



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD MEETING TRANSCRIPT

EXECUTIVE OFFICE



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



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[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION ON
TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024, ON PAGE 261]

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5 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** I'M GOING TO CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER.
6 GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. WELCOME TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. WE
7 WELCOME YOU TO OUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE LOS
8 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TODAY IS TUESDAY, JANUARY
9 23RD, 2024. WE TAKE NOTE THAT A FULL COMPLEMENT OF THE BOARD
10 IS PRESENT. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, COUNTY COUNSEL,
11 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, AND THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS ARE ALL HERE TO
12 ASSIST. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S BOARD MEETING WITH THE COUNTY'S
13 LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

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15 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR, ON RECORDING:** THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
16 RECOGNIZES THAT WE OCCUPY LAND ORIGINALLY AND STILL INHABITED
17 AND CARED FOR BY THE TONGVA, TATAVIAM, SERRANO, KIZH, AND
18 CHUMASH PEOPLES. WE HONOR AND PAY RESPECT TO THEIR ELDERS AND
19 DESCENDANTS-- PAST, PRESENT, AND EMERGING-- AS THEY CONTINUE
20 THEIR STEWARDSHIP OF THESE LANDS AND WATERS. WE ACKNOWLEDGE
21 THAT SETTLER COLONIZATION RESULTED IN LAND SEIZURE, DISEASE,
22 SUBJUGATION, SLAVERY, RELOCATION, BROKEN PROMISES, GENOCIDE,
23 AND MULTIGENERATIONAL TRAUMA. THIS ACKNOWLEDGMENT DEMONSTRATES
24 OUR RESPONSIBILITY AND COMMITMENT TO TRUTH, HEALING, AND
25 RECONCILIATION, AND TO ELEVATING THE STORIES, CULTURE, AND



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1 COMMUNITY OF THE ORIGINAL INHABITANTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
2 WE ARE GRATEFUL TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE AND WORK ON
3 THESE ANCESTRAL LANDS. WE ARE DEDICATED TO GROWING AND
4 SUSTAINING RELATIONSHIPS WITH NATIVE PEOPLES AND LOCAL TRIBAL
5 GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING (IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER) THE FERNANDENO
6 TATAVIAM BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELINO TONGVA INDIANS OF
7 CALIFORNIA TRIBAL COUNCIL, GABRIELENO/TONGVA SAN GABRIEL BAND
8 OF MISSION INDIANS, GABRIELENO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS - KIZH
9 NATION, SAN MANUEL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS, SAN FERNANDO BAND
10 OF MISSION INDIANS. TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE FIRST PEOPLES OF
11 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE.

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13 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THE INVOCATION TODAY WILL LED BY DAVID
14 KENDRICK, PASTOR, SHEPHERD CHURCH IN PORTER RANCH, IN THE
15 FIFTH DISTRICT, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, WHICH
16 WILL BE LED BY ROBERTO C. ARNOLD, FORMER SERGEANT FIRST CLASS,
17 UNITED STATES ARMY, FROM POMONA, IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. IF YOU
18 ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND.

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20 **PASTOR DAVID KENDRICK:** THANK YOU. WOULD YOU PLEASE PRAY WITH
21 ME AT THIS TIME? HEAVENLY FATHER, THIS BRANCH IN THE CITY OF
22 LOS ANGELES HAS MUCH FAVOR, BECAUSE THEY ALLOW IN THEIR AGENDA
23 AN INVITATION OF YOUR PRESENCE IN THIS ROOM. AND BECAUSE YOU
24 ARE STILL WELCOME IN THIS ROOM, MY PRAYER IS THAT YOU WOULD
25 PROVIDE THESE BOARD MEMBERS WISDOM AND SPIRITUAL DISCERNMENT



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1 IN THEIR LEADERSHIP ROLES. MAY THIS PRAYER ASSIST TO UNIFY
2 THEIR DECISIONS, AND MAY THE BLUEPRINT FOR TODAY'S MEETING BE
3 TRUTH AND HONESTY, INTEGRITY AND RIGHTEOUSNESS. ADDITIONALLY,
4 PLEASE EXTEND YOUR BLESSING TO ALL THE STAFF THAT IS HERE
5 TODAY, OF THE SUPERVISORS, AS WELL AS THE SECURITY AND LAW
6 ENFORCEMENT TEAMS. HEAVENLY FATHER, MAY YOU BE HONORED AND
7 GLORIFIED THIS MORNING, AND REMIND ALL THOSE PRESENT IN THIS
8 CHAMBER, INCLUDING THOSE IN THE AUDIENCE, OF YOUR LOVE AND
9 CARE FOR EVERY, EVERY, EVERY, EVERY PERSON THAT IS ON THIS
10 EARTH. I THANK YOU FOR THE PROMISE IN YOUR WORD THAT REMINDS
11 US, THAT SAYS, "TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL OF YOUR HEART, AND
12 LEAN NOT TO YOUR OWN UNDERSTANDING. IN ALL OF YOUR WAYS
13 ACKNOWLEDGE THE LORD, AND HE WILL DIRECT YOUR PATH." GOD, WE
14 WELCOME YOU INTO THIS MEETING TODAY. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR ALL
15 THAT YOU'VE DONE WITHIN OUR LIVES, AND WE PRAY THIS IN THE
16 POWERFUL NAME OF YOUR SON AND COMING KING. AMEN.

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18 **ROBERTO C. ARNOLD:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. PLEASE PLACE YOUR
19 RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART. I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF
20 THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND TO REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT
21 STANDS: ONE NATION UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND
22 JUSTICE FOR ALL.

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24 **SUP. BARGER:** PLEASE JOIN ME IN THANKING PASTOR DAVID KENDRICK
25 FOR LEADING US IN THIS MORNING'S INVOCATION. PASTOR KENDRICK



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1 WAS BORN AND RAISED IN BURBANK, AND GRADUATED WITH HIS
2 BACHELOR'S DEGREE FROM C.S.U.N., AND HIS MASTER'S DEGREE FROM
3 AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY. HE TAUGHT AT VALLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
4 FOR TEN YEARS. ADDITIONALLY, HE SERVED 36 YEARS AS
5 SUPERINTENDENT OF HERITAGE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL. PASTOR KENDRICK
6 IS ONE OF THE AMAZING PASTORS OF SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS
7 CHRISTIAN CHURCH. HE ATTENDED THE CHURCH FOR 40 YEARS, AND HAS
8 BEEN ORDAINED FOR 30. THROUGHOUT HIS JOURNEY, HE HAS HAD THE
9 SUPPORT OF HIS WIFE, FOUR CHILDREN, AND SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN.
10 SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS HAS FOUR DIFFERENT CHURCH CAMPUSES
11 SPREAD ACROSS LOS ANGELES COUNTY, ONE OF THEM BEING IN AGUA
12 DULCE, NEAR THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. I AM HAPPY TO HAVE
13 SHEPHERD CHURCH AS A PART OF THE FIFTH DISTRICT, AND WE SHARE
14 WITH THE KENDRICK FAMILY A VERY SPECIAL HISTORY. PASTOR
15 KENDRICK'S MOTHER, MARIAN KENDRICK, WAS THE FIRST FEMALE
16 ASSISTANT CHIEF DEPUTY TO SERVE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SHE WAS
17 APPOINTED IN 1973, NOT THAT LONG AGO, SERVING UNDER THE
18 LEADERSHIP OF COUNTY SUPERVISOR JAMES HAYES. OF COURSE, BACK
19 THEN, IT WAS A BOARD LED BY ALL MEN, AND HERE WE ARE TODAY,
20 HAVING COME FULL CIRCLE, WITH A BOARD OF ALL WOMEN. MRS.
21 KENDRICK IS DOING WELL, AND IS 99 YEARS OLD. WE ARE VERY
22 GRATEFUL FOR HER SERVICE TO THE COUNTY. MARIAN HELPED BREAK
23 THE CEILING, AND FOR THAT WE ARE FOREVER GRATEFUL. PASTOR
24 KENDRICK, THANK YOU FOR LEADING US IN TODAY'S INVOCATION, AND
25 FOR YOUR SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY.



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2 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** I WAS GOING TO SAY, I KNOW THE SCRIPT
3 SAID, "PORTER RANCH, FIFTH DISTRICT," BUT THAT'S MY DISTRICT,
4 SO I AM GLAD TO KNOW THERE ARE MANY LOCATIONS, AND THAT THE
5 CHURCH IS SERVING MANY PEOPLE THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
6 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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8 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I'D LIKE TO THANK ROBERTO
9 ARNOLD FOR LEADING US THIS MORNING ON THE PLEDGE OF
10 ALLEGIANCE. ROBERTO ARNOLD IS AN ARMY VETERAN. HE ENLISTED IN
11 2004, AND HAS SERVED UNTIL 2019. ROBERTO SERVED IN IRAQ AND
12 AFGHANISTAN. HIS HIGHEST RANK ACHIEVED WAS MASTER SERGEANT.
13 ROBERTO IS ALSO THE FOUNDER OF ALPHA PRIME CONSULTING, A FIRM
14 THAT FOCUSES ON HELPING SMALL BUSINESSES IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF
15 THEIR COMPANY, FROM INCEPTION TO GROWTH. HE IS THE CO-FOUNDER
16 AND CHIEF OF OPERATIONS OF INFARIO TECHNOLOGIES, A FIRM THAT
17 SPECIALIZES IN BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT. INFARIO FOCUSES ON
18 HELPING SMALL BUSINESSES THAT ARE STARTING UP, THAT ARE
19 STRUGGLING, AND SEEKING GROWTH WITH THEIR EXECUTIVE
20 LEADERSHIP, ALL THROUGH THE POWER OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.
21 WOW. ROBERTO GRADUATED FROM WESTWOOD COLLEGE, WITH AN
22 ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE, AND BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
23 IN BUSINESS MANAGEMENT. HE COMPLETED A COHORT WITH UNIVERSITY
24 OF JOHN F. KENNEDY IN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LEADERSHIP,
25 SPONSORED BY THE CALIFORNIA HISPANIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.



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1 ROBERTO SERVES AS A COMMANDER FOR THE POST 30 AMERICAN LEGION
2 IN POMONA, IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. HE IS THE CURRENT DIRECTOR
3 OF VETERANS AFFAIRS WITH CASA DE ADELANTO INITIATIVE, TO HELP
4 VETERANS IN NEED, RANGING FROM HOMELESSNESS, DISABILITIES,
5 CAREER ENHANCEMENT, PEER COUNSELING, AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP. HE
6 CURRENTLY LIVES AND RESIDES IN POMONA. AND IT IS BECAUSE OF
7 HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND EXPERIENCE THAT I PRESENT ROBERTO
8 ARNOLD WITH THIS CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FOR HIS
9 TREMENDOUS DEDICATION AND SERVICE TO OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU
10 SO MUCH, MR. ARNOLD. [APPLAUSE]

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12 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** AND NEXT, WE WILL HAVE THE PET
13 PRESENTATION BY SUPERVISOR BARGER.

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15 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH. THIS IS THE PERFECT PUP. THIS IS PEGGY, A
16 14-WEEK-OLD BEAGLE MIX. SHE IS CURRENTLY STAYING IN THE DOWNEY
17 ANIMAL CARE CENTER, AND IS LOOKING FOR A FOREVER HOME. IF YOU
18 WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT PEGGY, I MEAN, YOU'VE GOT TO SEE THE PAWS.
19 IT'S BRINDLE. ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL. YOU CAN CALL 562-940-6898.
20 YOU CAN ALSO DROP BY THE DOWNEY ANIMAL CARE CENTER, MONDAY
21 THROUGH SATURDAY, FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M. NEW PETS ARE
22 GREAT FOR CUDDLES IN THIS COLD WEATHER. AND WITH THE RAIN OVER
23 THE PAST FEW DAYS, REMEMBER, ON RAINY DAYS, PET ADOPTION FEES
24 ARE WAIVED. I AGAIN SAY, ON RAINY DAYS, PET ADOPTION FEES ARE
25 WAIVED. AND THEN I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO DIRECT YOUR ATTENTION TO



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1 THE SCREEN, TO INTRODUCE YOU TO A DOG FROM PALMDALE. MEET
2 TAMMY, A FOUR-YEAR-OLD GERMAN SHEPHERD. SHE IS VERY GENTLE,
3 AND HAS A LOT OF LOVE TO GIVE. OUR ANTELOPE VALLEY CARE
4 CENTERS ARE STILL VERY FULL, AND HAVE INCREDIBLE PETS. IF YOU
5 WANT TO BRING TAMMY HOME, CALL THE PALMDALE CARE CENTER AT
6 661-575-2888. BUT PEGGY HERE AT THE BOARD IS ABSOLUTELY
7 ADORABLE. LOOKS LIKE A LITTLE BIT OF... YEAH, I DON'T SEE THE
8 BEAGLE, BUT IT IS THE SWEETEST DOG. SO I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU,
9 IF NOT PEGGY, GO ONLINE. OUR SHELTERS ARE FULL, AND I CAN TELL
10 YOU, IF YOU CANNOT ADOPT, AND YOU WANT TO FOSTER, I KNOW THEY
11 WOULD WELCOME IT. AND IF YOU WANT TO VOLUNTEER, I KNOW THAT
12 ALL OF US IN OUR CENTERS ARE ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO VOLUNTEER,
13 AS WELL. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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15 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND NOW I AM GOING TO
16 ACKNOWLEDGE MY COLLEAGUE SUPERVISOR HAHN, WHO WOULD LIKE TO
17 RECOGNIZE A GROUP IN THE AUDIENCE TODAY, JOINING US.
18 SUPERVISOR HAHN, TAKE IT AWAY.

19
20 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THIS IS AN ANNUAL
21 TRADITION, BUT REALLY PLEASED TO HAVE VISITORS FROM THE CITY
22 OF LA MIRADA'S YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT PROGRAM. THIS PROGRAM
23 PARTNERS STUDENTS FROM LA MIRADA HIGH SCHOOL WITH CITY
24 COUNCILMEMBERS AND CITY STAFF, TO ENGAGE LOCAL YOUTH IN CITY
25 PROGRAMS AND SERVICES. THE PROGRAM PROVIDES STUDENTS THE



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1 OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN ABOUT LOCAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS,
2 DEVELOP THEIR LEADERSHIP SKILLS, AND BECOME INVOLVED MEMBERS
3 OF THEIR COMMUNITY. AND ALONG WITH THE 15 STUDENTS THIS
4 MORNING, WE HAVE THEIR MENTORS: JORGE OROZCO, PAUL CASTILLO,
5 AND ERICA RIVAS, FROM THE CITY OF LA MIRADA. THANK YOU FOR
6 BEING HERE TODAY. I KNOW MY FIELD DEPUTY, IVAN SULIC, IS HERE,
7 AND IS GOING TO HELP LEAD YOU ON THE TOUR. I HOPE YOU ENJOY
8 YOUR TOUR, TODAY, OF THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION.
9 WHY DON'T YOU ALL STAND UP WHERE YOU ARE, SO WE CAN ALL GIVE
10 YOU A WAVE? [APPLAUSE]

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12 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND WELCOME.
13 WE ARE SO THRILLED TO HAVE YOU ASK US QUESTIONS, AND FEEL FREE
14 TO PARTICIPATE AS MUCH AS YOU LIKE. WITH THAT, WE WILL MOVE ON
15 TO TODAY'S AGENDA. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE AGENDA.

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17 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
18 THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE TWO, CONSENT
19 CALENDAR, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1-20. ON ITEM 1, THIS
20 INCLUDES AN ADDITION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
21 ON ITEMS 2 AND 3, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS
22 BE HELD. ON ITEM 4, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON
23 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ALSO, ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR SOLIS
24 AND SUPERVISOR HORVATH WOULD LIKE TO REVISE THEIR JOINT MOTION
25 TO ADD TO DIRECTIVE NUMBER 1, THE STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND



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1 THE REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD SHOULD INCLUDE THE AVAILABLE
2 UNINCORPORATED AREA'S RENTAL DWELLING DATA FROM THE RENT
3 REGISTRY AND THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE ON AGE AND UNIT MIX TO
4 INFORM THE ORDINANCE AND IMPLEMENTATION PLAN, AND TO DIRECT
5 NUMBER 2-B TO ADD ENERGY-EFFICIENT AIR CONDITIONING AND TAKE
6 OTHER COOLING MEASURES WITH THE LANDLORD TIMELY AND REASONABLE
7 CONSENT; AND TO ADD TO DIRECTIVE NUMBER 3, TO ADD LANDLORD
8 OCCUPANT RENTAL UNITS. ALSO ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR BARGER
9 REQUESTS TO BE RECORDED AS A NO VOTE. ON ITEM 5, THIS INCLUDES
10 A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM
11 6, SUPERVISOR SOLIS WOULD LIKE TO REVISE THE LAST DIRECTIVE IN
12 HER MOTION TO REQUEST THE SHERIFF AND OTHERS TO REPORT BACK TO
13 THE BOARD ON THE ITEMS LISTED IN DIRECTIVE 1. ON ITEM 9, THIS
14 INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
15 ON ITEM 10, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
16 HELD. ON ITEM 11, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
17 BE HELD. ALSO, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE
18 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 12, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS
19 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ALSO, THIS INCLUDES A REVISION, AS
20 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 13, THIS
21 INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
22 ON ITEM 14, SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
23 HELD. ON ITEM 15, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
24 BE HELD. ON ITEM 19, SUPERVISOR BARGER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
25 BE HELD. ON PAGE 21, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, ITEMS 21-62. ON



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1 ITEM 21, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
2 BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS, TO FEBRUARY 6, 2024. ON ITEM 22, THIS
3 INCLUDES A REVISION, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA.
4 ON ITEM 28, THE DIRECTOR OF ARTS AND CULTURE REQUESTS THAT
5 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO APRIL 9TH, 2024. ON ITEM 33,
6 SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 37,
7 SUPERVISOR BARGER IS RECUSING HERSELF FROM THE VOTE, PURSUANT
8 TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 84308, BECAUSE SHE RECEIVED A
9 CONTRIBUTION OR CONTRIBUTIONS OF MORE THAN \$250 WITHIN THE
10 PAST 12 MONTHS FROM CHRISTOPHER MARTIN AND AL CINELLA, WHO ARE
11 PARTIES, PARTICIPANTS, OR AGENTS OF A PARTY OR PARTICIPANT IN
12 THE PROCEEDING. ALSO ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL IS
13 RECUSING HERSELF FROM THE VOTE, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE
14 SECTION 84308, BECAUSE SHE RECEIVED A CONTRIBUTION OR
15 CONTRIBUTIONS OF MORE THAN \$250 WITHIN THE PAST 12 MONTHS FROM
16 PAUL VIVINO, WHO IS A PARTY, PARTICIPANT, OR AGENT OF A PARTY
17 OR PARTICIPANT IN THE PROCEEDING. ON ITEM 51, THE CHIEF
18 PROBATION OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO
19 FEBRUARY 27, 2024, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. ON PAGE
20 48, THIS INCLUDES MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA, WHICH
21 WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS
22 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 60-C, SUPERVISOR
23 HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 60-E,
24 SUPERVISOR HORVATH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE
25 49, ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEM 63-65. ON ITEM 64,



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1 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL WOULD LIKE TO AMEND THE ORDINANCE, COUNTY
2 CODE TITLE FOUR, REVENUE AND FINANCE, UNDER LETTER C, ITEM
3 NUMBER TWO, AS FOLLOWS: "IF THE REPORT VALUE OF THE UNCLAIMED
4 PERSONAL PROPERTY IS \$250 OR MORE, NOTICE OF UNCLAIMED
5 PERSONAL PROPERTY SHOULD BE PUBLISHED AT LEAST ONCE IN A
6 NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION AFTER EXPIRATION OF A HOLDING
7 PERIOD, IN ADDITION TO ANY NOTICE PUBLISHED ON A COUNTY
8 WEBSITE. A GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THESE NOTICES/PROCEDURES
9 SHOULD BE POSTED ON OR EASILY ACCESSIBLE FROM THE MAIN COUNTY
10 WEBSITE, AT WWW.LACOUNTY.GOV." ALSO, ON ITEM ON ITEM 6,
11 SUPERVISOR HAHN ABSTAINS FROM THE VOTE. ON PAGE 50, NOTICE OF
12 CLOSED SESSION. THE REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCES, THROUGH CS-1,
13 ARE BEFORE YOU.

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15 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECONDED BY
16 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS, AND THAT WILL BE
17 THE ORDER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE PLAY OUR CODE OF CONDUCT.

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19 **SPEAKER:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR
20 ATTENTION? THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW
22 BE READ, AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE
23 EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE
24 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD
25 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,



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1 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED
2 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE
3 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE
4 REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES: SPEAKERS MUST CEASE
5 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT
6 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT
7 ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE
8 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE
9 RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF.
10 PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM, AND REFRAIN FROM
11 UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,
12 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING, OR OTHER ABUSIVE
13 STATEMENTS TOWARD THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY
14 OTHER PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF
15 THE VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF, AND BOARD MEMBERS, AND
16 MAY NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE, OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY
17 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT
18 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE
19 BOARD MEETING. AND FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR
20 BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO
21 REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY
22 THE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
23 COOPERATION.



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1 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. TODAY WE WILL BEGIN WITH ITEM
2 2, FOLLOWED BY ITEMS 3 AND 10, THEN ITEM 11, WHICH WILL BE
3 TAKEN UP WITH ITEM 15, SO THAT'S OUT OF ORDER, FOLLOWED BY
4 ITEMS 12, 14, 19, 33, 60-C, AND FINISHING WITH ITEM 60-E,
5 FOLLOWED BY THE REMAINING ITEMS NOT HELD BY THE BOARD, AS WELL
6 AS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. SO THAT'S OUR ORDER FOR TODAY. IF
7 YOU ARE SPEAKING ON ANY OF THOSE ITEMS, THAT'S HOW WE WILL
8 PROCEED. BEFORE WE BEGIN, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ THE
9 CALL-IN INFORMATION THAT WAS PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA, AND
10 EXPLAIN OUR SPEAKING RULES.

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12 **SPEAKER:** FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO PARTICIPATE
13 REMOTELY, AS INDICATED ON THE AGENDA, PLEASE CALL 877-226-
14 8163, AND USE PARTICIPANT CODE NUMBER 133-6503. MEMBERS OF THE
15 PUBLIC PARTICIPATING REMOTELY AND IN THE BOARDROOM, YOU WILL
16 HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD THROUGHOUT THE
17 MEETING. YOU WILL RECEIVE ONE MINUTE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON
18 ITEMS HELD BY THE SUPERVISORS, AND UP TO A TOTAL OF THREE
19 MINUTES ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, FOR
20 A TOTAL OF SIX MINUTES FOR THE MEETING. PLEASE NOTE: ONCE YOUR
21 TIME HAS EXPIRED, WE WILL IMMEDIATELY MOVE TO THE NEXT
22 SPEAKER. PLEASE MONITOR YOUR TIME AND THE ITEMS YOU ARE
23 SIGNING UP FOR, AS YOUR NAME WILL NOT BE CALLED, ONCE YOUR
24 TIME HAS ELAPSED. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC JOINING US
25 REMOTELY, WHEN THE BOARD MOVES TO THE ITEM YOU WISH TO



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1 ADDRESS, PROMPTLY PRESS 1 THEN 0 TO BE ENTERED INTO THE
2 SPEAKING QUEUE. REMEMBER TO TURN DOWN THE VOLUME ON YOUR
3 DEVICE AS SOON AS THE MODERATOR CALLS ON YOU, OR THERE WILL BE
4 AN ECHO. YOU WILL NEED TO PRESS 1 THEN 0 FOR EACH ITEM ON
5 WHICH YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK. TO ENSURE WE HEAR FROM BOTH IN-
6 PERSON AND TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS, WE WILL ALTERNATE BETWEEN THE
7 TWO SPEAKING QUEUES. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ARE IN
8 ATTENDANCE, WHEN YOU HEAR OR SEE YOUR NAME DISPLAYED ON THE
9 SCREEN, PLEASE COME DOWN TO THE FRONT OF THE BOARDROOM, AND
10 STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. PLEASE DO NOT APPROACH THE PODIUM UNTIL
11 DIRECTED TO DO SO. WE WILL BEGIN BY CALLING IN-PERSON
12 SPEAKERS, AND WHILE THEY ARE COMING FORWARD, WE WILL TAKE
13 TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS.

14
15 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE WILL NOW MOVE TO ITEM 2, MOVING
16 FORWARD WITH RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS ON ALCOHOL
17 CONSUMPTION IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S SAFETY OF FIREARMS
18 POLICY, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR MEMBERS OF THE
19 PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT
20 ON THIS ITEM. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I TURN IT TO YOU.

21
22 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, FOR CO-
23 AUTHORIZING THIS ITEM WITH ME, AS WELL. I WANT TO ESPECIALLY
24 THANK YOU AND YOUR STAFF FOR GETTING THE MOTION READY AND
25 PREPARED FOR US TODAY, AND I KNOW THAT THIS IS A TOPIC THAT WE



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1 HEARD AT OUR LAST MEETING. MEMBERS, AS YOU KNOW, THIS MOTION
2 IS IN RESPONSE TO THE O.I.G.'S RECENT QUARTERLY REPORT THAT
3 FLAGGED THIS CONCERNING ISSUE TO ALL OF US, AND THIS WAS IN
4 RESPONSE TO OUR DISCUSSION ABOUT THE BEHAVIOR OF THE SHERIFF'S
5 DEPARTMENT DEPUTIES WHEN UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL, ALONG
6 WITH THEIR WEAK FIREARM SAFETY POLICY THAT WE LEARNED ABOUT.
7 AS THE REPORT POINTED OUT, THERE WERE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE
8 BACK IN 2019; YET, ACCORDING TO THE TESTIMONY OF THE
9 L.A.S.D.'S ASSISTANT SHERIFF OF PATROL, NO ACTIONS WERE TAKEN,
10 AND NO RECOMMENDATIONS WERE FORMALLY ADOPTED. AS I REITERATED
11 AT THE LAST BOARD MEETING, I WAS SURPRISED THAT L.A.S.D.
12 FIREARMS SAFETY POLICY WAS FILLED WITH WEAKNESSES AND
13 LOOPHOLES, AND THE INCLUSION OF A REBUTTABLE PRESUMPTION
14 LANGUAGE THAT ENFORCES A DANGEROUS CULTURE AND BEHAVIOR THAT
15 CAN POTENTIALLY POSE A RISK TO THE STAFF AND SAFETY OF OUR
16 PUBLIC. WE KNOW THAT MIXING OF ALCOHOL AND GUNS NEVER ENDS IN
17 A GOOD MANNER, AND RATHER INCREASES THE RISK OF INJURIES AND
18 DEATH. ALCOHOL, IN GENERAL, HAS HAD A NEGATIVE IMPACT ON
19 DUTIES, AS EVIDENCED BY FLYERS THAT I HAVE SEEN IN THE BREAK
20 ROOMS AND HALLWAYS, CAUTIONING THEM NOT TO PARTAKE IN ALCOHOL,
21 INCLUDING NOT TO DRINK AND DRIVE. DEPUTIES HAVE LOST JOBS DUE
22 TO ALCOHOL ABUSE, AND WE KNOW DEPUTIES HAVE HARMED THEMSELVES
23 AND OTHERS BECAUSE OF THAT ABUSE. DEPUTIES HAVE BEEN IN
24 CONFRONTATIONS WITH EACH OTHER AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
25 BECAUSE OF THAT ALCOHOL USE. SO HERE WE ARE TODAY, ASKING THE



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1 SHERIFF AND THE DEPARTMENT TO TAKE A MORE AFFIRMATIVE
2 APPROACH: TO REVISE THE EXISTING POLICY, AND INCLUDE A STRICT
3 PROHIBITION AGAINST DEPUTIES CARRYING A FIREARM WHILE
4 CONSUMING ALCOHOL, ON OR OFF DUTY, AND EVEN LOOK INTO THE
5 BROADENING OF THEIR WELLNESS PROGRAMS, INITIATIVES THAT CAN
6 INCLUDE ALCOHOL SAFETY AND DEPENDENCY. ADDITIONALLY, NOT ONLY
7 SHOULD A DEPUTY BE TESTED IF THERE'S EVIDENCE OR SUSPICION OF
8 CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL, BUT IF THEY REFUSE TESTING, THERE
9 SHOULD BE IMMEDIATE AND PROPORTIONATE CONSEQUENCES THAT
10 FOLLOW. I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT THE OVERCONSUMPTION OF
11 ALCOHOL, WITH A DEPUTY WHO HAS A HISTORY OF CONSISTENT
12 MISCONDUCT OR DISCIPLINE DUE TO ALCOHOL, COULD ALSO BE A SIGN
13 THAT THE DEPUTY NEEDS HELP AND SUPPORT. I SHARE THIS BECAUSE
14 MY INTENT OF THIS MOTION IS TWOFOLD: ONE, TO PROTECT L.A.S.D.
15 STAFF AND THE PUBLIC FROM MANY POTENTIAL MISHAPS, INCLUDING
16 FATAL, BECAUSE OF THE MIXING OF FIREARMS AND ALCOHOL; AND TWO,
17 TO ENSURE THAT L.A.S.D. STAFF REQUIRES SUPPORT BECAUSE OF AN
18 ALCOHOL DEPENDENCY, AND THAT WE CAN PROVIDE THEM WITH WELLNESS
19 RESOURCES OR A PLAN SIMILAR TO WHAT WE HAVE OFFERED WITH THE
20 FIRE DEPARTMENT. THIS TOPIC IS A VERY SERIOUS ONE, NO DOUBT,
21 AND IT NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED HEAD-ON. THE DEPARTMENT NOR THE
22 COUNTY SHOULD BE IN A POSITION OF ALLOWING BEHAVIOR THAT WILL
23 LEAD TO INJURY, HARM, AND DEATH. MEMBERS, I'D LIKE TO THANK
24 YOU FOR SHARING YOUR CONCERNS ON THE ISSUE AT THE LAST BOARD



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1 MEETING, AND I HUMBL Y ASK FOR YOUR AYE VOTE. THANK YOU, MADAM
2 CHAIR.

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4 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, AND I APPRECIATE YOU INCLUDING
5 ME AS CO-AUTHOR ON THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE, ESPECIALLY FOLLOWING
6 UP ON THE CONVERSATION FROM OUR LAST MEETING, AS WE CONTINUE
7 TO RECEIVE REPORTS ABOUT ALLEGED MISCONDUCT BY DEPUTIES. WHEN
8 BOTH ALCOHOL AND FIREARMS ARE INVOLVED, ACTION IS REQUIRED.
9 L.A.S.D.'S POLICIES MUST BE CLEAR AND CONSISTENT AS TO WHEN
10 DEPUTIES HAVE A DUTY TO ACT, EMPHASIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF
11 CLEAR AND SOBER JUDGMENT WHEN ACTING IN A LAW ENFORCEMENT
12 CAPACITY, EITHER ON DUTY OR OFF DUTY, AND INVESTIGATE AND
13 EVALUATE WHETHER DEPUTIES ARE INTOXICATED WHILE CARRYING THEIR
14 FIREARMS, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES. I HAVE COMMUNICATED MY
15 CONCERNS DIRECTLY WITH SHERIFF LUNA. HE IS GOING TO ENGAGE IN
16 THE APPROPRIATE PROCESSES TO EVALUATE THE IMPACTS OF THIS
17 DIRECTION, BUT I BELIEVE THIS IS A STEP IN THE RIGHT
18 DIRECTION, AND WOULD ALSO ENCOURAGE SUPPORT. I SEE SUPERVISOR
19 MITCHELL NEXT.

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21 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I JUST WANT TO THANK
22 YOU BOTH FOR TAKING QUICK AND SWIFT ACTION. I THINK WE WERE
23 ALL SHOCKED BY THE TESTIMONY WE HEARD AT THE BOARD MEETING,
24 AND CLEARLY, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, THIS IS A COMMONSENSE
25 POLICY. WE SHOULD, AS A CIVILIZED SOCIETY, HAVE A HEIGHTENED



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1 LEVEL OF EXPECTATION OF THOSE WHO ARE LICENSED TO KILL, AND
2 LICENSED TO CARRY A FIREARM, AND SO I THINK IT IS VERY
3 REASONABLE. IT WAS SHOCKING TO READ ABOUT THE NUMBER OF
4 INCIDENTS IN THE O.I.G.'S REPORT. IT IS NOT JUST A ONE-OFF.
5 THERE WERE A SERIES OF INCIDENTS, AND IT CLEARLY SHOWS A
6 PATTERN. SO I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO THE REPORT BACK AND THE
7 POLICY REVISIONS THAT WILL COME AS A RESULT OF THE MOTION, SO
8 I AM PROUD TO SUPPORT THE MOTION TODAY. AND THANK YOU AGAIN
9 FOR YOUR SWIFT ACTION.

10

11 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

12

13 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND I THINK THE FRUSTRATION THAT WE
14 ALL HAD WHEN THIS WAS DISCUSSED WAS THE LACK OF CLARITY,
15 BECAUSE THE .02 BY THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY SAFETY ADMINISTRATION,
16 THERE ARE SOME EFFECTS OF A PERSON WITH A BLOOD ALCOHOL
17 CONTENT OF .02, INCLUDING LOSS OF JUDGMENT, RELAXATION,
18 ALTERED MOOD, DECLINE IN VISUAL FUNCTIONS, AND OTHERS. AND I
19 HAVE TO BELIEVE THAT THAT STANDARD IS CARRIED WITHIN THE
20 DEPARTMENT, AND I WAS SHOCKED TO HEAR THAT THERE WAS NO
21 CLARITY, AS IT RELATED TO THE UNDERSTANDING, BECAUSE I AM TOLD
22 BY INDIVIDUALS I HAVE TALKED TO THAT, IN FACT, THERE IS A ZERO
23 TOLERANCE IN EFFECT WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AND IF
24 THAT'S THE CASE, THEN I THINK THERE NEEDS TO BE SOME CLARITY
25 ON THAT, BECAUSE EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT... WHEN YOU ARE ON DUTY,



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1 IF YOU GET IN AN ACCIDENT, EVEN AS A CIVILIAN, IF YOU GET IN
2 AN ACCIDENT, AND YOU ARE SLIGHTLY IMPAIRED, THAT WILL BE TAKEN
3 INTO CONSIDERATION, AS IT RELATES TO THE CAUSE OF THE
4 ACCIDENT. AND WITH THE CONCERNS BY THE CONTRACT CITIES ABOUT
5 THE INCREASED LIABILITY, AS IT RELATES TO THE TRUST FUND, I
6 THINK IT IS IMPORTANT, AND I THINK IT'S IMPERATIVE, FOR US
7 ALSO TO REACH OUT TO OUR CONTRACT CITIES AND TALK TO THEM
8 ABOUT ANY ISSUES THAT THEY MAY HAVE, BECAUSE, AGAIN, THIS IS A
9 LIABILITY ISSUE, AND EVEN IF THEY ARE NOT-- ANYONE, AND TAKE
10 THEM OUT OF UNIFORM. IF YOU'RE AT ANYTHING BELOW .08 AND YOU
11 GET IN AN ACCIDENT, THAT WILL BE CONSIDERED AS BEING IMPAIRED.
12 SO I KNOW THIS IS A RECOMMENDATION, AND IT'S UP TO THE SHERIFF
13 TO TAKE THAT AND DECIDE WHAT HE IS GOING TO DO, BUT I HAVE TO
14 BELIEVE THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS GOING TO ERR ON THE SIDE OF
15 WISDOM, ESPECIALLY WHEN CONTRACT CITIES ARE GRAPPLING RIGHT
16 NOW WITH THE INCREASED COST, AS IT RELATES TO THEIR LIABILITY
17 TRUST FUND. SO I APPRECIATE THE MOTION. I KNOW THAT LAST
18 WEEK'S TESTIMONY ACTUALLY CONFUSED THINGS, BECAUSE, ALSO, I
19 LOOKED AT MY MOUTHWASH, AND MOUTHWASH NOW DOES NOT CONTAIN
20 ALCOHOL. YEAH. AND THAT WAS USED AS AN EXAMPLE OF WHY IT WAS
21 AT .02. WELL, I WAS CURIOUS, AND SO I WANTED TO SEE, AND IN
22 FACT, THAT IS NOT THE CASE. SO, ANYWAY, I JUST THOUGHT I'D
23 THROW THAT IN. THANK YOU.
24



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1 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR THAT CLARIFICATION.

2 SUPERVISOR HAHN?

3
4 **SUP. HAHN:** OKAY, WELL, THANK YOU. I HAVE BEEN OUT TALKING TO
5 THESE YOUNG PEOPLE IN GOVERNMENT ALL THIS TIME, BUT I
6 CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND THAT THE INTENT OF THIS MOTION-- I JUST
7 WANT FOR MY COLLEAGUES TO EXPLAIN THE REASON I AM GOING TO
8 VOTE THE WAY I DO, BECAUSE I DO BELIEVE THAT THIS IS A POLICY
9 DECISION WHICH I KNOW EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT I REALLY BELIEVE
10 BELONGS WITH OUR NEW SHERIFF, AND I'VE MADE A REAL COMMITMENT
11 TO SUPPORT THIS SHERIFF IN HOW HE RUNS THE DEPARTMENT, AND THE
12 DECISIONS THAT HE HAS TO MAKE. I AM SURE HE'S READ THIS
13 REPORT, LIKE WE HAVE READ THIS REPORT, AND I AM SURE HE KNOWS
14 THAT THERE'S OTHER POLICE DEPARTMENTS THAT HAVE THIS TYPE OF
15 RESTRICTION ON DRINKING ALCOHOL WHILE ARMED. BUT I JUST WANT
16 TO MAKE SURE I AM SUPPORTING HIM, AND MAKING THE DECISIONS
17 THAT WORK BEST FOR HIS DEPARTMENT AND HIS ABILITY TO LEAD THAT
18 DEPARTMENT, SO I AM GOING TO ABSTAIN ON THIS VOTE, BECAUSE I
19 REALLY THINK IT IS HIS ROLE TO DECIDE THESE POLICIES. THANK
20 YOU.

21
22 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL
23 THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS
24 ITEM.



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1 **SPEAKER:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS TO
2 ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THIS ITEM. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR
3 PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS
4 ITEM 2, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS ONE THEN
5 ZERO NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE
6 HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE?

7

8 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS IRMA COOPER. YOU MAY
9 BEGIN.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I AGREE WITH
12 SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS ON HOW IMPORTANT THIS TOPIC IS, AND I
13 ASK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO VOTE YES ON THIS MOTION, TO
14 AVOID HARM TO THE PUBLIC AND LAW ENFORCEMENT. THERE SHOULD NOT
15 BE TWO STANDARDS, ONE FOR THE PUBLIC AND ONE FOR THE CITIZENS,
16 WHEN IT COMES TO ALCOHOL AND THE USE OF FIREARMS. THANK YOU.

17

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

19

20 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS TAMARA KAYE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

23

24 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD.

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, GOOD DAY IN THE NAME OF NIANI FINLAYSON, WHO
2 WAS RECENTLY KILLED ON A DOMESTIC CALL, AND HER DAUGHTER
3 WITNESSED THE SHERIFFS MURDERING HER NINE-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER;
4 IN THE NAME OF RYAN TWYMAN, IN THE NAME OF PAUL REYA, IN THE
5 NAME OF JOHN HORTON, IN THE NAME OF JOHNNY LOVETT, IN THE NAME
6 OF ANTHONY VARGAS, AND TOO MANY MORE OF OUR BLACK AND BROWN
7 COMMUNITY MEMBERS, FOR SAYING THAT DEPUTY GANGS IS A PROBLEM,
8 AND YET FAILS TO GO AS NEARLY AS YOU SHOULD TO HOLD L.A.S.D.
9 ACCOUNTABLE. SHERIFF ROBERT LUNA WAS ASKED TO PROVIDE A CLEAR
10 POLICY ON ERADICATING DEPUTY GANGS, AND STILL HAS NOT
11 DELIVERED ANYTHING TO THE BOARD. IT IS CLEAR THAT THE COUNTY'S
12 INACTION IN RELATION TO DEPUTY GANGS HAS ALLOWED ANOTHER GANG
13 TO FORM.

14
15 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MAY WE HAVE THE
16 NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

17
18 **SPEAKER:** HELLO?

19
20 **MODERATOR:** YES, AND IT APPEARS EVERYONE ELSE IN QUEUE IS NOT
21 QUEUED UP UNDER ITEM NUMBER TWO. THEY ARE UNDER OTHER ITEM
22 NUMBERS OR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT.

23
24 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE DO HAVE ONE SPEAKER HERE IN
25 PERSON. GO RIGHT AHEAD.



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2 **RED CHIEF HUNT:** GOOD MORNING. THIS IS MIXED EMOTIONS. YES AND
3 NO ON THIS ONE. AND AS SOMEBODY WHO USED TO WORK WITH THE LOS
4 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, ARE THERE SOME PEOPLE
5 THAT CAN DRINK RESPONSIBLE AND CARRY A FIREARM, ALL AT THE
6 SAME TIME? YES, THERE IS. SHOULD YOU BE LEFT WITHOUT YOUR
7 FIREARM, AND YOU'RE BOOKING PEOPLE, AND YOU'RE ARRESTING
8 PEOPLE, AND YOU MIGHT COME UP ACROSS ONE OF YOUR ENEMIES,
9 THAT'S A TRICKY SITUATION, SO I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THIS
10 SITUATION GET EVALUATED AND HEAR THE SPECS ON THIS JUST A
11 LITTLE BIT MORE, BECAUSE AFTER WORKING WITH THE SHERIFF'S
12 DEPARTMENT FOR EIGHT YEARS, IN THE '90S TO THE 2000S, YES AND
13 NO. SOMETIMES YOU CAN GO OUT, AND IF A SHERIFF'S DEPUTY HAS
14 ARRESTED SOMEBODY, AND THEY SEE THE PERSON THAT THEY ARRESTED
15 BE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST, SHOULD THEY BE ALLOWED TO HAVE A
16 FIREARM WITH THEM? I THINK, BY LAW, THEY SHOULD HAVE THEIR
17 FIREARMS REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES. THE RED CHIEF HUNT.

18

19 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE MORE SPEAKERS ON THE
20 TELEPHONE, SO WE'RE GOING TO GO BACK TO THAT QUEUE. MODERATOR,
21 WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** HELLO?

24

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



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2 **ERIC PREVEN:** OKAY, THERE WAS SOME VERY WEIRD ACTIVITY THERE,
3 WITH MY PHONE BEING-- BUT THANK YOU. OKAY, THIS IS AN
4 IMPORTANT ISSUE, AND I REALLY WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR SOLIS,
5 WHO DOESN'T MIND A MARGARITA HERSELF, FOR BRINGING THIS
6 FORWARD. AND LAW ENFORCEMENT SHOULD NOT BE DRINKING AND
7 DRIVING AND OPERATING FIREARMS, BUT I THINK WE DO HAVE TO
8 BECOME A LITTLE BIT COGNIZANT-- SOMEONE USED THE TERM
9 "WISDOM"-- ABOUT WHAT'S AT PLAY HERE: THE IDEA THAT WE WANT TO
10 HOLD PEOPLE WHO ARE ALMOST IN A P.T.S.D. SITUATION ON AN
11 EVERYDAY BASIS TO AN UNREALISTIC STANDARD, BUT A REASONABLE
12 STANDARD. AND SO I THINK REASONABLE'S THE RIGHT THING. AND
13 MAYBE IT WAS SUPERVISOR HAHN WHO SAID, "LET THE SHERIFF POLICE
14 THESE CHARACTERS," IS A REASONABLE THING. BUT TO BE STANDING
15 ON SOME-- IT'S LIKE, THINK OF WHAT'S GOING ON IN, SAY,
16 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S DISTRICT, AND THE VARIOUS EGREGIOUS
17 BEHAVIOR, OVER AND OVER AGAIN. IT'S NOT THE SHERIFF'S FAULT.
18 AND YET, I JUST THINK WE HAVE TO BE MINDFUL THAT THIS IS A
19 VERY HARD, DIFFICULT JOB, AND WE DON'T WANT--

20

21 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
22 PLEASE.

23

24 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MARY GALINDO. YOU MAY
25 BEGIN.



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2 **SPEAKER:** HI. THIS IS FOR DISTRICT FOUR. I AM A FAMILY SUPPORT
3 FOR MR. MOJILLA, THE FAMILY MOJILLA. THIS IS HAPPENING RIGHT
4 HERE, WHICH I THINK A MEMBER OF THE GOVERNMENT OR--

5

6 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** EXCUSE ME, THIS ITEM IS ITEM 2. WE'RE
7 TALKING ABOUT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SAFETY OF FIREARMS
8 POLICY. IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION FOR YOUR DISTRICT
9 REPRESENTATIVES, YOU CAN CALL THEIR OFFICE, OR WE HAVE YOUR
10 CONTACT INFORMATION, AND THEY CAN CONTACT YOU DIRECTLY. IF
11 YOU'D LIKE TO SPEAK PUBLICLY ABOUT A GENERAL ITEM, YOU CAN
12 SPEAK AT THE END OF THE MEETING, BUT RIGHT NOW, WE'RE TALKING
13 ABOUT THE SAFETY OF FIREARMS POLICY.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** I APOLOGIZE, BUT THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

16

17 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** NO APOLOGY NECESSARY. WE'RE HERE TO HELP.
18 I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE WE GET YOUR COMMENT IN THE RIGHT
19 PLACE. THANKS FOR CALLING IN. ARE THERE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS IN
20 QUEUE?

21

22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** NO.

23

24 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. ITEM 2--

25



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1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS STEPHANIE LUNA. YOU MAY
2 BEGIN.

3

4 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, GO AHEAD.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** HI, GOOD MORNING. SO I JUST WANT TO SAY IT'S SUCH A
7 CRAZY TIME THAT WE'RE LIVING IN, WHERE WE NEED A MOTION THAT
8 SETS A POLICY WHERE THE SHERIFFS CANNOT BE INTOXICATED WHILE
9 ON DUTY, OR HAVE THEIR SERVICE WEAPON IN HAND. I MEAN, IT'S
10 2023, AND HERE WE ARE, STILL TRYING TO IMPLEMENT SOME MEANS OF
11 ACCOUNTABILITY. IT SEEMS LIKE WE HAVE A DIFFERENT LEADERSHIP,
12 BUT A LOT OF THE PROBLEMS ARE STILL EXISTING. I THINK
13 SUPERVISOR BARGER GAVE A CLEAR EXAMPLE OF, YOU KNOW, IF WE
14 CIVILIANS ARE INTOXICATED, AND WE'RE HELD TO A CERTAIN
15 STANDARD, THEN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE NO EXCEPTION
16 TO THIS RULE. I DON'T THINK THAT THIS MOTION IS ONE THAT NEEDS
17 TO BE DELAYED OR ABSTAINED ON. I THINK THE SUPERVISORS REALLY
18 NEED TO TAKE A STANCE AND ENSURE THAT THE PUBLIC IS PROTECTED
19 FROM ANY TYPE OF HARM THAT THE SHERIFFS CAN PERPETRATE WHILE
20 INTOXICATED AND ON DUTY. THANK YOU.

21

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

23

24 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MR. CARTER. YOU MAY BEGIN.

25



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1 **SPEAKER:** HI. I'M CALLING IN REGARDS TO ITEM NUMBER 2. FOR ONE,
2 JANICE HAHN'S VOTE ON THIS MOTION SPEAKS VOLUMES, BECAUSE I
3 PRESENTED INFORMATION TO JANICE HAHN IN REGARDS TO THE
4 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND WHAT THEY DID TO ME, AND HER OFFICE
5 IGNORED ME, SO HER VOTE ON THIS MATTER SPEAKS VOLUMES, AND TO
6 THE TRUTH OF WHAT SHE REPRESENTS. AND ALSO, HOLLY MITCHELL,
7 WHERE I RESIDE IN HER DISTRICT, SHE SAYS SHE'S SHOCKED ABOUT
8 ALL THESE THINGS.

9

10 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YOUR COMMENTS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE
11 SAFETY OF FIREARMS POLICY. IF YOU HAVE COMMENTS ABOUT YOUR
12 EXPERIENCE WORKING WITH OFFICES, YOU CAN COMMENT IN GENERAL
13 PUBLIC COMMENT AT THE END OF THE MEETING.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** MY COMMENTS ARE RELEVANT TO ITEM NUMBER 2. I'M
16 SPEAKING ABOUT THE BIASNESS IN WHAT THESE REPRESENTATIVES ARE
17 STATING. MS. MITCHELL SAID SHE'S SHOCKED ABOUT THESE THINGS,
18 SO YOU NEVER TOLD MS. MITCHELL THAT THAT WASN'T A PART OF THIS
19 MATTER.

20

21 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THIS ITEM IS ABOUT SAFETY OF FIREARMS
22 POLICY. HER COMMENTS WERE ON TOPIC, AND WE NEED YOURS TO BE,
23 AS WELL, PLEASE.

24



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1 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, THE COMMENT-- I AM REFERRING TO MS. MITCHELL'S
2 COMMENT, THAT SHE SAID SHE'S SHOCKED ABOUT THIS--

3

4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
5 PLEASE.

6

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

9

10 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ITEM 2 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
11 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, AND I WILL SECOND TO APPROVE THE ITEM.
12 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

13

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

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU. YES.

17

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

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21 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

22

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

24

25 **SUP. HAHN:** ABSTAIN.



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2 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ABSTAIN. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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4 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

5

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

8

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

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES,
12 4-0, WITH ONE ABSTENTION.

13

14 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 3,
15 PROCLAIMING LUNAR NEW YEAR 2024, AND MEMORIALIZING THE ONE-
16 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE STAR BALLROOM MASS SHOOTING IN THE
17 CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, AND HEROIC EFFORTS BY BRANDON TSAY AT
18 THE LAI LAI BALLROOM IN THE CITY OF ALHAMBRA, WHICH WAS HELD
19 BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE
20 TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.
21 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I WILL TURN IT TO YOU.

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND ALSO FOR
24 CO-AUTHORING, AS CHAIR OF THE BOARD, THIS MOTION, AND HAVING
25 ALL OF OUR COUNTY FLAGS FLOWN AT HALF-MAST ON SUNDAY, IN HONOR



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1 OF THE VICTIMS KILLED AT THE STAR BALLROOM IN MONTEREY PARK. I
2 WANTED TO START MY REMARKS BY SAYING THE NAMES OF THE 11
3 INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE LOST ONE YEAR AGO: VALENTINO MARCOS
4 ALVERO, HONGYING JIAN, YU LUN KAO, LILAN LI, MING WEI MA, MY
5 MY NHAN, DIANA TOM, MUOI DAI UNG, CHIA LING YAU, WEN TAU YU,
6 AND XIUJUAN YU. THIS LUNAR NEW YEAR, AS YOU KNOW, IS A SOMBER
7 ONE, BECAUSE WE CELEBRATE THE YEAR OF THE DRAGON. OUR A.A.P.I.
8 COMMUNITIES, ESPECIALLY THE CITIES OF MONTEREY PARK AND
9 ALHAMBRA, WHICH BELONG IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, ARE
10 COMMEMORATING THE ONE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF AN UNFORTUNATE
11 TRAGEDY. HEALING FROM THIS TRAGEDY IS A TRUE COMMUNITY EFFORT,
12 INVOLVING NOT ONLY GOVERNMENT AT EVERY LEVEL, BUT ALSO
13 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND RESIDENTS THEMSELVES. OVER
14 THE PAST YEAR, WE WITNESSED RESILIENCY AND STRENGTH IN ACTION
15 IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. IN THE IMMEDIATE AFTERMATH OF THE
16 INCIDENT, OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, INCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF
17 MENTAL HEALTH, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING THE
18 DISTRICT ATTORNEY, ALL RESPONDED TO PROVIDE RESOURCES TO THOSE
19 WHO WERE IMPACTED. COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS STOOD UP,
20 SUCH AS THE BUDDHIST TZU CHI FOUNDATION, OUR VERY OWN RED
21 CROSS, ADVANCING JUSTICE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, AND THE
22 CHINATOWN SERVICE CENTER, WHO FURTHER PROVIDED IMMEDIATE
23 SUPPORT IN ONGOING RESOURCES AND COMFORT TO THE RESIDENTS. I
24 WANT TO THANK EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THEM, WHO WORKED
25 TIRELESSLY THIS PAST YEAR, TO BRING ABOUT THIS HEALING-- IT



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1 WAS SOMETHING TO WATCH AND FEEL: MONTEREY PARK, ALHAMBRA, AND
2 THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, INCLUDING THE CITIES THEMSELVES, OUR
3 FIRST RESPONDERS, AND THEIR FIRST RESPONDERS, AND OUR OWN
4 LOCAL HERO, BRANDON TSAY, FOR PREVENTING AN EVEN GREATER
5 TRAGEDY WHEN HE STOPPED THE ASSAILANT IN THE LOBBY OF THE LAI
6 LAI BALLROOM, AT THE RISK OF HIS OWN LIFE. THROUGH THIS
7 TRAGEDY, HE RECEIVED NATIONAL ATTENTION. THE SAN GABRIEL
8 VALLEY COMMUNITY ALSO SAW THAT THEY HAD MANY ALLIES ACROSS THE
9 COUNTRY, AND INTERNATIONALLY. SHORTLY AFTER THAT INCIDENT, I
10 VISITED THE SURVIVORS AT OUR OWN L.A. COUNTY GENERAL MEDICAL
11 CENTER, AND IT WAS QUITE ASTONISHING, BUT I WAS SO PROUD OF
12 OUR STAFF FOR PROVIDING THE TREATMENT AND LINGUISTICALLY
13 APPROPRIATE SERVICES FOR THESE INDIVIDUALS. I ALSO PERSONALLY
14 CALLED UPON PRESIDENT JOE BIDEN AFTER THE INCIDENT, BECAUSE I
15 WAS SO REMORSE, AND FEELING SO UPSET AS TO WHAT HAPPENED, AND
16 ASKED HIM IF HE COULD PLEASE DO SOMETHING IN HIS
17 ADMINISTRATION. IN FACT, HE DID. BOTH HE AND VICE PRESIDENT
18 HARRIS VISITED THE CITIES OF MONTEREY PARK AND ALHAMBRA, AND
19 MET WITH THE SURVIVORS AND FAMILIES AND FIRST RESPONDERS.
20 PRESIDENT BIDEN ALSO ANNOUNCED AN EXECUTIVE ORDER TO EXPAND
21 EFFORTS TO REDUCE GUN VIOLENCE DURING HIS VISIT. HE ALSO SENT
22 ONE OF HIS DEPUTY ASSISTANTS TO THE PRESIDENT, ERIKA
23 MORITSUGU, AND SHE ALSO CAME HERE LAST YEAR AND SPOKE BEFORE
24 THIS BOARD. SHE REPRESENTS THE ASIAN AMERICAN AND NATIVE
25 HAWAIIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER SENIOR LIAISON POSITION, AND SHE



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1 WILL ALSO PROVIDE US WITH A MESSAGE ABOUT THIS INCIDENT. AND I
2 WANT US TO REFLECT ON THAT, AND I WAS HAPPY THAT WE WERE ABLE
3 TO RECONNECT WITH HER, BECAUSE SHE HAS RECORDED A SPECIAL
4 MESSAGE FOR THE RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY, AND TO THE BOARD OF
5 SUPERVISORS. SO IF WE COULD PLEASE HAVE THAT PLAYED, AND I BEG
6 YOUR ATTENTION. THANK YOU.

