LAST POINT. SUPERVISOR HAHN, I COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND THE FRUSTRATION. THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE HAS CONTINUED TO GO ON RECORD, AND I FEEL LIKE I HAVE TO GO ON RECORD TODAY, WE ISSUED TWO MEMOS, ONE ON MAY 17TH, 2001, ONE ON MARCH 18TH, 2021, WHERE WE WERE SHARING WITH THE BOARD, WE CAN'T TELL YOU TODAY EXACTLY WHAT THE NUMBER IS GOING TO BE IN 2023 BECAUSE WE HAVE TO GO THROUGH THREE BUDGET CYCLES, AND BUDGETS ARE DYNAMIC. AND THE REVENUES, THEY INCREASE, AND THEY DECREASE. AND SO, WHAT WE HAVE ALWAYS SAID IN OUR WRITTEN MATERIALS IS THAT THIS IS A PROJECTED FORECASTED ESTIMATE. AND WHAT WE WERE TRYING TO SHARE WITH THE BOARD IS WE THINK WE ARE DIRECTIONALLY CORRECT, BUT WE DON'T HAVE THE PRECISION, WE DON'T HAVE A CRYSTAL BALL TO TELL YOU IN 2021 WHERE WE WOULD END UP IN 2023. SO I THINK THAT MESSAGING POINT IS ALSO IMPORTANT.

SUP. BARGER: FESIA, CAN I ASK A CLARIFICATION? HOW MUCH MONEY DID AMITY GET FIRST YEAR TO ALLOCATE?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: LET'S SEE. IN YEAR ONE, AMITY RECEIVED $18.5 MILLION.

SUP. BARGER: OUT OF?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: OUT OF $100 MILLION N.C.C. AND THEN -- YES.

SUP. BARGER: YEAH, I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT FOR THE BOARD TO KNOW. IN OTHER WORDS, THEY DIDN'T GET ALL THAT -- WHEN CHAIR HAHN MADE THE COMMENT ABOUT DEPARTMENTS, OR I DON'T KNOW WHO MADE IT, THE DEPARTMENTS ARE GETTING THE MONEY, AMITY'S DISBURSEMENT WAS FOR $18 MILLION.

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: $18.5 MILLION.

SUP. BARGER: $18.5 OUT OF?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: $100 N.C.C. AND THEN I DON'T HAVE THE NUMBER AT MY FINGERTIPS IF THEY GOT ANY OF THE A.R.P. FUNDING.

SUP. BARGER: I GUESS, MOVING FORWARD WITH THIS BOARD LETTER, I THINK IT MAY BE IMPORTANT FOR US TO, FIRST OF ALL, OUTCOMES BECAUSE I THINK IT IS GREAT THAT WE ARE GETTING THE MONEY OUT THERE, BUT ARE WE MAKING SURE THAT IN FACT IT IS GIVING US THE THAT OUTCOMES WE HOPED? IT MAY BE TOO SOON TO TELL, BUT I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT. I ALSO THINK IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO UNDERSTAND THE FUNDING STREAM, WHAT AMITY'S ROLE IS, WHAT THE DEPARTMENTS' ROLES ARE ACROSS THE BOARD BECAUSE IT IS CLEAR TO ME THAT SOMETIMES YOU CAN CONFUSE FACTS. AND THEN YOU COME TO

A CONCLUSION THAT MAY NOT NECESSARILY ACCURATELY DEPICT WHAT IS HAPPENING. AND THAT'S WHERE I AM FRUSTRATED BECAUSE I KNOW I WAS UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT THEY GOT THE MONEY, AND THEN THEY DISTRIBUTED IT. BUT WHEN I HEAR 18 OUT OF 100 --

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: WHAT WAS THE SECOND YEAR?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: THE SECOND YEAR WAS $40 MILLION.

SUP. BARGER: OUT OF?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN $200 MILLION.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: SO YOU ARE SAYING THEY DON'T GET THAT MUCH TO -- SO THEY SHOULD HAVE NO DELAYS.

SUP. BARGER: NO, I AM SAYING IF WE ARE GOING TO BE CRITICAL OF AN OUTSIDE VENDOR, WE SHOULD BE CRITICAL OF OUR OWN BUREAUCRACY BECAUSE WE HAD, OUT OF THAT $200 MILLION, $40 MILLION WENT TO AMITY, WE SHOULD BE CRITICIZING OURSELVES, AS WELL.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: WELL, I THINK WHAT WE -- WHAT HAS BEEN BROUGHT UP IS THAT WE SHOULD COMPARE BECAUSE WE DON'T KNOW WHETHER OUR -- WHAT THE STATUS OF OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS ARE IN GETTING THE MONEY OUT.

SUP. BARGER: I AGREE. COMPARE BUT ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT IT MAY BE A PROCESS PROBLEM ACROSS THE BOARD.

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: SO, IN OUR FUTURE LETTERS, WHAT WE WILL DO IS WE WILL ADD A TABLE, OR A SCHEDULE, WHERE WE DO A SIDE BY SIDE, TOTAL ALLOCATION, TOTAL SPEND DOWN TO DATE, AND THEN SOMETHING ON THE CONTRACTING PROCESS TO GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF HOW LONG IT'S TAKING US, HOW MUCH TIME IT IS TAKING US TO GET THE DOLLARS OUT THROUGH A CONTRACTING PROCESS, WHETHER IT IS ON THE COUNTY SIDE OR THE T.P.A. SIDE.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: SO IN YOUR OPINION, THERE'S BEEN NO DELAY WITH THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: I AM NOT SUGGESTING THAT. I WAS -- I MADE TWO IMPORTANT POINTS I THINK. ONE IS TO CLARIFY THAT NOT ALL THE MONEY WAS BEING ADMINISTERED BY THE T.P.A. AND THAT, GOING FORWARD, THAT I CAN PROVIDE THE BOARD A SCHEDULE THAT WILL PROVIDE CONTEXT THAT WILL SHOW HERE IS WHAT THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS ARE ADMINISTERING, HERE IS WHAT THE T.P.A. IS

ADMINISTERING, AND HERE IS A SIDE BY SIDE COMPARISON ON THE SPIN DOWN RATE AND THE CONTRACTING RATE.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YES, THAT WOULD BE GOOD TO SEE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

SUP. SOLIS: YES. TO OUR C.E.O., THEN, WHEN YOU SAY THAT A SMALLER PORTION IN THE FIRST AND SECOND YEAR WHEN TO AMITY, WHERE DID THE REMAINDER GO? DID IT JUST STAY SOMEWHERE IN THE BUDGET PROCESS? DID THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS UTILIZE THAT?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: SO IN EACH YEAR'S SPENDING PLAN, AND IF YOU LOOK AT THE ATTACHMENT TO OUR BOARD LETTER, THERE IS A NUMBER OF PROGRAMS. AND THERE'S A COLUMN WITH A RECOMMENDATION AS TO WHO SHOULD ADMINISTER THAT PROGRAM AND, THEREFORE, THE FUNDING. SO SOME OF THE FUNDING GOES TO DEPARTMENTS. SOME OF THE FUNDING GOES TO THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR.

SUP. SOLIS: BUT WHAT I AM SAYING IS IT SOUNDS LIKE A MAJORITY, OR A LARGER PERCENTAGE, WENT TO THE COUNTY?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: TO COUNTY DEPARTMENTS.

SUP. SOLIS: SO I DO WANT TO SEE THAT LINE-UP. AND I ALSO WANT TO SAY THAT SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND I WERE THE ONES THAT ORIGINALLY PUT THIS MEASURE ON THE BALLOT. AND I KNOW THAT OUR BELIEF THEN, AND I THINK IT STILL REMAINS, IS TO MAKE SURE WE DO INTENTIONAL INVESTMENT USING THE EQUITY LENS. AND ONE THING THAT HAS BEEN DRAWN TO MY ATTENTION IS THAT, AND I HAVE I THINK ONE MEMBER THAT GETS THE VOTE ON THE ENTIRE BOARD OF 30, AND EVERYONE HAS VERY DIVERSE POINTS OF VIEW. I DON'T EVEN KNOW IF THEY ALWAYS COME TO CONSENSUS IS WHAT I UNDERSTAND. BUT I THINK THERE HAS TO BE A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT IT IS THAT THE COUNTY DOES TO EVERYONE THAT IS A PART OF THAT GROUP, AND UNDERSTAND EXACTLY HOW WE ARE MEETING SOME OF THE GOALS THAT ARE OUTLINED WITH C.F.C.I. TO BEGIN WITH BECAUSE I DO BELIEVE THERE'S A DISCONNECT THERE SOMEWHERE. AND I REALLY WOULD LIKE TO UNDERSTAND THAT BETTER. AND I AM CONCERNED, TOO, THAT WE ARE -- THAT WE MAY NOT BE POPULATING THE AREAS THAT ARE MOST AT NEED. AND PART OF IT GOES TO THE POINT MADE ABOUT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE BECAUSE IT ISN'T JUST DOING A MICRO-INTENSIVE PROGRAM TO INCUBATE AND DO THAT. IF YOU ARE GOING TO DO THAT, I THINK YOU NEED TO DO IT AROUND THE COUNTY AND NOT JUST IN ONE PLACE, BUT WE HAVE TO MEET THE PEOPLE, THE C.B.O.S, WHERE THEY ARE AT. AND I REALLY DOUBT THAT WE ARE DOING THAT. I GET IT. WE HAVE TO STAFF UP FOR THAT, BUT I DO THINK IT IS WORTHWHILE BECAUSE I HAVE A LOT OF C.B.O.S WHO ARE DOING GREAT WORK, SMALL, THAT I KNOW EVEN -- THAT I USED TO

REP IN SOUTH EAST L.A. AND EVEN IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY OUT IN EAST L.A. THAT COULD NEVER QUALIFY BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE THE WHEREWITHAL. AND IT IS A SHAME BECAUSE THEY SHOULD BE REWARDED. AND THEY HAVE PARTNERED WITH US, SOME OF OUR INDIVIDUAL OFFICES, NOT BECAUSE I AM GAINING ANYTHING, BUT BECAUSE THEY ARE THE ONES THAT ARE GOING OUT THERE AUGMENTING WHAT SOME OF OUR DEPARTMENTS SHOULD BE DOING. SO I AM JUST MAKING THAT OBSERVATION BECAUSE I, TOO, THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT THAT.

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: WHAT I WOULD POINT OUT, SUPERVISOR, IS YOU KNOW THIS IS NOT A NEW ISSUE WITH US WORKING WITH OUR C.B.O. COMMUNITY AND WHAT THEIR CAPACITY IS. D.C.F.S., FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN I WAS THERE, THEY WOULD ISSUE CONTRACTS, AND THEY WOULD HAVE ONE LET'S SAY LARGER C.B.O. THEY WOULD REQUIRE THAT C.B.O. TO CONTRACT LIKE 30 OR 40% TO SMALLER C.B.O.S, AND THEY WOULD ALSO HAVE TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ON THE BACK END TO DO A LITTLE HAND HOLDING. AND THE IDEA WAS IF THOSE CONTRACTS STAYED IN PLACE OVER A PERIOD OF TIME THAT THOSE SMALLER C.B.O.S WOULD THEN GROW THAT TALENT, BUT I THINK C.B.O.S, JUST LIKE US HERE IN THE COUNTY, YOU HAVE PEOPLE THAT RETIRE. THEY GET PROMOTED. YOU CAN TRAIN YOUR ENTIRE C.B.O. STAFF, AND IF EVERYONE IS PROMOTED, TRANSFERRED, MOVED AWAY, OR RETIRED IN THREE YEARS, YOU ARE KIND OF -- IT IS CONTINUOUS LEARNING. AND SO, I WILL -- WE WILL GO BACK AND LOOK AT THE

INCUBATION ACADEMY. AND SEE WHICH -- WHAT THE REQUIREMENTS ARE AND WHAT THE GEOGRAPHIC SPREAD IS. AND THEN IN TERMS OF THE SIDE BY SIDE THAT I MENTIONED EARLIER, RATHER THAN WAITING UNTIL THE NEXT YEAR'S BOARD LETTER, WE WILL DO ONE SOONER, SO THAT THE BOARD CAN SEE IT, AND THEN WE WILL WORK OUT ALL OF THE -- ANY GLITCHES IN THE REPORTING, AND THEN WE WILL INCLUDE IT ON A GO FORWARD BASIS.

SUP. SOLIS: SAYING, FESIA, IT ISN'T SOMETHING OUTSIDE OF THE ORDINARY BECAUSE, EVEN IN OUR OWN OFFICES, WE DO THAT WITH SOME OF OUR C.B.O.S. AND I THINK IT HAS HELPED TO GET FUNDING OUT EVEN FOR MICRO-ENTREPRENEURS AND THINGS OF THAT NATURE. SO I KNOW IT CAN HAPPEN, BUT I THINK WE HAVE TO POPULATE THAT MORE. MAYBE IT IS CREATING MASTER CONTRACT AGREEMENTS WITH LEGITIMATE GROUPS THAT ARE DOING GOOD WORK THAT HAVE A HISTORY OF KNOWING WHERE THE REAL ISSUES ARE AND GETTING THAT DONE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BECAUSE I WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF THAT BECAUSE AT LEAST I KNOW IT IS GOING OUT TO FOLKS THAT WE KNOW ARE STRUGGLING, BUT THEY ARE THERE. AND MANY OF THESE PEOPLE HAD THE HARDSHIP DURING THE PANDEMIC. AND THEY WERE THERE WITH US AND HAD VERY LITTLE ON A SHOESTRING BUDGET. SO, WE NEED TO HELP THOSE FOLKS OUT. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER, FOR ASKING THE QUESTION, BECAUSE THAT NEVER OCCURRED TO ME BECAUSE I THINK WHEN I HEARD THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR AND THAT PHILANTHROPY HAD SUGGESTED IT GO THAT WAY, MY ASSUMPTION, YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU ASSUME, WAS THAT THE LION'S SHARE OF THE MONEY WAS THERE. SO THANK YOU FOR ASKING THE QUESTION BECAUSE WHEN I FIRST HEARD THE AMOUNT, I THOUGHT, OH IS THAT THE ADMIN THEY EARNED. NO, THOSE WERE THE TOTAL DOLLARS THAT THEY WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALLOCATING. SO THE ONUS SOUNDS LIKE LARGELY IT IS ON THE COUNTY AND COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOUR BREAK DOWN, SO WE ARE CLEAR. CORRECT ME -- I WILL BE SO GLAD WHEN I HAVE BEEN HERE LONG ENOUGH THAT I WILL HAVE INSTITUTIONAL MEMORY. I WON'T HAVE TO ASK THESE QUESTIONS AND BE LOST. I AM THINKING, AS I RECALL FROM SOME BOARD ACTIONS LAST YEAR, DID BOARD ACTIONS, FOR EXAMPLE, DIRECT SOME OF THOSE DOLLARS TO GO LIKE TO J.C.O.D., FOR EXAMPLE? DID BOARD ACTION DETERMINE WHAT COUNTY DEPARTMENTS GOT SOME OF THOSE DOLLARS?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: SO THE ANSWER IS YES. WHEN WE DO A BOARD LETTER, AND LET ME BACK UP A LITTLE BIT. SO, WE GET A PLAN FROM THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE. THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE WILL HAVE RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO WHICH TYPE OF ENTITY SHOULD RUN AND ADMINISTER A PROGRAM, EITHER A C.B.O. OR A DEPARTMENT. AND SOMETIMES IT'S A COMBINATION. IT'S A C.B.O. WITH ONE OF OUR

DEPARTMENTS ACTING AS A SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT. BUT GENERALLY, THEY FALL INTO TWO CATEGORIES. WE GET THAT PLAN. WE REVIEW IT. SOMETIMES, I'LL GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE IN OUR BOARD LETTER TODAY. THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE WANTED TO I BELIEVE IT WAS LIKE CO-ADMINISTER A PROGRAM WITH D.P.H. AND D.P.H. DOESN'T HAVE IN ITS BACK POCKET READY TO GO LIKE AN ADMINISTRATOR, AND BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T WANT TO DELAY THE PROCESS, THEY SAID NO IT'S OKAY IF A THIRD PARTY -- FOR ARE THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTER TO ADMINISTER THESE FUNDS. SO, WHEN WE DO THE BOARD LETTER WITH OUR ATTACHMENT, IN THAT COLUMN IT WILL SAY ADMINISTERED BY A THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR OR A DEPARTMENT. WHEN THE BOARD APPROVES THE BOARD LETTER, THEN THE BOARD IS ALSO APPROVING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAM.

SUP. MITCHELL: SO, I WOULD SUGGEST TO US THAT IN THE FUTURE, AS WE AUTHOR OR SUPPORT MOTIONS THAT DIRECT C.F.C.I. FUNDS TO A COUNTY DEPARTMENT, THAT IN THE MOTION OR IN THE BOARD LETTER THAT WE EXPRESS AN EXPECTATION ABOUT TURN AROUND TIME. WE CAN CONTROL THAT THAT WE EXPECT THAT THOSE DOLLARS NOT CARRY OVER, FOR EXAMPLE, TO THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR. YOU KNOW WHATEVER WE AGREE IS REASONABLE AND FAIR, BUT THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE'RE IN CHARGE OF THAT WE SAY, "COUNTY DEPARTMENT, YOU HAVE RECEIVED THESE C.F.C.I. FUNDS FOR DISTRIBUTION. THEY NEED TO BE DISTRIBUTED WITHIN," WHATEVER TIMEFRAME. AND YOU KNOW, I'LL JUST SAY TO MY COLLEAGUES, HAVING RUN A SERVICE DELIVERY

C.B.O. THAT CONTRACTED WITH THE COUNTY, IT WAS NOT EASY. AND TO GET AN ADMIN RATE, BECAUSE SO MANY -- YOU KNOW OFTENTIMES THE DOLLAR IS EXPECTED TO GO TO THE SERVICE. YOU NEED A CONSISTENT ADMIN RATE TO BUILD AN ORGANIZATION THAT CAN DELIVER THE SERVICE. WE EXPECT PEOPLE TO, I DON'T KNOW, MAGICALLY JUST DO THIS GOOD WORK. AND WE LOSE NONPROFITS ACROSS COMMUNITIES OF COLOR IN UNDERREPRESENTED COMMUNITIES THAT ARE SERVICE DELIVERY ORGANIZATIONS EVERY MONTH OF EVERY YEAR BECAUSE THEY CAN'T CHARGE TO HAVE A GOOD AUDITOR THAT THE COUNTY REQUIRES BECAUSE YOU AUDIT US ON THE REGULAR OR TO HAVE -- PAY FOR RENT. SO, NOT ONLY IS THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IS IMPORTANT, IT'S IMPORTANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT NONPROFITS HAVE TO OPERATE IN ORDER TO DELIVER THE SERVICES. AND SO, WE NEED TO LOOK AT OUR ADMIN RATE VERSUS ON THE STREET GRANTS, SO WE CAN BUILD THE CAPACITY OF NONPROFITS TO BE HEALTHY AND GROW THEMSELVES TO DELIVER THESE SERVICES.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AND AGAIN, I THINK THIS IS A VERY GOOD DISCUSSION, BUT WHAT YOU'RE HEARING IS WE WANT TO KNOW IS IT THE LACK OF CAPACITY IN OUR COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS? IS IT THE DELAY IN A THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR IN GETTING THAT MONEY OUT THE DOOR? IS IT OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS WHO ARE NOT GETTING THE MONEY OUT THE DOOR? YOU KNOW, I THINK WE NEED TO -- BECAUSE THERE IS A LOT OF ASSUMPTIONS AROUND HERE ABOUT WHAT THE PROBLEM IS, BUT I KNOW MY OFFICE HEARS FROM ADVOCATES ALL

THE TIME ABOUT THIS PROGRAM, AND IT'S NOT LIVED UP TO THE SPIRIT IN WHICH IT WAS PASSED BY THE VOTERS, NOR I THINK THE SPIRIT OF THIS BOARD IN OUR CARE FIRST INITIATIVES.

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: WE'LL GET YOU THE ANALYSIS AS SOON AS WE CAN.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

SUP. BARGER: CAN I ASK A QUESTION. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL ACTUALLY TOUCHED ON SOMETHING. I KNOW THAT THE WEINGART FOUNDATION HAD LOOKED AT ALL OUR DEPARTMENTS AND THE DIFFERENT AUDITING MECHANISMS AND REQUIREMENTS BY EACH DEPARTMENT AND WERE TRYING TO FOLD IN SOMETHING BECAUSE, TO YOUR POINT, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, NONPROFITS THAT HAVE CONTRACTS WITH D.C.F.S., MENTAL HEALTH, AND THEY ALL HAVE DIFFERENT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. AND I'M JUST WONDERING WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT. AND THEN TO FOLLOW UP ON THAT, WHEN IT COMES TO THE AUDITING AND THE FINANCIALS, WHY WOULDN'T WE PUT TOGETHER -- I MEAN WE PUT TOGETHER THROUGH MAYBE THROUGH -- I DON'T KNOW WHO IT WOULD BE THROUGH. I WAS GOING TO SAY D.E.O., BUT WE KEEP REQUIRING THEM TO DO MORE, BUT SOME SORT OF MECHANISM THAT WILL HELP THOSE SMALL ONES THAT ARE AT A THRESHOLD -- AND FILL IN THE BLANK WHAT THAT THRESHOLD IS -- THAT THEY CAN ACCESS SOME SORT OF AUDITING TOOL OR NONPROFIT THAT WE CAN HELP FUND

SO THAT THEY DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THAT FINANCIAL SIDE OF IT. BUT ON THE WEINGART, I WOULD BE CURIOUS TO KNOW WHATEVER HAPPENED TO THAT.

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: I REMEMBER THAT PROJECT VERY WELL. - SO, THE WEINGART PROJECT, IT WAS AN EFFORT TO ESTABLISH A SINGLE COUNTY-WIDE INDIRECT COST RATE. IT WAS DESIGNED FOR C.B.O.S THAT HAD MULTIPLE CONTRACTS WITH THE COUNTY. SO, IF YOU HAD ONE CONTRACT WITH D.C.F.S. AND YOUR OVERHEAD RATE WAS 13%, IT WAS GOOD FOR ALL PURPOSES FOR ALL OTHER COUNTY CONTRACTS FOR A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME, THE SAME WAY A FEDERAL INDIRECT COST RATE WOULD HAPPEN. WE, IN THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, HIRED A CONSULTANT. WE DEVELOPED A TOOL OF HOW THE INDIRECT COST RATE MIGHT WORK. IT WAS LIKE A PROTOTYPE. WE ENLISTED DEPARTMENTS OR CONSCRIPTED DEPARTMENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN RUNNING THROUGH LIKE A CONTRACT SOLICITATION AND THEN WHAT WOULD THE INDIRECT COST RATE BE IF YOU GOT THAT CONTRACT. IF MY MEMORY SERVES ME CORRECTLY, AT THE END, IT LOOKS LIKE THE PARTICIPATION FROM -- WE HAD ABOUT FIVE OR SIX COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, NONPROFITS, LARGE, MEDIUM, AND SMALL. IT LOOKS LIKE THE PARTICIPATION FIZZLED OUT AT THE END, AND WE WERE NEVER ABLE TO LAND THE PLANE ON ACTUALLY GOING THROUGH THE EXERCISE, BUT WE HAVE THE CONSULTANT. WE HAVE THE TOOL, AND WE HAVE THE SAMPLE CONTRACTS THAT WE WOULD USE AS LIKE A PRESSURE TEST TO PRESSURE TEST THE TOOL. SO WE DID HAVE A TOOL. AND ONE

OF THE QUESTIONS THAT CAME UP IS IF WE ESTABLISHED A SINGLE COUNTY-WIDE INDIRECT COST RATE, WOULD WE HAVE TO CENTRALIZE THAT WORK? LIKE IS THAT A NEW UNIT LET'S SAY FOR EXAMPLE IN AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, OR DO WE KEEP IT DISTRIBUTED WITHIN EACH COUNTY DEPARTMENT, BUT WE NEVER GOT THERE TO ANSWER THE QUESTION. ON THE SECOND PIECE ABOUT THE AUDITING, THIS RECENTLY CAME UP I THINK IN A REPORT THAT AUDITOR-CONTROLLER ISSUED. AND WHAT WE PROBABLY NEED TO DO IS CIRCLE BACK WITH THEM BECAUSE AUDITOR IS ALREADY SUPPOSED TO BE DOING TRAINING AND NOT JUST WITH OUR CONTRACTORS, FOR PROFIT CONTRACTORS, BUT WITH OUR C.B.O.'S ABOUT ABOUT AUDITING TRAINING, HERE ARE THE TOP 10 MOST COMMON MISTAKES THAT FOLKS MAKE. LET US HELP YOU, ARM YOU WITH THIS INFORMATION SO THAT YOU CAN AVOID ANY POTENTIAL AUDIT.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. CAN YOU PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT --

SUP. SOLIS: MADAM CHAIR, BEFORE WE GO ON, COULD WE INCLUDE THAT AS PART OF THE REPORT BACK, THE WEINGART, WHERE WE WERE AND ALL THAT? INCLUDE ALL THAT SO WE'RE ALL LOOKING AT THE SAME THING I THINK IT COULD BE HELPFUL.

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

SUP. SOLIS: THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: PLEASE CALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. I THINK WE HAVE OVER 46 PEOPLE THAT WANT TO SPEAK TO US ON THIS ITEM. SO LET'S CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT HAVE SIGNED UP ON THIS.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL ADRIAN DELUNA, AINSLEY RIVERA, AMBROSE BROOKS, ARLENE LOPEZ, OSAIO ROBLERO, BRIANNA SEGUENZA, CECELIA NUNEZ, DR. PLAIN LUCAS, EMMANUEL EVANS, FREDRICA LUCAS, HELEN JONES, IVETTE CORREA, JAMES LOPEZ, JAMES NELSON, AND JANET ASANTE PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST. FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 46, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS HECTOR RAMIREZ. YOU MAY BEGIN.

HECTOR RAMIREZ: YEAH, GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. HECTOR RAMIREZ, I'M ONE OF THE FOUR MEMBERS OF THE MEASURE J COMMITTEE. I JUST WANTED TO START OFF BY JUST CELEBRATING THE FACT THAT MEASURE J HAS BEEN RULED CONSTITUTIONAL IN ITS ENTIRETY. SO AGAIN REALLY WANTED TO REITERATE THAT INCLUDING

THE FUNDING, WHICH I THINK IS PART OF THE ISSUE THAT HAS CAUSED SOME ISSUES, UNCERTAINTY ABOUT HOW MUCH MONEY THE COUNTY IS GOING TO ALLOCATE TO THIS FROM A YEAR TO YEAR BASIS HAS REALLY HINDERED THE PROCESS, ADDITIONALLY THE LITIGATION. BUT I THINK OVERALL, ONE OF THE OTHER BIGGEST PROBLEMS IS THE MONEY IS JUST NOT GOING OUT FAST. THAT'S SOMETHING THAT -- THAT DOESN'T SEEM TO BE HAPPENING TO THE CONTRACT DEPARTMENTS, LIKE THAT THEY ARE GETTING THIS, BUT THAT HAS CREATED SOME SIGNIFICANT BARRIERS FOR C.B.O.'S, THE THIRD PARTY CONTRACTOR, TO REALLY WORK AND DELIVER WITH THE HUNDREDS OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS THAT HAVE BEEN SHOWING UP DURING THE PANDEMIC AND EVERYTHING ELSE REALLY VOICING AND PROVIDING IDEAS. SO REALLY HOPE THAT YOU UPHOLD THE VOTERS' INTENT AND FULLY FUND MEASURE J AS YOU CONTINUE LOOKING AT THE THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR HAS BEEN DOING A REALLY GOOD JOB. I THINK THERE HAS JUST BEEN A LITTLE BIT OF MISUNDERSTANDING THROUGH CONVERSATIONS.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. OKAY, NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BYRON JOSE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

BYRON JOSE: GOOD AFTERNOON. THIS IS BYRON WITH TRANS LATINO COALITION AND REIMAGINE L.A. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP ON C.F.C.I. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU, S.D.3, AND THE CHAIR, SUPERVISOR HAHN, ON FULLY

FUNDING MEASURE J IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET AND YEARS TO COME, INCLUDING OVERRIDING THE C.E.O.'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND DEMANDING MORE TRANSPARENCY IN THE NET COUNTY COST CALCULATIONS. FULLY FUNDING MEASURE J TO $900 MILLION AS UPHELD BY THE COURTS WILL ADVANCE AN EQUITABLE INVESTMENT OF UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES, BLACK, TRANSGENDER, [INDISCERNIBLE], INTERSEX, AND SYSTEM IMPACTED INDIVIDUALS. PLEASE DIRECT COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE C.E.O. TO STOP WASTING TIME AND MONEY ON LITIGATION AND APPEALS ON BEHALF OF THE COALITION OF SHERIFF AND PROBATION UNIONS. YEAR THREE IS NOT THE TIME TO WAIT AND LEARN ABOUT THE PROCESS AND WANTING TO CHANGE IT, ESPECIALLY WHEN MOST OF YOU HAVE APPOINTED MEMBERS TO THE C.F.C.I. ADVISORY COMMITTEE. STOP DEFLECTING AND CUTTING MONEY OUT TO OUR COMMUNITIES AND DELAYING THE CLOSURE OF COUNTY JAILS --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JESSICA MCNEILL. YOU MAY BEGIN.

JESSICA MCNEILL: HI. YEAH, MY NAME IS JESSICA MCNEILL. I'M A MEMBER OF THE REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION. WHILE WE WERE HAGGLING OVER THIS $125 MILLION SHORTFALL OVER THREE YEARS AND THE $12

MILLION WE'RE LOOKING FOR NOW THAT L.A.S.D. IS PULLING DOWN A BUDGET OF A SMALL COUNTRY AT AROUND $13.8 BILLION OVER THREE YEARS WHILE OUR COMMUNITIES ARE FIGHTING FOR SCRAPS IN A BUDGET UNDER $700 MILLION IN THE SAME TIME SPAN. SO, L.A.S.D. ESTIMATES A BUDGET DEFICIT OF AROUND 11 MILLION FOR THIS YEAR ALONE. THAT'S OUR MONEY. THEY CAN'T EVEN STAY WITHIN A $4.6 BILLION BUDGET. AND THERE IS $75 MILLION SITTING JUST IN THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT VACANCIES. MAYBE WE CAN START THERE AND ADDRESS THE INEFFICIENCY OF THOSE DEPARTMENTS AND HOW THEY'RE EXTRACTING MONEY FROM AND SIMULTANEOUSLY CRIMINALIZING THE PEOPLE WHO NEED IT MOST. WE NEED FULL FUNDING FOR C.F.C.I. THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS VELVET ODEAN. YOU MAY BEGIN. ONE MOMENT. WE LOST YOU. OKAY, WE HAVE YOU. YOU MAY BEGIN. GO AHEAD.