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8 **ERIKA MORITSUGU:** HELLO. HI, Y'ALL. I'M ERIKA MORITSUGU, DEPUTY
9 ASSISTANT TO PRESIDENT JOE BIDEN, AND SENIOR LIAISON TO THE
10 ASIAN AMERICAN, NATIVE HAWAIIAN, AND PACIFIC ISLANDER
11 COMMUNITIES AT THE WHITE HOUSE. I WANT TO START BY THANKING
12 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, CHAIR HORVATH, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL,
13 SUPERVISOR HAHN, AND SUPERVISOR BARGER FOR ALL OF YOUR
14 LEADERSHIP ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND
15 FOR INVITING ME TO SHARE THIS SPACE WITH YOU TODAY. IT WAS MY
16 HONOR THIS TIME LAST YEAR, WHEN I WAS ABLE TO JOIN THIS
17 ESTEEMED BODY AT THE INVITATION OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS,
18 IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE SHOOTING MURDERS, TO BRING A MESSAGE OF
19 SORROW AND A COMMITMENT TO HELP THE HARD, LONG JOURNEY OF
20 HEALING IN A TIME WHEN WE SHOULD HAVE BEEN CELEBRATING LUNAR
21 NEW YEAR, A TIME OF JOY AND RENEWAL AND HOPE, NOT JUST FOR
22 ASIAN AMERICANS, BUT FOR ALL FAMILIES AND ALL COMMUNITY.
23 SHORTLY AFTERWARDS, THE VICE PRESIDENT CAME TO MONTEREY PARK
24 TO MEET WITH THE FAMILIES OF THE INNOCENT PEOPLE WHO WERE
25 KILLED IN A HEINOUS ACT OF GUN VIOLENCE THAT STRUCK AT THE



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1 HEART AND SOUL OF ONE OF OUR LARGEST ASIAN AMERICAN, NATIVE
2 HAWAIIAN, AND PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES. THEN THE PRESIDENT
3 CAME TO MONTEREY PARK AND SPENT HOURS MEETING WITH THE
4 SURVIVING VICTIMS AND FAMILIES WHO LOST LOVED ONES, AND TO
5 ANNOUNCE AN EXECUTIVE ORDER CONTAINING NEW ACTIONS TO CRACK
6 DOWN ON THE EPIDEMIC OF GUN VIOLENCE TEARING OUR COUNTRY
7 APART. AND YESTERDAY, AMBASSADOR KATHERINE TAI, A MEMBER OF
8 THE PRESIDENT'S CABINET, WAS IN MONTEREY PARK TO BE IN
9 COMMUNITY FOR THE VIGIL AND COMMEMORATION AND HOPE WITH
10 HEALING. NOW, RIGHT NOW, I'M OVERSEAS IN THE PACIFIC ON A
11 PRESIDENTIAL DELEGATION. OTHERWISE, I WOULD BE THERE WITH YOU
12 IN PERSON THIS TIME, TOO. INSTEAD, I BRING A MESSAGE FROM THE
13 PRESIDENT, THAT I WILL READ TO YOU NOW. IT IS DATED JANUARY
14 24TH, 2024. HERE, I'LL QUOTE HIS WORDS: "ONE YEAR AGO TODAY,
15 THE LIVES OF 11 PEOPLE WERE STOLEN IN A HEINOUS ACT OF GUN
16 VIOLENCE. JILL AND I JOIN ALL OF THOSE GATHERED TODAY IN
17 HONORING AND REMEMBERING THE VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF THIS
18 SENSELESS TRAGEDY. NO PERSON, FAMILY, OR COMMUNITY SHOULD EVER
19 HAVE TO EXPERIENCE WHAT THE MONTEREY PARK COMMUNITY WENT
20 THROUGH THAT NIGHT, A NIGHT THAT SHOULD HAVE BEEN A TIME OF
21 CELEBRATION AND BEING WITH LOVED ONES DURING THE LUNAR NEW
22 YEAR. AS A COUNTRY, WE OWE THE VICTIMS OF THIS DEVASTATING
23 ATTACK MORE THAN THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS. WE OWE THEM ACTION. WE
24 OWE IT TO THEM TO CHANNEL OUR PAIN AND SORROW INTO PURPOSE, TO
25 FINALLY END THE EPIDEMIC OF GUN VIOLENCE THAT HAS TORN APART



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1 TOO MANY COMMUNITIES IN AMERICA. MY ADMINISTRATION'S BEEN
2 WORKING RELENTLESSLY TO PREVENT FUTURE TRAGEDIES LIKE THIS
3 FROM HAPPENING AGAIN. WE'RE CONTINUING TO IMPLEMENT THE
4 BIPARTISAN SAFE COMMUNITIES ACT, THE MOST MEANINGFUL GUN
5 SAFETY LEGISLATION IN NEARLY 30 YEARS, WHICH STRENGTHENS
6 BACKGROUND CHECKS, EXPANDS THE USE OF RED FLAG LAWS, AND
7 IMPROVES ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. LAST SEPTEMBER, WE
8 LAUNCHED THE FIRST-EVER WHITE HOUSE OFFICE OF GUN VIOLENCE
9 PREVENTION, TO DRIVE AND COORDINATE A GOVERNMENT AND
10 NATIONWIDE EFFORT TO REDUCE GUN VIOLENCE IN AMERICA, BECAUSE
11 WE KNOW THE HEARTACHE FELT IN MONTEREY PARK HAS BEEN SHARED
12 WIDELY THROUGHOUT THE ASIAN AMERICAN, NATIVE HAWAIIAN, AND
13 PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES. THE ADMINISTRATION IS CONTINUING
14 TO STAND AGAINST HATE-FUELED VIOLENCE IN ALL OF ITS UGLY
15 FORMS. IN THE MIDST OF SO MUCH DESTRUCTION AND DESPAIR, THE
16 PEOPLE OF MONTEREY PARK AND THE LOCAL COMMUNITY MEMBERS TURNED
17 INTO HEROES, PEOPLE LIKE BRANDON TSAY, REMINDING US THAT WE
18 CAN HEAL AND MAKE PROGRESS IN OUR FIGHT AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE.
19 TO THE FAMILIES OF VICTIMS, I KNOW HOW HARD THESE
20 ANNIVERSARIES CAN BE, AND I OFTEN THINK OF THE TIME I SPENT
21 WITH YOU, HEARING ABOUT THE BEAUTIFUL SOULS OF EVERYONE YOU
22 LOST. I KNOW WE HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO, BUT IN PART, BECAUSE OF
23 THE RESILIENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY, I AM OPTIMISTIC THAT WE CAN
24 COME TOGETHER AS A COUNTRY TO PREVENT FUTURE SENSELESS ACTS OF
25 GUN VIOLENCE. MAY GOD BLESS THE PEOPLE OF MONTEREY PARK.



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2 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I ALSO WANT TO THANK
3 PRESIDENT BIDEN AND ERIKA FOR SHARING THEIR MESSAGE OF UNITY,
4 AND EACH OF THE BOARD MEMBERS HAVE RECEIVED A COPY OF THE
5 LETTER THAT HE SENT, AND YOU CAN HAVE THAT AND READ IT, AS IT
6 WAS JUST READ TO US. IT WAS A VERY HEARTFELT AND EMOTIONAL
7 CEREMONY ON SUNDAY, THAT SOME OF US ATTENDED, AND IT REMINDS
8 US THAT WE STILL HAVE STRUGGLES TO GO THROUGH, AND HEALING IS
9 A BIG PART OF IT. BUT PROVIDING ASSISTANCE, CONTINUALLY
10 LINGUISTICALLY APPROPRIATE, IS STILL OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE. I
11 KEPT HEARING THAT, TIME AND TIME AGAIN, FROM THE RESIDENTS AND
12 FROM OUR LEADERS THAT REPRESENT THE AREA. I WANT TO PERSONALLY
13 COMMEND OUR DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, BECAUSE DR. LISA WONG
14 DID MAKE IT AN EFFORT TO HAVE HER A.A.P.I. INDIVIDUALS IN HER
15 OPERATION COME OUT IMMEDIATELY, SHORTLY AFTER THIS INCIDENT
16 OCCURRED. AND I KNOW OUR SHERIFF, SHERIFF LUNA, DID AN
17 OUTSTANDING JOB, AND IN A MATTER OF HOURS AFTER THIS TOOK
18 PLACE, WAS ABLE TO FIND AND IDENTIFY THE INDIVIDUAL WHO
19 CREATED THIS HORRIFIC, HORRIFIC EMOTIONAL TRAGEDY. AND WE HAD
20 A COORDINATED EFFORT BY THE D.A.'S OFFICE, AS WELL, TO PROVIDE
21 VICTIMS' ASSISTANCE, IN ADDITION TO OUR OWN DEPARTMENT OF
22 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROVIDING INFORMATION FOR GRANTS, FOR
23 BUSINESSES THAT WERE IMPACTED, AND THE COMMUNITY CAME
24 TOGETHER. AND I AM REALLY PROUD OF THE WORK THAT OUR CITY
25 COUNCIL MEMBERS, AND MAYOR OF MONTEREY PARK, DID AND HELD. IT



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1 ALSO WAS DEMONSTRATED BY BRANDON TSAY, FROM ALHAMBRA, A YOUNG
2 MAN WHO HAS NOW BECOME-- I DON'T WANT TO SAY THE WORD, BUT
3 ALMOST A ROCK STAR; A HUMBLE INDIVIDUAL, TOO, WHO HAS HAD HIS
4 OWN DEMONS BECAUSE OF WHAT HE SAW AND FACED, BUT IS WORKING
5 THROUGH THAT AND HELPING A LARGER COMMUNITY UNDERSTAND HOW
6 IMPORTANT IT IS TO HEAL, AND TO NOT BE AFRAID. I AM HAPPY THAT
7 WE ARE ALSO GOING TO BE CELEBRATING WITH THESE CITIES-- IN THE
8 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, MONTEREY PARK, AND ALHAMBRA, AND GREATER
9 L.A. COUNTY-- THE SPECIAL LUNAR NEW YEAR, BECAUSE NOW WE HAVE
10 A CHANCE TO RECTIFY, TO COME TOGETHER, AND CELEBRATE THE YEAR
11 OF THE DRAGON, WHICH SOME OF YOU MAY KNOW REPRESENTS A SPIRIT
12 OF RENEWAL EVERY 12 YEARS. AND THIS YEAR, OUR COMMUNITIES HAVE
13 EMBRACED THIS SPIRIT, AND DEMONSTRATED THE CAPACITY TO NOT
14 ONLY MOVE FORWARD, BUT TO BUILD HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS FUTURES.
15 AS WE REMEMBER THE 11 CHERISHED COMMUNITY MEMBERS WE LOST ONE
16 YEAR AGO, WE HONOR THEIR MEMORY BY SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER AND
17 WORKING TO BUILD SAFE, EQUITABLE, AND PROSPEROUS COMMUNITIES
18 FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. FOR ALL OF THOSE WHO CELEBRATE THIS
19 MOMENTOUS HOLIDAY, I WISH YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES A HAPPY AND
20 HEALTHY YEAR AHEAD: A YEAR OF THE DRAGON. AND I KNOW WE HAVE A
21 SPECIAL GUEST, MADAM CHAIR, THE PRO TEM MAYOR, IF HE CAN
22 PLEASE JOIN US AT THE DAIS TO SAY A FEW WORDS. I KNOW WE
23 INVITED THE CITY COUNCIL, BUT THEY WERE NOT ALL ABLE TO COME
24 AT THIS TIME, BUT WE ARE SO HAPPY THAT WE HAVE THE VICE MAYOR
25 HERE. PLEASE.



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2 **THOMAS WONG:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, CHAIR HORVATH AND
3 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. APPRECIATE YOU AUTHORIZING THIS MOTION. I AM
4 HONORED TO SERVE AS THE MAYOR PRO TEM FOR THE CITY OF MONTEREY
5 PARK, AND PROUD TO BE HERE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF THIS ITEM.
6 THIS LUNAR NEW YEAR HITS PARTICULARLY HARD, AS THE FIRST
7 ANNIVERSARY OF THE MASS SHOOTING AT THE STAR BALLROOM, AS WAS
8 MENTIONED, THE DEADLIEST MASS SHOOTING IN L.A. COUNTY'S
9 HISTORY. ON BEHALF OF THE CITY AND THE COMMUNITY, I WANT TO
10 EXPRESS OUR TREMENDOUS GRATITUDE TO THE COUNTY, WHO CAME IN TO
11 SUPPORT US IN RESPONSE TO THIS TRAGEDY; THE SUPERVISORS AND
12 THE COUNTY, FOR PROVIDING THE RESOURCES, AS WAS MENTIONED,
13 PARTICULARLY THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, THE SHERIFF'S
14 DEPARTMENT, AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE BUREAU OF
15 VICTIM SERVICES, WHO ALL CAME IN AND POURED RESOURCES AND
16 SUPPORT AND THEIR LOVE INTO OUR COMMUNITY, TO RESPOND AND TO
17 START THE PROCESS OF HEALING FOR MANY IN OUR COMMUNITY, AND IN
18 THE REGION. I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE COUNTY FOR TAKING
19 LEADERSHIP OVER THIS PAST YEAR, IN ADOPTING POLICIES TO REDUCE
20 ACCESS TO GUNS, AND TO REDUCE GUN VIOLENCE, AND INCREASE THE
21 ACCESS AND USE OF MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES IN OUR COMMUNITY,
22 WHERE THERE STILL EXISTS A LOT OF STIGMA FOR THOSE WHO ARE
23 SEEKING ACCESS TO THESE RESOURCES; AND ALSO IN SUPPORTING OUR
24 SMALL BUSINESSES, WHO WERE DEEPLY IMPACTED BY THE TRAUMA OF
25 THE SHOOTING, AND DIRECTLY IMPACTED DURING THE LUNAR NEW YEAR.



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1 THIS HOLIDAY TENDS TO BE LIKE A BLACK FRIDAY HOLIDAY FOR MANY
2 SMALL BUSINESSES ACROSS THE COUNTRY. THIS IS WHEN A LOT OF
3 ESPECIALLY ASIAN AND ETHNIC BUSINESSES GET "INTO THE BLACK,"
4 IN TERMS OF BEING ABLE TO OPERATE IN THEIR REVENUE. AND FOR
5 THE TRAGEDY TO HIT AT THIS PARTICULAR TIME, IT HIT A LOT OF
6 ASIAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESSES PARTICULARLY HARD. SO WE
7 APPRECIATE L.A. COUNTY FOR SUPPORTING MONTEREY PARK AND OUR
8 WIDER COMMUNITY IN ALL OF THESE EFFORTS OVER THE PAST YEAR,
9 AND LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO PARTNER ON THESE IMPORTANT
10 ISSUES, AND ALL THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED IN CONTINUING TO
11 PARTNER TO SUPPORT OUR BUSINESSES AND OUR COMMUNITY IN OUR
12 TIME OF NEED. WE KNOW THE JOURNEY TO HEALING AND REBUILDING
13 WILL CONTINUE TO BE A LONG ONE, AND THAT SOME OF THESE SCARS
14 WILL NEVER FULLY HEAL, BUT WE ARE RESILIENT, AND WE'VE PROVEN
15 THAT OVER THIS PAST YEAR, AND WE WILL BUILD BACK STRONGER.
16 APPRECIATE SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND OTHERS WHO CAME TO JOIN US IN
17 THE ONE-YEAR REMEMBRANCE THIS PAST WEEKEND IN THE CITY. WE
18 KNOW THAT TRAUMA CAN ARISE AND COME AND SHOW ITSELF YEARS DOWN
19 THE LINE FROM THE MOMENT OF TRAUMA, AND SO WE APPRECIATE THE
20 CONTINUED COMMITMENT OF THE COUNTY TO SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY,
21 OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO CONTINUE TO NEED IT, AND JUST WANT
22 TO CLOSE BY SAYING, AND HOPING WITH A SENSE OF HOPE, THAT THIS
23 LUNAR NEW YEAR OF THE DRAGON THAT IS UPON US WILL BRING
24 STRENGTH, CONTINUED HEALING, AND RESILIENCE FOR OUR COMMUNITY.
25 THANK YOU SO MUCH, AND URGE YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS ITEM.



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2 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, THOMAS WONG, FOR BEING THE LEADER THAT
3 YOU HAVE SHOWN YOURSELF IN MANY WAYS, AND ESPECIALLY DURING
4 THE LAST TWO YEARS. WE KNOW HOW THIS PAST YEAR HAS BEEN SO
5 DIFFICULT, BUT YOU STOOD UP AT EVERY MOMENT. AT EVERY TIME IT
6 WAS APPROPRIATE, YOU WERE THERE. AND YOU AND I SAW EACH OTHER
7 ON MANY OCCASIONS, AND THAT'S JUST GOING TO LAST IN MY MEMORY
8 AND MY MIND, HOW WONDERFUL IT WAS TO SEE ALL OUR CIVIC LEADERS
9 REALLY COME TOGETHER. AND YOU SAID SOMETHING VERY IMPORTANT:
10 HEALING AND LOVE. L-O-V-E. SIMPLE AS THAT: SHOWING LOVE. SO I
11 THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND I ALSO WOULD BE REMISS IF I DIDN'T
12 MENTION OUR OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, WHO IS HERE, TOO.
13 I WANT TO GIVE THEM A SHOUT-OUT, BECAUSE THEY PLAY A BIG ROLE
14 IN HELPING TO COORDINATE WHEN WE HAVE DISASTERS. AND THIS WAS
15 A FIRST FOR L.A. COUNTY, TO HAVE A MASSIVE SHOOTING OCCUR ON A
16 SATURDAY NIGHT, 11 O'CLOCK AT NIGHT, AND THEN JUST GOING INTO
17 THE FOLLOWING SUNDAY, AND HAVING ALL THE RESOURCES THERE FROM
18 THE COUNTY. THE COUNTY FAMILY IS TO BE COMMENDED, AND WORKING
19 COLLECTIVELY WITH THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK AND ALL OF OUR
20 PARTNERS-- FEDERAL, STATE, AND EVERYONE. SO THANK YOU, AND I,
21 TOO, ASK FOR MY COLLEAGUES' AYE VOTE ON THIS ITEM. THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, FOR THIS
24 MOTION TODAY, FOR YOUR STEADFAST COMMITMENT TO MONTEREY PARK
25 IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE TERRIBLE TRAGEDY WE EXPERIENCED LAST



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1 YEAR, AND THANKS TO THE VICE MAYOR FOR BEING HERE TO SHARE HIS
2 REFLECTIONS AND WORDS WITH OUR BOARD. WE APPRECIATE YOUR
3 PRESENCE HERE TODAY. AS WE REMEMBER THE 11 LIVES LOST, AND
4 NINE INDIVIDUALS WOUNDED AT THE STAR BALLROOM, WE STAND
5 TOGETHER IN RECOGNIZING THE HEROIC, LIFE-SAVING ACTIONS THAT
6 BRANDON TSAY TOOK TO PREVENT THE LOSS OF ADDITIONAL LIVES.
7 BRANDON, THANK YOU. YOU AND YOUR FAMILY REMAIN IN OUR HEARTS,
8 AND WE WILL NEVER FORGET YOUR HEROISM. NOW, AS THE YEAR OF THE
9 RABBIT COMES TO AN END, WE HONOR INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS
10 FOR THEIR STRENGTH, THEIR DIGNITY, AND THEIR GRACE IN ALL WE
11 HAVE BEEN THROUGH THIS PAST YEAR. AS WE CELEBRATE THE UPCOMING
12 LUNAR NEW YEAR ON FEBRUARY 10TH, WE JOIN IN CELEBRATING THE
13 YEAR OF THE DRAGON WITH OUR A.A.P.I. COMMUNITY, AND ALL WHO
14 CELEBRATE THIS MOMENTOUS OCCASION. MAY THE YEAR OF THE DRAGON
15 BE FULL OF HOPE AND RENEWAL, AND MAY WE CONTINUE TO PROTECT
16 OUR A.A.P.I. COMMUNITIES AGAINST HATE, AND FIGHT FOR MORE
17 COMMONSENSE GUN SAFETY REFORMS THAT WILL CREATE LASTING SAFETY
18 FOR ALL OF US. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

19
20 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS IN.
21 DURING THE LUNAR NEW YEAR FESTIVITIES, FAMILIES TRAVEL FROM
22 FAR AND NEAR TO BE TOGETHER. LAST YEAR'S TRAGEDY THAT OCCURRED
23 IN MONTEREY PARK HEIGHTENED THE NEED TO BE WITH LOVED ONES,
24 MORE THAN EVER. TOO OFTEN, OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS, WE HAVE
25 SEEN HOSTILITY AGAINST THE A.A.P.I. COMMUNITY. AND MAKE NO



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1 MISTAKE: WHILE THIS HAPPENED IN MONTEREY PARK AND ALHAMBRA, IT
2 HAD A RIPPLE EFFECT THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY,
3 WHERE YOU HAVE MANY, MANY A.A.P.I. LIVING. OUR COUNTY HAS
4 STOOD IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE A.A.P.I. COMMUNITY AGAINST HATE
5 IN ALL FORMS. I WILL CONTINUE TO LEND MY SUPPORT TO ENSURE THE
6 A.A.P.I. COMMUNITY FEELS SAFE. AND I AM EXTREMELY THANKFUL TO
7 THE CITIES OF MONTEREY PARK AND ALHAMBRA, WHICH ACTUALLY, I
8 KNOW, IS IN THE FIRST-- I REPRESENTED IT-- BUT ALSO, HAVING
9 BEEN BORN AND RAISED IN THAT AREA, I KNOW WHAT A SENSE OF
10 COMMUNITY THEY HAVE, AND YOU SAW IT FIRSTHAND WHEN THEY ALL
11 CAME TOGETHER TO SUPPORT EACH OTHER. RESILIENCY, IN THE
12 AFTERMATH OF THE TRAGEDY, STOOD TALL. I WOULD LIKE TO EXTEND
13 MY DEEPEST APPRECIATION TO BRANDON TSAY FOR HIS HEROIC ACTIONS
14 IN DISARMING THE GUNMAN AND RAISING AWARENESS ON MENTAL HEALTH
15 THIS PAST YEAR. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOU ARE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT: HE
16 HAS TAKE A TRAGEDY AND IS TRYING TO USE IT AND SEE THAT SILVER
17 LINING IN A VERY, VERY, VERY DARK CLOUD. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO
18 RECOGNIZE THE EFFORTS OF MANY ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING OUR
19 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, FOR LENDING THEIR SUPPORT TO THOSE THAT
20 HAVE BEEN IMPACTED. THESE ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDE ADVANCING
21 JUSTICE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, THE BUDDHIST TZU CHI FOUNDATION,
22 THE CHINATOWN SERVICE CENTER, ALONG WITH OUR DEPARTMENT OF
23 MENTAL HEALTH, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S VICTIM SERVICES BUREAU,
24 THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND OTHER LOCAL FIRST RESPONDERS.
25 THIS YEAR IS THE YEAR OF THE DRAGON, WHICH SYMBOLIZES



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1 CHALLENGES, CHANGES, AND OPPORTUNITIES. AND I THINK, YOU KNOW,
2 EVERYWHERE I GO-- I WAS OUT IN ARCADIA ON SATURDAY, AND WE
3 WERE TALKING. SO MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO BE MET, AND I BELIEVE
4 THAT THIS IS GOING TO BE A BEAUTIFUL REMINDER THAT, DESPITE
5 ANY CHALLENGE WE MAY FACE, THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH
6 AND STRENGTH, AS A RESULT. SO MAY THE YEAR OF THE DRAGON RENEW
7 OUR DETERMINATION AND STRENGTH, AND I WISH EVERYONE HAPPINESS,
8 HEALTH, AND PROSPERITY THIS YEAR, AS WE CELEBRATE THE LUNAR
9 NEW YEAR. I WILL BE SUPPORTING THIS MOTION. AND AGAIN, TO THE
10 VICE MAYOR OF MONTEREY PARK, THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE, AND
11 THANK YOU FOR BEING A TRUE LEADER. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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13 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

14
15 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND THANK YOU TO BOTH YOU,
16 MADAM CHAIR, AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD
17 TODAY. YOU KNOW, WE'LL PROBABLY NEVER COME TO THE POINT OF
18 RECOGNIZING AND CELEBRATING THE LUNAR NEW YEAR WITHOUT
19 REMEMBERING WHAT HAPPENED A YEAR AGO, AND THANK YOU TO THE
20 VICE MAYOR OF MONTEREY PARK FOR BEING HERE AND REMINDING US
21 THAT IT WAS THE DEADLIEST MASS SHOOTING THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS
22 ANGELES HAS EXPERIENCED. AND IT WAS DOUBLY TROUBLING, JUST
23 BECAUSE CELEBRATING THE LUNAR NEW YEAR, WHICH IS WHAT WE ARE
24 DOING NOW, IS A TIME OF CELEBRATION, AND HOPE, AND DANCING,
25 AND FUN, AND ALL THE THINGS THAT WE ASSOCIATE WITH THE NEW



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1 YEAR. AND THE FACT THAT THIS TRAGEDY HAPPENED THEN WILL, I
2 BELIEVE, FOREVER SORT OF MAR THIS TRADITION THAT MANY PEOPLE
3 HAVE. BUT HOPEFULLY, THIS YEAR, WE CAN CELEBRATE: CELEBRATE
4 HOW FAR WE HAVE COME, AND CELEBRATE THE NEWNESS OF THE YEAR,
5 AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO ACCOMPLISH MANY THINGS. I ALSO WANTED
6 TO GIVE MY SHOUT-OUT TO BRANDON, WHO REALLY WAS A HERO. WE
7 KIND OF THROW THAT WORD "HERO" AROUND A LOT, BUT CLEARLY, HE,
8 THAT NIGHT, WAS A HERO, NOT THINKING ABOUT HIMSELF, NOT
9 THINKING ABOUT HIS OWN SAFETY. BUT WHEN YOU SEE THAT VIDEO OF
10 HIM WRESTLING THAT WEAPON FROM THE HANDS OF THE SHOOTER, IT
11 WAS QUITE REMARKABLE. AND AS YOU'VE SAID, HE IS A VERY SHY
12 MAN. PRESIDENT BIDEN HAD REACHED OUT TO ME. HE WAS THERE AT
13 THE STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS, AND PRESIDENT BIDEN LET THE
14 NATION KNOW THAT WE ALL THANK BRANDON. IT COULD HAVE BEEN MUCH
15 WORSE IF HE HAD NOT HAD THE COURAGE, THAT NIGHT, TO DO THAT. I
16 ALSO WANTED TO REMEMBER THAT SHERIFF LUNA, RIGHT, HE WAS NEW
17 ON THE JOB. HE HAD JUST STARTED TAKING OVER THE DEPARTMENT,
18 AND HE SHOWED UP THERE IMMEDIATELY. AND YOU WERE THERE, TOO,
19 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. YOUR ABILITY TO SHOW UP FOR THAT COMMUNITY,
20 REALLY NOT KNOWING-- SOMETIMES, WE DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY, WE
21 DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO, BUT SHOWING UP AND COMING ALONGSIDE
22 PEOPLE WHO ARE GRIEVING IS SO IMPORTANT, AND YOU SHOWED
23 TREMENDOUS GRACE AND RESILIENCE FOR YOUR PEOPLE. AND THE
24 SHERIFF, TOO. I KNOW FACING THAT BANK OF INTERNATIONAL CAMERAS
25 THAT SHOWED UP WAS PROBABLY UNNERVING FOR ALL OF YOU, AND YET



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1 THE WORDS THAT THE SHERIFF SPOKE, EACH AND EVERY WORD WAS
2 CALMING, IT WAS REASSURING, AND WAS A DETERMINED SHERIFF'S
3 DEPARTMENT TO BRING THIS TO AN END, WHICH IT DID. THE SHOOTER
4 WAS FOUND IN TORRANCE, BY THE TORRANCE POLICE DEPARTMENT, WHO
5 HAD A VERY WATCHFUL EYE OUT FOR THAT ALL POINTS BULLETIN. YOU
6 KNOW, I WAS JUST GOING TO SAY, ONE OF THE THINGS I LOVE ABOUT
7 SERVING ON THIS BOARD WITH ALL OF YOU, THAT WE DON'T JUST DO
8 PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES. WE ACTUALLY ACT; AND COMING FROM
9 CONGRESS, WHERE THAT'S ALL WE EVER DID, WAS STAND AND OFFER
10 OUR PRAYERS AND THOUGHTS. AND IN LIGHT OF IT'S PROBABLY GOING
11 TO NEVER HAPPEN AT THE CONGRESSIONAL LEVEL, THE FEDERAL LEVEL,
12 THAT WE HAVE ANY MEANINGFUL LAWS TO PREVENT GUN VIOLENCE, THIS
13 BOARD WAS NOT WAITING FOR THAT. AND JUST TO REMIND US, WE
14 ENACTED FOUR REALLY STRONG LAWS TO TRY AND PREVENT GUN
15 VIOLENCE IN OUR UNINCORPORATED AREA. REMEMBER, WE BANNED THOSE
16 .50-CALIBER BULLETS. THOSE GUNS CAN RIP THROUGH THE HUMAN
17 BODY. WE IMPLEMENTED A BUFFER ZONE BETWEEN GUN STORES AND SAFE
18 SITES, LIKE PLAYGROUNDS AND PARKS AND DAY CARE CENTERS. WE
19 DECIDED TO MAKE GUN OWNERS RESPONSIBLE. WE'VE ORDERED THAT
20 THEY KEEP A GOOD INVENTORY OF WHO BUYS AND WHO SELLS GUNS AND
21 AMMUNITION. AND WE BANNED PEOPLE CARRYING GUNS ON COUNTY
22 PROPERTY. SO I APPRECIATE THAT ABOUT US, THAT WE ARE DOING
23 WHAT WE CAN, IN LIGHT OF INACTION AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL, TO DO
24 WHAT WE CAN TO PROTECT OUR RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY FROM ANY
25 FURTHER GUN VIOLENCE. SO, AS WE PREPARE TO CELEBRATE THE LUNAR



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1 NEW YEAR THIS NEXT MONTH, LET THOSE OF YOU IN MONTEREY PARK
2 AND ALHAMBRA KNOW THAT WE ARE MINDFUL. WE ARE MINDFUL OF THE
3 TRAUMA, WE ARE MINDFUL OF THE ONGOING GRIEF AND DISTRESS, BUT
4 WE ARE ALSO MINDFUL OF THE RESILIENCE OF THE PEOPLE IN THOSE
5 COMMUNITIES, AND HOW THEY HAVE DETERMINED THAT WHAT HAPPENED A
6 YEAR AGO WILL NOT DEFINE THEM, NOR WILL IT PREVENT THEM FROM,
7 HOPEFULLY, CELEBRATING THOSE THINGS WHICH THEY CAN CELEBRATE.
8 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

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14 **SPEAKER:** WILL DONALD HARLAN PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF
15 WILL ASSIST YOU. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE
16 TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 3, IF YOU HAVE
17 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS ONE THEN ZERO NOW TO BE
18 PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST
19 SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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21 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS TAMARA KAYE. YOU MAY
22 BEGIN.

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24 **SPEAKER:** YES. I JUST WANT TO SEND, YOU KNOW, JUST HONORING THE
25 FAMILIES IMPACTED, AND THEIR LOVED ONES THAT THEIR LIVES WERE



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1 SENSELESSLY TAKEN. THE TRAGEDY SHOULD NEVER HAPPEN ANY TIME.
2 IT IS REAL UNFORTUNATE. GUN VIOLENCE IS A SERIOUS PROBLEM, AND
3 WE NEED TO ADDRESS IT AT A FEDERAL LEVEL. FROM SETTLER
4 COLONIALISM UNTIL NOW, BLACK AND BROWN PEOPLE AND PEOPLE OF
5 COLOR HAVE FACED ENDLESS AMOUNTS OF GUN VIOLENCE FROM WHITE
6 SUPREMACISTS, TO LAW ENFORCEMENT. AND IN THE NAMES OF ANDRES
7 GUARDADO, A.J. WEBER, TWO YOUNG MEN THAT LOST THEIR LIVES AT
8 THE HANDS OF L.A.S.D., WE NEED TO ALSO ADDRESS THE GUN
9 VIOLENCE WITHIN LAW ENFORCEMENT AND DEPUTY SHERIFF GANGS.

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11 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
12 PLEASE.

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14 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MR. CARTER. YOU MAY BEGIN.

15
16 **SPEAKER:** HI. I AM CALLING IN REGARDS TO ITEM NUMBER 2, AND I
17 THINK IT'S A GREAT THING TO HONOR PEOPLE--

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19 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'RE ON ITEM NUMBER 3. EXCUSE ME, WE'RE
20 ON ITEM 3.

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22 **SPEAKER:** I AM SORRY. ITEM NUMBER 3? OKAY. SO THIS IS REGARDING
23 ITEM NUMBER 3. SORRY FOR SAYING THE WRONG NUMBER, BUT I THINK
24 IT IS A GREAT THING TO HONOR PEOPLE AND THEIR HEROIC ACTS, BUT
25 I ALSO THINK THAT IT SHOULD BE DONE IN A NON-BIASED WAY, THE



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1 SAME WAY THAT THIS DAY IS BEING RECOGNIZED FOR A HEROIC DAY,
2 AND PEOPLE HAVE LOST. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS A HABIT OF
3 SELECTING CERTAIN GROUPS OF PEOPLE TO BE HONORED. AND AS AN
4 EXAMPLE, RUBEN SALAZAR WAS GIVEN A \$300,000 STATUE IN BOYLE
5 HEIGHTS, BUT FREDERICK ROBERT MADISON, AN AFRICAN AMERICAN
6 MALE, WAS BORN BEFORE HIM, WAS THE FIRST AFRICAN STATE
7 ASSEMBLY MEMBER IN BOYLE HEIGHTS. HE'S BEEN FORGOTTEN ABOUT.
8 SO I THINK IT IS A GREAT THING TO HONOR PEOPLE, BUT WE ARE
9 FORGETTING ABOUT CERTAIN GROUPS OF PEOPLE THAT HAVE HAD HEROIC
10 AND DONE HEROIC THINGS, ALSO, WITHIN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'
11 JURISDICTION, AND THEY ARE NOT BEING HONORED. AGAIN, RUBEN
12 SALAZAR--

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14 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
15 PLEASE.

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

19
20 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE WILL GO IN PERSON. GO RIGHT
21 AHEAD.

22
23 **SPEAKER:** ITEM NUMBER 3. I'M DONALD HARLAN. FIRST OF ALL, HAPPY
24 LUNAR NEW YEAR. I SUPPOSE IT'S A BIG DAY FOR FEY CREATURES,
25 LIKE YOU GUYS. I DON'T KNOW IF MERMAIDS ARE CONSIDERED FEY,



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1 THOUGH. BUT ANYWAYS, SO TERRIBLE WHAT HAPPENED IN ALHAMBRA AT
2 THIS MASS SHOOTING. YOU KNOW, THAT SHOULD NEVER, EVER HAPPEN,
3 UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES. I DON'T KNOW WHAT ALL IS INVOLVED,
4 BUT I SMELL SOME KIND OF COVER-UP, SOME DISTORTION OF
5 INFORMATION. ONE OF THE THINGS I NOTICED IS THAT THEY ARE
6 CLAIMING THE HERO OF THE MASS SHOOTING, HIS FAMILY OWNED THAT
7 BUILDING, THAT DANCE STUDIO, SINCE THE 1990S, AND I KNOW
8 THAT'S NOT TRUE, THAT THERE'S A COVER-UP. IT IS JUST TOO
9 CONVENIENT. PEOPLE GENERATE HEROES RIGHT BEFORE STATE OF THE
10 UNION ADDRESSES, AND STUFF. I DON'T LIKE IT. IT SMELLS LIKE A
11 COVER-UP. YOU GUYS SHOULD TAKE A LOOK AT IT.

12
13 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. ITEM 3
14 IS BEFORE US, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. I WILL SECOND, TO
15 APPROVE THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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

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19 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

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

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24 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.



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

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3 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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7 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

10 HORVATH?

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

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14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES,

15 5-0.

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17 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 10, MARTIN

18 LUTHER KING JR. COMMUNITY HOSPITAL: KEEPING THE DREAM ALIVE,

19 WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. FOR MEMBERS OF THE

20 PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT

21 ON THIS ITEM,. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, WE WILL TURN IT TO YOU.

22

23 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. APPRECIATE THAT.

24 COLLEAGUES, THIS MOTION IS BEFORE US TODAY FOR, REALLY, ONE

25 SIMPLE FACT: MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY HOSPITAL ESTIMATES



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SUPERVISORS

1 THAT UNLESS IT RECEIVES FINANCIAL RELIEF, IT WILL RUN OUT OF
2 CASH IN DECEMBER 2024. SO THIS MOTION WILL PROVIDE TEMPORARY
3 FINANCIAL RELIEF TO MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, SO
4 IT CAN CONTINUE TO BE THE VIBRANT PROVIDER OF HOSPITAL
5 SERVICES IN THE SOUTH LOS ANGELES AND THE GREATER COMMUNITY.
6 THIS MOTION STAYS THE COURSE ON A COMMITMENT THIS COUNTY MADE
7 BACK IN 2010. THE COUNTY CREATED AND FUNDED A NONPROFIT TO
8 PROVIDE HOSPITAL SERVICES TO AN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITY OF SOUTH
9 L.A. THAT THE COUNTY HAD FAILED TO SERVE. THE COUNTY CREATED
10 AN UNPRECEDENTED PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP THAT USHERED IN A
11 NEW, HYBRID MODEL OF CARE. M.L.K. COMMUNITY HOSPITAL IS UNLIKE
12 ANY OTHER PRIVATE HOSPITAL, NOT ONLY IN THIS REGION, BUT IN
13 THE ENTIRE COUNTRY. THE COUNTY DETERMINED THE SIZE OF THE
14 HOSPITAL, AND BUILT THE HOSPITAL AND ITS EMERGENCY ROOM. THE
15 COUNTY PLACED M.L.K. COMMUNITY HOSPITAL ON COUNTY LAND,
16 ADJACENT TO COUNTY-RUN SERVICES, INCLUDING THE BEHAVIORAL
17 HEALTH CENTER AND AN OUTPATIENT CENTER. THE COUNTY FUNDED THE
18 HOSPITAL THROUGH COUNTY-ISSUED TAX-EXEMPT BONDS. THE COUNTY
19 ALSO CREATED THE NONPROFIT TO RUN M.L.K. COMMUNITY HOSPITAL,
20 AND CHOSE ITS FIRST BOARD MEMBERS. AT THAT POINT, THE COUNTY
21 AND THE NONPROFIT ENTERED INTO A 40-YEAR LEASE THAT INCLUDED
22 AN UNPRECEDENTED LEVEL OF FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT FROM THE COUNTY,
23 WHICH CONTINUES TODAY. THE COUNTY CREATED M.L.K. COMMUNITY
24 HOSPITAL TO PROVIDE HOSPITAL SERVICES FOR A POPULATION THAT
25 THE FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENT TOLD US WE HAD FAILED TO



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1 SERVE. AND SO THIS HOSPITAL IS KEEPING ITS END OF THE BARGAIN,
2 AND MORE. IT SERVES A PATIENT POPULATION THAT IS TRAGICALLY,
3 WOEFULLY UNDERSERVED, AND HAS HISTORIC HEALTH DISPARITIES; AND
4 ALL THE WHILE, IT MEETS NEARLY EVERY MARKER OF HIGH, UNMET
5 NEED AND CHRONIC ILLNESS. SUPERVISOR HAHN, WHEN WE LOOKED AT
6 THE PATIENT POPULATION, 42% OF THE PATIENTS ARE RESIDENTS OF
7 YOUR DISTRICT. THE SOUTH L.A. REGION IS A MEDICAL PROVIDER
8 SHORTAGE AREA. PER THE COUNTY C.E.O. ANALYSIS, THE HOSPITAL
9 SERVICE AREA MEETS ALL HEALTH EQUITY-RELATED INDICATORS,
10 INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO CONCENTRATED DISADVANTAGE, THE
11 FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL, THE CALIFORNIA HEALTHY PLACES INDEX,
12 AND THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION'S SOCIAL
13 VULNERABILITY INDEX. AND IN SPITE OF ALL OF THOSE CHALLENGES,
14 THIS HOSPITAL IS GETTING RARE, TOP QUALITY-OF-CARE SCORES FROM
15 OUR FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENT PATIENT OVERSIGHT PARTNERS. I
16 AM PROUD TO SAY THIS THE HOSPITAL WAS VISITED IN THE LAST YEAR
17 BY SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, XAVIER BECERRA; AND
18 TWO DAYS AFTER CHRISTMAS, OUR JUNIOR SENATOR IN THE U.S.
19 SENATE, SENATOR LAPHONZA BUTLER, CAME TO TOUR, BECAUSE SHE HAD
20 NEVER BEEN THERE TO SEE THE HOSPITAL, SO WE WERE GLAD TO HOST
21 HER. IT IS PROVIDING QUALITY SERVICES, DESPITE THE FACT THAT
22 THE COMMUNITY'S DEMAND FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES CONTINUES TO FAR
23 OUTPACE THE CAPACITY THAT THE COUNTY BUILT. BEFORE IT WAS
24 BUILT, THE COUNTY HAD PROJECTED THAT THE HOSPITAL EMERGENCY
25 ROOM WOULD RECEIVE ROUGHLY 25,000 TO 30,000 VISITS A YEAR.



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1 LAST YEAR, THE HOSPITAL HANDLED FOUR TIMES THAT NUMBER:
2 100,000 VISITS. THE C.E.O.'S REPORT NOTES THAT M.L.K.
3 COMMUNITY HOSPITAL'S EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT BURDEN IS ALMOST
4 THREE TIMES THE STATEWIDE MEDIAN. THE HOSPITAL REPORTS THAT
5 ITS COUNTY-CREATED FINANCING MODEL HAS NOT KEPT PACE WITH
6 INFLATION, INCLUDING THE RATE OF RISING HEALTHCARE COSTS AND
7 THE VOLUME OF PATIENTS SEEKING ITS CARE. THE OTHER TROUBLING
8 ELEMENT IS, MOST HOSPITALS HAVE TO BALANCE THEIR BOOKS BASED
9 ON THE TYPES OF PATIENTS THEY SERVE: THOSE WITH PRIVATE
10 INSURANCE, PRIVATE PAY, AND THOSE WHO ARE SUBSIDIZED. MARTIN
11 LUTHER KING COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, BASED ON WHO IT SERVES,
12 FRANKLY, IN THIS GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION, DOESN'T HAVE THAT
13 PATIENT MIX, AND SO IT IS ONLY PROVIDING INDIGENT CARE AND
14 THOSE WHO RECEIVE MEDI-CAL. AND WE KNOW, AND HAVE KNOWN FOR
15 DECADES, THAT THE MEDI-CAL REIMBURSEMENT RATE DOESN'T COME
16 ANYWHERE CLOSE TO THE MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT RATE, AND SO A
17 HOSPITAL WITH THAT PATIENT MIX, IT SUFFERS, LIKE MARTIN LUTHER
18 KING IS EXPERIENCING NOW. BY THE COUNTY'S DESIGN, THIS
19 HOSPITAL IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE FUNDS THAT
20 SUPPORT OTHER HOSPITALS WITH HIGH VOLUMES OF MEDI-CAL AND
21 UNINSURED PATIENTS. I UNDERSTAND THAT WAS A STRATEGIC DECISION
22 MADE WHEN THE BOARD DECIDED TO REOPEN THE HOSPITAL, AND AS A
23 RESULT, M.L.K. IS SUFFERING TODAY. SO WE, PLUS THE HOSPITAL,
24 ARE PURSUING MULTIPLE OPTIONS FOR LONG-TERM SUSTAINABILITY,
25 INCLUDING RELIEF FROM THE STATE, AS WELL AS MANAGED CARE



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1 PLANS. THEY HAVE A ROLE TO PLAY IN THIS, TOO. SO, UNTIL WE SEE
2 WHETHER OUR FEDERAL, STATE, AND HEALTH PLAN PARTNERS WILL ALSO
3 STEP UP, THIS MOTION PROPOSES MODEST RELIEF, AT NO NET COUNTY
4 COST-- I'LL REPEAT, AT NO NET COUNTY COST-- TO ENSURE THAT THE
5 L.A. COMMUNITY HAS UNINTERRUPTED ACCESS TO TOP-QUALITY
6 HOSPITAL CARE. FOR THE BIG PICTURE, OUR ACTION TODAY, THE
7 APPROVAL OF THIS MOTION, WILL ALLOW US TO SUPPORT A COMMUNITY
8 ASSET THAT EARNED A RARE FIVE-STAR RATING FROM THE CENTERS FOR
9 MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES FOR TWO YEARS IN A ROW. IN THE
10 MIDDLE OF THE C.O.V.I.D. PANDEMIC, THEY STILL RECEIVED A FIVE-
11 STAR RATING; RECENTLY EARNED AN "A" FROM LEAPFROG, AN
12 INDEPENDENT NATIONAL NONPROFIT THAT MEASURES QUALITY AND
13 PATIENT SAFETY AMONG 2300 HOSPITALS; AND A RECENT CALIFORNIA
14 ATTORNEY GENERAL REPORT RANKED THE HOSPITAL AMONG THE TOP-
15 SCORING AMONG PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HOSPITALS IN THE STATE FOR
16 ITS COMPLIANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA DIGNITY IN PREGNANCY AND
17 CHILDBIRTH ACT, WHICH ADDRESSES IMPLICIT BIAS IN THE BLACK
18 MATERNAL MORBIDITY AND INFANT HEALTHCARE REALM. FOR ALL THOSE
19 REASONS, COLLEAGUES, I ASK THAT YOU HELP ME, HELP US, SUPPORT
20 A THRIVING COMMUNITY ASSET THAT IS STEPPING UP TO THE PLATE,
21 AND IS PLAYING AN INTEGRAL ROLE IN THE OVERALL COUNTY'S
22 HEALTHCARE INFRASTRUCTURE, AND SUPPORT THESE ALLOCATIONS TO
23 SUPPORT MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY HOSPITAL'S ONGOING
24 VIABILITY. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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

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3 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, I WILL BE
4 SUPPORTING THIS MOTION TODAY. I REMEMBER-- AND, ACTUALLY, I
5 KNOW, SUPERVISOR HAHN, YOUR FATHER WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN
6 BRINGING MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL TO THE COMMUNITY, AND I
7 SAW THE VOID THAT OCCURRED WHEN IT CLOSED. AND MAKE NO
8 MISTAKE, THAT IS A COUNTYWIDE IMPACT, BECAUSE IT WILL IMPACT
9 HARBOR-U.C.L.A., IT WILL IMPACT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C., ALL OF
10 YOU, AND I KNOW THAT THE NEED IN THAT COMMUNITY-- I WENT OUT
11 TO THAT CAMPUS ABOUT SIX MONTHS AGO, AND IT IS A VERY BUSY
12 CAMPUS. WHEN I HEAR THE NUMBER, THE INCREASE IN THE EMERGENCY
13 ROOM VISITS, IT MAKES ME WONDER IF WE NEED TO LOOK AT OUR
14 OUTPATIENT PROVISIONS IN THE AREA, BECAUSE ONE OF THE THINGS
15 WE FOUND WITH L.A. COUNTY U.S.C., IN PARTICULAR, WAS A LOT OF
16 PEOPLE ARE COMING IN THERE BECAUSE THEY COULDN'T GET INTO
17 OUTPATIENT CARE. AND THAT'S HOW WE GOT THE ORIGINAL 1115
18 WAIVER, ACTUALLY, FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. SO I BELIEVE
19 THAT, WHILE THIS IS NOT A TRAUMA-- AND WE TALKED ABOUT THIS,
20 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL-- IT MAY NOT BE DESIGNATED TRAUMA, I WOULD
21 ARGUE I AM SURE THEY SEE MANY CASES THAT ST. FRANCIS, AS A
22 TRAUMA, WOULD PROBABLY SEE, BUT M.L.K. IS THERE. AND WHEN AN
23 AMBULANCE, A PARAMEDIC, IS DRIVING, THEY DON'T DIFFERENTIATE
24 BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE PRIVATE. THEY WANT TO GET THAT
25 PERSON TO A HOSPITAL, TO BE TREATED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. AND I



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1 KNOW THIS IS ONE-TIME FUNDING. I AM COMMITTED TO WORKING WITH
2 YOU BECAUSE, AGAIN, I BELIEVE THAT THIS HOSPITAL SERVES A
3 ROLE, ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE PATIENT MIX, WHICH IS
4 STARTLING, WHEN YOU TOLD ME THAT; THAT WE NEED TO REALLY
5 RETHINK, NOT ONLY AT A LOCAL LEVEL, BUT ACTUALLY AT A NATIONAL
6 LEVEL, HOW WE ARE REIMBURSING FOR HEALTHCARE, BECAUSE YOU ARE
7 ABSOLUTELY RIGHT. THE REIMBURSEMENT RATE IS FAR TOO LOW FOR
8 THE ACTUAL COST. AND I WOULD ARGUE THAT EVEN OUR PRIVATE
9 INSURANCE IS GETTING OFF EASY, BECAUSE I HAVE LOOKED AT BILLS
10 THAT ARE RECEIVED FROM SOME OF THAT PRIVATE INSURANCE, AND
11 THEN SOMEONE THAT DOES NOT, AND THE DISPARITY IN WHAT IS
12 CHARGED WILL MAKE YOU GASP. AND SO I THINK THE TIME HAS COME
13 FOR US TO REALLY FOCUS ON SUSTAINABILITY FOR OUR OVERALL
14 HEALTHCARE SYSTEM, BECAUSE WHILE WE DO HAVE MANY THAT NOW HAVE
15 INSURANCE THROUGH THE STATE, IT STILL GROSSLY UNDERFUNDS THE
16 ACTUAL COST FOR THE SERVICES BEING PROVIDED. SO I WILL BE
17 SUPPORTING THIS. I THANK YOU FOR BRINGING IT FORWARD. IT IS A
18 THOUGHTFUL MOTION, AND THE COMMUNITY IS LUCKY TO HAVE YOU AS
19 AN ADVOCATE. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

22
23 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
24 MITCHELL, FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD. IT IS CLEAR THAT
25 THIS HOSPITAL SERVES AN INCREDIBLE NEED, AND YOU ARE RIGHT:



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1 42% OF THOSE WHO SHOW UP THERE ARE IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT, BUT
2 THIS HOSPITAL HAS SUCH A HISTORY IN L.A. COUNTY. FOR THOSE OF
3 YOU WHO ARE NOT OLD ENOUGH TO REMEMBER, AFTER THE 1965 WATTS
4 RIOTS, THE MCCONE MISSION DID A REPORT ON WHAT THE UNDERLYING
5 CAUSES OF THAT INSURRECTION, UPRISING, WHATEVER YOU WANT TO
6 CALL IT WAS, AND THE NUMBER-ONE ISSUE WAS THAT THAT COMMUNITY,
7 UNLIKE EVERY OTHER COMMUNITY IN L.A. COUNTY, DID NOT HAVE
8 ACCESS TO A FULL-SERVICE HEALTHCARE HOSPITAL. THOSE RESIDENTS
9 OF THAT COMMUNITY WOULD TRAVEL DOWNTOWN TO THE BIG GENERAL,
10 AND MANY TIMES THEY WOULD DIE, NOT NECESSARILY OF THEIR INJURY
11 OR THEIR ILLNESS, BUT BECAUSE OF THE LENGTH THAT THEY HAD TO
12 TRAVEL TO GET HEALTHCARE. AND MANY TIMES, THEY WOULD TAKE
13 SEVERAL BUSES TO GET TO THE HOSPITAL, ONLY TO FIND OUT THAT A
14 DOCTOR MAYBE COULDN'T SEE THEM. THEY WOULD HAVE TO GO HOME AND
15 TRY AGAIN THE NEXT DAY. SO MY FATHER WAS THE SUPERVISOR AT THE
16 TIME, AND WAS DETERMINED TO BUILD A HOSPITAL, OVER MUCH OF THE
17 OBJECTION OF HIS COLLEAGUES ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, WHO
18 DIDN'T SUPPORT THAT, AND SO MUCH SO THAT I REMEMBER BEING ON A
19 VACATION, ONE OF THE FEW VACATIONS WE EVER TOOK, AND HAVING TO
20 REPACK OUR SUITCASES, URGENTLY, AND CATCH A FLIGHT HOME,
21 BECAUSE HE WAS TOLD THAT THE SUPERVISORS WERE GOING TO VOTE
22 AGAINST THE PATHWAY FORWARD WHILE HE WAS GONE. SO HE FOUGHT
23 FOR IT, AND THE FINANCING, AS YOU MENTIONED, SUPERVISOR
24 MITCHELL, WAS A UNIQUE BOND ISSUANCE, FINANCING TO CONSTRUCT
25 IT, BUT NEVERTHELESS, IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR THAT HOSPITAL TO BE



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1 BUILT. AND IN THE EARLY 2000S, WHEN THAT HOSPITAL WAS IN
2 DISTRESS, I REMEMBER, BEFORE I WAS EVEN ELECTED ON THE CITY
3 COUNCIL, I WAS AN OUTSPOKEN CRITIC OF THE THEN-BOARD'S
4 DECISION TO CLOSE THE TRAUMA CENTER. THAT TRAUMA CENTER, BY
5 THE WAY, WAS ONE OF THE MOST RENOWNED TRAUMA CENTERS IN THE
6 COUNTRY. IN FACT, AT THE TIME, THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S
7 DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE WOULD TRAIN THEIR DOCTORS WHO WERE
8 HEADED TO THE BATTLEFIELD AT THE TRAUMA CENTER AT M.L.K.
9 HOSPITAL, BECAUSE THE KINDS OF INJURIES AND WOUNDS, THEY WERE
10 SIMILAR TO A WAR BATTLEFIELD. AND WHEN THAT TRAUMA CENTER
11 CLOSED, IT LEFT A GAPING HOLE FOR THE COMMUNITY. I THINK THAT
12 L.A. COUNTY'S GONE FROM 22 TRAUMA CENTERS. WE'RE WAY DOWN NOW,
13 TO HOW MANY TRAUMA CENTERS WE HAVE. AND IT'S A NETWORK, AS
14 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL SAID. IT'S A NETWORK, AND IT'S A SAFETY-
15 NET NETWORK. AND ANY TIME WE LOSE HEALTHCARE, ANY TIME A
16 HOSPITAL IS CLOSED OR REDUCED OR COMPROMISED, THAT HURTS OUR
17 ENTIRE NETWORK. AND GOD FORBID THERE'S A MAJOR DISASTER THAT
18 MIGHT HAPPEN IN L.A. COUNTY. EVERY HOSPITAL, EVERY DOCTOR,
19 EVERY NURSE, EVERY EMERGENCY ROOM WILL BE ON HIGH ALERT TO
20 RECEIVE THOSE THAT MIGHT COME FROM A DISASTER. SO I THINK, YOU
21 KNOW, THE FACT THAT THEY HAD FOUR TIMES THE VISITS THAN WAS
22 EVEN PROJECTED SAYS THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE BEEN A LITTLE BIT OF
23 A VICTIM OF THEIR OWN SUCCESS. AND I REMEMBER BEING THERE WITH
24 FORMER SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AS WE REOPENED THAT
25 HOSPITAL, REDESIGNED IT, CHANGED THE LOOK OF IT, WENT FROM



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1 BEING A COUNTY HOSPITAL TO A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP, AND I
2 FELT VERY GRATIFIED TO HIM. IT WAS ALMOST LIKE WE WERE FROM
3 THE ASHES. WE WERE LETTING IT RISE AGAIN. SO PLEASE KNOW THAT
4 I WILL CONTINUE TO BE YOUR ALLY, YOUR ADVOCATE. WE MUST KEEP
5 THAT HOSPITAL OPEN. WE MUST SUPPORT THAT HOSPITAL. AND
6 ANYTHING WE CAN DO GOING FORWARD, IF THIS MOTION TODAY IS NOT
7 ENOUGH, THEN WE NEED TO BRING IT BACK AND FIND OUT WHAT IS
8 ENOUGH. IT IS NOT AN OPTION FOR THE MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.
9 HOSPITAL TO FAIL ON ANY LEVEL, AND I WILL BE A STRONG ADVOCATE
10 WITH YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, TO MAKE SURE THAT DOESN'T
11 HAPPEN.

12
13 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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15 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. AND THANK YOU,
16 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR BRINGING THE MOTION FORWARD. A LOT
17 HAS ALREADY BEEN SAID, AND I, TOO, STAND TO SUPPORT THE
18 MOTION. I KNOW HOW CRITICALLY IMPORTANT IT IS FOR THE
19 SOUTHEAST COMMUNITIES. WHEN I REPRESENTED THE AREA NOT TOO
20 LONG AGO, SUPERVISOR HAHN, WE KNEW THAT THERE WAS A SHORTAGE
21 OF FACILITIES IN HEALTHCARE, AND WE STILL ARE FACED WITH THAT.
22 BUT I KNOW THAT THE PATIENT POPULATION HAS CHANGED
23 DRAMATICALLY, AS WELL, AND SO WE NEED TO HAVE STRONG, VIBRANT
24 ASSISTANCE OUT THERE. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT YOU
25 MENTIONED, THAT I, TOO, WOULD LIKE TO SEE HAPPEN, IS THAT WE



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1 LOOK AT A VIABLE FISCAL PLAN THAT ACTUALLY PROVIDES A MIXTURE
2 OF NOT JUST THE MEDICAID OR INDIGENT POPULATION, BUT ALSO TO
3 SEE HOW WE GET OUR HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDERS, L.A. CARE OR
4 OTHERS, HEALTH NET AND WHAT HAVE YOU, OR EVEN KAISER-- WELL,
5 NOT KAISER, BUT I'M JUST SAYING THAT WE NEED TO HAVE MORE
6 PEOPLE PUT SKIN IN THE GAME, AND ALLOW FOR ADEQUATE
7 REIMBURSEMENT, SO WE CAN HAVE SUFFICIENT SERVICES PROVIDED. IT
8 IS A SPECTACULAR HOSPITAL, NO DOUBT. I REMEMBER GOING TO THE
9 OPENING WHEN MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS WAS SERVING AS SUPERVISOR, BUT
10 ALSO RECENTLY, TO SEE THE SERVICES THAT WERE BEING OFFERED IN
11 TREATMENT FOR OUR MENTAL HEALTH, AND KNOWING HOW REALLY
12 IMPORTANT IT IS, AND THE COMMITMENT OF THE STAFF. I REALLY
13 WANT TO GIVE THEM A SHOUT-OUT, AS WELL, BECAUSE THAT WAS
14 REALLY REMARKABLE. SO I, TOO, PLAN TO SUPPORT THE MOTION.
15 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

16
17 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, AND I AM ALSO SUPPORTIVE OF
18 THE MOTION TO FINANCIALLY SUPPORT MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.
19 COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. THIS HOSPITAL IS PART OF OUR COUNTY
20 FAMILY, AS WE HAVE HEARD, THROUGH ITS UNIQUE PUBLIC-PRIVATE
21 PARTNERSHIP, AND THIS BOARD'S RESPONSIBILITY IS TO ENSURE THAT
22 ITS DOORS REMAIN OPEN, TO CONTINUE PROVIDING QUALITY
23 HEALTHCARE, ESPECIALLY IN A COMMUNITY THAT NEEDS AND DESERVES
24 THIS CARE. M.L.K. COMMUNITY HOSPITAL IS NOT ONLY PROVIDING
25 HEALTHCARE BEYOND ITS CAPACITY, IT IS ALSO DOING SO WHILE



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1 MAINTAINING QUALITY SERVICES. YOU'VE HEARD, FOR TWO YEARS IN A
2 ROW, IT HAS EARNED A RARE FIVE-STAR RATING FROM THE CENTERS
3 FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES AGENCY, FOR PATIENT
4 SATISFACTION AND SAFETY PRACTICES; AND IT RECENTLY EARNED AN
5 "A" FROM LEAPFROG, AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL NONPROFIT THAT
6 MEASURES QUALITY AND PATIENT SAFETY AMONG 2300 HOSPITALS. THE
7 ACTIONS TODAY IN THIS MOTION ARE A BANDAGE TO AN ONGOING
8 STRUCTURAL DEFICIT, AS WE ARE ALLUDING TO, BUT IT IS MY HOPE
9 AND EXPECTATION THAT ONGOING DOLLARS ARE IDENTIFIED TO ENSURE
10 THE LONG-TERM STABILITY OF THE M.L.K. COMMUNITY HOSPITAL FOR
11 YEARS TO COME. I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR
12 BRINGING TODAY'S MOTION FORWARD. IT IS THE EMBODIMENT OF
13 EQUITY, AND I'M PROUD TO SUPPORT IT, AND I WILL TURN IT TO YOU
14 FOR THE LAST WORD.

15
16 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT, MADAM
17 CHAIR, AND THE COMMENTS OF EVERYONE. I JUST WANTED TO QUICKLY
18 STATE TO SUPERVISOR BARGER, A PART OF THE MOTION IS TO DIRECT
19 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES TO PUT A CLINICAL TEAM OUTSIDE
20 OF THE HOSPITAL'S EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT, TO BETTER DIRECT NON-
21 EMERGENT PATIENTS OVER TO THE COUNTY'S URGENT CARE THAT IS
22 RIGHT NEXT DOOR. WE'VE DONE THINGS LIKE MADE THE SIGNAGE
23 BIGGER. WE'RE DOING ALL THAT WE CAN TO MAKE SURE THAT THE
24 COUNTY, AS A VERY CLOSE NEIGHBOR-- FRANKLY, THE HOSPITAL HAS
25 IMPACTED THE ENTIRE CAMPUS. IF WE COULD WAVE OUR MAGIC WAND



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1 AND CREATE MORE LAND SPACE, WE COULD DO MORE. AND I
2 APPRECIATE, WHEN THE HOSPITAL WAS REOPENED, IT WAS, AS MY
3 GRANDFATHER WOULD SAY, A TOUGH ROW TO HOE, TO GET WHAT WE GOT.
4 THE 25,000 PROJECTION WAS PROBABLY ABOUT THE BEST-- AND MOST--
5 THE BOARD AT THAT TIME WAS WILLING TO DO. IT IS SIMPLY TOO
6 SMALL, SO THEY ARE BOTH A VICTIM OF THEIR SUCCESS, AND IT IS
7 SIMPLY TOO SMALL, REALLY, GIVEN THE NEEDS IN THAT COMMUNITY.
8 TO YOUR POINT, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, THE CULTURAL AND LINGUISTIC
9 COMPETENCY AND COMPASSION OF EVERY STAFF MEMBER AT THAT
10 HOSPITAL IS STELLAR. AND WHEN WE LOOK AT THE BIRTH AND
11 DELIVERY OUTCOMES OF BLACK AND BROWN WOMEN AND BIRTHING
12 PEOPLE, WHEN WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE NUMBER OF HOSPITALS THAT ARE
13 CLOSING THEIR DELIVERY ROOMS, THAT IS GOING TO FURTHER IMPACT
14 THIS HOSPITAL. AND THE FACT THAT THEY ARE DOING IT SO WELL FOR
15 BLACK AND BROWN COMMUNITIES, AGAIN, IS A TESTAMENT TO THE
16 COMMITMENT OF DR. BATCHLOR AND HER ENTIRE TEAM THERE. THIS IS
17 OUR FIRST STEP. THERE WILL BE MULTIPLE STEPS. WE ARE WORKING
18 WITH ALL OF THOSE OTHER PARTNERS, HEALTH PLANS, LOOKING TO THE
19 FEDERAL, STATE GOVERNMENT, AND THE COUNTY HAS A ROLE TO PLAY,
20 AS WELL. WHEN WE FIRST DEVELOPED THIS UNIQUE MODEL, WE ALSO
21 DIDN'T MAKE OUR OWN FINANCIAL COMMITMENT THAT WOULD KEEP PACE
22 WITH INFLATION, AND SO WE'VE GOT WORK TO DO TO MAKE SURE THAT
23 WE ARE CONTINUING TO SUPPORT THE HOSPITAL IN A WAY THAT ALLOWS
24 US IT TO BE FISCALLY HEALTHY AND FISCALLY SOLVENT. WITH THAT,
25 MADAM CHAIR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AND THANKS TO ALL OF MY



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1 COLLEAGUES FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO THIS INSTITUTION. THANK YOU
2 FOR YOUR PATIENCE IN ALLOWING ME TO KIND OF WALK US THROUGH,
3 TO REMIND SOME OF US WHO WEREN'T HERE AT THE TIME HOW WE GOT
4 HERE; HOW IT CAME TO BE THE KIND OF HYBRID, UNIQUE MODEL,
5 NATIONALLY; THE FACT THAT IT IS NOT A DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE
6 HOSPITAL; AND WHY WE HAVE TO STEP UP TO MAKE SURE THAT THE
7 HOSPITAL STAYS OPEN AND CONTINUES TO PROVIDE HIGH-QUALITY,
8 STELLAR SERVICES TO RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY.

9
10 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
11 PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO
12 SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

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14 **SPEAKER:** WILL ARNA FULCHER, ARTHUR GOMEZ, DANIEL GARCIA,
15 DANETTE MCBRIDE, DANIELLE WILSON, DEBORAH PROTHROW-STITH,
16 DEVORA REYES, DONALD HARLAN, DOTUN OGUNYEMI, GLORIA DAVIS,
17 INGRID RIVERA-GUZMAN, JOHN POSTAL, JUAN WASHINGTON, KELLIE
18 HAWKINS DAVIS, AND LUZ ZAVALA PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF
19 WILL ASSIST YOU? AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE
20 TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 10, AND IF YOU
21 HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE
22 PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST
23 REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE?

24
25 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS MR. CARTER. YOU MAY BEGIN.



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2 **SPEAKER:** HI. I'M CALLING IN REGARDS TO ITEM NUMBER 10, THAT
3 MS. MITCHELL PROPOSED. ONE PROBLEM THAT HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR
4 SO LONG IS THAT MS. MITCHELL'S AREA HAS NEGLECTED THIS MATTER
5 FOR SO LONG. SO I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S ELECTION TIME COMING UP,
6 SHE'S TRYING TO MAKE CHANGES, BUT MANY PEOPLE HAVE BEEN
7 COMPLAINING ABOUT THE EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR SOME PERIOD OF
8 TIME, AND IN THIS ITEM NUMBER 10, SHE SAYS BY JULY 4TH OR 14TH
9 IT SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTED. IF THIS IS AN EMERGENCY, AFTER THE
10 IMPLEMENTATION SHOULD COME PRIOR. AND IT IS ALSO STRANGE THAT,
11 ON THIS MOTION, SHE SPEAKS ABOUT DISPARITIES, BUT MS. MITCHELL
12 SITS ON THE BOARD OF THE M.T.A., AND WEST HOLLYWOOD
13 CONSTITUENTS HAVE PHONE CHARGERS AT THEIR BUS STOPS, BUT IN
14 MS. MITCHELL'S DISTRICT, WHERE SHE SITS ON THE BOARD--

15

16 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THIS ITEM IS ABOUT THE M.L.K. HOSPITAL.
17 YOU CAN TALK ABOUT PHONE CHARGERS IN GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT
18 AT THE END OF THE MEETING, IF YOU WOULD LIKE.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** YES, THIS IS ABOUT THE HOSPITAL AND THE DISPARITY.
21 SHE USED THE WORD "DISPARITY," AND I AM SPEAKING ABOUT THE
22 WORD THAT SHE USED, ABOUT THE DISPARITY, AND ALSO BRINGING
23 THIS HOSPITAL UP TO PAR, AND TO MEET CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

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SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
2 PLEASE.

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4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YOU MAY
5 BEGIN.

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7 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF
8 SUPERVISORS. I WAS VERY INVOLVED ABOUT THE CLOSURE AND THE
9 REOPENING OF M.L.K., WITH SUPERVISOR HAHN AND M.L.K., AND ONE
10 OF THE CONDITIONS OF REOPENING THAT HOSPITAL WAS ALSO TO HAVE
11 A BRANCH WHERE WE WOULD ALSO RAISE MONEY FOR THE HOSPITAL, AND
12 I HAVE NOT HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT THAT. AND WE HAVE BEEN GIVING
13 MONEY OFF AND ON. I KNOW IT IS NEEDED, BUT WE NEED TO REALLY
14 LOOK MORE AT WHAT IS REALLY GOING ON, BECAUSE, AS I SAID, IT
15 WAS A CONDITION TO HAVE A BRANCH OF THE HOSPITAL RAISING
16 MONEY, ALSO, FOR THE HOSPITAL, AND I HAVE NOT HEARD ANYTHING
17 ABOUT THAT. ANYWAY, THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THAT ITEM.

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

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21 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS TAMARA KAYE. YOU MAY BEGIN.

22
23 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

24
25 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD.



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2 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. SO, IT IS VITAL THAT THIS HOSPITAL STAYS OPEN,
3 AND RECEIVES THE FUNDING AND SUPPLIES AND STAFF THAT IT NEEDS.
4 I WITNESSED, DURING C.O.V.I.D., HOSPITAL CLOSURES, RIGHT? AND
5 SOUTH L.A. CANNOT AFFORD TO LOSE A HOSPITAL. IT NEEDS FUNDING
6 BEYOND WHAT Y'ALL ARE TALKING ABOUT. AND I CAN'T UNDERSTAND
7 HOW IT RECEIVES A FIVE-STAR RATING WHEN IT IS OVERBURDENED,
8 AND IT DOESN'T HAVE THE RESOURCES THAT IT ACTUALLY NEEDS. A
9 MOTION IS NEEDED, BUT ONGOING FUNDING TO KEEP THIS HOSPITAL
10 RUNNING, RIGHT, FOR THE COMMUNITY, IT NEEDS RESOURCES, AND
11 STAFF, AND SUPPLIES, AND ONGOING FUNDING. I DON'T THINK A
12 TEMPORARY--

13

14 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
15 PLEASE.

16

17 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS REVEREND NARLENE WATLEY.
18 YOU MAY BEGIN.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE, AND I AM HERE TO SUPPORT THE
21 FUNDING FOR THE MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY HOSPITAL: KEEPING
22 THE DREAM ALIVE. THIS HOSPITAL HAS SAVED THREE OF MY FAMILY
23 MEMBERS' LIVES. MY BROTHER WAS SHOT, DURING A DRIVE-BY
24 SHOOTING, TEN TIMES WITH AN A.K.-47, AND THAT TRAUMA CENTER
25 SAVED HIS LIFE. MY GRANDDAUGHTER WAS SHOT THREE TIMES-- A



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1 DRIVE-BY SHOOTING-- AND THAT HOSPITAL NOT ONLY PROVIDED THE
2 SAFETY FOR HER FAMILY, AND SECURITY, BUT ALSO SAVED HER LIFE.
3 AND MY THIRD GRANDDAUGHTER-- MY SECOND CHILD WAS HAVING
4 COMPLICATIONS, AND THE DELIVERY DEPARTMENT SAVED HER AND MY
5 GRANDDAUGHTER'S LIFE. THIS HOSPITAL IS SO IMPORTANT TO SOUTH
6 L.A., AND I CAN'T EVEN SEE WHAT IT WOULD BE LIKE NOT TO HAVE
7 M.L.K.

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9 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
10 PLEASE.

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12 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS BARBARA WILSON. YOU MAY
15 BEGIN.

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17 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR
18 BRINGING THIS MOTION. I AM A LONGTIME RESIDENT. I CAME OUT
19 HERE AS A YOUNG PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER, WORKING IN THE
20 CRENSHAW DISTRICT, AND I SAW FIRSTHAND HOW IMPORTANT
21 SUPERVISOR KENNETH HAHN WAS. SO I AM IN SUPPORT OF DOING
22 WHATEVER IT TAKES TO KEEP THIS HOSPITAL RUNNING. IT PROVIDES
23 SO MUCH SUPPORT, AND NECESSARY, AS OTHER PEOPLE HAVE
24 MENTIONED, THEIR SUPPORT OF TRAUMA. SO I AM ALL IN, IF THERE'S
25 ANYTHING I CAN DO. AND THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR BARGER, MY



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1 PERSONAL SUPERVISOR, AT THIS TIME IN MY LIFE, FOR SUPPORTING
2 THIS MOTION.

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

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6 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS RICARDO MARQUEZ. YOU MAY
7 BEGIN.

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9 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR AND FELLOW SUPERVISORS.
10 MY NAME IS RICARDO MARQUEZ, CALLING [INAUDIBLE] REALLY
11 APPLAUDING THE WORK OF SUPERVISOR HOLLY MITCHELL AND THE REST
12 OF THE FELLOW SUPERVISORS IN SUPPORTING THE M.L.K.C.H., TO
13 MAKE SURE THAT IT CONTINUES TO STAY OPEN AND SUPPORT THE
14 WORKING FAMILIES AND EVERYONE WHO SEEKS HELP WITHIN THE AREA,
15 WHO ARE WITHIN THE LOW A.M.I. POVERTY LINE. REALLY APPLAUD A
16 CONTINUATION OF SUPPORT AND MAKING SURE THAT THIS HAPPENS.
17 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FOR THE SUPPORT, AND I LOOK
18 FORWARD TO MAKING SURE IT GETS CONTINUED TO STAY OPEN.

19

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

21

22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS MICHAEL BROWNING. YOU MAY
23 BEGIN.

24



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1 **MICHAEL BROWNING:** HELLO. THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
2 MITCHELL. MY NAME IS MIKE BROWNING, FROM BLACK WOMEN RALLY FOR
3 ACTION LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND I AM VERY OVERWHELMED WITH THAT
4 COMMENT MADE BY THE RESIDENT WHO HAD LIVES SAVED. WE HAVE BEEN
5 WORKING IN BEHALF OF KING FOR YEARS, AND TO SEE IT OPEN, AND
6 TO SEE THE STELLAR SERVICES THEY PROVIDED, IS EXCELLENT. WHAT
7 IS MORE IMPORTANT TODAY THAN THE MONEY IS THAT ALL SUPERVISORS
8 VOICED SUPPORT FOR KING, BECAUSE AS WE ALL KNOW, THAT WASN'T
9 THE CASE SOME YEARS AGO. AND SO WE REALLY APPRECIATE THE
10 EFFORT THAT YOU ARE MAKING NOW, AND THAT YOU ARE GOING TO
11 CONTINUE TO MAKE. AND IF ANYBODY IS DOWN ON THE SUCCESS OF
12 KING, THEY SHOULD HAVE BEEN THERE DURING C.O.V.I.D., BECAUSE
13 MANY LIVES WERE SAVED, AND WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR EVERY LIFE THAT
14 WAS SAVED. THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS.

15
16 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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

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21 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE WILL NOW TURN IN
22 PERSON. WELCOME.

23
24 **AVIS RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS AVIS RIDLEY-THOMAS.
25 I AM HONORED AND GRATEFUL TO ADDRESS YOU TODAY ABOUT MY



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1 JANUARY 13TH EXPERIENCE IN THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT OF MARTIN
2 LUTHER KING JR. COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. IT WAS THE CLOSEST MEDICAL
3 PROVIDER TO ME WHEN I NEEDED EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE. AT THE
4 RECOMMENDATION OF DR. DEBORAH PROTHROW-STITH, THE DEAN OF
5 CHARLES DREW MEDICAL SCHOOL, WHO HAPPENED TO BE WITH ME, SHE
6 RECOMMENDED THAT I IMMEDIATELY GET CARE, WHICH WAS ACROSS THE
7 STREET. WE WERE JOINED LATER BY DR. BOB ROSS, PRESIDENT AND
8 C.E.O. OF THE CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT, WHO JOINED US IN THAT
9 OVERBURDENED EMERGENCY ROOM; PATIENTS LINED UP, NOT ONLY
10 INSIDE, BUT OUTSIDE IN THE AMBULANCE BAY. I GOT EXCELLENT
11 CARE. THE MEDICAL STAFF WERE PROFESSIONAL AND VERY RESPONSIVE.
12 I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT YOU ARE ALL EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR
13 THIS MOTION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME TODAY.

14
15 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE APPRECIATE YOU BEING HERE,
16 AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

17
18 **ARNA FULCHER:** GOOD MORNING. I'M ARNA FULCHER, AND I'M HERE
19 TODAY, REPRESENTING AS A MEMBER OF THE EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS
20 EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP, AND CHAIR OF ITS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
21 COMMITTEE. I AM ONCE AGAIN FRUSTRATED THAT WE ARE BACK AGAIN
22 TO REQUEST SUPPORT FOR M.L.K.C.H. TO CONTINUE OPERATIONS FOR
23 MUCH-NEEDED SERVICES IN A COMMUNITY THAT PROVIDES HEALTHCARE
24 SERVICES TO A LARGE POPULATION OF OUR UNDERSERVED COMMUNITY,
25 WHO ARE CONSISTENTLY IMPACTED BY SOCIAL DETERMINANTS THAT



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1 IMPACT HEALTHY ENVIRONMENTS. THIS MOTION BROUGHT BY HOLLY
2 MITCHELL WILL ALLOW THE COUNTY TO CONTINUE TO FINANCIALLY
3 SUPPORT THE HOSPITAL IN A MANNER THAT WOULD HAVE IMPACT ON NO
4 NET COUNTY COSTS, BY ACCESSING MEASURE B FUNDS, IN ORDER TO
5 ADDRESS THE HOSPITAL'S PROJECTED FUNDING SHORTFALL THIS YEAR.
6 THE SHORTFALL HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE SERVICE DELIVERY, BUT
7 EVERYTHING TO DO WITH THE NEEDS OF THIS LOCAL COMMUNITY. I
8 LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING THIS MOTION PASS, AS YOU HAVE DONE THUS
9 FAR, AND TO SEE WOMEN WHO LOOK AND CHILDREN WHO LOOK LIKE ME
10 GET THE SERVICES AND THE CARE THAT THEY NEED. THANK YOU.

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

13
14 **DR. ROBERTO VARGAS:** GOOD MORNING. I'M DR. ROBERTO VARGAS. I'M
15 THE ASSISTANT DEAN FOR CLINICAL PARTNERSHIPS AND HEALTH POLICY
16 AT CHARLES R. DREW UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE. I'M
17 HERE WITH MY COLLEAGUES, AND I HAVE A BRIEF EXCERPT FROM A
18 LETTER ON BEHALF OF OUR PRESIDENT, DAVID CARLISLE: "THE MARTIN
19 LUTHER KING JR. COMMUNITY HOSPITAL WAS OPENED IN 2014 TO
20 ADDRESS THE ACCESS-TO-CARE VOID CREATED BY THE 2007 CLOSURE OF
21 THE COUNTY KING/DREW MEDICAL CENTER. THE COMMUNITY THE
22 HOSPITAL SERVES IS ALSO SEVERELY FINANCIALLY CHALLENGED.
23 DESPITE THESE CHALLENGES, M.L.K. COMMUNITY HOSPITAL CONTINUES
24 TO PERFORM COMMENDABLY, FROM A QUALITY-OF-CARE STANDPOINT. WE
25 ARE PROUD OF THE NUMEROUS ACCOLADES AND AWARDS THEY HAVE



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1 RECEIVED FOR THIS CARE. IT IS A TRUE BEACON OF HOPE FOR A
2 COMMUNITY WHERE, UNFORTUNATELY, HIGHEST-LEVEL SERVICES OF ANY
3 KIND HAVE HISTORICALLY BEEN FEW AND FAR BETWEEN. FOR THESE
4 REASONS, WE ENDORSE AND STRONGLY RECOMMEND THE APPROVAL OF
5 ITEM 10 BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS." THANK
6 YOU.

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8 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

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10 **DEBORAH PROTHROW-STITH:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. WITH YOUR
11 SUPPORT, AS YOU KNOW, WE HAVE OPENED A NEW MEDICAL SCHOOL AT
12 CHARLES R. DREW UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE. I'M DEAN
13 DEBORAH PROTHROW-STITH, HERE TO STRONGLY SUPPORT ITEM 10, AND
14 TO THANK SUPERVISOR HOLLY MITCHELL AND ALL THE SUPERVISORS FOR
15 SUPPORTING THIS INITIATIVE. I CAN'T OVERSTATE HOW IMPORTANT
16 THIS HOSPITAL IS, NOT ONLY TO THE COMMUNITY, BUT TO THE
17 TRAINING OF THE FUTURE HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS WHO WILL SERVE IN
18 THAT COMMUNITY. WE KNOW THAT DOCTORS STAY WHERE THEY TRAIN,
19 AND BEING ACROSS THE STREET IS HUGE FOR US. NOT ONLY THAT, YOU
20 HEARD ABOUT A RECENT EPISODE. THERE ARE SEVERAL HUNDRED
21 EMPLOYEES EVERY DAY AT THE UNIVERSITY--

22
23 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER. GO
24 AHEAD.



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1 **ARTHUR GOMEZ:** DISTINGUISHED BOARD, MY NAME IS ARTHUR GOMEZ.
2 I'M SENIOR ASSOCIATE DEAN FOR THE CHARLES DREW UNIVERSITY
3 COLLEGE OF MEDICINE, AND AS I RECALL, WE BROUGHT OUR 60 BRAND-
4 NEW STUDENTS HERE TO SEE YOUR GOVERNMENT IN ACTION JUST SIX
5 MONTHS AGO, AND SO IT IS A PLEASURE TO BE HERE, A PART OF THAT
6 PROCESS. THESE STUDENTS ARE NOW READY TO ROLL UP THEIR SLEEVES
7 AND WORK AT THE MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, SO WE
8 ARE CERTAINLY IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL AND
9 ITS GOAL TO REALLY TREAT THE UNDERSERVED, TREAT THOSE WITH
10 LANGUAGE-ACCESS DIFFICULTIES, TREAT THOSE WHO HAVE HEALTH
11 DISPARITIES, TREAT THOSE WHO COME FROM, CERTAINLY, VERY
12 UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS, NOT ONLY FOR THE SELFISH REASON OF
13 TEACHING OUR STUDENTS, BUT THEY REALLY WANT TO START TO ROLL
14 UP THEIR SLEEVES AND CARE FOR THE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU SO
15 MUCH.

16
17 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18
19 **DOTUN OGUNYEMI:** MY NAME IS DOTUN OGUNYEMI. I'M CURRENTLY THE
20 D.I.O., WHICH IS THE PERSON IN CHARGE OF GRADUATE MEDICAL
21 EDUCATION, TRAINING ALL RESIDENTS AT CHARLES DREW UNIVERSITY.
22 I AM ALSO THE CHAIR OF O.B.-G.Y.N. DEPARTMENT AT CHARLES DREW
23 UNIVERSITY. I'M A MATERNAL-FETAL MEDICINE SPECIALIST, WHO IS
24 INTERESTED IN DECREASING THE DISPARITIES THAT WOULD LEAD TO
25 WOMEN AND BIRTHING PEOPLE GIVING BIRTH IN OUR AREA. AND SO



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1 THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT TO US. AGAIN, I'M ALSO A PRODUCT OF
2 KING/DREW MEDICAL CENTER. I TRAINED THERE, AND I REMEMBER ALL
3 THE WORK WE USED TO DO. DATA SHOWS THAT ONE OUT OF THREE EVERY
4 BLACK AND BROWN PHYSICIANS IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA TRAINED
5 FROM THAT INSTITUTION, AND SO WE NEED TO REPLACE THAT. WE NEED
6 TO BRING BACK MORE TRAINING PROGRAMS. AND FOR US TO BE ABLE TO
7 DO THAT, WE NEED TO HAVE A VIBRANT MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.
8 COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR YOU ALL TO SUPPORT
9 THIS. I REMEMBER THE WORK THAT SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN HAS
10 DONE, BACK FOR DECADES.

11
12 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS
13 EXPIRED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YOUR PASSION IS INSPIRING, THIS
14 MORNING. I AM SO GLAD TO HEAR THESE COMMENTS. OUR NEXT
15 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16
17 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS ENYO GARCIA, AND I COME FROM
18 [INAUDIBLE], CALIFORNIA. [INAUDIBLE]. I APPROVE THE MOTION,
19 BUT HERE'S MY PROBLEM. MY PROBLEM IS THE NUMBER. IT SHOULD BE
20 \$10 MILLION, NOT A MILLION DOLLARS, BECAUSE YOU'RE FORGETTING
21 ABOUT PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. OKAY? [INAUDIBLE]. SO, PLEASE,
22 \$10 MILLION, PLEASE. [INAUDIBLE]. \$10 MILLION. THANK YOU.

23
24 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER.



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1 **INGRID RIVERA-GUZMAN:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. INGRID
2 RIVERA-GUZMAN, POLICY DIRECTOR WITH SPECIAL NEEDS NETWORK,
3 HERE IN STRONG SUPPORT OF KEEPING THE DREAM ALIVE AT THE
4 M.L.K. HOSPITAL, A VITAL COMMUNITY RESOURCE PROVIDING LIFE-
5 SAVING CARE TO MILLIONS OF OUR SOUTH L.A. NEIGHBORS. WE THANK
6 YOU FOR APPROVING THIS CRITICAL FUNDING TODAY, AND TAKING BOLD
7 ACTION TO AFFIRM THAT THE LIVES OF ALL BLACK AND BROWN
8 ANGELENOS MATTER, AND ARE WORTHY OF COMPASSIONATE, QUALITY,
9 AND INNOVATIVE HEALTHCARE. THANK YOU.

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

12
13 **DANETTE MCBRIDE:** MY NAME IS DANETTE MCBRIDE. I AM A SOUTH L.A.
14 RESIDENT, AND A MEMBER OF THE EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS. I AM HERE
15 TO URGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT MOTION 10, MARTIN LUTHER KING
16 COMMUNITY HOSPITAL: KEEPING THE DREAM ALIVE, AUTHORED BY
17 SUPERVISOR HOLLY J. MITCHELL. RESIDENTS OF L.A.-- SOUTH L.A.,
18 IN PARTICULAR-- DESERVE QUALITY AND ACCESSIBLE HEALTHCARE. THE
19 MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY HOSPITAL HAS DEMONSTRATED THAT IT
20 IS A QUALITY HOSPITAL, AS DEMONSTRATED BY ITS FIVE-STAR
21 RATINGS FOR TWO CONSECUTIVE YEARS, AND ITS "A" RATING FROM
22 LEAPFROG, AND IT HAS DEMONSTRATED THAT THERE IS A NEED, BY THE
23 NUMBER OF RESIDENTS WHO ARE ACCESSING SERVICES. THIS HOSPITAL
24 IS VITAL TO THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF SOUTH L.A. RESIDENTS,
25 SPECIFICALLY AND COLLECTIVELY TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.



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1 THIS MOTION ALLOWS THE COUNTY TO CONTINUE TO FINANCIALLY
2 SUPPORT THE HOSPITAL IN A MANNER THAT WOULD HAVE NO IMPACT ON
3 NET COUNTY COSTS, BY ACCESSING MEASURE B.

4
5 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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7 **DANETTE MCBRIDE:** I THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

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9 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

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11 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP,
12 ESPECIALLY BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. WE FINALLY HAVE AN
13 OUTSTANDING HOSPITAL IN A MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED AREA THAT
14 COULD DISAPPEAR. THIS HOSPITAL IS VITAL TO THE HEALTH AND
15 WELLNESS OF SOUTH LOS ANGELES. LAST YEAR, THIS HOSPITAL SERVED
16 100,000 FOLKS, WHEN THE MAXIMUM SHOULD'VE BEEN 30,000, AND
17 STILL RECEIVED A FIVE-STAR RATING FOR TWO CONSECUTIVE YEARS.
18 THIS HOSPITAL SHOULD BE HERE, RECEIVING AN AWARD. THE
19 SIGNIFICANCE OF THESE NUMBERS CANNOT BE OVERSTATED. THIS IS
20 JUST A GLARING REFLECTION OF THE COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE NEEDS.
21 THE CLOSURE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY HOSPITAL WOULD NOT
22 ONLY BE A LOSS OF A HEALTHCARE FACILITY, BUT IT WOULD BE A
23 DEVASTATING BLOW TO THE ONGOING FIGHT AGAINST HEALTH
24 INEQUITIES, WHILE INTENSIFYING THE EXISTING HEALTH



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1 DISPARITIES. THIS INSTITUTION IS NOT JUST A HOSPITAL, BUT IT'S
2 A LIFELINE TO SOUTH LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU. GLORIA DAVIS.

3
4 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

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6 **DANIELLE WILSON:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIR HORVATH AND HONORABLE
7 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS DANIELLE WILSON, AND I'M SPEAKING ON
8 BEHALF OF THE 32,000 HOTEL AND FOOD SERVICE WORKERS OF
9 U.N.I.T.E. H.E.R.E. LOCAL 11. I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR
10 MITCHELL'S MOTION TODAY. MORE THAN 2500 OF OUR MEMBERS AND
11 THEIR FAMILIES ARE AMONG THE MORE THAN 120,000 PATIENTS WHO
12 RELY ON M.L.K. COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. THIS HOSPITAL IS AN ANCHOR
13 INSTITUTION IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES, AND A NATIONAL MODEL FOR
14 QUALITY CARE IN SAFETY-NET COMMUNITIES. WHEN THE PANDEMIC HIT,
15 OVER 95% OF OUR MEMBERS WERE OUT OF WORK. IT WAS A TIME OF
16 ABSOLUTE EXISTENTIAL CRISIS FOR OUR MEMBERS. M.L.K. PROVIDED
17 DESPERATELY NEEDED CARE FOR THEM, AND CONTINUES TO BE ON THE
18 FRONT LINES OF THE PANDEMIC FOR SOME OF THE MOST VULNERABLE
19 COMMUNITIES IN OUR COUNTY. PLEASE SUPPORT THIS CRITICAL SOUTH
20 L.A. INSTITUTION. THANK YOU.

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

23
24 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. [SPEAKS SPANISH].
25



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1 **TRANSLATOR:** A VERY GOOD MORNING, CHAIR HORVATH AND
2 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS LUZ ADRIANA ZAVALA. I'VE WORKED IN THE
3 HOUSEKEEPING DEPARTMENT FOR MORE THAN THREE YEARS, IN THE
4 FAIRMONT CENTURY PLAZA HOTEL, AND I LIVE IN SUPERVISOR HOLLY
5 MITCHELL'S DISTRICT. I'M A PROUD MEMBER OF U.N.I.T.E. H.E.R.E.
6 LOCAL 11, AND I VERY KINDLY ASK THAT YOU WOULD SUPPORT
7 SUPERVISOR HOLLY MITCHELL'S MOTION. FOR MANY MEMBERS OF OUR
8 UNION, M.L.K. COMMUNITY HOSPITAL IS THE CLOSEST AND MOST
9 TRUSTWORTHY HOSPITAL. SO IT'S THE CLOSEST AND MOST TRUSTWORTHY
10 HOSPITAL, AND THIS IS FOR MORE THAN 120,000 PATIENTS. SO
11 PLEASE SUPPORT THIS IMPORTANT INSTITUTION IN THE SOUTH OF LOS
12 ANGELES.

13
14 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

15
16 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. BEFORE WE GO TO OUR NEXT
17 SPEAKER, WE'RE GOING TO CALL MORE NAMES.

18
19 **SPEAKER:** WILL MARIA DOMINGUEZ, MARVIN ESPINOZA, MARY LEE,
20 MARIAM ARPORTELLA, RED CHIEF HUNT, REGINA OFFODILE, ROSA
21 HERNANDEZ, SARAH HARRIS, SALAM ALEM, AND ZUNIDA SMITH PLEASE
22 COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST.

23
24 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. GO RIGHT AHEAD.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **KELLIE HAWKINS DAVIS:** GOOD MORNING, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
2 THE BOARD. MY NAME IS KELLIE HAWKINS DAVIS, AND TODAY I'M
3 SPEAKING AS THE CHAIR OF THE M.L.K. COMMUNITY HOSPITAL DREAM
4 COUNCIL, AS WELL AS A RESIDENT OF SOUTH L.A. WE ARE A GROUP OF
5 VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY MEMBERS COMMITTED TO FOSTERING
6 PHILANTHROPIC SUPPORT FOR THE HOSPITAL. M.L.K. COMMUNITY
7 HOSPITAL IS CRITICAL TO OUR SAFETY NET. NOT ONLY IS IT A
8 NATIONAL MODEL FOR SUCCESS, BUT IT IS ALSO GLOBALLY HERALDED
9 AS A PREMIER HOSPITAL FOR LABOR AND DELIVERY, ALL THE WAY
10 THROUGH STREET MEDICINE PROGRAMS AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH. DR.
11 BATCHLOR AND HER TEAM ARE BRINGING CULTURALLY COMPETENT,
12 QUALITY CARE TO OUR COMMUNITY. AS YOU MAY RECALL, WHEN THE OLD
13 HOSPITAL WAS CLOSED, THE STRAIN AND IMPACT ON OTHER REGIONAL
14 HOSPITALS WAS INSURMOUNTABLE, AND THE DEVASTATING IMPACT ON
15 PATIENTS WITHOUT RESOURCES TO TRAVEL FAR DISTANCE WAS SEVERELY
16 IMPACTED. TODAY, I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S
17 MOTION TO ALLOCATE FUNDING TO THIS HOSPITAL. WE NEED THIS NOW.
18 THANK YOU.

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

21
22 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKS SPANISH].

23
24 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** CAN YOU SPEAK A LITTLE CLOSER TO THE
25 MIC, SO WE CAN HEAR YOU? THANK YOU.



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2 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKS SPANISH].

3

4 **TRANSLATOR:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIR HORVATH AND HONORABLE
5 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ROSA HERNANDEZ. I HAVE WORKED IN
6 HOUSEKEEPING FOR OVER 16 YEARS IN HOTELS. I LIVE IN SUPERVISOR
7 HOLLY MITCHELL'S DISTRICT, AND I AM A PROUD MEMBER OF
8 U.N.I.T.E. H.E.R.E. LOCAL 11. SUPPORT THE MOTION FOR M.L.K.
9 COMMUNITY HOSPITAL. IF THERE WAS A LESSON THAT THE WORLD
10 LEARNED DURING THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS, IT'S THAT WE CANNOT
11 IGNORE PUBLIC HEALTH. THE MANY WORKERS AND PATIENTS OF
12 M.L.K.C.H., THEY KNOW THAT THE ONES IN THE HOSPITAL WHO ARE AT
13 THE FRONT LINES OF THE PANDEMIC, THEY PROTECT THE HEALTH OF
14 SOME OF LOS ANGELES'S MOST VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES. PLEASE,
15 YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS HOSPITAL IS VITAL. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

18

19 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOHN POSTAL, AND I AM A
20 REGISTERED NURSE. I ALSO WILL NOT BE GOING POSTAL, JUST IN
21 CASE YOU WERE WONDERING. I HAVE BEEN WORKING AT MARTIN LUTHER
22 KING COMMUNITY HOSPITAL FOR THE PAST SEVEN YEARS. FIVE OF
23 THOSE YEARS WERE SPENT IN THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT, AND TWO
24 YEARS IN THE INTENSIVE CARE UNIT. IN MY TIME AT M.L.K.C.H., I
25 CAN SAY HONESTLY AND 100% TRUTHFULLY THAT M.L.K. CARES FOR THE



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SUPERVISORS

1 COMMUNITY. EACH AND EVERY DAY I GO TO WORK, I SEE A HEALTHCARE
2 SYSTEM THAT TRULY LIVES ITS MISSION TO PROVIDE COLLABORATIVE
3 AND QUALITY HEALTHCARE TO A COMMUNITY THAT, IN THE PAST, HAS
4 GONE FAR TOO LONG WITHOUT THAT ADEQUATE CARE. I KNOW THAT MY
5 COWORKERS, LIKE MYSELF, COME TO WORK EACH AND EVERY DAY TO
6 PROVIDE MUCH-NEEDED CARE AND SUPPORT FOR PATIENTS, FAMILIES,
7 AND THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE. WITH THAT SAID, AT M.L.K.C.H.,
8 WE STRIVE TO CONTINUE TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY, TO BE ABLE TO
9 CONTINUE TO HOUSE AN EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT THAT SEES OVER 400
10 PATIENTS A DAY, A LABOR AND DELIVERY DEPARTMENT THAT PROVIDES
11 INCREDIBLE CARE TO MOM AND BABY, AND AN INTENSIVE CARE UNIT
12 THAT HEALS OUR SICKEST COMMUNITY MEMBERS. IN ORDER TO DO THIS
13 AND MORE, I URGE THE BOARD TO VOTE YES ON ITEM NUMBER 10, AND
14 CONTINUE TO DO EVERYTHING IT CAN TO HELP M.L.K.C.H. THRIVE AS
15 A MODEL OF PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP FOR COMMUNITIES LIKE
16 OURS THROUGHOUT THE NATION. THANK YOU.

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

19
20 **SARAH HARRIS:** HELLO. MY NAME IS SARAH HARRIS. I AM PRESIDENT
21 AND C.E.O. OF THE BLACK BUSINESS ASSOCIATION, AND ALSO A PROUD
22 COMMISSIONER OF THE L.A. COUNTY SMALL BUSINESS COMMISSION,
23 APPOINTED BY MY SUPERVISOR, HOLLY MITCHELL, WHO BROUGHT THIS
24 MOTION. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT THE SUPPORT FOR M.L.K. HOSPITAL. I
25 HAVE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF BEING ON SEVERAL CHECK-IN CALLS TO



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SUPERVISORS

1 LEARN NOT ONLY ABOUT THE AMAZING QUALITY OF THIS FIVE-STAR
2 HOSPITAL THAT IS ON TRACK AS A NATIONAL MODEL, BUT ALSO TO
3 LEARN OF THE FINANCIAL CRISIS FACING THE HOSPITAL, WHERE IT IS
4 SEEING FOUR TIMES THE AMOUNT OF PATIENTS IN ITS EMERGENCY
5 UNIT, ALSO NEEDING SUPPORT IN TERMS OF JUST ALL-AROUND
6 FUNDING. THE COUNTY CREATED THE NEW M.L.K. HOSPITAL, A UNIQUE
7 MODEL THAT WORKS, AND MAKE SURE THAT IT CONTINUES TO DO SO.
8 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

9

10 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JUAN WASHINGTON. I HAVE BEEN
13 AT MARTIN LUTHER KING C.H. FOR FIVE YEARS. I AM AN OUTREACH
14 COORDINATOR WITH THE STREET MEDICINE PROGRAM, PROVIDING
15 MEDICAL SERVICES AND HOUSING NAVIGATION TO THE UNHOUSED
16 POPULATION. I BELIEVE M.L.K.C.H. IS A GREAT PLACE TO WORK. I
17 BELIEVE IN OUR MISSION, AND QUALITY CARE FOR OUR COMMUNITY. I
18 BELIEVE IN MY FELLOW COLLEAGUES. I BELIEVE THAT THEY MATTER,
19 AND ARE SUPPORTIVE AND CAPABLE, AND COMMITTED TO THEIR JOB,
20 JUST LIKE ME. I REPRESENT ALL 2,000 EMPLOYEES WHEN I SAY WE
21 LOVE OUR HOSPITAL. AT M.L.K.C.H., WE SEE A GREAT NEED IN OUR
22 COMMUNITY. WE SEE ABOUT 400 PATIENTS IN OUR EMERGENCY
23 DEPARTMENT EVERY DAY, AND IT'S OUR PRIVILEGE TO WORK HARD FOR
24 THEM. SO I URGE THE BOARD TO VOTE YES ON ITEM 10, AND CONTINUE
25 TO DO EVERYTHING IT CAN TO HELP M.L.K.C.H. THRIVE. THANK YOU.



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1

2 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DEBORAH REYES. I AM
5 CURRENTLY AN EMPLOYEE FOR M.L.K.C.H., AND I WORK IN THE
6 ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES. I'VE BEEN WITH THEM, NOW, GOING ON SIX
7 YEARS. ASIDE FROM US SERVING THE GREAT COMMUNITY THAT WE HAVE,
8 THEY ALSO ARE A GREAT BENEFIT TO MY DEPARTMENT, AS WELL AS TO
9 OTHER COLLEAGUES. I AM ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE THAT WAS GIVEN THE
10 OKAY TO GET MY G.E.D., NOT ONLY BECAUSE I HAD THE SUPPORT
11 SYSTEM OF MY FELLOW MANAGEMENT, BUT ALSO FROM THE HOSPITAL.
12 NOT ONLY MYSELF, BUT I ALSO HAVE COLLEAGUES THAT JUST
13 GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL. I'M 54 YEARS OLD, AND I CAN SAY
14 THAT I AM A PROUD HIGH-SCHOOL GRADUATE, ALL THROUGH THE
15 M.L.K.C.H. PROGRAM THAT THEY HAVE FOR MY DEPARTMENT, AS WELL
16 AS FOR OTHER DEPARTMENTS. I NOT ONLY URGE YOU TO VOTE YES ON
17 ITEM 10 FOR OUR COMMUNITY, BUT ALSO FOR ALL EMPLOYEES THAT ARE
18 IN THE HOSPITAL. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** HI. HEALTHCARE AND HOUSING SHOULD BE A MESS FOR
23 EVERYONE. A MESS! YOU DID IT. WE NEED TO HAVE A NATIONAL
24 MEETING, TOWN HALL MEETING, ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE. THERE IS A
25 SERIOUS DISCONNECT UNDER YOUR WATCH, UNDER EACH ONE OF YOUR



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1 WATCH. YOU DID IT. SO, INJUSTICE SOMEWHERE IS INJUSTICE
2 EVERYWHERE. HEALTHCARE DISPARITY AND QUALITY CARE, THIS IS
3 SOMETHING I HAVE BEEN COMING AND TELLING YOU. WHAT DID YOU DO,
4 YOU AND MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS? YOU WANT TO KEEP MARTIN LUTHER
5 KING'S DREAM ALIVE? IS THAT WHAT YOU WANT? HEALTHCARE
6 DISPARITY. TALKING ABOUT HEALTHCARE DISPARITY, I WANT EACH ONE
7 OF YOU TO BE INVESTIGATED BY OUTSIDE AGENTS, BECAUSE WE NEED
8 TO KNOW, FROM "A" TO "Z," WHAT YOU HAVE BEEN DOING, AND
9 CONTINUE TO DO, WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTHCARE,
10 HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS. IT IS UNDER YOUR WATCH AND YOUR PURVIEW,
11 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THAT MY PRECIOUS DAUGHTER WAS DISCHARGED
12 FROM THE HOSPITAL--

13
14 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
15 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16
17 **SPEAKER:** HI. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MARIA DOMINGUEZ. I'VE
18 BEEN WORKING FOR M.L.K. FOR FIVE YEARS. I'M A PATIENT CARE
19 TECHNICIAN FOR FLOAT POOL. THE HOSPITAL DESERVES THE FUNDS TO
20 HELP BETTER SERVE THE COMMUNITY. M.L.K. HOSPITAL IS A GOOD
21 PLACE TO WORK BECAUSE WE'RE A QUALITY HOSPITAL, NOT QUANTITY,
22 AND I WANT YOU GUYS TO KEEP THAT IN MIND. WE'RE HERE TO SERVE
23 THE PATIENTS. WE'RE HERE TO HELP EACH OTHER AS A STAFF. WITH
24 THAT BEING SAID, I URGE THE BOARD TO VOTE YES ON ITEM 10, AND
25 CONTINUE TO DO EVERYTHING IT CAN TO HELP THRIVE AS A MODEL OF



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SUPERVISORS

1 PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP FOR COMMUNITIES LIKE OURS
2 THROUGHOUT THE NATION. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOU DID GREAT. NEXT SPEAKER.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MARIAM ARPORTELLA, AND I
7 HAVE BEEN WITH M.L.K. COMMUNITY HOSPITAL FOR NINE YEARS. I
8 WORKED EIGHT YEARS IN THE MED-SURG UNIT, AND THE HOSPITAL HAS
9 HELPED ME GROW, AND I AM CURRENTLY IN THE OPERATING ROOM AS A
10 SURGICAL AIDE. I BELIEVE IN OUR VALUES AND OUR MISSION, AND
11 OUR MISSION IS TO PROVIDE QUALITY CARE FOR OUR COMMUNITY. BUT
12 MY COLLEAGUES AND I SEE THE URGE THAT THE COMMUNITY HAS, AND
13 WE NEED THE SUPPORT, AND THAT'S WHY I ASK YOU TO, PLEASE, IN
14 FAVOR OF 10, TO BE ABLE TO GIVE US THAT, NOT ONLY FOR THE
15 COMMUNITY, FOR THE EMPLOYEES, BECAUSE WE ARE M.L.K.C.H. THANK
16 YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

17

18 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS ANNETTA SMITH, AND I HAVE BEEN A
21 MEMBER OF THE M.L.K. COMMUNITY HEALTH FOUNDATION'S DREAM
22 COUNCIL SINCE ITS INCEPTION, IN 2021. I AM A PROUD AMBASSADOR
23 AS A SECOND-GENERATION ANGELENO, BORN AND RAISED IN SOUTH LOS
24 ANGELES. I REMEMBER A TIME WHEN COMMUNITY MEMBERS HAD TO GO TO
25 OTHER PLACES FOR CARE, BUT DUE TO THE SUCCESS OF THE HOSPITAL



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1 AND THE PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP, COMMUNITY MEMBERS HAVE
2 RETURNED TO RECEIVING CARE AT A MORE CONVENIENT LOCATION. THE
3 EMERGENCY ROOM CARES FOR 120,000 PATIENTS PER YEAR. AS A
4 TRAINED CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER, I AM MOST PROUD OF THE MENTAL
5 HEALTH EFFORT, WHERE 12,000 COMMUNITY MEMBERS EXPERIENCING
6 MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES ARE BEING SERVED. WITHOUT M.L.K.
7 HOSPITAL, THEY WOULD HAVE VERY LIMITED CHOICES. I AM ALSO MOST
8 EXCITED ABOUT THE BUILDING OF A UNIT THAT WILL BE ESPECIALLY
9 FOR PATIENTS EXPERIENCING MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, AND EVEN MORE
10 PROUD THAT THIS UNIT WILL BE PRIVATELY FUNDED. THANK YOU SO
11 MUCH FOR CONSIDERING THE MOTION BEFORE YOU, AND SUPPORTING AN
12 INSTITUTION THAT IS CRITICAL TO SOUTH LOS ANGELES.

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

15
16 **RED CHIEF HUNT:** THANK YOU. THE RED CHIEF HUNT. THANK YOU,
17 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HAHN. MARTIN LUTHER
18 KING HOSPITAL HAS COME A LONG WAYS, AND WE HAVE A LONG WAYS TO
19 GO. BUT NOT ONLY THAT IS THAT I AM GOING TO GIVE MY HAT OFF TO
20 DEX KING, WHO JUST PASSED AWAY. WE ARE GOING TO KEEP DR.
21 KING'S HOSPITAL OPEN, AND THINGS LIKE THAT. NOT ONLY HAVE MY
22 UNCLE BEEN HERE FOR GUNSHOT WOUNDS; I HAVE BEEN THERE, HAVING
23 SERVICES THERE, AS WELL, IN THE PAST TWO YEARS, AND THEN MY
24 DAUGHTER ALSO WORKS THERE, TOO. ONE OF MY DAUGHTERS ACTUALLY
25 WORKS THERE. SO ON THAT NOTE, WE ARE GOING TO VOTE YES ON



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1 THIS, AND WE ARE GOING TO KEEP THE DREAM ALIVE, AND STUFF LIKE
2 THAT. I WANT TO EVERYBODY WHO'S FOSTERED AND WHO'S SUPPORTED
3 THIS BILL. THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU GUYS AGAIN. THANK YOU, MS.
4 MITCHELL, FOR DOING A GREAT JOB. THANK YOU, HAHN; THANK YOU,
5 AS WELL. ALL RIGHT, YOU GUYS HAVE A GREAT DAY.