VELVET ODEAN: HI. GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAMES VELVET ODEAN, AND I'M PROGRAM DIRECTOR OF [INDISCERNIBLE], WHICH IS A PROGRAM OF [SPEAKING ANOTHER LANGUAGE]. ONE OF FIVE PROGRAMS. WE MANAGE SERVICES AT THE ALISO-PICO RECREATION CENTER, WHICH IS A PUBLIC HOUSING FACILITY, AND WE OPERATE IN DISTRICT ONE. WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR ITEM 46, THE C.F.C.I.

YEAR THREE SPENDING PLAN, SPECIFICALLY ADVOCATING FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND DIVERSION THROUGH SPORTS AND PLAY EQUITY. THIS SUPPORT WOULD HELP ORGANIZATIONS LIKE OURS PROVIDE SAFE PLACES FOR YOUTH TO DEVELOP AND REACH POTENTIAL. SPORTS AND PLAY ARE UNDERUTILIZED AND PREVENTION TOOLS THAT REALLY KEEP OUR KIDS OUT OF THE JUSTICE SYSTEM. THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISORS, FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND YOUR INVESTMENT IN THIS PROJECT.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS TRAMEL CARTER. YOU MAY BEGIN.

TRAMEL CARTER: I'M SPEAKING IN REGARDS TO THE ALLOTMENT OF FUNDS THAT WAS STATED TODAY, AND I FEEL THAT THE CORE OF THIS IS COMING FROM THE C.F.O./C.E.O., MRS. DAVENPORT'S OFFICE. AND MY FACTS ABOUT THIS MATTER COMES TO ME DEALING WITH ISSUES, WHERE MRS. MITCHELL DID NOT PROPERLY ASSIST ME, WHERE I WAS DISCRIMINATED AGAINST, AND MATTERS ARE SUPPOSED TO GO THROUGH MRS. GARRETT'S OFFICE H.R. AND FUNNELED THROUGH MS. DAVENPORT'S. IT ALWAYS GETS STOPPED AT MS. DAVENPORT'S AND MS. GARRETT'S OFFICE ON CERTAIN TYPES OF ISSUES. SO THIS IS STEMMING FROM MS. GARRETT'S OFFICE AND MRS. -- I'M SORRY THIS IS STEMMING FROM MS. DAVENPORT'S WHO IS THE C.E.O., AND I THINK THIS IS WHERE THE ALLOTMENT OF FUNDS ARE NOT BEING

PROPERLY HANDLED BECAUSE IT'S STEMMING FROM HER OFFICE, AND SHE SHOULD NOT BE THE C.F.O. THERE NEEDS TO BE A NEW C.F.O., AND SHE SHOULD NOT BE IN CONTROL OF THAT AMOUNT OF MONEY WITHOUT NO TYPE OF MICROMANAGEMENT. AND THAT'S WHY I'M CALLING TODAY.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MARC ANTHONY CLAYTON JOHNSON. YOU MAY BEGIN.

MARC ANTHONY CLAYTON JOHNSON: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MARC ANTHONY CLAYTON JOHNSON WITH DIGNITY AND POWER NOW AND JUSTICE L.A. I THINK IT'S CRITICAL THAT WE'RE INTERROGATING THE PACE AT WHICH C.F.C.I. MEASURE J FUNDING IS BEING REALIZED ON THE GROUND. THE REALITY IS THAT THERE'S A SLOW ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES, A SLOW RAMPING UP OF THE SERVICES WE NEED, WHILE THE PACE OF DEATHS IN THE JAILS OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS IS AT AN ALL TIME HIGH, AND THIS IS RAISING TREMENDOUS CONCERNS AROUND FAMILIES, WHO SHOWED UP THIS MORNING TO THE BOARD TO REALLY LET YOU ALL KNOW THAT THE PACE IS INTOLERABLE. AND SO, AS WE'RE INTERROGATING THE BUREAUCRATIC ROADBLOCKS, IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE HAVE TO FULLY FUND C.F.C.I. AND MEASURE J, BUT THAT IS DIRECTLY CONNECTED TO THE TYPE OF SERVICES THAT ARE GOING TO GET OUR FOLKS OUT OF JAIL

AND SAVE LIVES. WE HAVE A PRETRIAL SYSTEM THAT IS DIRECTLY BENEFITING AND WOULD BENEFIT FROM RAMPING UP THE C.F.C.I. SERVICES. WE KNOW THE MAJORITY OF PEOPLE WHO ARE DYING IN THE JAIL ARE PRETRIAL AND ARE LEGALLY INNOCENT. IT IS ABSOLUTELY CRITICAL THAT WE FUND THESE SERVICES NOW.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MARIA ORDONOS. YOU MAY BEGIN.

MARIA ORDONOS: HI, THIS IS MARIA ORDONOS. I LIVE IN DISTRICT FOUR. I JUST WANT TO COMMENT AND SAY WE SHOULD BE -- INVEST IN ALTERNATIVES IN ORDER TO SHUT DOWN THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL BECAUSE THIS WAS WHERE THE FATHER OF MY KIDS' LIFE WAS TAKEN. HE WAS SOMEBODY'S SON, SOMEBODY'S UNCLE, SOMEBODY'S BROTHER, AND I'M IN FAVOR OF AGENDA 46. THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: THE NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LAURA COHOLLAND. YOU MAY BEGIN.

LAURA COHOLLAND: HI, MY NAME IS LAURA COHOLLAND. I ORGANIZE WITH THE REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION AND WITH LA DEFENSA, AND I'M

A RESIDENT OF SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT TWO. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR HIGHLIGHTING THE NEED TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS ON THE GROUND. IT IS EVIDENT THAT THAT'S A NEED. AND BLAMING THE COMMUNITY FOR NOT BEING ABLE TO UTILIZE FUNDS WHERE THEY ARE NOT GETTING TO THE COMMUNITY IS BAD LOGIC. SO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR FLIPPING THE SCRIPT THERE. I ALSO WANT TO REITERATE THAT WE NEED THE ADDITIONAL $12 MILLION THIS YEAR JUST TO BRING US UP TO THE FINAL $100 MILLION FOR THIS YEAR AND THAT C.F.C.I. DOLLARS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE $900 MILLION A YEAR FOR NET 10% OF NET COUNTY COSTS. THAT'S WHAT THE BALLOT MEASURE LANGUAGE THAT VOTERS APPROVED CALLED FOR. SO, I WANT TO REALLY REITERATE $900 MILLION A YEAR, INCREASE THE SPEED OF FUNDS COMING TO COMMUNITIES, MORE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, AND DON'T BLAME THE COMMUNITY FOR NOT HAVING THE TOOLS WHEN THE COUNTY'S BUREAUCRACY IS WHAT IS KEEPING THE COMMUNITY FROM BEING ABLE TO USE THE DOLLARS.

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

MODERATOR: THE NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU MAY BEGIN.

DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: YES, GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I KIND OF ENJOY THE INPUT OF THE SUPERVISORS ON

ITEM 46. I THINK WHAT YOU NEED ARE NOW WHAT TO REALLY MAKE THE [INDISCERNIBLE] TO SEE WHAT REALLY THINGS ARE GOING. I EMPHASIZE THAT MAYBE WE NEED TO DO A LITTLE MORE TRAINING TO MAKE THE PEOPLE SURE THEY ARE ON THE SAME TIME BECAUSE IT'S OBVIOUS WE HAVE A DIFFERENT INTERPRETATION FROM DIFFERENT GROUPS. SO I'M SO GLAD THAT I CAME. AND I THINK WE NEED TO DEFINITELY REASSESS IN DETAIL AND REPARATION MADE. SO THANK YOU FOR DOING THAT.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: THANK YOU FOR LISTENING.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU, GENEVIEVE. AU REVOIR. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: THE NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ED MOORE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

ED MOORE: YES. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YES.

ED MOORE: CAN YOU HEAR ME?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU AND SOME OTHER THINGS, TOO.

ED MOORE: I HAVE SPOKEN -- OR YEAH, I HELD FOR FIVE HOURS. SO, PLEASE FORGIVE ME. ANYWAY, IF YOU NEED TO ELIMINATE SOME OF THE WASTE ON THE PART OF SOME OF YOUR EMPLOYEES AND CONTRIBUTE TO THAT $12 MILLION, YOU SHOULD LOOK INTO AND INVESTIGATE GARY M. CABLE -- I'M SORRY INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EMPLOYEE OF YOURS, WHO DRAWS A PACKAGE OF $166,000 PER YEAR WHILE SITTING HOME SAYING HE WORKS OUT OF HIS HOME AND WHILE DOING WORK FOR MY BUILDING, WHICH IS 3565 LINDEN AVENUE. IF YOU NEED ANY INFORMATION, MY INFORMATION HAS BEEN SUBMITTED.

ATTORNEY: SIR, YOU'RE OFF TOPIC. WE'RE ON ITEM 46.

ED MOORE: THIS IS JUST IN REGARDS TO THE BUDGET. IF YOU WANT TO CONTRIBUTE TO A HEALTH BUDGET AND SAVE MONEY, YOU NEED TO ELIMINATE THE WASTE. AND THIS EMPLOYEE, DRAWING A PACKAGE OF 166 WHILE STAYING HOME AND WALKING AROUND IN FLIP FLOPS AND SHORTS --

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

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

DERRICK STEEL: HELLO. MY NAME IS DERRICK STEEL. I'M THE CHAIR OF THE C.F.C.I. ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND I WAS HOPING TO BE ABLE TO GET MORE TIME TO CLARIFY. I WANTED TO SHARE FROM C.E.O'S OFFICE, THE REASON WHY WE WANTED THE T.P.A. IS BECAUSE THE STATUS QUO OF THE DEPARTMENT IS NOT ONLY SLOW MOTION TO GET DOLLARS OUT, IT HAS ALSO LIMITED THE SCOPE OF HOW MANY COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS CAN GET ACCESS. THE DEPARTMENT IS NOT ONLY WORKING WITH CERTAIN COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS [INDISCERNIBLE], THE T.P.A. THAT WE HAVE NOT ONLY HAS THEIR DOLLARS OUT THE DOOR, $118 OR $47 MILLION WITH UP FRONT DOLLARS TO SUPPORT THOSE ORGANIZATIONS, BUT WE ALSO HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED THEIR YEAR TO R.F.P. SELECTION PROCESS, SELECTIONS OF THOSE ANNOUNCEMENTS COMING OUT LATER ON THIS MONTH. THE DEPARTMENT STILL HAS THE MAJORITY OF UNSPENT DOLLARS, AND WE HAVE BEEN ASKING QUESTIONS TO THE COMMITTEE. WE HAVE BEEN ASKING THEM TO ACTUALLY COME TO THE SPACE TO EXPLAIN WHY THOSE DOLLARS HAVE NOT ACTUALLY GOTTEN OUT. AND WE'RE ASKING [INDISCERNIBLE] TO BE HONEST, THE REPORT TODAY SHOULD HAVE ACTUALLY MAYBE HAD SUPPORT FROM J.C.O.D. BECAUSE THEY ARE THE ONES WHO ARE WORKING DIRECTLY WITH US TO TRACK TRACK THESE THINGS AND DOING THE INCUBATION ACADEMY AND BRINGING FORTH ALL THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. AND I'LL TELL YOU WHAT. WE'RE GIVING EVERYBODY A MINUTE. SO WE HAVE TO BE FAIR, BUT AS THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE, FEEL FREE TO SUBMIT THE REST OF YOUR COMMENTS OR ANY OTHER WRITTEN INFORMATION TO THE SUPERVISORS IN TERMS OF WHAT YOU WOULD LIKE US TO KNOW. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OKAY. WE'LL GO IN-PERSON.

AINSLEY RIVERA: ALL RIGHT. SO MY NAME IS AINSLEY RIVERA. MARTIN WAS MY UNCLE. HE WAS FOUND DEAD AT MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL SEPTEMBER 29TH OF 2019. HE HAD ABRASIONS AND CONTUSIONS ACROSS HIS ARMS, KNEES, AND CHEST, BUT HE WAS ASSIGNED A NATURAL DEATH. I DON'T THINK THAT IS NATURAL AT ALL. WE WERE GIVING CONTRADICTORY REPORTS ABOUT HIS DEATH. FIRST, WE WERE TOLD HE WAS DEAD, THEN WE WERE TOLD HE WASN'T DEAD. AND THEN WE WERE TOLD HE WAS DEAD AGAIN. HOW CAN WE RECEIVE THESE INCOHERENT RESPONSES WHEN YOU GUYS HAVE AN $843 MILLION BUDGET FOR THE JAIL SYSTEM? HOW CAN WE HAVE OVER 31 INMATE JAILS THAT WE KNOW OF? WE DON'T KNOW OF STANLEY WILSON. HE'S NOT LISTED. HOW CAN WE HAVE THESE DEATHS WHEN YOU GUYS HAVE THAT BUDGET? HOW CAN WE HAVE MISSING AND INCOMPLETE CERTIFICATES WHEN WE HAVE $843 MILLION BUDGET FOR THE JAIL SYSTEM? YOU DO THIS. YOU IGNORE US BECAUSE YOU VALUE YOUR CONTROL AND COERCION OVER US. YOU WANT TO MAINTAIN THINGS THE WAY YOU ARE. YOU DESIGNED IT THIS WAY. AND ANY FUNDAMENTAL CHANGE, WE'VE BEEN ASKING FOR YEARS TO

CLOSE THIS JAIL DOWN. YOU DO NOT WANT TO DO ANYTHING BECAUSE IT'S NOT IN YOUR INTEREST.

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

DR. DEE PULANI LUCAS: MY NAME IS DR. DEE PULANI LUCAS. I'M THE MOTHER OF STANLEY T. WILSON, JR., WHO HAD DEEMED INCOMPETENT TO STAND TRIAL AND WAS HOUSED IN TWIN TOWERS UNTIL HIS DEATH EARLIER THIS YEAR. I WAS TOLD HE DIED WHILE BEING TRANSFERRED TO METROPOLITAN HOSPITAL. WHILE IT'S TOO LATE FOR STANLEY, I'M HERE TO SPEAK TO THE IMPORTANCE OF PROVIDING NEEDED SERVICES FOR INMATES WITH MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND ALSO TO SUPPORT ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION. STANLEY WAS MY ONLY SON. HE WAS A STUDENT LEADER, A TRACK STAR, A STANDOUT FOOTBALL PLAYER AT BISHOP MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL AND STANFORD UNIVERSITY. HE WENT ON TO PLAY IN THE N.F.L. WITH THE DETROIT LIONS. HE WAS DIAGNOSED POSTMORTEM WITH C.T.E. HE DIED IN L.A.S.D. CUSTODY UNDER SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES. IF I WERE NOT HERE TODAY, YOU MIGHT NEVER KNOW OF STANLEY'S DEATH. IT WAS NOT RECORDED IN THE L.A.S.D. ONLINE DATABASE.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I KNOW A LOT OF YOU ARE SPEAKING ABOUT DEATHS IN THE JAIL AND CLOSING IT DOWN, BUT JUST FOR OUR COUNTY COUNSEL'S COMFORT, IF YOU COULD JUST TIE IT TO THIS

IDEA OF THE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT ITEM THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT.

FREDERICA LUCAS: HI MY NAME IS FREDERICA LUCAS. I'M THE SISTER OF STANLEY WILSON, JR. HE NEEDED MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT, AND THAT'S WHY IT TIES TO THIS ITEM. L.A.S.D. PROVIDES CONFLICTING ACCOUNTS ABOUT THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING STANLEY'S DEATH. WE HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE REPORTED CAUSE OF DEATH, THE AUTOPSY REVIEWING PROCESS, AND WHETHER THE MEDICAL EXAMINER DID DUE DILIGENCE IN PROVIDING AN OUTSIDE, UNBIASED MEDICAL PERSPECTIVE. THE CORONER'S OFFICE APPEARS TO BE COMPLICIT IN WORKING WITH L.A.S.D. IN DETERMINING INMATES' CAUSES OF DEATH. DESPITE CLEAR SIGNS OF BLUNT FORCE TRAUMA ON STANLEY'S BODY, L.A.S.D. HAS IGNORED REPEATED REQUESTS TO RELEASE C.C.T.V. FOOTAGE CAPTURING THE CHAIN OF CUSTODY PRIOR TO STANLEY'S DEATH. WITH THE RISING NUMBER OF IN CUSTODY DEATHS, IS L.A.S.D. SAYING THAT INMATES' LIVES, HEALTH, AND DIGNITY NO LONGER MATTER? IS IT A COINCIDENCE THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES AND NURSES ACCOMPANYING STANLEY ALL SAY THEY DID NOT SEE WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM? AM I SUPPOSED TO BELIEVE THAT DEPUTIES AND MEDICAL PERSONNEL DID EVERYTHING TO SAVE HIM, BUT HIS DEATH IS NOT COUNTED AND WE'RE NOT GRANTED TO ACCESS TO FOOTAGE? L.A. COUNTY NEEDS TO SUPPORT --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, THANK YOU. THANK YOU. AGAIN, I'LL JUST TELL OUR SPEAKERS THAT WE'RE ON THE COMMUNITY FIRST, COMMUNITY INVESTMENT SPENDING PLAN. THAT'S THIS ITEM 46.

EMMANUEL EVANS: MY NAME IS EMMANUEL EVANS, AND I REPRESENT THE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION BUSINESS OF STUDENT SUCCESS, WHERE I'M THE HEAD ACADEMIC MENTOR. OUR PROGRAM LEVERAGES OUR FOUNDATIONAL PILLARS, LEADERSHIP, PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPERATIVES TO TRANSFORM THE LIVES OF BOYS OF COLOR IN WHICH WHICH WE SERVE IN ORDER TO POSITION THEM TO WIN IN SCHOOL IN THEIR CAREERS AND IN LIFE. WE OPERATE IN SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT FOUR, AND ALTHOUGH WE DO HAVE STUDENTS IN THE OTHER DISTRICTS, AS WELL. WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR SUPPORT FOR ITEM 46 ON TODAY'S AGENDA, THE C.F.C.I. YEAR THREE SPENDING PLAN. MANY SUCCESSFUL INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE PASSED THROUGH OUR PROGRAM AND IN GENERAL CAN POINT TO SPORTS AS A BIG PART OF THEIR SUCCESS. SPORTS HELPS DEVELOP DISCIPLINE, MENTAL RESILIENCE, TEAMWORK, AND A BUNCH OF OTHER CHARACTERISTICS AS WELL NEEDED FOR SUCCESS. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS, FOR SUPPORTING THESE COMMUNITY-INFORMED INVESTMENTS THAT CAN POTENTIALLY TRANSFORM LIVES.

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

AIDRY LUNA: HI. MY NAME IS AIDRY LUNA, AND I REPRESENT RAINBOW LABS. WE'D LIKE TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR ITEM 46 ON TODAY'S AGENDA, THE C.F.C.I. YEAR THREE SPENDING PLAN, SPECIFICALLY THE RESOURCES ALLOCATED TO THE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND DIVERSION THROUGH SPORTS AND PLAY. RAINBOW LABS IS AN L.G.B.T.Q.+ YOUTH MENTORING PROGRAM. I SPECIFICALLY WORK WITH OUR TWO SPORTS PROGRAMS. OUR FIRST ONE IS THE SPORTS LAB CLINICS THAT WE HOST IN SOUTH AND EAST L.A. COMMUNITIES QUARTERLY. THROUGH THESE PROGRAMS, WE WORK TOWARDS CREATING SAFE SPACES FOR ALL YOUTH, INCLUDING OUR QUEER, TRANS, AND GENDER NONCONFORMING YOUTH. WE ALSO RECENTLY COMPLETED OUR FIRST EVER GENDER EXPANSIVE SOFTBALL PROGRAM IN EAST L.A., WHERE EVERYONE, REGARDLESS OF GENDER AND SEXUAL ORIENTATION, WERE WELCOME TO JOIN. IT'S VERY CLEAR THAT THERE IS A LARGE NEED FOR ORGANIZED AND SAFE FOR COMMUNITY SPACES FOR OUR YOUTH. STATISTICALLY SPEAKING, THE AMOUNT OF LATINX IDENTIFYING FEMMES WHO PARTICIPATE IN SPORTS ARE AT A DISPROPORTIONATE RATE TO THE REST OF OUR COMMUNITY.

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

CECELIA NUNEZ: HELLO, MY NAME IS CECILA NUNEZ. I'M A RESIDENT OF S.D.1. AND I'M ADVOCATING FOR THE NEED TO FULLY FUND C.F.C.I. TO THE TUNE OF $900 MILLION. THE BOARD IS SHRINKING

ON ITS RESPONSIBILITY TO SERVE A PEOPLE IN CRISIS. RESIDENTS ARE DYING IN THE STREETS DAILY AND MANY OF THEM ELDERLY, DISABLED, AND ARE STRUGGLING WITH MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE. WE HAVE HAD OVER 31 DEATHS AT M.C.J. THIS YEAR, ALL TRAGIC AND MANY OF WHOM WERE NOT CONVICTED OF A CRIME. I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW ANYONE COULD SLEEP WITH OUR LOVED ONES DEATHS ON THEIR HANDS. YOU REFUSED THE AFOREMENTIONED DIGNITY OF ALL HUMANS. IN 2020, THE VOTERS GAVE A LEGAL MANDATE TO DIRECT 10% OF UNRESTRICTED FUNDS TOWARD MEASURE J THAT WAS UPHELD IN COURTS THIS SUMMER. THE REFUSAL TO MEET THIS EVEN BY THE COUNTY'S UNDERESTIMATES IS IMMORAL. THE SHERIFFS GO WELL OVER A FOREVER INCREASING BUDGET EVERY YEAR WITH SEEMINGLY NO CONCERN. WE KNOW THE MONEY IS THERE. C.F.C.I. REMAINS UNSTAFFED AND UNDERSUPPORTED, AND WE WONDER WHY THE FUNDS ARE NOT OUT. THIS IS HOUSING, YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, HEALTH SERVICES, RESTORATIVE JUSTICE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. IT SHOULD BE A NO-BRAINER TO MOVE THESE FUNDS. THIS BOARD HAS PLANS TO MOVE US TOWARD A CARE FIRST/JAILS LAST PLAN AND CLOSE M.C.J. IT IS BEYOND TIME TO PUT YOUR MONEY WHERE YOUR MOUTH IS AND FULLY FUND C.F.C.I. TO $900 MILLION. THANK YOU.

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

JAMES LOPEZ: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JAMES LOPEZ, AND I'M HERE REPRESENTING THE PLAY EQUITY FUND. THE

PLAY EQUITY FUND IS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT WORKS ACROSS ALL FIVE DISTRICTS TO ENSURE THAT YOUTH HAVE THE ACCESS THEY NEED TO TRANSFORMATIVE POWER OF SPORT, PLAY, MOVEMENT. WE'D LIKE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF THE C.F.C.I. YEAR THREE SPENDING PLAN, SPECIFICALLY, THE PROGRAM ENTITLED SPORT AND PLAY FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND DIVERSION. THIS CONCEPT HAD OVERWHELMING SUPPORT AT C.F.C.I. ADVISORY LISTENING SESSIONS AND HAS ALSO HAD STRONG SUPPORT DURING PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THE C.F.C.I. ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETINGS. WE KNOW THAT THESE COMMUNITY INVESTMENTS CAN HAVE A LOT OF POTENTIAL TO MAKE POSITIVE CHANGE IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AT THE NEIGHBORHOOD LEVEL, AND THESE INVESTMENTS WILL HELP PREVENT YOUTH FROM ENTERING THE JUSTICE SYSTEM. A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THE STAFF AT J.C.O.D. AND THE C.F.C.I. ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR ENSURING THAT COMMUNITY VOICE WAS HEARD THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND FOR HONORING THOSE VOICES THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS, FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THESE COMMUNITY- INFORMED INVESTMENTS.

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

SPEAKER: HELLO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. WE WOULD REALLY, REALLY LIKE TO SEE SOME OF THESE FUNDS REALLY GO OUT TO THE COMMUNITIES. AND THIS TRULY BOARD KNOWS A LOT OF THE ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE ON THE GROUND. A LOT OF THE GREAT

ACTIVISTS, A LOT OF THE GREAT LEADERS THAT ARE OUT HERE THAT Y'ALL KNOW THAT HAVE BEEN COMING OVER OVER THE LAST HOW MANY YEARS THAT Y'ALL AND THE OTHER BOARDS HAVE BEEN UP HERE. Y'ALL KNOW THE FOLKS THAT ARE REALLY, REALLY ON THIS GROUND AND THAT ARE REALLY SAVING LIVES AND TRYING TO DO THIS, AND JUST TO KNOW THAT WE HAVE THIS TYPE OF MONEY AND $12 MILLION THAT Y'ALL DON'T EVEN KNOW WHERE IT'S AT. THAT'S REALLY SAD JUST TO HEAR THAT. AND JUST THINKING ABOUT WHAT'S GOING IN THE COUNTY JAIL, IT IS TOO MANY DEATHS HAPPENING. I WAS HERE 14 YEARS AGO CRYING ABOUT MY SON JOHN HORTON, TRYING TO RAISE THE VOICE OF HOW MANY INMATES WERE DYING BACK 14 YEARS AGO. AND TO STAND TODAY TO SEE 33 DEATHS AND NOTHING IS BEING DONE ABOUT IT AND ALL THESE FAMILIES HERE, IT IS REALLY SAD.

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

JANET ASANTE: HI MY NAME IS JANET ASANTE. I'M WITH THE JUSTICE L.A. COALITION, AND I'M HERE IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE FAMILIES WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED THE LOSS OF LOVED ONES IN L.A.S.D. CUSTODY, AND THEY'RE HERE TODAY LOOKING TO YOU ALL, LOOKING TO EACH OF YOU WHO HAS AROUND TWO MILLION RESIDENTS THAT YOU ARE HERE REPRESENTING, WHETHER THAT'S INSIDE OR OUTSIDE. AND THEY'RE BEING FAILED AT EVERY STEP ALONG THE WAY, INCLUDING TODAY. WE HAD FAMILIES HERE TODAY WHO TOOK OFF WORK, FLEW ACROSS THE COUNTRY, TO BE HERE TO SPEAK TO YOU ALL AND TO BE

TOLD, WHEN YOU'RE SON ISN'T EVEN COUNTED ON THE L.A.S.D. IN CUSTODY TRACKER, AND TO BE TOLD WELL, LET'S KEEP IT TO THE SUBJECT OF THE MOTION. THIS IS THE SUBJECT OF THE MOTION. AND I THINK THAT'S A REAL SOURCE OF THE DISCONNECT IS THAT THERE'S NO CONNECTION BETWEEN THE FUNDING THAT THE PEOPLE ARE CALLING FOR TO GO TOWARDS THE COMMUNITY AND THE DEATHS THAT ARE HAPPENING. WE'RE TRYING TO DO THIS YOUR WAY. WE'RE TRYING TO DO THIS THROUGH THE BUREAUCRACY THAT YOU HAVE SET UP. WE'RE TRYING TO DO THIS VERY CIVILLY, AND PEOPLE ARE STILL DYING, AND THAT'S NOT ON THE AGENDA. STANLEY WILSON, JR.'S NAME IS NOT HERE.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. [APPLAUSE]

AMBROSE BOOKS: HI, MY NAME IS AMBROSE BROOKS. THAT'S RIGHT. THAT'S RIGHT. MY NAME IS AMBROSE BROOKS WITH THE JUSTICE L.A. COALITION. AND MY COMMENT IS FOR ASIAL ROBERLO, JR. ASAIL'S FATHER WAS HERE ALL DAY BUT HAD TO LEAVE FOR WORK, AS DID SO MANY OTHER FAMILIES. Y'ALL'S DISCUSSION IS IMPORTANT, BUT THE EMERGENCY OF THE DEATHS INSIDE OF L.A. COUNTY JAILS NEEDS TO BE THE FRONT OF THE AGENDA BECAUSE YOU NEED TO PRIORITIZE HEARING FROM FAMILIES AND FROM COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK WITH YOU. ASAIL SUFFERS FROM MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AND IS LANGUISHING IN JAIL BECAUSE THE COUNTY HAS NOT FUNDED THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES WE NEED TO GET PEOPLE OUT OF

JAIL. C.F.C.I. MONEY COULD BE USED FOR THIS, BUT NOTHING IN THE YEAR THREE SPENDING PLAN COVERS ADULT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. SUPERVISORS, WHEN SOMEONE DIES IN THE JAILS, WHY DO YOU STAY SILENT? THE FAMILIES WILL NOT STAY SILENT. WATCH THE NEWS THIS EVENING BECAUSE THEY HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY TO YOU. THANK YOU.

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

JAMES NELSON: HELLO MY NAME IS JAMES NELSON, FORMALLY INCARCERATED, AND I LIVE IN DISTRICT FOUR. I THINK EVERYTHING THAT'S BEEN SAID, IT DO INTERSECTS WITH EACH OTHER. RIGHT NOW, THE BIGGEST PRIORITY IS FOLKS ARE STILL DYING IN COUNTY JAIL. AS SOMEONE SAID EARLIER, TOO, IT'S UNPRECEDENTED RIGHT NOW, THIRTY-SOME DEATHS. I WENT THROUGH THE COUNTY JAIL IN '86. I SEEN IT GOING ON THEN. I'VE BEEN HOME NOW NINE YEARS DOING THE WORK IN THE TRENCHES. AND THAT'S ANOTHER THING. AS FAR AS THE PEOPLE IN THE ORGANIZATIONS THAT'S REALLY IN THE TRENCHES, THAT'S REALLY DOING THE WORK, THAT DON'T HAVE CONTRACTS WITH THE SYSTEM, THEY ARE SURE NOT GETTING A FAIR SHARE OF THE PIE. AND THEY NEED TO DO THIS WORK BECAUSE WHEN WE WANTED TO CLOSE THAT JAIL AND STOP THAT JAIL -- THE PRISONS FROM BEING BUILT, WHEN THE CONTAMINATED SOIL CAME IN, VOICES WERE HEARD FROM THE COMMUNITIES. AND WE SAID, LIKE, SHIFT THAT FUNDING TO THE COMMUNITIES THAT IS ALREADY RENDERING THE SERVICES. THE PEOPLE

THAT'S HERE, THE FAMILY THAT'S HERE, THEIR LOVED ONES GOT MURDERED IN THERE, BUT WE ARE STILL HERE DOING THE WORK IN THE COMMUNITY. WE HELP THE ONES WE CAN.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I THINK WE'RE CALL MORE NAMES AND THEN WE'RE GOING TO GO TO TELEPHONIC.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL JARED RAMIREZ, JESSE FLORES, JULIA WALLACE, CASHMERE LOGAN, KADIJA SHABAZZ, KORIE SCHMIDT, LOUISE VASQUEZ, MEGAN CASTILLO, MONIQUE WILLIAMS, PAUL DEMONT, RICARDO BUENABAD, SHAWNA SMITH, AND YUSEF MILLER PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 46, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHRISTIAN TREGEROS. YOU MAY BEGIN.