6

7 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MARVIN ESPINOZA,
10 AND WE HAVE A PARTNERSHIP WITH CHARLES DREW UNIVERSITY, AND WE
11 HAVE INTERNS THAT COME AND WORK WITH OUR YOUTH LEADERS IN OUR
12 COMMUNITY, AND TODAY I ASK THAT YOU SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THE
13 MOTION, AS WE KNOW, WILL PROVIDE MUCH-NEEDED FUNDS FOR THIS
14 HOSPITAL, WHICH SERVES US, OUR PARENTS, OUR FAMILIES, AND OUR
15 FRIENDS, SO IT IS ESSENTIAL TO OUR COMMUNITY AND FAMILY THAT
16 M.L.K.C.H. REMAINS FINANCIALLY SOLVENT AND OPEN TO THE
17 COMMUNITY. IT IS VITAL TO THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF SOUTH
18 LOS ANGELES AND OUR MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES. NOW,
19 THE ABSENCE OF M.L.K.C.H. WOULD MEAN LOSING THE LIFELINE TO
20 HEALTH ACCESS AND EQUITY NEEDED IN OUR COMMUNITY TO ADDRESS
21 THE HIGH RISK OF HEART DISEASE, STROKE, ASTHMA, INFLUENZA AND
22 PNEUMONIA, DIABETES AND H.I.V./A.I.D.S. THE M.L.K.C.H.
23 RESOURCES ALLOW US TO WORK, EDUCATE, AND UPLIFT SOUTH L.A.
24 TODAY, VOTE YES ON 10. OUR COMMUNITIES ARE RELYING ON THIS
25 VOTE. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING. TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, MADAM CHAIR,
5 AND TO THE BOARD MEMBERS, I STRONGLY ENDORSE ITEM 10. AS A
6 COMMUNITY ADVOCATE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS NETWORK, THIS FUNDING IS
7 NOT JUST FINANCIAL SUPPORT. IT'S A COMMITMENT TO HEALTH EQUITY
8 AND COMMUNITY WELLBEING. MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL IS A
9 CRITICAL HEALTHCARE PARTNER IN OUR HIGH-NEED AREA, SERVING AS
10 A PRIMARY MEDICAL RESOURCE FOR THOUSANDS OF FAMILIES, MANY OF
11 WHICH WILL BE SERVING OUR FAMILIES WITH DISABILITIES. THE
12 HOSPITAL IS AN EMBLEM OF HOPE AND RESILIENCE, PARTICULARLY FOR
13 THOSE FACING ECONOMIC HARDSHIPS AND HEALTHCARE DISPARITIES;
14 AND AS WE HAVE HEARD, THAT IS THE MAJORITY OF THOSE PATIENTS.
15 AGAIN, I THANK YOU ALL, SUPERVISORS, FOR SUPPORTING THIS BILL,
16 AND WE DO HOPE THAT WE CAN BE ABLE TO KEEP THE DREAM ALIVE.

17

18 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

19

20 **DR. REGINA OFFODILE:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DR. REGINA
21 OFFODILE. I AM THE ASSOCIATE DEAN OF STUDENT AFFAIRS AND
22 ADMISSIONS AT CHARLES DREW UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF MEDICINE. I'M
23 A PROUD GRADUATE OF THAT INSTITUTION, AND I'M ALSO A PROUD
24 GRADUATE OF THE MARTIN LUTHER KING GENERAL SURGICAL PROGRAM,
25 WHERE I TRAINED DURING THE HEIGHT OF THE GANG WARFARE. SO WE



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1 DO RETURN. I WANTED TO SAY THAT I AM HERE TO EXPRESS MY
2 SUPPORT OF THE M.L.K. COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, AS IT WILL SUPPORT
3 THE EDUCATIONAL PROCESS AT CHARLES DREW UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF
4 MEDICINE, TO PRODUCE PHYSICIANS FROM UNDERSERVED AND
5 UNDERREPRESENTED POPULATIONS AND THE MISSION OF C.D.U. THE
6 INDIVIDUALS WILL CARE FOR POPULATIONS AND COMMUNITIES THAT
7 SURROUND MARTIN LUTHER KING COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, AND THE
8 HOSPITAL WILL ALSO SERVE AS A RESOURCE FOR PHYSICIANS THAT
9 WORK AT THE HOSPITAL, AND FACULTY AND STAFF AND STUDENTS, AS
10 WELL AS VISITORS WHO VISIT OUR CAMPUS. SO PLEASE, PLEASE,
11 APPROVE THIS MEASURE. THANK YOU.

12
13 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

14
15 **SPEAKER:** HI. I AM DONALD HARLAN. THIS IS CONCERNING AGENDA
16 ITEM NUMBER 10, MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. HOSPITAL. I DON'T WANT
17 ANYBODY TO WORRY. THE COUNTY SHOULD PICK UP THE COST OF THAT
18 HOSPITAL. BUT I AM CONCERNED ABOUT THE REDEVELOPMENT AND
19 REMODELING AND REDOING THE HOSPITAL ALL THE TIME. EVERY MONTH,
20 IT SEEMS IT COMES UP: THERE'S MAGIC MONEY TO SPEND THERE, THAT
21 PROBABLY DOESN'T EXIST. IF THERE IS MONEY THAT CAN BE SPENT
22 THERE, TO BE GRABBED, THAT'S GREAT IF THEY GET IT. I'M NOT
23 TRYING TO STOP THAT. BUT I DON'T WANT ANYBODY TRYING TO CLAIM
24 THAT, OH, THE GOVERNMENT GAVE THEM THE MONEY FOR THE HOSPITAL,
25 OR TRY AND MAKE IT INTO SOMETHING THAT IT'S NOT, OR TRY TO



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1 SPEND MONEY IN THERE THAT'S NOT YOURS. I WOULD LIKE IT IF THAT
2 HOSPITAL STAYS WITHIN THE PROPERTY BORDER THERE. IF NECESSARY-
3 - THEY'RE TIRED OF WATCHING THE PARKING LOT-- BUILD A PARKING
4 STRUCTURE, BUT I DON'T WANT THEM EXPANDING THE SIZE OF THE
5 HOSPITAL, OR MAKING SATELLITE HOSPITALS, OR DOING ANYTHING
6 ELSE. I'D LIKE THEM TO STAY IN THERE.

7

8 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK
9 YOU. DO WE HAVE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS?

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** NO OTHER SPEAKERS.

12

13 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, THEN ITEM 10 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
14 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE
15 THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

16

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

19

20 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

21

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

24

25 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.



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

3

4 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

7

8 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

9

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

11 HORVATH?

12

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

14

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

16 5-0.

17

18 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO BOTH

19 ITEM 11-- YES. [APPLAUSE] THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION. IT

20 WAS VERY INSPIRING, AND NOW WE ARE GOING TO MOVE ON TO ITEM

21 11, IMPLEMENTING A PAID FAMILY LEAVE PILOT PROGRAM AS A STEP

22 TOWARD FULL GENDER PARITY FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES, AS WELL AS

23 ITEM 15, PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 2024 AS PROTECTED LEAVE PROGRAMS

24 AWARENESS MONTH, WHICH WERE HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. FOR

25 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0



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1 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. THIS MEANS IF YOU ARE HERE ON 11
2 OR 15, THIS WILL BE THE TIME TO COMMENT. WE WILL TAKE COMMENTS
3 ON BOTH FROM MY COLLEAGUES, AND I WILL TURN IT TO SUPERVISOR
4 MITCHELL FIRST.

5
6 **SUP. MITCHELL:** MADAM CHAIR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I TRULY
7 BELIEVE THAT IT IS LONG PAST DUE. THE TIME HAS COME FOR THE
8 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, AS THE REGION'S LARGEST EMPLOYER, TO
9 PROVIDE PAID FAMILY LEAVE FOR ITS 114,000 EMPLOYEES. IF THE
10 COUNTY IS TO ATTRACT THE REGION'S TOP TALENT, IT SHOULD ALIGN
11 WITH MANY PUBLIC JURISDICTIONS ACROSS THE COUNTRY, INCLUDING
12 THE CITIES OF L.A., SAN FRANCISCO, AND CHICAGO, AND L.A.
13 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN OFFERING PAID FAMILY LEAVE. MOST
14 IMPORTANTLY, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, THIS IS A RACIAL, GENDER,
15 AND L.G.B.T.Q.+ EQUITY ISSUE. THE COUNTY'S CURRENT BENEFITS
16 PACKAGE DOES NOT PROVIDE SHORT-TERM PAID DISABILITY LEAVE FOR
17 NON-BIRTHING PARENTS, AND ANY EMPLOYEE WITH A SICK FAMILY
18 MEMBER IS NOT ABLE TO RECEIVE PAID LEAVE. THAT'S THE IMPETUS
19 FOR PAID FAMILY LEAVE. THIS HURTS FAMILIES WHO MAY HAVE
20 NONTRADITIONAL FAMILY STRUCTURES, LIKE PARENTS WHO ARE
21 ADOPTING. IT ALSO HURTS FAMILIES WHO ARE PERHAPS SANDWICH
22 GENERATION, AND HAVE CAREGIVING RESPONSIBILITY FOR SICK FAMILY
23 MEMBERS. AND ONLY THE MOST PRIVILEGED EMPLOYEES CAN TAKE
24 ADVANTAGE OF OF OUR CURRENT STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS THAT ONLY
25 OFFER PROTECTED UNPAID LEAVE. ADDITIONALLY, FAMILY CAREGIVER



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1 RESPONSIBILITIES TEND TO BE PARTICULARLY SUBSTANTIAL FOR
2 PEOPLE OF COLOR, WHO ARE MORE LIKELY TO LIVE IN
3 MULTIGENERATIONAL HOUSEHOLDS THAN OUR WHITE FAMILY
4 COUNTERPARTS, ACCORDING TO DATA FROM A.A.R.P. ACCORDING TO THE
5 PEW RESEARCH CENTER, BLACK AND LATINO WORKERS ARE MORE LIKELY
6 THAN WHITE WORKERS TO REPORT THAT THERE WAS A TIME IN THE PAST
7 TWO YEARS WHEN THEY NEEDED TO TAKE LEAVE FOR FAMILY OR MEDICAL
8 REASONS, BUT COULD NOT TAKE IT, AND THIS IS LIKELY BECAUSE
9 THEY COULDN'T AFFORD TO GO WITHOUT PAY. I HELD THIS MOTION,
10 ALONG WITH ITEM 15, BECAUSE IT ALSO ADDRESSES PROTECTED LEAVE.
11 ITEM 15 STATES IN ITS PREAMBLE, QUOTE, "ACCORDINGLY, THE
12 COUNTY TAKES PRIDE IN ITS ADHERENCE TO FEDERAL AND STATE
13 REGULATIONS, INCLUDING THEIR RIGHTS TO PROTECTED LEAVES OF
14 ABSENCE, INCLUDING THE FEDERAL FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT,
15 AND THE CALIFORNIA FAMILY RIGHTS ACT, AND OTHER PROTECTED
16 LEAVE BENEFITS." FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, IT IS NOT ENOUGH FOR THE
17 COUNTY TO EDUCATE ITS EMPLOYEES ABOUT LEAVE PROGRAMS, WHEN
18 MANY PEOPLE WON'T BE ABLE TO TAKE THEIR LEAVE BECAUSE THEY
19 CAN'T AFFORD TO GO UNPAID. ENCOURAGING RESEARCH FROM THE
20 CALIFORNIA STATE PAID LEAVE PROGRAM, THE LONGEST RUNNING
21 PROGRAM IN THE COUNTRY, THANKS TO OUR FORMER COLLEAGUE,
22 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, WHEN SHE WAS IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE, FINDS
23 THAT THE STATE'S PROGRAM HAS INCREASED PARITY IN THE DURATION
24 OF LEAVE TAKEN BY WHITE WOMEN AND WOMEN OF COLOR. BEFORE THE
25 STATE'S PROGRAM, BLACK WOMEN TOOK, ON AVERAGE, JUST ONE WEEK



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1 OF MATERNITY LEAVE, AND WHITE NON-HISPANIC WOMEN TOOK FOUR
2 WEEKS. AFTER IMPLEMENTATION, BLACK AND WHITE MOTHERS TOOK AN
3 AVERAGE OF SEVEN WEEKS OF LEAVE. THAT'S WHY THE MANDATORY
4 OPTION IS THE BEST PATH FORWARD. IT ALLOWS FOR US TO SHARE THE
5 RESPONSIBILITY OF INVESTING IN OUR PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS.
6 WHEN FAMILIES IN L.A. COUNTY ARE THRIVING, WHEN EMPLOYEES IN
7 L.A. COUNTY ARE THRIVING, WE ALL BENEFIT. THE C.E.O.'S
8 PROPOSALS FOR THE VOLUNTARY OPTION ARE PROHIBITIVELY
9 EXPENSIVE, AND ASSUME EMPLOYEES WILL PLAN FOR FAMILY
10 EMERGENCIES IN ADVANCE. BASED ON THE C.E.O.'S REPORT, THOSE
11 EARNING THE MEAN SALARY, AS PROPOSED IN THE MOTION, WOULD BE
12 PAYING \$655 PER PAY PERIOD FOR THE VOLUNTARY PROGRAM, COMPARED
13 TO \$27 PER PAY PERIOD FOR THE MANDATORY PROGRAM. THIS LEADS TO
14 SERIOUS EQUITY CONCERNS, GIVEN THE HIGH COST AND IMPLICATIONS
15 FOR WHO WILL GET TO TAKE FAMILY LEAVE IN THE FIRST PLACE. OUR
16 BOARD PRIDES ITSELF ON OUR COMMITMENT TO EQUITY, AND SO WE
17 MUST ADOPT PAID FAMILY LEAVE FOR OUR WORKFORCE. THANK YOU,
18 MADAM CHAIR.

19
20 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR HAHN IS AUTHOR OF
21 ITEM 15. WE WILL TURN IT TO YOU.

22
23 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WELL, THIS IS JUST
24 PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 2024 AS PROTECTED LEAVE PROGRAMS
25 AWARENESS MONTH THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND THIS WILL



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1 DIRECT DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL TO CONTINUE TO ADVANCE AWARENESS,
2 EDUCATION, AND ADVOCACY EFFORTS RELATED TO PROTECTIVE LEAVE
3 POLICIES AND OTHER FAMILY-FRIENDLY LEAVE POLICIES FOR
4 EMPLOYEES AND THEIR SUPERVISORS, COUNTYWIDE; AND TO HOLD THE
5 ANNUAL PROTECTED LEAVE SYMPOSIUM DURING THE PROTECTED LEAVE
6 PROGRAMS AWARENESS MONTH. SO, AS WE GO FORWARD, TO LOOK AT
7 OTHER WAYS THAT WE CAN GIVE PROTECTED LEAVE. THIS WAS JUST AN
8 OPPORTUNITY TO LET EVERYONE KNOW WHAT WE ARE ALREADY DOING,
9 AND WHY THIS IS IMPORTANT TO PROCLAIM THIS MONTH AS THE
10 PROTECTED LEAVE AWARENESS MONTH. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

11
12 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I, TOO, WHOLEHEARTEDLY
13 SUPPORT PAID FAMILY LEAVE, AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
14 MITCHELL FOR HER STEADFAST LEADERSHIP ON THIS ISSUE, AS WELL
15 AS SUPERVISOR HAHN, FOR AUTHORIZING HER MOTION. I HAD THE
16 PRIVILEGE OF GROWING UP IN A FAMILY THAT TOOK CARE OF EACH
17 OTHER. WHEN MY GREAT-GRANDMOTHER WAS ILL, WE TOOK HER INTO OUR
18 FAMILY HOME. WHEN MY GRANDFATHER WAS ILL, WE BROUGHT HIM INTO
19 OUR FAMILY HOME, AND TOOK CARE OF HIM AT HOME, TO THE BEST OF
20 OUR ABILITY. I GREW UP IN A CULTURE, WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO
21 HAVE THIS KIND OF FAMILY CARE FOR EACH OTHER, AND I JUST
22 THOUGHT THIS WAS HOW THE WORLD WORKED, THAT WE HAVE THE
23 OPPORTUNITY TO DO THIS. OBVIOUSLY, WE KNOW THAT IS NOT THE
24 CASE FOR EVERYONE, AND NOT EVERYONE HAS THIS PROTECTED IN
25 THEIR EMPLOYMENT. ALL STUDIES AND DATA SHOW IMPROVED OUTCOMES



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1 AS A RESULT OF PROTECTED PAID FAMILY LEAVE. WHETHER IT'S
2 CARING FOR AN AGING OR SICK PARENT, FAMILY MEMBER, OR BONDING
3 WITH A CHILD, CARETAKERS ARE DISPROPORTIONATELY WOMEN. MEMBERS
4 OF THE L.G.B.T.Q.+ COMMUNITY ARE ALSO MORE LIKELY TO CARE FOR
5 A CHOSEN FAMILY MEMBER, AS OPPOSED TO THE FAMILY THEY ARE BORN
6 INTO; AND UNLESS THEY ARE THE PERSON CARING AND GIVING BIRTH
7 TO A BABY, L.G.B.T.Q.+ PEOPLE MAY BE INELIGIBLE UNDER MOST
8 PAID FAMILY LEAVE LAWS AND POLICIES, SO HOW IT GETS
9 IMPLEMENTED MATTERS. PAID FAMILY LEAVE SHOULD BE A BENEFIT
10 GIVEN TO ALL EMPLOYEES, BUT THE WAY I SEE THE MOTION BEFORE US
11 TODAY, THIS IS NOT HOW I UNDERSTAND PAID FAMILY LEAVE. IN MY
12 EXPERIENCE, AS A COUNCILMEMBER IN THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD,
13 WE WORKED TO ENSURE THAT EVEN HOURLY WAGE WORKERS HAD PAID
14 LEAVE IN THEIR WORK, TO BE ABLE TO LEAVE THEIR JOBS AND KNOW
15 THAT THEIR JOBS WOULD BE PROTECTED, BECAUSE THAT IS ESSENTIAL.
16 WE KNOW THAT, SOMETIMES, NOT ONLY ARE PEOPLE SICK, BUT THEY
17 HAVE TO CARE FOR SICK RELATIVES. THEY MAY BECOME PREGNANT.
18 THEY NEED PROTECTED LEAVE, AND THEY NEED TO KNOW THAT THEIR
19 JOB WILL BE THERE WHEN THEY COME BACK. WHEN THE EXPENSE OF
20 THIS BENEFIT, HOWEVER, IS BORNE SOLELY BY THE EMPLOYEE, IT CAN
21 NO LONGER BE CALLED A BENEFIT. RECENT SURVEYS SUGGEST THAT
22 THERE MAY BE RELUCTANCE IN OUR OWN STAFF, BASED ON HOW THE
23 POLICY IS IMPLEMENTED. AND WE'VE HEARD THERE'S INTEREST IN
24 THIS PROGRAM, BUT HOW IT GETS IMPLEMENTED MATTERS. AND SO TO
25 THAT END, I'M INTRODUCING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ITEM THAT WOULD



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1 DIRECT OUR C.E.O. TO IMPLEMENT PAID FAMILY LEAVE ALTERNATIVE
2 1-D, INSTEAD OF OPTION 2-A. OPTION 1-D WILL MAKE THE PROGRAM
3 REQUIRE THE COUNTY TO FUND 50% OF THE BENEFIT, AND I THINK IT
4 IS IMPORTANT THAT THE COUNTY HAS SKIN IN THE GAME, AND WE
5 UNDERSTAND THE IMPACT. IF THIS IS WHAT WE ARE DOING, IF THIS
6 PILOT PROGRAM IS BEING STUDIED, WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND THE
7 IMPACT OF A PROGRAM THAT ACTUALLY HAS COUNTY SKIN IN THE GAME,
8 AND THAT WOULD MAKE THE PROGRAM VOLUNTARY, SO WE UNDERSTAND
9 THE INTEREST IN THE PROGRAM, BASED ON THE KIND OF PROGRAM THAT
10 WE ARE IMPLEMENTING. I THINK IT IS A GOOD OPTION FOR A PILOT
11 PROGRAM, WHICH WILL ALLOW US TO SEE THE LEVEL OF EMPLOYEE
12 INTEREST, WHILE HAVING THE COST ABSORBED BY BOTH THE EMPLOYEE
13 AND THE COUNTY AT AN EQUAL RATE, WITH THE GOAL, POTENTIALLY,
14 OF THE COST BEING BORNE ENTIRELY BY THE COUNTY AT A LATER
15 STAGE. BUT I THINK WE HAVE TO UNDERSTAND MORE ABOUT THIS
16 PROGRAM. THERE WERE CERTAINLY QUESTIONS IN MY OFFICE, AND THE
17 EMPLOYEES WHO WILL BE IMPACTED EXIST IN MY OFFICE. THESE ARE
18 EMPLOYEES WHO ARE NOT REPRESENTED BY ANOTHER UNION, BUT THEY
19 ARE REPRESENTED BY ME, AND IN TALKING WITH MY OWN STAFF, THERE
20 WERE QUESTIONS AS TO WHY THE COUNTY WOULD NOT BE PARTNERS IN
21 IMPLEMENTING THIS PROGRAM FOR THIS PILOT PROGRAM. SO I WOULD
22 LIKE TO SEE THE COUNTY HAVE SKIN IN THE GAME, AND WOULD OFFER
23 THAT AMENDMENT FOR OUR CONSIDERATION TODAY.

24
25 **SUP. SOLIS:** DO YOU NEED A SECOND?



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2 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES. OKAY. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I REALLY APPRECIATE THE
5 INTEREST. I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT, AS A BOARD OF ALL WOMEN,
6 THAT WE BRING THIS ISSUE FORWARD TO TALK ABOUT IT. WE HAVE
7 BEEN WORKING ON IT FOR A COUPLE OF YEARS ON MY TEAM, AND I
8 THANK YOU FOR THE AMENDMENT LANGUAGE. I GOT IT VERY LATE LAST
9 NIGHT, MADAM CHAIR, AND I CANNOT SUPPORT IT, AND LET ME TALK
10 TO YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHY. FIRST OF ALL, THE C.E.O.'S
11 REPORT ON OPTIONS FOR PAID FAMILY LEAVE CAME OUT IN OCTOBER OF
12 LAST YEAR. OFFICES WERE BRIEFED IN EARLY NOVEMBER. AND AGAIN,
13 WE HAVE REALLY BEEN TRYING TO WORK ON THE MOST VIABLE PATH
14 FORWARD FOR QUITE SOME TIME. OF THE OPTIONS PRESENTED, THE
15 MANDATORY OPTION IS THE MOST EQUITABLE, AND ALLOWS AN EMPLOYEE
16 TO TAKE LEAVE AT ANY TIME, FOR ADOPTIONS, ILLNESSES, FAMILY
17 EMERGENCIES CAN COME AT ANY TIME, AND NOT JUST WHEN YOU'VE HAD
18 THE OPPORTUNITY TO PLAN IN ADVANCE. WHILE I CERTAINLY
19 COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND THE DESIRE TO HAVE THE COUNTY HAVE SOME
20 SKIN IN THE GAME, LET'S TALK ABOUT OUR BUDGET PROCESS AND
21 WHERE WE ARE, IN TERMS OF BUDGETING. WE PASS MOTIONS BY THIS
22 BOARD, BY THE DOZENS, THAT SOMEHOW DON'T FIND THEIR WAY INTO
23 THE BUDGET PROCESS. I THINK WE SHUT DOWN THE BUDGET FOR NEXT
24 FISCAL YEAR, DECEMBER 12TH. SO MY CONCERN IS WE WILL PASS
25 SOMETHING TODAY, AND PAT OURSELVES ON THE BACK, AND SAY WE



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1 HAVE PASSED PAID FAMILY LEAVE, BUT I HOPE THAT WE WILL HAVE
2 THE SAME AMOUNT OF VIGOR AND INTEREST IN MAKING SURE THAT THE
3 MONEY IS IN THE BUDGET, AND WE ACTUALLY FUND THE PROGRAM WHEN
4 IT COMES FORWARD IN JUNE. AND THIS WILL REQUIRE US TO INCLUDE
5 FUNDING FOR OTHER ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS IN A VERY TIGHT-BUDGET
6 YEAR, WHEN THERE'S NO ADDITIONAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE, AS WE
7 HAVE BEEN TOLD BY THE C.E.O. SO IF WE ARE GOING TO PUT SKIN IN
8 THE GAME, THEN WE, AS A BOARD, HAVE TO PRIORITIZE IT AND MAKE
9 SURE IT GETS FUNDED, NOT SIMPLY PASS ANOTHER MOTION THAT
10 DOESN'T SEE THE LIGHT OF DAY BECAUSE THERE'S NO MONEY
11 ASSOCIATED WITH IT. I ALSO HOPE THAT WE WILL ENSURE THAT
12 EMPLOYEES DON'T HAVE TO EXHAUST ALL OF THEIR PERSONAL TIME
13 BEFORE ACCESSING THIS NEW, QUOTE, "BENEFIT," AS THE C.E.O.
14 SUGGESTS IN THE REPORT BACK. THAT'S NOT PAID LEAVE. AND
15 FINALLY, I THINK, WHEN I LOOK AT OPTION 1-D, IT ONLY ALLOWS
16 FOR EIGHT WEEKS OF PAID FAMILY LEAVE EVERY TWO YEARS, RATHER
17 THAN EIGHT WEEKS ANNUALLY, AS PROPOSED BY THE MOTION IN CHIEF.
18 EVEN WITH THE COST SPREAD OUT OVER TWO YEARS AND THE COUNTY
19 SUBSIDY, THE PROGRAM IN 1-D WOULD COST THE AVERAGE MEGAFLEX
20 EMPLOYEE \$233 PER PAY PERIOD. BY COMPARISON, THE MANDATORY
21 PROGRAM PUT FORWARD IN THE MOTION IN CHIEF WOULD COST THE
22 AVERAGE MEGAFLEX EMPLOYEE \$26.77 PER PAY PERIOD. SO WHILE I AM
23 THRILLED THAT PEOPLE WANT TO FOCUS ON THIS, I THINK THAT WE
24 HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY THAT IF WE ARE GOING TO PROVIDE TRUE
25 PAID FAMILY LEAVE TO COUNTY EMPLOYEES, THAT WE ALSO HAVE TO



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1 GUARANTEE THAT IT'S GOING TO BE FUNDED. THE PILOT, AS WE'VE
2 PUT FORWARD, COULD GO AND BE IMPLEMENTED IN 2025. I BELIEVE WE
3 HAVE MISSED THE FUNDING OPTION TIME FOR THIS NEXT FISCAL YEAR,
4 SO IT WOULD DELAY IMPLEMENTATION. AND I DON'T THINK, IF THIS
5 BOARD IS GOING TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS, WE CAN
6 AFFORD TO DO WHAT WE OFTEN DO, WHICH IS TO TELL THE C.E.O. TO
7 GO FIND THE MONEY TO MAKE IT HAPPEN. IF IT IS GOING TO BE A
8 PRIORITY, IF PEOPLE SUPPORT THE MOTION, THEN FOLKS ARE GOING
9 TO HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT IT IS FUNDED. THE OPTION THAT I
10 BROUGHT FORWARD AFTER REVIEWING WHAT THE C.E.O. PUT FORWARD,
11 AFTER MANY MEETINGS AND ACTUALLY TWO YEARS OF TRYING TO FIGURE
12 IT OUT, IS THE BEST OPTION WE COULD COME UP WITH, THAT GIVES A
13 SENSE OF HOW MANY PEOPLE WILL ACCEPT THE BENEFIT, AND IN THE
14 LONG RUN GIVE US A CLEARER, MORE ACCURATE ACCOUNT OF WHAT IT
15 COULD COST THE COUNTY IF WE WERE TO IMPLEMENT A PAID FAMILY
16 LEAVE, TO YOUR POINT, MADAM CHAIR, THAT THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE
17 SOME SKIN IN THE GAME. AT THIS POINT, WE HAVE NO IDEA HOW MANY
18 PEOPLE WOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE, AND THIS, AGAIN, IS A PILOT TO
19 GIVE THE COUNTY MORE DATA TO TRY TO FIGURE IT OUT. FOR THOSE
20 REASONS, I WILL NOT BE SUPPORTING THE AMENDMENT, AND WILL
21 CONTINUE TO STAND BY THE MOTION IN CHIEF. THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER?
24



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1 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MITCHELL,
2 FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS MOTION, AND FOR ENGAGING IN DIALOGUE
3 TODAY REGARDING PAID FAMILY LEAVE. LIKE YOU AND THE REST OF MY
4 COLLEAGUES, I DO BELIEVE IN THE CONCEPT OF PAID FAMILY LEAVE
5 AND ITS IMPORTANCE IN SUPPORTING OUR WORKFORCE, WHO ARE OFTEN
6 TORN BETWEEN NEEDS OF THEIR FAMILY AND THE FINANCIAL BURDENS
7 OF LIFE. I KNOW THE LACK OF PAID FAMILY LEAVE CAN IMPACT THE
8 ABILITY OF OUR EMPLOYEES TO MAKE DEEPLY PERSONAL CHOICES,
9 WHETHER IT BE TO START A FAMILY OR CARE FOR AN AILING PARENT.
10 AND I KNOW THIS BOARD HAS MADE A PRIORITY TO BRIDGE THE FACT
11 THAT MANY WOMEN PUT THEIR CAREER ON HOLD, WHICH IMPACTS THEIR
12 ABILITY TO PROMOTE. SO I FEEL THAT WE, AS A BOARD, HAVE WALKED
13 IT. WE'VE TALKED OF IT; NOW WE HAVE TO WALK IT. MY CONCERN
14 WITH TODAY'S MOTION, HOWEVER, IS THAT IT DOES NOT REFLECT THE
15 WISHES OF OUR WORKFORCE, AS STATED IN THE SURVEY ISSUED BY THE
16 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES. OUR EMPLOYEES DESERVE TO HAVE
17 VOICE AND CHOICE IN THEIR BENEFITS, ESPECIALLY ONE SO PERSONAL
18 AS THE DECISION TO START A FAMILY, OR TO BE WITH A LOVED ONE
19 WHO IS SICK. I APPRECIATE THE RESEARCH IN THE REPORT BY THE
20 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND THE C.E.O., THAT INCLUDED
21 PROPOSED STRUCTURES AND FINANCING MODELS FOR PAID FAMILY
22 LEAVE, BUT THE MOTION DOES NOT REFLECT THE WISHES OF THE
23 MAJORITY OF THE PARTICIPANTS WHO DID RESPOND TO THAT SURVEY.
24 ONLY 161 EMPLOYEES OUT OF 3,000 THAT RESPONDED SAID THAT THEY
25 WOULD WANT A MANDATORY PROGRAM THAT REQUIRES ALL MEGAFLEX AND



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1 FLEX EMPLOYEES TO PARTICIPATE. THE VAST MAJORITY-- ACTUALLY,
2 68% OF THE RESPONDENTS-- SAID THAT THEY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN
3 A VOLUNTARY PLAN, ONLY. IN ADDITION, THE ACTUARIAL COST
4 ESTIMATES THAT ARE INCLUDED IN THE OCTOBER C.E.O. REPORT WERE
5 NOT AVAILABLE WHEN HUMAN RESOURCES CONDUCTED ITS SURVEY, SO
6 EMPLOYEES WERE NOT ABLE TO MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS ABOUT WHAT
7 OPTIONS THEY WOULD SUPPORT, BASED ON HOW MUCH IT WOULD COST
8 THEM. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT ISSUE THAT WILL IMPACT ROUGHLY
9 14,000 EMPLOYEES. I BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES TO
10 CONDUCT A MORE IN-DEPTH RESEARCH THAT GARNERS SUFFICIENT
11 FEEDBACK FROM OUR WORKFORCE, AND GIVES THEM A TRUE VOICE IN
12 THE PROCESS AS WE CONTEMPLATE THESE DECISIONS ON THEIR BEHALF.
13 AS SUCH, I WOULD SUGGEST THAT BEFORE THIS BOARD IMPLEMENTS ANY
14 PAID FAMILY LEAVE PROGRAM THAT IS GOING TO BE DONE, IT BE
15 INCLUDED WITH PROVISIONS OF ADEQUATE DATA AND INPUT FROM OUR
16 WORKFORCE. THIS EFFORT SHOULD INCLUDE AMPLE OUTREACH TO ENSURE
17 THAT THE MAJORITY OF OUR WORKFORCE ARE RESPONDING AND
18 PROVIDING INPUT. I WOULD PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT THAT MOVES THE
19 FOLLOWING: I WOULD THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF
20 SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
21 HUMAN RESOURCES TO CONDUCT A SURVEY OF ALL MEGAFLEX AND FLEX
22 EMPLOYEES REGARDING PAID FAMILY LEAVE THAT PRESENTS THE
23 VARIOUS OPTIONS, INCLUDING COST, LENGTH OF TIME, AND SALARY
24 REPLACEMENT, LAID OUT IN THE C.E.O.'S OCTOBER 16TH, 2023,
25 REPORT, ENTITLED "IMPLEMENTING PAID FAMILY LEAVE FOR EMPLOYEES



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1 RECEIVING FLEX OR MEGAFLEX BENEFITS." THE C.E.O. AND
2 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR SHOULD UTILIZE BEST
3 PRACTICES IN DEVELOPING THE SURVEY, AND WORK WITH COUNTY
4 DEPARTMENTS TO ENSURE MAXIMUM TRANSPARENCY AND PARTICIPATION
5 IN THE SURVEY. C.E.O. AND D.H.R. SHOULD REPORT BACK TO THIS
6 BOARD WITHIN 60 DAYS ON THE RESULTS OF SUCH SURVEY, AND A
7 RECOMMENDATION TO MOVE FORWARD, BASED ON THE RESPONSE GATHERED
8 FROM THE IMPACTED EMPLOYEES." AND I WOULD JUST SAY, I THINK IT
9 DOES MATTER WHETHER ITS MANDATED, VERSUS-- I MEAN, UNDER THE
10 CURRENT PROVISIONS, THE COUNTY DOES HAVE SKIN IN THE GAME. I
11 THINK, ON EVERY MEGAFLEX EMPLOYEE, WE ACTUALLY DO PROVIDE
12 RESOURCES TO OFFSET THE ACTUAL COST, BECAUSE IT IS SO
13 EXPENSIVE. AND AGAIN, I APPRECIATE THE FACT THAT YOU'RE
14 BRINGING THIS FORWARD. I MEAN, WE HAVE TO HAVE THIS
15 DISCUSSION. BUT I THINK NOW, MORE THAN EVER, PEOPLE ARE MORE
16 COGNIZANT OF THEIR PAYCHECK AND HOW MUCH THEY ARE BRINGING
17 HOME, AND TO MAKE IT A MANDATE ACROSS THE BOARD, FOR PEOPLE
18 THAT DON'T FEEL THAT IT IS A NECESSITY FOR THEM, I THINK IS
19 UNFAIR. BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT WE CAN'T GET TO WHERE YOU
20 HAVE LED US, AND WHERE WE NEED TO BE. SO I WOULD SUPPORT YOUR
21 MOTION WITH THAT AMENDMENT, RECOGNIZING THAT THIS IS GOING TO
22 HELP US DO IT RIGHT, AND DO IT BETTER.

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24 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** SO MY AMENDMENT IS TO HER MOTION, SO HER
25 MOTION IS STILL ON THE FLOOR. MINE IS AN AMENDMENT, SO YOUR



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1 AMENDMENT WOULD ALSO NEED A SECOND TO BE CONSIDERED. SO IS
2 THERE A SECOND TO HER MOTION?

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4 **SUP. HAHN:** CAN I HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT THAT? WHAT WOULD THAT
5 DELAY DO, IN TERMS OF--

6

7 **SUP. BARGER:** IT ISN'T A DELAY. IT'S 60 DAYS. I MEAN, HUMAN
8 RESOURCES HAS ALREADY DONE THE SURVEY, BUT THERE WAS
9 INFORMATION THAT YOU DIDN'T HAVE-- I DON'T KNOW WHO I AM
10 POINTING AT OVER THERE-- THAT YOU DID NOT HAVE, THAT I
11 THINK...

12

13 **SUP. HAHN:** I MEAN, WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN IMPLEMENTING
14 EITHER SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S OR THE 1-D VERSUS THE 60-DAY
15 DELAY? I WAS TOLD THAT WE MISSED THE ABILITY TO IMPLEMENT IT
16 IN THIS BUDGET CYCLE.

17

18 **SUP MITCHELL:** WOULD YOU ALL RESPOND TO THAT?

19

20 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH.

21

22 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** MADAM C.E.O., WOULD YOU LIKE TO RESPOND?

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24 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU. SO, IF WE DID A SURVEY AND
25 DELAYED FOR 60 DAYS, THERE ARE A COUPLE OF THINGS. ONE IS THE



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1 TIME THAT WE NEED TO IMPLEMENT. WE'D PUT IN OUR REPORT, AND
2 WE'VE SHARED WITH BOARD OFFICES, THAT IMPLEMENTATION SHOULD
3 START NOW. THAT WORK SHOULD START NOW. WE NEED TO BRING ON A
4 THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATOR, ET CETERA. AND THEN I THINK THE
5 SECOND PART IS, IF THE SURVEY COMES BACK, AND IN ORDER TO
6 ALIGN WITH THAT SURVEY WE ARE CHANGING THE MODEL, WHICH MEANS
7 THE COSTS, THERE IS NO GUARANTEE THAT FUNDING WILL BE
8 AVAILABLE IN FINAL CHANGES, OR SUPPLEMENTAL, FOR THAT MATTER.

9

10 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** SO IS THERE A SECOND TO SUPERVISOR
11 BARGER'S AMENDMENT? OKAY, IT FAILS FOR LACK OF A SECOND.

12

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

14

15 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

16

17 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, I WANT TO SAY, MADAM CHAIR, THAT I SUPPORT,
18 IN CONCEPT, WHAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL HAS BROUGHT FORWARD IN
19 HER ITEM 11. AND ALSO, I FULLY SUPPORT SUPERVISOR HAHN'S
20 MOTION, AND--

21

22 **SUP. HAHN:** THAT WAS SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S.

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS:** WELL, NO, THE MOTION. YEAH, YEAH. ITEM 15. I AM
25 GOING BACK TO THE BEGINNING. I'M SORRY. AND, YOU KNOW, I DO



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1 RECOGNIZE THAT WE HAVE TO HAVE PROTECTED LEAVE PROGRAMS
2 AWARENESS MONTH. THAT'S SOMETHING WE SHOULD ALWAYS BE DOING.
3 BUT I ALSO THINK THAT THERE SHOULD BE MORE OUTREACH AND
4 EDUCATION TO OUR COUNTY WORKFORCE, AND THIS IS A NEW STATE LAW
5 THAT EXPANDS BEREAVEMENT LEAVE, OR EXPECTING PARENTS OR
6 PARENTS, AND FOR QUALIFYING EVENTS, SUCH AS MISCARRIAGE AND
7 EVEN ADOPTION. THAT DIDN'T GO THROUGH. I SUPPORT SUPERVISOR
8 MITCHELL'S MOTION 11, AND I AGREE THAT WE SHOULD PROVIDE OUR
9 EMPLOYEES WITH PAID TIME OFF TO CARE FOR THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS,
10 BUT I DO HAVE SOME CONCERNS, AS WELL; FIRST, THE PILOT, FOR
11 NON-REPRESENTED MEGAFLEX AND FLEX EMPLOYEES, WHO ARE, FOR THE
12 MOST PART, THE COUNTY'S HIGHEST-PAID EMPLOYEES. OUR
13 REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES, SOME OF WHOM ARE GENERALLY OUR LOWEST-
14 PAID EMPLOYEES, ARE EXCLUDED, LIKELY THOSE NEEDING THIS JUST
15 AS MUCH. SO I DO THINK THAT THERE IS AN EQUITY ISSUE HERE, IN
16 MY MIND, AND I THINK THAT WE SHOULD BE PRIORITIZING OUR
17 REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES, BUT I KNOW THAT THIS IS GOING TO BE A
18 MAJOR HIT ON THE BUDGET FOR ALL OF US, AND FOR PERSONAL
19 BUDGETS FOR PEOPLE THAT, RIGHT NOW, ARE LOOKING AT THEIR
20 PAYCHECK. I AM ALSO CONCERNED THAT THE BENEFIT TO OUR NON-
21 REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES WOULD BE MANDATORY, AND ALTHOUGH
22 MEGAFLEX INCLUDES OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS, EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP,
23 AND SEVERAL LEVELS OF MANAGEMENT, I DO KNOW THAT THERE ARE
24 SOME NON-REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES, SUCH AS SECRETARIES AND
25 ANALYSTS, WHO ARE ON MEGAFLEX. THEY ARE OUR MEGAFLEX



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1 EMPLOYEES, AND THEY MAKE LESS THAN \$100,000 A YEAR. THOSE
2 EMPLOYEES WOULD BE REQUIRED TO SUBSIDIZE THE PAID FAMILY LEAVE
3 OF OUR TOP EARNERS, WHICH, TO ME, DOESN'T SEEM FAIR, AND I DO
4 THINK IT IS NECESSARY TO LOOK AT OTHER ALTERNATIVES OR OPTIONS
5 ON HOW TO IMPLEMENT THIS BENEFIT TO ALL COUNTY EMPLOYEES. I
6 DON'T KNOW THAT WE ARE THERE RIGHT NOW, AND I DO FEEL THERE IS
7 INFORMATION THAT IS LACKING, BUT I DO UNDERSTAND THE URGENCY
8 OF DOING SOMETHING, AND I DO THINK THAT WE DO HAVE SKIN IN THE
9 GAME, AS A COUNTY, AND WE HAVE TO DO SOMETHING. SO I SUPPORT
10 THE MOTION, THE AMENDMENT THAT I SECONDED, THAT SUPERVISOR
11 HORVATH HAS PUT FORWARD, BECAUSE I STILL THINK THAT WE CAN DO
12 SOMETHING, BUT WE SHOULD TAKE CAUTIONARY STEPS AT THIS POINT.
13 THANK YOU.

14
15 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR HAHN?

16
17 **SUP. HAHN:** I ACTUALLY GOT MY QUESTION ANSWERED.

18
19 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, SO YOU HAVE NO OTHER COMMENTS AT
20 THIS TIME? OKAY. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

21
22 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. TO ADDRESS THE POINT THAT MY
23 COLLEAGUES ARE RAISING ABOUT IT BEING MONEY OUT OF THE POCKET,
24 I AM WONDERING IF THE C.E.O. COULD EXPLAIN TO US HOW THE
25 MOTION IN CHIEF WOULD WORK, IN TERMS OF MEGAFLEX DOLLARS THAT



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SUPERVISORS

1 GO UNUSED, THAT WHOLE PIECE. COULD YOU EXPLAIN THAT? YOU WILL
2 DO A MUCH BETTER JOB AT IT THAN I WILL.

3
4 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. SO, EMPLOYEES
5 THAT RECEIVE MEGAFLEX GET A PERCENTAGE OF THEIR SALARY TO
6 PURCHASE BENEFITS. A PART OF THAT AMOUNT IS USED TO PURCHASE
7 THE BENEFIT, AND THEN WHATEVER IS UNUSED, THAT EMPLOYEE GETS
8 TO TAKE THAT AMOUNT, BASICALLY, HOME IN CASH. IT IS ADDED TO
9 THEIR PAYCHECK. SO, BASED ON THE COST OF THIS PROGRAM, A
10 MEGAFLEX EMPLOYEE COULD HAVE THE ENTIRE COST OF THIS COVERED
11 BY THEIR MEGAFLEX BENEFIT. I JUST WANTED PROVIDE SOME CONTEXT.
12 I WANT TO CITE SOME NUMBERS. I'M NOT GOING TO CITE TOO MANY,
13 BUT I JUST WANT PEOPLE TO UNDERSTAND WHAT WE ARE TALKING
14 ABOUT, IN TERMS OF DOLLARS. SO, UNDER PLAN 2-A, AN EMPLOYEE
15 THAT MAKES \$128,000 A YEAR, THEY WOULD HAVE A DEDUCTION OF
16 \$23.47 FROM THEIR PAYCHECK, WHICH IS A TOTAL OF ABOUT \$563.
17 THAT'S JUST ONE EXAMPLE. YES, \$563 A YEAR, FOR EIGHT WEEKS OF
18 PAID LEAVE. SO THE AMOUNT OF THE LEAVE, 70% OF THEIR SALARY
19 WOULD FAR OUTWEIGH THE \$563. I WILL JUST GIVE YOU ONE OTHER
20 NUMBER. AN EMPLOYEE THAT MADE-- I'M SORRY. YEAH, AN EMPLOYEE
21 THAT MAKES \$146,000 A YEAR, THE DEDUCTION FROM THEIR PAYCHECK
22 WOULD BE \$26.77 PER PAYCHECK. THAT WOULD EQUATE TO A TOTAL OF
23 \$642.40 A YEAR, IN EXCHANGE FOR THE ABILITY TO USE UP TO EIGHT
24 WEEKS OF PAID FAMILY LEAVE, AT 70% OF THEIR SALARY. SO THEY



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1 WOULD BE ABLE TO RECEIVE 70% OF \$146, EIGHT WEEKS' WORTH OF
2 THAT TIME.

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** SO IF YOU MAKE MORE, YOU PAY MORE; YOU MAKE
5 LESS, YOU PAY LESS.

6

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

8

9 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AND TO THE POINT RAISED BY SEVERAL OF MY
10 COLLEAGUES, WE CARRIED A MOTION ABOUT THREE MONTHS AGO THAT
11 LED TO THE REPORT-BACK WE GOT IN OCTOBER FROM THE C.E.O., AND
12 IN THAT MOTION, WE ALSO DIRECTED THE C.E.O. TO START
13 NEGOTIATIONS WITH LABOR ORGANIZATIONS FOR REPRESENTED
14 EMPLOYEES. SO THAT'S, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, ON A DUAL TRACK.
15 TIMING IS SUCH THAT THOSE NEGOTIATIONS ARE ON THEIR OWN TIME
16 FRAME. SO THAT MOTION-- ABOUT THREE MONTHS AGO, IF I REMEMBER
17 CORRECTLY-- DIRECTED THE C.E.O. TO START THAT. THE LAST POINT
18 I WILL MAKE IS MANDATORY VERSUS VOLUNTARY. NONE OF US PLAN TO
19 HAVE A SICK FAMILY MEMBER. AND I, LIKE MANY WORKING WOMEN,
20 FOUND MYSELF, MOST OF MY PROFESSIONAL CAREER, AS A SANDWICH
21 GENERATION. SINCE I WAS A GERIATRIC MOTHER-- I BECAME A MOTHER
22 AT 35; THAT'S A TECHNICAL TERM-- I WAS CARING FOR AGING
23 PARENTS, WHO BOTH DIED DURING MY CAREER AS A STATE LEGISLATOR,
24 ALONG WITH SCHOOL-AGED CHILD, RIGHT? ALSO, IT IS COMMONLY
25 KNOWN I AM AN ADOPTIVE PARENT, AND SO NONE OF THE LEAVE-- YOU



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SUPERVISORS

1 KNOW, PREGNANCY LEAVE IS OFTEN TIED TO DISABILITY, SO AS AN
2 ADOPTIVE PARENT, NONE OF THE CURRENT LEAVES AVAILABLE
3 TYPICALLY MEET THE NEED OF ADOPTIVE PARENTS. AND SO THERE ARE
4 SO MANY REASONS WHY PAID FAMILY LEAVE OPTION, GIVEN THE
5 REALITY OF PEOPLE LIVING LONGER, GIVEN THE REALITY OF WORKING-
6 CLASS PEOPLE NEEDING TO BE ABLE TO CARE FOR A SICK OR AILING
7 FAMILY MEMBER, THAT'S WHY I THINK WE CAN'T AFFORD TO CONTINUE
8 TO KICK THE CAN DOWN THE ROAD. THIS IS A PILOT. WE HAVE
9 INSTRUCTED THE C.E.O. TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS FOR OUR
10 REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES. IT IS NEVER MY DESIRE TO LEAVE ANYONE
11 OUT, BUT I AM WILLING TO TAKE THE MANTLE AND CONTINUE TO
12 FIGURE OUT A WAY IN WHICH WE CAN PUSH THIS FORWARD FOR OUR
13 EMPLOYEES. IT IS A PILOT FOR ONE SEGMENT OF THE POPULATION. WE
14 HAVE ASKED THAT THE REPRESENTED EMPLOYEES, THOSE NEGOTIATIONS
15 HAPPENED. I AM CONCERNED ABOUT THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS,
16 BECAUSE I FRANKLY THINK IT IS A POISON PILL, GIVEN WHERE WE
17 ARE IN THE BUDGET PROCESS, AND UNLESS PEOPLE CAN GUARANTEE
18 THAT YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE IT YOUR FIRST AND ONLY BUDGET
19 PRIORITY, AND WE'RE GOING TO GET IT FUNDED, I DON'T KNOW THAT
20 THERE'S A GUARANTEE THAT, BEYOND WHAT WE TALK ABOUT AS OUR
21 PRIORITY TODAY, BECOMES REALITY FOR EMPLOYEES, BECAUSE WE
22 ACTUALLY PUT N.C.C. FUNDS TO THE TABLE TO PAY FOR IT. THIS IS
23 A PILOT. IT WILL GET US TO ONE SEGMENT OF THE POPULATION. WE
24 CAN THEN FIGURE OUT WHAT OUR TAKE-UP RATE WILL BE, IF WE MOVE



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1 FORWARD IN A DIFFERENT FORMAT. SO FOR THOSE REASONS, I AM
2 ASKING FOR SUPPORT OF THE MOTION IN CHIEF.

3

4 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER?

5

6 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. FESIA, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU CAN ANSWER
7 THIS QUESTION, BUT I'M JUST CURIOUS. MEGAFLEX, IT IS 16% OF
8 THE SALARY?

9

10 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** IT DIFFERS BASED ON THE YEARS OF
11 SERVICE, BUT I BELIEVE THE LOWEST AMOUNT IS 14.5%.

12

13 **SUP. BARGER:** AND HOW MUCH HAS EACH INDIVIDUAL SALARY GONE UP
14 EACH YEAR? WHAT WAS THE C.O.L.A. LAST YEAR?

15

16 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** LAST YEAR WAS 3.75.

17

18 **SUP. BARGER:** AND IF I LOOK AT MY MEGAFLEX, AND I LOOK AT EACH
19 THING THAT I PURCHASED, IS THAT THE ACTUAL COST, OR IS THE
20 COUNTY PUTTING MONEY IN TO PROVIDE THAT?

21

22 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** IF YOU ARE REFERRING TO--

23



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1 **SUP. BARGER:** LET'S SAY HEALTH INSURANCE. IF MY PREMIUM'S \$325,
2 IS THAT THE ACTUAL COST THAT WE ARE PAYING, LET'S SAY, KAISER,
3 OR ARE WE PROVIDING KAISER WITH ADDITIONAL...

4

5 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THAT IS NOT THE ACTUAL COST, SO THAT
6 AMOUNT IS BOUGHT DOWN. SO THAT MEANS THE COUNTY PUTS IN MONEY
7 TO BUY THE COST DOWN FOR THE EMPLOYEE.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER:** AND WE ARE NEGOTIATING RIGHT NOW WITH THE
10 REPRESENTED, CORRECT?

11

12 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** CORRECT.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER:** ON THIS ISSUE.

15

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

17

18 **SUP. BARGER:** YOU KNOW, I MEAN, I LISTENED TO SUPERVISOR
19 MITCHELL MAKE A COMPELLING ARGUMENT THAT WE SHOULD LOOK AT
20 THIS, AND I AM THINKING ABOUT THE FACT THAT THE MEGAFLEX GOES
21 UP WITH THE INDIVIDUAL'S SALARY. IT IS NOT STAGNANT.

22

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

24



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1 **SUP. BARGER:** SO IT IS ALMOST LIKE A WINDFALL. ACTUALLY, MANY
2 VIEW IT AS AN ADDITIONAL RAISE. AND I AM STARTING TO THINK
3 THAT MAYBE, GIVEN THE FACT THAT WE DON'T WANT TO HEAR FROM OUR
4 EMPLOYEES ON ANOTHER SURVEY TO SEE WHAT THEIR THOUGHTS ARE,
5 AND OBVIOUSLY, WE ARE NEGOTIATING WITH THE UNIONS RIGHT NOW TO
6 INCLUDE IT THERE, MAYBE IT IS TIME FOR US TO LOOK AT
7 IMPLEMENTING IT IMMEDIATELY.

8
9 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. WHAT I WOULD
10 SAY IS, IMPLEMENTING A PROGRAM LIKE PAID FAMILY LEAVE, WITH A
11 VERY LARGE POPULATION-- LET'S SAY OUR OVER \$100,000, OVER
12 100,000 EMPLOYEES-- IS BOUND TO HAVE GLITCHES AND SOME
13 IMPLEMENTATION BOBBLES, SO TO SPEAK. THE REASON WHY THE PILOT
14 IS SO IMPORTANT, BECAUSE IT ALLOWS US TO ROLL OUT A PROGRAM,
15 IDENTIFY ANY IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES, THINGS THAT WE HADN'T
16 THOUGHT ABOUT. IT ALLOWS US TO WORK OUT ALL OF THOSE ISSUES,
17 GET ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE TAKE-UP RATE, LIKE WHO IS
18 ACTUALLY USING IT, AND WHO IS NOT, AND THEN WE CAN HAVE AN
19 ONGOING CONVERSATION WITH THE MEMBERS OF THE PILOT POPULATION.
20 THAT WOULD ACTUALLY BE VERY VALUABLE TO HELP INFORM WHAT A
21 COUNTYWIDE ROLLOUT MIGHT LOOK LIKE, SHOULD THE BOARD DECIDE TO
22 HEAD IN THAT DIRECTION.



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1 **SUP. BARGER:** YEAH. I MEAN, I GUESS WHAT I AM TRYING TO GET AT
2 IS, IF YOU GET A 5% RAISE, YOU ALSO GET A BUMP IN YOUR
3 MEGAFLEX.

4

5 **FESIA DAVENPORET, C.E.O.:** YOU GET A BUMP IN THE MEGAFLEX
6 AMOUNT. SO, BECAUSE THE MEGAFLEX IS A PERCENTAGE OF THE
7 SALARY, WHEN THE SALARY GOES UP, THEN THE MEGAFLEX AMOUNT GOES
8 UP, AS WELL.

9

10 **SUP. BARGER:** SO, I MEAN, THAT'S WHY, WHEN I LISTEN TO
11 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TALK, IT IS ALMOST LIKE GETTING A 5% PLUS
12 WHATEVER THE PERCENTAGE WOULD BE FOR YOUR MEGAFLEX. CORRECT?

13

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

15

16 **SUP. BARGER:** IS THAT TAXABLE?

17

18 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO WHEN THE BOARD APPROVES C.O.L.A.S.,
19 PEOPLE THAT RECEIVE MEGAFLEX WILL GET MORE MEGAFLEX MONEY,
20 BASED ON THE HIGHER SALARY. THE AMOUNT, INITIALLY, WHETHER IT
21 IS TAXABLE OR NOT DEPENDS ON HOW MUCH IS USED TO PAY FOR
22 BENEFITS.

23



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1 **SUP. BARGER:** AND THAT'S WHAT I WAS GOING TO ASK. SO IF, LET'S
2 SAY, THAT WE DID GO AHEAD AND MAKE IT MANDATORY, IF IT WAS \$24
3 OUT OF SOMEONE'S MEGAFLEX, THAT'S NOT TAXABLE? BECAUSE IT'S...

4

5 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** IT IS.

6

7 **SUP. BARGER:** IT ONLY IS TAXABLE IF IT GOES INTO YOUR PAYCHECK.

8

9 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO UNDER THIS MODEL, UNDER MODEL 2-A,
10 IT IS AN AFTER-TAX DEDUCTION. SO THEY WOULD STILL HAVE THE
11 BENEFIT OF A HIGHER MEGAFLEX ALLOWANCE. WHATEVER THEY DON'T
12 USE, DROPS TO THEIR PAYCHECK AS CASH.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER:** AND THEN IT IS TAXABLE.

15

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

17

18 **SUP. BARGER:** BUT IF IT IS USED, AS SUPERVISOR MITCHELL IS
19 PROPOSING, FOR IT TO BE MANDATORY, THAT WOULD COME OUT OF THE
20 MEGAFLEX BEFORE TAXES.

21

22 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** NO. WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IS THEIR
23 MEGAFLEX, AFTER THEY BUY THE MEDICAL, AND THE DENTAL, AND
24 WHATEVER BENEFITS THEY ARE GOING TO PURCHASE, THAT AMOUNT IS
25 DEDUCTED FROM THEIR MEGAFLEX ALLOWANCE. LET'S JUST SAY THERE'S



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1 \$800 THAT THEY ARE NOT USING, THAT WOULD DROP TO THEIR
2 PAYCHECK, IT WOULD BE INCLUDED IN THEIR PAYCHECK, IT WOULD BE
3 A TAXABLE AMOUNT, AND THEN THE AMOUNT FOR THE PAID FAMILY
4 LEAVE WOULD BE DEDUCTED. SO IT WOULD BE CONSIDERED TAXABLE.

5
6 **SUP. BARGER:** SO, I MEAN, WHEN I THINK OF "MANDATORY," I KNOW
7 THAT YOU ARE MANDATED TO BUY SOME SORT OF HEALTH INSURANCE,
8 BECAUSE AN ACTUARIAL IS DONE TO FIGURE OUT WHAT-- I MEAN, THE
9 INSURANCE COMPANIES WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY COVER THE
10 COUNTY'S [INAUDIBLE]. I HAVE TO WONDER IF-- I DON'T KNOW HOW
11 YOU WOULD DO AN ACTUARIAL ON THIS, BUT I HAVE TO WONDER, WE
12 HAVE ALREADY MANDATED FOR HEALTH INSURANCE. SO WHAT'S THE
13 DIFFERENCE? I MEAN, WE DO THAT FOR EMPLOYEES RIGHT NOW. AND IF
14 YOU DON'T WANT TO BUY HEALTH INSURANCE, YOU HAVE TO BUY
15 CATASTROPHIC.

16
17 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** YES.

18
19 **SUP. BARGER:** WHICH NO ONE EVER USES, BECAUSE IF IT'S
20 CATASTROPHIC, YOU ARE AT THE END. SO I GUESS I AM JUST SAYING,
21 WHY WOULDN'T WE LOOK AT SOMETHING LIKE THIS MANDATORY, IF THIS
22 IS SOMETHING THAT THE BOARD HAS BEEN CONSISTENTLY SUPPORTIVE,
23 AS IT RELATES TO FAMILY LEAVE? YOU CAN'T ANSWER THAT. THAT'S
24 MORE ME THINKING OUT LOUD TO MY COLLEAGUES.



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1 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** BUT I DO THINK THAT, IN TERMS OF
2 ESTABLISHING A PRECEDENT OF A MANDATORY PROGRAM, THAT
3 PRECEDENT HAS ALREADY BEEN ESTABLISHED, AND IT IS LONG-
4 STANDING IN THE COUNTY, BECAUSE WE DO REQUIRE EMPLOYEES TO
5 PURCHASE SOME FORM OF HEALTH INSURANCE, AND SO, YEAH, I
6 UNDERSTAND THE POINT.

7

8 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** SO, I JUST WANT TO ADDRESS A COUPLE OF
11 THINGS THAT HAVE COME UP, ESPECIALLY AS IT RELATES TO OUR
12 AMENDMENT. THE C.E.O. ESTIMATES THE COST OF OPTION 1-D, WHICH
13 WE ARE PROPOSING IN OUR AMENDMENT TO BE \$30 MILLION, ANNUALLY.
14 BUT I BELIEVE THAT THIS COST IS NOT ACCURATE, AND THAT IT IS
15 TOO HIGH, FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS, WITH ALL DUE RESPECT TO
16 THE C.E.O. THE C.E.O. ESTIMATES THAT 50% OF EMPLOYEES WILL
17 UTILIZE THE BENEFIT EACH YEAR. I DON'T THINK THERE'S A
18 SCENARIO WHERE 50% OF EMPLOYEES WILL GO OUT ON PAID FAMILY
19 LEAVE WITHIN THE ONE YEAR. THIS MANY EMPLOYEES PROBABLY
20 DOESN'T EVEN HAVE THE CIRCUMSTANCES IN THEIR LIVES TO MAKE
21 THAT NECESSARY, POTENTIALLY. ALSO, I DOUBT THAT MOST OF THE
22 POSITIONS WILL BE BACKFILLED WITH OVERTIME OR TEMPORARY
23 EMPLOYEES WHEN THE INDIVIDUAL IS OUT ON LEAVE. OVERALL, 15% OF
24 THE COUNTY'S POSITIONS NEED TO HAVE SOMEONE IN THEM EVERY DAY,
25 SUCH AS PUBLIC SAFETY. THERE'S A TYPICAL SALARY SAVINGS EACH



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1 YEAR FROM VACANT POSITIONS, AND SINCE WE ARE UNCERTAIN ABOUT
2 FINANCES, IT IS GOOD TO HAVE A TWO-YEAR PILOT. MORE
3 IMPORTANTLY, LOTS OF PEOPLE, AS HAS BEEN REFERENCED, ARE
4 WATCHING WHAT WE DISCUSS TODAY. SETTING PRECEDENT THAT
5 EMPLOYEES ALONE PAY FOR THE BENEFIT MIGHT NOT SEEM LIKE A BIG
6 IMPACT TO THE PEOPLE THAT WE ARE STUDYING IN THIS PILOT,
7 BECAUSE OF WHAT THEIR SALARIES ARE, BUT I GUARANTEE THAT OUR
8 LOWER EARNERS WILL FEEL THE IMPACT, AND IF IT IS OUR INTENTION
9 FOR THIS PILOT TO INSTRUCT US ON HOW WE MIGHT WORK IN THOSE
10 NEGOTIATIONS, THEY ARE GOING TO FEEL IT. AND SO I THINK WE
11 SHOULD BE PROPOSING THAT THE COUNTY PARTICIPATES IN THIS
12 PROGRAM, IF WE INTEND TO LAUNCH IT. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

13
14 **SUP. HAHN:** YEAH, I WAS JUST GOING TO GO BACK TO THE SCENARIO
15 THAT YOU WERE MENTIONING, KIND OF TRYING TO RELATE IT TO
16 MEGAFLEX. IF AN EMPLOYEE, AT THE END OF THE YEAR, HAS NOT USED
17 CERTAIN THINGS, THEY GET IT BACK, AS YOU SAID, IN THEIR
18 POCKET. WHAT I HAVE HEARD FROM SOME MEGAFLEX EMPLOYEES IS THAT
19 THIS MANDATORY PILOT WOULD BASICALLY TRANSLATE TO A PAY CUT,
20 ANY WAY YOU LOOK AT IT, WITHOUT THEIR APPROVAL, AND THAT IF
21 THEY DID NOT USE IT-- THAT'S THE DIFFERENCE FOR ME, IS THAT IF
22 THEY DID NOT USE THIS, THEY DON'T GET A CHECK BACK IN THEIR
23 POCKET AT THE END OF THE YEAR. IS THAT CORRECT?



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1 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO UNDER MODEL 2-A, WE WOULD HAVE TO-
2 - SO SOME OF THE MODELS DO HAVE AN AUTOMATIC RETURN OF THE
3 BENEFIT.

4
5 **SUP. HAHN:** BUT NOT THE ONE THAT'S ON THE--

6
7 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** RIGHT. BUT BECAUSE THIS IS A 2-YEAR
8 PILOT, IF AFTER YEAR TWO, LET'S SAY IT IS NOT GOING TO BE
9 EXTENDED, WE WOULD HAVE TO FIGURE OUT A PLAN, LIKE WHAT TO DO
10 WITH THAT MONEY THAT HAS BEEN ACCUMULATED, BECAUSE THE
11 PURPOSES FOR WHICH IT WAS COLLECTED WOULD NO LONGER BE IN
12 EXISTENCE. THERE WOULDN'T BE A YEAR THREE OF THE PILOT.

13
14 **SUP. HAHN:** WHY WOULD YOU HAVE TO DETERMINE IT? WHY WOULDN'T IT
15 JUST GO BACK TO...

16
17 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** BECAUSE WE HAVE TO LOOK AT WHO USED
18 IT, WHO DIDN'T. IF YOU USED IT, HOW MANY DAYS? ALL I AM SAYING
19 IS THAT THERE IS A WAY TO FIGURE THAT OUT.

20
21 **SUP. HAHN:** AND IT PROBABLY DOESN'T GIVE A LOT OF COMFORT TO
22 THE EMPLOYEES. AND I AGREE THAT WE NEED TO GET TO PAID FAMILY
23 LEAVE, AND I THINK A PILOT PROGRAM WILL TELL US A LOT OF
24 INFORMATION. I FEEL LIKE IT IS A LITTLE BIT BACKWARDS, IN THAT
25 THE PILOT PROGRAM IS ON THE BACKS OF THE EMPLOYEES. I WISH THE



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1 TIMING WOULD HAVE ALLOWED US TO DO A REAL THOROUGH SURVEY, SO
2 THAT WE COULD DETERMINE HOW WE MAKE IT RIGHT. THANK YOU FOR
3 THAT ANSWER.

4

5 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** MADAM CHAIR, MAY I... OH.

6

7 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER COMMENTS? OKAY. I
8 AM GOING TO GO TO SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, BUT IF YOU WANT TO HEAR
9 FROM C.E.O., WE WILL DO THAT FIRST.

10

11 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO JUST A COUPLE OF THINGS. WE
12 REQUIRE EMPLOYEES TO PAY FOR MEDICAL INSURANCE, AS FOLKS HAVE
13 INDICATED, AND WE HAVE FOLKS THAT DON'T GO TO THE DOCTOR FOR A
14 WHOLE YEAR. THEY DON'T HURT THEMSELVES. THEY ARE NOT
15 EXPERIENCING ISSUES. AND SO, IN TERMS OF THE COMMENT THAT THIS
16 IS A PAY CUT, I THINK THAT, YOU KNOW, THAT FEELING, I GET IT,
17 BUT THERE IS SOMETHING ON THE OTHER END OF THIS. IT IS AN
18 OPPORTUNITY THAT YOU DON'T HAVE NOW. THAT'S NUMBER ONE. WITH
19 REGARD TO THE NUMBERS, WE ARE NOT SAYING, SUPERVISOR, THAT
20 ACTUALLY 50% OF FOLKS WILL USE THE PROGRAM. IT IS AN
21 ASSUMPTION, BECAUSE WE NEED TO FORECAST. SO WE ARE SAYING, IF
22 50% OF THE FOLKS USE THE PROGRAM, THEN THIS IS WHAT THE
23 NUMBERS ARE. ON THE ISSUE OF BACKFILLING POSITIONS, THOSE ARE
24 CALLED POST POSITIONS, AND YOU USUALLY HAVE THEM IN YOUR LAW
25 ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT, SO THAT IF SOMEONE IS OUT, THE WORK



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1 STILL HAS TO BE DONE, AND SO YOU WILL HAVE TO USE ANOTHER
2 EMPLOYEE TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT WORK GETS DONE. BUT THAT IS
3 NOT WHAT IS HAPPENING HERE, WITH THE MAJORITY OF THESE
4 EMPLOYEES. I HAVE A NUMBER OF MEGAFLEX EMPLOYEES IN MY
5 DEPARTMENT, AND IF THEY DECIDED TO TAKE THIS BENEFIT, THERE
6 ISN'T ANOTHER PERSON NECESSARILY WAITING IN THE WINGS TO DO
7 THAT WORK. SO I UNDERSTAND YOU HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE
8 NUMBERS, BUT I THINK THE NUMBERS ARE RIGHT ON. WE TOOK A LOT
9 OF TIME. WE WORKED WITH AN ACTUARY TO VET THE NUMBERS, AND
10 THESE ARE ALL ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS. SO WE'RE NOT SAYING THIS
11 WILL HAPPEN; WE ARE SAYING IF THIS IS OUR USER RATE, AND WE
12 PICK THIS MODEL, AND WE OFFER THIS LEVEL OF BENEFIT, THESE ARE
13 WHAT OUR PROJECTED COSTS ARE.

14
15 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

16
17 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU. ACTUALLY, THE C.E.O. JUST RAISED IT,
18 BECAUSE I WAS GOING TO SAY, "50% OF THE PEOPLE WHO OPT IN AND
19 PAY," SO I THINK SHE JUST COVERED THAT. THANK YOU.

20
21 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR BARGER?

22
23 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. FESIA, WHERE DO YOU SEE THE ESTIMATED
24 \$30 MILLION COMING FROM.



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1 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO, THE EMPLOYEES WOULD HAVE TO-- I'M
2 SORRY. YOU MEAN, ON ITEM...

3

4 **SUP. BARGER:** IF WE ARE GOING TO COVER, AND NOT MAKE IT
5 MANDATORY-- YEAH. I'M SORRY, IN THE AMENDMENT. BECAUSE, I
6 MEAN, I KNOW THAT THERE'S AN AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 9, TALKING
7 ABOUT PRIORITIZING FISCAL, AND I AM JUST TRYING TO FIGURE OUT
8 WHERE THIS WOULD FALL.

9

10 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO THAT, I THINK, IS THE BIG
11 QUESTION. IT WOULD HAVE TO COME FROM N.C.C., AND WHAT WE WOULD
12 HAVE TO DO IS TAKE THIS MOTION AND LINE IT UP WITH ALL THE
13 OTHER MOTIONS. I THINK, CURRENTLY, WE ARE TRACKING ABOUT 74
14 MOTIONS THAT WOULD NEED TO BE FUNDED, THAT WE WOULD LOOK AT
15 FOR RECOMMENDED BUDGET. I THINK THE FIGURE ON THOSE 74 MOTIONS
16 ARE PROBABLY ABOUT \$200 MILLION, AND SO WE WOULD HAVE TO WORK
17 WITH--

18

19 **SUP. BARGER:** \$230 MILLION NOW.

20

21 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** AND SO MY POINT IS, YOU KNOW, THE
22 PRIORITIZATION PIECE, THAT IS ALWAYS THE MOST DIFFICULT PIECE.
23 YOU KNOW, IF THE BOARD IS SAYING, "WHEN YOU GO AND LOOK AT
24 BUDGET, FUND THIS MOTION BEFORE THE C.E.O. FUNDS ANYTHING
25 ELSE," THEN I THINK THAT INCREASES THE LIKELIHOOD THAT IT WILL



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1 GET FUNDED. THAT ASSUMES THAT THERE'S ALWAYS THE OTHER PIECES:
2 WE HAVE THE DEPARTMENTAL ASK, AND I KNOW YOU ALREADY KNOW
3 THIS, BUT WE HAVE THE PRESSURES ON A BUDGET, ET CETERA.

4

5 **SUP. BARGER:** PLUS NET COUNTY COSTS.

6

7 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** CORRECT.

8

9 **SUP. BARGER:** AND THEN MY LAST QUESTION, AND I DON'T HAVE THE
10 CHOICES IN FRONT OF US, BUT YOU PAY INTO CERTAIN THINGS ASIDE
11 FROM HEALTH AND DENTAL, LIKE 9 DOLLARS AND SOME-ODD CENTS FOR
12 SHORT-TERM LEAVE. DOES THAT GO TO AN INSURANCE COMPANY, OR
13 DOES THE COUNTY SELF-INSURE WHEN SOMEONE IS GOING TO GO OUT ON
14 SHORT-TERM OR LONG-TERM? BECAUSE THAT MONEY IS GOING
15 SOMEWHERE, AND I'VE ALWAYS BEEN CURIOUS TO KNOW WHETHER WE'RE
16 PAYING IT TO AN INSURANCE COMPANY, OR IF WE ARE-- I THOUGHT WE
17 WERE SELF-INSURED.

18

19 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO WE ARE SELF-INSURED, AND THEN WE
20 HAVE A THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATOR THAT ADMINISTERS THE PROGRAM.

21

22 **SUP. BARGER:** SO, I DON'T KNOW WHAT PERCENTAGE OF PEOPLE-- I
23 HAVE BEEN HERE SINCE 1989. I HAVE NEVER USED THAT, AND I HAVE
24 PAID IN EVERY YEAR. WHERE DOES THAT MONEY GO, AND WHY COULDN'T
25 THAT BE LOOKED AT AS A POOL TO OFFSET?



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2 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** YOU KNOW, I WOULD HAVE TO GIVE YOU A
3 MORE SPECIFIC ANSWER, BUT WHAT I WOULD SAY IS THE FACT THAT
4 YOU'RE NOT USING IT DOESN'T MEAN THAT OTHER PEOPLE AREN'T. WE
5 HAVE A TON OF PEOPLE, EMPLOYEES IN THE COUNTY, THAT ARE OUT
6 ON - -

7

8 **SUP. BARGER:** BUT THEN I'D LIKE US TO STUDY AND SEE WHAT
9 PERCENTAGE ARE AND AREN'T, AND I JUST WOULD BE CURIOUS,
10 BECAUSE WHILE I APPRECIATE WHAT YOU ARE SAYING, I JUST WOULD
11 LIKE TO KNOW. ESPECIALLY WHEN PEOPLE BUY AFLAC, WHICH COVERS
12 ALSO, AND THINGS LIKE THAT, I WANT TO FIND OUT WHERE THAT
13 MONEY IS, AND HOW MUCH IT IS, AND HOW MUCH IS USED.

14

15 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** SO, THE AMOUNT THAT FOLKS USE TO
16 PURCHASE SHORT-TERM DISABILITY INSURANCE?

17

18 **SUP. BARGER:** AND LONG-TERM, TOO, BECAUSE LONG-TERM'S MORE
19 EXPENSIVE. BUT I WOULD BE CURIOUS TO KNOW HOW MUCH IS BROUGHT
20 IN, HOW MUCH IS USED, AND THEN WHERE THAT GOES.

21

22 **FESIA DAVENPORT, C.E.O.:** OKAY.

23

24 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU.

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** I DON'T SEE ANYONE ELSE IN THE QUEUE ON
2 MY COLLEAGUES, SO WE WILL GO TO PUBLIC COMMENT. SO EVERYONE
3 KNOWS WHAT IS BEFORE US, THERE'S AN AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION.
4 THERE'S THE PRIMARY MOTION OF ITEM 11, AND THEN THERE'S ALSO
5 THE MOTION ITEM 15, WHICH PROCLAIMS FEBRUARY 2024 PROTECTED
6 LEAVE PROGRAMS AWARENESS MONTH. SO THAT'S WHERE WE WOULD LOVE
7 FOR YOU TO FOCUS YOUR COMMENTS, SO YOU KNOW WHAT WE WILL BE
8 VOTING ON, AS A BOARD, WHEN PUBLIC COMMENT IS COMPLETED.
9 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
10 HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THESE ITEMS.

11
12 **SPEAKER:** WILL ARNOLD SACHS PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL
13 ASSIST YOU? AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE
14 TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEMS 11 AND 15, AND
15 IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO
16 BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE
17 FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE?

18
19 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.
20 YOU MAY BEGIN. GENEVIEVE, YOUR LINE IS OPEN. GO AHEAD. YOU
21 MIGHT NEED TO UNMUTE ON YOUR SIDE.

22
23 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD MORNING. I THINK THAT'S A
24 GOOD IDEA. I DID NOT KNOW WE HAD THAT AVAILABLE IN THE COUNTY.
25 THAT WILL BE NICE TO HAVE THAT KIND OF PROGRAM, AND TO LOOK



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1 HOW BENEFICIAL IT CAN BE. SO I THINK I WILL BE IN FAVOR OF
2 THIS ITEM. THANK YOU.

3

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

5

6 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS TOM CARTER. YOU MAY BEGIN.

7

8 **SPEAKER:** HI. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

9

10 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU. GO AHEAD.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** HELLO? HI. I AM CALLING IN REGARDS TO THE ISSUES WITH
13 THE AMENDMENT, AND ALSO THIS PROPOSAL THAT MS. MITCHELL SET
14 BEFORE THE BOARD. I JUST FIND IT QUITE INTERESTING HOW I, SOME
15 TIME AGO, SPOKE ABOUT MRS. ZAVALA AND HER TWO HISPANIC STAFF
16 MEMBERS DISCRIMINATED AGAINST ME, AND NOTHING HAS BEEN DONE
17 ABOUT IT. AND I AM IN MS. MITCHELL'S DISTRICT. SO FOR HER TO
18 WANT TO PAY PEOPLE THAT MAY WANT TO HAVE--

19

20 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** AGAIN, WHAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT IS PAID
21 FAMILY LEAVE PILOT PROGRAM, PROTECTED LEAVE PROGRAMS AWARENESS
22 MONTH, AND THE AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION. I AM CLEAR YOU HAVE
23 COMMENTS. I AM CLEAR YOU HAVE COMMENTS ABOUT OUR STAFF, AND
24 YOU CAN DO THAT IN GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, IF YOU WOULD LIKE,
25 BUT THIS ITEM IS ABOUT PAID FAMILY LEAVE.



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2 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, SO IN REGARDS TO THE PAID FAMILY LEAVE, IN
3 REGARDS TO THAT, I HAVE STATED THAT I AM IN MS. MITCHELL'S
4 DISTRICT, AND IF I MENTION THINGS ABOUT PEOPLE WHO HAVE DONE
5 DISCRIMINATORY THINGS, SHE'S IGNORED MY MATTER, BUT SHE'S
6 THINKING ABOUT PAYING PEOPLE WITHOUT--

7

8 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
9 PLEASE.

10

11 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CINDY YOUNG. YOU MAY BEGIN.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. MY NAME IS CINDY YOUNG, AND I AM A FORMER
14 EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I AM CALLING IN STRONG
15 SUPPORT OF ITEM 11, TO ESTABLISH A PAID FAMILY LEAVE PILOT,
16 AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR THIS STRONG FIRST
17 STEP. IT IS LONG OVERDUE FOR THE COUNTY TO OFFER PAID FAMILY
18 LEAVE. IT IS A CRUCIAL PROGRAM, AND IT SHOULD BE INCLUSIVE AND
19 COVER ALL EMPLOYEES, NOT JUST A SUBSET OF THEM. AND ON A
20 PERSONAL NOTE, I JUST WANTED TO SHARE A STORY, THAT I WORKED
21 AT THE COUNTY, IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FOR ALMOST
22 TEN YEARS, AND DURING THAT TIME, THERE WERE SEVERAL INSTANCES
23 WHERE I COULD HAVE USED PAID FAMILY LEAVE, BUT DID NOT HAVE
24 THE RESOURCE. I HAD TWO BABIES, AND HAD TO USE ALL OF MY SICK
25 AND VACATION TIME TO COVER MY TIME OFF. AND TOWARDS THE END OF



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1 MY EMPLOYMENT, MY FATHER BECAME ILL. AND DURING THAT CRITICAL
2 TIME WHEN MY FATHER WAS ILL AND DYING, I NEEDED TIME OFF, BUT
3 COULD NOT ACCESS ANY OF MY SICK AND VACATION TIME, BECAUSE IT
4 WAS USED UP. AND SO I HAD TO MAKE THAT DIFFICULT DECISION TO
5 LEAVE THE COUNTY AND FIND ANOTHER JOB THAT OFFERED BETTER
6 BENEFITS IN THAT RESPECT, AND SO I CHOSE TO WORK FOR
7 BREASTFEED L.A., A LOCAL NONPROFIT--

8

9 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
10 PLEASE.

11

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

13

14 **SPEAKER:** YES, GOOD MORNING. JUST WANTED TO ASK A COUPLE
15 THINGS. WELL, FIRST OF ALL, I DO APPRECIATE THIS AWARENESS
16 BEING BROUGHT TO THE TABLE, AND IT IS ABOUT TIME FOR THIS. I
17 WAS WONDERING, WHEN WILL THIS PILOT PROGRAM BEGIN? I MAY HAVE
18 MISSED IT AND STEPPED AWAY, BUT WHEN WOULD IT BEGIN? AND I AM
19 ASKING AS IT RELATES TO THE FISCAL YEAR. AND I KNOW WE
20 DISCUSSED THE BUDGET BRIEFLY, BUT WHEN WOULD THIS BEGIN? I DO
21 RESPECT THE EMPHASIS OF HOW THIS EFFECTS WOMEN, BUT PLEASE
22 KEEP IN MIND, ALSO, THAT THERE ARE MEN THAT ARE EFFECTED BY
23 F.M.L.A., BEING A FATHER OF AN UNBORN CHILD, OR A BORN CHILD.
24 AND THEN, LASTLY, IS HOW WOULD THIS AFFECT UNDOCUMENTED
25 MEMBERS IN THE HOUSEHOLD, IN REGARDS TO WHETHER OR NOT WE WILL



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1 BE ABLE TO UTILIZE THIS F.M.L.A. OPPORTUNITY FOR THOSE THAT
2 MAY BE, UNFORTUNATELY, UNDOCUMENTED? THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

3
4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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

7
8 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH. IT IS INTERESTING TO HAVE THE BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS SO DILIGENTLY GOING OVER THE MEGAFLEX. IT IS LIKE
10 A BIG H.R. MEETING FOR THE COUNTY, AND IT HAS GONE ON FOR A
11 VERY LONG TIME, AND SO MANY OF US ARE WAITING TO SPEAK ON THE
12 OTHER ITEMS. BUT I THINK YOU HAVE DONE A REALLY GOOD JOB OF
13 TURNING THIS ONE UPSIDE DOWN, AND GETTING DAVENPORT TO EXPLAIN
14 THAT THE \$200 MILLION WORTH OF MOTIONS THAT MITCHELL KEEPS
15 BELLYACHING ON ABOUT, THAT WE WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO FUND THEM
16 ALL. WE'RE GOING OUT OF BUSINESS. OH, IT'S NOW GOING TO BE
17 230. SO I THINK WE HAVE CLARIFIED THAT PIECE. THE PIECE THAT
18 WE HAVEN'T CLARIFIED IS WHY WE ARE DOING IT THIS WAY, WHY WE
19 ARE MAKING ALL THE PEOPLE WAIT FOREVER, AND WHY YOU'RE HAVING
20 THIS KIND OF A MEETING. SHOULDN'T THIS BE SOMETHING THAT
21 HAPPENS WITH LITTLE GROUPS OF EMPLOYEES, WITH THEIR LITTLE
22 H.R. LEADERS? AND BY THE WAY, CALLING IT H.R.? I JUST FEEL
23 LIKE HUMANS ARE NOT RESOURCES. HUMANS ARE SOMETHING ELSE.
24 THERE'S SOMETHING CREEPY ABOUT THIS WHOLE EXPERIENCE. BUT
25 ANYWAY, IT'S NICE THAT YOU ALL HAVE DECENT BENEFITS, AND ANY



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1 MONEY THAT THE COUNTY IS SAVING SHOULD BE PUT BACK INTO THE
2 EMPLOYEES' POCKETS.

3
4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

5
6 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DELLORA GANT. YOU MAY
7 BEGIN.

8
9 **DELLORA ELLIS-GANT:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
10 THE BOARD. MY APOLOGIES FOR NOT BEING THERE IN PERSON TODAY.
11 MY NAME IS DELLORA ELLIS-GANT, AND I AM THE PRESIDENT OF THE
12 LOS ANGELES COUNTY AFRICAN AMERICAN EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION. ON
13 BEHALF OF OUR 1100 MEMBERS ASSIGNED TO MORE THAN 15
14 DEPARTMENTS, I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR MITCHELL FOR MOTION
15 NUMBER 11, AND I AM HAPPY TO HEAR THAT MANY OF THE MEMBERS OF
16 THE BOARD SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PAID FAMILY LEAVE
17 PILOT FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES EMPLOYEES. THANK YOU,
18 ALSO, TO C.E.O. FESIA DAVENPORT FOR SHARING THE ADDITIONAL
19 INFORMATION ABOUT THE MONEY, AND THE CONCERNS OF THE OUT-OF-
20 POCKET COSTS IN THE VARIOUS MODELS. BY IMPLEMENTING THIS
21 PILOT, 70% OF PRE-TAX REPLACEMENT INCOME FOR EIGHT WEEKS, THIS
22 WORK WILL HELP RELIEVE THE MENTAL STRESS AND AGONY THAT MANY
23 COUNTY EMPLOYEES FACE WHEN THEY MUST MAKE THE DECISION BETWEEN
24 LOSS OF INCOME AND PROVIDING CARE FOR THEIR FAMILY.



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1 **SPEAKE:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
2 PLEASE.

3

4 **MODERATOR:** AND WE HAVE ONE MORE LEFT. IT IS ALSO A DELLORA
5 ELLIS-GANT. YOU MAY BEGIN. DELLORA ELLIS-GANT, YOU MAY BEGIN.
6 THAT MAY BE THE SAME PERSON WITH TWO LINES.

7

8 **DELLORA ELLIS-GANT:** IT WAS THE SAME PERSON. I APOLOGIZE. I DID
9 NOT HEAR THE OTHER CALL. THANK YOU.

10

11 **MODERATOR:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. THERE ARE NO ADDITIONAL
12 REMOTE SPEAKERS IN QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

13

14 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU. NOW WE WILL HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC IN
15 THE BOARDROOM. MR. SACHS?

16

17 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THAT WAS VERY INTERESTING
18 COMMENTARY. I APPRECIATE THAT. YOU MENTIONED DOLLARS, SO I
19 BROUGHT THIS ADVERTISEMENT IN FROM RALPHS. THERE ARE NO MORE
20 DOLLAR SIGNS ON ANY ITEMS. [INAUDIBLE] DOLLAR SIGN? THERE ARE
21 NO DOLLAR SIGNS ANYMORE, ON ANY ITEMS. AND SOMEBODY MENTIONED
22 C.O.L.A.S, COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENTS, AND A BUDGET OF \$4
23 BILLION. YOUR BUDGET RIGHT NOW IS \$4 BILLION A MONTH FOR THE
24 COUNTY. AND YOU MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT THE STATE
25 LEGISLATURE. WERE YOU IN THERE WHEN THEY HAD THE RETIREMENT



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1 CEREMONY FOR THE GUY WHO RAN THE STATE SENATE FLOOR? MARK
2 RIDLEY-THOMAS BROUGHT HIM DOWN HERE. THERE WAS AN AFRICAN
3 AMERICAN WHO RAN THE SENATE FLOOR, AND HE HAD ANOTHER GUY
4 RETIRING.

5

6 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** CAN YOU PLEASE FOCUS YOUR COMMENTS ON
7 THIS TOPIC, PLEASE?

8

9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** SHE MENTIONED THE LEGISLATURE. AND BY THE WAY,
10 WE HAVE A DISTINGUISHED GUEST UP THERE, MIKE HUNT, THE GUY WHO
11 WAS DRESSED AS THE K.K.K. GRAND WIZARD IN CITY COUNCIL.

12

13 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** IT WOULD BE GREAT IF YOU FOCUSED YOUR
14 COMMENTS ON THIS ITEM, BUT NOW YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED.

15

16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OH, SORRY, MADAM CHAIR. EAT [EXPLETIVE] AND DIE.

17

18 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'RE GOING BACK TO THE PHONES. THAT'S
19 YOUR SECOND WARNING.

20

21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** BARACK OBAMA, AFFORDABLE CARE ACT!

22

23 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** MODERATOR, DO WE HAVE MORE SPEAKERS IN
24 QUEUE?

25



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1 **MODERATOR:** NOT YET, MADAM CHAIR. THERE'S A GENTLEMAN. IF YOU'D
2 LIKE TO QUEUE UP FOR COMMENT, AND HAVE NOT DONE SO ALREADY,
3 PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW, AT THIS TIME. THE QUEUE WAS CLOSED
4 TEMPORARILY. IT IS NOW OPEN AGAIN. AND WE DO HAVE A
5 PARTICIPANT, YOTAM KAHANA. YOU MAY BEGIN.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** YEAH, CORRECT. HI. MY NAME IS YOTAM, AND I WANT TO
8 ENCOURAGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE MOTION TO INCREASE JEWISH
9 COMMUNITY SAFETY THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

10

11 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE ARE FOCUSED ON ITEM-- EXCUSE ME, I'M
12 SO SORRY. WE ARE ON ITEMS 11 AND 15. WE NOT ON THAT ITEM YET,
13 SO IF YOU CAN GET BACK IN QUEUE, WE WILL HEAR YOU AT THE NEXT
14 ITEM.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

17

18 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. JUST HANG IN WITH US A LITTLE
19 BIT LONGER. ARE THERE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS IN QUEUE, MODERATOR?

20

21 **MODERATOR:** WE DO. BEFORE WE GO TO THAT, MR. DAVID GREEN, IF
22 YOU ARE ON THE CALL, PLEASE PRESS 1-0 TO QUEUE UP. THE NEXT
23 PARTICIPANT IS JOHN ERICKSON. YOU MAY BEGIN. OH, MR. ERICKSON,
24 HOLD ON ONE MOMENT. OKAY, MR. ERICKSON, YOU MAY BEGIN, SIR.

25



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1 **JOHN ERICKSON:** I AM WAITING TO SPEAK ON THE NEXT ITEM. I DON'T
2 KNOW WHY I KEEP GETTING UNMUTED. THANKS.

3

4 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. DO WE HAVE ANY
5 OTHER SPEAKERS IN QUEUE ON THIS ITEM? DO WE HAVE ANY SPEAKERS?

6

7 **MODERATOR:** BY DIRECTION FROM THE BOARD, WE ARE WAITING ON MR.
8 DAVID GREEN. MR. DAVID GREEN, IF YOU ARE ON THE CALL, PLEASE
9 PRESS 1-0.

10

11 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** DO WE HAVE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS IN THE
12 AUDITORIUM?

13

14 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR?

15

16 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, HAVE WE GOTTEN MR. GREEN ON THE
17 LINE?

18

19 **MODERATOR:** MR. GREEN IS ON THE LINE. MR. DAVID GREEN, PLEASE
20 GO AHEAD.

21

22 **DAVID GREEN:** GREAT. THANK YOU, KEVIN. THIS IS DAVID GREEN. I'M
23 THE PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF S.E.I.U. LOCAL 721. I
24 WROTE A LETTER A COUPLE DAYS AGO, EXPRESSING MY FULL SUPPORT
25 FOR SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S MOTION. I THINK IT IS IMPERATIVE



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1 THAT THE COUNTY IS LEADING BY EXAMPLE, BY PROVIDING BENEFITS,
2 TO LEAD TO GREATER GENDER EQUITY. AS WE KNOW, THIS IS A
3 CRITICAL, CRITICAL NEED. THIS SHOULD BE A PERMANENT BENEFIT,
4 IT SHOULD BE A COST-NEUTRAL BENEFIT, AND WE ARE FULLY
5 SUPPORTING THIS MOVING FORWARD, ALSO SUPPORTING THE IDEA THAT
6 THIS IS A PILOT FOR MEGAFLEX FOLKS, BUT WE ARE HOPING THAT
7 LEADS TO BE EXPANDED, BECAUSE WE FEEL LIKE THIS IS A HUMAN
8 RIGHT. THIS IS IMPORTANT TO MYSELF AND MY ORGANIZATION, AND I
9 APPRECIATE YOU GIVING ME A CHANCE TO SPEAK TODAY.

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

12
13 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT HAS JUST LEFT THE QUEUE. IF
14 YOU WERE IN THE QUEUE AND DROPPED OFF, PLEASE PRESS 1-0 TO RE-
15 QUEUE. MADAM CHAIR, AT THIS TIME, THERE ARE NO ADDITIONAL
16 REMOTE SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

17
18 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. SO NOW WE HAVE BEFORE US, AN
19 AMENDMENT TO ITEM-- WELL, LET'S TAKE ITEM 15 FIRST. I THINK
20 THAT WILL BE EASIER, AND THEN WE WILL DEAL WITH THE NEXT ONE.
21 SO WE WILL MOVE IT BY SUPERVISOR HAHN, SECOND BY SUPERVISOR
22 MITCHELL TO CONSIDER MOTION ITEM 15 PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 2024
23 AS PROTECTED LEAVE PROGRAMS AWARENESS MONTH. EXECUTIVE
24 OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.



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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 15 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

2

3 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

4

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

7

8 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

9

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

11

12 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

13

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

15

16 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

17

18 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, AYE. SUPERVISOR
19 HORVATH? Y

20

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

22

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

25



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1 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** AND NOW WE WILL TAKE A VOTE ON THE
2 PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ITEM 11. I WILL MOVE IT. IT'S BEEN
3 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL
4 THE ROLL.

5

6 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SO THIS IS SUPERVISOR HORVATH TO AMEND
7 AGENDA ITEM 11 IS BEFORE US. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

8

9 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

10

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

13

14 **SUP. MITCHELL:** NO.

15

16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, NO. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

17

18 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

19

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

21

22 **SUP. BARGER:** ABSTAIN. .

23

24 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR BARGER ABSTAINS. SUPERVISOR
25 HORVATH?



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2 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** AYE.

3

4 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES,
5 3-1, WITH ONE ABSTENTION.

6

7 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** SO WE WILL NOW GO TO ITEM 11, AS
8 AMENDED. IT WILL MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. I WILL SECOND
9 THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

10

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

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

14

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

17

18 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

19

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

21

22 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

23

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

25



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1 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

2

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

5

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

7

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

10

11 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM
12 12, INCREASING JEWISH COMMUNITY SAFETY THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES
13 COUNTY, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL. FOR MEMBERS OF
14 THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO
15 COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, GO
16 AHEAD.

17

18 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND I
19 UNDERSTAND THAT AMENDMENTS WERE MADE TO REALLY FOCUS THE
20 MOTION, AS I UNDERSTAND FROM YOU AND OTHERS, AS A FOCUS ON
21 HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY, WHICH IS JANUARY 27TH. AND, YOU
22 KNOW, I AM STRUCK BY OUR EARLIER CONVERSATION ABOUT THE STAR
23 BALLROOM MASS SHOOTING, AND RECOGNIZE THAT NOT ONLY WAS THAT
24 AN ISSUE AROUND GUN VIOLENCE, IT WAS AN ISSUE AROUND HATE. AND
25 I LOOK FORWARD TO SUPPORTING MOTION 12 AND CONTINUING THE



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1 CONVERSATION ABOUT THE IMPACT HATE IS HAVING ON OUR COUNTY,
2 ACROSS COMMUNITIES. I KNOW THAT THE L.A.P.D. HAS RECENTLY
3 INSTITUTED A NEW SYSTEM, WHEREBY MULTIPLE ETHNIC AND RELIGIOUS
4 GROUPS CAN REPORT HATE CRIMES. DATA COLLECTION IS CHALLENGING
5 IN THIS AREA. PEOPLE ARE AFRAID. AND SO FOR US TO BE ABLE TO
6 REALLY UNDERSTAND WHAT WE, AS A COUNTY, HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY
7 TO DO, TO FULLY ADDRESS THAT HATE IS UNACCEPTABLE, AND THAT WE
8 ARE GOING TO LEAN IN AND USE THE FULL POWER AND AUTHORITY WE
9 HAVE AS A COUNTY TO ADDRESS HATE ACROSS THE BOARD, I HOPE THAT
10 WE WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE THE CONVERSATION, AS IT RELATES TO
11 SPECIFIC AND BROADER COMMUNITIES, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO
12 WORKING WITH MEMBERS ON THIS DAIS TO CONTINUE TO TALK ABOUT
13 HOW WE HAD THE REALLY, SOMETIMES, DIFFICULT CONVERSATION ABOUT
14 RACISM, ABOUT WHITE SUPREMACY, ABOUT THE VARIOUS WAYS IN WHICH
15 RESIDENTS OF THIS COUNTY, THE COUNTY THAT WE APPLAUD FOR BEING
16 THE MOST DIVERSE IN THE COUNTRY, WAKE UP AND GO TO BED EVERY
17 DAY AFRAID, BECAUSE OF THE HATE THEY EXPERIENCE AT THE HANDS
18 OF OTHERS. SO, AGAIN, IN HONOR OF HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY, I
19 WILL BE SUPPORTING THIS MEASURE. I KNOW THAT THE CHAIR AMENDED
20 IT. AS WE CONTINUE TO HAVE PAINFUL ANNIVERSARIES LIKE WE DID
21 TODAY, WITH REGARD TO THE STAR BALLROOM MASS SHOOTING, I LOOK
22 FORWARD TO US CONTINUING TO BRING FORWARD MOTIONS, NOT ONLY
23 THE EXAMPLES MS. HAHN GAVE US AROUND WHAT WE DID AROUND GUN
24 VIOLENCE, BUT TO GET TO THE CORE ROOT OF THE ISSUE, WHICH IS



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SUPERVISORS

1 HATE THAT IS IMPACTING FAR TOO MANY COMMUNITIES, FAR TOO MANY
2 PEOPLE ACROSS THIS COUNTY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

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4 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I WILL NOW TURN IT TO
5 SUPERVISOR HAHN.

6
7 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU. I HAVEN'T SEEN YOUR AMENDMENT, YET, OF
8 THIS ITEM.

9
10 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** I JUST LEARNED THAT EXECUTIVE OFFICE HAS
11 NOT CIRCULATED THAT TO YOU, SO WE WILL GET THAT CIRCULATED.

12
13 **SUP. HAHN:** IT SEEMED LIKE MS. MITCHELL KNEW WHAT IT WAS,
14 BECAUSE SHE SPOKE TO IT. SHE WAS AHEAD OF ALL THIS. OKAY, SO I
15 WAS JUST GOING TO-- BASED ON THE CURRENT MOTION, I WANTED TO
16 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR HORVATH, FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. AND
17 IT HAS BEEN HIGHLY DISTURBING, THE RISE IN ANTI-SEMITIC
18 INCIDENTS AND HATE CRIMES IN L.A. COUNTY, AND IT IS CLEAR THAT
19 THE WAR, VERY FAR AWAY IN ISRAEL AND GAZA, HAS HAD A DIRECT
20 IMPACT ON OUR JEWISH COMMUNITY HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, AND WE
21 HAVE TO CONTINUE TO STAND UP AND BE IN SOLIDARITY THAT L.A.
22 COUNTY SHOULD BE, AND MUST BE, A SAFE PLACE FOR ALL OF ITS
23 RESIDENTS, REGARDLESS OF THEIR RACE OR RELIGION, AND NO ONE IN
24 L.A. COUNTY DESERVES TO FEAR FOR THEIR LIFE OR THEIR SAFETY. I
25 KNOW THAT WE HAVE ALWAYS STOOD, AND ARE RECOMMITTING



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SUPERVISORS

1 OURSELVES, TO PREVENTING INCIDENTS OF HATE THROUGH THE WORK
2 BEING DONE IN OUR OWN OFFICE OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND OUR
3 OUR L.A. VS. HATE, AND IT IS ALSO IMPORTANT THAT WE ARE
4 INVESTING AND PREPARING TO RESPOND TO POTENTIAL INCIDENTS OF
5 HATE-RELATED VIOLENCE. I KNOW OUR FIRE CHIEF IS HERE TODAY,
6 AND THIS MOTION WILL MAKE SURE THAT OUR COUNTY SYSTEM, AS A
7 WHOLE, HAS THE TOOLS, TACTICS, AND RESOURCES IT NEEDS TO
8 PREVENT AND RESPOND TO ANTI-SEMITIC INCIDENTS OF HATE AND
9 VIOLENCE, SPECIFICALLY. THE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, OUR OFFICE
10 OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, AND LAW ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS SHOULD
11 BE, AND MUST BE, WELL EQUIPPED TO PREVENT, RESPOND TO, AND
12 FOLLOW UP ON INCIDENTS OF HATE AGAINST OUR JEWISH COMMUNITY
13 MEMBERS, WHICH IS WHY THE TRAINING EXERCISES AND VIDEOS
14 OUTLINED IN THIS MOTION ARE SO IMPORTANT. IN A TIME WHEN SO
15 MANY PEOPLE FEEL UNSAFE AND UNHEARD, I THINK IT IS MORE
16 IMPORTANT THAN EVER THAT WE, AS LOCAL LEADERS, SHOW OUR
17 SUPPORT FOR THOSE FACING ANTI-SEMITIC HATE AND VIOLENCE, AND
18 ALSO PUT IN THE EFFORT AND RESOURCES TO ENSURE THAT L.A.
19 COUNTY IS A SAFE PLACE FOR EVERYONE. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR
20 HORVATH. I WILL BE SUPPORTING THIS MOTION, EVEN IF IT IS
21 AMENDED.

22
23 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I THANK YOU FOR
24 THAT, AND THE AMENDMENTS ARE BEING CIRCULATED. I WANT TO READ
25 IN THE DIRECTIVES THAT WERE AMENDED INTO THE RECORD, SO IT'S



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SUPERVISORS

1 READ OUT LOUD: "TO DIRECT THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT,
2 IN COLLABORATION WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
3 DEPARTMENT AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND IN
4 CONSULTATION WITH JEWISH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, TO REPORT
5 BACK TO THE BOARD WITHIN 120 DAYS WITH A PLAN TO INCORPORATE
6 JEWISH COMMUNITY CULTURAL COMPETENCIES TO THE MASS VIOLENCE
7 RECOVERY PLAN, INCLUDING IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINES." THOSE WERE
8 THE CHANGES IN DIRECTIVE 1. WE ALSO MADE CHANGES IN THE
9 PREAMBLE. WE ALL KNOW HOW TO PREPARE FOR A NATURAL DISASTER OR
10 EMERGENCY, AND WE TRAIN FOR THEM. WE HAVE FIRE DRILLS. WE HAVE
11 EARTHQUAKE KITS. BUT UNFORTUNATELY, INCREASINGLY, VIOLENCE
12 INCIDENTS OF HATE NECESSITATE THE NEED FOR US TO PREPARE WITH
13 THE SAME DILIGENCE WE PREPARE FOR NATURAL DISASTERS. EXACTLY
14 ONE YEAR AND ONE DAY AGO, I INTRODUCED A MOTION IN RESPONSE TO
15 AN UPTICK IN ANTI-SEMITIC HATE CRIMES AND HATE INCIDENTS,
16 WHICH WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED BY THIS BOARD. THE QUESTION I
17 PROPOSED IN MY MOTION WAS, WHAT HAVE WE DONE, AND WHAT ARE WE
18 DOING TO KEEP OUR COMMUNITIES SAFE? FOR THE PAST YEAR, MY
19 STAFF AND I HAVE WORKED WITH JEWISH COMMUNITY-BASED
20 ORGANIZATIONS, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND COUNTY
21 DEPARTMENTS, TO FOCUS ON WHAT IS NEEDED TO KEEP OUR
22 COMMUNITIES SAFE. THE RESULT IS THE SOON-TO-BE-RELEASED JEWISH
23 COMMUNITY SAFETY PLAN, A BLUEPRINT FOR COMMUNITY AND
24 GOVERNMENT COORDINATION TO HELP PREVENT OR MITIGATE ACTS OF
25 HATE, AND STEPS TO TAKE IF AN INCIDENT DOES OCCUR, TAKING INTO



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SUPERVISORS

1 ACCOUNT THE UNIQUE NEEDS AND PRACTICES OF THE JEWISH
2 COMMUNITY. THE MOTION BEFORE US IMPLEMENTS ASPECTS OF THE
3 PLAN. MY HOPE IS THIS WILL SERVE AS A TEMPLATE FOR OTHER
4 COMMUNITIES TO TAKE THIS PLAN AND TAILOR IT TO THEIR SPECIFIC
5 NEEDS, CUSTOMS, AND PRACTICES. AND I WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY
6 TO PARTICIPATE WITH COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS IN THE
7 DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH PLANS. THIS SATURDAY, WE COMMEMORATE
8 INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY, THE ANNIVERSARY OF
9 THE LIBERATION OF AUSCHWITZ, AND REMEMBER THE 6 MILLION JEWS
10 WHO WERE SYSTEMATICALLY AND RUTHLESSLY MURDERED BY THE NAZIS
11 AND THEIR COLLABORATORS, AND TO REMEMBER THE MILLIONS OF ROMA,
12 SINTI, SLAVES, DISABLED PERSONS, L.G.B.T.Q.+ INDIVIDUALS, AND
13 POLITICAL DISSIDENTS WHO WERE KILLED DURING THE HOLOCAUST. THE
14 PHRASE "NEVER AGAIN" BECAME PROLIFIC AFTER THE HOLOCAUST, TO
15 REMEMBER THE ATROCITIES AND ENSURE HISTORY DOES NOT REPEAT
16 ITSELF. BUT TODAY, "NEVER AGAIN" NOW HAS BECOME A COMMON
17 REFRAIN. IN INCREASINGLY POLARIZED TIMES, IMMEDIATE ACTION IS
18 IMPERATIVE, AND THE SAFETY OF OUR COMMUNITIES-- ALL
19 COMMUNITIES-- IS PARAMOUNT. WE SHOULD NOT, AND WILL NOT, MAKE
20 SAFETY AND CARING FOR ONE ANOTHER A ZERO-SUM GAME. WE MUST
21 ACT. AS RABBI HILLEL WISELY DECLARED, "IF I AM NOT FOR MYSELF,
22 WHO WILL BE FOR ME? IF I AM NOT FOR OTHERS, WHAT AM I? AND IF
23 NOT NOW, WHEN?" SUPERVISOR HAHN, DO YOU HAVE MORE COMMENTS?
24 OKAY.



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. SOLIS:** MADAM CHAIR, I DO.

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3 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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5 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU. THANK YOU, CHAIR HORVATH, FOR THE
6 MOTION, AND FOR SUPERVISOR MITCHELL HOLDING THE ITEM. YOU
7 KNOW, IGNORANCE, MISUNDERSTANDING, AND ASSUMPTIONS HAVE
8 INCREASED TENSION, FELT FROM AFAR AND LOCALLY, WHICH HAVE
9 RESULTED IN RESIDENTS EXPERIENCING MENTAL ANGUISH AND PHYSICAL
10 HARM. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS MOTION IS ABOUT PROTECTION FOR
11 JEWISH AND ISRAELI-AMERICAN RESIDENTS, AND I WILL BE THE FIRST
12 TO SAY THAT ANTI-SEMITISM HAS NO PLACE IN L.A. COUNTY. I WOULD
13 GO FURTHER AND ALSO SAY THAT HATE, OVERALL, HAS NO PLACE HERE
14 IN L.A. COUNTY. LAST YEAR, I WAS AT THE COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS
15 COMMISSIONS PRESS CONFERENCE, WHEN THEY ISSUED THEIR ANNUAL
16 HATE CRIMES REPORT. AND SHERIFF LUNA WAS ALSO THERE, AND HE
17 PRESENTED DATA L.A.S.D. COLLECTED, AND HE SHARED THAT, OF THE
18 20 REPORTS OF HATE L.A.S.D. HAD RECEIVED, ALL OF THEM WERE
19 RELATED TO ANTI-SEMITISM. IT WAS A SOMBER MOMENT TO HEAR THAT
20 PEOPLE THINK THAT HATE IS SOMEHOW OKAY, TO SLING INSULTS AND
21 RACIAL SLURS IS SOMEHOW OKAY, TO ATTACK, BEAT, AND PHYSICALLY
22 HARM OR INJURE PEOPLE IS SOMEHOW OKAY. IT IS NOT. I WANT TO
23 COMMEND THE COUNTY'S COMMISSION ON HUMAN RELATIONS, ESPECIALLY
24 THE L.A. VS. HATE, TAKING HUGE STEPS TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES OF
25 ANTI-SEMITISM, AND TO WORK WITH VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF HATE.



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1 SOMETIMES I FEEL LIKE WE MOVE THREE STEPS FORWARD, AND THEN WE
2 FALL FIVE STEPS BACK, BUT I CONTINUE TO BE HOPEFUL. THE MOST
3 IMPORTANT PART IS THAT WE KEEP MOVING, ENGAGING, EDUCATING,
4 SUPPORTING, AND CARING FOR EACH OTHER. WE CAN'T STOP. THESE
5 ARE THE ACTS OF THE FEW, AND NOT THE MAJORITY. THE MAJORITY OF
6 US ARE DOING RIGHT BY OUR NEIGHBORS AND OUR FRIENDS, AND I
7 BELIEVE OUR BOARD UNDERSTANDS THAT BY COMBATING HATE. IT WILL
8 REQUIRE EACH AND EVERY ONE OF US TO HELP SHAPE L.A. COUNTY TO
9 BECOME MORE INCLUSIVE, UNDERSTANDING, AND COMPASSIONATE, AND
10 EMPATHETIC. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

11
12 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ANY OTHER COMMENTS? IF NOT,
13 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
14 HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

15
16 **SPEAKER:** WILL ALISSA BERNSTEIN, ARNOLD SACHS, BETH KEAN,
17 DANIEL GARCIA, DONALD HARLAN, EMILY DEE, IAN JAMISON, KAIYAH
18 AL, MATT FRIEDMAN, NAIOCO WARD, NATI CHARNY, AND RACHEL
19 WALLACE PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU? AS A
20 FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD
21 LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 12, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO,
22 PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE.
23 MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST SPEAKER, PLEASE?



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SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS JEREMY WOLF. YOU MAY
2 BEGIN.