CHRISTIAN TREGEROS: CAN YOU HEAR ME?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YES, GO AHEAD.

CHRISTIAN TREGEROS: I JUST WANT TO REMIND EVERYBODY THAT THIS AGENDA WAS ON THE BALLOT. THE VOTERS APPROVED TO FUND MEASURE J IN 2020. AND WE'RE TIRED OF BEING DEPRIVED OF OUR RIGHTS BY THE SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT AND THE UNIONS BECAUSE THEY'RE SURPASSING THE PEOPLE'S VOTES. IT'S OUR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO END THIS RACISM AND DISCRIMINATION AND ALL THE DEATHS AND EVERYTHING THAT EVERYBODY IS TALKING ABOUT. SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND OUR HUMAN RIGHTS AND ESTABLISH EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCES FOR OUR COLLEGES AND OUR STUDENTS IN HIGH SCHOOL TO GET IN INVOLVED IN THIS PROJECT BECAUSE THAT'S WHO IS GOING TO BE THE FUTURE. SO, IF WE GET INVOLVED BY FUNDING THAT MONEY --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. THANK YOU. YOU TIME HAS EXPIRED.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BRIANNA SEGUENZA. YOU MAY BEGIN.

BRIANNA SEGUENZA: THANK YOU. MY NAME IS BRIANNA. I'M A RESIDENT OF JANICE HAHN'S DISTRICT FOUR, AND I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM NUMBER 46. I URGE THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO FULLY FUND CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT BY ALLOCATING AT LEAST $900 MILLION IN FUNDING THAT THE VOTERS APPROVED IN 2020. THE COURTS CONFIRMED IN LATE JULY THIS YEAR THAT MEASURE

J IS CONSTITUTIONAL, AND IT MUST BE FULLY FUNDED. OUR BUDGET IS A SIGNAL TO ALL OF YOUR POSITIONS WHAT THE BOARD PRIORITIES ARE. YOU'RE WILLING TO PROVIDE US WITH THE DEADLIEST POLICE FORCE IN THE NATION AND DEADLIEST JAIL IN THE WORLD BUT REFUSE TO PROVIDE CARE BY DIVESTING IN SYSTEMS THAT HARM AND FULLING INVESTING IN CARE FIRST SYSTEMS. I URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO COMMIT TO BUILDING A CARE FIRST VISION THROUGH AUTHENTIC COMMUNITY COLLABORATION, POWER SHARING, AND PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING TO ENSURE CONSISTENT EQUITABLE INVESTMENT. OUR COMMUNITIES DESERVE TRADITIONAL HOUSING, YOUTH SERVICES, HEALING AND HEALTH SERVICES, [INDISCERNIBLE] PREVENTION, VIOLENCE PREVENTION, UNIVERSAL BASIC INCOME, AND SO MUCH MORE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ANTHONY ARENAS. YOU MAY BEGIN.

ANTHONY ARENAS: HI, NAME IS ANTHONY ARENAS WITH THE JUSTICE L.A. COALITION AND RESIDING IN DISTRICT THREE, AND I'M CALLING TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF AGENDA ITEM 46. FULLY FUNDING C.F.C.I. IS ABSOLUTELY RELATED TO IN-CUSTODY DEATHS, AND SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOU SHOULD BE LISTENING TO PUBLIC COMMENT BECAUSE IN ORDER TO SAFELY AND EFFECTIVELY CLOSE THE DEADLY MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL,

THE BOARD MUST INVEST IN THE STRUCTURES THAT SUPPORT COMMUNITIES AND END THE CYCLES OF MASS INCARCERATION. AND ON HONESTLY, ON TOP OF ASKING YOUR CONSTITUENTS TO WAIT SINCE 8:30 IN THE MORNING, THE CONSTITUENTS OF THE WHOLE BOARD, TO WAIT SINCE 8:30 WHILE STAKEHOLDERS LIKE THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT LEFT THE ROOM, TO TRY TO LIMIT PUBLIC COMMENT, SUPERVISOR HAHN, IS RIDICULOUS. AND I HONESTLY WONDER HOW ANYONE IS ABLE TO MAKE ANY INFORMED DECISIONS ON CARCERAL MOTIONS WITHOUT EVEN HEARING FROM OUR CONSTITUENTS THAT ARE IMPACTED BY IN-CUSTODY DEATHS. THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ANDREW CONCACHEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

ANDREW CONCACHEN: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ANDREW CONCACHEN. I'M A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT THREE. I URGE THE BOARD TO FULLY FUND C.F.C.I. TO THE AMOUNT OF $900 MILLION BY FOLLOWING WHAT THE VOTERS APPROVED IN 2020 AND THE COURTS CONFIRMED THIS SUMMER. SOME TO HAVE FORGOTTEN THAT C.F.C.I. IS SUPPOSED TO SUPPORT ALTERNATIVE TO INCARCERATION. L.A. COUNTY IS DEEPLY COMPLICIT IN THE UPHOLDING OF CARCERAL SYSTEMS THAT PROFOUNDLY DAMAGING TO OUR COMMUNITIES. AS WE HAVE HEARD, OVER 30 PEOPLE HAVE DIED IN L.A. COUNTY JAILS JUST THIS YEAR. IT'S PASSED

TIME WE TAKE A DIFFERENT APPROACH RATHER THAN CAGING OUR NEIGHBORS. AND C.F.C.I. IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO JUST THAT. TO TRULY BE A CARE FIRST COUNTY, L.A. COUNTY SHOULD DIVEST FROM THESE SYSTEMS OF HARM AND INSTEAD INVEST IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THIS LOOKS LIKE CLOSING MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL AND FUNDING C.F.C.I. TO THE TUNE OF $900 MILLION. THANK YOU.

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

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

DERRICK STEEL: MY APOLOGIES. I MUST HAVE PRESSED THE BUTTON AGAIN. I DON'T WANT TO OVERSTEP THE SPACE BY HAVING MORE PUBLIC COMMENT.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: WHERE ARE WE? ARE WE IN-PERSON? OKAY. LET'S GO IN-PERSON.

JESSE FLORES: HI, MY NAME IS JESSE FLORES. I'M A RESIDENT OF NORWALK. AND I'M HERE TO URGE THE BOARD TO -- FOR FULL FUNDING OF C.F.C.I. FOR THE EFFECTIVE CLOSURE OF MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. MY UNCLE, MARTINO DONEZ, DIED AT THE HANDS OF L.A. COUNTY SHERIFFS. AND SO MANY OTHER FAMILIES HAVE ALSO HAD LOVED ONES WHO HAVE DIED AT MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. SO IT SADDENS ME BUT ALSO

EMPOWERS ME TO SEE THAT WE'RE NOT ALONE IN DEALING WITH THE TROUBLING CONDITIONS AND THE DEPUTY GANGS THAT ARE AT THE JAIL. THIS PAST JUNE, YOU ALL PASSED A $4 BILLION BUDGET FOR THE L.A. SHERIFFS. MEANWHILE, WE'RE TRYING JUST TO ASK FOR $100 MILLION FOR C.F.C.I. AND ALL THE WHILE. MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL IS STILL OPEN. LET'S KEEP OUR PROMISES. LET'S FULLY FUND C.F.C.I. AND LET'S CLOSE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL NOW. MY UNCLE, HE REALLY TAUGHT ME THE VALUE IN JUST FINDING FUNNY MOMENTS THROUGHOUT THE DAY, AND I MISS SHARING A LAUGH WITH HIM.

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

MONIQUE WILLIAMS: MY NAME IS MONIQUE WILLIAMS. I'M A MEMBER OF S.C. JUSTICE GROUP, A LOVING AND POWERFUL COMMUNITY OF WOMEN WITH INCARCERATED LOVED ONES. I'M A RESIDENT OF THE FIFTH DISTRICT. I'M STANDING HERE IN SOLIDARITY WITH FAMILIES WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES IN L.A. COUNTY JAIL. I'M ALSO STANDING IN SUPPORT OF THE CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT SPENDING PLAN. 31 MEN HAVE DIED IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY JAIL, 13 SINCE JUNE. THIS IS AN EMERGENCY. THIS IS A HUMANITARIAN CRISIS. BEING JAILED SHOULD NOT BE A DEATH SENTENCE IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD BAIL OR MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS. OUR INCARCERATED LOVED ONES NEED HUMANE TREATMENT. WOMEN WITH INCARCERATED LOVE ONES KNOW JAILS DO NOT WORK. WHILE OUR LOVED ONES ARE INCARCERATED, THEY'RE NOT RECEIVING THE MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS OR SUPPORT THAT

THEY NEED, WHICH, IN MANY CASES, HAVE BROUGHT THEM TO BE IN JAIL AND INCARCERATED. THANK YOU.

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

KADIJA SHABAZZ: MY NAME IS KADIJA SHABAZZ, AND I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF S.C. JUSTICE GROUP AND DIGNITY AND POWER NOW. I'M HERE TO DEMAND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CLOSE M.C.J. NOW BY FUNDING THE MENTAL HEALTH BEDS THAT THEY NED. IF THE BOARD ACTUALLY FUNDED THE MENTAL HEALTH BEDS THAT THE COMMUNITY NEEDED, MY NEPHEW WOULD GET THE TREATMENT HE NEEDS, BUT INSTEAD HE'S RECYCLING BACK AND FORTH OUTSIDE OF M.C.J. DUE TO HIS MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS. EVERY TIME MY NEPHEW GETS RELEASED, HE'S WORSE OFF THAN HE WAS BEFORE. OUR LOVED ONES SHOULD NOT BE LOCKED UP FOR MENTAL HEALTH. BY NOT CLOSING M.C.J., YOU'RE SHOWING US AND IN YOUR DEMEANOR NOW AS WELL THAT YOU REALLY DON'T CARE. YOU HAVE FAILED US IN THIS IS ASPECT. L.A. WAS ONCE KNOWN FOR ITS BEAUTIFUL BEACHES. IT WAS ONCE KNOWN FOR THE MOVIE INDUSTRY. NOW, WE'RE KNOWN FOR HAVING THE DEADLIEST JAIL IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY. OUR LOVED ONES LIVES ARE ON THE LINE. WHILE WE SIT HERE, THEY'RE DYING OVER THERE. WE NEED FOR YOU TO CLOSE M.C.J., AND WE NEED FOR YOU TO DO IT NOW.

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

MEGAN CASTILLO: HELLO, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MEGAN CASTILLO. I'M THE COALITION COORDINATOR FOR THE REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION AND A COMMISSIONER ON THE CARE FIRST COMMUNITY INVESTMENT ADVISORY BODY. I FIRST WANT TO SEND MY CONDOLENCES TO ALL THE SURVIVOR FAMILIES THAT ARE PRESENT HERE TODAY. I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE MY COMRADES AND COLLEAGUES ON THE C.F.C.I. ADVISORY BODY WHOM HAVE SEEMINGLY MADE THE IMPOSSIBLE POSSIBLE. TO DATE, WE HAVE HELPED SPEARHEAD THE ALLOCATION OF OVER $400 MILLION TOWARD COMMUNITY INVESTMENT AND ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION. WHILE THIS IS SOMETHING THAT ABSOLUTELY SHOULD BE -- WHILE THIS IS SOMETHING THAT IS ABSOLUTELY A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION, I DO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THIS AMOUNT IS NOT NEARLY ENOUGH TO ADDRESS THE CARCERAL CRISIS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE BUREAUCRATIC ROADBLOCKS WITHIN THE COUNTY. AT A TIME WHEN YOU HAVE JUST PROCLAIMED SEPTEMBER 22ND REVEREND LAWSON DAY, ONE OF THE BEST WAYS YOU CAN HONOR HIS LEGACY IS TO ACTUALLY FULLY FUND CARE FIRST STRATEGIES LIKE C.F.C.I. I ALSO WANT TO SAY THAT IT'S SHOCKING FOR A SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO UPLIFT ORGANIZING AND REGULAR AND EVERY DAY PEOPLE AND GRASSROOTS ORGANIZERS WHEN YOUR OFFICE REFUSES TO MEET WITH THE PEOPLE. THE GOVERNMENT MUST BE FOR THE PEOPLE. THE GOVERNMENT MUST BE FOR THE PEOPLE. THE GOVERNMENT MUST BE FOR THE PEOPLE.

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

LOUIS VASQUEZ: HELLO, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS LOUIS VASQUEZ. I'M COFOUNDER OF RAINBOW LABS AND MANAGING DIRECTOR, ALSO CHAIRMAN OF AN ORGANIZATION CALLED THE WELFARE FOR KIDS, REALLY BELIEVE IN THE S.B.Y.D, SPORTS BASED YOUTH DEVELOPMENT. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, THANK YOU SO MUCH. FOR THE LAST SIX YEARS, YOUR OFFICE, SOLIS, HAS FUNDED PROGRAMS. AND TODAY, I'M REALLY HERE TO SAY PLEASE APPROVE THIS BUDGET. WE FINALLY GET A LINE ITEM THAT SAYS YOUTH SPORTS ARE IMPORTANT. WE UNDERSTAND WHAT SPORTS CAN DO FOR KIDS WHEN KIDS TAKE OPPORTUNITIES IN THEIR LIFE AND WE SEE THEM WITH MENTORS. IT REALLY CREATES AN OPPORTUNITY FOR SUCCESS ACROSS THE BOARD. SO, THANK YOU. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR TAKING THIS INITIATIVE AND REALLY MAKING IT AND IMPROVING IT. THANK YOU.

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

YUSEF MILLER: MY NAME IS YUSEF MILLER. AND I'M HERE WITH JUSTICE L.A. THE WAY WE CAN GET FUNDING IS TO CLOSE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. THAT JAIL IS A DEATH PIT. IT IS A CESSPOOL. THERE'S RATS. AND SHOULDN'T BE FIT FOR HUMAN LIFE. WE COULD TAKE THAT MONEY, AND WE COULD FUND ALTERNATIVES THROUGH INCARCERATION. WE HAVE OVER-INCARCERATED THE HOMELESS. WE HAVE OVER-INCARCERATED THE MENTAL HEALTH. WE HAVE OVER-

INCARCERATED DRUG ADDICTION. WE HAVE OVER-INCARCERATED ALL THESE THINGS SUCH THAT WE NEED A MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL TO STAY OPEN UNTIL 2025 JUST SO WE CAN HAVE SOMEWHERE TO PUT THESE PEOPLE. BUT IF WE HAD ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION, FUNDING TOWARDS ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION, WE WOULDN'T NEED THAT DEATHTRAP THAT HAS TAKEN SO MANY LOVED ONES FROM THESE PEOPLE THAT YOU SEE HERE TODAY. WE DO NOT HAVE A LOSS OF MONEY PROBLEM. WE HAVE A LOSS OF LIFE PROBLEM. THIS LOSS OF LIFE IS COSTING THE COMMUNITY. IT'S NOT COSTING THE BUDGET. THANK YOU.

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

RICARDO BUENABAD: HELLO MY NAME IS RICARDO BUENABAD. AND I'M IN FAVOR OF FULLY FUNDING THE C.F.C.I. I CURRENTLY RESIDE IN DOWNEY. I WANT TO ADDRESS THE DISASTER THAT'S MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL AND ASK THE PANEL WHEN THEY'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE THE LIES AND CORRUPTION THAT RUN THIS PLACE. ON SEPTEMBER 29, 2019, OUR FAMILY WAS INFORMED THAT MY UNCLE, MARTINO DONEZ, HAD PASSED AWAY AFTER FIVE DAYS BEING IN CUSTODY. WE WERE TOLD LIES. WE WERE TOLD THERE WAS NATURAL CAUSE. AFTER REVIEWING THE AUTOPSY, THERE WERE MORE QUESTIONS THAN ANSWERS. MY UNCLE HAD MANY CONTUSIONS AND ABRASIONS THROUGHOUT HIS BODY, ON HIS SHINS, HIS FOOT, HIS ARMS, HIS FACE, HIS RIBS, AND HIS ELBOWS. HOW DID THIS HAPPEN IF THE REPORT SAYS HE WAS IN AN SINGLE OCCUPANT CELL. THE REPORT STATES THAT A DEPUTY WITNESSED MY

UNCLE SHAKING UNCONTROLLABLY, BARELY ABLE TO STAND, NEEDING HELP FROM ANOTHER INMATE IN AND OUT OF HIS CELL.

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

MARCELA ROSIN: HELLO. MY NAME IS MARCELA ROSIN. I'M WITH THE JUSTICE L.A. COALITION, AND I SUPPORT AGENDA ITEM 46 BECAUSE FUNDING C.F.C.I. IS NECESSARY TO BRING ABOUT A SAFE AND TIMELY CLOSURE OF MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. IT WAS OVER THREE YEARS AGO THAT THE BOARD VOTED TO CLOSE M.C.J., AND THEY WERE PROVIDED AT THAT TIME AN 18-24 MONTH PERIOD TO DO SO. THESE LAST THREE YEARS HAVE BEEN THE MOST DEADLY ON RECORD, WITH 2023 ON TRACK TO BE THE DEADLIEST YET, WITH 32 PEOPLE DYING IN L.A.S.D. CUSTODY AND 14 HAPPENING INSIDE M.C.J. THAT IS 32 PEOPLE WHO WOULD STILL BE ALIVE IF THE BOARD DONE WHAT IT COMMITTED TO DO IN 2020. THAT IS CHILDREN, SIBLINGS, COUSINS, UNCLES, PARENTS WHO HAVE BEEN TAKEN FROM THEIR FAMILIES AND THEIR LOVED ONES BECAUSE OF THE BOARD'S INACTION. YOU ARE ALL IMPLICATED IN THAT. WE NEED FULL FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES, MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, HOUSING SERVICES, AND TO MAKE TANGIBLE PROGRESS ON CLOSING MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL IMMEDIATELY, WHICH IS AN EMERGENCY, WHETHER OR NOT YOUR ACTIONS REFLECT THAT.

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

PAUL DUMONT: HI, PAUL DUMONT. I'M THE BOARD CHAIR FOR DIGNITY AND POWER NOW AND A MEMBER OF JUSTICE L.A., AND I'M ALSO A COMMUNITY-BASED PROVIDER IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. FOR 20 YEARS, I'VE BEEN PROVIDING HOUSING AND SERVICES TO PEOPLE THAT NEED IT ON THE FRONTLINE. WE'VE NEVER RECEIVED ANY GOVERNMENT FUNDING, NO CONTRACTS. WE DID PARTICIPATE IN THE INCUBATION ACADEMY. THAT WAS GREAT. WE APPLIED FOR MONEY WITH AMITY. WE'RE HOPEFUL THAT WE GET SOME OF THAT MONEY. HERE'S THE PROBLEM. IT'S NOT $12 MILLION. IT'S NOT AMITY. THE PROBLEM IS -- OH, AND BY THE WAY, ON MY WAY IN THIS MORNING, I PICKED UP A GUY NAME RON. HE'S LIVING IN A TENT WITH HIS TWO DOGS ON DEVONSHIRE AND MASON, A LOT OF COMMUNITY COMPLAINTS. AND I TOOK HIM TO A COMMUNITY HEALTH SOMEWHERE, AND HE'S THERE NOW DOING HIS LAUNDRY. IN ANY EVENT, THE PROBLEM IS A DECIMAL POINT. $12 MILLION ISN'T THE ISSUE. 10% OF THE BUDGET IS ABOUT $4 BILLION. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS. WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT A BILLION. THERE'S ONLY --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

JARED RAMIREZ: HELLO, MY NAME IS JARED RAMIREZ. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF AGENDA -- C.F.C.I., BUT I'M MAINLY HERE IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE FAMILIES OF LOVED ONES WHO HAVE DIED IN MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. I KNOW IT WAS SAID THAT THEY HAD NO

CONNECTION OR TO STAY ON TOPIC, BUT I THINK IT'S VERY MUCH ON TOPIC BECAUSE IF THIS AGENDA ITEM IS ABOUT ALTERNATIVES, WE NEED TO LOOK AT WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO ALTERNATIVELY FROM WHICH IS 30 PEOPLE DEAD IN MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. I THINK IT'S REALLY DISGUSTING THAT SUCH A BRUTAL SYSTEM IS STILL BEING ALLOWED TO FUNCTION. AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT THE MORE THAT YOU -- THE LONGER THAT YOU DELAY CLOSING DOWN MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL, THE LONGER THAT THAT BRUTALITY IS ON YOUR HANDS. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NOW, WE'RE GONNA GO TO THE TELEPHONE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ARLENE LOPEZ. YOU MAY BEGIN.

ARLENE LOPEZ: MY NAME IS ARLENE LOPEZ. I'M A MEMBER OF S.C. JUSTICE GROUP, A LOVING AND POWERFUL COMMUNITY OF WOMEN WITH INCARCERATED LOVED ONES. I'M A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT FOUR. I'M STANDING IN SOLIDARITY WITH FAMILIES WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES INSIDE OF L.A. COUNTY JAILS. IF THE BOARD ACTUALLY FUNDED THE MENTAL HEALTH BEDS IN THE COMMUNITY THAT WE NEED, OUR LOVED ONES WOULDN'T BE LOCKED UP RIGHT NOW. CLOSE M.C.J. AND FUND MENTAL HEALTH BEDS IN THE COMMUNITY NOW. 31 PEOPLE HAVE DIED IN CUSTODY IN L.A. COUNTY JAILS THIS YEAR. WE CAN'T KEEP TURNING AWAY FROM THIS CRISIS AND LET THIS AMOUNT OF DEATHS BE

NORMAL. THIS IS AN EMERGENCY. OUR LOVED ONES SHOULD NOT BE LOCKED UP BECAUSE THEY HAVE MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS. MY NEIGHBOR JUST GOT TRANSFERRED TO MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. AND NOW, WE WORRY ABOUT THE DAY THAT WE MAY BET THE CALL. EVERY DAY THAT M.C.J. STAYS OPEN, HIS LIFE IS ON THE LINE. AS A WOMAN WITH AN INCARCERATED LOVED ONE, I'M SPEAKING UP WITH FAMILIES, WHO ARE EXPERIENCING THE INEXCUSABLE DEVASTATION CAUSED BY L.A.S.D.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YOU'RE TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS GABRIELLA VASQUEZ. YOU MAY BEING.

GABRIELLA VASQUEZ: HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. THIS IS GABRIELLA VASQUEZ. I'M A RESIDENT OF DISTRICT ONE AND A MEMBER OF THE REIMAGINE L.A. COALITION. I WANT TO START BY THANKING THE FAMILIES WHO HAVE SEEN THEIR LOVED ONES STOLEN BY LAW ENFORCEMENT. THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TODAY AND SPENDING THE WHOLE DAY THERE HOPING THAT YOU WILL GET A CHANCE TO TALK, AND I'M SO SORRY THAT THE BOARD HAS TREATED YOU SO CRUELLY TODAY. I ALSO WANT TO CONGRATULATE EVERY SINGLE ORGANIZER THAT HAS BEEN ON THE GROUND SINCE DAY ONE TO MAKE SURE THAT MEASURE J WAS PASSED. THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH. WE'VE GOT IT THROUGH TO THE FINISH LINE. THE LANGUAGE OF MEASURE J CLEARLY SOUGHT OUT

10% OF THE LOS ANGELES UNRESTRICTED COUNTY BUDGET, AND THAT TRANSLATES TO $900 MILLION, AND WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU ALL ACTUALLY SEE WHAT WE ARE DOING, WHY WE'RE FIGHTING EVERY MONTH. EVERY TIME YOU MEET, WE BRING UP THE SAME THINGS. YOU HAVEN'T CLOSED DOWN MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. YOU HAVEN'T INVESTED IN OUR COMMUNITIES. SOME OF US HAVE BEEN PART OF THIS PROCESS SINCE 2021. WE'VE SPENT COUNTLESS HOURS. COMMUNITY MEMBERS HAVE SPENT COUNTLESS HOURS TRYING TO GET YOU TO SEE THE IMPORTANCE OF INVESTING IN DIVERSION --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. IS THERE A NEXT SPEAKER?

MODERATOR: WE HAVE ONE MORE IN QUEUE. THE NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PAUL HENNESSEY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

PAUL HENNESSEY: CAN YOU HEAR ME?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YES, GO AHEAD.

PAUL HENNESSEY: I JUST WANT TO ECHO ALL THE OTHER CALLERS ON THIS AND SUPPORT THE CLOSING OF MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL AND FULL FUNDING OF COMMUNITY SERVICES AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ARE THERE NO OTHER SPEAKERS? SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, ARE YOU ON THE QUEUE?

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU TO ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO SPOKE. I, AS ALWAYS, LEARNED A GREAT DEAL. THIS WERE SEVERAL SPEAKERS THAT TALKED ABOUT THAT FOR THE YEAR THREE PLAN THAT NO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES WERE INCLUDED. AND SO, I JUST WANT TO ASK THE C.E.O., I AM LOOKING AT THE FOCUS AREAS THAT WERE DEVELOPED BY THE C.F.C.I. ADVISORY BOARD. AND THEY ARE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, RENTAL ASSISTANCE AND HOUSING, ACCESS TO FUNDING FOR SMALL MINORITY OWNED BUSINESSES, JOB TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT, RESTORATIVE JUSTICE, COMMUNITY-BASED HEALTH SERVICES, NON-CARCERAL DIVERSION AND REENTRY, C.F.C.I. ADMINISTRATION. AND SO, THAT'S THE RECOMMENDATION THAT YOU TOOK FROM C.F.C.I. AND THEN ALLOCATED THE FUNDING ACCORDING TO THOSE CATEGORIES.

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: JUST ONE CORRECTION, C.F.C.I. DID THE CATEGORIES, THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND THE FUNDING AMOUNTS. WE DID MAKE SOME SMALL ADJUSTMENTS, TOTALING ABOUT $305,000.

SUP. MITCHELL: I AM NOT ASKING ABOUT THE FUNDING AMOUNTS, JUST THE CATEGORIES.

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: THE CATEGORIES ARE FROM THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

SUP. MITCHELL: OKAY BECAUSE WHAT WE HEARD IS THAT YEAR THREE FUNDING PLAN DIDN'T INCLUDE IT. SO I WANTED TO BE CLEAR ABOUT WHO DRIVES THAT DECISION. COULD YOU TELL ME IF YEAR ONE OR TWO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES WERE INCLUDED AS FOCUS AREAS?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: I WILL HAVE TO GO BACK AND LOOK. I KNOW THAT THERE WAS FUNDING PROBABLY FOR --

SUP. BARGER: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SONGHAI IS IN THE AUDIENCE. I DON'T KNOW IF SHE KNOWS AND CAN GIVE US A REAL TIGHT ANSWER.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: JUDGE, WOULD YOU LIKE TO --

SUP. MITCHELL: IT WAS INCLUDED IN YEAR ONE OR TWO?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: WAIT, COME TO THE MICROPHONE. WHILE SHE COMES TO THE MIC, I WOULD JUST ASK AGAIN THE C.E.O., I KNOW PRESIDENT PRO TEM TONY ATKINS HAS A BILL BECAUSE SAN DIEGO COUNTY HAS HAD A HUGE UPTICK IN DEATHS IN THEIR COUNTY JAIL. AND SO, I KNOW THERE'S A BILL IN PROCESS RIGHT NOW GOING THROUGH THE LEGISLATURE. AND IF OUR LEG UNIT COULD JUST UPDATE

US ON WHERE THE BILL IS. IF I REMEMBER -- I SCANNED IT QUICKLY, IT MAY NOT APPLY.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YOU CAN BE WHEREVER YOU WANT TO BE. IF YOU WANT TO BE THERE, IT'S FINE.

SUP. MITCHELL: IT MAY NOT APPLY TO US BECAUSE I THINK IT CREATES PROBABLY WHAT WE ALREADY HAVE WHICH IS AN OVERSIGHT COMMISSION, BUT IF THE LEG UNIT COULD UPDATE US ON WHERE THIS NEW STATE LEGISLATION IS WITH REGARD TO IN-CUSTODY DEATHS, THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL. SO, JUST TO REPEAT MY QUESTION, AGAIN, I HEARD FROM THE PUBLIC, THERE'S NO MENTAL HEALTH IN YEAR THREE. I WANTED TO BE CLEAR ABOUT WHO DRIVES THOSE DECISIONS. IT WAS VERIFIED. I GOT THE CATEGORIES. MENTAL HEALTH IS NOT THERE. C.F.C.I. ADVISORY BOARD MAKES A RECOMMENDATION TO US. SO THE QUESTION IS, IN YEAR ONE AND TWO, WAS THERE MENTAL HEALTH CATEGORICAL FUNDING.

SONGHAI: YES, THERE WERE ALLOCATIONS IN YEAR ONE AND TWO. ALSO IN YEAR ONE, THERE WAS ALSO FUNDING TO GO TO CLOSE THE J.C.I.G. GROUP, THE JAIL CLOSURE IMPLEMENTATION TEAM, AND THE ALLOCATION SAVINGS FROM YEAR ONE AND THEN LARGE AMOUNTS FOR YEAR TWO AND YEAR THREE BECAUSE, IF YOU REMEMBER, EVERY TIME SOMETHING IS ALLOCATED, IT IS FOR A THREE YEAR PERIOD. SO IF

YOU GET $5 MILLION YEAR ONE, YOU WOULD ALSO GET IT FOR THREE YEARS TOTAL.

SUP. MITCHELL: SO IF YOU WERE DOING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, IN YEAR THREE NOW, IT IS NOT ONE OF THE FOCUS CATEGORIES, YOU WOULD STILL GET FUNDING FOR YEAR THREE?

SONGHAI: YES, YOU WOULD BECAUSE, IF YOU GOT FUNDED ALLOCATED IN YEAR ONE, SAY IF IT IS $5 BILLION IN YEAR ONE --

SUP. MITCHELL: BECAUSE YOU WERE A FOCUS AREA?