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4 **JEREMY WOLF:** MY NAME IS JEREMY WOLF, AND I AM A COUNCILMEMBER
5 FROM THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS, AND I AM CALLING IN TODAY IN
6 STRONG SUPPORT OF CHAIR HORVATH'S MOTION THAT WILL INCREASE
7 JEWISH COMMUNITY SAFETY THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SINCE
8 OCTOBER 7TH, WE ARE SEEING WHAT HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS A
9 TSUNAMI OF ANTI-SEMITIC INCIDENTS, BOTH LOCALLY, THROUGHOUT
10 THE COUNTRY, AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. WE ARE DEALING WITH AN
11 EPIDEMIC OF HATE, AND ALL RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
12 DESERVE TO FEEL SAFE. LOS ANGELES IS HOME TO THE SECOND
13 LARGEST JEWISH COMMUNITY IN THE UNITED STATES, AND SO I WANT
14 TO SINCERELY THANK CHAIR HORVATH FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION
15 FORWARD TO THE BOARD, AND THANK THE BOARD FOR TAKING ACTION ON
16 THIS. IT MEANS A LOT TO THE JEWISH COMMUNITY, AND THANK YOU
17 FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

18

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

21

22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS TOM CARTER. YOU MAY BEGIN.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** HI. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU. GO AHEAD.

2

3 **SPEAKER:** HI. I AM RESPONDING TO THIS MOTION. IN PART, I KEEP
4 HEARING THE BOARD MEMBERS SPEAK ABOUT HOW THEY ARE AGAINST
5 HATE, AGAINST HATE, AGAINST HATE, AND ALSO, MS. HAHN MADE A
6 COMPARISON TO THE PALESTINIANS' COUNTRY. SO WHEN I MAKE MY
7 COMPARISON, PLEASE DON'T TELL ME THAT I AM NOT ON TOPIC,
8 BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T TELL HER THAT. BUT I HAVE BEEN
9 DISCRIMINATED AGAINST BY MRS. ZAVALA, AND MS. MITCHELL'S
10 OFFICE CONTINUES TO IGNORE MY MATTER.

11

12 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THE TOPIC IS ON THE JEWISH COMMUNITY
13 SAFETY PLAN. THAT IS BEFORE US, IN ITEM 12. WE NEED YOU TO
14 FOCUS YOUR COMMENTS ON THAT ITEM RIGHT NOW.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** OH, ON THAT PARTICULAR ITEM, I FEEL THAT YOU GUYS
17 ONLY PROTECT CERTAIN GROUPS OF PEOPLE WHEN IT COMES TO HATE:
18 JEWS AND ASIANS. I'M AN AFRICAN AMERICAN, AND YOU GUYS DO NOT
19 GIVE THE SAME AMOUNT OF ATTENTION TO CONSTITUENTS THAT REPORT
20 HATE FROM YOUR OWN OFFICE, BY MRS. ZAVALA'S OFFICE, BUT YOU
21 CONTINUE TO PROTECT AND SHIELD ASIANS AND JEWS, AND GIVE THEM
22 GUIDELINES AND WAYS TO BE PROTECTED BY THE COUNTY. AND MY
23 MATTER HAS BEEN IGNORED, AND IS STILL BEING IGNORED BY THE
24 BOARD. AND I'M ASKING THE CHAIR-HOLDER YOURSELF--

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
2 PLEASE.

3

4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS CHLOE LEVIAN. YOU MAY
5 BEGIN.

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7 **SPEAKER:** HI. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

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9 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. THERE'S A LOT OF BACKGROUND
10 NOISE, BUT WE CAN HEAR YOU.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS CHLOE LEVIAN. MY PARENTS ESCAPED THE
13 IRANI REVOLUTION. MY FAMILY LEFT IRAN, WHERE MY GREAT-
14 GRANDFATHER WAS STABBED TO DEATH FOR BEING JEWISH, TO GIVE
15 THEIR CHILDREN A BETTER LIFE. THEY MOVED TO THE TWO PLACES
16 THAT WERE SUPPOSED TO BE SAFE: ISRAEL AND LOS ANGELES.
17 UNFORTUNATELY, THERE'S A VERY CONCERNING SURGE OF ANTI-
18 SEMITISM GLOBALLY, AND HERE IN LA. MY MOM HAS EVEN SUGGESTED
19 REMOVING OUR MEZUZAHS FROM OUR FRONT DOOR. THIS CANNOT STAND
20 IN L.A., ESPECIALLY IN 2024. WE LOOK TO OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS
21 TO CREATE PATHWAYS FORWARD, TO TAKE DECISIVE ACTION, AND TO
22 GIVE OUR COMMUNITIES CONFIDENCE THAT THEY ARE PROTECTED. I
23 URGE YOU TO TAKE CONCRETE STEPS FORWARD TO SUPPORT MOTION 12,
24 AND ON BEHALF OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY, I WANT TO EXPRESS MY



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SUPERVISORS

1 THANKS FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP DURING THIS DIFFICULT AND TENUOUS
2 MOMENT.

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

5
6 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JOHN ERICKSON. YOU MAY
7 BEGIN.

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9 **JOHN ERICKSON:** HELLO, SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU SO MUCH. THIS IS
10 MAYOR JOHN ERICKSON, FROM THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD. I WANT
11 TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, SPECIFICALLY SUPERVISOR
12 HORVATH FOR AUTHORIZING THIS MOTION. HATE HAS NO PLACE IN ANY OF
13 OUR COMMUNITIES. I AM SO PROUD TO BE IN L.A. COUNTY, WHERE ALL
14 FIVE OF OUR AMAZING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ECHO THAT, UNLIKE
15 OTHER PLACES IN THE COUNTRY. SUPERVISOR HORVATH ISSUED A
16 MOTION SIMILAR TO THIS WHEN SHE WAS MAYOR OF WEST HOLLYWOOD,
17 AND I AM PROUD TO SEE THE COLLABORATION AT THE CITY LEVEL
18 COMING UP TO THE COUNTY, SO WE CAN DO ALL THAT WE CAN TO FIGHT
19 BACK AGAINST THE RISE IN ANTI-SEMITISM AND HATRED OF ALL FORMS
20 ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU FOR LEADING THE WAY ON THIS
21 IMPORTANT AND CRITICAL ISSUE.

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

24
25 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.



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SUPERVISORS

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2 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. YOU KNOW, THERE'S LIKE 565,000 JEWISH
3 INDIVIDUALS LIVING IN LOS ANGELES, AND I THINK THAT THERE'S
4 SOMETHING LIKE 200,000 ARMENIANS, AND EVERY WEEK, YOU GUYS ARE
5 DOING A GREAT JOB OF GETTING ONTO THE STAGE AND SUPPORTING
6 YOUR CONSTITUENTS. SO THE QUESTION OF WHEN TO DO IT AND HOW TO
7 DO IT IS, OF COURSE, COMING UP REPEATEDLY, BECAUSE YOU FORGOT
8 TO TAKE A MEETING ABOUT HOW WE WANT THESE MEETINGS HELD, WITH
9 THE PUBLIC THEMSELVES. BUT THE JEWISH COMMUNITY IS SO
10 IMPORTANT, AS IS THE ARMENIAN AND OTHER COMMUNITIES, AND THEY
11 SHOULD ALL FEEL SAFE. AND THIS TASK FORCE, OR THIS
12 RECOGNITION, IS COMING FROM THE RIGHT PLACE. IT DOES VERGE ON
13 DEEPLY SHAMEFUL TO BE TROTting THESE THINGS OUT ENDLESSLY,
14 WHEN YOU HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO, AND I DON'T QUITE GET WHY
15 YOU HAVEN'T THOUGHT ABOUT THE THREE SECTIONS WHERE PEOPLE
16 COULD BE ADDRESSED WHEN THEY SHOW UP, OR WHEN THEY HAVE TIME,
17 AS OPPOSED TO HAVING TO WAIT FOR YOUR--

18

19 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
20 PLEASE.

21

22 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JEN STOCK. YOU MAY BEGIN.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** HI. CAN YOU HEAR ME OKAY?

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU. GO AHEAD.

2

3 **SPEAKER:** GREAT. MY NAME IS JEN STOCK. I HAVE GROWN UP IN LOS
4 ANGELES MY ENTIRE LIFE. AS A GRANDDAUGHTER OF A HOLOCAUST
5 SURVIVOR, NEVER IN MY WILDEST DREAMS COULD I HAVE IMAGINED
6 PEOPLE SCREAMING "DEATH TO THE JEWS" IN OUR STREETS OF LOS
7 ANGELES. ANTI-SEMITISM HAS SKYROCKETED, PARTICULARLY IN THE
8 PAST THREE MONTHS, SINCE OCTOBER 7TH. AS AN L.A. COMMUNITY
9 MEMBER AND JEWISH LEADER, WE MUST STAND UP FOR OUR JEWISH
10 COMMUNITY. WE MUST PROTECT OURSELVES, AND SUPPORT THIS ITEM.
11 THANK YOU.

12

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

14

15 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ABRAHAM COTON. YOU MAY
16 BEGIN. ABRAHAM, YOUR LINE'S OPEN. GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

19

20 **MODERATOR:** THE NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DEBORAH KLEIN LOPEZ. YOU
21 MAY BEGIN.

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23 **DEBORAH KLEIN LOPEZ:** HI. THIS IS DEBORAH KLEIN LOPEZ. I AM A
24 COUNCILMEMBER IN THE CITY OF AGOURA HILLS. I WOULD LIKE TO
25 ECHO MY COLLEAGUE'S COMMENTS, JEREMY WOLF'S COMMENTS, AND



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1 EXPRESS MY STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE MOTION BEFORE YOU. THE RISE
2 IN ANTI-SEMITIC INCIDENTS IN HOUSES OF WORSHIP, IN SCHOOL, AND
3 EVEN IN OUR OVERPASSES HAS BEEN EXTREME. WE HAVE A WONDERFUL,
4 VIBRANT JEWISH COMMUNITY IN LOS ANGELES, AND HERE IN AGOURA
5 HILLS, ONE OF THE WESTERNMOST CITIES IN THE COUNTY, OUR AREA
6 IS NO STRANGER TO DRASTIC INCIDENTS, AS JUST A FEW MILES AWAY,
7 WE SAW THE DEATH OF PAUL KESSLER, AND WE MOURN HIS PASSING,
8 AND PRAY FOR PEACE. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BRINGING THIS
9 MOTION BEFORE YOU. WE ARE IN STRONG SUPPORT, AND THANK YOU,
10 SUPERVISORS.

11
12 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, COUNCILMEMBER. NEXT SPEAKER,
13 PLEASE.

14
15 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JEREMY BROCKMAN. YOU MAY
16 BEGIN.

17
18 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. I FIRST WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR LINDSEY
19 HORVATH FOR BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD, AND THANK YOU TO THE
20 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION. YEAH, I'M JEREMY
21 BROCKMAN. I AM AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY. I AM
22 A THIRD-GENERATION AMERICAN. MY GRANDPARENTS ESCAPED NAZI-
23 OCCUPIED HOLLAND. OBVIOUSLY, WE'VE ALL WITNESSED, AFTER THE
24 EVENTS OF OCTOBER 7TH, THIS TIDAL WAVE OF HATE. IT'S LED TO
25 AFFECTING OUR SCHOOLS, OUR COLLEGE CAMPUSES, OUR STREETS, OUR



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1 PLACES OF WORK. WE HOPE THIS MOTION CERTAINLY WILL BE THE
2 CONVERSATIONS, BUT WE REALLY WANT TO SEE DEFINED ACTION TO
3 ENSURE COMMUNITY SAFETY. I AM SENDING A MESSAGE TO THOSE THAT
4 ARE EMBOLDENED TO EXPRESS HATE. WITHOUT ANY ACTION-- WE DON'T
5 WANT TO WAIT FOR CONTEXT. WE DON'T WANT TO WAIT FOR ACTUAL
6 HATE TO LEAD TO VIOLENCE. JUST LIKE WE ERASE GRAFFITI BECAUSE
7 OF THE BROKEN-WINDOWS THEORY, WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE THAT HATE
8 DOESN'T REMAIN UNADDRESSED. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

9

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

11

12 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS DODY FROMSON. YOU MAY
13 BEGIN.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, SUPERVISORS. I AM VERY GLAD TO HAVE A CHANCE
16 TO SPEAK TO YOU TODAY. I WAS BORN IN ENGLAND. MY PARENTS
17 ESCAPED GERMANY IN 1933, TO GO TO ENGLAND, AND THEN TO AMERICA
18 IN 1939. I AM VERY CONSCIOUS OF ALL THAT IS GOING ON IN LOS
19 ANGELES, AND I WANT TO ECHO SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S STATEMENT, AS
20 WELL AS OTHERS THAT HAVE SPOKEN. I DON'T THINK I'LL REPEAT
21 WHAT THEY'VE SAID. OUR OWN SYNAGOGUE HAS HAD TO PUT ON
22 TREMENDOUSLY MORE SECURITY FOR US TO FEEL COMFORTABLE GOING
23 THERE. THAT IS SEEMINGLY GOING ON ALL THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY,
24 WHICH IS A TERRIBLE SHAME. AND IF I WERE CYNICAL-- AND PERHAPS
25 I AM-- JUST AS HAMAS PLANNED THEIR FIRST ACTION ON OCTOBER



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SUPERVISORS

1 7TH, FOR MANY MONTHS BEFORE, WE HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING THAT
2 THERE AREN'T HAMAS PEOPLE--

3

4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
5 PLEASE.

6

7 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JACKIE KATZ. YOU MAY BEGIN.

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9 **SPEAKER:** HELLO THERE. MY NAME IS JACKIE KATZ. I JUST WANT TO
10 THANK THE BOARD FOR SUPPORTING THIS MOTION. IT'S SO IMPORTANT.
11 HATE HAS NO PLACE IN OUR COMMUNITY. THERE IS A LOT OF ANTI-
12 SEMITISM, EVER SINCE THE CONFLICT IN THE MIDDLE EAST, AND I AM
13 JUST HAPPY THAT WE HAVE SUPERVISORS HELPING STOP THE HATE. AND
14 I AM IN MOTION OF THE TRAINING AND EVERYTHING NECESSARY TO
15 STOP HATE CRIMES-- ANTI-SEMITIC, RACIAL-- IN ANY FORM IN LOS
16 ANGELES. THANK YOU.

17

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

19

20 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS VICTORIA COLLINS. YOU MAY
21 BEGIN.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO ME TODAY. I REALLY
24 APPRECIATE WHAT YOU ARE DOING. A LITTLE CONTEXT ABOUT MY
25 FAMILY, AND WHY I AM SUPPORTING THE MOTION TODAY. AND I AM SO



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1 GRATEFUL FOR THIS FORUM, AS I WAS BROUGHT BY MY PARENTS TO LOS
2 ANGELES COUNTY, BECAUSE MY GRANDMA BARBARA SURVIVED THE
3 HOLOCAUST. LOS ANGELES COUNTY WAS THE PLACE OF RELIGIOUS
4 FREEDOM, AND ZERO TOLERANCE OF TARGETED HATE, VIOLENCE, AND
5 FEAR. TODAY, I HAVE A SON THAT LIVES IN AN AREA WHERE HE HAS
6 TO WALK TO SYNAGOGUE, AND I AM SCARED. HE GETS SHOUTED AT, AND
7 HE GETS SCREAMED AT, AND PEOPLE SAY HORRIBLE AND SPITEFUL
8 RHETORIC, AND IT IS GETTING WORSE, AND IT MUST BE STOPPED. I
9 AM SCARED EVERY TIME HE LEAVES MY HOUSE, EVERY FRIDAY. I AM SO
10 GRATEFUL FOR WHAT YOU ARE DOING, AND I CAN'T SUPPORT IT
11 ENOUGH. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR LISTENING TO ME TODAY.

12
13 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14
15 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS YOTAM KAHANA. YOU MAY
16 BEGIN.

17
18 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS YOTAM. I AM HERE TO ASK YOU TO
19 ENCOURAGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE MOTION TO INCREASE JEWISH
20 COMMUNITY SAFETY THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES. MANY OF THE JEWS THAT
21 YOU JUST HEARD ARE AFRAID. WE ARE AFRAID TO WALK IN THE
22 STREETS. L.A. BECAME JUST A PLACE WHERE JEWS HAVE BEEN
23 TARGETED. JUST WALKING ON THE STREET WITH A YARMULKE CAN
24 TRIGGER SOMEONE TO CALL YOU THE "K" WORD, TO GO AHEAD AND HURT
25 YOU. YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN, AND IT IS SCARY.



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1 YOU CAN IMAGINE THAT IF IT'S HAPPENED WITH ADULTS, IT IS EVEN
2 AGGRAVATED WITH OUR SCHOOLS. NELSON MANDELA SAID, ONCE, THAT
3 THE EDUCATION IS THE WEAPON THAT YOU CAN USE TO CHANGE THE
4 WORLD. I AM ASKING YOU TO USE THIS ONE TODAY, TO CHANGE THE
5 WORLD FOR OUR PEOPLE, FOR OUR JEWS, AND TO CHANGE THE FUTURE
6 FOR US. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, GUYS. I HONESTLY THOUGHT THAT
7 YOU'RE GOING TO BE AGAINST THAT, BUT I'M SO HAPPY TO HEAR THAT
8 MOST OF YOU GUYS ARE WITH US, AND UNDERSTAND US. THANK YOU
9 VERY MUCH.

10

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

12

13 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS LEIGH BRUST. YOU MAY BEGIN.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** HELLO, GOOD AFTERNOON. AS A TEACHER OF LOS ANGELES
16 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, I LOOK TO OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS TO
17 TAKE DECISIVE ACTION, AND TO GIVE THE JEWISH COMMUNITY
18 CONFIDENCE THAT THEY ARE PROTECTED. JEWISH PEOPLE OF LOS
19 ANGELES SHOULD NOT HAVE TO SEND THEIR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL IN
20 FEAR OF BEING RIDICULED, HIDE THEIR JEWISH IDENTITY, AND EVEN
21 CHANGE THEIR LAST NAMES ON THEIR UBER ACCOUNTS, DUE TO THE
22 WIDESPREAD OF-- AND I AM NOT EVEN GOING TO SUGARCOAT THIS--
23 JEW HATE IN THIS CITY. I URGE YOU TO TAKE CONCRETE STEPS
24 FORWARD TO SUPPORT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY JEWISH COMMUNITY



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1 SAFE PLAN NOW, BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE. "NEVER AGAIN" IS NOW.

2 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

3

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

5

6 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ABRAHAM COTON. YOU MAY
7 BEGIN.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** HI, EVERYONE. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

10

11 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN HEAR YOU. GO AHEAD.

12

13 **SPEAKER:** HELLO? CAN YOU HEAR ME? EXCELLENT. I AM A JEWISH
14 AMERICAN WITH ROOTS IN ISRAEL. THIS ITEM IS NOT ABOUT ANTI-
15 SEMITISM; RATHER, IT GIVES LAW ENFORCEMENT MORE FUNDING TO
16 WEAPONIZE JEWISH TRAUMA AND THREATS TO JEWISH SAFETY, AND IT
17 SILENCES CRITICISM OF ZIONISM, WHICH IS POLITICAL IDEOLOGY,
18 AND CONFLATING THE TWO IS ANTI-SEMITIC. WHILE ANTI-SEMITISM IS
19 VERY REAL-- I HAVE PERSONALLY EXPERIENCED IT MYSELF--
20 CRITICISM OF ZIONISM MUST BE PROTECTED. MANY JEWISH ANGELENOS
21 OPPOSE ZIONISM. THIS ITEM DOES NOT ADDRESS WHITE NATIONALIST
22 THREAT TO JEWISH SAFETY, BUT RATHER, I SEE IT AS A WAY TO
23 SILENCE JEWISH AND NON-JEWISH VOICES CRITICAL OF ZIONISM, A
24 THREAT OT OUR FIRST-AMENDMENT RIGHTS. IF WE ARE TO TRULY
25 ADDRESS THREATS TO JEWISH SAFETY, AND TO SUPPORT DIVERSITY OF



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1 JEWISH VOICES, WE MUST MORE DIRECTLY TARGET WHITE SUPREMACY,
2 AND WE MUST STOP CENSORSHIP CRITICAL OF ISRAEL'S CAMPAIGN OF
3 COLLECTIVE PUNISHMENT AGAINST PALESTINIANS. THE CENSORSHIP OF
4 ANTI-ZIONIST VOICES PROMOTES ANTI-SEMITISM. THIS MUST STOP.
5 INSTEAD, I ASK THE CITY TO CALL THE U.S. GOVERNMENT TO
6 FACILITATE A CEASEFIRE--

7

8 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
9 PLEASE.

10

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

13

14 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE WILL TURN TO IN-PERSON
15 COMMENTS. GO AHEAD, SIR.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. MY NAME IS DANNY GARCIA, AND I AM CONCERNED
18 ABOUT THIS. [INAUDIBLE]. MY WIFE AND MY KID ARE JEWISH. BUT
19 I'M A CHRISTIAN. BUT MY WIFE AND MY KID ARE JEWISH. SO I'M
20 CONCERNED ABOUT THIS. BUT PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, [INAUDIBLE].

21

22 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS
23 EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

24



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1 **ALISSA BERNSTEIN:** HELLO. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP
2 AND FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. MY NAME IS ALISSA BERNSTEIN.
3 I'M THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE LOS
4 ANGELES, AND I AM HERE TO EXPRESS A.J.C.'S UNEQUIVOCAL SUPPORT
5 FOR SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S MOTION TO INCREASE JEWISH COMMUNITY
6 SAFETY THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY. SUPERVISOR HORVATH HAS PROVIDED
7 A SPOT-ON ASSESSMENT OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY'S SECURITY IN
8 L.A. COUNTY. UNFORTUNATELY, WE HAVE SEEN A DRAMATIC UPTICK IN
9 VIOLENT ANTI-SEMITISM IN RECENT YEARS, AND SINCE THE HAMAS
10 TERROR ATTACK AGAINST ISRAEL ON OCTOBER 7TH. ALMOST ONE YEAR
11 AGO, WE WITNESSED AN EXCEPTIONAL EXAMPLE OF L.A. COUNTY'S
12 HIGHEST OFFICES WORKING IN CONCERT WITH THE ORGANIZED JEWISH
13 COMMUNITY TO ADDRESS A VIOLENT HATE CRIME WHICH TOOK PLACE IN
14 PICO-ROBERTSON. BECAUSE THESE OFFICES UNDERSTOOD ANTI-
15 SEMITISM, THEY COULD IDENTIFY AND BRING THE PERPETRATOR OF
16 THIS HATEFUL ACT TO JUSTICE. THIS MOTION IS A CRUCIAL STEP IN
17 STRENGTHENING OUR COUNTY'S ABILITY TO BETTER RESPOND TO, AND
18 MORE IMPORTANTLY, PREVENT FURTHER HATE CRIMES AGAINST THE
19 JEWISH COMMUNITY. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF THIS
20 MOTION TO ENSURE THAT L.A. REMAINS A SAFE HAVEN FOR ITS JEWISH
21 COMMUNITY, AND ALL COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU.

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



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1 **BETH KEAN:** HI, DEAR COUNTY SUPERVISORS. I'M BETH KEAN, C.E.O.
2 OF HOLOCAUST MUSEUM L.A., AND HERE TO SHOW SUPPORT FOR
3 SUPERVISOR HORVATH'S MOTION. I'D LIKE TO TALK ABOUT THE
4 REALITIES H.M.L.A. HAS BEEN FACING AS AN EDUCATION
5 ORGANIZATION SINCE OCTOBER 7TH. WE'VE SEEN OUR SECURITY BUDGET
6 TRIPLE. WE HAVE HAD BOMB THREATS, HATE PHONE CALLS, E-MAILS,
7 HATE REMARKS ONLINE. IN THE WEEKS AFTER OCTOBER 7TH, SCHOOL
8 GROUPS CANCELED TOURS BECAUSE OF SAFETY CONCERNS. WE PROVIDE
9 FREE STUDENT TOURS AND BUS TRANSPORTATION GRANTS FOR PUBLIC
10 SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY. THE REALITY IS THAT WE ARE AN
11 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION, AND SADLY, NOW HAVE TO DIRECT
12 RESOURCES AWAY FROM OUR CORE MISSION-- EDUCATION-- TO KEEP
13 STAFF AND VISITORS SAFE. THE WORK WE DO IN TEACHING STUDENTS
14 AND VISITORS THE LESSONS OF THE HOLOCAUST, EMPOWERING THEM TO
15 SPEAK OUT AND STAND UP, IS MORE VITAL THAN EVER. THE HOLOCAUST
16 SHOWS US WHERE UNCHECKED HATE RHETORIC AGAINST JEWS CAN AND
17 WILL LEAD. ANY SUPPORT TO DO OUR WORK MORE SAFELY AND
18 EFFECTIVELY WILL BENEFIT THIS COMMUNITY.

19
20 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAD
21 EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

22
23 **SPEAKER:** A JANUARY 4TH, 2024, "AXIOS" ARTICLE REPORTED THAT,
24 FROM '22 TO 2023, ANTI-JEWISH HATE CRIMES INCREASED 48%, AND
25 ANTI-MUSLIM HATE CRIMES INCREASED 40%. BOTH HAVE DEMONSTRATED



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1 AN ALARMING SPIKE, BOTH ARE PRIORITIES. THIS RESOLUTION NEEDS
2 TO LIST BOTH JEWS AND MUSLIMS AND ARABS AS PROTECTED CLASSES
3 THAT NEED SPECIAL ATTENTION FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT. MS. SOLIS
4 AND MS. MITCHELL, YOU HAVE PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED PALESTINIAN
5 CIVILIANS AS A CONCERN OF YOURS. I THEREFORE REGARD YOU AS THE
6 TWO LEAST RACIST MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MAYBE YOU WILL DO THE
7 RIGHT THING AND ADVOCATE FOR THE INCLUSION OF MUSLIMS IN THIS
8 RESOLUTION AS PROTECTED CLASSES. AND I WOULD JUST SAY THAT I
9 AM REALLY SICKENED BY MS. HORVATH ATTEMPTING TO TO PRESENT
10 HERSELF AS SOME KIND OF CRUSADER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, WHEN YOU
11 HAVE BEWAILED THE SLAUGHTER BY HAMAS OF 1,140 ISRAELIS, BUT
12 YOU'VE SAID NOTHING ABOUT THE SLAUGHTER BY THE ISRAELI
13 GOVERNMENT OF 25,000 PALESTINIAN CIVILIANS, AND YOU HAVE NOT
14 SAID ANYTHING BECAUSE YOU ARE A RACIST, GENOCIDAL [EXPLETIVE].
15 END THE GENOCIDE. FREE PALESTINE.

16
17 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

18
19 **MATT FRIEDMAN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MATT FRIEDMAN, AND I'M
20 WITH A.D.L. LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PAST SUPPORT OF
21 THE JEWISH COMMUNITY, AND ALL COMMUNITIES EXPERIENCING BIAS. I
22 AM HERE TO ASK YOU TO SUPPORT AGENDA ITEM 12. THE PAST FEW
23 YEARS HAVE SEEN ALARMINGLY HIGH LEVELS OF ANTI-SEMITISM IN
24 THIS COUNTRY. OUR DATA IN ANTI-SEMITIC INCIDENTS COUNTED 3,697
25 INCIDENTS THROUGHOUT THE U.S. IN 2022, WHICH IS ALSO THE THIRD



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1 TIME IN THE PREVIOUS FIVE YEARS THAT THE YEAR-END TOTAL HAS
2 BEEN THE HIGHEST NUMBER EVER RECORDED, SINCE WE STARTED
3 TRACKING THIS DATA IN 1979. THE MOST RECENT HATE CRIME REPORT
4 FROM L.A. COUNTY FOUND THAT, IN 2022, HATE CRIMES AGAINST JEWS
5 IN L.A. COUNTY SOARED BY 59% FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR, AND MADE
6 UP 83% OF ALL RELIGIOUS-MOTIVATED HATE CRIMES. NATIONALLY,
7 FROM OCTOBER 7TH THROUGH JANUARY 7TH, A.D.L.'S RECORDED 3,291
8 INCIDENTS, WHICH REPRESENTS A 361% INCREASE, COMPARED TO ONE
9 YEAR PRIOR. A.D.L. IS STRONGLY SUPPORTIVE OF THIS MOTION, AND
10 WILL GLADLY ASSIST OUR PARTNERS IN L.A. COUNTY WITH THIS
11 EFFORT, SHARING OUR EXPERTISE AND DECADES OF RESEARCH. THANK
12 YOU.

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

15
16 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS EMILY. I AM A CHRISTIAN PALESTINIAN
17 AMERICAN. ANYONE, LIKE MS. HORVATH, REFERRING TO ME AS HAMAS
18 IS A SUPREMACIST, BECAUSE I AM A GREEK ORTHODOX PALESTINIAN. I
19 LOST 9 MEMBERS OF MY FAMILY IN THE GAZA GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
20 BOMBING. FOUR CHURCHES IN GAZA HAVE BEEN ATTACKED. FOUR. FOUR
21 CHURCHES ARE ATTACKED. AND FOR YOU TO EQUATE US WITH HAMAS
22 MAKES YOU A SUPREMACIST. THEY ARE WIPING OUT CHRISTIANS IN THE
23 HOLY LAND. WHERE ARE ALL OF YOU PROTECTING THE CHRISTIANS IN
24 THE HOLY LAND RIGHT NOW? NONE OF YOU SPEAKING ABOUT MY
25 RELATIVES. NONE OF YOU. A SIX-MONTH-OLD BABY THAT I WILL NEVER



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1 GET TO MEET DIED UNDER THE RUBBLE OF THE GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
2 IN GAZA. SHE WAS KILLED BY ISRAELIS.

3

4 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** I'M VERY SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** NO, YOU ARE NOT!

7

8 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
9 PLEASE.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** NO, YOU ARE NOT! SHAME ON YOU! SUPREMACIST!

12

13 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** YOUR GOAL WITH THIS IS TO CONFLATE ANTI-ZIONISM WITH
16 ANTI-SEMITISM, SO THAT YOU CAN CRIMINALIZE PEOPLE SPEAKING UP
17 FOR A FREE PALESTINE. FOR TRUE SAFETY FOR EVERYONE, WE NEED TO
18 DISMANTLE WHITE SUPREMACY. AND HOW ARE WE OURSELVES FREE IN
19 THE SO-CALLED UNITED STATES, WHEN WE SEE CHILDREN AND BABIES
20 AND ADULTS AND ELDERS BEING BOMBED AND KILLED, WHEN WE SEE
21 MULTIPLE WAR CRIMES BEING COMMITTED, AND YET THE U.S.
22 GOVERNMENT KEEPS SENDING MONEY AND ARMS TO CONTINUE THIS
23 GENOCIDE? YOU KEEP USING THE WORD "HATE," BUT YOU WON'T EVEN
24 TALK ABOUT THE GENOCIDE THAT'S GOING ON IN GAZA RIGHT NOW. AND
25 THIS MONEY IS MONEY THAT YOU STOLE FROM US, FOR OUR HOSPITAL,



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1 SO THAT WE CAN'T PAY FOR RENT AND GROCERIES AND HEALTHCARE. SO
2 I'M HERE DEMANDING A PERMANENT CEASEFIRE, TO STOP SENDING ANY
3 MONEY TO ISRAEL, TO END THE OCCUPATION. AND IT'S DISGUSTING TO
4 SEE YOU MOURN GUN VIOLENCE AGAINST A.A.P.I. PEOPLE, WHEN YOU
5 KNOW THAT WHITE SUPREMACY AND IMPERIALISM CREATES THE
6 CONDITIONS FOR THESE MASS SHOOTINGS, AND YOU CONTINUE
7 UPHOLDING THESE. AND YOU BRING IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO
8 ADDRESS THIS, WHEN THE SHERIFFS ARE THE MOST RACIST OF ALL.

9

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

11

12 **SPEAKER:** HI. I'M DONALD HARLAN. I'M SPEAKING ON AGENDA ITEM
13 NUMBER 12. I OPPOSE THE JEWISH COMMUNITY SAFETY PROGRAM. I
14 THINK THAT IT DOESN'T BELONG IN THE COUNTY, SUPERVISORS, TO BE
15 SPONSORING SPECIAL PROTECTION FOR CERTAIN RELIGIOUS GROUPS.
16 YOU SHOULDN'T BE SPONSORING ANY RELIGIOUS PROGRAMS, AND THE
17 FACT THAT YOU'RE DOING THAT IS RACIST, AND THE FACT THAT
18 YOU'RE DOING IT FOR THE JEWISH COMMUNITY IS EXTREMELY RACIST.
19 IT'S REALLY BAD, WHAT THE JEWISH COMMUNITY HAS GOING ON HERE
20 IN L.A. COUNTY. THERE'S OVER ONE DOZEN HOLOCAUST MUSEUMS AND
21 EXHIBITS SET UP ALL OVER THE COUNTY, AND REALLY, YOU ONLY
22 REQUIRE ONE. AND THOSE JEWISH PEOPLE HERE IN LOS ANGELES,
23 THEY'RE NOT TOO-- THEY'RE JUST HERE TO COVER UP THE HOLOCAUST.
24 THEY'RE NOT HERE TO--

25



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1 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. YOUR TIME IS
2 EXPIRED.

3
4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, GUYS, FOR YOUR PUBLIC SERVICE, AND TAKING
5 THE TIME TO LISTEN TO ALL OF US TODAY. FIRST, I WANTED TO SAY
6 THAT I SUPPORT SAFETY, AND BELIEVE EVERYONE SHOULD FEEL SAFE IN
7 L.A. COUNTY. I DO OPPOSE THE MOTION THAT SUPERVISOR HORVATH
8 HAS PRESENTED. THE ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE, WHICH YOU HAVE
9 CITED IN YOUR MOTION, CONFLATES ANTI-SEMITISM WITH ANTI-
10 ZIONISM. I AM CONCERNED THAT AN EFFECT OF THIS MOTION WILL
11 SUPPRESS THE VOICES OF PALESTINIAN RIGHTS. AT THIS TIME,
12 25,000 PALESTINIANS HAVE DIED IN LESS THAN 4 MONTHS, 10,000 OF
13 WHICH, PROBABLY MORE, ARE CHILDREN. WHAT WE CANNOT LET HAPPEN
14 IS FURTHER SUPPRESSION OF PALESTINIAN VOICES AND RIGHTS. AS
15 SOMEONE WHO HAS SPOKEN OUT ABOUT THE KILLING IN GAZA, I HAVE
16 FELT THE SILENCING, EXTREME GASLIGHTING, AND POLICE
17 INTIMIDATION AT PRO-PALESTINIAN PROTESTS, SO MUCH SO THAT MY
18 HUSBAND AND I, BOTH PEOPLE OF COLOR, LEFT EARLY BEFORE IT GOT
19 IT GOT DARK, OUT OF FEAR FOR OUR SAFETY BY THE POLICE AND
20 COUNTERPROTESTERS. THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF VOICES BEING SILENCED
21 AT A VERY IMPORTANT TIME. ADDITIONALLY, AS A PERSON WHO IS
22 PART OF THE BLACK AND BROWN COMMUNITY, THE LAST THING I WANT
23 TO SEE IS ADDITIONAL RESOURCES BEING SHIFTED TO THE POLICE
24 FORCE, WHO PROVIDE SAFETY FOR SOME SELECT FEW, BUT CAN BE
25 DANGEROUS FOR OTHERS. THANK YOU.



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

3

4 **SPEAKER:** CHAIR HORVATH AND BORD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
5 RACHEL WALLACE. ON BEHALF OF THE JEWISH FEDERATION OF LOS
6 ANGELES, WE URGE YOU TO SUPPORT ITEM 12, A CRUCIAL MOTION
7 AIMED AT ADDRESSING THE SAFETY OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY. SADLY,
8 ANTI-SEMITISM IS A FORM OF HATRED THAT IS AGE-OLD AND PERSISTS
9 TODAY. WE THANK CHAIR HORVATH FOR HER LEADERSHIP, SUPPORT, AND
10 FOR INTRODUCING TODAY'S MOTION TO TAKE STEPS TO COMBAT ANTI-
11 SEMITISM, IN CONJUNCTION WITH INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST
12 REMEMBRANCE DAY. UNFORTUNATELY, SINCE THE BRUTAL ATTACK BY THE
13 TERRORIST GROUP HAMAS ON ISRAEL, ON OCTOBER 7TH, LEVELS OF
14 ANTI-SEMITIC INCIDENTS HAVE FURTHER SPIKED THROUGHOUT THE
15 U.S., INCLUDING RISING LEVELS OF SWATTING INCIDENTS, BOMB
16 THREATS, VANDALISM, HARASSMENT, AND PHYSICAL ASSAULT. ALTHOUGH
17 EXACERBATED FOLLOWING OCTOBER 7TH, OVER THE LAST DECADE, WE'VE
18 WITNESSED A MARKED YEAR-OVER-YEAR INCREASE IN ANTI-SEMITISM,
19 AS HIGHLIGHTED BY THE 2022 L.A. COUNTY COMMISSION ON HUMAN
20 RELATIONS HATE CRIMES REPORT, INDICATING THAT 83% OF ALL
21 RELIGIOUS CRIMES TARGETED JEWS.

22

23 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
24 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

25



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1 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS NATI CHARNY. I'M AN ISRAELI-AMERICAN JEW,
2 WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY IN ISRAEL, YET I OPPOSE THIS AGENDA.
3 THIS AGENDA PURPORTEDLY CARES ABOUT THE SAFETY OF JEWISH
4 PEOPLE, WHILE COMPLETELY IGNORING THE VOICES AND SAFETY OF THE
5 PALESTINIANS WHO HAVE LOVED ONES IN GAZA, THAT ARE CURRENTLY
6 BEING BOMBED BY ISRAEL. 30,000 PEOPLE DEAD, 11,000 OF WHICH
7 ARE CHILDREN, AND MORE DYING OF STARVATION AND DISEASE; ALL
8 OF THAT DONE SUPPOSEDLY IN MY NAME, WHILE I COMPLETELY REFUTE
9 THAT. THE FACT THAT THIS IS ALLOWED TO CONTINUE WITHOUT
10 SEEMINGLY ANY OPPOSITION HERE IS NOTHING SHORT OF SICKENING
11 AND MADDENING. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THE DIFFERENCE
12 BETWEEN CRITICISM OF ISRAEL AND ITS CURRENT GENOCIDE AGAINST
13 THE PALESTINIANS, AND ACTUAL ANTI-SEMITISM AS REPORTED BY THE
14 A.D.L., WHO CONFLATE ANTI-ZIONISM AND ANTI-SEMITISM TO
15 BOLSTER UP THEIR STATISTICS. IT'S INSANE, IT'S FULL OF
16 GASLIGHTING, AND IT'S WRONG. I COMPLETELY OPPOSE THIS MOTION
17 IN GIVING POWER TO THE POLICE, PURPORTEDLY TO CARE ABOUT A
18 COMMUNITY THAT I KNOW NONE OF YOU REALLY CARE ABOUT, AND ONLY
19 WANT TO WEAPONIZE, IN ORDER TO JUSTIFY MORE WHITE SUPREMACY.
20 THANK YOU.

21
22 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

23
24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. BY THE WAY, IN ADDITION TO
25 TALKING ABOUT THIS ANTI-SEMITISM THAT'S GOING ON, I WOULD LIKE



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1 TO POINT OUT THAT BARACK OBAMA VISITED CANTORS TO GET THE
2 JEWISH VOTE. AND YOU HAVE A GENTLEMAN UP HERE--

3

4 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE NEED YOU TO FOCUS YOUR COMMENTS ON THE
5 JEWISH COMMUNITY SAFETY PROPOSAL.

6

7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** I AM FOCUSING MY COMMENTS ON HOW ANTI-SEMITISM
8 HAS RISEN BECAUSE OF HAVING THE K.K.K. BROUGHT BACK INTO L.A.
9 COUNTY. YOU'RE HAVING AN AFRICAN AMERICAN DRESSED UP AS THE
10 K.K.K GRAND WIZARD; HAVING JANICE HAHN GIVE UP ON HER SECOND
11 DISTRICT, AND NOT KNOWING THAT IT WAS FULL OF--

12

13 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** AGAIN, WE NEED YOU TO FOCUS--

14

15 **ARNOLD SACHS:** IT WAS FULL OF JEWISH PEOPLE THAT LIVE THERE.
16 AND SHE DECIDED THAT "I'M NOT GOING TO DO ANYTHING TO HELP
17 THEM," BECAUSE SHE'S A HATER.

18

19 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE NEED YOU TO FOCUS YOUR COMMENTS ON THE
20 JEWISH COMMUNITY SAFETY PROPOSAL.

21

22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THE FIRE CHIEF, DARYL OSBY, WAS KILLED BY MARK
23 RIDLEY-THOMAS.

24



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1 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** AGAIN, YOUR COMMENTS NEED TO FOCUS ON
2 THIS ITEM.

3

4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** AND A GENOCIDE OF PALESTINE? THE PALESTINIANS
5 AREN'T IN GAZA. THEY'RE IN PALESTINE.

6

7 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YOUR TIME IS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
8 PLEASE. NO OTHER SPEAKERS. DO WE HAVE ANY SPEAKERS ON THE
9 PHONE?

10

11 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** NO.

12

13 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, THEN ITEM 12, AS REVISED, IS BEFORE
14 US. I WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO APPROVE
15 THE ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

16

17 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 12, AS REVISED, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, IS
18 BEFORE YOU.

19

20 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

21

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

23

24 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

25



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

2

3 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

6

7 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

8

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

10 HORVATH?

11

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

13

14 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES,

15 5-0.

16

17 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 14.

18 [DISRUPTION FROM AUDIENCE] YOU'RE DISRUPTING THE MEETING. THIS

19 IS YOUR SECOND WARNING. WE HEARD ALL OF YOUR COMMENTS AND

20 APPRECIATE YOUR PARTICIPATION, BUT YOU ARE DISRUPTING THE

21 MEETING. THIS IS YOUR FINAL WARNING. YOU ARE CONTINUING TO

22 DISRUPT THE MEETING. [AUDIENCE DISRUPTION] WE'VE ISSUED A

23 FINAL WARNING. PLEASE DO NOT CONTINUE TO DISRUPT THE MEETING,

24 OR WE WILL HAVE TO REMOVE YOU FROM THE CHAMBERS. [AUDIENCE

25 DISRUPTION] AND NOW WE WILL MOVE ON TO ITEM 14, PROCLAIMING



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1 FEBRUARY 2ND, 2024, AS WEAR RED DAY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
2 WHICH I HELD. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE,
3 PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. I'M EXCITED
4 ABOUT PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 2ND, 2024, AS WEAR RED DAY IN LOS
5 ANGELES COUNTY. CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE IS THE LEADING KILLER
6 OF WOMEN IN OUR COUNTRY, AND FOR FAR TOO LONG, HEART DISEASE
7 AND STROKE HAVE TAKEN THE LIVES OF THE WOMEN WE LOVE.
8 ANNUALLY, WE RECOGNIZE FEBRUARY AS AMERICAN HEART MONTH, TO
9 PROMOTE HEART HEALTH AND PREVENTATIVE CARE FOR ALL WHO MAY BE
10 IMPACTED. WHEN WE THINK OF HEART DISEASE, WOMEN ARE NOT ALWAYS
11 FRONT AND CENTER, BUT IN FACT, OVER 60 MILLION WOMEN, 44% OF
12 THOSE IN THE UNITED STATES, ARE LIVING WITH SOME FORM OF
13 CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE. IT'S THE LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH FOR
14 WOMEN, AND CAN AFFECT THOSE OF ALL AGES. IT'S RESPONSIBLE FOR
15 ABOUT 1 IN 5 DEATHS OF WOMEN IN OUR COUNTRY, BUT OVER HALF OF
16 WOMEN DON'T KNOW OR RECOGNIZE THAT IT IS THEIR NUMBER-ONE
17 KILLER. THIS MOTION ASKS US TO RECOGNIZE FEBRUARY 2ND AS WEAR
18 RED DAY-- FORMERLY RED DRESS DAY-- FOR WOMEN'S HEART HEALTH,
19 TO PROMOTE CARE AND CRITICAL SERVICES THAT WOMEN NEED TO GET
20 OUT OF AHEAD OF HEART DISEASE, IF IT MAY STRIKE. KNOWING THE
21 FACTS, THE SIGNS, THE SYMPTOMS, THE RISK FACTORS, WILL HELP
22 ALL WOMEN PROTECT OUR OWN HEALTH. AS PART OF THIS MOTION,
23 WE'RE ASKING FOR OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO RECOGNIZE THIS
24 CRISIS THAT WOMEN FACE, AND TO WEAR RED TO UPLIFT WOMEN'S
25 HEART HEALTH ON FEBRUARY 2ND. LET'S ALL COME TOGETHER, WEAR



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1 RED, AND USE THE HASHTAG #WEARREDDAY, TO SHOW THAT WE STAND
2 WITH WOMEN, AGAINST CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE. SUPERVISOR SOLIS,
3 I'LL TURN IT TO YOU.

4
5 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND I'M HAPPY TO
6 JOIN YOU IN THIS MOTION, AND KNOW THAT FEBRUARY IS GOING TO BE
7 A TIME FOR US TO REFLECT ON THE AMERICAN HEART MONTH, A TIME
8 WHEN EVERYONE SHOULD FOCUS ON THEIR CARDIOVASCULAR HEALTH.
9 HEART DISEASE IS THE LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH IN THE UNITED
10 STATES, CLAIMING THE LIVES OF OVER 650,000 PEOPLE EACH YEAR,
11 AND IT REMAINS ONE OF THE LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH IN L.A.
12 COUNTY, UNFORTUNATELY, AND SOME GROUPS ARE HARDER HIT THAN
13 OTHERS. LATINAS, NATIVE AMERICANS, ALASKAN NATIVES, ESPECIALLY
14 BLACK RESIDENTS, CARRY A DISPROPORTIONATE TOLL FROM HEART
15 DISEASE. AND AS YOU UPLIFTED TODAY, IT ALSO IS A VERY SERIOUS
16 PROBLEM FOR WOMEN ACROSS THE COUNTRY, WITH OVER 60 MILLION
17 WOMEN LIVING WITH SOME FORM OF HEART DISEASE. THIS IS WHY WEAR
18 RED DAY IS SO IMPORTANT. WE MUST UPLIFT THE IMPACTS OF
19 CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE, AND IDENTIFY WAYS TO HELP SAVE LIVES
20 THROUGH PREVENTION. THROUGH REGULAR PRACTICES LIKE REGULARLY
21 MONITORING BLOOD PRESSURE, CONTROLLING STRESS LEVELS,
22 PRACTICING SELF-CARE, EXERCISE, CAN ALL HELP TO REDUCE THE
23 RISK OF HEART DISEASE. THIS IS A PERSONAL MATTER FOR ME. I
24 LOST MY MOTHER THROUGH STROKE, AND EVENTUALLY A HEART ATTACK.
25 AND I KNOW THAT SHE LIVED A FULL LIFE; HOWEVER, I KNOW THAT WE



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1 COULD HAVE MADE AND DONE MANY, MANY CHANGES TO MAKE IT EASIER
2 ON HER. WE'VE LEARNED SOME GREAT LESSONS FROM THAT IN MY OWN
3 FAMILY. SO THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THE MOTION, MADAM CHAIR, AND I
4 HOPE TO CELEBRATE WITH YOU AND MANY OTHERS FEBRUARY 2ND, SO WE
5 SEE MANY OF OUR RESIDENTS ACROSS THE COUNTY WEARING RED FOR
6 WOMEN THAT WE LOVE. THANK YOU.

7

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

9

10 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, FOR BRINGING
11 WEAR RED DAY TO L.A. COUNTY. I'LL BE PROUDLY WEARING MY RED
12 SOMETHING. LIKE SUPERVISOR SOLIS, MY OWN MOTHER WAS A STROKE
13 SURVIVOR, BUT ULTIMATELY DIED FROM COMPLICATIONS OF C.O.P.D.,
14 AND RECOGNIZING THAT 30% MORE AFRICAN AMERICANS ARE LIKELY TO
15 DIE FROM HEART DISEASE. I WAS STRUCK BY A C.B.S. MORNING SHOW
16 SEGMENT I SAW THIS MORNING. A BLACK PHYSICIAN, UCHE
17 BLACKSTOCK, HAS JUST WRITTEN BOOK, "LEGACY: A BLACK PHYSICIAN
18 RECKONS WITH RACISM IN AMERICA," AND I LEARNED THIS NEW TERM.
19 THE TERM IS "WEATHERING." AND WEATHERING IS THE TOLL OF A
20 LIFETIME OF SYSTEMIC RACISM ON THE BACKS OF BLACK WOMEN, IN
21 PARTICULAR, BUT ALSO THE IMPACT OF A HEALTHCARE DELIVERY
22 SYSTEM THAT IGNORES YOU, DOESN'T SEE YOU, DENIES YOU ACCESS TO
23 CARE. AND SO WHEN WE TALK ABOUT WEAR RED DAY, IT'S ALSO ABOUT
24 EMPOWERING WOMEN TO HAVE AGENCY AND ADVOCATE ON BEHALF OF
25 THEMSELVES; THAT IF YOU PRESENT TO A HOSPITAL OR TO A DOCTOR,



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1 AND YOU KNOW YOUR OWN BODY. WOMEN HEART DISEASE AND STROKE
2 DOESN'T PRESENT, TYPICALLY, IN WOMEN LIKE IT DOES IN MALES,
3 WHERE YOU SHOULDN'T ASSUME THAT JUST BECAUSE YOUR LEFT SIDE
4 HASN'T GONE NUMB THAT YOU AREN'T HAVING A STROKE OR A HEART
5 ATTACK. AND SO THE WHOLE POINT, I THINK, OF WEAR RED DAY IS TO
6 MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE INFORMED, AND WE ARE EMPOWERED WITH THE
7 INFORMATION TO INSIST THAT A HEALTHCARE DELIVERY SYSTEM WORK
8 THROUGH ITS BIAS, AND SEE US, AND TREAT US ON PAR WITH ALL OF
9 OUR OTHER COUNTERPARTS. THE DOCTOR REINFORCED TODAY THAT THERE
10 ISN'T GENERALLY A PREDISPOSITION TO ONE CONDITION OVER
11 ANOTHER. IT'S ECONOMICS, IT'S WHERE YOU LIVE, AND IT'S THE
12 COMPOUND EFFECT OF WEATHERING. AND SO WEARING RED, HOPEFULLY,
13 WILL EDUCATE MORE ABOUT WHAT WE NEED TO DO TO SAVE OUR OWN
14 LIVES. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

15
16 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SEEING NO OTHER SPEAKERS,
17 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
18 HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

19
20 **SPEAKER:** WILL ARNOLD SACHS PLEASE COME FORWARD? AS A FINAL
21 REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE
22 TO ADDRESS ITEM 14, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE
23 PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE.
24 MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE?



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

3

4 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. AND RED DAY, AS IT'S KNOWN, I GUESS,
5 IS INTERESTING. I MEAN, OF COURSE, CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE
6 TOUCHES ALMOST EVERY FAMILY, IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER, BUT IT'S
7 NOT JUST THE WOMEN. IT'S ALSO THE MEN. AND I FEEL LIKE,
8 SOMETIMES, THE COUNTY GETS INTO THESE NARROW CASTING
9 ORGANIZATIONS THAT DOESN'T FEEL AS INCLUSIVE AND-- I MEAN, I
10 HAVE WOMEN IN MY FAMILY, TOO, AND OF COURSE I HAD AN
11 INTERESTING EXPERIENCE WITH THE BLOOD PRESSURE. WHEN IT GETS
12 VERY HIGH, YOU GET NERVOUS, AND WHEN IT GETS VERY LOW, YOU GET
13 NERVOUS. THE OTHER DAY, I WAS NERVOUS BECAUSE I SEEM LIKE THE
14 KIND OF GUY WHO MIGHT HAVE HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE, AND I TOOK MY
15 BLOOD PRESSURE RIGHT IN FRONT OF MY WHOLE FAMILY, AND IT WAS
16 VERY, VERY GOOD, SO I WAS VERY HAPPY ABOUT IT. SO I'M
17 MONITORING. WE ALL HAVE TO MONITOR CAREFULLY, MEN INCLUDED.
18 LET'S NOT GET TOO WRAPPED UP, AND LET'S QUIT COMPLAINING ABOUT
19 BIAS ALL THE TIME, BECAUSE THE BIAS, IN PART, ABOUT GETTING
20 SCANNED FOR CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE HAS TO DO WITH--

21

22 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
23 PLEASE.

24

25 **ERIC PREVEN:** NO, I KNOW, I KNOW.



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SUPERVISORS

1

2 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS TOM CARTER. YOU MAY BEGIN.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** HI. I'M SPEAKING ABOUT THIS AMENDMENT, IN REGARD TO
5 WOMEN IN SUPPORT OF THEIR HEART PROBLEMS. AS THE LAST SPEAKER
6 JUST STATED, I DON'T HEAR ANY MEN BEING IMPLEMENTED INSIDE OF
7 WHAT'S BEING PROPOSED TO THE COUNTY. AND ALSO, IT SEEMS LIKE
8 EVERY AGENDA IS FOR ASIANS OR JEWS, AND IT'S JUST A LITTLE
9 BIASED, AND MEN, AFRICAN AMERICANS, AND THE PALESTINIANS,
10 THEY'RE IGNORED, AND THEY AREN'T THOUGHT ABOUT THROUGH THE
11 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DIFFERENT
12 THINGS, LIKE THE PALESTINIANS--

13

14 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE ARE TALKING ABOUT PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY
15 2ND AS WEAR RED DAY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, IF YOU COULD FOCUS
16 YOUR REMARKS ON THAT ITEM, PLEASE.

17

18 **SPEAKER:** FOCUSING ON THIS PARTICULAR ITEM, I FEEL IT'S A
19 LITTLE BIASED, BECAUSE MEN ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THIS, AS WELL
20 AS OTHER THINGS THAT HAVE BEEN PRESENTED TODAY. YOU GUYS ARE
21 NOT INCLUSIVE FOR ALL RACES OF PEOPLE, AND IT'S BIASED. THANK
22 YOU.

23

24 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

25



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SUPERVISORS

1 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS PAUL HENNESSY. YOU MAY
2 BEGIN.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** HI. I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE WEAR RED DAY, BECAUSE
5 WOMEN'S HEART HEALTH IS SO IMPORTANT. UNFORTUNATELY,
6 C.O.V.I.D. INFECTIONS OFTEN LEAD TO LONG-TERM COMPLICATIONS,
7 LIKE HEART DISEASE, STROKE, AND CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEMS. SO,
8 WHILE AWARENESS IS IMPORTANT, A MORE EFFECTIVE WAY OF SAVING
9 LIVES IS ACTUALLY ADDRESSING ROOT CAUSES BY IMPLEMENTING
10 CLEAN-AIR TOOLS AND RESPIRATOR REQUIREMENTS IN HEALTHCARE:
11 CLEAN AIR IN SCHOOLS, CLEAN AIR IN PUBLIC SPACES. AWARENESS IS
12 GREAT, BUT PREVENTION IS EVEN BETTER. THANK YOU.