SONGHAI: YES, THAT WAS A FOCUS AREA. YOU HAVE FUNDING FOR THREE YEARS. AND THEN THE IDEA IS THAT ONCE THAT THREE YEARS WERE UP, OR BEFORE THE THREE YEARS WERE UP, THERE'S AN EVALUATION TO DECIDE IF THAT MONEY SHOULD CONTINUE. SO FOR INSTANCE, THERE'S BEEN ALLOCATIONS FROM YEAR ONE AND YEAR TWO FOR A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT AREAS, SO THEY GET THE FUNDING FOR THREE YEARS. SAME THING WITH THE T.P.A. THE T.P.A. IS A GRANT PROGRAM. SO IF AN ORGANIZATION RECEIVES MONEY FOR THAT, THEY GET FOUR QUARTERLY ALLOCATIONS OF THAT AMOUNT, AND THEY GET THAT SAME AMOUNT EVERY QUARTER FOR THREE YEARS, IF THAT MAKES SENSE.

SUP. MITCHELL: SO EVEN THOUGH MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IS NOT CALLED OUT IN YEAR THREE FUNDING AS A FOCUS AREA, THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE DOING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AREN'T GETTING FUNDED. IF THEY WERE FUNDED IN YEAR ONE OR YEAR TWO, THEY GET A THREE YEAR COMMITMENT?

SONGHAI: CORRECT, AND THERE WERE ALSO CATEGORIES WHERE THAT MONEY TARGETED. FOR INSTANCE, FOR JAIL CLOSURE, THERE WAS MONEY TARGETED FOR BEDS FOR MENTAL HEALTH TO HELP CLOSE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL.

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: SO WHAT YOU ARE SAYING IS THAT EVEN THOUGH IT IS NOT CALLED OUT IN THE YEAR THREE SPENDING PLAN, IT DOESN'T MEAN -- THERE'S FUNDING FOR --

SUP. MITCHELL: IF THEY WERE FUNDED IN YEAR ONE OR TWO --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YEAH, IF THEY WERE FUNDED IN YEAR ONE -- YEAH.

SUP. MITCHELL: AND SHE CLARIFIED THAT MENTAL HEALTH WAS A FUNDING FOCUS AREA AT LEAST IN YEAR ONE, SO THERE SHOULD BE ORGANIZATIONS RECEIVING THAT FUNDING.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: CORRECT.

SUP. SOLIS: MADAM CHAIR, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ASK THE JUDGE IF IT IS POSSIBLE TO HAVE YOU COME AND SPEAK TO OUR DEPUTIES, OUR JUSTICE AS WELL AS OUR BUDGET, BECAUSE I WANT TO UNDERSTAND WHERE FUNDING HAS GONE, WHAT THAT LOOKS LIKE, AND HOW READILY IT'S BEEN MADE AVAILABLE FOR YOU TO GET OUT BECAUSE YOU HAVE CHALLENGES AS WELL. YOU ARE A NEW AGENCY, OR DEPARTMENT, AND WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT SHE CAN HAVE THE BENEFIT OF HAVING STAFF TO GET THIS OUT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND DO IT IN THE WAY THAT I THINK ALL OF US HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT BECAUSE THAT'S REALLY WHERE THIS IS GOING TO -- WHERE THIS ALL COMES DOWN, IN MY OPINION. I KNOW D.H.S. HAS A ROLE HERE, BUT I WANT TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THEY DO AND WHERE THAT MONEY HAS GONE AND WHERE IT IS SITTING. SO I THINK THAT'S GOING TO BE A BROADER CONVERSATION THAT WE NEED TO HAVE AS WELL, MAYBE HERE AT THE DAIS.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YES. OKAY, SEEING NO OTHER SPEAKERS AND NO OTHER SUPERVISORS, BEFORE WE VOTE ON THIS SPENDING PLAN, CAN SOMEONE GIVE US A RECAP OF WHAT THE SUPERVISORS ASKED FOR IN TERMS OF FURTHER DISCUSSION, REPORT BACK HAVING TO DO WITH THIS ITEM?

FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.: YES, SUPERVISOR, A COUPLE OF THINGS. I AM GOING TO PROVIDE THE BOARD AS SOON AS WE CAN PUT IT TOGETHER, HOPEFULLY BY SUPPLEMENTAL, A SIDE BY SIDE, WHICH SHOWS THE AMOUNT OF TIME IT TAKES TO GET DOLLARS OUT THE DOOR FROM THE TIME THE BOARD APPROPRIATES AND ALLOCATES THE FUNDING UNTIL THE TIME IT GETS OUT THE DOOR. I AM GOING TO DO THAT ANALYSIS FOR BOTH THE COUNTY ADMINISTERED PROGRAMS AND THE T.P.A. ADMINISTERED PROGRAMS. I AM ALSO PROVIDE A UPDATE FROM OUR LEGISLATIVE GROUP ON A PIECE OF LEGISLATION BY ATKINS RELATED TO DEATHS THAT ARE PROVIDED IN- CUSTODY.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: CORRECT. AND I ALSO THROUGHOUT THE -- SEE IF WE CAN FIND AN EXTRA $12 MILLION IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL.

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. ALRIGHT. THIS ITEM 46 IS BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: ITEM 46 IS BEFORE YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. MITCHELL: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. HORVATH: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: AYE.

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, LET'S GO ON TO ITEM 56, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND FINANCIAL BILLING AND RECOVERY SERVICE SOLE SOURCE AGREEMENTS, WHICH WILL BE TAKEN UP WITH ITEM 106A, ADVANCING COUNTY-WIDE STRATEGIC DIVERSITY GOALS THROUGH

CONTRACTING, WHICH WERE HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I HELD ITEM 56 REALLY TO RAISE IN THE CONTEXT OF A GREEN SHEET MOTION I BROUGHT FORWARD, 106A, WHICH DIRECTS THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES IN COLLABORATION WITH THE C.E.O.'S A.R.D.I. INITIATIVE TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD IN WRITING IN 90 DAYS WITH RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW A PROPOSED STRATEGY COULD UTILIZE A.R.D.I. TOOLS TO ENSURE ITS SOLE SOURCE AND OTHER CONTRACTS ADVANCE OUR COUNTY-WIDE DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION GOALS. I BELIEVE THAT THE COUNTY SHOULD USE ITS CONSIDERABLE ECONOMIC POWER IN THE HEALTH FIELD TO ADVANCE THESE GOALS AROUND PROMOTING ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY AND INCLUSION. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AND THE A.R.D.I. TEAM ABOUT CREATIVE IDEAS AS TO HOW WE CAN BEST DO THIS WHILE ENSURING WE MAINTAIN QUALITY HEALTHCARE SERVICES FOR ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS. I WANT TO ENSURE THAT THE RESPONSE TO THIS MOTION IS BEING COORDINATED WITH THE WORK ALREADY UNDERWAY, BY THE INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT THROUGH THE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC CONTRACTING EQUITY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. ARE THERE AN OTHER SUPERVISORS THAT WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT ON THIS? SEEING NONE, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, WE ARE GOING TO ALLOW 90 SECONDS FOR YOU TO SPEAK SINCE WE ARE TAKING BOTH OF THESE ITEMS TOGETHER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL DONALD HARLAND, KORIE SCHMIDT PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU MAY BEGIN.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: HELLO, GENEVIEVE, ARE YOU THERE?

MODERATOR: THE LINE IS OPEN, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: I FEEL LIKE WE ALWAYS HAVE PROBLEMS WITH GENEVIEVE. IS IT ON HER END OR OUR END OR? OKAY, SO YOU CALL HER EVERY TIME ON YOUR PERSONAL PHONE. OKAY WELL, TRY TO REACH HER. WE WILL MOVE ON TO ANOTHER SPEAKER.

MODERATOR: MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS IN QUEUE.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. I HATE LEAVING HER OUT THERE.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: GENEVIEVE, ARE YOU THERE.

DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: HELLO.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THERE SHE IS. THERE SHE IS. GENEVIEVE.

DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: YES. HOLD ON. I AM ON THE OTHER LINE. EXCUSE ME.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: GENEVIEVE?

DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: HELLO.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THAT'S ME. THAT'S A DELAY. I CAN HEAR MYSELF.

DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: NO, I AM ON NOW.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: ARE YOU ON?

SUP. BARGER: HELLO, GENEVIEVE?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OH, BOY. OKAY. WELL ----

DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: I AM THERE. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YES. BUT YOU NEED TO TURN DOWN THE DEVICE BECAUSE WE CAN HEAR WHAT WE SAID FIVE MINUTES AGO.

DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: YEAH. I AM THERE. NOW, I ALMOST FORGOT WHAT I WAS GOING TO SAY. I THINK THAT ISSUE IS VERY IMPORTANT TO DEAL WITH. HOLD ON, LET ME TAKE MY NOTES. I FORGOT NOW. I THINK WE REALLY NEED TO LOOK INTO DETAIL WHAT IS GOING ON WITH D.H.S. AND D.M.H. [AUDIO BREAK UP]

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: WELL, MAYBE YOU SHOULD JUST -- YOU WANT TO CALL BACK ON PUBLIC COMMENT, GENEVIEVE, AND GET YOUR NOTES TOGETHER BECAUSE YOUR TIME IS RUNNING OUT, AND YOU -- WE DIDN'T GET TO HEAR YOU? OKAY. CALL BACK. CALL BACK. ALRIGHT. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: THERE ARE NO OTHER SPEAKERS, MADAM CHAIR. NO OTHER SPEAKERS.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. SO ITEM 56 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO APPROVE THIS ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: ITEM 56 IS BEFORE YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. MITCHELL: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. HORVATH: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: AYE.

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN. AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, ITEM 106A IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: 106A IS BEFORE YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. MITCHELL: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. HORVATH: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: AYE.

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 106-E AND ITS RELATED ITEM 3D, CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL GRANT RELIEF PROGRAM, WHICH WERE BOTH HELD BY SUPERVISOR BARGER. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS. SUPERVISOR BARGER, WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE SOME REMARKS?

SUP. BARGER: YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THE COMMUNITIES OF ALBERTA AND CASTAIC ARE GRAPPLING WITH A PRESSING CONCERN. WHILE LANDFILLS ARE NECESSARY COMPONENTS OF MODERN INFRASTRUCTURE, THEY CAN HAVE IMPACTS TO NEIGHBORHOODS SURROUNDING THEM. IN THIS CASE, CHEMICAL LIKE ODORS ARE IMPACTING THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY SURROUNDING THE CHIQUITA LANDFILL. THE ODOR PROBLEM HAS ESCALATED TO THE POINT WHERE IT IS NOW A PUBLIC NUISANCE, PROFOUNDLY IMPACTING THE DAILY LIVES AND WELLBEING OF OUR RESIDENTS. EFFORTS HAVE BEEN UNDERTAKEN TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE BOTH IN THE SHORT TERM AND FOR THE LONG HAUL. SHORT TERM SOLUTIONS INVOLVE USING EXTRACTION WELLS TO SIPHON OFF GAS AND OTHER BYPRODUCTS TO REDUCE THOSE ODORS. LONG TERM STRATEGIES REVOLVE AROUND ADDRESSING THE ROOT CAUSES

WITHIN THE CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL ITSELF AND INSTALLING MECHANICAL FLARES TO FLARE OFF EXCESS LANDFILL GAS. WHILE THE SPECIFIC WASTE CAUSING THE PROBLEM IS YET TO BE PINPOINTED, WE NEED TO EXERCISE CAUTION IN OUR APPROACH. ADDITIONALLY, WE MUST EXAMINE THE ROLE OF NEWER LANDFILL AREAS IN CONTRIBUTING TO THE ODOR PROBLEMS. TO ADDRESS THIS, I AM ADVOCATING FOR REDUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF TRASH ALLOWED INTO THE LANDFILL TO ENSURE WE DO NOT COMPOUND THE CURRENT PROBLEM. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF LEARNING AND ADAPTING TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES EFFECTIVELY. THIS WILL REQUIRE UP TO DATE DATA THROUGH ANALYSIS TO GAUGE THE EXTENT OF THIS CONTRIBUTION. IT IS WORTH ACKNOWLEDGING THAT THIS IS NOT AN ISOLATED PREDICAMENT. SIMILAR SCENARIOS MAY BE EMERGING IN OTHER LANDFILLS SIGNIFYING A NEW CHALLENGE FOR OUR AGENCIES. I UNDERSTAND THIS ODOR PROBLEM HAS HAD A PROFOUND IMPACT ON MY COMMUNITY. TO ADDRESS THE ONGOING AND DAILY CONCERNS OF RESIDENTS LIVING NEAR THE LANDFILL, WE ARE STANDING UP GRANT RELIEF PROGRAMS. THESE PROGRAMS ARE INTENDED TO PROVIDE RESOURCES AND RELIEF TO THE RESIDENTS DEALING WITH THE DAILY ODOR INFILTRATION IN THEIR HOMES. I KNOW THAT MANY, MANY, MANY RESIDENTS, ESPECIALLY DURING THE HOTTEST PART OF THE SUMMER, HAVE BEEN RUNNING THEIR AIR CONDITIONING AROUND THE CLOCK TO MITIGATE THE ODORS, LEADING TO HIGH ENERGY BILLS. THIS PROGRAM AIMS TO PROVIDE RELIEF FOR THOSE EXPENSES. IN ADDITION, AS WE LOOK TO THE LONG TERM RESILIENCY OF THE COMMUNITY, THE PROGRAM WILL BE

PROVIDING GRANT FUNDS TO SUPPORT HOME IMPROVEMENTS TO KEEP ODORS OUT PERMANENTLY. THIS INCLUDES GRANT FUNDING FOR WINDOW AND DOOR REPLACEMENT, THE ADDITION OF INSULATION, AND INSTALLING AIR CONDITIONING AND OTHER HEATING SYSTEMS. I WANT TO REASSURE THE COMMUNITY THAT I AM FULLY COMMITTED TO ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE COMPREHENSIVELY, FROM PROVIDING SHORT TERM RELIEF TO IMPLEMENTING LONG TERM SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS. YOUR WELLBEING DOES REMAIN MY TOP PRIORITY, AND I WOULD LIKE TO PUBLICLY THANK PUBLIC WORKS, A.Q.M.D., A.Q.M.D. HAS BEEN INCREDIBLE, AS WELL AS THE LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY THAT ARE REALLY BEING OUR EYES AND EARS BUT ALSO MY STAFF BECAUSE I KNOW, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU HAD THIS ISSUE, IN YOUR DISTRICT. AND QUALITY OF LIFE AND THE IMPACT IT HAS ON QUALITY OF LIFE, ESPECIALLY WHEN KIDS ARE GOING BACK TO SCHOOL, AND THEY CAN'T STUDY IN THEIR HOMES, THAT THEY HAVE TO LEAVE AND GO AND SIT IN THEIR CAR FOR HOURS UNTIL THE SMELL DISSIPATES IS NOT QUALITY OF LIFE. SO THIS MOTION TODAY WILL ADDRESS TO AT LEAST BEGIN THE MITIGATION EFFORTS. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NO OTHER SUPERVISORS WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK. DO WE HAVE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON THIS? CAN YOU CALL THEIR NAMES?

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: YES. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS THIS ITEM, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. WILL KORIE SCHMIDT PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU, MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: WE CURRENTLY HAVE NO CALLERS IN QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

SUP. BARGER: I WILL MOVE THE ITEM, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. SO -- IT IS ITEM 106E. IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO APPROVE THEM, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: ITEM 106E. IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. MITCHELL: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. HORVATH: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: AYE.

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, 3D IS NOW BEFORE US, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: ITEM 3D. IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AYE. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. MITCHELL: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH.

SUP. HORVATH: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: AYE.

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO HEAR FROM SUPERVISORS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE POSTED AGENDA TO BE PRESENTED OR REFERRED TO STAFF OR PLACED ON A FUTURE

AGENDA. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT SUPERVISORS MITCHELL, HORVATH, AND BARGER HAVE SPECIALS. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL.

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I AM READING IN A MOTION FOR THE BOARD TO CONSIDER AT OUR OCTOBER 3RD MEETING. THE MOTION IS TITLED STREAMLINING ACCESS TO SAFE AND REGULATED VENDING AND MICRO-ENTREPRENEURSHIP OPPORTUNITIES. IT DIRECTS THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN COLLABORATION WITH COUNTY COUNSEL AND DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY TO RETURN TO THE BOARD IN 120 DAYS WITH AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MICRO- ENTERPRISE HOME KITCHEN OPERATIONS. THE ACRONYM IS M.E.K.O. M.E.K.O.S ARE A TYPE OF FOOD FACILITY THAT OPERATE OUT OF A PRIVATE HOME AND ENABLE SMALL SCALE CHEFS TO PREPARE, COOK, AND SERVE FOOD TO CONSUMERS FROM THEIR HOMES. IT ALLOWS THE HOME COOKING INDUSTRY TO COME OUT OF THE SHADOWS AND INTO THE FORMAL ECONOMY WITH CLEAR REGULATIONS ON MAINTAINING CLEAN AND SAFE OPERATIONS. M.E.K.O.S CAN ALSO BE USED AS PERMITTED KITCHEN COMMISSARIES AND PROVIDE AN AFFORDABLE OPTION FOR SIDEWALK VENDORS TO STORE THEIR CARTS AND PREPARE FOOD. THE LIMITED AVAILABILITY OF AFFORDABLE COMMISSARY SPACES HAS BEEN A KEY BARRIER THAT HAS LIMITED SIDEWALK VENDORS IN THEIR EFFORTS TO GET PERMITTED. AUTHORIZING M.E.K.O.S WILL HELP THE COUNTY CREATE PATHWAYS TO BETTER REGULATE OUR SIDEWALK VENDORS AND MICRO- ENTREPRENEURS, SO THEY CAN OPERATE SAFELY AND MINIMIZE DISRUPTION TO BRICK AND MORTAR BUSINESSES AND OTHER

COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS. ELEVEN COUNTIES HAVE ALREADY AUTHORIZED M.E.K.O.S TO OPERATE. COUNTIES SUCH AS RIVERSIDE IN SAN DIEGO HAVE REPORTED GREAT SUCCESS FROM THEIR PROGRAMS. THE L.A. COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH HAS ENGAGED WITH CITY MANAGERS IN THE COUNTY ON THIS POTENTIAL PROGRAM MULTIPLE TIMES, DATING BACK TO 2020. I AM READING IN THE MOTION TODAY SO THAT PUBLIC HEALTH, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, AND ENGAGE OUR CITIES AND OTHER COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS, INCLUDING BRICK AND MORTAR BUSINESSES, TO EDUCATE THEM ABOUT THE POTENTIAL ORDINANCE, SOLICIT THEIR INPUT AND FEEDBACK, AND RESPOND TO QUESTIONS BEFORE WE VOTE ON THE MOTION ON OCTOBER 3RD. IF THE MOTION PASSES IN OCTOBER, THE DEPARTMENTS WOULD THEN HAVE AN ADDITIONAL 120 DAYS TO AGAIN MEET WITH STAKEHOLDERS AND GET THEIR DIRECT INPUT INTO INFORM THE DRAFT ORDINANCE. SO I AM DOING THE READ IN NOW TO GIVE EVERYONE THE HEADS UP THAT THIS IS COMING AND REALLY STRONGLY ENCOURAGE OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO WORK WITH CITIES AND ALL THE OTHER STAKEHOLDERS SO IT IS AN INFORMED ORDINANCE. SO MADAM CHAIR, LET ME SUMMARIZE THE ACTUAL MOTION'S DIRECTIVES, IF I MAY. THE MOTION DIRECTS THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, IN COLLABORATION WITH COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, TO REPORT BACK WITH WRITING WITHIN 120 DAYS WITH A DRAFT ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING MICRO-ENTERPRISE HOME KITCHEN OPERATIONS WITHIN THE COUNTY OF L.A. PUBLIC HEALTH JURISDICTION CONSIST WITH THE

PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA RETAIL FOOD CODE. THE MOTION ALSO DIRECTS THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, IN COLLABORATION WITH D.E.O., C.E.O., THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, TO PREPARE A M.E.K.O. PERMITTING PROGRAM THAT WOULD BE ESTABLISHED WITHIN 120 DAYS OF THE BOARD ADOPTING THE M.E.K.O. ORDINANCE. THE MOTION ALSO DIRECTS PUBLIC HEALTH, COUNTY COUNSEL, AND D.E.O. TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC INPUT DURING THE DRAFTING OF THE M.E.K.O. ORDINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE M.E.K.O. PERMITTING PROGRAM AND TO CONDUCT RESEARCH ON BEST PRACTICES FROM THE OTHER 11 COUNTIES AS THEY DEVELOPED THE ORDINANCE AND PERMITTING PROGRAM. ADDITIONALLY, D.E.O. IS DIRECTED TO COLLABORATE WITH RELEVANT DEPARTMENTS TO ESTABLISH A PUBLIC EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR MICRO-ENTREPRENEURS AND SIDEWALK VENDORS AFTER THE PASSAGE OF THE ORDINANCE. EDUCATION SHOULD FOCUS ON ENSURING THAT M.E.K.O.S ARE OPERATING SAFELY AND MITIGATING POTENTIAL DISRUPTION TO THE NEIGHBORHOODS IN WHICH THEY ARE OPERATING. THE MOTION ALSO DIRECTS C.E.O. WITH D.P.H. AND D.E.O. TO REPORT BACK ON POTENTIAL FUNDING FOR THE PROGRAMMING. THIS INCLUDES PURSUING FUNDING FROM THE UPCOMING M.E.K.O. STATE GRANT PROGRAM THAT IS PROVIDING FUNDING TO IMPLEMENT M.E.K.O. PROGRAMS. THIS ALSO INCLUDES A POTENTIAL GRANT OR LOAN TO SUBSIDIZE THE COST OF M.E.K.O. PERMITS AND OTHER RELATED START UP COSTS. AND LASTLY, THE MOTION DIRECTS PUBLIC HEALTH WITH COUNTY COUNSEL AND D.E.O. TO REPORT BACK ON

THE ORDINANCE QUARTERLY FOLLOWING THE PASSAGE AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER FOR FIVE YEARS. THIS INCLUDES AN IN DEPTH REPORT BACK AFTER ONE YEAR OF THE ORDINANCE PASSAGE, WHICH OUTLINES THE PROGRAM'S SUCCESS AND CHALLENGES AND RECOMMENDS POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE PROGRAM AND THE ORDINANCE TO ENSURE THAT THE NEEDS OF ALL RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS ARE BEING MET, INCLUDING MICRO-ENTREPRENEURS, BRICK AND MORTAR BUSINESSES, AND OTHER COMMUNITY RESIDENTS.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, THAT MOTION WILL BE PLACED ON OUR OCTOBER 3RD, 2023 AGENDA, AND SUPERVISOR HORVATH, HAS A READ IN MOTION THAT WE WILL VOTE ON AFTER PUBLIC COMMENT.

SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. COLLEAGUES, AS WE ALL KNOW, THE LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT HAS ORDERED NEW RULES RELATED TO PRE-ARRAIGNMENT RELEASE PROTOCOLS, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS THE BAIL SCHEDULE, THAT THE COUNTY MUST ABIDE BY. IT IS IMPERATIVE WE HAVE A PUBLIC PRESENTATION TO LEARN WHAT THIS MEANS FOR THE COUNTY. MY MOTION TODAY DIRECTS, AT OUR NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TO HAVE A PUBLIC PRESENTATION TO LEARN ABOUT THESE PROTOCOLS BEFORE THEY GO INTO EFFECT ON OCTOBER 1ST, WHICH WILL PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC INPUT. GIVEN THE IMPORTANCE OF THE L.A. SUPERIOR COURT'S NEW P.A.R.P. TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE TO COUNTY CITIZENS,

A PUBLIC PRESENTATION IS NECESSARY. I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE FOLLOWING: DIRECT THE DIRECTOR OF J.C.O.D., THE CHIEF D.O.J. COMPLIANCE OFFICER, C.E.O., AND REQUEST THE SHERIFF OR HIS DESIGNEE, AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY OR HIS DESIGNEE TO REPORT BACK VIA AN ORAL PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD ON SEPTEMBER 26TH, 2023 EXPLAINING THE COUNTY'S ROLE IN P.A.R.P. AS WELL AS THE POTENTIAL IMPACT TO COUNTY PROGRAMS AND OTHER IMPLICATIONS TO THE COUNTY OF THE L.A. SUPERIOR COURT'S P.A.R.P. PROGRAM AND INVITE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURTS EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CLERK OF THE COURT, OR OTHER KNOWLEDGEABLE REPRESENTATIVE TO ALSO REPORT BACK AT THE SEPTEMBER 26TH, 2023 PRESENTATION TO EXPLAIN TO THE BOARD AND THE PUBLIC THE L.A. SUPERIOR COURT'S ROLE IN DEVELOPING THE BAIL SCHEDULE AND AN OVERVIEW OF P.A.R.P. AND HOW IT WILL BE ADMINISTERED. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. AND AGAIN, WE WILL VOTE ON THAT AFTER PUBLIC COMMENT. OKAY, SUPERVISOR BARGER.

SUP. BARGER: THANK YOU I HAVE A READ IN REWARD MOTION TODAY. ON TUESDAY NOVEMBER 1ST, 2022, AT APPROXIMATELY 12:46 A.M., PALMDALE STATION DEPUTIES RESPONDED TO A CALL REGARDING AN ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON WITH SHOTS FIRED AT MARIE KERR PARK IN THE CITY OF PALMDALE. RESPONDING OFFICERS FOUND A 19 YEAR OLD JACOB TAYLOR UNRESPONSIVE IN THE PARKING LOT

SUFFERING FROM AN APPARENT GUNSHOT WOUND. HE WAS TRANSPORTED TO A NEARBY HOSPITAL, WHERE HE WAS PRONOUNCED DEAD. TWO ADULT WOMEN IN THEIR LATE TEENS WERE ALSO STRUCK BY GUNFIRE AND TRANSPORTED TO A NEARBY HOSPITAL FOR TREATMENT OF NON-LIFE THREATENING INJURES. JACOB'S DEATH HAS BEEN EXTREMELY HARD FOR HIS FAMILY, WHO WANT TO SEE THIS CASE RESOLVED. SHERIFFS DETECTIVES ARE ACTIVELY WORKING ON THE CASE AND BELIEVE THIS REWARD WILL ENCOURAGE WITNESSES TO COME FORWARD AND PROVIDE INFORMATION SURROUNDING THE INVESTIGATION. ANY INDIVIDUALS WITH INFORMATION ABOUT THIS CRIME ARE URGED TO CONTACT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S HOMICIDE BUREAU OR CRIME STOPPERS. THE MOTION ASKS THE FOLLOWING: I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OFFER A REWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF $10,000 IN EXCHANGE FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE APPREHENSION AND CONVICTION OF THE PERPETRATOR OR PERPETRATORS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MURDER OF JACOB TAYLOR. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WE WILL ALSO BE VOTING ON THAT AFTER PUBLIC COMMENT. SO NOW WE WILL HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE SUPERVISORS AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THESE ITEMS. YOU MUST INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS YOU WISH TO ADDRESS, INCLUDING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, IN ORDER FOR US TO ALLOCATE THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF

TIME. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE WHO HAVE PUBLIC SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THE REMAINING ITEMS AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, YOU WILL HAVE UP TO THREE MINUTES TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE FOR ONE ITEM, TWO MINUTES FOR TWO OR MORE ITEMS, AND ONE ADDITIONAL MINUTE FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND CLEARLY INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEMS YOU WILL BE ADDRESSING. YOU MAY ONLY ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THESE ITEMS. WE WILL NOW CALL IN-PERSON SPEAKERS, AND WHILE THEY ARE COMING FORWARD, WE WILL TAKE TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER: WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD, ERIC PAUL, RODELL CARIO, CHAD MEANDER, RAY PATEL, SARA WILTFONG, MEMA DYA, YASMINE CITARUM, NAREESH VACANTA, EGAL ADEER, IAN JAMESON, JANET ASANTE, AMBROSE BROOKS, CYNTHIA BOLLANOS, CHANTAN HERVING, EVELYN ARSIO, MARY TAMAMEAN, CHRIS LILLIAN, JESSE AGUINE AGUIANO, EDWINS STICKLE, VICTOR NARRO, ALBERT ACUNA, JOAQUIN BELTRAN, HEATHER DETTWEILER, ABBY MALDER, RICHARD HERNANDEZ, JAMES BUKATSKI, AND JUSTINS KIM. PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER.

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

DERRICK STEEL: HELLO. THIS IS DERRICK STEEL, CHAIR OF THE C.F.C.I. I'M DOING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT AND JUST ALSO CONTINUING MY COMMENTARY ON ITEM 46. I JUST WANT TO SAY FIRST, THANK YOU FOR PASSING THE ITEM. RESPECTFULLY, THE WAY THE C.E.O. SHARED TODAY CREATED SPACE FOR THE STATUS QUO TO REMAIN. MEASURE J WAS NOT PASSED BECAUSE THE COMMUNITY -- WAS PASSED BECAUSE THE COMMUNITY NO LONGER WANTS THE STATUS QUO. AND HONESTLY, WHAT YOU PASSED WITH C.F.C.I. IS WORKING, PARTICULARLY WITH THE T.P.A., AND THAT'S WHY WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO HAVE MORE DOLLARS GOING IN THAT DIRECTION OVER TIME. TO BE HONEST, THE REPORT TODAY SHOULD HAVE ACTUALLY COME WITH SUPPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES AND J.C.O.D. BECAUSE WE HAVE THE INTIMATE DETAILS THAT THE C.E.O. LACKED TODAY. I KNOW THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN A NEW PRECEDENT, BUT WE'RE SETTING PRECEDENTS EVERY DAY WITH C.F.C.I. J.C.O.D. ARE THE ONES WHO ARE WORKING DIRECTLY WITH US TO TRACK THESE THINGS AND DOING THE INCUBATION ACADEMY, BRINGING FORTH THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE, AND THEY ARE THE PARTNERS THAT HELPING MANAGE AND COORDINATE THE SPACE, HELP US GATHER OUR THOUGHTS, IDEAS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS, AND COALESCE THE MOTIONS LIKE TODAY. THEY ARE THE ADVOCATES ON OUR BEHALF AND UNRELENTING IN DOING THEIR PART TO MAKE SURE THE COMMUNITY VOICE IS HEARD.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: THE NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JANE STUCKEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

JANE STUCKEN: CAN YOU HEAR ME.

MODERATOR: WE CAN HEAR YOU, GO AHEAD.