13

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

15

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

18

19 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, WE'LL GO IN PERSON. GO RIGHT AHEAD.

20

21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. AS
22 IMPORTANT AS IT IS TO WEAR RED DAY, A LOT OF GANG MEMBERS IN
23 BLOOD TERRITORIES WEAR RED, AND THEY WEAR RED LACES, BUT
24 THAT'S DIFFERENT. I SUGGEST YOU HAVE MORE DENIM DAYS FOR ALL
25 THE WOMEN THAT ARE BEING ASSAULTED, AND ALL THE WOMEN THAT ARE



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1 FORCED TO WORK AS HOOKERS AND PROSTITUTES, AND GET BEATEN UP,
2 AND LIVE ON THE STREETS, OR LIVING IN THEIR CARS. NOBODY SEEMS
3 TO HAVE A GOOD IDEA. IT'S TOO BAD THAT SOMEBODY SAID NO TO
4 AFFORDABLE CARE ACT.

5
6 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THIS ITEM IS ABOUT WEAR RED DAY IN LOS
7 ANGELES COUNTY.

8
9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** IS THAT "P" FOR "P"? IS THAT "P" PERIOD FOR "P"
10 PERIOD? AND BY THE WAY, WEAR RED? THE HOSPITALIZATION?
11 SOMEBODY SHOULD LOOK INTO SICKLE CELL ANEMIA. THAT'S AN ACUTE
12 DISEASE THAT AFFECTS A LOT OF AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN.

13
14 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** AGAIN, THIS IS ABOUT HEART HEALTH AND
15 WEAR RED DAY.

16
17 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THAT'S HEART HEALTH, MA'AM. AND IF YOU KNEW
18 SOMETHING ABOUT SICKLE CELL ANEMIA, YOU'D KNOW THAT IT CAUSES
19 BLOOD CLOTS, WHICH AFFECTS PEOPLE'S HEARTS IF YOU'RE AFRICAN
20 AMERICAN.

21
22 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
23 PLEASE.



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1 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. I'M DANNY GARCIA, AND I WANT TO SAY THAT IT'S
2 GOOD. IT'S GOOD ENOUGH. IT'S GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME. [INAUDIBLE].
3 I BELIEVE THAT YOU GUYS CAN CHANGE THE POWER BY PROVIDING
4 TOOLS, HEALTHY TOOLS, AND GUIDING OTHER PEOPLE WHO NEED THESE
5 THINGS. [INAUDIBLE], BUT SHOULD BE MORE. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS?

8

9 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** NO OTHER SPEAKERS.

10

11 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. ITEM 14 IS BEFORE US. I WILL MOVE
12 IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THE ITEM.
13 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

14

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

16

17 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

18

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

21

22 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

23

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

25



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1 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

2

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

4

5 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

6

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

8 HORVATH?

9

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

11

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

13 5-0.

14

15 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 19, BRINGING
16 PERFORMING ARTS EXPERIENCES TO COMMUNITIES, WHICH WAS HELD BY
17 SUPERVISOR BARGER. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE,
18 PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. SUPERVISOR BARGER,
19 I'LL TURN IT TO YOU.

20

21 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. GIVE ME ONE SECOND. I'M
22 HONORED TO SHARE A LITTLE ABOUT THIS MOTION. AS ALL OF YOU
23 KNOW, THE MUSIC CENTER PRODUCES EXCEPTIONAL PROGRAMMING ON ITS
24 CAMPUS, BUT IT'S NOT ALWAYS FEASIBLE, ESPECIALLY FOR RESIDENTS
25 IN THE FARTHEST PARTS OF THE COUNTY, TO ATTEND PERFORMANCE ON



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1 SITE. THAT'S WHY THE MUSIC CENTER INTRODUCED ITS PERFORMING
2 ARTISTS IN SCHOOLS AND NEIGHBORHOODS PROGRAM, KNOWN AS ARTS
3 GROWN LA. THROUGH THIS THOUGHTFUL PROGRAM, THE MUSIC CENTER
4 MAKES LIVE PERFORMANCES ACCESSIBLE TO RESIDENTS IN EVERY PART
5 OF THE REGION. THEIR TEAM COLLABORATES WITH COMMUNITIES TO
6 IDENTIFY RELEVANT ARTISTS AND EXPERIENCES TO ENGAGE
7 COMMUNITIES WHERE THEY ARE ALREADY GATHERED, AT PARKS,
8 LIBRARIES, SENIOR CENTERS, AND CIVIC EVENTS. IF WE CAN'T BRING
9 COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO THE MUSIC CENTER, WE CAN BRING THE MUSIC
10 CENTER TO THEM. IN 2023 ALONE, THE PROGRAM BROUGHT NEARLY 200
11 PERFORMANCES TO COMMUNITIES COUNTYWIDE. ARTS GROWN L.A. ALIGNS
12 WITH MANY OF OUR GOALS. WE'RE ADVANCING WELLBEING, BECAUSE
13 STUDIES SHOW THAT GATHERING WITH OUR NEIGHBORS AND ENJOYING
14 THE ARTS IS GOOD FOR OUR MENTAL HEALTH. WE'RE PUTTING
15 PERFORMING ARTISTS TO WORK WITH GOOD-PAYING JOBS, WHICH IS
16 ESPECIALLY NEEDED AS THE SECTOR RECOVERS FROM THE PANDEMIC.
17 AND WE'RE CELEBRATING THE RICH DIVERSITY OF OUR COMMUNITIES,
18 WITH PERFORMANCES RANGING FROM FLAMENCO, TO MARIACHI, TO JAZZ
19 AND MUSICAL THEATER. THERE ARE 30 PERFORMING ARTISTS AND
20 ENSEMBLES IN THE ROSTER, WHO OFFER MORE THAN 60 PERFORMANCES,
21 AND THE MUSIC CENTER IS CURRENTLY OPENING THE ROSTER FOR MORE
22 ARTISTS TO JOIN, FROM NOW THROUGH APRIL 30TH. MY TEAM HAS
23 ENGAGED WITH SEVERAL OF THESE PERFORMANCES, INCLUDING AT OUR
24 PARKS' WINTER WONDERLAND EVENTS, AT MY TRIBUTE TO THE VETERANS
25 AND MILITARY FAMILIES LAST YEAR, AND DURING THEIR CURRENT



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1 RESIDENCY AT THE PALMDALE PLAYHOUSE. THESE INCREDIBLY TALENTED
2 MUSICIANS BRING THEIR PASSION AND THEIR KNOWLEDGE TO ENGAGE,
3 EDUCATE, AND ENRICH EVERY AUDIENCE. AND BEST OF ALL, THE
4 PROGRAM IS FREE TO ALL RESIDENTS. ARTS GROWN L.A. IS TRULY A
5 WIN-WIN, AND I HOPE TO SEE IT CONTINUE TO EXPAND TO MORE
6 COMMUNITIES IN EVERY DISTRICT ACROSS THE COUNTY. I WOULD
7 APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS PROGRAM AND THIS MOTION. THANK
8 YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

9

10 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

11

12 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, I WANT TO JOIN YOU, SUPERVISOR BARGER, FOR
13 INTRODUCING THE MOTION, AND THANK YOU SO MUCH, BECAUSE NO
14 MATTER WHAT ZIP CODE YOU LIVE IN, EVERYONE SHOULD BE ABLE TO
15 EXPERIENCE THE MAGIC OF THE ARTS. THERE'S GROWING RESEARCH
16 THAT SHOWS THAT ARTS CAN MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON OUR HEALTH
17 AND OUR PHYSICAL WELLBEING, AS WELL AS MENTAL. MANY OF US SAW
18 THIS DURING THE C.O.V.I.D. PANDEMIC, WHERE WE'D TURN TO THE
19 ARTS FOR COMFORT, FOR HOPE, AND FOR STRENGTH. WHETHER IT WAS
20 FILM, A MURAL, OR EVEN MUSIC, THE ARTS PROVIDED HEALING.
21 THAT'S WHY I'M PROUD THE MUSIC CENTER'S COMMITMENT TO BRING
22 ACCESS THROUGH THESE ARTS GROWN L.A. PROGRAM IS HAPPENING. IT
23 REALLY IS SUCCESSFUL. IT IS IMPORTANT TO BRING THESE DIFFERENT
24 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND LOCAL ARTISTS TOGETHER TO
25 OUR COMMUNITIES, FOR FREE AND FAMILY-ORIENTED PERFORMANCES. I



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1 KNOW THAT ONE OF THE THINGS IN OUR MISSION FOR OUR COUNTY
2 CULTURAL POLICY IS INVESTING IN CULTURAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND
3 ACCESS TO THE ARTS AND CULTURE, ADVANCING ARTS AND CULTURE IN
4 EVERY SECTOR OF CIVIC LIFE, INCLUDING THE UPCOMING OLYMPIC
5 GAMES, AND PROMOTING CULTURAL EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND
6 INCLUSION. AND LASTLY, ONE THING I WOULD LIKE TO SAY IS, I
7 WOULD HOPE THAT WE COULD RE-ESTABLISH THROUGH OUR COUNTYWIDE
8 CULTURAL POLICY, AND RE-INTRODUCE ESTABLISHING FREE CONCERTS
9 IN PUBLIC SITES. TYPICALLY, IN THE PAST, THE BOARD MEMBERS
10 USED THEIR DISCRETIONARY FUNDS TO DO THIS. I WOULD HOPE THAT
11 OUR ARTS DEPARTMENT WOULD WORK WITH OUR C.E.O. TO PROVIDE
12 THIS, TO SEEK ADDITIONAL FUNDING, AND TO HELP ALL OF US
13 RECOVER AT THIS TIME, WHEN THE ARTS, WE KNOW, ARE A
14 MAGNIFICENT TOOL TO HELP US HEAL. THANK YOU.

15
16 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. AND THANKS TO SUPERVISOR
17 BARGER FOR BEING A CHAMPION OF THIS PROGRAM. I'M EXCITED TO
18 JOIN YOU IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION. THE MUSIC CENTER'S ARTS
19 GROWN L.A. IS A POWERFUL BRIDGE THAT BRINGS WONDERFUL FORMS OF
20 CULTURAL EXPERIENCE AND ART FORMS DIRECTLY INTO OUR
21 COMMUNITIES. IN NEIGHBORHOODS AND SCHOOLS ACROSS LOS ANGELES,
22 THESE PROGRAMS GIVE ANGELENOS A SPACE TO BE CREATIVE, AND TO
23 LEARN. THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT WE NEED MORE OF: FREE AND LOW-COST
24 ART PERFORMANCES BY L.A.-BASED ARTISTS, THAT MEET PEOPLE WHERE
25 THEY ARE. WE KNOW FROM STUDIES THAT THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR



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1 THE ARTS HAS DONE THAT FOR SOME OF THE BIGGEST BARRIERS TO
2 ATTENDING THE ARTS ARE TIME AND COST, NOT HAVING SOMEONE TO GO
3 WITH TO A PERFORMANCE, AND LOCATION AND PERCEPTION. ARTS GROWN
4 L.A. REMOVES THOSE BARRIERS AND ALLOWS AUDIENCES TO FEEL A
5 STRONGER SENSE OF BELONGING. HERE IN L.A., WE'RE FORTUNATE TO
6 BE A PLACE THAT SO MANY ARTISTS CALL HOME, AND WHERE THE
7 POTENTIAL FOR PEOPLE TO ENGAGE IN AND EXPERIENCE ART IS
8 SEEMINGLY INFINITE. SO I'M EXCITED TO SEE THE MUSIC CENTER'S
9 ARTS GROWN L.A. GET THE RECOGNITION IT DESERVES, AND I
10 ENCOURAGE OUR COUNTY PARTNERS TO HELP BRING GREATER AWARENESS
11 OF THE PROGRAM, AND FOR LOCAL ARTISTS TO APPLY BEFORE APRIL
12 30TH. I HOPE TO SEE IT CONTINUE TO GROW THROUGHOUT MORE OF OUR
13 COMMUNITIES IN THE YEARS AHEAD. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL
14 THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS
15 ITEM.

16
17 **SPEAKER:** WILL DANIEL GARCIA AND ARNOLD SACHS PLEASE COME
18 FORWARD? AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE
19 TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 19, IF YOU HAVE
20 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN
21 THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE
22 SPEAKER, PLEASE?

23
24 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ANNA GRUBEN. YOU MAY
25 BEGIN.



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1

2 **ANNA GRUBEN:** HI. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

3

4 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD.

5

6 **ANNA GRUBEN:** THANKS. HI, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS ANNA GRUBEN. I
7 AM A PROGRAM DIRECTOR WITH THE ORGANIZATION OF LOS ANGELES
8 NEIGHBORHOOD LAND TRUST. WE BUILD AND MANAGE PARKS IN DENSE,
9 UNDER-PARKED, UNDER-RESOURCED COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT L.A.
10 COUNTY, AND WE ALSO ACTIVATE THOSE PARKS AND WORK WITH
11 COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO LEAD THE ACTIVATION PROCESS. AND WHAT
12 THAT HAS MEANT OVER THE LAST YEAR AND A HALF HAS BEEN BRINGING
13 PROGRAMMING TO PARKS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. AND A LARGE PART
14 OF THIS HAS BEEN IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE L.A. MUSIC CENTER, SO
15 THIS HAS MEANT BRINGING MUSICAL PERFORMANCES, THEATER
16 PERFORMANCES, STORYTELLING, AND OTHER SIMILAR KINDS OF
17 ACTIVITIES TO PARK SITES AND COMMUNITIES THAT OTHERWISE WOULD
18 NOT HAVE ACCESS TO THESE KIND OF ENRICHMENTS. I'LL GIVE A
19 REALLY QUICK EXAMPLE. I KNOW I'M PROBABLY ALMOST OUT OF TIME,
20 BUT WE HAD A STORYTELLING ACT, THAT WAS A PART OF ARTS GROWN
21 L.A., COME TO OUR--

22

23 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
24 PLEASE.

25



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1 **ANNA GRUBEN:** WE HAD 70 KIDS SHOW UP, AND IT WAS A MAGICAL
2 EXPERIENCE. THANKS SO MUCH.

3
4 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVEN. YOU MAY BEGIN.

5
6 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU, AND THE ARTS ARE SO IMPORTANT, AND
7 L.A. COUNTY DOES A VERY GOOD JOB OF TROTting OUT THE ARTS, AS
8 NEEDED, TO PARTIALLY BLOCK THE DEBACLE AS IT UNFOLDS. BUT ONE
9 THING THAT I REALLY APPRECIATE IS THE WAY THE SUPERVISORS
10 ENGAGE IN THE COMMUNITY AND COME TO DRAW A REAL FEELING AND
11 SENSE OF WHAT THE PEOPLE WANT AND HAVE LIVED WITH FOR A LONG
12 TIME; LIKE, FOR EXAMPLE, GOLF AND TENNIS AND THE ARTISTIC
13 COMMUNITY THAT PLAY IN THAT SPACE, IN THE AREA ALONG THE L.A.
14 COUNTY FLOOD DISTRICT, WHICH IS INTERESTINGLY MANAGED BY MARK
15 PESTRELLA. AND UNFORTUNATELY, THEY HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO
16 RESPOND TO ANY OF THE REQUESTS, BECAUSE WE'D LOVE TO SEE THE
17 AMENDED LEASE.

18
19 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** IF YOU COULD PLEASE FOCUS YOUR COMMENTS
20 ON BRINGING PERFORMING ARTS EXPERIENCES TO COMMUNITIES, THAT'S
21 WHAT ITEM WE'RE ON.

22
23 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, THAT'S WHAT I WAS TRYING TO DO, BECAUSE WE
24 WERE HOPING TO BRING A STAGE PLAY OF THE PILLAGING OF OUR LAND
25 BY THE HARVARD-WESTLAKE TRUSTEES.



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2 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
3 PLEASE.

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5 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'LL NOW TURN TO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS. GO
6 AHEAD.

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8 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, MY NAME IS DANNY GARCIA, AND I WANT TO SPEAK
9 [INAUDIBLE] THAT YOU PASS IT TODAY, THAT WE HAD THE BLESSING
10 OF THE COMMISSION ON DISABILITY, [INAUDIBLE] PEOPLE WITH
11 DISABILITY, THEN YOU FAIL TO [INAUDIBLE]. YOU FAIL. OKAY?
12 BECAUSE PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES WHO ARE DEAF CANNOT HEAR THE
13 MUSIC, AND THEY NEED TO BE AWARE AND GIVE ACCESS TO MUSIC WHEN
14 YOU'RE THERE. AND YOU FAIL. [INAUDIBLE] MY BLESSING TO YOU.
15 BUT THEN YOU GOT--

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17 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
18 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. THIS IS AN
21 UPLIFTING ITEM. I LIKE THE LASER-LIKE FOCUS THAT YOU USE FOR
22 THIS CHANGING STEM TO START. ARE YOU GOING TO HAVE ANY FATHEAD
23 POSTERS AT L.A. COUNTY ACROSS THE STREET, FOR ANY OF THE
24 ADVERTISING FOR THE PLAYS THAT THEY'RE GOING TO PUT ON? YOU'RE
25 NOT GOING TO PUT UP ANY FATHEAD POSTERS? BECAUSE THAT WOULD BE



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1 A GREAT IDEA. YOU SHOULD USE THEM. FATHEAD POSTERS WERE VERY
2 COLLECTABLE AT ONE TIME. THEY SHOULD BE BROUGHT BACK. BY THE
3 WAY, THE COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, WHAT SCHOOLS DO THEY
4 OVERSEE? THE COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION. ARE THERE SCHOOLS
5 THAT ARE TAUGHT BY COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION? IS THERE A
6 COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION THAT HAS SCHOOLS IN THAT DISTRICT?
7 I MEAN, IT'S AMAZING. IS THAT ART FOR ART LEAHY, BY THE WAY? A
8 LOAD OF [EXPLETIVE] HERE. AND LET'S NOT FORGET OBAMACARE.

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10 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. ARE
11 THERE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS IN THE QUEUE?

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

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15 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. ITEM 19 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
16 SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO APPROVE THE
17 ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

18

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

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21 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

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

25



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1 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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

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5 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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9 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

12 HORVATH?

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

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16 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES,

17 5-0.

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19 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 33, PARKING LOT

20 45 DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, WHICH WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

21 FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1

22 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. SUPERVISOR SOLIS, I'LL

23 TURN IT TO YOU.

24



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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. FIRST OFF, I WANT TO THANK
2 OUR D.E.O. DIRECTOR, KELLY LOBIANCO, AND HER TEAM FOR BRINGING
3 US TO THIS POINT TODAY. THE CHINATOWN COMMUNITY MEMBERS HAVE
4 LONG AWAITED THIS MOMENT. SOME OF THEM ARE IN THE AUDIENCE,
5 AND I WANT TO THANK THEM FOR THEIR PATIENCE TODAY, AND EVERY
6 DAY. THIS IS A CRITICAL AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT IN THE
7 CHINATOWN COMMUNITY, AS THE COMMUNITY HAS BEEN EXPERIENCING
8 SIGNIFICANT DISPLACEMENT, WITH THE TURNING OVER OF SEVERAL
9 ONCE-AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS TO MARKET RATE, NOT TO MENTION
10 THE SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF MARKET-RATE DEVELOPMENTS, IN
11 COMPARISON TO LOWER AMOUNTS OF AFFORDABLE UNITS. OF THE 13,000
12 RESIDENTS WITHIN A HALF-MILE RADIUS OF THE SITE, 65% OF THE
13 HOUSEHOLDS FALL BELOW THE LOW-INCOME THRESHOLD FOR A 2-PERSON
14 HOUSEHOLD IN L.A. COUNTY. 29% OF ALL HOUSEHOLDS HAVE SENIOR
15 RESIDENTS, AND 88% OF THOSE HOUSEHOLDS ARE CONSIDERED VERY LOW
16 OR EXTREMELY LOW INCOME. THE COMMUNITY'S MEDIAN INCOME IS
17 \$37,794 FOR A TWO-PERSON HOUSEHOLD, AND ALMOST 50% OF THE
18 LOCAL LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS DO NOT LIVE IN AFFORDABLE RENT-
19 RESTRICTED HOUSING. LOT 45 IS A 1.7-ACRE SURFACE COUNTY
20 PARKING LOT THAT SERVES AS PUBLIC AND COUNTY EMPLOYEE PARKING.
21 HOWEVER, THIS SITE IS UNDERUTILIZED, SUCH THAT ONLY ABOUT 50%
22 OF THE 212 SPACES ARE ACTUALLY UTILIZED. TODAY, AFTER
23 EXTENSIVE COMMUNITY OUTREACH THAT INCLUDED MONTHLY MEETINGS
24 OVER SEVERAL YEARS WITH A COMMITTEE OF COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS,
25 4 COMMUNITY MEETINGS, MANY SURVEYS, AND A FEASIBILITY STUDY,



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1 THE D.E.O. IS REQUESTING AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE A REQUEST
2 FOR PROPOSAL, TO EVENTUALLY RETURN TO THE BOARD WITH A
3 RECOMMENDED SELECTION OF A DEVELOPER BY AUGUST OR SEPTEMBER OF
4 THIS YEAR. IN LOCKSTEP WITH COMMUNITY, THE FOLLOWING COMMUNITY
5 PRIORITIES WERE UPLIFTED AND OUR REFLECTED IN THE R.F.P.: A
6 MINIMUM OF 300 QUALITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS THAT ARE 100%
7 AFFORDABLE, OR 80% A.M.I., WITH ENCOURAGEMENT TO PROVIDE VERY
8 AND EXTREMELY AND ACUTELY LOW-INCOME UNITS. OTHER PRIORITIES
9 ARE INCLUDED, SUCH AS CULTURAL, CREATIVE, SERVICE HUBS,
10 NEIGHBORHOOD SERVING RETAIL, SUCH AS GROCERY STORE AND LAUNDRY
11 FACILITIES, AND GREEN OPEN SPACE. WE KNOW THIS IS ONLY THE
12 BEGINNING, AND WE'RE EAGER TO REALIZE THE COMMUNITY'S VISION
13 THROUGH THE COUNTY'S EFFORTS. I ALSO WANT TO MENTION THAT OUR
14 CONGRESSMAN, JIMMY GOMEZ, ALSO MADE AN EARMARK AVAILABLE, AND
15 PROVIDED SOME MILLIONS FOR THIS, AS WELL. SO WE MOVE AHEAD
16 WITH THE HOPE THAT WE COULD UPLIFT THE CHINATOWN COMMUNITY,
17 AND, MADAM CHAIR, I'M SO PLEASED TO ASK AND REQUEST YOUR AYE
18 VOTE ON THIS MATTER, BUT ALSO TO THANK THE RESIDENTS OF
19 CHINATOWN, WHO WILL BE SPEAKING TO US TODAY. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** I'M ALSO EXCITED ABOUT THIS, AND SUPPORT
22 YOU. THIS PROJECT WILL BRING MORE THAN 300 MUCH-NEEDED
23 AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS, AND THE PROJECT IS INTENDED TO GO
24 ABOVE AND BEYOND THE 25% REQUIREMENT WE TYPICALLY SEE, SO I'M
25 PROUD TO SUPPORT THIS ITEM, AS WELL. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE



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1 CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON
2 THIS ITEM.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD:
5 AMY CHAN, CHARLEY SETO, DANIEL GARCIA, ISAAC SEE, JUNI WONG,
6 KING CHUNG, LI JUANG, MUNSON KWOK, SU LIN QING, AND DONALD
7 HARLAN. PLEASE COME FORWARD AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU. AS A
8 FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD
9 LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 33, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO,
10 PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE.
11 MODERATOR, MAY HE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE?

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13 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST PARTICIPANT IS ERIC PREVEN. YOU MAY
14 BEGIN. ONE MOMENT, MR. PREVEN. I APOLOGIZE. BUTTON GOT STUCK.

15

16 ERIC PREVEN TAKE YOUR TIME.

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18 **MODERATOR:** OKAY, YOU'RE OPEN, SIR. GO AHEAD, PLEASE.

19

20 **ERIC PREVEN:** THANK YOU. WELL, NOW, LOT 45. WHAT CAN I SAY? I
21 MEAN, THIS IS SUCH A SPECTACULAR LOT, AND I DIDN'T REALIZE IT
22 WAS OVER 300. THAT'S EXCITING. I MAY BE CONFUSING IT WITH THE
23 MACLAREN HALL ITEM, WHICH HAS BEEN REDUCED DOWN TO JUST 202
24 UNITS. BUT I THINK THE IDEA IS, IS THAT SOLIS IS TRYING TO GET
25 SOME OF THESE AFFORDABLE UNITS GOING. AND I UNDERSTAND THAT



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1 THERE'S A GREAT SYNERGY, IF I MAY, A SYNERGY WITH THE LOCAL
2 COMMUNITY OF CHINATOWN. THEY NEGOTIATE VERY HARD WITH THE
3 SUPERVISOR, BUT THE SUPERVISOR IS EXTREMELY GENEROUS AND
4 EXTREMELY TOUGH. SHE'S TOUGH. VERY, VERY TOUGH, BUT SMART AND
5 WARM. WARM, BUT NOT TOO SMART. CERTAINLY, NOT TOO SMART,
6 BECAUSE SHE KNOWS THAT YOU HAVE TO BE COOPERATIVE WITH THE
7 COMMUNITY, IN ORDER TO BE SUCCESSFUL.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
10 PLEASE.

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12 **ERIC PREVEN:** IF SUCCESSFUL...

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14 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT PARTICIPANT IS JULIE RICO. JULIE RICO, YOU
15 MAY BEGIN.

16

17 **JULIE RICO:** HELLO. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

18

19 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD.

20

21 **JULIE RICO:** OUR TEAM, C.C.L.A., HAS BEEN DILIGENTLY WORKING
22 FOR SEVERAL YEARS TO MAKE OUR DREAM OF A LOW-INCOME APARTMENT
23 COMPLEX IN THE HEART OF CHINATOWN A REALITY. WE'VE HAD THE
24 SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE OF THE S.D. 1 TEAM, AND WE ARE GRATEFUL
25 FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS. IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE WORKING WITH THE



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1 FINE MINDS AT S.D. 1. TODAY, OUR FOCUS IS ON BRINGING TO LIFE
2 OUR VISION OF THIS 100% LOW-INCOME HOUSING COMPLEX. AS MEMBERS
3 OF A CHINATOWN COMMUNITY, WE STRIVE TO FIND A BALANCE BETWEEN
4 PROVIDING HOUSING AND MEETING OTHER SOCIETAL NEEDS, SUCH AS
5 EDUCATION, EXERCISE SPACE, AND GREEN AREAS. I WOULD LIKE TO
6 ADVOCATE FOR A CRITICAL ASPECT OF THIS PROJECT KNOWN AS
7 CHINATOWN COMMUNITY CREATIVE CENTER, WHICH THE CONSULTANTS
8 HAVE DUBBED "THE HUB." THE HUB WILL BE AN ESSENTIAL ASPECT OF
9 OUR COMMUNITY'S DEVELOPMENT. WE ENVISION THE CREATIVE CENTER
10 AS A CAMPUS-LIKE ENVIRONMENT, WELCOMING--

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12 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER,
13 PLEASE.

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

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18 **SPEAKER:** DEFINITELY SUPPORT MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING,
19 ESPECIALLY IN THIS AREA. I ALSO WANT TO RAISE-- I'M NOT SURE
20 IF THIS LOT IS IN THE ROUTE OF THE PROPOSED DODGER STADIUM
21 GONDOLA, BUT IF IT IS, MAKING SOME AMENDMENT THAT IT'S EXEMPT
22 FROM BEING AFFECTED BY IT-- I KNOW THEY'RE TRYING TO TAKE OVER
23 SOME AREAS IN AND AROUND CHINATOWN, SO MAKING SURE THIS IS NOT
24 AT ALL AFFECTED BY THAT GONDOLA. THANK YOU.



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1 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL NOW TURN TO IN-PERSON
2 SPEAKERS. GO RIGHT AHEAD.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** DANNY GARCIA, AND I WANT TO SPEAK [INAUDIBLE] ALL
5 ABOUT AFFORDABLE HOUSING. ALL ABOUT IT. I LIKE AFFORDABLE
6 HOUSING, OKAY? THE ONLY PROBLEM IS HAVING [INAUDIBLE]
7 AFFORDABLE. WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? IS IT FOR THE DISABLED? IS IT
8 A PLACE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES? DOES IT HAVE ALL THE
9 A.D.A., SO IT CAN BE ACCESSIBLE FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE SENIORS,
10 PEOPLE WHO USE A WHEELCHAIR? [INAUDIBLE] AFFORDABLE AND STABLE
11 HOUSING. THAT'S WHAT WE NEED IN L.A.: AFFORDABLE AND STABLE
12 HOUSING. AFFORDABLE AND STABLE HOUSING. THAT'S WHAT EVERYBODY
13 NEEDS; NOT JUST FOR ME, BUT FOR [INAUDIBLE]. THAT'S ALL. THANK
14 YOU.

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16 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NORMALLY, WE DON'T DO BACK-
17 AND-FORTH, BUT I WILL ACKNOWLEDGE THAT, YES, THIS WILL BE
18 A.D.A. ACCESSIBLE, AND ADHERE TO THOSE GUIDELINES. SO THANK
19 YOU FOR RAISING THAT ISSUE. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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21 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I'M CHARLEY SHITO. I'M A
22 VICE PRESIDENT OF THE C.C.C. IN CHINATOWN. WE ARE SO EXCITED
23 THAT PROJECT LOT 45 IN FRONT OF YOU, THAT THIS PROJECT IS SO
24 IMPORTANT TO THE CHINESE COMMUNITY, SUCH AS HAVING AFFORDABLE
25 HOUSING, WHICH IS MOSTLY NEEDED. AND ALSO, WE ALSO NEED



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1 GROCERY STORES, PUBLIC RESTROOMS, AND COMMUNITY CENTERS,
2 RECREATION CENTERS, AND ALL THIS IS MOST NEED IN CHINATOWN AND
3 THE SURROUNDING AREA. I WOULD BE SUPPORTED, MOST DELIGHTFUL,
4 THAT YOU CAN PASS THIS MOTION AND MAKE THIS REALITY. THANK
5 YOU.

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7 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

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9 **JUNI WONG:** HI, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JUNI WONG. I'M A
10 COMMUNITY ORGANIZER IN CHINATOWN, WITH CHINATOWN COMMUNITY FOR
11 EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT, AND I'M IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION.
12 THERE HAS BEEN FAR TOO MUCH LUXURY AND MARKET-RATE,
13 UNAFFORDABLE HOUSING IN OUR VERY LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES.
14 CHINATOWN IS MADE UP OF WORKING-CLASS FAMILIES, INDIVIDUALS,
15 AND SENIORS WHO ARE SEVERELY RENT BURDENED, FACING LANDLORD
16 HARASSMENT, NEGLECT, AND FACING EVICTION. THE S.R.O. THAT I
17 VOLUNTEER WITH HAS SLUM CONDITIONS, OVER 70 VIOLATIONS FROM
18 THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT, CAUGHT ON FIRE LAST YEAR, AND REPAIRS
19 TO THOSE FIRES HAVE STILL NOT BEEN MADE. ONE OF THOSE TENANTS
20 RECEIVED AN EVICTION NOTICE JUST YESTERDAY. THE VALUE OF LOT
21 45 IS THAT WE REALLY NEED AFFORDABLE HOUSING, ESPECIALLY UNITS
22 DESIGNATED FOR ACUTELY, EXTREMELY, AND VERY LOW-INCOME
23 HOUSEHOLDS. I KNOW THIS MOTION ENCOURAGES MORE OF THOSE UNITS
24 BE ADDED, BUT I WOULD ASK THAT THEY BE REQUIRED. BECAUSE IF
25 YOU WANT TO BUILD IN CHINATOWN, YOU SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO CARE



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1 ABOUT THE MOST VULNERABLE THAT LIVE HERE. CHINATOWN'S
2 COMMUNITY NEEDS ARE UNDER THREAT BY LOSS OF RENTER
3 PROTECTIONS, AND ALSO BY THE GENTRIFYING L.A. ART GONDOLA. I
4 ASK THAT THE COUNTY SUPPORT THIS MOTION AND CONTINUE TO DO
5 MORE, SO THAT LOT 45--

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7 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
8 SPEAKER.

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10 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ISAAC CHIU,
11 WITH THE CHINATOWN COMMUNITY COALITION LOS ANGELES. I SUPPORT
12 THIS MOTION, AND WOULD LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THAT CHINATOWN IS ONE
13 OF TWO HISTORIC CHINATOWNS ON THE WEST COAST THAT HAVE SERVED
14 AS AN ENCLAVE FOR CULTURE AND ACCESSIBILITY. THEREFORE, I'D
15 LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THE CONTINUED NEED FOR COMMUNITY OVERSIGHT
16 OF THE LOT 45 PROJECT, EVEN AFTER THE PLAN IS APPROVED, TO
17 ENSURE THAT THE COMMUNITY NEEDS ARE REFLECTED AND CONTINUE TO
18 BE SERVED, ESPECIALLY THE LOWEST-INCOME MEMBERS OF THE
19 CHINATOWN COMMUNITY. DOVETAILING WITH THIS IS THE RENAMING OF
20 SARAH PARK INTO YAANGA PARK, AND I WANT TO ALSO CENTER THE
21 INDIGENOUS POPULATIONS-- THE GABRIELENOS, THE TONGVA, AND THE
22 KIZH-- WHOSE ANCESTRAL VILLAGE OF YAANGA IS WHERE CHINATOWN
23 SITS TODAY. BECAUSE THESE SERVE AS THE LAND ANCESTORS OF
24 ANGELENOS, THIS IS A COMMON IDENTITY THAT WE ALL SHARE AS
25 ANGELENOS, AND I HOPE THAT WE CAN INTEGRATE THIS ASPECT INTO



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1 THE PROJECT IN SOME WAYS. THERE ARE MANY WAYS THAT WE CAN DO
2 THIS, SUCH AS SET ASIDE--

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4 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS
5 EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER.

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7 **SPEAKER:** [SPEAKS CHINESE DIALECT]

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9 **TRANSLATOR:** I'M TRANSLATING. MY NAME IS LI WONG.

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11 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** I DON'T THINK YOUR MIC IS ON. LET'S HOLD
12 THE TIME. OKAY, GO AHEAD.

13

14 **TRANSLATOR:** MY NAME IS LI WONG, AND I'M A RESIDENT IN
15 CHINATOWN. THANK YOU FOR GIVING US A CHANCE TO SPEAK. IN
16 CHINATOWN, THERE ARE MANY LOW-INCOME RESIDENTS. THE BIGGEST
17 PROBLEM IS RENTAL PROBLEMS. THE RENTS ARE TOO HIGH, AND WE
18 NEED MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING. I'VE BEEN HERE IN LOS ANGELES
19 FOR MANY, MANY YEARS, AND I'VE NOTICED THAT THE RENT IS TOO
20 HIGH, AND IT'S GETTING HIGHER AND HIGHER. SO I THINK THAT WE
21 NEED MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR THE RESIDENTS.

22

23 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YOUR TIME HAS
24 EXPIRED. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE TODAY. THANK YOU FOR
25 TRANSLATING THAT. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.



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2 **MUNSON KWOK:** OKAY. HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS MUNSON
3 KWOK, LONGTIME COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER IN CHINATOWN, ALSO WITH THE
4 CHINATOWN COMMUNITY COALITION. TODAY, I URGE YOU TO ADOPT
5 RESOLUTIONS TO DECLARE LOT 45 SURPLUS; AND SECONDLY, TO
6 AUTHORIZE THE SOLICITATIONS FOR MIXED-USE AFFORDABLE HOUSING.
7 IT IS DUE TO THE LEADERSHIP OF SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS, AND HER
8 WILLINGNESS TO HEAR OUR COMMUNITY'S PLEA FOR AFFORDABLE
9 HOUSING OVER THE DECADES, TOGETHER WITH THE TIRELESS EFFORT
10 WITH HER STAFF, THAT TOGETHER WE HAVE ARRIVED AT THIS HAPPY
11 POINT TODAY. WE MUST THANK HER AND HER TEAM. NOW WE LOOK
12 FORWARD TO THE FUTURE FRUITFUL DEVELOPMENT THAT WILL BE
13 ATTRACTIVE AND ENJOYABLE FOR TENANTS, SO THAT THEY WILL BE
14 WILLING TO SHARE AND CREATE THEIR OWN SQUARE-BLOCK COMMUNITY.
15 FURTHER, THROUGH CREATIVE ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN, AND THEMATIC,
16 TARGETED APPLICATIONS OF THE MIXED-USE AREAS, WE ANTICIPATE
17 WE'LL BE CALLED FOR AN R.F.P. WE HOPE THAT THE TENANTS' LIVING
18 NEEDS WILL BE COMFORTABLY MET, SUCH AS WITH A LOCALIZED
19 MARKETPLACE. AT THE SAME TIME, THIS NEW VILLAGE OPEN SPACE--

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21 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS
22 EXPIRED. THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE. NEXT SPEAKER,
23 PLEASE.

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1 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS KING CHUNG, A MEMBER OF CHINATOWN
2 COMMUNITY FOR EQUITABLE DEVELOPMENT. I'M GOING TO READ A
3 LETTER FROM AN ELDERLY RESIDENT IN CHINATOWN: "DEAR GOVERNMENT
4 OFFICIALS, I'M AN 80-PLUS-YEAR-OLD WOMEN LIVING ON THE SECOND
5 FLOOR AT 309 'O' STREET IN CHINATOWN. BECAUSE I'M DISABLED, I
6 CANNOT PHYSICALLY ATTEND TODAY'S MEETING, SO I CAN ONLY ASK
7 OTHERS TO READ THIS LETTER TO EXPRESS MY CONCERNS. IN
8 CHINATOWN, MANY OTHERS LIKE ME LIVE IN PRIVATE, SINGLE-ROOM-
9 OCCUPANCY BUILDINGS. RENTS ARE HIGH, AND LIVING SITUATIONS ARE
10 BAD. I'M LIVING IN A SMALL ROOM, AND I HAVE TO SHARE
11 BATHROOMS. MANY TIMES, I FALL DOWN, DUE TO DISABILITY OR ILL
12 HEALTH. IN THE SUMMER, I CANNOT EVEN TURN ON THE AIR
13 CONDITIONERS, BECAUSE THE ELECTRIC WIRES ARE TOO OLD. I HAD TO
14 BE CARRIED DOWN THE STAIRS TO SEE MY DOCTORS. SO I LEARNED
15 ABOUT LOT 45, AND I ASKED THE COUNTY TO PASS THE MOTION. THANK
16 YOU."

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18 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU FOR HELPING WITH
19 TRANSLATION. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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21 **SPEAKER:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
22 IS SUE ELLEN CHANG, A COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER IN LOS ANGELES
23 CHINATOWN FOR MANY YEARS. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND YOUR
24 STAFF, FOR YOUR TIRELESS EFFORTS IN LISTENING TO OUR
25 COMMUNITY'S NEED, AND OUR CONCERNS, AND BRING FORWARD THIS



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1 MOTION TODAY. I AM SPEAKING TO URGE YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS
2 MOTION, AS SUPERVISOR SOLIS JUST STATED THAT THE RESIDENTS OF
3 OUR MULTI-RACIAL NEIGHBORHOOD HAVE ENDURED A SEVERE LACK OF
4 ADEQUATE HOUSING. THE PROPOSED R.F.P. WOULD ADDRESS THE
5 COMMUNITY NEEDS OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO LOW-INCOME
6 HOUSEHOLDS. HOPEFULLY, IT WOULD ALSO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR
7 THE COMMUNITY-BASED ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL SPACES. I THANK YOU
8 VERY MUCH FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY.

9

10 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

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12 **SPEAKER:** THIS IS CONCERNING AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 33. I'M DONALD
13 HARLAN, CONCERNING PARKING LOT 45 DEVELOPMENT PROJECT
14 RECOMMENDATION. I'M GOING TO DENY THIS PROJECT. THERE IS NOT
15 TO BE ANY PARKING LOT DEVELOPMENT. THIS PARKING LOT 45 DOES
16 NOT BELONG TO THE COUNTY. IT DOES NOT BELONG TO THE CITY. IT
17 BELONGS TO ME; HAS FOR A LONG TIME. THERE IS NO NATIVE
18 AMERICAN TRIBES THAT WERE THERE, OR SOME SECRET CAMP WHERE
19 SOMEBODY OWNED THAT. IF THERE'S ANY RECORD IN L.A. COUNTY OF
20 SOME TATAVIAM OR NATIVE AMERICANS BEING ON THAT LAND, OR
21 SOMETHING LIKE THAT, IT'S TOTALLY FALSE. IT NEEDS TO BE STRUCK
22 FROM THE COUNTY RECORDS, AND THOSE PEOPLE THAT PUT IT IN THERE
23 FIRED AND GONE AFTER. I'LL ALSO SAY THAT THERE IS A BIG
24 PROBLEM WITH THE COUNTY CLAIMING REAL ESTATE THAT'S NOT
25 THEIRS. AND SPECIFICALLY, THIS INCIDENT, PARKING LOT 45, IT'S



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1 MINE. YOU CANNOT SELL A PROPERTY AS A TAX DEFAULT IF THE
2 PERSON NEVER OWNED THE PROPERTY IN THE FIRST PLACE.

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4 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. NEXT
5 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

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7 **RED CHIEF HUNT:** YES. THE RED CHIEF HUNT. I'M ENCOURAGING THAT
8 YOU GUYS GO AFTER MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN EVERY SPOT, IN
9 EVERY NEIGHBORHOOD-- CHINA, WHEREVER IT'S AT-- THAT WE GO
10 AFTER MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, MORE LOW-INCOME HOUSING, AND
11 MORE SECTION 8 HOUSING, ACROSS THE BOARD, IN ALL S.P.A.S. I
12 THINK THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT, JUST NOT ONLY IN CHINA TOWN; IN
13 MALIBU, IN PACIFIC PALISADES, AND EVERYWHERE IN THE CITY AND
14 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, A LOT OF THESE COMMUNITIES ARE
15 GETTING AWAY WITH NOT HAVING NO LOW-INCOME, NO AFFORDABLE
16 HOUSING, AND NO SECTION 8 HOUSING IN S.P.A.S IN DIFFERENT
17 AREAS. WE'VE WORKED WITH THE COUNTY. THEY'RE TAKING A NICKEL
18 TAX OUT OF GAS, AND THINGS LIKE THAT. EVERY S.P.A. SHOULD HAVE
19 AFFORDABLE HOUSING. RED CHIEF HUNT.

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

22

23 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** NO OTHER SPEAKERS.

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SUPERVISORS

1 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. ITEM 33 IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY
2 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THE
3 ITEM. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

4

5 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 33 IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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7 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

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

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11 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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13 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, AYE. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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15 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

18

19 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

23

24 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** AYE.

25



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

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4 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM 60-C, EMERGENCY
5 RESPONSE NOTIFICATIONS AND PROTECTIONS FOR SENSITIVE SITES,
6 WHICH IS AN ITEM THAT I HELD. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE
7 TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS ITEM.
8 LAST OCTOBER, I HOSTED A DRAG STORY HOUR AT THE SAN FERNANDO
9 LIBRARY TO CELEBRATE L.G.B.T.Q.+ HISTORY MONTH. WHAT
10 TRANSPIRED WAS ANYTHING BUT A CELEBRATION. RIGHT-WING
11 HOMOPHOBIC EXTREMISTS DESCENDED ON THE LIBRARY TO PROTEST.
12 THEY BLOCKED THE ENTRANCE, NOT LETTING ANYONE IN OR OUT, AND
13 WEST HOLLYWOOD DRAG LAUREATE PICKLE WAS HARASSED AS SHE TRIED
14 TO ENTER THE LIBRARY, AND WAS PREVENTED FROM GOING INSIDE. THE
15 BACKLASH TO PROGRESS HAS BEGUN. HATE CRIMES ARE ON THE RISE,
16 AND PROTESTS OFTEN TURN VIOLENT. IT'S IMPERATIVE WE DO ALL WE
17 CAN TO KEEP PEOPLE SAFE WHEN TRYING TO ACCESS SERVICES, OR
18 JUST TO BE WITH OUR COMMUNITIES, WHILE WE ENSURE PEOPLE'S
19 FIRST-AMENDMENT RIGHTS ARE UPHELD. THAT'S WHAT BUFFER ZONES
20 AND BUBBLE ZONES DO. BUFFER ZONES CREATE A PERIMETER AROUND A
21 FACILITY, TO LIMIT HOW CLOSE TO THESE FACILITIES DEMONSTRATION
22 BY THOSE WHO OPPOSE ABORTION CAN APPROACH, FOR EXAMPLE. BUBBLE
23 ZONES ESTABLISH FLOATING ZONES OF SEVERAL FEET AROUND A PERSON
24 WHO IS WITHIN A SPECIFIC DISTANCE OF A CLINIC. PROTESTERS ARE
25 PROHIBITED FROM CROSSING INTO THAT BUBBLE ZONE WITHOUT THE



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1 PERSON'S CONSENT. ESTABLISHING THESE KINDS OF ZONES,
2 COUNTYWIDE, COULD BE A GAME CHANGER IN TERMS OF ACCESS AND THE
3 SAFETY TO THOSE SEEKING ACCESS. EXPANDING THE APPLICATION TO
4 ALL SENSITIVE SITES, COUNTYWIDE, COULD BE TRANSFORMATIVE. SO I
5 THANK OUR STAFF, WHO WILL BE ENGAGED IN THIS PROCESS TO HELP
6 US UNDERSTAND HOW WE CAN PROTECT PUBLIC SPACES AND MAKE SURE
7 THAT PEOPLE WHO ARE SEEKING SERVICES, FROM HEALTHCARE TO
8 LIBRARIES AND BEYOND, THAT PEOPLE ARE ABLE TO ACCESS THEM
9 SAFELY, BE RESPECTED IN PLACES OF WORSHIP, AND HAVE SAFE
10 PLACES WITHIN THEIR COMMUNITIES. I'LL NOW TURN TO SUPERVISOR
11 MITCHELL.

12
13 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I LOOK FORWARD TO THE
14 REPORT BACK ON THE FEASIBILITY, AND WHAT THIS COULD LOOK LIKE
15 IN L.A. COUNTY. I SUPPORT THE IDEA OF INDIVIDUALS SEEKING
16 REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES, AND I ALSO SUPPORT THOSE WHO ARE
17 WORSHIPING OR IN SPACES LIKE FAITH-BASED CULTURAL COMMUNITY
18 AND IDENTITY-BASED FACILITIES, BECAUSE I BELIEVE EVERYBODY HAS
19 THE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT TO USE THESE LOCATIONS SAFELY AND
20 PEACEFULLY. SO I JUST AM A LITTLE CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT THE
21 ENFORCEMENT PORTION OF THE BUBBLE ZONES, AND THE POTENTIAL
22 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COLORADO MODEL, WOULD LOOK LIKE FOR L.A.
23 COUNTY. THERE WAS AN ARTICLE IN REUTERS LAST YEAR, THAT SHARED
24 SOME OF THE CHALLENGES THAT A COUNTY IN NEW YORK EXPERIENCED
25 WITH ENFORCEMENT, WHICH ULTIMATELY ENDED IN THE COUNTY



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1 REPEALING THE LAW. I HOPE THAT ISN'T THE PATH WE GO DOWN, SO I
2 HOPE THAT THESE CHALLENGES WILL BE CONSIDERED DURING THE 90-
3 DAY FEASIBILITY ANALYSIS, SO WE CAN GUARANTEE THAT WE ARE
4 THINKING THROUGH THIS POLICY COMPREHENSIVELY AND
5 STRATEGICALLY, SO WE AREN'T IN A POSITION OF HAVING TO GO BACK
6 TO NOT HAVING THEM. SO THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

7

8 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SEEING NO OTHER SPEAKERS,
9 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
10 HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** WILL ALISSA BERNSTEIN PLEASE COME FORWARD, AND STAFF
13 WILL ASSIST YOU? AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON THE
14 TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 60-C, IF YOU HAVE
15 NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN
16 THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE
17 SPEAKER, PLEASE?

18

19 **MODERATOR:** MADAM CHAIR, AT THIS TIME, WE HAVE NO REMOTE
20 SPEAKERS IN QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

21

22 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL TURN TO IN-PERSON
23 SPEAKERS. GO AHEAD.

24



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1 **SPEAKER:** HELLO AGAIN. I'LL KEEP THIS BRIEF. AGAIN, MY NAME'S
2 ALISSA BERNSTEIN. I'M WITH A.J.C.L.A. I JUST SPOKE ABOUT THE
3 IMPORTANCE OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY SAFETY PLAN, BUT I ALSO
4 WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT IT IS VITAL AND IMPORTANT THAT
5 WE PROTECT ALL MINORITY GROUPS AND THEIR SPACES, WHETHER THAT
6 BE PLACES OF WORSHIP, NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROTECT
7 MINORITY GROUPS. AND I, OF COURSE, ALWAYS SHOW UP AND SPEAK IN
8 SUPPORT OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY. BUT I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU
9 FOR INTRODUCING THIS MOTION, AND EXPRESS MY SUPPORT FOR THIS
10 MOTION. SO THAT IS ALL. TRY TO KEEP IT QUICK.

11
12 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ARE THERE ANY OTHER
13 SPEAKERS?

14
15 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** NO OTHER SPEAKERS.

16
17 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** IF NOT, ITEM 60-C IS BEFORE US. I WILL
18 MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HAHN TO APPROVE THE ITEM.
19 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

20
21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 60-C IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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



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

2 MITCHELL?

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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

7

8 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

11

12 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

13

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

15 HORVATH?

16

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

18

19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES,

20 5-0.