JANE STUCKEN: HI. I AM -- SORRY, I AM JANE. I AM CALLING FROM SAFE, WHICH IS A NONPROFIT CALLED SAFER FOR EVERYONE. AND I WANTED TO CALL IN MY SUPPORT FOR ITEM NUMBER 5, STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE MOTION TO ESTABLISH A NEW L.A. COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION. WORKING AT A NONPROFIT THAT WORKS TO MAKE OUR STREETS SAFER FOR PEDESTRIANS, CYCLISTS, AND DRIVERS ALIKE, WE ARE REALLY EXCITED FOR A DEDICATED COMMISSION THAT WOULD TAKE ON CRITICAL PROGRAMS THAT SELDOM GET THE SPOTLIGHT, I.E. BUS SHELTERS, MAINTENANCE, VISION ZERO IMPLEMENTATION, AND SUSTAINABILITY ISSUES, JUST TO NAME A FEW. AND I ALSO WANTED TO CALL IN OUR SUPPORT OF NUMBER 5, WHICH WAS EARLIER, BUT I WANTED TO ADDRESS A PERSON WHO HAD CALLED IN AND COMMENTED ABOUT A -- THE FAMILIES CALLING IN ABOUT THE STREET RACING, AND HE KIND OF MADE A DISPARAGING COMMENT ABOUT THEM ALL

TRYING TO TRUMP EACH OTHER WITH THEIR TRAGEDIES AND WHATNOT. AND I JUST THOUGHT THAT WAS REALLY INCENTIVE BECAUSE WE WORK WITH THESE FAMILIES, AND THEY ARE SUFFERING. AND THIS FORUM IS GREAT FOR THEM.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

JANE STUCKEN: OKAY, THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BYRON JOSE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

BYRON JOSE: GOOD AFTERNOON. I AM CALLING TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 1, 39, AND PUBLIC COMMENT. JUST LIKE ALL THE FAMILIES THAT HAVE BEEN THERE ALL MORNING LONG, I HAVE WAITED SINCE 9:30, SOME OF THEM EVEN BEFORE THAT, 8:30, TO SPEAK. SO THE FACT THEY WERE ALL THESE MOTIONS AND ALL THESE THINGS THAT JUST CONTINUED TO BE PUSHED ASIDE AND NOT LISTEN TO THESE FAMILIES IS VERY DISTURBING TO SAY THE LEAST. AGAIN, YOU POSTPONED A REPORT BACK ON THE BEDS WHEN WE WERE TALKING ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS AND WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE OVERBURDENIZATION OF LATINX PEOPLE IN COUNTY JAILS AND ALSO BLACK COMMUNITIES IN COUNTY JAILS AND THE HOMELESS POPULATIONS AND SYSTEM-IMPACTED PEOPLE, AGAIN, ALL OF THESE MATTER. ALL

YOUR DECISIONS AROUND THE BUDGET HAVE EVERYTHING TO DO WITH THE JAILS AND THE FACT THAT ALL THESE FAMILIES AND THE MEMORY, ALL THESE PEOPLE THAT HAVE DIED AND HAVE TAKEN THE TIME TO BE HERE, AND YOU CONTINUE TO IGNORE IT OR CONTINUE TO PRIORITIZE OTHER THINGS LIKE PROCLAIMING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH OR WHATEVER YOU WANT TO CALL IT. SO, AGAIN, HOW DO WE THEN CONTINUE TO TRULY LOOK INTO HAVING THESE MOTIONS, HAVING THESE DIRECTIVES, AND HAVING YOUR BUDGET PRIORITIES AND YOUR FUNDING TRULY REFLECT WHAT THE COMMUNITY IS ASKING FOR AND WHAT THE COMMUNITY NEEDS. SO AGAIN, PLEASE CONTINUE TO STICK TO A TRUE CARE FIRST BUDGET, INSTEAD OF CONTINUING TO FUND COUNTY JAILS. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SOMEONE, ANYONE, WHETHER IT IS THE CHAIR, WITHER IT'S S.D.3, ANY OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO BE ABLE TO SET FORTH A -- PUT IT ON THE CALENDAR. LET'S REALLY TALK ABOUT WHAT IS IT GOING TO TAKE TO CLOSE THESE JAILS. I WILL DEFER THE REST OF MY TIME TO THE FAMILIES BECAUSE THEY HAVE BEEN WAITING AND THE PEOPLE THAT ARE THERE TO EXPRESS THEIR LOVED ONES WHO HAVE PASSED IN COUNTY JAILS. THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ED MOORE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

ED MOORE: CAN YOU HEAR ME?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YES. WE CAN HEAR YOU. HELLO?

ED MOORE: CAN YOU HEAR ME?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU LOUD AND CLEAR.

ED MOORE: I'M SO SORRY. YEAH, SO I CALLED A COUPLE TIMES BECAUSE I WAS CONFUSED, THE FIRST TIME I AM DOING THIS. SO IF THERE'S AN ATTORNEY OUT THERE WHO HAS SUCCESSFULLY SUED THE COUNTY, PLEASE GET A HOLD OF ME. MY PHONE NUMBER IS (818) 693-1280. MY FAMILY AND I HAVE BEEN THE SUBJECT OF TERRORIZING EXPERIENCES FOR THE LAST FOUR YEARS BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMPLOYEE GARY M. CABLE, WHO FUNCTIONS AS OUR BUILDING MANAGER, SINCE HE IS BOARD PRESIDENT OF OUR H.O.A IN LONG BEACH IN MS. HAHN'S DISTRICT. WE HAVE SUFFERED BATTERY, ASSAULT, DEFAMATION, LIABLE, VANDALISM ON OUR VEHICLES, AND NOW WE ARE BEING EVICTED VINDICTIVELY FOR HAVING UNCOVERED MR. CABLE'S FRAUD AND EMBEZZLEMENT. ANY ATTORNEY OUT THERE WILLING TO SUE THE COUNTY, PLEASE CALL ME AT (818) 693-1280. A LOT OF THESE CRIMES HAVE BEEN COMMITTED DURING THE --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS STEVE YAZY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

STEVE YAZY: HELLO, MY NAME IS STEVE YAZY. I AM THE FRANCHISE OWNER OF JOHNNY ROCKETS ON THE UNIVERSAL CITY WALK. I AM JUST WANTING TO SAY A GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I AM JUST CALLING IN TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR LISTENING TO THE VOICE OF SMALL BUSINESSES AND REMOVING THE TOURISM MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE MOTION FROM TODAY'S AGENDA. I FULLY BELIEVE IN THE FAIR PAYMENT OF WORKERS AND RECOGNIZE THE COST OF LIVING CHALLENGES HERE IN OUR REGION. I, FOR ONE, AM FEELING THEM NOW AND STILL RECOVERING FROM THE LOSSES OVER THE PANDEMIC. THIS NEARLY 50% INCREASE IN WAGES, WOULD HAVE NOT ONLY CAUSED ME TO LAYOFF WORKERS BUT ALSO DOUBLE MY PRICES TO BREAK EVEN. I WOULD ASK THE BOARD TO CONSIDER ECONOMIC IMPACTS OF A REGION AS A WHOLE BEFORE CONSIDERING ANY OTHER SUCH ORDINANCES THE THE FUTURE. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PAUL HENNESSEY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

PAUL HENNESSEY: HI, I AM CALLING FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I AM CALLING ON THE BOARD TO REINSTATE MASK MANDATES IN HEALTHCARE SETTINGS PERMANENTLY. COVID, FLU, R.S.V., T.B.,

CHICKENPOX, COMMON COLD ARE ALL AIRBORNE. ALL POSE THEIR OWN RISKS. MEDICAL SETTINGS SHOULD BE AS SAFE AS POSSIBLE. THAT MEANS GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND TO PROTECT PATIENTS AND MEDICAL STAFF. MY GRANDMA RECENTLY HAD TREATMENT FOR SKIN CANCER AND WAS INFECTED BY COVID AND BEDRIDDEN BECAUSE SHE HAD TO GO INTO A TREATMENT CENTER THAT HAD A MASK FREE POLICY, BUT THIS DOESN'T JUST AFFECT THE ELDERLY. ACCORDING TO THE C.D.C., ONE AND ALL INFECTIONS RESULTS IN LONG TERM ISSUES. COVID IS STILL A LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH IN ADULTS AND CHILDREN. THAT INCLUDES THE VACCINATED. IF YOU ARE LUCKY ENOUGH TO HAVE A MILD CASE, HOSPITALS SHOULDN'T SPREAD ILLNESS. C.D.C. STUDIES FOUND SURGICAL MASKS IN INDOOR SETTINGS CUT THE CHANCE OF CONTRACTING COVID BY 66%, WHILE N95S REDUCED THE RISK BY 83%. RESPIRATORS IN HEALTHCARE ARE THE LEAST WE CAN DO TO PROTECT AGAINST A VIRUS THAT FUSES BRAIN CELLS AND CAUSES BLOOD CLOTS. REINSTATE MASK MANDATE IN MEDICAL SETTINGS IMMEDIATELY.

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

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

DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: YES, GOOD AFTERNOON. I WANT TO SPEAK ON ITEM 56 AND PUBLIC COMMENT. ON ITEM 56, I AM VERY CONCERNED BECAUSE ALL THOSE CONTRACTS ARE SOLD BY THE CONTRACTS. AND IT

IS KIND OF ABSURD BECAUSE THAT TECHNOLOGY CHANGES ALL THE TIME. AND WE ARE SEEING MORE AND MORE SOLE VENDOR. AND I AM JUST GETTING CONCERNED ABOUT THAT BECAUSE MANY TIMES WE DON'T GET WHAT WE ARE PAYING FOR, BUT ANYWAY. AND ON PUBLIC COMMENT IS THAT TODAY WAS A REALLY BAD DAY BECAUSE EVERY TIME I GOT DISCONNECTED BY A.T.&T., AND I DIALED BACK IN, THEY WOULD SAY I WILL BE BACK WITH YOU IN A FEW MINUTES. THEY NEVER COME BACK, THREE TIMES. THAT NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT BECAUSE THAT SHOULDN'T BE, BUT ANYWAY. I MISS SEEING YOU. HAVE A GOOD REST OF THE DAY AND THE WEEK,. BYE.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: BYE. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JULIA WALLACE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

JULIA WALLACE: [EXPLETIVE]. HELLO, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

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

JULIA WALLACE: OKAY, GREAT. MY NAME IS JULIA WALLACE. I AM A COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND A MEMBER OF S.I.E.U. LOCAL 721. I AM CALLING TO SPEAK ABOUT C.S.1 AND PUBLIC COMMENT. SINCE THE LAST TIME WE HAVE BEEN THERE, WE'VE BEEN DISCUSSING ABOUT THE SITUATION OF PAY

EQUITY, AND I THINK THAT WE ARE STILL -- WE STILL HAVEN'T COME TO A RESOLUTION. WE HEAR A LOT OF DISCUSSION ABOUT RETENTION AND RECRUITMENT, BUT THERE ISN'T AS MUCH ABOUT RETENTION, AND I AM HERE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF MY COWORKERS BECAUSE THE MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS IS STILL CONTINUING, BUT YOU NEED WORKERS, ESPECIALLY WORKERS THAT HAVE EXPERIENCE TO BE ABLE TO DO THAT. AND PAY EQUITY IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING BECAUSE WE ARE LOSING PEOPLE. FOR EVERY FOUR PEOPLE THEY HIRE, THREE PEOPLE LEAVE. AND SO, WE NEED A REAL RESOLUTION, AND WE ARE GOING TO CONTINUE TO FIGHT FOR OURSELVES AND FOR OUR COWORKERS AND ALSO FOR THE CLIENTS THAT WE SERVE, REGARDING THIS MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS. TO SOLVE THAT, WE NEED TO HAVE PAY EQUITY WITH THE PEOPLE THAT HAVE CONTINUED TO WORK AND NOT TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE FACT THAT THEY CONTINUE AND ARE CARING ABOUT THE MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO FIGHT FOR OURSELVES AND FOR OUR COWORKERS ON BEHALF OF OURSELVES AND WITH OUR UNION, S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JUSTIN BLAKELY. YOU MAY BEGIN.

JUSTIN BLAKELY: YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I AM SPEAKING ON ITEM 36. MY NAME IS JUSTIN

BLAKELY. I AM THE VICE CHAIR FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY POLICY ROUND TABLE FOR CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT A PROUD SUPERVISORIAL REPRESENTATIVE AND ALSO A SECOND DISTRICT CONSTITUENT. I AM ALSO THE PUBLIC POLICY MANAGER FOR CRYSTAL STAIRS, WHICH SERVES AS L.A. -- ONE OF L.A. COUNTY'S LARGEST RESOURCE REFERRAL AGENCIES. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS FOR HER MOTION THAT FORTIFIES THE INFANT AND CHILDCARE SYSTEM IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE AT A TIME IN THE EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION SYSTEM WHERE WE NEED TO STRENGTHEN THE ENTIRE ECOSYSTEM OF CHILDCARE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES. THE INVESTMENTS WE MAKE NOW OR THE LACK THEREOF MOVING FORWARD FOR THE E.C.C. SYSTEM WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON OUR MOST MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES AND WORKING FAMILIES, MORE EXPLICITLY, WOMEN OF COLOR AND THEIR CHILDREN. WOMEN ARE STILL STRUGGLING TO RETURN TO THE WORK FORCE BECAUSE OF CHILD CARE. AND RACIAL WAGE INEQUITY STILL PERMEATES OUR EARLY EDUCATION WORKFORCE, NOT ONLY AT THE COUNTY LEVEL, BUT ACROSS THE NATION. I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THE BOARD TO APPROVE THIS MOTION TO STRENGTHEN THE INFANT AND CHILDCARE SYSTEM COUNTY-WIDE. IT IS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. THANK YOU.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ELI LIPMAN. YOU MAY BEGIN. ELI, YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

ELI LIPMAN: YES, HI, THIS IS ELI LIPMAN, REPRESENTING MOVE L.A. AND I AM CALLING IN SUPPORT OF ITEM NUMBER 5. AND I WANT TO JUST EXPRESS MY SUPPORT AND THANKS TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL AND HER TEAM FOR PUTTING THIS TOGETHER AND TAKING THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WERE BROUGHT TO THE BOARD ABOUT THIS. IT IS REALLY VITAL THAT THE COUNTY PARTICIPATE IN THE EFFORT TO BUILD MORE BUS SHELTERS, AND HAVING A COMMISSION LIKE THIS THAT CAN REALLY FOCUS ON THAT AS WELL AS MOBILITY OPTIONS, EVERYTHING FROM MICRO-MOBILITY TO RUNNING SERVICE IN YOUR REGION IS VITAL. AND WITHOUT A TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, THOSE THINGS CAN'T HAPPEN FOR THE MILLION PLUS RESIDENTS OF AN UNINCORPORATED L.A. COUNTY. SO REALLY WANT TO SHARE SUPPORT FOR THIS. WE THINK IT IS FANTASTIC, AND WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO PARTNER WITH THE BOARD AND WITH THE NEW TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION ON THIS. THANK YOU FOR PUTTING IT ON CONSENT, AND I ENCOURAGE AN AYE VOTE.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. OH, WE ARE GOING IN-PERSON. HELLO.

ERIC PAUL: GOOD AFTERNOON, COUNTY SUPERVISORS. MY MAKE IS ERIC PAUL. I'M THE GENERAL MANAGER OF THE MARINA DEL REY MARRIOTT. I AM TALKING PUBLIC COMMENT ABOUT AGENDA 20. THANK YOU FOR TAKING MORE TIME TO FULLY CONSIDER AGENDA 20 BEFORE MOVING

FORWARD. OUR INDUSTRY HAS BEEN THROUGH A TUMULTUOUS FEW FEW YEARS RECOVERING FROM THE PANDEMIC. SO WE SUPPORT TAKING A CAUTIOUS AND THOUGHTFUL APPROACH TOWARD THIS ISSUE IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY UNFORESEEN OUTCOMES. I SUPPORT THE IDEA OF AN ECONOMIC STUDY AND ENCOURAGE THE COUNTY TO PERFORM ONE BEFORE VOTING ON THIS. I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME, THANK YOU.

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

SARA WILTSFONG: THANK YOU, MY NAME IS SARA WILTSFONG, AND I AM THE DIRECTOR OF POLICY AND ADVOCACY WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUSINESS FEDERATION, ALSO KNOWNS BIZFED. WE ARE A GRASS ROOTS ALLIANCE OF OVER 240 BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS, WHO REPRESENT OVER 410,000 EMPLOYERS, WITH 5 MILLION EMPLOYEES RIGHT HERE IN SOCAL. WE ARE HERE SO SAY THANK YOU TO LISTENING TO THE CONCERNS OF DIVERSE PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, WHO RAISED SERIOUS CONCERNS ABOUT THE TOURISM MINIMUM WAGE ORDINANCE, WHICH WOULD HAVE ADDED NEARLY 50% WAGE INCREASE OVERNIGHT ON CERTAIN INDUSTRIES. REFERRING THIS IDEA BACK IS A VITAL AND SMART MOVE. WE ARE NOT OPPOSED TO MINIMUM WAGE INCREASES AND SHARE YOUR CONCERNS OF THE COST OF LIVING CRISIS WE HAVE IN OUR REGION. THE REASON THIS CRISIS EXISTS IS COMPLEX, AND WE AGREE WITH THE DIRECTION OF THE C.E.O.'S REPORT THAT AN ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE ANY SUCH ORDINANCE IS EVER CONSIDERED. WE LOOK FORWARD

TO WORKING WITH WITH THE BOARD TO FIND SOLUTIONS THAT WILL BENEFIT ALL, AND WE ENCOURAGE THE BOARD TO REACH OUT AND ACTIVELY ENGAGE ALL STAKEHOLDERS, ESPECIALLY SMALL BUSINESSES, BEFORE PROPOSING POLICIES THAT WILL HAVE A MAJOR IMPACT ON ALL OF US HERE AND PROVIDING NEEDED JOBS TO OUR NEIGHBORS. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: I AM GOING TO HAVE TO RESTRAIN MYSELF, BUT I WILL. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

CHAD MEANDER: GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR HAHN AND L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS CHAD MEANDER, AND I SERVE AS THE PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF THE L.A.X. COASTAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, REPRESENTING OVER 640 BUSINESSES IN THE L.A.X. COASTAL REGION, INCLUDING A LARGE GROUP OF BUSINESSES IN MARINA DEL REY. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR RECONSIDERING THE TOURISM WORKER MINIMUM WAGE ORDINANCE. THIS POTENTIAL MOTION COULD HAVE BROUGHT SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS TO OUR BUSINESSES IN MARINA DEL RAY, IMPACTING HARDWORKING ANGELENOS. WE KNOW THE COST OF LIVING CONTINUES TO RISE IN OUR REGION AND KNOW THAT WE, AS BUSINESS LEADERS IN L.A. COUNTY, ARE HERE TO BRING SOLUTIONS THAT CREATE WIN-WIN SOLUTIONS FOR EVERYONE. WE KINDLY ASK, IF THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CONSIDERS ANY FURTHER ORDINANCES LIKE THIS IN THE

FUTURE THAT A FULL ECONOMIC IMPACT STUDY BE INCLUDED AS PART OF THE MOTION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME HERE TODAY.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

IAN JAMESON: IAN JAMESON, CALIFORNIA [INDISCERNIBLE] FREEDOM, GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. TO THOSE BARBARA FERRER CRITICS ON TWITTER WHO THINK SHE IS THE PUPPET MASTER OF THE BOARD, I WOULD REFER THEM TO THIS INFORMATION. THREE WEEKS BEFORE THE ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DECLARED A LOCAL EMERGENCY OVER COVID, THEY DECLARED NICOLE CLICK AN IDIOT PILL MILL OPERATOR, AS THEY APPOINTED HER AS ORANGE COUNTY HEALTH DIRECTOR. THEY THEN INSTRUCTED HER TO IMPOSE A MASK MANDATE ON ORANGE COUNTY RESIDENTS. ORANGE COUNTY RESIDENTS, QUITE VALIANTLY, PROTESTED. THEY PROTESTED, IN FACT, OUTSIDE HER HOUSE, AND THEY COMPELLED HER TO RESIGN IN JUNE OF 2020. FOLLOWING HER RESIGNATION, THEY APPOINTED ANOTHER PUPPET. SHE IS NOT THE PUPPET MASTER OF THIS BOARD. THIS BOARD IS THE PUPPET MASTER OF HER. IN WHATEVER RIDICULOUS PSEUDOSCIENCE FAKE MASK MANDATE YOU ARE THINKING OF REIMPOSING ON US, WE ARE NOT COMPLYING. AND YOU CAN ALL GO [EXPLETIVE] YOURSELVES.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

RITHEL CARIOM: HELLO. I'M RITHEL CARIOM. I ACTUALLY WORK FOR UNIVERSAL STUDIOS FOR OVER EIGHT YEARS NOW. I AM CURRENTLY ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE WORKING WITH MY UNION, UNITED HERE LOCAL 11. I HAVE SEVERAL EMPLOYEES WHO ARE HERE TODAY READY TO SPEAK ON THIS BECAUSE WE ARE STRUGGLING THAT MUCH, BUT TODAY YOU WILL HEAR FROM MY COWORKERS ABOUT HOW HARD IT IS TO LIVE ON THE CURRENT MINIMUM WAGE. THERE ARE THOUSANDS OF WORKERS AT UNIVERSAL THAT ARE STRUGGLING TO PAY BILLS, FEED THEIR FAMILIES, OR TO STAY HOUSED. UNFORTUNATELY, THESE ARE STRUGGLES THAT WORKERS ACROSS ALL INDUSTRIES FACE. IT IS NO ACCIDENT THAT WE ARE SPEAKING TO YOU THE SAME DAY YOU HONOR REVEREND JAMES LAWSON, SOMEONE WHO WAS CLOSE TO OUR UNION AND A TEACHER WE FOLLOW, BUT HE HAS ALWAYS FOUGHT FOR WHAT IS RIGHT. IT IS NOT RIGHT THAT HARDWORKING CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY CAN'T AFFORD BASIC NECESSITIES. THAT IS WHY WE NEED THE $25 MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE. AND FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS, SORRY, BUT WE DON'T HAVE THE PRIVILEGE TO HAVE A SMALL BUSINESSES, AND WE ARE STRUGGLING A LOT MORE. THANK YOU.

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

EVELYN ARCELL: HELLO, MY NAME IS EVELYN ARCELL. I AM A BAKER AT UNIVERSAL STUDIOS. I HAVE WORKED THERE FOR EIGHT YEARS, CURRENTLY MAKE $19 AN HOUR. I HAVE MY ASSOCIATES DEGREE IN PASTRIES AND BAKING AND 15 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE, YET I STILL

CAN'T AFFORD TO PAY MY BILLS. AND I STRUGGLE ON MY BASIC NECESSITIES. I AM A SINGLE MOTHER OF FOUR. TWO ARE TEENAGERS. AND I LIVE IN A ONE BEDROOM APARTMENT. THIS IS HARD FOR ME AND MY CHILDREN. I WISH ONE DAY I WOULD GIVE THEM A PLACE TO LIVE, BUT IT IS HARD LIKE TRYING TO CHOOSE WHAT BILLS TO PAY ONE MONTH AND THE OTHER. I'M CONSTANTLY AFRAID OF GOING HOMELESS, LIKE 10% OF MY COWORKERS AT UNIVERSAL CURRENTLY ARE. WHEN WE ARE ALWAYS BEHIND, THERE'S NO THOUGHT OF GETTING AHEAD, BUT WE ARE ONLY SURVIVING. IT IS STRESSFUL, EXHAUSTING, AND FRUSTRATING WHEN WE ARE DOING ALL YOU CAN WORKING 40+ HOURS, WEEKLY, AND YOU CAN'T GET ANYWHERE. NO ONE WHO WORKS THIS MUCH --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

EVELYN ARCELL: THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

CYNTHIA BOLLANOS: HELLO, MY NAME IS CYNTHIA BOLLANOS. I CURRENTLY WORK AT UNIVERSAL STUDIO FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS. I JUST BARELY MAKE $19 AN HOUR, WHICH IS JUST ABOVE THE MINIMUM WAGE. UNFORTUNATELY, I HAVE TO SHARE A ROOM WITH MY MOTHER, WHO IS FULLY DISABLED IN A HOUSE THAT HAS FOUR PEOPLE. WE CANNOT AFFORD TO MOVE OUT ON OUR OWN, EVEN WITH WORKING 40+

HOURS. AND THE OVERTIME IS EXTREMELY STRESSFUL. BOTH OF MY PARENTS ARE DISABLED, AND I AM THE ONLY ONE THAT THE MONEY FLUCTUATES. I CAN'T AFFORD TO LIVE LIKE THIS. MY FAMILY DON'T HAVE THEIR PRIVACY, I DON'T HAVE MY PRIVACY. AND I DON'T HAVE THE LUXURY TO OWN A SMALL BUSINESS. AND THIS IS JUST GETTING RIDICULOUS. AND THE SAME THING, IT IS DISHEARTENING THAT YOU HONOR SOMEONE WHO HAS DONE SO MUCH, BUT YET YOU ARE DOING SO LITTLE. IT IS ABSOLUTELY RIDICULOUS. YOUR LACK OF ACTION AS SPEAKS VOLUMES.

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

MARY TAMAMEAN: HELLO, I AM MARY TAMAMEAN, AND I HAVE BEEN WORKING AT UNIVERSAL STUDIOS AS A BARISTA FOR 11 YEARS. AND I CURRENTLY ONLY MAKE $18 AN HOUR. IT'S SLIGHTLY OVER THE MINIMUM WAGE AT LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I CURRENTLY LIVE WITH MY PARENTS BECAUSE I DON'T MAKE ENOUGH TO LIVE ON MY OWN. I HAVE TO CHOOSE WHAT BILLS TO PAY. I ALSO HAVE OVER $33,000 DEBT AND DON'T KNOW WHEN THESE BILLS ARE GOING TO END. THE STRESS AND ANXIETY IS ALWAYS THERE. I CAN'T AFFORD TO LIVE ON $18 AN HOUR, AND MAKE $25 AN HOUR WOULD HELP EASE STRESS AND ALLOW ME TO LIVE AND TO AFFORD TO LIVE AS NORMAL. THANK YOU.

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

CHRISTOPHER LILLIAN: I AM CHRISTOPHER LILLIAN FROM THE FIFTH DISTRICT. I AM A WORKER FROM UNIVERSAL STUDIOS HOLLYWOOD AS A FOOD WORKER. I AM A MEMBER OF UNITED HERE LOCAL 11. AND AFTER BEING THERE FOR FOUR YEARS, I AM AMONG THE TWO-THIRDS OF THE WORKERS THAT THAT ONLY MAKE THE MINIMUM WAGE OF $16.90. THROUGH MY FINANCIAL STRUGGLES, I AM LEFT WITH A HARSH VIEW OF AN UNJUST REALITY THAT ONE EMPLOYER THAT GENERATED OVER $2 BILLION IN NET REVENUE LAST YEAR WOULD HAVE WORKERS LIKE ME THAT STRUGGLE TO AFFORD A $600 SURGERY AND STILL PAY THE RENT, AND STILL AFFORD NOW WORK SHOES, AND STILL AFFORD AN ACTUAL WORK/ LIFE BALANCE. IT IS A REALITY THAT IS A NIGHTMARE FOR US, THE WORKERS. IT IS CLEAR NOW MORE THAN EVER THAT WE, THE WORKERS AT UNIVERSAL STUDIOS HOLLYWOOD, NEED OUR MINIMUM WAGE INCREASED TO $25 NOW NOT LATER. THE FACT THAT UNIVERSAL STUDIOS HOLLYWOOD IS FIGHTING THE ORDINANCE SHOWS HOW CHEAP AND MEAN THEY ARE TOWARDS US, THEIR WORKERS. THANK YOU.

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

CHATAN IRVIN: HELLO. I AM CHATAN IRVIN. AND I HAVE WORKED AT UNIVERSAL STUDIOS AS A FOOD STAND ATTENDANT EMPLOYEE FOR A MINIMUM OF 37 1/2 YEARS. I CURRENTLY RENT A ROOM. IT IS BARELY AFFORDABLE NOW, BUT THE RENT KEEPS GOING UP. I AM LEFT WITH CHOOSING BETWEEN BUYING GROCERIES OR PAYING BILLS TO AVOID LATE FEES. IT IS -- IT IS AN IMPOSSIBLE CHOICE, BUT ONE MY

COWORKERS AND I MAKE EVERY SINGLE DAY. AND BECAUSE OF THIS, I AM LOOKING INTO GETTING A SECOND JOB. ONE JOB SHOULD BE ENOUGH. ONE JOB SHOULD BE ENOUGH. BY YOU GOING TO THE TABLE AND VOTING YES ON MAKING A $25 AN HOUR INCREASE WOULD HELP ME TO GET OUT OF CREDIT CARD DEBT, BUYING GROCERIES, AND TO SUBSIDE ON THE RISING COST OF RENT, AND, AS YOU KNOW, GAS IS CONTINUALLY GOING UP. SO I THANK YOU THAT YOU ARE GOING TO SAY YES AND RAISE IT TO $25 AN HOUR. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I BELIEVE WE HAVE SOME MEMBERS ON THE TELEPHONE? OKAY, LET'S GO THERE.

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ALFONSO DIRECTO. YOU MAY BEGIN.

ALFONSO DIRECTO: HI THERE. THIS IS ALFONSO DIRECTO. I AM THE ADVOCACY DIRECTOR AT A.C.T. L.A., THE ALLIANCE FOR COMMUNITY TRANSIT LOS ANGELES. I AM CALLING TO SUPPORT ITEM NUMBER 5 AND APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR PUTTING THIS ITEM ON THE AGENDA. MOTOR VEHICLE COLLISIONS ARE THE LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH FOR RESIDENTS AGES 0-29. TRAFFIC VIOLENCE IS PARTICULARLY FATAL FOR NON-DRIVING COMMUNITIES AND DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECTS COMMUNITIES OF COLOR. IN REIMAGINING THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FROM ONE FOCUSED SOLELY ON THE SAFETY OF CAR DRIVERS TO ONE CENTERING THE NEEDS

OF THOSE MOST VULNERABLE ON THE ROADWAYS, THE BOARD HAS RECOGNIZED THESE ISSUES AS THE URGENT PUBLIC HEALTH CRISES THAT THEY ARE. WE NEED A CARE-BASED APPROACH TO TRANSPORTATION FUNDING WHERE ROADWAYS ARE DESIGNED AS PUBLIC SPACES WITH A VARIETY OF USES, INCLUDING FOR THOSE THAT WALK, BIKE, AND TAKE TRANSIT. THIS NEW COMMISSION, ESPECIALLY WHEN IT INCLUDES PEOPLE WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE, APPLIES A MUCH NEEDED EQUITY, SUSTAINABILITY ,AND PUBLIC HEALTH LENS. THANK YOU, AND IS URGE AN AYE VOTE ON ITEM 5.

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

MODERATOR: OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS GWENDOLYN HILL. YOU MAY BEGIN.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: IS THERE -- GWENDOLYN HILL IS NOT THERE? OKAY, THEN LET'S GO IN-PERSON.

VICTOR NARRO: YES, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS VICTOR NARRO. I AM A PROJECT DIRECTOR IN PROFESSIONAL LABOR STUDIES AT THE U.C.L.A. LABOR CENTER. FOR THE PAST SINCE MONTHS, I HAVE BEEN CONDUCTING A SURVEY AND INTERVIEWS OF WORKERS AND WORKING CONDITIONS AT UNIVERSAL STUDIOS. THE REPORTS ARE COMING OUT NEXT WEEK, BUT I WANTED TO SHARE SOME KEY HIGHLIGHTS OF THE REPORT. UNIVERSAL STUDIOS PAYS MORE THAN TWO-THIRDS OF ITS

WORKERS THE MINIMUM WAGE. LONG TERM WORKERS ARE PAID ONLY SLIGHTLY MORE. A MAJORITY OF THE WORKERS REPORT THEY STRUGGLE TO MAKE ENDS MEET AT UNIVERSAL STUDIES. MANY OF THEM HAVE TAKEN A SECOND JOB. MANY WORKERS GO HUNGRY AT UNIVERSAL STUDIOS. I TALKED TO MANY WORKERS WHERE THEY HAD TO MAKE A CHOICE BETWEEN PAYING RENT AND HAVING ENOUGH TO EAT, SO I REALLY ENCOURAGE YOU TO LOOK AT THIS ISSUE MORE CAREFULLY. I WILL SEND EACH OF YOU A COPY OF THE REPORT, AND I HOPE TO BE BACK TO SHARE MORE KEY FINDINGS FROM THE REPORT. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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

RAY PATEL: RAY PATEL WITH THE NORTHEAST LOS ANGELES HOTEL OWNERS ASSOCIATION. OUR ASSOCIATION ADVOCATES FOR THE HOTEL OWNERS THROUGHOUT THE L.A. COUNTY AREA. WE WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECONSIDERING THE TOURISM WORKER MINIMUM WAGE ORDINANCE, AND WE ASK THAT, SHOULD THE COUNTY CONSIDER ANOTHER ORDINANCE SUCH AS THIS, THAT THEY DO A FULL ECONOMIC IMPACT STUDY, WHICH SHOULD INCLUDE DIFFERENT SEGMENTS OF THE LODGING INDUSTRY, THOSE BY THE BEACH, BOUTIQUE HOTELS, LIMITED SERVICES HOTELS, BECAUSE YOU CAN'T DO A GLOBAL ORDINANCE WHEN IT COMES TO WAGE AND HOUR LAWS ON OUR INDUSTRY. AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, I HEAR WHAT UNITED HERE ARE SAYING TODAY. I ECHO YOUR CONCERNS. I AM A SMALL BUSINESS PERSON. HOWEVER, TO

UPLIFT YOUR LIVELIHOODS, YOU CAN'T BRING DOWN THE WAGE PAYERS. THIS RESPONSIBILITY NEEDS TO FALL ON THE GOVERNMENT NOT JUST THE HOTEL INDUSTRY OR A SPECIFIC INDUSTRY. AND SO, WE ASK THAT YOU LOOK TO YOUR ELECTED OFFICIALS FOR THE SUPPORT, BUT DON'T BURDEN THE INDUSTRY, SPECIFICALLY THE HOTEL INDUSTRY, BECAUSE THIS PROBLEM ORIGINATED FROM THOSE YOU ELECTED. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NOT FOLLOWING. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MENA DYA: MADAM CHAIR, AND BOARD SUPERVISORS, THANK YOU FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. I'M MENA DYA, A WOMAN OF COLOR, MINORITY, BUSINESS OWNER LIMITED SERVICE HOTELS. I AM LEER TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF ALL BUSINESSES, ESPECIALLY OUR MINORITY ASIAN COMMUNITY. MANY OWNERS WHO OUR SOLE SOURCE OF BUSINESS OR INCOME IS ONLY FROM THE GUEST ROOM RENT. THANK YOU VERY, VERY MUCH FOR TAKING AGENDA 20, TOURISM MINIMUM, AWAY FROM THE AGENDA NOW, BUT IF IT COMES BACK AGAIN, IT IS A FIDUCIARY DUTY THAT PLEASE IMPLORE THAT YOU DO AN IMPACT STUDY. IT IS GOING TO BE DEVASTATING. BUSINESS OWNERS KNOW THE SURVIVABILITY, AND BUSINESS OWNERS KNOW US SMALL BUSINESSES THAT HAVE DON'T 40 YEARS TO DOUBLE JOBS, FAMILY STAYING TENS IN TOGETHER, FAMILY-OWNED BUSINESSES. WE HAVE WORKED HARD. WE'VE STARTED FROM HUMBLE BEGINNINGS. IT WILL IMPACT THE TOURISM IN L.A. SUPERVISOR HORVATH, PLEASE UPLIFT ALL CULTURES. THANK YOU. AND ALSO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, THANK YOU FOR SAYING CONTINUOUS

EVALUATION IS IMPORTANT. FULLY AGREE THAT WE NEED TO DO FIDUCIARY DUTY.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YOU TIME IS UP. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

NAREESH BATA: GREETINGS, CHAIR AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I AM SPEAKING ON ITEM 20. MY NAME IS NAREESH BATA. I AM THE ASIAN AMERICAN HOTEL OWNERS ASSOCIATION, A.A.H.O.A.'S, REGIONAL DIRECTOR. OUR MEMBERS OWN 1,185 OF L.A. HOTELS, DIRECTLY IMPACT OVER 165,000 L.A. JOBS, AND CONTRIBUTE ABOUT $70 BILLION OF THE LOCAL G.D.P. I'LL GET TO THE POINT, SINCE WE ARE LIMITED ON TIME, BOARD MEMBERS, THANK YOU FOR THE RECONSIDERING THE $30 PER HOUR MINIMUM WAGE REQUIREMENT. MANY OF OUR HOTEL OWNERS ARE LIMITED SERVICE HOTELS OWNED BY SMALL FAMILY AND WHO ARE ALSO PERSONS OF COLOR. AS YOU WILL KNOW HERE TODAY, AND PREVIOUSLY TWO SPEAKERS ALREADY SAID, WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE COST OF LIVING IN OUR REGION, AND WE STAND READY TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY ON ANY OF THE WORK THE THEY [INDISCERNIBLE]. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

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

YASMINE CITEROM: MY NAME IS YASMINE CITEROM, AND I COME TO PROTEST AGAINST THE INCREASE OF THE MINIMUM WAGE PER HOUR.

THAT'S ARTICLE 20. I AM A HISPANIC WOMAN, WHO CAME TO LOOK FOR BETTER OPPORTUNITIES IN THIS COUNTRY. AND I FOUND IT BECAUSE I AM AN OWNER OF A HOTEL THAT PROVIDES LIMITED SERVICES. IF THE WAGE INCREASE DOES GET IMPLEMENTED, THEN WE WOULD HAVE TO FIRE AND LEAVE OTHER WORKERS IMMEDIATELY WITHOUT A JOB. WE WOULD CREATE A LOT MORE UNEMPLOYMENT AND ALSO HOMELESSNESS IN THE STREETS OF LOS ANGELES. THE SMALL BUSINESSES CAN'T REALLY TAKE ON THAT INCREASE IN COSTS. WE WOULD HAVE TO INCREASE THE PRICES, AND THEN SALES WOULD ALSO DECREASE. BY INCREASING THE PRICES, THEN WE WOULD HAVE MORE INFLATION. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE ARE IN A CRISIS, AN ECONOMIC CRISIS. WE DON'T HAVE TOURISTS. CHECK OUT THE T.O.T., SEE HOW MUCH YOU ARE GETTING FOR THAT. YOU WILL SEE THAT IT HAS DECREASED. AND WE ARE GRATEFUL THAT YOU REMOVED IT FROM THE AGENDA, PLEASE DO NOT --

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

ALBERT JOHN ACUNA, JR.: GOOD AFTERNOON, COUNTY SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ALBERT JOHN ACUNA, JR. AND THE PAPERWORK IN FRONT OF YOU WILL IDENTIFY MYSELF AS A GABRIELENO NATIVE INDIAN ELDER. I SPEAK FOR NO TRIBE, NO SPLINTER GROUP. I SPEAK FOR MY ANCESTORS. TODAY, I AM GOING TO SPEAK ABOUT GENEALOGY, PRETENDIANS, AND REPARATION. THEY ALL GO HAND IN HAND. PLEASE HELP ME MAKE POLITICAL CONTEXT TO PASS A BILL IN THE STATE OF

CALIFORNIA THAT, FOR ALL CALIFORNIAN NATIVES THAT DO BUSINESS IN CALIFORNIA, THAT THEY HAVE A BOARD CERTIFIED GENEALOGIST DO THEIR GENEALOGY. MY ANCESTORS HELPED BUILD THAT SYMBOL THAT YOU HAVE ON YOUR SEAL. I AM VERY PROUD OF THAT FACT. AND IT IS SO DOCUMENTED IN MY GENEALOGY. YOU HAVE THE BOTTOM PART OF MY GENEALOGY --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. TIME. SO DID YOU TELL US WHERE YOU LIVE?

ALBERT JOHN ACUNA, JR.: PARDON ME?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: DID YOU TELL US WHERE YOU RESIDE, WHERE DO YOU LIVE? WHERE DO YOU LIVE? I WAS JUST THINKING ABOUT IT. YOU WANT TO MAKE A CONTACT WITH SOMEBODY AT THE STATE LEVEL TO PASS A BILL, SO A GOOD PLACE TO START WOULD BE WITH MAYBE YOUR ASSEMBLYMEMBER OR YOUR STATE SENATOR, AND I WAS TRY FIND OUT WHERE YOU LIVE.

ALBERT JOHN ACUNA, JR.: I LIVE IN MENIFEE.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OH, MENIFEE.

ALBERT JOHN ACUNA, JR.: YES, MA'AM.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. DO YOU KNOW WHO YOUR STATE REPRESENTATIVES ARE? A LOT OF PEOPLE -- DON'T FEEL BAD IF YOU DON'T.

ALBERT JOHN ACUNA, JR.: I KNOW ONE OF THEM.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. THAT'S WHERE I WOULD START.

ALBERT JOHN ACUNA, JR.: OKAY. THAT'S IT.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YEAH.

ALBERT JOHN ACUNA, JR.: THANK YOU.

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

DR. GARY STICKLE: HI, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS DR. GARY STICKLE. I AM WITH ALBERT. I REPRESENT THE ORIGINAL INDIAN TRIBE OF THIS AREA, THE KIZH, BETTER KNOWN AS GABRIELENOS AFTER SAN GABRIEL MISSION. UNFORTUNATELY, AT THE BEGINNING OF YOUR SESSION TODAY, YOU HAVE A LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT, AND IT IS INCORRECT. THERE IS NO TONGVAH TRIBE. THEY ARE ALL IMPOSTERS. I REPRESENT THE ORIGINAL INDIAN TRIBE, AND I HAVE BEEN THEIR ARCHAEOLOGIST SINCE 1999 WHEN CHIEF ARNASALAS MADE ME THAT ARCHAEOLOGIST. AND I ALSO WANT TO POINT OUT SOME PROBLEMS.

ANOTHER PROBLEM IS FIRST CEMETERY, THE OLDEST CEMETERY IN LOS ANGELES, HAS BEEN TERRIBLY DESECRATED. AND I HOPE ALL OF YOU WILL TALK TO ME TO LEARN HOW. 118 BURIALS WERE DUG UP AND GRAVE ROBBED. SO PLEASE TALK TO ME ABOUT THIS, SO WE CAN GET THIS TERRIBLE TRAGEDY FOR THE COUNTY AND CITY.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

DR. GARY STICKLE: THANK YOU.

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

JANET ASANTE: HELLO, MY NAME IS JANET ASANTE. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEMS 46, 90, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. I SPOKE A LITTLE BIT EARLIER. NOW THAT WE HAVE A LITTLE BIT MORE TIME, I'M HAPPY TO SPEAK A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT THE FAMILIES THAT WE WERE JOINED BY THIS MORNING. WE HELD A VIGIL OUTSIDE OF MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL ON SUNDAY. AROUND 120 PEOPLE WERE ABLE TO MAKE IT BECAUSE NUMBER ONE, IT WAS OUTSIDE OF WORKING BUSINESS HOURS, WHICH, AS YOU HAVE SEEN TODAY A LOT OF FAMILIES COULDN'T MAKE TO THE END OF THIS MEETING TO GIVE PUBLIC COMMENT. SO, THAT'S WHY I'M TAKING THIS TIME HERE TODAY TO TELL YOU SOME OF THEIR STORIES. AND THEY COME HERE BECAUSE NOT ONLY ARE THEY FACING VIOLENCE PERPETRATED ON THEIR LOVED ONES INSIDE BY DEPUTIES, THEY'RE ALSO FACING LACK OF CONDITIONS. THERE ARE FAMILY MEMBERS WHO

CAN'T EVEN GET THEIR LOVED ONE THEIR GLASSES PRESCRIPTION OR GET THEM THEIR HEALTHCARE THAT THEY NEED OR ANY NUMBER OF CHALLENGES THEY ALREADY FACE. AND THEN ONCE THEIR LOVED ONE HAS DIED, SOMETIMES THEY'RE NOT EVEN COUNTED IN THE L.A.S.D. TRACKER. AND SOMETIMES THERE ARE PREDATORY EVEN ATTORNEYS THAT WILL TAKE THEIR CASE AND MISS DEADLINES AND MISSPELL THEIR LOVED ONES AND NOT HELP THEM IN THE WAYS THAT WE WISH THEY WOULD BE HELPED. AND I SAY ALL THAT TO SAY THAT THE PEOPLE THAT THEY LOOK TO FOR THE BARE MINIMUM, THE PEOPLE THAT THEY LOOK TO SO THAT ALL OF THESE THINGS DON'T HAPPEN TO OTHERS, ARE YOU ALL, THE FIVE OF YOU. SO WE COME HERE NOT TO BOTHER YOU, NOT TO CLOG UP THE PUBLIC COMMENT TIME, BUT IT'S BECAUSE WE COME HERE ON BEHALF OF FAMILIES. AND SO, THAT'S WHAT I'M ROOTING AND DEDICATING THIS PUBLIC COMMENT HERE TODAY, NOT JUST THE 30 -- HOWEVER MANY LIVES ARE LOST BECAUSE THE TRACKER ISN'T ACCURATE, BUT THE HUNDREDS AND THE MILLIONS OF PEOPLE THAT ARE SUFFERING AT THE HANDS OF THE DECISIONS THAT YOU ALL HAVE THE POWER TO MAKE. AND NOT JUST THE FIVE OF YOU, EITHER, I MEAN C.E.O. FESIA DAVENPORT HAS A LOT TO ANSWER TO, AND I THINK IT'S VERY TELLING THAT A LOT OF THE ANSWERS THAT OUR COMMUNITY NEEDS YOU ALL TO FIGURE OUT SO DESPERATELY. WE ELECT YOU ALL TO BE DOING THIS WORK AND TO REALLY BE THE EXPERTS ON AT LEAST YOUR OWN BUREAUCRACY IS THAT THE C.E.O. HAS A LOT TO ANSWER TO THAT SHE HASN'T TODAY IS EXTREMELY DISAPPOINTING. THERE IS A TIMELINE THAT NEEDS TO BE ARTICULATED. THERE IS

STILL NO TIMELINE THAT HAS BEEN ARTICULATED BY THIS BOARD. WE HAVE BEEN TOLD IT'S LEGAL RED TAPE. WE'VE BEEN TOLD THAT THERE'S ONLY A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF DISCRETIONARY FUNDS, EVEN THOUGH THE VAST MAJORITY OF THOSE STILL GO TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PROBATION. WE HAVE THE JAILS CONTINUE INDEFINITELY TEAM. AND I CAN TELL YOU RIGHT NOW, WE HAVE THE FAMILIES THAT JOINED US THIS MORNING, AND YOU'LL SEE THE COVERAGE ON K.C.A.L. C.B.S., SPECTRUM, A.B.C., N.B.C., TELEMUNDO, L.A. PUBLIC PRESS, THE APPEAL, KNOCK L.A. WILL THEY SEE A COMMENT FROM YOU WHEN THOSE JOURNALISTS REACH OUT TO YOU BECAUSE THEY'LL SEE A COMMENT FROM THE FAMILIES, AND THEY'RE LOOKING TO YOU TO RESPOND. THIS IS AN EMERGENCY, AND WE NEED YOU TO TREAT IT LIKE ONE. THANK YOU.

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

AMBROSE BROOKS: HI YES. AMBROSE BROOKS FROM THE JUSTICE L.A. COALITION DISTRICT FIVE. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEMS 46, 90, AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. FIRST, I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT I'M ABSOLUTELY IN SUPPORT OF THE MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE. WHAT UNITE HERE IS FIGHTING FOR TODAY IS INEXTRICABLY LINKED TO THE SYSTEMS OF MASS INCARCERATION. PEOPLE WHO CANNOT MAKE A LIVING AND WHO CANNOT AFFORD HEALTHCARE AND HOUSING ARE MORE LIKELY END UP SWALLOWED INTO OUR JAIL SYSTEM. IT'S BEEN OVER THREE YEARS SINCE THE BOARD VOTED TO CLOSE DOWN MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL,

BUT TODAY THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE ARE STUCK IN JAIL BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF COMMUNITY INVESTMENT AND LACK OF CARE CENTERED IN PRETRIAL SERVICES. I SUPPORT THE MOTION THAT SUPERVISOR HORVATH READ IN INTO THE AGENDA BECAUSE IT IS UP TO THIS BOARD TO PUSH THE LAW ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENTS AND J.C.O.D. TO PUT CARE AT THE CENTER OF PRETRIAL SERVICE. AND THEIR READINESS FOR THE NEW COUNTY BAIL SCHEDULE MUST EMPHASIZE THAT FREEDOM IS THE FOUNDATION. IT IS DAMAGING THAT THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE IS NOW THE J.C.O.D. REPRESENTATIVE IN CHARGE OF PRETRIAL SERVICES. WE KNOW THAT THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT DOES NOT CENTER CARE. SO HOW CAN WE EXPECT A PROBATION RUN J.C.O.D. WILL ALSO CENTER CARE. WE HEARD TODAY, FAMILIES ARE ASKING YOU TO PRIORITIZE THE CLOSURE OF MEN'S CENTRAL. THE COMMUNITY IS ASKING YOU TO PRIORITIZE THE CLOSING OF MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. AND THE DEMAND IS NOT UNREASONABLE. SET A CONCRETE TIMELINE WITH BENCHMARKS FOR FUNDING WITH BENCHMARKS FOR POPULATION TO CLOSE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL BY MARCH 2025. WITH THE RIGHT GUIDANCE AND IMPLEMENTATION OF P.A.R.P., THE BAIL SCHEDULE SHOULD REDUCE THE JAIL POPULATION. SO WE NEED TO EXPAND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. I RECENTLY HEARD FROM A COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH EMPLOYEE, WHO DESCRIBED WHAT WAS, IN ESSENCE, A HOT POTATO. AN INDIVIDUAL IS BEING PASSED AROUND FROM COUNTY DEPARTMENT TO COUNTY DEPARTMENT TO COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE PROVIDER BECAUSE NOBODY HAS CAPACITY TO CARE FOR THIS PERSON. THERE ISN'T MONEY FOR RETENTION. WE HEARD A CALLER ON

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT SPEAK TO THIS. THERE ISN'T MONEY FOR SALARY INCREASES. THERE ISN'T MONEY FOR QUALITY CONTROL IN MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. THE MONEY IS POTENTIALLY SITTING IN THE $4 BILLION SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT BUDGET. I WANT TO ASK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO LOOK AT WHO IS HERE WEEK AFTER WEEK SHOWING UP FOR COMMUNITIES, SHOWING UP FOR UNIONS. WHO DON'T WE SEE HERE? L.A.S.D., L.A.P.D., THE PROBATION UNIONS. WHAT DOES THAT SHOW YOU ABOUT THESE DEPARTMENTS' AND ASSOCIATIONS' INVESTMENT IN THE WELLBEING OF GOVERNANCE IN THIS COUNTY. WE WILL BE HERE EVERY WEEK UNTIL YOU COMMIT TO A CONCRETE TIMELINE TO THE CLOSURE OF MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL BY MARCH 2025. THANK YOU.

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

JAMES BUKOWSKI: MY NAME IS JAMES BUKOWSKI. I'M SPEAKING ON ITEM 49. I WAS ONE OF THE 23 MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL GRAND JURY FOR 2022/'23. THREE HAVE MY FELLOW JURORS CAME WITH ME TODAY BUT HAD TO LEAVE. WE 23 VOLUNTEERS KNEW THAT SERVING ON THE THE CIVIL GRAND JURY WAS A FULL-TIME COMMITMENT FOR ONE YEAR. WE CAME FROM DIFFERENT BACKGROUNDS AND FROM ALL PARTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE GOT TO KNOW ONE ANOTHER WELL AND BECAME GOOD FRIENDS. WE TOOK SERIOUSLY THE CIVIL GRAND JURY'S MANDATE TO SERVE AS A WATCHDOG AND PROVIDE AN OBJECTIVE THIRD PARTY CHECK ON THE WORKINGS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS OF ALL TYPES. WE

MET DAILY TO HAVE PRODUCTIVE DISCUSSIONS, WORK ON COMMITTEES, CONDUCT INTERVIEWS, RESEARCH AND WRITE REPORTS, AND MAKE DECISIONS BY SUPER MAJORITY VOTES. WE HEARD MANY SPEAKERS, INCLUDING SUPERVISORS BARGER AND HORVATH, AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE DAVENPORT, AND WE VISITED MANY SITES INCLUDING ALL 142 DETENTION FACILITIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE PROUD OF OUR FINAL REPORT WITH 17 COMPLETED INVESTIGATIONS. WE APPRECIATE THE THOUGHTFUL RESPONSES PROVIDED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE MANY AGENCIES THAT WERE SUBJECT TO OUR INVESTIGATIONS. THANK YOU.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER. HI.

RICHARD HERNANDEZ: YES, MY NAME IS RICHARD HERNANDEZ, AND I'M A FINANCIAL ANALYST. AND I DID A FINANCIAL BREAKDOWN OF THE BUDGETS THAT YOU HAVE. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I FOUND -- DISCOVERED WAS THE INSTITUTE PROFITING FROM THE BANKING INDUSTRY'S BIGGEST SECRET REVEALED THAT THE COST OF INTEREST THAT'S STUNNED MORTGAGE AND INDUSTRY EXPERTS ALIKE. THAT'S WHAT I'M PRESENTING TO YOU TODAY. I HAVE A REPORT DONE FOR EACH ONE OF YOU, AND THE REPORT WILL SHOW YOU HOW THIS IS DONE WITHOUT YOU KNOWING ABOUT IT. AND WHAT YOU WIND UP PAYING IS TWICE WHAT YOU THOUGHT YOU WERE PAYING. IT DOUBLES THE COST OF A BOND. DOUBLES THE COST OF A BOND. AND THEY SHOULDN'T BE THAT HIGH. THERE SHOULD ONLY BE ABOUT 40 POINTS. THIS IS HOW I

FOUND IT. THIS IS HOW I PUT IT TOGETHER, AND THERE IS A WAY TO GET BACK THOSE FUNDS WHERE IT BELONGS, WHERE YOU CAN USE IT, WHERE YOU HAVE ACCESS TO IT. SO I WILL LEAVE THE REPORT WITH YOU. AND HOPEFULLY I HEAR FROM YOU BECAUSE I NEED TO PRESENT IT TO YOU.

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

JUSTIN KIM: HELLO, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JUSTIN KIM. I'M THE GENERAL MANAGER OF A MARRIOTT HOTEL IN HACIENDA HEIGHTS IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW I APPRECIATE THE BOARD'S DECISION TO DELAY CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA ITEM 20. I SUPPORT THE BOARD'S DECISION TO PAUSE BEFORE CONSIDERING THE MOTION RELATED TO A TOURISM WAGE ORDINANCE. I'M HOPEFUL THAT THE PROPER TIME CAN BE DEDICATED TOWARDS COMPLETING A FULL ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS ON THE ISSUE BEFORE THE COUNTY MAKES ANY BINDING POLICY DECISIONS. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK TODAY.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

MR. ALADEER: OKAY. MY NAME IS MR. ALADEER. AND I ADVISED BEFORE FOUR PRESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES, DEMOCRAT AND REPUBLICAN. AND I'M STILL ADVISING TOP OFFICIALS. THE REASON I'M HERE BECAUSE I HAVE TWO U.S. PATENTS THAT CAN SAVE THE

LIVES OF MILLIONS OF PEOPLE AND SAVE OUR GOVERNMENT BILLIONS OF DOLLARS AND CAN CREATE JOBS FOR PEOPLE IN OUR COUNTRY, AND IT CAN CREATE PROFIT TO OUR COUNTY, TOO. SO, I'M HERE TO TRY TO GET A GRANT TO BE ABLE TO MAKE MY TWO PATENTS AVAILABLE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO BENEFIT OUR COUNTY AND TO SAVE PEOPLE'S LIVES AND SAVE GOVERNMENT BILLIONS OF DOLLARS. ACTUALLY, I GAVE SOME INFORMATION TO SUPERVISOR BARGER, AND I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU ALL OF YOU THE INFORMATION, AND I'LL HOPE YOU'LL HELP ME TO DO MY JOB PROPERLY.

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

HEATHER DETTWEILER: HELLO MY NAME IS HEATHER DETTWEILER. I'M FROM SHERMAN OAKS. I'M HERE TODAY TO MAKE A PUBLIC COMMENT AND ALSO SPEAK TO ITEM A10. I'M HERE TODAY TO URGE YOU TO BRING BACK MASK REQUIREMENTS IN HEALTHCARE. SARS 2 COVID-19 IS STILL A PROBLEM. AND WE'RE CURRENTLY IN A SURGE. THERE ARE CURRENTLY SEVEN VARIANTS CIRCULATING IN L.A. IT'S NOT JUST A COLD OR FLU. GETTING INFECTED LEAVES YOU VULNERABLE TO HORRIBLE PROBLEMS AFTER THE ACUTE INFECTION. IT'S A VASCULAR DISEASE THAT HARMS ANY PART OF THE BODY THAT BLOOD TOUCHES. CHANCES OF GETTING LONG COVID ARE AT LEAST 1 IN 5 INFECTIONS, AND WITH EACH INFECTION, YOUR CHANCES OF LONG COVID INCREASES EXPONENTIALLY. LONG COVID IS NOT JUST FEELING TIRED OR SOME COUGHING AND BRAIN FOG. IT INCLUDES STROKES, HEART ATTACKS,

DIABETES, SEVERE NEUROLOGICAL PROBLEMS, AND FULL ON DISABILITY, NOT TO MENTION DEATH. THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO TREATMENTS FOR LONG COVID, AND WE MAY NOT GET ANY FOR A LONG TIME. MASKING IN HEALTHCARE IS ONLY LOGICAL. PEOPLE SHOULDN'T BE GETTING COVID FROM THEIR DOCTORS AND NURSES. PEOPLE ARE GOING INTO THE HOSPITAL FOR OTHER THINGS AND GETTING COVID WHILE THEY'RE IN THERE. SOME ARE EVEN DYING. I HAVE A FRIEND WHO WENT IN FOR A HYSTERECTOMY, AND SHE CAME OUT WITH COVID. PEOPLE ARE LEFT UNABLE TO SAFELY GO TO THEIR DOCTORS, ESPECIALLY THE IMMUNOCOMPROMISED, AND THERE ARE A LOT OF THEM. WHAT HAPPENED TO DO NO HARM? COVID IS AN AIRBORNE LEVEL 3 BIOHAZARD. IT'S UNCONSCIONABLE THAT MASKS WERE REMOVED JUST AS CASES STARTED SURGING IN L.A. PLEASE DO THE RIGHT THING. I KNOW YOU GUYS CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. PLEASE PROTECT THE PEOPLE OF L.A. BY KEEPING MASKS IN HEALTHCARE SETTINGS. THANK YOU.

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

ABBY MAULER: MY NAME IS ABBY MAULER SPEAKING ON A10 AND PUBLIC COMMENT. I LOOK FORWARD TO ECHOING HEATHER. I HAVE HAD LUPUS MYSELF FOR 17 YEARS 29 YEARS. I WOULDN'T RECOMMEND IT. I CANNOT BELIEVE, IN FACT, THAT I HAVE TO RISK MY ALREADY COMPROMISED HEALTH NOW TWICE IN A ROOM WITH VERY FEW MASKS TO BEG FOR BASIC INFECTION CONTROL IN, OF ALL ESSENTIAL PLACES,

HEALTHCARE, BUT HERE I AM. COVID IS AN AIRBORNE VASCULAR DISEASE, AND VACCINATION IS NOT ENOUGH TO PREVENT IT. THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY ITSELF HAS CITED IN A REVIEW OF COVID LITERATURE THAT CURRENTLY CIRCULATING VARIANTS ARE 10 TO 100 TIMES MORE TRANSMISSIBLE THAN DELTA, AND INDEED HOSPITALIZATIONS, CASES, AND DEATHS HAVE BEEN RISING SINCE LATE JULY. THERE IS NOT AN ENDLESS SUPPLY OF HEALTHCARE WORKERS. AND AGAIN, D.H.S. REPORTS THAT HEALTHCARE WORKERS ARE FAR MORE LIKELY TO TRANSMIT COVID THAN OTHER CASUAL CONTACTS AND FAR MORE LIKELY TO INFECT EACH OTHER THAN PATIENTS -- THAN PATIENTS INFECTING THEM. DOES THAT MAKE SENSE? THEY INFECT EACH OTHER WHO THEN INFECT PATIENTS. NEW VARIANTS HAVE BEEN SHOWN TO EVOLVE WITHIN THE BODIES OF THOSE OF US WITH COMPROMISED IMMUNE SYSTEMS. AIRBORNE INFECTION CONTROL NOT ONLY PROTECTS ALL OF US BUT ALL OF YOU. AND YOU ARE NOT EXEMPT. 1 IN 5 COVID INFECTIONS OF ALL INFECTIONS IN ALL PEOPLE RESULTS IN DISABLING, EVEN INCURABLE, SYMPTOMS THAT DO NOT END. A LIKELIHOOD THAT RISES WITH EVERY INFECTION. MANAGING CHRONIC HEALTH CONDITIONS ARE FAR MORE COSTLY THAN PREVENTING THEM. I KNOW MYSELF PERSONALLY. ETHICS ASIDE, MITIGATION IS A COST SAVING MEASURE ACROSS THE BOARD. SO SAY THAT WE HAVE THE TOOLS AND NOT USE THEM IS INSULTING. INSTITUTE PROTECTIONS, CLEAN THE AIR, BEFORE YOUR FORCED TO LEARN AND TO SUFFER THE HARD WAY LIKE SO MANY BEFORE YOU.

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

JOAQUIN BELTRAN: HELLO, EVERYONE. I'M JOAQUIN BELTRAN. I'M FROM THE CITY OF DOWNEY. AND I'M WITH ACTIONCAREEQUITY.ORG. MY MAIN MESSAGE TODAY IS TO URGENTLY BRING BACK MASK REQUIREMENTS IN HEALTHCARE SETTINGS. IN FACT, 13,000 LETTERS HAVE BEEN SENT TO L.A. PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DEMANDING THE BRINGING BACK OF MASK REQUIREMENTS IN HEALTHCARE SETTINGS. OVER A THOUSAND CALLS HAVE BEEN MADE TO L.A. PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M SPEAKING ON A10 PLUS PUBLIC COMMENT SO I JUST WANT THE TIME TO REFLECT THAT. HEALTHCARE SETTINGS SHOULD BE PLACES WHERE PEOPLE GET BETTER, NOT WHERE PEOPLE GET SICKER, NOT WHERE PEOPLE GET DISABLED, NOT WHERE PEOPLE CAN GET LONG COVID, NOT WHERE PEOPLE CAN DIE FROM A PREVENTABLE HOSPITAL-ACQUIRED INFECTION OF SARS 2 DURING THIS AIRBORNE ONGOING PANDEMIC. MY OWN GRANDMA HAS TO BE EXPOSED WHEN SHE GOES IN TO SEE A SPECIALIST BECAUSE THE SPECIALIST, "I DON'T LIKE WEARING MASKS." WHAT IS UP WITH THAT? THIS IS A DOCTOR, A VASCULAR DOCTOR, THAT SHE HAD TO WAIT THREE MONTHS TO SEE. MY FRIEND'S MOTHER WENT INTO THE HOSPITAL FOR A NON-COVID ISSUE, GOT COVID IN THE HOSPITAL, DIED FROM THAT VERY INFECTION. HEALTHCARE SETTINGS SHOULD BE A PLACE WHERE PEOPLE GET BETTER, NOT WHERE PEOPLE GET SICK AND DIE. WHEN WE CALL YOUR OFFICES, THE RESPONSE IS IT'S NOT UP TO US. IT'S UP TO L.A. PUBLIC HEALTH, BUT L.A. PUBLIC HEALTH

REPORTS DIRECTLY TO YOU. YOU VOTE ON ISSUES OF PUBLIC HEALTH ALL THE TIME. HOW DID YOU INFLUENCE THE DROPPING OF MASKS? WHAT IS YOUR STANCE ON HOSPITAL-ACQUIRED INFECTIONS? WHAT IS YOUR STANCE ON DEATHS THAT'S HAPPEN FROM HOSPITAL-ACQUIRED INFECTIONS? WHAT IS YOUR STANCE ON MASKING IN HEALTHCARE SETTINGS? LIVES ARE ON THE LINE. IT'S URGENT THAT WE BRING BACK MASKS IN HEALTHCARE SETTINGS. THANK YOU.

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

JOAQUIN BELTRAN: SUBMITTING THIS FOR THE RECORD, AS WELL. THANK YOU.

DONALD HARLAND: SO I HAVE ALL ITEMS SO I HAVE THREE MINUTES. OKAY. IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU GUYS. ACTUALLY, I'M NOT SURE IF THAT'S CORRECT. PAST FIVE ATTEMPTS, I'VE TRIED TO BE HERE, AND YOU GUYS ARE NOT HAVING MEETINGS. I'M WONDERING IF YOU GUYS ARE GETTING ANYTHING DONE. OKAY, SO, HAVE YOU EVER HEARD OF PSYCHIC CONCEPTS? WELL, THEY'RE REAL. PEOPLE WHO ARE PSYCHICALLY ENABLED CAN INSERT THOUGHTS IN YOUR HEAD. IT'S UP TO YOU TO MAKE DECISIONS TO YOURSELF, BUT THEY CAN LEAVE YOU WITH IDEAS AND GIVE YOU THE EXTREME URGENCY TO FULFILL THEM, LIKE IT'S SO PRESSING FOR YOU TO DO WHATEVER THOUGHT THEY LEFT YOU WITH. YOU HAVE TO BE CAREFUL THAT YOU DON'T FOLLOW A [EXPLETIVE] IDEA THAT'S NOT EVEN YOURS TO BEGIN WITH. SO,

STATUS UPDATE, R. GOT BOOTED AGAIN. HE'S IN DEPARTMENT 39 NOW. I WONDER WHY WE DON'T JUST KICK HIM ALL THE WAY OUT. MAYBE HE NEEDS TO FINALLY REACH DEPARTMENT 45. LET'S SEE. OH, LET'S SKIP SOME STUFF SO I DON'T HAVE THIS FULL SIX MINUTES TODAY. SO YOU KNOW WHAT I HEARD? I HEARD THAT JANET HAM WAS ONE OF THOSE SLIMY DEVELOPMENT [EXPLETIVE].

ATTORNEY: SIR, YOU NEED TO STICK TO MATTERS WITHIN SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD.

DONALD HARLAND: THIS IS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, SO IT'S WITHIN THE JURISDICTION.

ATTORNEY: NO, YOUR COMMENTS ARE NOT WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THEIR ABILITY TO ACT.

DONALD HARLAND: JUST LIKE THOSE [EXPLETIVE] ARE IN ENGLANDER. THEY TOOK THAT DEVELOPER'S MONEY FOR SEA BREEZE JUST LIKE JANICE HAHN DID. AND WHERE ARE THEY NOW? THAT'S RIGHT. THEY'RE IN FEDERAL PRISON. I WONDER WHY JANICE HAHN IS STILL HERE. DON'T YOU? DID YOU KNOW THE COUNTY HAS REMOVED CRIPPLED PEOPLE'S ACCOMMODATIONS IN THEIR PARKING LOTS ON THE WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS. THAT'S WHEN ALL THE MONEY IS. ALSO INTERESTING TO NOTE IS HOW THE MALIBU FIRE STARTED IN ENGLANDER'S DISTRICT, AND AS SOON AS IT HAPPENED, HE RESIGNED. I WONDER

WHAT HE HAS TO SAY ABOUT IT. WHAT DOES SANDY HOOK HAVE TO DO WITH THE MALIBU FIRE? I DON'T KNOW. WHAT DOES SANDY HOOK HAVE TO DO WITH THE MALIBU FIRE? LET'S PONDER. [EXPLETIVE] BLUEBERRY --

ATTORNEY: SIR, YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU'RE NOT SPEAKING ON ANY OTHER ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.

DONALD HARLAND: OH, I'M NOT, AM I? OKAY. SO, WHAT? I HAVE 30 SECONDS?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: NO, YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED.

DONALD HARLAND: IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE IT. IT LOOKS LIKE THE COUNTER IS GOING. SO LET'S SEE. NEW TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE IN ITEM NUMBER 5, SINCE WE DIDN'T GET ENOUGH OF BONNAN, BUT THEN THESE GUYS ARE ON THE METRO BOARD. LET'S SEE. WHAT ELSE? THE MURDER OF XAVIER IN NUMBER 9 AND THE JUSTICE JOG. THAT'S FANTASTIC BECAUSE I CAN JOG, RIGHT?

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY, I BELIEVE THE TIME IS NOW EXPIRED. DO WE HAVE ANY OTHER PUBLIC SPEAKERS TODAY?

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: NO OTHER SPEAKERS, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: ARE THERE ANY MORE ON -- NONE ON THE PHONE, EITHER? OKAY. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS ON WHICH WE ILL BE VOTING.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU: 2, 4 AND 5, 9-15, 17-19, 22-26, 28-31, 33-36, 38, 40-45, 47-54, 57-64, 65, WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER RECUSING HERSELF FROM THE VOTE PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 84308, 66-74, 76-87, 88, WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER RECUSING HERSELF FROM THE VOTE PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 84308, 89-91. 93-105, 106B-106D, 106G-106I, 107B, WHICH IS SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S READ-IN MOTION, 108A, WHICH IS SUPERVISOR BARGER'S READ-IN REWARD MOTION, 109 AND 110, S.D.-1, 1D, AND 2D.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. SO THOSE WILL BE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS WITH THE SPECIFICS NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

SUP. SOLIS: AYE.

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

SUP. MITCHELL: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HORVATH?

SUP. HORVATH: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

SUP. BARGER: AYE.

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

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: AYE.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: SUPERVISOR HAHN, AYE. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO HEAR ADJOURNMENTS. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, YOU WILL LEAD US OFF.

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR,=. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF

DORIS JEANETTE LEXIS ORUM. MS. ORUM WAS BORN ON JUNE 10, 1929 IN HOUSTON, TEXAS AND PASSED AWAY, UNFORTUNATELY, ON AUGUST 22ND, AT THE AGE OF 94 HERE IN LOS ANGELES. SHE WAS A PROUD RESIDENT OF WELLINGTON SQUARE IN MID CITY, WHERE SHE LIVED FOR OVER 50 YEARS. MS. ORUM ATTENDED T.S.U., TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY, IN THE LATE '40S, WHERE SHE MET WILBUR C. ORUM. THE TWO WERE HAPPILY MARRIED IN 1951. SHE RECEIVED A NURSING DEGREE AND RELOCATED L.A. IN 1958, WHERE SHE BEGAN WORKING FOR THE COUNTY AS A LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSE AT L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER, NOW KNOWN A L.A. GENERAL HOSPITAL. SHE WAS A DEDICATED COUNTY EMPLOYEE FOR 30 YEARS BEFORE RETIRING. DURING HER RETIREMENT, SHE FOCUSED ON VOLUNTEERING AT HER CHURCH, EMMANUEL CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST, WHERE SHE SERVED ON THE DEACONESS BOARD, THE SICK AND SHUT-IN MINISTRY, CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S COUNCIL, AND THE BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S AUXILIARY. SHE WAS ALSO AN AVID LAKER'S FAN AND LOVED SOFT PINK ROSES AND LILIES. MS. ORUM WAS A LOVING WIFE, MOTHER, AND GRANDMOTHER, AND SHE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY HER FAMILY, FRIENDS, CHURCH COMMUNITY, AND COMMUNITY. MAY SHE REST IN ETERNAL PEACE.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: I THINK WE SHOULD DO ALL MEMBERS SINCE SHE WAS A COUNTY EMPLOYEE.

SUP. MITCHELL: I WOULD APPRECIATE THAT. THANK YOU SO MUCH. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JAMES POUNDS. MR. POUNDS, LOVINGLY KNOWN AS J.P., BEGAN HIS CAREER WITH, AGAIN, THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AS A CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKER IN MAY OF 1990. THROUGHOUT HIS DISTINGUISHED 32 YEAR CAREER, HE WAS PROMOTED TO SUPERVISING CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKER AND INDEPENDENT LIVING COORDINATOR FOR TRANSITION AGE YOUTH. HE RETIRED FROM COUNTY SERVICE ON MARCH 30TH, AND, UNFORTUNATELY, PASSED AWAY ON JULY 25TH AT THE AGE OF 60. BEFORE STARTING HIS CAREER WITH THE COUNTY, HE RECEIVED A BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE FROM THE WESTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY IN 1987. MR. POUNDS MADE A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE FAMILIES AND CHILDREN IN THE COUNTY AND WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS KINDNESS, COMPASSION, AND DEDICATION TO HELPING YOUTH. HE WAS AN EXTRAORDINARY LEADER, MENTOR, AND A LOVING FAMILY MAN AND FRIEND. HE WAS AN AVID READER, WINE ENTHUSIAST, AND A LOVER OF JAZZ. HE LEAVES BEHIND TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, ARIEL, AND CHILDREN, VERONIC, JAMES, JR., AND WILLIAM, AS WELL AS A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY, FRIENDS, COLLEAGUES, AND YOUTH, WHOSE LIVES HE POSITIVELY IMPACTED. ONCE AGAINM I'D INVITE YOU ALL --

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: ALL MEMBERS.

SUP. MITCHELL: THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF ELIZABETH CURRY-KNIGHT. MRS. KNIGHT WAS BORN ON JANUARY 6, 1939 IN CLAYTON, ALABAMA AND PASSED AWAY JULY 19TH HERE IN L.A. AT THE AGE OF 84. SHE GRADUATED FROM DANIEL PAYNE COLLEGE LOCATED IN BIRMINGHAM BEFORE RELOCATING TO LOS ANGELES IN 1960. SHE EARNED HER BACHELOR'S AND MASTER'S DEGREES FROM CAL STATE UNIVERSITY LOS ANGELES. FOLLOWING GRADUATION, SHE BEGAN AS AN EDUCATOR AND THEN AS AN ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. SHE LATER FOUNDED PORTLAND MANOR, A HOME FOR BOYS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS, WESTSIDE MANOR, A TEMPORARY HOME FOR WOMEN, AND RENAISSANCE RECYCLING, A PLACE FOR UNHOUSED PEOPLE TO SELECT CLOTHING. SHE LOVED TRAVELING, SHOPPING, INTERIOR DECORATING, AND HOSTING EVENTS. SHE WAS A MEMBER OF BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH, ASSOCIATION OF ADMINISTRATORS OF L.A., C.T.A., THE NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, TOP LADIES OF DISTINCTION, AND SHE WAS A MEMBER OF ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY INCORPORATED. SHE'LL BE REMEMBERED AS A DEVOTED MOTHER AND A JOYOUS WOMAN, WHO LOVED SERVING HER COMMUNITY. SHE LEAVES BEHIND TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER SON, JUSTUS, EIGHT SIBLINGS, SIX GRANDCHILDREN, TWO GREAT GRANDCHILDREN, AS WELL AS A HOST OF NIECES, NEPHEWS, COUSINS, AND HER SPECIAL FRIEND, CHARLES COLLIER. I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF COMMISSIONER LILLIBETH NAVARRO. MS. NAVARRO WAS A SECOND DISTRICT APPOINTEE ON THE PERSONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES

COUNCIL, WHICH SHE CO-FOUNDED IN 1998. SHE SERVED PROUDLY UNTIL HER PASSING JUST YESTERDAY. MS. NAVARRO WAS BORN IN THE PHILIPPINES AND CONSIDERED HERSELF A PERSON WITH SEVERE DISABILITIES FROM THE ONSET OF POLIO AS AN INFANT. SHE CAME TO THE U.S. AFTER RECEIVING A FELLOWSHIP TO STUDY PRINT JOURNALISM, EARNING A BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE AND THEN A MASTER'S DEGREE IN PUBLIC RELATIONS. MS. NAVARRO MET THE DISABILITY RIGHTS MOVEMENT IN L.A. AND ESTABLISHED A REPUTATION AS A POWERFUL SPEAKER AND AN EXCELLENT COMMUNITY BUILDER AND ORGANIZER. SHE EARNED RECOGNITION AS A PIONEER OF THE DISABILITY RIGHTS MOVEMENT WHEN SHE LED THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EFFORT TO PUSH FOR ACCESS TO PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND FOUGHT FOR EIGHT YEARS TO GET -- FOR THE PASSAGE OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. SHE WAS CONSIDERED A HERO IN THE U.S. LABOR MOVEMENT, PARTICULARLY BY S.E.I.U. LOCAL 6434, THE UNION OF HOME CARE WORKERS, FOR LEADING THE DISABILITY COMMUNITY TO SUPPORT THE HOME CARE WORKERS' RIGHTS TO FAIR WAGES AND BENEFITS. IN 2001, SHE FOUNDED COMMUNITIES ACTIVELY LIVING INDEPENDENT AND FREE, A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES ADVOCACY, PROGRAMS, AND SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. SHE SERVED AS ITS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR OVER 22 YEARS. IN 2009, SHE WAS APPOINTED BY THEN SPEAKER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY, KAREN BASS, TO THE CALIFORNIA COMMISSION ON DISABILITY ACCESS, WHERE SHE WAS APPOINTED AS CHAIR OF THE ACCESSIBILITY ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE. IN DECEMBER OF 2010, SHE

WAS RECOGNIZED BY PHILIPPINE PRESIDENT AQUINO, III AS ONE OF THE OUTSTANDING FILIPINO OVERSEAS WORKERS FOR HER WORKS IN ADVOCACY FOR THE DISABLED COMMUNITY HERE IN THE UNITED STATES AS WELL AS IN THE PHILIPPINES. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A COMMUNITY ORGANIZER, MENTOR, FRIEND AND FEARLESS ADVOCATE IN THE SENIOR AND DISABILITY COMMUNITY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY AND WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY HER FAMILY, FRIENDS, COLLEAGUES HERE AT THE COUNTY, AND FELLOW ADVOCATES IN THE DISABILITY RIGHTS COMMUNITY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

SUP. HORVATH: THANK YOU. FIRST, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF BOB BARKER, THE LEGENDARY HOST OF THE PRICE IS RIGHT, WHO PASSED A WAY AT HIS HOLLYWOOD HILLS HOME ON AUGUST 26TH AT THE AGE OF 99. BARKER WAS AN AMERICAN HOUSEHOLD FIGURE KNOWN FOR HIS THREE DECADES LONG CAREER AS THE HOST OF THE POPULAR GAME SHOW "THE PRICE IS RIGHT." BARKER ALSO DEDICATED MUCH OF HIS LIFE TO ANIMAL RIGHTS ACTIVISM, DEMONSTRATING HIS PASSION FOR PROTECTING ABUSED AND EXPLOITED ANIMALS THROUGH HIS FOUNDATION D.J.&T. BARKER WAS BORN IN DARRINGTON, WASHINGTON BUT GREW UP IN BOTH SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI AND SAN DIEGO. BARKER LEFT DRURY UNIVERSITY IN SPRINGFIELD TO BECOME A NAVAL AVIATION CADET DURING WORLD WAR II. HE RETURNED TO DRURY TO PURSUE A DEGREE IN ECONOMICS AND

PAID FOR HIS EDUCATION BY WORKING AS A NEWS WRITER AND SPORTSCASTER AT A LOCAL RADIO STATION. IN 1950, BARKER MOVED TO HOLLYWOOD WITH HIS WIFE, PURSUING A CAREER IN RADIO, INSPIRED BY AN AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION SHOW HE WAS A PART OF AND ENCOURAGED IMMENSELY BY HIS LOVING WIFE. BARKER QUICKLY BECAME A PART OF HOLLYWOOD AND, IN 1972, WAS HIRED TO HOST "THE PRICE IS RIGHT." THE SHOW CONTINUES TO RUN ON TELEVISION TO THIS DAY, A DECADE AND A HALF AFTER HIS RETIREMENT. BARKER IS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS WIFE, DOROTHY, AND IS SURVIVED BY HIS HALF BROTHER, KENT VALANDRA. NEXT, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LAURA "LAURI" CARLTON, WHO WAS A BELOVED MEMBER OF HER STUDIO CITY AND CEDAR GLEN COMMUNITIES. SHE WAS AN ACTIVE BUSINESSWOMAN AND A MOTHER OF NINE. ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 18TH, CARLTON WAS KILLED AT HER MAGPIE CLOTHING STORE IN CEDAR GLEN AFTER AN ALTERCATION OVER AN L.G.B.T.Q.+ PRIDE FLAG SHE PROUDLY DISPLAYED IN FRONT OF HER STORE. CARLTON LED A BEAUTIFUL LIFE. HER LOVE FOR FASHION BEGAN AT A YOUNG AGE WHEN SHE ATTENDED THE ART CENTER SCHOOL OF DESIGN IN LOS ANGELES, EVENTUALLY WORKING HER WAY UP THROUGH COMPANIES LIKE JOSEPH MAGNIN AND KENNETH COLE. BESIDES FASHION AND DESIGN, SHE LOVED FOOD AND ART, TRAVELING THE WORLD WITH HER HUSBAND, BORT. THE COUPLE LIVED IN STUDIO CITY, WHERE SHE ALSO OWNED ANOTHER MAGPIE STORE. TOGETHER, THEY RAISED NINE CHILDREN, INCLUDING TWO IDENTICAL TWINS. CARLTON WAS A FIERCE ALLY OF THE L.G.B.T.Q.+ COMMUNITY. SHE SHOWED

LOVE AND COMPASSION THROUGH HER ADVOCACY AND MADE IT A POINT TO CONTINUE FLYING HER PRIDE FLAG, DESPITE PREVIOUS DISPARAGING COMMENTS THREATS. WE, ALONG WITH SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS, FAMILY, AND STRANGERS ALL TOGETHER EXPRESS OUR SORROW AT THE SENSELESS TRAGEDY AND HONOR THE LIFE AND BRAVERY OF LAURI CARLTON, AND I KNOW OUR CHAIR WANTS TO JOIN IN THE MOTION, AS WELL.

SUP. SOLIS: I'D LIKE TO JOIN.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YES.

SUP. HORVATH: ABSOLUTELY. WE ALL CAN, IF YOU LIKE.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YES, I WAS GOING TO DO IT, BUT I KNOW SHE LIVED IN THE THIRD DISTRICT AT ONE POINT. AND I JUST WANTED TO ADD THAT BEING AN ALLY TO THOSE IN THE L.G.B.T.Q.+ COMMUNITY WAS ONE OF HER MOST TREASURED TITLES, AND THE MAN THAT TOOK HER LIFE WAS NOT THE FIRST TO OBJECT TO HER FLYING THE PRIDE FLAG AT HER STORE. VANDALS IN WHAT LOCALS HAVE SAID IS AN INCREASING HOMOPHOBIC COMMUNITY TORE DOWN HER FLAG REPEATEDLY, AND EACH TIME, SHE PUT UP A BIGGER ONE. SO I THINK HER COURAGE, HER BRAVERY -- IT'S SO SAD WHAT HAPPENED, BUT IT KIND OF MAKES US ALL RECOMMIT TO BEING STRONG ALLIES IN THIS ONGOING FIGHT.

SUP. HORVATH: ABSOLUTELY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF STEPHANIE L. MCCLAY, LONGTIME RESIDENT AND COMMUNITY MEMBER OF THE WEST VALLEY. STEPHANIE LYNN MCCLAY DIED ON AUGUST 15TH AT THE AGE OF 56. MCCLAY MOVED TO LOS ANGELES IN 1992 TO PURSUE A MASTERS AND DOCTORATE IN EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATION FROM CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE. A LOVER OF SPORTS, MCCLAY PLAYED VARIOUS SPORTS IN HIGH SCHOOL, INCLUDING BASKETBALL, FIELD HOCKEY, LACROSSE. SHE WAS A PASSIONATE EAGLES FOOTBALL FAN. EARNING MANY AWARDS FOR HER CAREER IN EDUCATION, MCCLAY WAS KNOWN BY ALL FOR HER SUPPORTIVE LEADERSHIP AND KINDNESS. MCCLAY WAS ALSO SUPPORTED THROUGH HER ILLNESS WITH LOVE BY HER PARTNER, ASHLEY CORNELIUS. TOGETHER THEY FOSTERED DOZENS OF KITTENS, WHO NOW ARE ENJOYING THEIR TIME WITH FRIENDS, FAMILY MEMBERS, AND STUDENTS. MCCLAY IS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HER FATHER, WILLIAM C. MCCLAY, JR., AND SURVIVED BY HER PARTNER, ASHLEY CORNELIUS, HER MOTHER, COLLEEN MCCLAY, SISTERS, ANNE MALONE AND JENNIFER NEWMAN, AND HER CHILDREN, TARYN AND WILLIAM MARTIN-MCCLAY. SHE LEAVES BEHIND SEVERAL NIECES AND NEPHEWS, FRIENDS, FAMILIES, COLLEAGUES, AND PEERS, WHO CELEBRATE HER VIBRANT SPIRIT AND BEAUTIFUL LIFE. FINALLY, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DOMINIC SMITH. DOMINIC "DOM" SMITH PASSED AWAY ON JULY 13TH, 2023 AFTER A COURAGEOUS BATTLE AGAINST A WORK-RELATED GLIOBLASTOMA. HE WAS A BELOVED MEMBER OF THE

SANTA MONICA FIRE DEPARTMENT. SMITH JOINED THE DEPARTMENT IN 2001, ORIGINALLY STARTING HIS CAREER AS A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER IN 1993. SMITH'S 22 YEAR COMMITMENT TO THE SANTA MONICA COMMUNITY WAS OFTEN DESCRIBED AS SMITH BEING FULLY INVOLVED. HE WAS KNOWN TO BE AN ATTENTIVE AND SKILLED FIREFIGHTER PASSIONATE ABOUT HIS WORK. SMITH IS REMEMBERED BY FAMILY AND FRIENDS FOR HIS DEDICATION TO HIS JOB, GENEROSITY OF TIME, AND TALENTS TO HIS NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS AND FOR HIS KINDNESS. DOM WAS MULTI-TALENTED AND PURSUED MANY PASSIONS, INCLUDING FOUNDING SURFLINE MAGAZINE AND STARTING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S MUSEUM. HE ALSO MENTORED FELLOW FIREFIGHTERS. SMITH IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ALEXA, AND THEIR DAUGHTER, SYDNEY. AND HIS LOSS IS FELT THROUGHOUT THE SANTA MONICA COMMUNITY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF BILL DE WITT, WHO WAS A FORMER COUNCILMEMBER AND MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE. YOU REMEMBER BILL. HE WAS FIRST ELECTED TO SERVE THE SOUTH GATE CITY COUNCIL IN NOVEMBER OF 1980 AND SERVED FOR 23 YEARS. HE SERVED AS MAYOR FIVE TIMES AND ALSO SERVED AS COUNCIL AUDITOR SEVERAL TIMES DURING HIS TENURE. HE WAS DEDICATED TO REPRESENTING THE BUSINESS OWNERS IN THE COMMUNITY, MAKING SURE THEIR VOICE WAS HEARD AND PROMOTING THE SOUTH GATE AS A BUSINESS FRIENDLY CITY. HE HAD A PHILANTHROPIC SOUL AND ALWAYS

GAVE GENEROUSLY TO THOSE IN NEED, PROVIDING FUNDS FOR YOUTH PROGRAMS AND CHARITIES WITHOUT HESITATION. BILL WAS A GRADUATE OF U.S.C. AND SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, MARY, THREE SONS, AND SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN. YES, SUPERVISOR SOLIS WANTS TO JOIN ME ON THIS. I HAVE KNOWN BILL FOR A LONG TIME. YOU AND I BOTH REPRESENTED HIM. I AM NOT SEEING THE AGE HERE, BUT -- EVERYONE IS ALWAYS TOO YOUNG TO DIE. THIS -- I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF GARY WRIGHT, WHO WAS A SINGER-SONGWRITER, BEST KNOWN FOR THE 1970S HIT "DREAM WEAVER" AND "LOVE IS ALIVE." HE PASSED AWAY AT HIS HOME IN PALOS VERDES ESTATES. HE WAS 80 YEARS OLD. GARY HAD BEEN BATTLING PARKINSON'S DISEASE AND LEWY BODY DEMENTIA FOR THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS. GARY HAD A LONG AND SUCCESSFUL MUSIC CAREER THAT INCLUDED SEVERAL NOTABLE COLLABORATIONS WITH OTHER MUSICIANS, INCLUDING WORK THAT HE DID WITH GEORGE HARRISON OF THE BEATLES. BESIDES MUSIC, GARY WAS A MAN OF DEEP FAITH AND SPIRITUALITY. I KNOW THE AGAJANIAN FAMILY IN SAN PEDRO WAS ALSO CLOSE TO HIM. I BELIEVE CHRIS AGAJANIAN WORKED WITH HIM AS CO-WRITER ON SOME OF HIS SONGS. SO GARY IS SURVIVED BY HIS SONS, DORIAN AND JUSTIN, AND HIS MANY FRIENDS AND FANS. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF GENEVIEVE "JEANNE" EK, WHO WAS 81 WHEN SHE PASSED AWAY. SHE WAS THE MOTHER OF OUR FRIEND JOHN EK. SHE HAD A CAREER IN MEDICAL ADMINISTRATION AT CROSSROADS MEDICAL CENTER, WHERE SHE

WORKED HER WAY UP FROM RECEPTIONIST TO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. SHE WAS A KINDHEARTED AND CARING PERSON, WHO LOVED SPENDING TIME WITH HER FAMILY. SHE WAS ALSO AN AVID READER AND WAS VERY INVOLVED IN HER CHURCH COMMUNITY. JEANNE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 60 YEARS, HAROLD, HER CHILDREN, JOHN, ADELE, AND CARRIE, EIGHT GRANDCHILDREN, AND TWO GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. I FEEL PRIVILEGED TO HAVE KNOWN BOTH JEANNE AND HAROLD FOR SO MANY YEARS. AND SHE TRULY WAS A KIND, KIND, GENTLE SPIRIT THAT I ALWAYS ENJOYED. YES. SUPERVISORS SOLIS AND BARGER WILL JOIN ON THAT ONE. THANK YOU. I AM SURE THE FAMILY WILL APPRECIATE THAT. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF HONORABLE GERALD FELANDO. ASSEMBLYMEMBER FELANDO WAS BORN AND RAISED IN SAN PEDRO. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 88. HE GRADUATED FROM SAN PEDRO HIGH SCHOOL IN 1953, AND AFTER HIGH SCHOOL, HE JOINED THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD, WHERE HE WAS TRAINED AS A SONAR EQUIPMENT OPERATOR. UPON HIS ENLISTMENT EXPIRING, HE ENROLLED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY AND BEGAN HIS DENTAL CAREER IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE, WHERE HE PRACTICED UNTIL 1978. AMONG HIS MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO SOUTH BAY CITIZENS DURING HIS YEARS IN DENTAL PRACTICE, BEFORE HE BECAME A STATE LEGISLATOR, WERE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FREE DENTAL CLINICS TO TREAT CHILDREN OF NEEDY FAMILIES, FINANCIALLY SUPPORTING CHILDREN'S SPORTS PROGRAMS SUCH AS LITTLE LEAGUE, AND PROVIDING LOW COST AND FREQUENTLY FREE DENTAL CARE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS,

FIREFIGHTERS, AND PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES, WHO WERE NOT THEN COVERED BY DENTAL INSURANCE. IN JUNE 1978, HE RAN FOR HIS PARTY'S NOMINATION FOR THE 52ND ASSEMBLY DISTRICT AND WON THE PRIMARY BY 44 VOTES. IN NOVEMBER 1978, HE WON THE SEAT AGAINST ASSEMBLYMAN VINCENT THOMAS AND REPRESENTED THE DISTRICT UNTIL 1982. THIS WAS THE POLITICAL LESSON THAT MY FATHER ALWAYS TALKED ABOUT. VINCE THOMAS, OF COURSE, WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR BUILDING THE BRIDGE, THE VINCENT THOMAS BRIDGE, THAT SPANNED FROM SAN PEDRO TO LONG BEACH AND HAD HIS NAME ON IT. AND HE ASSUMED THAT EVERY TIME PEOPLE WOULD DRIVE OVER IT THEY WOULD THANK VINCE THOMAS FOR THAT. AND AT THAT TIME, THIS -- THEY CALLED HIM LITTLE JERRY FELANDO, DECIDED TO CHALLENGE HIM, AND I THINK VINCE THOMAS TOOK IT FOR GRANTED THAT THE COMMUNITY WOULD ALWAYS BE GRATEFUL FOR THE BRIDGE. SO THE LESSON IS NEVER REST ON YOUR LAURELS. IN 1982, THE DISTRICT WAS REAPPORTIONED INTO THE NEW 51ST ASSEMBLY DISTRICT, AND FOR THE NEXT DECADE, HE REPRESENTED THE GREATER SOUTH BAY AREA, WHICH INCLUDED THE BEACH CITIES OF MAHATTAN BEACH, HERMOSA BEACH, REDONDO BEACH, THE CITIES OF TORRANCE AND LOMITA, PALOS VERDES PENINSULA, CITIES OF ROLLING HILLS, ROLLING HILLS ESTATES, PALOS VERDES ESTATES, AND RACHOS PALOS VERDES, AND THE WESTERN PORTION OF HIS HOMETOWN COMMUNITY OF SAN PEDRO. AND THROUGHOUT HIS LEGISLATIVE CAREER, HE CHAMPIONED THE CAUSES OF FISHERMAN, COMMERCIAL AND SPORTS, THE ELDERLY, AND PERSONS WITH PHYSICAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES. HE WAS THE COAUTHOR OF THE

BIPARTISAN TORRES-FELANDO ELDER CARE ACT OF 1982. HE WAS VERY PROUD OF HIS FRIENDSHIPS WITH LEGISLATORS ON BOTH SIDES. YOU KNOW, I GOT TO KNOW GERALD FELANDO. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE DALMATION AMERICAN CLUB IN SAN PEDRO, WAS ONE OF THE FIRST MEMBERS OF THAT CLUB AND CAME REGULARLY TO THAT MEETING, AND WAS SUCH A KIND, KIND GENTLEMAN. AND HE REMAINED AS A BOARD MEMBER OF THAT CLUB. HE ENJOYED PHOTOGRAPHY, U.S.C. FOOTBALL GAMES, WORLD TRAVEL, HOME CARPENTRY, AND AUTO REPAIR. I HAD SEEN HIM NOT TOO LONG AGO. WE WERE BOTH STANDING IN LINE GETTING OUR GROCERIES AT VONN'S, AND I WAS VERY SURPRISED TO SEE THAT HE HAD PASSED. HE IS PREDECEASED BY HIS PARENTS, BROTHER, SON, STEPSON, LONGTIME PARTNER, BONNIE CHRISTENSEN, AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER, CYNTHIA, TWO GRANDCHILDREN, TWO GREAT GRANDCHILDREN, AND HIS CAREGIVER, ALLY. I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JOHN PITTS, WHO WAS 68 AND A RESIDENT OF LAKEWOOD WHEN HE PASSED AWAY. JOHN BECAME A MERCHANT MARINER SHORTLY AFTER HIGH SCHOOL. HE WOULD GO ON TO BECOME CHAIRMAN FOR THE ARCO MARINE EMPLOYEES UNION AND LATER SERVED AS THE TREASURER AND ULTIMATELY PRESIDENT FOR THE AMERICAN MERCHANT MARINE VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE IN SAN PEDRO. IN 2017, HE WAS ELECTED TO THE AMERICAN MERCHANT MARINE VETERANS NATIONAL ORGANIZATION AS TREASURER AND THEN NATIONAL PRESIDENT IN JULY OF 2019. I GOT TO KNOW JOHN THROUGH THE AMERICAN MERCHANT MARINE VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE. THIS GROUP IS THE ONE THAT

HOLDS THE ANNUAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE, WHICH TAKES PLACE IN SAN PEDRO AT THE AMERICAN MERCHANT MARINE MEMORIAL AND WALLS OF HONOR, WHICH LISTS THE NAMES OF THE VESSELS AND THEIR CREWS, WHO SACRIFICED THEIR LIVES DURING WORLD WAR II AND SUBSEQUENT CONFLICTS. THIS IS THE FIRST NATIONAL MEMORIAL OF ITS KIND, AND IT MEANS A GREAT DEAL TO ALL THOSE IN OUR AREA. MY UNCLE GORDON WAS A MERCHANT MARINER, AND HIS NAME IS ON THAT WALL AS WELL. I WORKED CLOSELY WITH JOHN TO ADVOCATE FOR MERCHANT MARINERS TO BE RECOGNIZED AS FULL FLEDGED VETERANS. MANY PEOPLE DON'T KNOW THAT THE MERCHANT MARINERS, WHO SERVED IN WORLD WAR II AND DIED AT A HIGHER RATE THAN ANY OTHER BRANCH OF THE MILITARY, WERE LEFT OUT OF THE G.I. BILL AND WERE NOT CONSIDERED VETERANS FOR DECADES. JOHN WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS KINDNESS AND HIS GENEROSITY AND HIS DEDICATION TO HIS FELLOW MARINERS. HE WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS PARENTS AND BROTHER. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTERS, CASEY, CHRISTINE, THERESA, AND JENNIFER, TWO GRANDCHILDREN, BREANNA AND ODIN, AND HIS SISTER, NANCY. HE IS WILL BE SORELY MISSED. HE WAS JUST SUCH A GREAT, STRONG MEMBER OF OUR COMMUNITY. AND I ALSO MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF PAUL MARIN, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 100. HE WAS BORN AND RAISED IN SAN PEDRO. HE ATTENDED MARY STAR OF THE SEA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. HE GRADUATED FROM SAN PEDRO HIGH IN 1941. HE COMPLETED ONE SEMESTER OF COLLEGE BEFORE APPLYING TO THE CALIFORNIA MARITIME ACADEMY. HE SERVED HIS COUNTRY DURING

WORLD WAR II, RECEIVING THE PACIFIC WAR ZONE BAR AND COMBAT BAR WITH STARS. AND AFTER HIS DUTIES IN THE WAR, HE RETURNED TO U.C.L.A. AND GRADUATED WITH A DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. LATER, HE ATTENDED HARVARD LAW, AND IN 1960, HE JOINED THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY D.A.'S OFFICE IN PROSECUTING OVER 400 JURY TRIALS IN HIS 30 YEAR CAREER. PAUL AND HIS FAMILY WERE ALSO VERY INVOLVED IN THE DALMATIAN AMERICAN CLUB IN SAN PEDRO. WHEN THE CLUB WAS FIRST BEING CONSTRUCTED, HIS FAMILY DONATED 10% OF THE MONEY NEEDED TO BUILD THAT FACILITY. AND HE ALSO REMAINED AN ACTIVE MEMBER ALL HIS LIFE AND WAS HONORED WITH A LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP ON HIS ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SISTER-IN-LAW, MATILDA, AND MANY NIECES AND NEPHEWS. AND MY FINAL ONE IS THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF STANLEY GUYNESS, WHO WAS A SENIOR DETENTION SERVICE OFFICER AND CERRITOS RESIDENT AND WAS A RESPECTED LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE. HE SERVED THE DEPARTMENT FOR EIGHT YEARS, BEGINNING HIS CAREER IN 2015. IN 2021, HE WAS PROMOTED TO SENIOR DETENTION SERVICES OFFICER WHILE AT BARRY J. NIDORF IN SYLMAR. AND HE WAS LATER TRANSFERRED TO LOS PADRINOS JUVENILE HALL, WHERE HE SERVED UNTIL HIS PASSING. OFFICER GUYNESS HAD A PASSION FOR SPORTS. HE PLAYED FOOTBALL FOR U.S.C. 1996-2001, AND HE PURSUED A DEGREE IN PUBLIC POLICY AND MANAGEMENT WHILE AT S.C. HE WAS A DEDICATED FAMILY MAN, ACTIVELY SUPPORTED HIS CHILDREN'S SPORTS ACTIVITY. HE WAS KNOWN AS THE GLUE THAT HELD

HIS FAMILY TOGETHER AND WAS ALWAYS THERE FOR HIS CHILDREN WHEN THEY NEEDED SOMEONE. OFFICER GUYNESS WAS HIGHLY RESPECTED AMONG HIS FRIENDS, HIS COLLEAGUES, HIS COMMUNITIES. HE POSSESSED THE ABILITY TO EFFECTIVELY HANDLE CHALLENGING SITUATIONS WITH CALM DEMEANOR AND CONTROL. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS DEDICATION AND THE POSITIVE IMPACT THAT HE MADE ON HIS COLLEAGUES AND YOUTH HE SERVED. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU REMEMBER. HE WAS THE OFFICER WHO SUDDENLY HAD A SERIOUS HEALTH CHALLENGE AFTER HE HAD WORKED A FULL SHIFT AT LOS PADRINOS AND WAS TRANSPORTED TO THE HOSPITAL, BUT THAT HE NEVER RECOVERED. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, MEGALISE, AND FOUR CHILDREN, ZYANYA, SANNA, SAMORI, AND RAKIM. I THINK IT WOULD BE NICE IF WE HAD ALL MEMBERS FOR HIM, TOO.

SUP. BARGER: YEAH. MY TURN. THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF JOHN LEROY MORIARITY, SR., LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, WHO PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY AT THE AGE OF 90 ON SEPTEMBER 2ND. JOHN GRADUATED FROM VAN NUYS HIGH SCHOOL AND ENLISTED IN THE U.S. ARMY SOON AFTER. HE RECEIVED HIS B.A. AND J.D. DEGREES FROM U.C.L.A. AND WAS A LIFELONG TRIAL ATTORNEY, HANDLING THOUSANDS OF CASES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY COURTS. AND I ACTUALLY REMEMBER MEETING HIM BECAUSE HE WAS A GOOD FRIEND OF MY FATHER'S. DURING HIS EXTENSIVE TENURE IN THE ARMY, JOHN EXEMPLIFIED THE IDEALS OF PATRIOTISM AND JUSTICE, SERVING IN SEVERAL ROLES,

INCLUDING AS NATIONAL JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL. HE WAS HONORED WITH MULTIPLE MILITARY AWARDS, INCLUDING THE ARMY ACCOMMODATION MEDAL WITH TWO OAK LEAF CLUSTERS, THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE RIBBON WITH TWO LEAF CLUSTERS, AND THE LEGION OF MERIT. HE SERVED ON NUMEROUS COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES, INCLUDING THE MILITARY ACADEMY APPOINTMENT COMMITTEE, THE GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY, THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NATIONAL HIGHWAY SAFETY COMMISSION, AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION FOR NARCOTICS AND DANGEROUS DRUGS. JOHN WAS ALSO PRESIDENT OF THE CALIFORNIA CHAPTER OF THE SONS OF THE REVOLUTION. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE IRISH AMERICAN, THE ITALIAN AMERICAN, AND THE NORWEGIAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATIONS. JOHN WAS A TRUE PATRIOT AND AMERICAN HERO WHOSE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THIS COUNTY AND COMMUNITY WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR YEARS TO COME. JOHN WAS MARRIED TO ELEANOR FOR 16 YEARS, MARIA FOR 43 YEARS, AND HE WAS PREDECEASED BY BOTH. HE WAS ALSO PREDECEASED BY HIS STEPDAUGHTER, LYNDA. JOHN IS SURVIVED BY HIS FIANCEE, KELLY NELSON, HIS FOUR SONS, DON, LLOYD, DOUG, AND JACK, AND STEPSON, ROBERT, ALONG WITH MANY GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO, I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF LONGTIME ANTELOPE VALLEY RESIDENT FRANK SMITH, WHO PASSED AWAY AUGUST 24TH AT THE AGE OF 89. BORN JULY 20TH, 1934, THE YOUNGEST OF 11 CHILDREN, FRANK GREW UP ON AN INDIANA FARM AND SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS. FRANK MOVED 60 YEARS AGO TO THE

ANTELOPE VALLEY. HE WORKED WITH THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY FOR MORE THAN 30 YEARS, STARTING WITH NORTH AMERICA AVIATION ON THE X.B.-70 VALKYRIE BOMBER AND ULTIMATELY RETIRED AS A DESIGNER FOR GENERAL ELECTRIC AIRCRAFT ENGINES. AFTER RETIREMENT, FRANK ENJOYED TRAVELING THE WORLD WITH HIS WIFE, DOROTHY, VISITING 34 COUNTRIES ON FIVE CONTINENTS. DOROTHY PASSED AWAY IN DECEMBER OF 2020 AFTER NEARLY 65 YEARS OF MARRIAGE. FRANK WAS A MEMBER OF THE SAINT JUNIPERO SERRA PARISH IN QUARTZ HILL SINCE 1991 AND OF SAINT MARY'S PARISH IN PALMDALE FROM 1963 TO 1991. HE BECAME A MEMBER OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CATHOLIC FRATERNAL ORGANIZATION IN 1967 AND TOOK HIS FOURTH DEGREE IN 2000. FRANK WILL BE TRULY MISSED. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN, REGINA BOSTWICK, SCOTT SMITH, NATALIE MUTH, AND ERIC SMITH. AS WELL AS 11 GRANDCHILDREN, AND 11 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN, AND A SISTER. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF ROY WIEGAND, RESIDENT OF BURBANK, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 60 ON JULY 29TH, 2023. ROY WAS A RENOWNED TRUMPET PLAYER, WHO TOURED WITH ACTS SUCH AS THE WHO, TOM JONES, AND WAYNE NEWTON. WHEN HE WASN'T MAKING MUSIC, ROY DEVOTED HIS TIME AND TALENTS TO CHARITABLE CAUSES. IN 2011, HE RAN 100 MILES TO RAISE MONEY FOR LIFEWATER INTERNATIONAL, A NONPROFIT THAT BUILDS WATER SYSTEMS IN RURAL AREAS. IN 2014, ROY RAN FROM ANAHEIM TO SANTA CLARITA TO RAISE $48,000 FOR THE MICHAEL HOEFFLIN FOUNDATION FOR CHILDREN'S CANCER IN HONOR OF HIS FRIEND'S SON CHRISTOPHER, WHO PASSED

AWAY FROM CANCER AT THE AGE OF 12. IN 2015, HE AGAIN RAN AN ULTRA MARATHON TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE FOUNDATION. AT THE TIME OF HIS UNTIMELY PASSING, ROY WAS ON THE FINAL LEG OF A MONTH LONG CHARITY BIKE RIDE TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE NAVAJO WATER PROJECT. HIS FINAL JOURNEY WAS DUBBED "ROY'S RIDE." ROY WAS ALSO ACTIVE AND A MEMBER OF THE BURBANK COMMUNITY. HE WAS PASSIONATE ABOUT THE ISSUES IMPACTING HIS NEIGHBORHOOD AND ALWAYS SPOKE OUT FOR WHAT HE BELIEVED. ROY WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A DEAR FRIEND, A GIFTED MUSICIAN, A DEVOTED PHILANTHROPIST, AND A LOVING FATHER AND HUSBAND. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ANGELA, HIS SON, DILLON, HIS DAUGHTER, SOPHIE, HIS SISTER, ANN KACHEL, AND HER HUSBAND, ANDREAS, AND HIS FATHER, ROY WIEGAND, JR. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS, MADAM CHAIR.

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

SUP. SOLIS: YES, THANK YOU. LAST BUT NOT LEAST. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JULIA MILLAN. JULIA WAS BORN IN GUADALAJARA, JALISCO, MEXICO ON JUNE 1, 1933. COMING FROM HUMBLE BEGINNINGS AND WITH LIMITED OPPORTUNITIES IN MEXICO, SHE COURAGEOUSLY LEFT HOME AT THE AGE OF 16 AND CAME TO THE U.S. TO MAKE A BETTER LIFE. SHE DEVELOPED A HARDWORKING ETHIC AND LATER STARTED HER FAMILY WITH HER HUSBAND, GEORGE. AS A WORKING MOTHER, SHE PUT IN LONG HOURS TO HELP PROVIDE FOR THE FAMILY

AND CONTINUED TO DO SO UNTIL THE DAY HER BODY HAD NO MORE TO GIVE. HER DEVOTION TO FAMILY AND CREATING BEAUTIFUL MEMORIES WAS NOT BY COINCIDENCE. IT WAS METICULOUSLY PLANNED. JULIA WAS A TIME MANAGER AND A WOMAN OF FEW WORDS AND AN ACTION HERO. DURING HER LONG REPETITIVE HOURS OF WORK, SHE WOULD MENTALLY PLAN ALL THE DETAILS OF HER CHILDREN'S BIRTHDAYS AND HOLIDAYS. AND AT THE HEART OF ALL CELEBRATIONS WAS HER COOKING. HER COOKING SKILL WAS LEGENDARY. THE BEAUTIFUL MEMORIES OF PREPARING HER CHILDREN'S FAVORITE FOODS TIME AND TIME AGAIN OVER THE YEARS AND DECADES BECAME A TRADITION FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY. SHE HAD A LOVE OF MUSIC, DANCING, AND SEWING, AND IT COMES AS NO SURPRISE THAT SHE WAS OUTSTANDING AT EVERYTHING SHE DID. A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF BOYLE HEIGHTS, JULIA WAS WELL-RESPECTED AND ADMIRED BY THE COMMUNITY. SHE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN GATHERING ALL THE MOTHERS IN AN AREA TO PROTEST THE CLOSING OF THE ONLY LIBRARY IN THE COMMUNITY, THE MALABAR LIBRARY RIGHT NEXT TO WABASH RECREATION CENTER. IT WAS SCHEDULED TO BE SHUT DOWN WITHOUT ANY NOTICE TO THE COMMUNITY BECAUSE OF A LACK OF PARKING, BUT THANKS TO HER LEADERSHIP AND ADVOCACY, TODAY IT REMAINS OPEN. SHE WAS ALSO A GREAT HELP IN A COMMUNITY OF IMMIGRANTS, AND SHE UNDERSTOOD THEIR CHALLENGES AND WOULD HELP IN THE BEST WAY. JULIA WAS KNOWN TO BE A PILLAR IN HER COMMUNITY. SHE WAS A PRIVATE WOMAN WHO NEVER TURNED ANYONE DOWN. FROM 1974 THROUGH 1988, WITH HER SEAMSTRESS ABILITIES, SHE MADE SEVERAL PROM DRESSES FOR STUDENTS AT

ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL. IN ADDITION, SHE ALWAYS SUPPORTED THE CHILDREN AT WABASH RECREATION CENTER, WHOSE PARENTS HAD NO MONEY FOR FEES, SHOES, OR UNIFORMS. DURING CHRISTMAS, SHE WOULD WAKE UP EARLY TO COOK LARGE AMOUNTS OF FOOD FOR THOSE IN NEED AND PROVIDE SMALL GIFTS FOR THE CHILDREN. AS A LEADER IN THE COMMUNITY, SHE HELPED ORGANIZE FUNDRAISERS, AND WHEN NOT ENOUGH WAS RAISED, SHE PAID THE DIFFERENCE FROM HER OWN MONEY. JULIA PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 90 ON AUGUST 13TH, 2023, BUT SHE HAS LEFT BEHIND A LEGACY OF HARD WORK, DEDICATION, AND GENTLENESS. HER LOVE FOR FAMILY AND POSITIVE INFLUENCE HAS REACHED HER CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN, AS THEY HAVE NOW BECOME U.T.L.A. TEACHERS, U.C.L.A. PROFESSORS, CALIFORNIA STATE EMPLOYEES, PARALEGALS, AND UNION ORGANIZERS. MY HEART GOES OUT TO JULIA'S LOVED ONES MOURNING HER LOSS. MAY SHE REST IN PEACE. THAT CONCLUDES MY ADJOURNMENTS, MADAM CHAIR.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: OKAY. THANK YOU, WE WILL TAKE -- OH, I AM SORRY. DID I SKIP YOU?

SUP. MITCHELL: YOU DIDN'T. I JUST WANTED TO MAKE ONE COMMENT BEFORE YOU ADJOURN US TO CLOSED SESSION.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: YES.

SUP. MITCHELL: I JUST WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT L.A. COUNTY IS THE PROUD HOME OF THE GO GUNDO, THE EL SEGUNDO LITTLE LEAGUE, WHO ARE THE LITTLE LEAGUE WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONS! AND I TOLD THEM AT THE PARADE, YOU CAN SEE THAT ON SUNDAY, THAT I WOULD WEAR MY T-SHIRT PROUDLY. MAYOR BOYLES, SUPERVISOR HAHN SAID HE ALREADY GAVE HER A SHIRT, BUT I HAVE SHIRTS COMING FOR THE REST OF THE BOARD. TO SEE THOSE 12 YOUNG MEN, WHO HANDLED THE MEDIA CALLS WITH SUCH SAVVY, TO HEAR THE TEAM'S MANAGER TALK ABOUT WHAT MAKES THIS TEAM UNIQUE BECAUSE, OF COURSE, EVERYONE IN THE WORLD IS ASKING HOW DID HE DO IT. HE SAID BECAUSE NONE OF THEM PLAY AS INDIVIDUALS OR FOR THEIR STATS. THEY PLAY AS A TEAM. AND TO SEE THEM ON THE PRESS, ON THE FIELD, AND SUNDAY TO MEET ALL OF THEM INDIVIDUALLY WAS A GREAT HONOR. SO GO GUNDO AND CONGRATULATIONS TO THE EL SEGUNDO LITTLE LEAGUE TEAM.

SUP. HAHN, CHAIR: CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE] THE WORLD SERIES. THANK YOU. THANK YOU. DO YOU WANT TO STAND UP AND SHOW THAT T-SHIRT AGAIN? OKAY, CAMERA -- RIGHT HERE, CAMERA LEFT. THERE WE GO. [APPLAUSE] THANK YOU. THANK YOU. WE WILL TAKE ALL THE MOTIONS AS SECONDED. IF THERE'S NO OBJECTION TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT WILL BE THE ACTION. AND WE WILL BE GOING INTO CLOSED SESSION, RIGHT? MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND COLLEAGUES, WE ARE NOW GOING INTO CLOSED SESSION. AND WHILE WE ARE IN CLOSED SESSION, WE WILL BE SHOWING VIDEO PRESENTATIONS.

SUPERVISOR MITCHELL HAS A VIDEO PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO'S LITTLE LEAGUE WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONS. I DON'T KNOW HOW IT CAN BE BETTER THAN WHAT YOU JUST DID. SUPERVISOR HORVATH HAS A VIDEO PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING ED, DICK, AND JERRY HEINRICH'S RECENT RETIREMENT FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT LIFEGUARD DIVISION. AND SUPERVISOR BARGER HAS A VIDEO PRESENTATION HONORING ZACKY MUNOZ, WHO IS INSTRUMENTAL IN GETTING THE ZACKY BILL PASSED. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM C.S.1, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR, FESIA DAVENPORT, AND DESIGNATED STAFF AND ITEM C.S.2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.

SUP. MITCHELL: WE'RE HERE FOR THE MOST AMAZING PARADE TODAY TO CONGRATULATE THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, THE 12 YOUNG MEN WHO WON THE WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP. I'M HONORED TODAY TO REPRESENT ALL OF MY COLLEAGUES ON THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND REPRESENT YOUR 11 MILLION ANGELENOS, 2 MILLION HERE IN THE SECOND DISTRICT, TO PRESENT A FIVE-SIGNATURE CERTIFICATE TO THE TEAM AS A WHOLE. THIS IS FOR

YOU ALL. [APPLAUSE] [APPLAUSE] EL SEGUNDO IS CLEARLY A BASEBALL TOWN, A RICH HISTORY. WE'RE HERE AT STEVENSON FIELD, A FIELD NAMED FOR AN EL SEGUNDAN, WHO MADE BASEBALL HISTORY. SO, THESE 12 YOUNG MEN MADE BASEBALL HISTORY AGAIN, AND WE'RE PROUD TO BE HERE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENT, TO CONTINUE TO SHOW THEM THE COMMUNITY SUPPORT. GO GUNDO!

SUP. HORVATH: I AM SO PROUD CELEBRATE ED, DICK, AND JERRY HEINRICH, THE THREE BROTHERS WITH ME WHO HAVE SERVED LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR DECADES. TODAY, WE CONGRATULATE EACH OF YOU ON YOUR RECENT RETIREMENT FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT LIFEGUARD DIVISION. AS THE MALIBU TIMES SAID BEST, THESE THREE BROTHERS WERE THE START OF A DYNASTY OF LIFEGUARDS AT ZUMA BEACH. ED HEINRICH, ON JUNE 29TH, THAT'S THE DAY BEFORE MY BIRTHDAY, STOWED HIS RESCUE CAN, LOWERED THE FLAG, AND LOCKED ZUMA TOWER 4, THE SAME TOWER HE OPENED ON HIS FIRST EVER SHIFT IN 1965 AS A NEW 18 YEAR OLD LIFEGUARD. WHAT AN ACHIEVEMENT. THE HEINRICHS NOT ONLY CREATED A DYNASTY, BUT THEY LEFT BEHIND A LEGACY OF SERVICE WITH MULTIPLE FAMILY MEMBERS JOINING THE DIVISION. ON SOME DAYS, THERE WERE UP TO SEVEN HEINRICHS WORKING OUR BEACHES. HOLY MOLY. THIS IS THE BEST OF LOS ANGELES. I AM SO LUCKY TO REPRESENT ZUMA BEACH, MALIBU AND SO MUCH OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S INCREDIBLE BEACHES WHERE ED, DICK, AND JERRY BUILT THEIR PROFESSIONAL CAREER AND WHERE THEY CONTRIBUTED IN TOTAL OVER 10,000 RESCUES. WE ARE IN

AWE OF YOUR SPIRIT, YOUR TALENTS, AND YOUR NEVER-ENDING COMMITMENT TO LOS ANGELES AND ITS PEOPLE.

SPEAKER: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH AND THE THIRD DISTRICT TEAM, FOR THE RECOGNITION AND FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO SUPPORTING OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE AND LIFEGUARD DIVISIONS. MY BROTHER AND I HAVE ENJOYED THE CHALLENGES AND REWARDS OF BEING L.A. COUNTY LIFEGUARDS. WE THANK YOU FOR SUPPORT OF THE LIFEGUARDS AND HOPE YOU CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE FOR THE SAFE, CLEAN, AND HEALTHY BEACHES THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY.

SUP. HORVATH: YOU KNOW WE WILL.

SPEAKER: YEAH. AND WE'RE HAPPY -- WE TOOK OWNERSHIP OF OUR BEACH, TOO.

SUP. HORVATH: THAT'S CLEAR.

SPEAKER: THAT'S WHO WE WERE, AND ALL OUR LIFEGUARDS I THINK FEEL THAT WAY, TOO.

SPEAKER: IT WAS A PRIVILEGE FOR US.

SUP. HORVATH: THAT'S WONDERFUL. THAT'S SO WONDERFUL.

CHIEF MARRONE: OKAY, AND IT'S ALSO MY PLEASURE AS THE FIRE CHIEF OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT TO JOIN CHIEF BOITEUX AND THE HEINRICH BROTHERS AS WE RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE THEIR OVER 166 YEARS OF COMBINED SERVICE. THANK YOU. WISHING YOU ALL THE BEST IN YOUR RETIREMENT AND FOR MORE SUNNY DAYS TO COME. THANK YOU.

SUP. HORVATH: CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL ON DECADES OF INCREDIBLE WORK AND CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RETIREMENT. WE HOPE IT'S FUN, AS FUN AS THESE MANY YEARS HAVE BEEN ON THE BEACH. WE ARE FOREVER GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SERVICE FOR THE THIRD DISTRICT AND ALL OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

SPEAKER: THANK YOU.

ZACKY MUNOZ: WELL, TODAY, WE'RE FINALLY ABLE CELEBRATE THE ZACKY BILL, OH YEAH.

SUP. BARGER: WE ARE HONORING ZACKY MUNOZ, WHO WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN GETTING ZACKY'S BILL PASSED UP IN SACRAMENTO. IT'S BEEN SIGN INTO LAW BY THE GOVERNOR, AND IT IS CREATING A RESOURCE GUIDE FOR YOUTH THAT ARE EXPERIENCING ALLERGIES TO FOOD. ZACKY USED HIS PERSONAL EXPERIENCE HAVING TO SIT IN THE BACK OF THE ROOM AND HAVING TO HAVE AN EPI- PEN WITH HIM CONSTANTLY AND

WALKING THROUGH THE CAFETERIA TO TRY TO EXPLAIN THE SERIOUSNESS BECAUSE IT'S LIFE OR DEATH.

ZACKY MUNOZ: IN FIRST GRADE, I HAD TWO ANAPHYLACTIC REACTIONS. AND AFTER THAT, ME AND MY MOM DECIDED TO JUST LOOK AROUND THE FOOD ALLERGY WORLD. AND THEN WE REALIZED THAT THERE IS A BIG COMMUNITY WITH FOOD ALLERGIES BUT SO LITTLE LAWS AND OTHER THINGS TO HELP US. SO WE SAW AN OPPORTUNITY TO HELP AND WE TOOK IT.

SPEAKER: WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER, AND WE WANT TO TAKE CARE OF ALL OUR CHILDREN. AND IF THEY HAVE A FOOD ALLERGY, THEY SHOULD FEEL SAFE COMING TO SCHOOL UNDERSTANDING THAT THEIR TEACHERS AND THEIR EDUCATORS ARE GOING TO TAKE CARE OF THEM.

SUP. BARGER: AT 11 YEARS OLD, AND THERE ARE MANY MY AGE THAT HAVE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH GETTING A BILL WRITTEN AND THEN PASSED AND THEN SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR. SO, AT 11 YEARS OLD, HE SET THE BAR PRETTY HIGH.

ZACKY MUNOZ: I JUST FELT LIKE I WANTED TO DO WHAT WAS RIGHT, AND I REALLY WANTED TO HELP AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR MYSELF AND OTHER KIDS.

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS
FOR SEPTEMBER 12, 2023

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

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

Unrepresented employees: (MAPP Tier 1 Unrepresented Employees as Defined in Los Angeles County Code Section 6.08.310).

Employee Organization(s) for represented employees: (Local 721, SEIU). (23-3278)

No reportable action was taken.

CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

LA Alliance for Human Rights, et al. v. City of Los Angeles, et al., U.S. District Court, Central District of California, Case Number: 20-cv-02291-DOC-KES.

This lawsuit seeks relief stemming from the homelessness conditions in the City and County of Los Angeles. (20-2724)

No reportable action was taken.