21

22 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL NOW TURN TO ITEM 60-E,

23 PROCLAIMING JANUARY 2024 AS HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION

24 MONTH, WHICH I HELD FOR DISCUSSION. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

25 ON THE TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THIS



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SUPERVISORS

1 ITEM. IN 2016, PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA PROCLAIMED JANUARY AS
2 NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION MONTH, TO HIGHLIGHT AND
3 RAISE AWARENESS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING, AND TO EDUCATE THE
4 PUBLIC ABOUT HOW TO IDENTIFY AND PREVENT THIS CRIME. DURING
5 JANUARY, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHILD TRAFFICKING STEERING
6 COMMITTEE ALSO ACKNOWLEDGES ANTI-TRAFFICKING ENTITIES,
7 ORGANIZATIONS, BUSINESSES, COMMUNITIES OF FAITH, PARTNERS AND
8 SURVIVORS WHO WORK DAILY TO ADDRESS AND END HUMAN TRAFFICKING.
9 IT CAN HAPPEN TO ANYONE, AND TAKES MANY FORMS. THE COMMERCIAL
10 SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN, FORCED MARRIAGE, AND LABOR
11 TRAFFICKING ARE ALL INSIDIOUS CRIMES THAT DISPROPORTIONATELY
12 IMPACT UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES AFFECTED BY ABUSE, VIOLENCE,
13 POVERTY, UNSTABLE HOUSING, STRUCTURAL RACISM, AND
14 DISCRIMINATION. OUR COORDINATED ANTI-TRAFFICKING EFFORTS MUST
15 UTILIZE A HUMAN RIGHTS AND PUBLIC HEALTH APPROACH, TO REDUCE
16 THE CRIMINALIZATION OF SURVIVORS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING. MANY
17 SURVIVORS ARE CRIMINALIZED DURING THEIR TRAFFICKING, AND THE
18 RESULTING CRIMINAL RECORDS CREATE INSURMOUNTABLE BARRIERS TO
19 ACCESSING SAFE HOUSING, EMPLOYMENT, PUBLIC BENEFITS, AND
20 IMMIGRATION SERVICES. EVERY INDIVIDUAL, FAMILY, COMMUNITY, AND
21 ORGANIZATION CAN CONTRIBUTE TO ENHANCING HUMAN TRAFFICKING
22 AWARENESS, PREVENTION, AND RESPONSE. TO LEARN ABOUT WAYS TO
23 HELP, AND ACCESS FREE TRAINING AND EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS, YOU
24 CAN GO TO L.A. COUNTY'S HUMAN TRAFFICKING WEBSITE:



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1 WWW.KNOWTOSAYNO.COM. THAT'S WWW.KNOWTOSAYNO.COM. I'LL NOW TURN
2 TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

3
4 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT
5 THIS MOTION. I HAVE LONG SUPPORTED EFFORTS TO ERADICATE HUMAN
6 TRAFFICKING IN OUR COMMUNITIES, AND IT'S AN AREA THAT I WILL
7 CONTINUE TO SUPPORT. IN MY EFFORTS, I HAVE MET WITH LEADERS
8 AND FRONTLINE WORKERS ON ALL LEVELS, WHO HAVE WORKED HARD TO
9 COMBAT TRAFFICKING IN ALL ITS FORMS, SUCH AS LABOR AND SEX
10 TRAFFICKING. THIS WORK, AS YOU KNOW, IS DIFFICULT, DANGEROUS,
11 AND REQUIRES A LEVEL OF EMPATHY AND COMPASSION TO WORK WITH
12 THE VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF TRAFFICKING. I CAN RECALL MY WORK
13 WHEN I WAS IN THE SENATE, AND THERE WAS AN INCIDENT OF LABOR
14 TRAFFICKING IN THE CITY OF EL MONTE, WHERE I LIVE, WITH
15 NUMEROUS IMMIGRANTS FORCED TO WORK IN A SWEATSHOP: 72 THAI
16 WORKER WOMEN, WHOSE PASSPORTS WERE CONFISCATED. THEY WERE
17 HELD, PRETTY MUCH, IN PRISON. LAST YEAR, WE CELEBRATED THE
18 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BRAVERY AND COURAGE OF THOSE WORKERS,
19 WHO STOOD UP AND HELPED HIGHLIGHT AN ISSUE THAT HAS GONE ON
20 FOR DECADES. SADLY, IN MY DISTRICT, THERE ARE INFAMOUSLY KNOWN
21 CORRIDORS AND HUBS NOTORIOUS FOR EXPLOITING IMMIGRANTS TO
22 ENGAGE IN SLAVE LABOR, OR WHO ARE SEVERELY UNDERPAID FOR THEIR
23 WORK. MY OFFICE HAS SUPPORTED THE WORK, RECENTLY, OF THE
24 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, OUR COUNTY'S OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AFFAIRS,
25 THE THAI C.D.C, AND C.L.O., WHEN THEY WORKED TO ASSIST VICTIMS



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1 OF LABOR EXPLOITATION AT TWO POULTRY PROCESSING FACILITIES IN
2 THE CITY OF LA PUENTE AND THE CITY OF INDUSTRY, WHICH ARE IN
3 THE FIRST DISTRICT. SOME OF THE SURVIVORS WERE SUSPECTED TO BE
4 UNDERAGE, THE VAST MAJORITY UNABLE TO SPEAK ENGLISH, AND COULD
5 ONLY COMMUNICATE IN INDIGENOUS LANGUAGES. TRAFFICKING IS VERY
6 REAL. IT COMES IN DIFFERENT FORMS, AND OCCURS IN OUR OWN
7 BACKYARD. IN RESPONSE TO THESE INCIDENTS I SHARED, AND THE
8 REPORTS AND DATA TO INDICATE THAT HIGH-TRAFFICKING HUBS STILL
9 EXIST IN THE DISTRICT, I PUT FORWARD A MOTION LAST YEAR TO
10 REIMAGINE HOW L.A. COUNTY APPROACHES HUMAN TRAFFICKING, WITH A
11 SPECIFIC FOCUS ON LABOR. HIGHLIGHTING THIS WORK AND ISSUE WILL
12 ONLY HELP COMMUNICATE TO VICTIMS AND THEIR SURVIVORS OF
13 TRAFFICKING THAT THERE IS SUPPORT FOR THEM, AND IT IS AGAINST
14 THE LAW, AND WE MUST PUT ALL OUR RESOURCES TO ERADICATING
15 THAT. TO THOSE WHO ARE WATCHING, I WANT YOU TO KNOW YOU'RE NOT
16 ALONE. YOU ARE BELIEVED, AND L.A. COUNTY STANDS WITH YOU AND
17 SUPPORTS YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

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19 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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21 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, AND I SUPPORT
22 THE MOTION. IT OCCURRED TO ME A COUPLE YEARS AGO, I WAS ON A
23 PANEL, TALKING ABOUT A BILL I CARRIED WHEN I WAS IN THE
24 LEGISLATURE, THAT DECRIMINALIZED TRAFFICKING FOR CHILDREN
25 VICTIMS. IN MANY INSTANCES, CHILD VICTIMS OF SEX TRAFFICKING



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1 WOULD BE CHARGED WITH PROSTITUTION TO SAVE THEM, AND THEN THEY
2 GET A JACKET AND HAVE ALL THE MORE CHALLENGES, IN TERMS OF
3 FINDING HOUSING, GETTING SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS, ET CETERA. AND
4 UNFORTUNATELY, THERE'S A MOVEMENT AFOOT IN SACRAMENTO TO
5 REVERSE THAT, WHERE WE WOULD ONCE AGAIN CHARGE CHILDREN FOR
6 PROSTITUTION, FOR BEING VICTIMS OF SEX TRAFFICKING. SO I'M
7 HOPING MY COLLEAGUES IN SACRAMENTO CONTINUE TO FIGHT BACK THAT
8 EFFORT TO REVERSE THE LAW. BUT IT OCCURRED TO ME, IN THIS
9 PANEL, THAT IT'S ALSO INCUMBENT UPON US TO RECOGNIZE
10 TRAFFICKING WHEN WE SEE IT, AND TO BE PREPARED TO DO
11 SOMETHING. THE L.A. COUNTY CHILD PROTECTION HOTLINE IS 1-800-
12 540-4000, OR YOU CAN CALL 9-1-1. I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT
13 YOU'RE PREPARED, THAT WE HAVE THAT NUMBER IN OUR PHONES, SO IF
14 WE SEE SOMETHING, WE'RE NOT STUMBLING AROUND TRYING TO FIGURE
15 OUT WHAT TO DO, BUT TO HAVE THAT NUMBER PROGRAMMED IN YOUR
16 PHONE, SO YOU CAN REPORT IT. I AGREE, THE STATISTICS ARE
17 OVERWHELMING. WE KNOW THAT INCIDENTS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND
18 CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING, BASED ON REPORTS ACROSS THIS COUNTRY,
19 INCREASE WHEN THERE ARE MAJOR SPORTING EVENTS THAT COME TO
20 TOWN. AND SO L.A. COUNTY SHOULD BE PREPARED, AS WE PREPARE ANY
21 OTHER WAY FOR THE MAJOR EVENTS THAT ARE COMING TO TOWN, FROM
22 THE OLYMPICS TO THE INTERNATIONAL SOCCER MATCHES, ALL OF THAT.
23 WE HAVE TO BE MINDFUL OF THE TRENDS AROUND SEX TRAFFICKING,
24 AND BE PREPARED, AS THE COUNTY AND INDIVIDUALS, TO COMBAT
25 THAT. SO THANK YOU FOR PROCLAIMING JANUARY HUMAN TRAFFICKING



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1 PREVENTION MONTH, BECAUSE IT GIVES A US AN OPPORTUNITY TO ALL
2 BE EDUCATED, MINDFUL, AND IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING.
3 THANKS, MADAM CHAIR.

4

5 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SEEING NO OTHER COMMENTS,
6 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
7 HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** MADAM CHAIR, THERE ARE NO IN-PERSON SPEAKERS WHO HAVE
10 SIGNED UP FOR THIS ITEM. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS
11 ON THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS ITEM 60-E, IF
12 YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 TO BE
13 PLACED IN THE SPEAKING QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST
14 REMOTE SPEAKER, PLEASE?

15

16 **MODERATOR:** AND WE HAVE NO ONE IN QUEUE AT THIS TIME.

17

18 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, THEN ITEM 60-E IS BEFORE US. I WILL
19 MOVE IT, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO APPROVE THE ITEM.
20 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

21

22 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** ITEM 60-E IS BEFORE YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.

25



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

2 MITCHELL?

3

4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

5

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

7

8 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

11

12 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

13

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

15 HORVATH?

16

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

18

19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES,

20 5-0.

21

22 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE ARE NO

23 SPECIALS AT THIS TIME. IS THAT CORRECT? SEEING NONE, WE WILL

24 NOW HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE

25 BOARD ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS NOT HELD BY SUPERVISORS, AS WELL



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1 AS GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON THE
2 TELEPHONE, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO COMMENT ON THESE
3 ITEMS. YOU MUST INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS THAT YOU WISH
4 TO ADDRESS, INCLUDING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, IN ORDER FOR US
5 TO ALLOCATE THE APPROPRIATE AMOUNT OF TIME. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
6 PLEASE CALL THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP TO
7 SPEAK ON THE REMAINING ITEMS, AS WELL AS GENERAL PUBLIC
8 COMMENT.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, YOU WILL HAVE UP TO THREE
11 MINUTES TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ALL REMAINING ITEMS AND
12 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. YOU WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE FOR ONE ITEM,
13 TWO MINUTES FOR TWO OR MORE ITEMS, AND ONE ADDITIONAL MINUTE
14 FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, AND
15 CLEARLY INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS YOU WILL BE
16 ADDRESSING. YOU MAY ONLY ADDRESS THE BOARD ON THESE ITEMS. WE
17 WILL NOW CALL IN-PERSON SPEAKERS, AND WHILE THEY ARE COMING
18 FORWARD, WE WILL TAKE TELEPHONIC SPEAKERS.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** WILL THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS PLEASE COME FORWARD,
21 AND STAFF WILL ASSIST YOU: DONALD HARLAN, JERARD WRIGHT,
22 ESTHER OPSHNO, VICTOR SALINAS, ARNOLD SACHS, ERIC MIEF, RED
23 CHIEF HUNT, ARTHUR MUNOZ, JESUS ROJAS, DANIEL GARCIA, BRYAN
24 RANGER. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE FIRST REMOTE SPEAKER,
25 PLEASE?



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1
2 **MODERATOR:** OUR FIRST SPEAKER IS PAUL HENNESSY. PLEASE GO
3 AHEAD. YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

4
5 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. THIS IS FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT AND
6 ITEM 14. I APPRECIATE THE RECENT DECISIONS TO BRING BACK MASKS
7 IN HEALTHCARE. I ENCOURAGE THE BOARD TO MAKE THIS PERMANENT,
8 AND EXPAND THE MANDATE TO OUTPATIENT CARE CENTERS AND
9 PHARMACIES. RESPIRATORS AND CLEAN AIR BELONG IN HEALTHCARE
10 PERMANENTLY, REGARDLESS OF IF THERE'S A HIGH NUMBER OF
11 RESPIRATORY ILLNESSES GOING AROUND OR NOT. I ALSO ENCOURAGE
12 THE BOARD TO LOOK INTO MANDATING CLEAN-AIR IMPLEMENTATIONS IN
13 SCHOOLS, PUBLIC TRANSIT, AND ALL PUBLIC SPACES. INVEST IN
14 CLEAN INDOOR AIR INFRASTRUCTURE. IN RESPONSE TO ITEM 14, WEAR
15 RED DAY, I WANT TO RAISE AWARENESS THAT CARDIOVASCULAR ISSUES,
16 SUCH AS HEART ATTACK AND STROKE, ARE ON THE RISE, AND THAT IS
17 TIED TO C.O.V.I.D. INFECTIONS. VACCINES DO LITTLE TO PREVENT
18 LONG-TERM ISSUES LIKE THAT. PLEASE RAISE AWARENESS FOR THAT.
19 AND FINALLY, I ENCOURAGE THE BOARD TO PUSH BACK ON
20 CALIFORNIA'S PUBLIC HEALTH DECISION FROM LAST WEEK, TO SHORTEN
21 THE C.O.V.I.D. ISOLATION POLICY TO ONE DAY. THIS IS A
22 DANGEROUS DECISION. IT'S NOT BASED IN SCIENCE, AND IT ACTUALLY
23 GOES AGAINST THE C.D.C.'S 5-DAY ISOLATION POLICY RULE. THE
24 RECENT DECISION WILL PUT CHILDREN AND WORKERS AT RISK FOR IN



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1 INFECTION, DISABILITY, AND DEATH. SO, PLEASE, PUSH BACK
2 AGAINST THAT. THANK YOU.

3

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

5

6 **MODERATOR:** NEXT SPEAKER WILL BE JANET GAGNON. PLEASE GO AHEAD.
7 YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

8

9 **JANET GAGNON:** JANET GAGNON, WITH THE APARTMENT ASSOCIATION OF
10 GREATER LOS ANGELES. ITEM 4 IS A RICH MAN'S SOLUTION TO THE
11 ISSUE OF COOLING, THAT NO ONE CAN AFFORD AFTER YEARS OF
12 C.O.V.I.D.-19 MORATORIUMS AND LOST INCOME. DEFINING "COOLING-
13 READY" AS ONLY AIR CONDITIONING SHOWS AN ELITE ATTITUDE BY THE
14 BOARD THAT IS COMPLETELY OUT OF TOUCH WITH FINANCIALLY
15 STRUGGLING MOM-AND-POP OWNERS THAT CANNOT AFFORD TO PROVIDE
16 SUCH MAJOR BUILDING RESTRUCTURING, INCLUDING NEW HUGE
17 ELECTRICAL PANELS, WIRING THROUGHOUT THEIR ENTIRE BUILDING,
18 AND OTHER STRUCTURAL COSTS. IT IS ALSO A SOLUTION THAT LOW-
19 INCOME RENTERS CANNOT AFFORD TO ACTUALLY USE, AS THE PRICE OF
20 RUNNING AN A.C. IS EXTREMELY EXPENSIVE, DUE TO THE ENORMOUS
21 USE OF ELECTRICITY THAT WILL EASILY TRIPLE EXISTING
22 ELECTRICITY BILLS FOR ALREADY STRUGGLING RENTERS. THERE ARE
23 MANY, FAR MORE AFFORDABLE SOLUTIONS, INCLUDING PORTABLE
24 TABLETOP WATER EVAPORATOR COOLERS, BLACKOUT CURTAINS, ENERGY-
25 EFFICIENCY MEASURES, INCLUDING INSULATION AND REFLECTIVE



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1 COATINGS, AND COOLING CENTERS THAT ALREADY EXIST AT MANY
2 LIBRARIES--

3
4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. MODERATOR, MAY WE
5 HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

6
7 **MODERATOR:** OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS PATRICIA MACALLISTER. PLEASE GO
8 AHEAD. YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

9
10 **SPEAKER:** YES, I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ON NUMBER 1, 2, AND PUBLIC
11 COMMENT. NUMBER ONE, I WANT TO SPEAK ABOUT KATHRYN BARGER,
12 OKAY? OUR SUPERVISOR IN DISTRICT 5. WE NEED SOME NEW
13 LEADERSHIP ON THAT COUNCIL. WE CANNOT CONTINUE TO HAVE THESE
14 SUPERVISORS SERVING TWO OR MORE TERMS. WE NEED TO VOTE FOR
15 SOMEONE NEW. NOW, WE HAVE PEOPLE RUNNING AGAINST HER, AND WE
16 NEED TO VOTE FOR THEM. OKAY? IF YOU OUT AND YOU SEE WHAT'S
17 GOING ON IN THE STREET, AND ALL THE HOMELESSNESS, THE
18 SUPERVISORS ARE WELCOMING THE HOMELESS TO COME HERE; NOT ONLY
19 THE HOMELESS, BUT, I MEAN, THE MIGRANTS TO COME TO THEIR
20 DISTRICT. AND THEY SAID THAT THE IMMIGRATION WON'T EVEN BOTHER
21 THEM. THEY WANT TO GIVE THEM WORK AND HOUSING, AND WE'VE GOT
22 HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF HOMELESS PEOPLE HERE IN THEIR
23 DISTRICTS. OKAY, SO VOTE FOR ANYONE ELSE, EXCEPT HER. WE'VE
24 GOT A CHRIS HOLDEN WHO'S RUNNING AGAINST HER, AND WE HAVE A
25 FEW OTHER PEOPLE. ANTHONY KONSTANTINE IS RUNNING AGAINST HER.



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1 HE'S A FORMER MAYOR. SO LET'S GET HER OUT OF THERE. AND NOW,
2 ALSO, THE HOMELESS COUNT. THE SUPERVISORS ARE PLAYING GAMES
3 WITH THIS HOMELESS COUNT, OKAY? THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT THEY
4 WANT 100,000 PEOPLE TO VOLUNTEER. THEY MAYBE GOT 100. THEY'RE
5 NOT COUNTING THE HOMELESS. THEY WANT TO KEEP THOSE NUMBERS
6 DOWN, SO THEY COULD BE ELECTED. SO READ ABOUT IT. IT'S ONLINE.
7 NOW, ANOTHER THING I'M HAVING A PROBLEM WITH, AND I REMEMBER
8 THE BUDGET. ON THE BUDGET, YOU SAID THAT A LOT OF ASSAULTS
9 HAVE-- YOU'VE GOT BILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN LAWSUITS ON ASSAULTS.
10 LET THE PEOPLE KNOW, THOSE ARE FROM THE JUVENILE HALLS AND THE
11 CENTERS. THOSE KIDS WERE BEING SEXUALLY ASSAULTED WHEN THEY
12 WERE LOCKED UP. OKAY, THAT'S WHERE ALL THOSE LAWSUITS ARE
13 COMING FROM. I'M LYING? YOU CAN SEE ALL OF THESE ATTORNEYS.
14 THEY HAVE CLASS-ACTION SUITS AGAINST THESE SCHOOLS, JUVIE, AND
15 THE REGULAR SCHOOLS. SO WE NEED TO GET THOSE PEDOPHILES OUT OF
16 OUR SCHOOLS, AND OUT OF OUR JUVENILE HALLS AND CAMPS, BUT
17 THAT'S WHERE ALL THOSE BILLIONS ARE GOING FROM. THESE
18 CHILDREN, THEY'RE ADULTS NOW, A LOT OF THEM, AND THEY'RE
19 SUING. THEY'RE SUING THE COUNTY BECAUSE THEY WERE SEXUALLY
20 VIOLATED. SO JUST ONE MORE THING THAT I DID. WHEN I VOTED, I
21 WENT DOWN AND VOTED FOR EVERYBODY REPUBLICAN. OKAY? SO DO THE
22 SAME THING. WE'VE GOT TO GET THESE COMMUNIST DEMOCRATS OUT OF
23 OFFICE. THANK YOU, AND HAVE A GREAT DAY.

24



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1 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. AS A FINAL REMINDER FOR PARTICIPANTS ON
2 THE TELEPHONE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS NON-BOARD-HELD
3 ITEMS AND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT, IF YOU HAVE NOT ALREADY DONE
4 SO, PLEASE PRESS 1 THEN 0 NOW TO BE PLACED IN THE SPEAKING
5 QUEUE. MODERATOR, MAY WE HAVE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE?

6

7 **MODERATOR:** NEXT SPEAKER IS HEATHER DETWEILER. PLEASE GO AHEAD.
8 YOUR LINE IS OPEN.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** HI. MY NAME IS HEATHER DETWEILER, FROM SHERMAN OAKS.
11 WHILE I'M HAPPY THAT MASKS ARE NOW BEING REQUIRED IN
12 HOSPITALS, I REALIZE THAT'S ONLY BECAUSE S.A.R.S.-2
13 TRANSMISSION AND HOSPITALIZATION NUMBERS ARE HIGH, AND ONCE
14 THEY GO A BIT LOWER, MASKS WON'T BE REQUIRED ANYMORE. ALSO,
15 I'M SPEAKING ON GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT AND ITEM 14, SO I GET
16 TWO MINUTES. I'M URGING YOU TO KEEP MASKS IN HOSPITALS, EVEN
17 WHEN THE NUMBERS GO DOWN. S.A.R.S.-2 IS NOT ONLY A PROBLEM
18 DURING RESPIRATORY VIRUS SEASON. IT'S AROUND ALL YEAR, AND
19 HAVING MASKS REQUIRED IN HOSPITALS ISN'T ENOUGH. EVERYONE
20 SHOULD BE ABLE TO ACCESS HEALTHCARE SAFELY, AND NO ONE CAN,
21 WHEN MASKS AREN'T BEING REQUIRED. NOT ONLY ARE THE
22 IMMUNOCOMPROMISED LEFT OUT, BUT BECAUSE OF C.O.V.I.D. BEING A
23 DEADLY AND DEBILITATING DISEASE, EVERYONE IS LEFT OUT.
24 EVERYONE IS AT HIGH RISK OF SOMETHING HORRIBLE HAPPENING AS A
25 RESULT OF A C.O.V.I.D.-19 INFECTION, INCLUDING HEART ATTACKS,



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1 WHICH IS WHY THE RATE OF HEART ATTACKS IS GOING UP. WE NEED A
2 MANDATE. REMEMBER THAT AT LEAST 40% OF C.O.V.I.D. CASES ARE
3 ASYMPTOMATIC, SO EVEN THOSE PEOPLE WHO WOULD DO THE RIGHT
4 THING AND WEAR A MASK WHEN THEY'RE SICK, WON'T KNOW TO WEAR
5 ONE IF THEY'RE NOT HAVING SYMPTOMS, AND MOST PEOPLE DON'T DO
6 THE RIGHT THING. LOS ANGELES SHOULD BE LEADING THE WAY, BUT WE
7 ARE BEHIND. OTHER COUNTIES IN CALIFORNIA HAVE SAFER ACCESS TO
8 HEALTHCARE THAN WE DO. PLEASE AMEND THE RECENT HEALTH ORDER TO
9 INCLUDE MASKS IN ALL HEALTHCARE SETTINGS; AND NOT JUST
10 SURGICAL MASKS, BUT N95S, SINCE N95S ARE REQUIRED PROTECTION
11 FOR A B.S.L. LEVEL-3 PATHOGEN LIKE C.O.V.I.D. DON'T BE AFRAID
12 OF THOSE ANTI-MASKERS WHO DON'T UNDERSTAND THE SCIENCE. YOU
13 ARE THE LEADERS, AND SHOULD NOT GIVE INTO THESE PEOPLE. IT'S
14 YOUR JOB TO PROTECT US. THANK YOU.

15
16 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

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

19 MODERATOR: OUR NEXT SPEAKER IS ADRIANA QUINONES. PLEASE GO
20 AHEAD.

21
22 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. CAN YOU HEAR ME?

23
24 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YES, WE CAN. GO AHEAD.



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1 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS ADRIANA QUINONES. I'M A
2 RESIDENT OF HACIENDA HEIGHTS, AND I'M CALLING ON BEHALF OF
3 ITEM NUMBER 6. I WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW THAT OUR COMMUNITY IS
4 HIGHLY SATISFIED WITH THE LEVEL OF SERVICE THAT WE'VE RECEIVED
5 FROM OUR INDUSTRY SHERIFF'S STATION. THE ALLEGATIONS THAT HAVE
6 BEEN MADE, WE CAN TELL YOU THAT WE BELIEVE ARE NOT TRUE. THEY
7 DO NEED TO BE INVESTIGATED, AND IF ANY DEPUTIES VIOLATED ANY
8 LAWS OR ANY POLICIES, THEY NEED TO BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE. BUT I
9 WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW THAT WE HAVE THE BEST SHERIFF'S STATION
10 IN L.A. COUNTY. EVERY DEPUTY THAT WE HAVE COME ACROSS IS
11 HIGHLY PROFESSIONAL, VERY DEVOTED TO THE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

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

14
15 **MODERATOR:** WE HAVE NO FURTHER SPEAKERS IN QUEUE TO ADDRESS THE
16 BOARD.

17
18 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL GO TO IN-PERSON. GO
19 RIGHT AHEAD. GO AHEAD. SIR.

20
21 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS DANNY GARCIA. I KNOW,
22 SUPERVISORS HOLLY MITCHELL AND KATHRYN BARGER, [INAUDIBLE]. MY
23 JOB WAS TO BE EDUCATING YOU ABOUT THE ISSUE ABOUT
24 DISABILITIES. I HAVE NO JOB, WHATSOEVER, IN THE FIELD ANYMORE.
25 SO I'M ADVOCATING TO YOU GUYS, NOW, KATHRYN BARGER. ALLOW ME



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1 TO-- I WANT TO [INAUDIBLE]. SO IF YOU WANT TO BE [INAUDIBLE]
2 RELATIONSHIPS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

3

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

5

6 **SPEAKER:** HI. I'LL BE TALKING ON ITEM NUMBER 4 AND PUBLIC
7 COMMENT. MY NAME IS JESUS ROJAS. I AM FOR THE APARTMENT
8 ASSOCIATION OF GREATER LOS ANGELES. THIS MOTION IS EXTREMELY
9 PREMATURE, AS THE STATE IS ALREADY RESEARCHING THIS EXTREMELY
10 COMPLICATED AND EXPENSIVE ISSUE, WITH RECOMMENDATIONS DUE BACK
11 BY OR BEFORE JANUARY 1ST, 2025. AIR CONDITIONING IS EXPENSIVE
12 FOR EVERYONE. IT IS ENORMOUSLY EXPENSIVE FOR RENTAL HOUSING
13 PROVIDERS, FOR THEIR EXISTING BUILDING, TO TRY AND BOLT ON TO
14 ACCOMMODATE THE AMENITY WITH NEW AND GREATLY EXPANDED
15 ELECTRICAL PANELS, WIRING THROUGH EACH UNIT AND OTHER
16 STRUCTURAL ASPECT, TO ACCOMMODATE AIR CONDITIONERS. IT IS ALSO
17 HUGELY EXPENSIVE FOR RENTERS TO RUN A.C. SYSTEMS, AND CAN
18 EASILY TRIPLE THEIR EXISTING ELECTRICITY BILL, IN ADDITION TO
19 THE COST OF THE A.C. UNITS THEMSELVES. AT THE TIME WHEN BOTH
20 MOM-AND-POP OWNERS AND RENTERS ARE STILL STRUGGLING
21 FINANCIALLY, TO RECOVER FROM THE IMPACTS OF C.O.V.I.D.-19,
22 THIS MOTION SEEMS PARTICULARLY CALLOUS AND TONE-DEAF TO THE
23 NEEDS OF THE L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS. WE URGE THE BOARD TO TAKE
24 A MEASURED AND REALISTIC APPROACH, BY LETTING THE STATE
25 CONCLUDE ITS RESEARCH AND SEE WHAT ALTERNATIVES IT DEVELOPS.



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1 THEN, AND ONLY THEN, SHOULD THIS BOARD MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS
2 ISSUE, TO SEE IF THERE ARE ANY UNANSWERED ASPECTS TO ADDRESS
3 AT THE LOCAL LEVEL. THANK YOU.

4

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

6

7 **SPEAKER:** ESTHER. CHAIR OF LOS ANGELES BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
8 LINDSEY HORVATH, WILL YOU PLEASE PUT ON CALENDAR FOR
9 DISCUSSION REGARDING THE VOTING MACHINES, WHICH HAVE
10 DEMONSTRATED MANY ANOMALIES? THANK YOU.

11

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

13

14 **SPEAKER:** HI. I'M DONALD HARLAN, AND I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ON
15 AGENDA ITEMS 5, 9, 18, 22, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 42,
16 45--

17

18 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY. THAT'S ENOUGH. YOU'LL GET YOUR FULL
19 3 MINUTES. OH, TWO MINUTES. BASED ON YOUR PREVIOUS COMMENTS,
20 YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** OH, SORRY. AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 9, FISCAL MOTIONS
23 DURING THE BUDGETARY PROCESS. NO, YOU GUYS MESSED UP THE
24 BUDGET REAL BAD, TRYING TO SPEND MONEY THAT'S NOT REAL. YOU
25 GUYS ARE TO BE HELD RESPONSIBLE. AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 18, FAITH-



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1 BASED OUTREACH IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. NO, YOU'RE NOT TO BE
2 DOING FAITH-BASED OUTREACH IN A GOVERNMENT AGENCY. NO. AGENDA
3 ITEM NUMBER 27, TAXING ENTITY COMPENSATION AGREEMENT. NO,
4 THERE'S NOT SUPPOSED TO BE ANY INGLEWOOD DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS,
5 ESPECIALLY SPONSORED BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. THERE'S A BIG
6 PROBLEM WITH REAL ESTATE OVER THERE. THEY'RE GETTING FLOODED,
7 OR THEY NEED INSURANCE, OR THEY DON'T HAVE INFRASTRUCTURE
8 THAT'S PLACED ON THOSE PEOPLE WHO WILL ILLEGALLY DEVELOP THAT
9 PROPERTY IN INGLEWOOD, UNDER AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 27. ALL THE
10 AGENDA ITEMS I MENTIONED ARE TO BE NO. AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 46,
11 HIGH DESERT FACILITY REPLACEMENT PROJECT. OKAY, THIS IS AN
12 IMPORTANT AGENDA ITEM: AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 46. THEY DON'T NEED
13 REFRIGERATORS FOR YOUR HIGH DESERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT. IF
14 THERE IS SOMEBODY REPLACING PEOPLE IN THE HIGH DESERT, THEY
15 DON'T NEED NEW REFRIGERATORS. PUT THEM OUT OF BUSINESS. GET
16 RID OF THOSE PEOPLE, COMPLETELY. AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 59,
17 PLANNING AND ZONING FOR PEARBLOSSOM. BLOSSOM COMMUNITY
18 CORRIDOR AREA. ALL THE BLOSSOM AREA IS ILLEGALLY DEVELOPED,
19 WHATEVER COUNTY SUPERVISOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR--

20
21 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK
22 YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

23
24 **ERIC NEFF:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS ERIC NEFF. I'M COMMENTING ON
25 ITEM 60-H AND PUBLIC COMMENT. I'M A DEPUTY D.A. WITH L.A.



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1 COUNTY. I'M NOT SPEAKING HERE ON BEHALF OF MY OFFICE. I'M
2 SPEAKING IN MY PERSONAL CAPACITY, AS AN INFORMED CITIZEN, AN
3 INVOLVED CITIZEN. I'M SPEAKING HERE WITHOUT WAIVING ANY OF MY
4 RIGHTS AS A CITIZEN COUNTY EMPLOYEE, OR POTENTIALLY A
5 WHISTLEBLOWER. LAWYERS WHO WORK FOR YOU, AND LAWYERS WHOSE
6 BUDGET YOU APPROVE, ARE TRYING TO GET YOU TO APPROVE A PAYOUT
7 OF COUNTY FUNDS THAT MAY BE A WASTE OF MONEY, KNOWINGLY OR
8 UNKNOWNLY. I WAS THE LEAD PROSECUTOR ON THAT CASE, FILED BY
9 L.A.D.A., THAT LED TO THE LITIGATION WHICH I'M A CO-DEFENDANT
10 IN. BASED SOLELY ON PUBLICLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION IN THE
11 PRESS, AND PUBLIC COURT FILINGS AND DECISIONS, THESE ARE SOME
12 OF THE QUESTIONS I BELIEVE YOU SHOULD BE ASKING OF COUNTY
13 COUNSEL: WHY SHOULD WE SETTLE, WHEN A RELATED CLAIM RESULTED
14 IN A DISMISSAL IN FEDERAL COURT IN TEXAS? WHY IS THE COUNTY
15 NOT LITIGATING OBVIOUS EARLY DEFENSES; IN PARTICULAR,
16 PROSECUTORIAL IMMUNITY, WHICH CAN BE FILED AT THE EARLY-MOTION
17 PHASE? HAS THE COUNTY EVEN CONSIDERED THE APPLICABILITY OF
18 CALIFORNIA'S ANTI-S.L.A.P.P. LAW TO THIS LITIGATION. WHEN
19 ANTI-S.L.A.P.P.S ARE SUCCESSFUL, PLAINTIFFS PAY ALL ATTORNEYS'
20 FEES FOR BOTH SIDES, INCLUDING THE COUNTY. IF IT HAS NOT BEEN
21 CONSIDERED, AS OF THIS MEETING, WHY NOT? DOES THIS TIMING AND
22 REQUEST HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH GEORGE GASCON'S RE-ELECTION
23 CAMPAIGN? WHY ARE WE SETTLING A CLAIM FOR LACK OF PROBABLE
24 CAUSE, WHEN ALLEGEDLY, AS REPORTED IN THE MEDIA, A GRAND JURY
25 OF CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOUND THERE TO BE SUCH? EVEN



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1 MORE UNUSUAL, WHY ARE WE SETTling A CLAIM FOR LACK OF PROBABLE
2 CAUSE, AFTER THE D.A. DECIDED-- AFTER THEY BECAME AWARE OF ALL
3 THESE SUPPOSED PROBLEMS WITH THE CASE, THEY STILL WENT AHEAD
4 WITH FILING A COMPLAINT, WHICH AGAIN ASSERTS, UNDER THE D.A.'S
5 OWN POLICIES, NOT ONLY PROBABLE CAUSE, BUT A LIKELIHOOD OF
6 CONVICTION BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT. HAVE ALL COUNTY INTERNAL
7 INVESTIGATIONS INTO THIS MATTER BEEN COMPLETED? IF SO, HAVE
8 YOU READ THEM IN THEIR ENTIRETY? HAS COUNTY COUNSEL? ARE YOU
9 AWARE OF THEIR FINDINGS? AND IF ALL INTERNAL INVESTIGATIONS
10 HAVE NOT BEEN COMPLETED, WHY IS THIS AGREEMENT BEING PROPOSED
11 TO YOU NOW? DOES IT HAVE TO DO WITH GEORGE GASCON'S RE-
12 ELECTION CAMPAIGN CALENDAR?

13
14 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. THANK
15 YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

16
17 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS VICTOR SALINAS. I'VE BEEN
18 AN ADMINISTRATOR, PROVIDING "DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE"
19 PROGRAM SERVICES FOR 30 YEARS. I'M HERE TO SPEAK TO ITEM
20 NUMBER 40 AND PUBLIC COMMENT. WITH REGARD TO DRIVING-UNDER-
21 THE-INFLUENCE LICENSE RESOLUTION, I AM IN FAVOR OF MOVING
22 FORWARD, IF THE BOARD WERE TO MOVE FORWARD IN APPROVING THE
23 APPLICATION PROVIDED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTHCARE SERVICES.
24 AND JUST WANT TO MAKE NOTE THAT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THERE'S
25 APPROXIMATELY A THOUSAND D.U.I. ARRESTS EACH MONTH. D.U.I.



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1 PROGRAMS ARE IN PLACE TO HELP REDUCE RECIDIVISM RATES-- OF
2 COURSE, FATALITIES AND INJURIES, AS WELL-- BY PROVIDING
3 COUNSELING, USING SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER COUNSELORS THAT ARE
4 CERTIFIED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. AND I ASK THAT YOU
5 SUPPORT THE APPROVAL OF THE APPLICATION THAT'S BEING SUBMITTED
6 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTHCARE SERVICES, TO HELP REDUCE
7 FATALITIES AND INJURIES ON THE ROAD THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA, BUT
8 SPECIFICALLY HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WHERE THE APPLICATION
9 FOR D.U.I. PROGRAM HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO YOU, OR PRESENTED FOR
10 YOU AS A RESOLUTION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME. I
11 CERTAINLY APPRECIATE IT.

12
13 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14
15 **JERARD WRIGHT:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JERARD
16 WRIGHT, GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS DIRECTOR WITH THE GREATER L.A.
17 REALTORS, ON BEHALF OF THE 12,000 MEMBERS, SOME OF WHOM ARE
18 HOUSING PROVIDERS, SPEAKING ON ITEM NUMBER 4, JUST ALSO
19 ECHOING THE CONCERNS THAT OUR COLLEAGUE PARTNERS AT A.A.G.L.A.
20 HAVE ARTICULATED, WITH RESPECT TO THE AIR-CONDITIONING UNITS,
21 AND PARTICULARLY ITEMS 2-E AND 2-F OF THE MOTION. THE OTHER
22 CONCERN IS OTHER RELATED FACTORS, SUCH AS LANDSCAPING. AND I
23 USE THIS IS AS A PERSONAL EXAMPLE FROM WHERE I JUST RECENTLY
24 MOVED FROM. THERE WAS A TREE TRIMMING IN FRONT OF MY APARTMENT
25 UNIT, AT THAT TIME, THAT SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASED THE



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1 TEMPERATURE OF MY APARTMENT BY A GOOD 10, 15 DEGREES. NOW,
2 IT'S A NATURALLY BREEZY AREA. IT DIDN'T DID TO HAVE THE SHADE
3 TREE, AND EVERYTHING, BUT THAT ONE LITTLE CHANGE CREATED THAT
4 CHANGE, IRRESPECTIVE OF NEEDING AIR CONDITION. SO THAT'S JUST
5 SOMETHING TO PUT INTO CONSIDERATION FOR, INCLUDING LANDSCAPING
6 AND OTHER SUCH THINGS, IF WE'RE GOING TO STUDY IT AND HAVE A
7 REPORT BACK, AS AN ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN OR CAUSE THAT CAN--

8

9 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS
10 EXPIRED. NEXT SPEAKER.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME'S BRYAN RANGER. MY WATER COMPANY HAS BEEN
13 SUPPLYING ME WITH CAUSTIC WATER THAT RUSTED OUT MY PIPES, AND
14 BEEN KILLING MY PLANTS. I COMPLAINED FOR A YEAR. THEY WERE
15 FORCED TO GET A WATER REPORT, WHICH SAID THEIR WATER WAS OKAY.
16 I SUBMITTED THIS TO DISTRICT-5 STAFF ON MARENGO OFFICE. THEY
17 SAID THEY WOULD GET BACK TO ME. THIS HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR
18 ABOUT THREE WEEKS, AND I HAVE HAD NO CONTACT WITH THEM UNTIL I
19 GOT HERE, AND THEY SAID IT WAS A STATE ISSUE, AND IT HAD BEEN
20 SUBMITTED. SO I HAD TO WAIT THREE WEEKS TO GET A RESPONSE, AND
21 I CAME DOWN HERE TO GET THIS ON RECORD. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

22

23 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. IF YOU'D LIKE ADDITIONAL
24 ASSISTANCE, VICTOR IS IN THE CONSTITUENT ASSISTANCE TEAM, UP
25 IN THE CORNER, AND YOU'RE WELCOME TO SPEAK WITH HIM. OKAY, AND



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1 DISTRICT-5 STAFF WILL BE THERE, AS WELL. THANK YOU. NEXT
2 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** HI. I'M ADDRESSING 57, I BELIEVE IT'S 18, AND PUBLIC
5 COMMENT, PLEASE.

6

7 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** OKAY, GO AHEAD.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS ARTHUR FRED MUNOZ, AND I AM A FULLY
10 DISABLED PERSON, WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE AMERICANS WITH
11 DISABILITIES ACT. I COME BEFORE YOU WITH ALL DUE RESPECT. I
12 KNOW YOU'RE TIRED. I KNOW YOU HAD A LONG DAY, AND I THANK YOU
13 FOR YOUR TIME. I WOULD LIKE YOU TO KNOW THAT I'M A RELATIVELY
14 NEW-- WHAT DO YOU CALL IT?-- ANGELENO. I FLED FROM VENTURA
15 COUNTY BASED, ON THE FACT THAT VENTURA COUNTY AUTHORITIES WERE
16 TRYING TO MURDER ME, BASED ON A 1990 CONVICTION IN WHICH I WAS
17 GUILTY-- I MEAN, I WAS-- I'M SORRY, I WAS INNOCENT, BUT THEY
18 SUPPRESSED MY DEFENSE EVIDENCE, AND CONVICTED ME AFTER
19 SUPPRESSING MY DEFENSE EVIDENCE. AND THEY DIDN'T WANT ME TO
20 FIND OUT ABOUT THE EVIDENCE, SO THEY TRIED TO KILL ME ON TWO
21 DIFFERENT OCCASIONS. THEY'VE ABUSED MY CELL PHONE, OR ANY
22 COMPUTERS THAT I'VE HAD, SO I COULDN'T HAVE COMMUNICATIONS
23 WITH THE OUTSIDE, WITH ANYBODY, WITH ANY ATTORNEYS, IN TIME
24 FOR ME TO GET ANY KIND OF OUTSIDE HELP. MY CONTENTION BEFORE
25 THE BOARD TODAY IS THAT, WHEN I MOVED OUT TO HERE, TO LOS



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1 ANGELES, I MOVED OUT AS A HOMELESS PERSON, BECAUSE, I MEAN,
2 THEY STOLE MY LAST VEHICLE TO SEPARATE ME FROM MY LEGAL
3 PAPERWORK. AND THIS IS ALL FACTUAL EVIDENCE. I HAVE PROOF TO
4 ESTABLISH THIS EVIDENCE. THEY WERE GIVING ME A HARD TIME ON A
5 DAILY BASIS. WELL, SINCE I'VE COME TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY, MY
6 CELL PHONES HAVE BEEN FACING THE SAME TYPE OF-- YOU KNOW THE
7 WORD I'M LOOKING FOR? SOMETHING FROM LETHOLOGICA. WHAT THE
8 WORD I'M LOOKING FOR IS "VIRUSES." THE SAME TYPE OF VIRUSES,
9 AND I'VE BEEN LITERALLY STUCK WITH MY SEVERE DISABILITY, AND
10 IN A WORLD OF HURT. I HAVE A REALLY REMARKABLE STORY TO
11 REVEAL, AND I WANTED TO SET THIS BEFORE YOU, AND I THANK YOU
12 FOR YOUR TIME.

13
14 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR COMING HERE
15 TODAY. VICTOR IS UP IN THE CONSTITUENT ASSISTANCE TEAM CORNER,
16 AND YOU CAN SPEAK WITH HIM, AND HE WILL DIRECT YOU TO
17 ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO HELP SUPPORT YOU. GO AHEAD. NEXT
18 SPEAKER, PLEASE.

19
20 **RED CHIEF HUNT:** YES, THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR DOING AN
21 EXCELLENT JOB AT THE MEETINGS, KEEPING IT CONSISTENT WITH THE
22 OLD MEETINGS, AND THINGS LIKE THAT. I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT.
23 HOLLY MITCHELL, OR SUPERVISOR MITCHELL, FEDERAL FUNDING FOR
24 THE MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL IS NECESSARY. YOU GOT MY
25 APPROVAL ON THAT. WE NEED TO KEEP ON OPENING UP SPOTS IN



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1 DIFFERENT AREAS, AND WORKING WITH THE HOMELESS PEOPLE, AND
2 THINGS LIKE THAT. I'M DEDICATED TO THAT AREA IN DIFFERENT
3 S.P.A.S, AND THINGS LIKE THAT. WE HAVE 120,000 HOMELESS
4 PEOPLE, AND NO WAY IN FOUR YEARS ARE WE GOING TO GET 120,000
5 HOUSES, NOT UNLESS WE CLAIM EMINENT DOMAIN ON ONE-THIRD OF ALL
6 NEW STRUCTURES, AND THINGS LIKE THAT. WE NEED JOE BIDEN TO DO
7 THAT. LET'S CLEAR UP THE HOMELESS ISSUE. WE'VE BEEN DOING IT
8 SINCE 2004, WHEN CAROL SOBEL FILED AN INJUNCTION: EDWARD JONES
9 V. THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU, HAHN, FOR ALL YOUR
10 HELP.

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

13
14 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OH, YES, MA'AM. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SO, I HAVE
15 A WHOLE BUNCH OF STUFF HERE. YOU'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT THE
16 UNION HERE, FOR THE COUNTY, SO I'M WONDERING: JUST HOW-- OH,
17 BY THE WAY, ARE YOU GOING TO KEEP THE GONDOLA IN CHINATOWN? I
18 HEARD THEY DON'T WANT THE GONDOLA. WHY DON'T YOU DO SOMETHING
19 ABOUT CLEANING UP THE BUSES? THE BUSES AND THE AIR IN THE
20 COUNTY ARE THE WORST. IT'S THE WORST AIR IN THE WHOLE COUNTRY.
21 THE SMOG AND POLLUTION HAVE BEEN TERRIBLE SINCE THE MID-'40S,
22 AND YOU HAVEN'T DONE A [EXPLETIVE] THING ABOUT THAT. YOUR
23 LASER'S LOST ITS BATTERY POWER. I WOULD SUGGEST YOU-- NOW, I
24 HAVE THIS FORM HERE. THIS IS SCANNED WITH AN "R" ON IT. THIS
25 IS AN ENROLLMENT FOR LOW-INCOME-- THIS IS ENROLLMENT FOR



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1 S.C.A.N. HEALTH PLAN. IT'S A SUPPLEMENTAL PLAN. BUT THIS IS
2 ALSO A S.C.A.N., WITH A BLACK APPLE. WHO USES A BLACK APPLE
3 COMPUTER? AND YOU MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT HOW RACIST--

4
5 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. YOU DID
6 NOT. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. YOU ONLY ASKED FOR GENERAL PUBLIC
7 COMMENT.

8
9 **ARNOLD:** NO, NO, NO. I ASKED FOR A WHOLE BUNCH OF ITEMS.

10
11 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YOU DIDN'T SPECIFY WHICH ITEMS. IF YOU
12 WOULD LIKE TO SPECIFY ANOTHER ITEM, YOU CAN HAVE ANOTHER
13 MINUTE. [ARNOLD SACHS CONTINUES SHOUTING]

14
15 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED, SIR.
16 THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY OTHER SPEAKERS WHO WOULD LIKE TO
17 PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING?

18
19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** NO OTHER SPEAKERS.

20
21 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED. [ARNOLD
22 SACHS CONTINUES SHOUTING] THAT'S YOUR FINAL WARNING. EXECUTIVE
23 OFFICER, PLEASE INDICATE THE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS WE WILL BE
24 VOTING ON.



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1 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU: 1, 4
2 AS REVISED, WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER VOTING NO, 5, 6 AS REVISED,
3 WITH SUPERVISOR HAHN ABSTAINING FROM THE VOTE, 7 THROUGH 9,
4 13, 16 THROUGH 18, 20, 22 THROUGH 27, 29 THROUGH 32, 34
5 THROUGH 36, 37, WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER AND SUPERVISOR MITCHELL
6 RECUSING THEMSELVES FROM THE VOTE, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE
7 SECTION 84308, 38 THROUGH 43, 44, WITH SUPERVISOR BARGER
8 RECUSING HERSELF FROM THE VOTE, PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE
9 SECTION 84308, BECAUSE SHE RECEIVED A CONTRIBUTION OR
10 CONTRIBUTIONS OF MORE THAN \$250 WITHIN THE PAST 12 MONTHS,
11 FROM GARY CLIFFORD, WHO IS A PARTY, PARTICIPANT, OR AGENT OF A
12 PARTY OR PARTICIPANT IN THE PROCEEDINGS, 45 THROUGH 50, 52
13 THROUGH 59, 60-A AND 60-B, 60-D, 60-F THROUGH 60-H, 63, 64 AS
14 AMENDED, AND 65.

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16 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BARGER, SECONDED BY
17 SUPERVISOR MITCHELL TO APPROVE THESE ITEMS, WITH THE
18 EXCEPTIONS NOTED BY THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER. EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
19 PLEASE CALL THE ROLL.

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

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23 **SUP. SOLIS:** AYE.



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

2 MITCHELL?

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4 **SUP. MITCHELL:** AYE.

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

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8 **SUP. HAHN:** AYE.

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

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12 **SUP. BARGER:** AYE.

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

15 HORVATH?

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

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19 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** SUPERVISOR HORVATH, AYE. MOTION CARRIES,

20 5-0.

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22 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** YOU ARE CONTINUING TO DISRUPT THE

23 MEETING. PLEASE BE QUIET, SO WE CAN CONTINUE OUR BUSINESS.

24 THANK YOU. AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO HEAR

25 ADJOURNMENTS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS WILL BEGIN. GO AHEAD.



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2 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, THANK YOU SO MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I HAVE
3 SEVERAL NOTED ADJOURNMENTS TODAY. TODAY, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
4 ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF OFELIA VALDEZ-YEAGER, A
5 FIERCE LATINA ADVOCATE FOR THE ARTS, WHO PASSED AWAY ON
6 JANUARY THE 7TH, 2024, AT THE AGE OF 76. OFELIA WAS BORN ON
7 JANUARY 11TH, 1947, IN DURANGO, MEXICO, AND MOVED TO THE CITY
8 OF MONTEBELLO AT THE AGE OF 6. IN 1965, SHE BECAME THE FIRST
9 IN HER FAMILY TO ATTEND COLLEGE. SHE WAS PART OF THE FIRST
10 GROUP OF STUDENTS TO FORM U.C. RIVERSIDE'S EQUAL OPPORTUNITY
11 PROGRAM. RECOGNIZING THE TRANSFORMATIVE POWER OF EDUCATION,
12 SHE PURSUED A SPANISH MAJOR, WITH ASPIRATIONS OF BECOMING A
13 TEACHER AND EXPANDING BILINGUAL EDUCATION. POST-GRADUATION,
14 OFELIA WORKED AS A HIGH-SCHOOL COUNSELING ASSISTANT, AND THEN
15 RECEIVED HER CREDENTIALS TO BE AN ELEMENTARY-SCHOOL TEACHER.
16 HER INVOLVEMENT EXTENDED TO SERVING AS THE P.T.A. PRESIDENT,
17 TIRELESSLY ADVOCATING FOR STUDENTS' SUCCESS THROUGH INCREASED
18 PARENT AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT. LATER ON, OFELIA WORKED AS AN
19 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT FOR RIVERSIDE CITY COUNCIL, AND
20 BECAME THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE LIAISON FOR THE RIVERSIDE
21 COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS. IN 1992, OFELIA BECAME THE
22 FIRST LATINA TO BE ELECTED TO THE RIVERSIDE UNIFIED SCHOOL
23 DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES. DURING HER TENURE, SHE RECOGNIZED
24 THE IMPERATIVE NEED TO ENHANCE COMMUNICATION WITH SPANISH-
25 SPEAKING STUDENTS AND FAMILIES. COLLABORATING WITH THE



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1 SUPERINTENDENT, SHE PLAYED A PIVOTAL ROLE IN BRINGING ON BOARD
2 THE DISTRICT'S FIRST TRANSLATOR AND INTERPRETER, MAKING A
3 SIGNIFICANT STRIDE TOWARD ACCESS, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION.
4 ADDITIONALLY, OFELIA PLAYED A FOUNDATIONAL ROLE IN
5 ESTABLISHING THE CHEECH MARIN CENTER FOR CHICANO ART AND
6 CULTURE, AT THE RIVERSIDE ART MUSEUM. SHE HELPED RAISE \$14
7 MILLION TO ESTABLISH THE ART CENTER. OFELIA CO-FOUNDED AND
8 SERVED AS A PRESIDENT OF THE RIVERSIDE LATINO NETWORK, A
9 PHILANTHROPIC ORGANIZATION ADDRESSING COMMUNITY ISSUES
10 IMPACTING THE LATINO COMMUNITY. UNDER HER LEADERSHIP, SHE WAS
11 INSTRUMENTAL IN SPEARHEADING THE SUCCESSFUL EFFORT TO
12 CONSTRUCT THE CESAR E. CHAVEZ MEMORIAL AT RIVERSIDE'S DOWNTOWN
13 MALL. SHE'LL BE REMEMBERED AS A TRAILBLAZER FOR THE LATINO
14 COMMUNITY, AND I RECALL MEETING HER AT SEVERAL DIFFERENT
15 EVENTS THROUGHOUT MY CAREER. OFELIA LEAVES BEHIND A LEGACY OF
16 SERVICE, LOVE, AND IMPACT. OFELIA'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND,
17 LEY; DAUGHTERS MARISA, ANA, TERESA; SON LUIS; AND 7
18 GRANDCHILDREN. MAY SHE REST IN PEACE.

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20 **SUP. MITCHELL:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, MAY I JOIN YOU ON THAT ONE,
21 PLEASE? THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU. NEXT, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
24 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MARIA TERESA GRIFFIN, KNOWN
25 AS TERI. TERI WAS BORN ON JUNE 15, 1949, AND PASSED AWAY ON



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1 JANUARY 15, 2024. TERRY GREW UP IN THE CITY OF COMMERCE,
2 AROUND EASTERN AVENUE, IN HER EARLY CHILDHOOD, AND THEN MOVED
3 TO MONTEREY PARK. SHE SPENT HER FORMATIVE AND LIFE YEARS
4 LIVING AND WORKING IN MONTEREY PARK AND EAST LOS ANGELES
5 COMMUNITIES ON WHITTIER BOULEVARD. SHE ATTENDED SAINT ALFONSO
6 CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN EAST L.A., SACRED GEART OF MARY
7 HIGH SCHOOL IN MONTEBELLO, ALHAMBRA HIGH SCHOOL, AND GRADUATED
8 FROM EAST L.A. COLLEGE, WHERE SHE EARNED AN ASSOCIATE IN ARTS
9 DEGREE IN LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, AND MINORING IN ACCOUNTING.
10 IN 1974, AFTER HAVING WORKED AT VARIOUS COMMUNITY JOBS, TERI
11 SET OUT TO LOOK FOR A NEW JOB, WALKING DOWN BEVERLY BOULEVARD.
12 ON OCTOBER 31, 1974, SHE WALKED INTO BARRIO PLANNERS
13 INCORPORATED, AND WAS HIRED AS THE COMPANY'S ACCOUNTANT.
14 THEY'RE AN ARCHITECTURAL FIRM. SHE WAS LATER PROMOTED TO
15 LANDSCAPE DESIGNER AND CONTROLLER. TERI WAS DEDICATED, AND A
16 COMPASSIONATE COMMUNITY MEMBER. SHE PROVIDED IMPECCABLE
17 SERVICES TO BARRIO PLANNERS, OVERSEEING CAPITAL FUNDS FOR THE
18 COMPANY TO SUPPORT GRAND-SCALE PROJECTS IN EAST LOS ANGELES,
19 SUCH AS THE FOLLOWING: THE METRO GOLD LINE EASTSIDE EXTENSION
20 PHASE 1, L.A. COUNTY GENERAL MEDICAL CENTER, ADVENTIST HEALTH
21 WHITE MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER, ALTAMED HEALTH CENTERS, AND THE
22 WHITTIER BOULEVARD COMMUNITY BUSINESS REVITALIZATION, WHICH IS
23 KNOWN AS THE ARCH IN EAST LOS ANGELES. FOLLOWING THE
24 CONSTRUCTION OF THE MARIACHI PLAZA IN BOYLE HEIGHTS, TERI
25 JOINED THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND BECAME TREASURER FOR THE



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1 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION MARIACHI PLAZA FESTIVAL FOUNDATION. IN
2 ADDITION, TERI WAS AN ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCATE, AND KNOWN VERY
3 WELL THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY. SHE SUPPORTED THE CLOSURE OF
4 THE EXIDE BATTERY RECYCLING PLANT. TERI LEFT AN INCREDIBLE
5 MARK ON THE COMMUNITY OF EAST LOS ANGELES, AND SHE WAS KNOWN
6 FOR HER ENTHUSIASM OF LIFE, EXEMPLIFIED THROUGH HER
7 PARTICIPATION IN SEVERAL COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, AND WAS A
8 FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE MOTHERS OF EAST L.A. HER COMMITMENT TO
9 THE COMMUNITY AND HER EXEMPLARY CAREER WILL HAVE A LASTING
10 IMPACT ON MANY, MANY, WHO HAVE COME TO KNOW HER AND HER WORK.
11 SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SISTERS AND BROTHER: ANNA PADILLA,
12 EDWARD GRIFFIN, GLORIA GUADALUPE BRADY, JOHN DAVID GRIFFIN
13 (DECEASED), OLIVIA HADDOCK, IRENE ALIC GRAFFNEY, CAROLYN
14 VELASCO, AND DIANA O'CONNOR. MAY SHE REST IN PEACE. I ALSO
15 MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MONICA
16 LOERA MARTINEZ, A LIFELONG RESIDENT OF L.A. COUNTY, WHO PASSED
17 AWAY ON MONDAY, JANUARY 15TH, 2023. MONICA WAS BORN AND RAISED
18 IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, AND WAS A GRADUATE OF THE SAN
19 GABRIEL MISSION HIGH SCHOOL. ALL HER LIFE, MONICA WAS
20 DEDICATED TO HELPING OTHERS. SHE WORKED FOR A NONPROFIT SECTOR
21 FOR MANY YEARS, WITH THE A.I.D.S. HEALTH FOUNDATION, BUT HER
22 GREATEST PRIDE WAS WORKING FOR CONGRESSWOMAN LUCILLE ROYBAL-
23 ALLARD, AND SUPPORTING ALL THE WORK SHE'S DONE IN COMMUNITIES
24 IN SOUTHEAST L.A., DOWNEY, BELL, AND BELL GARDENS. MONICA WAS
25 HAPPIEST WHEN SHE COULD MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF



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1 OTHERS. WHEN SHE WASN'T HELPING OTHERS, SHE WAS FIERCELY
2 CHEERING ON THE L.A. DODGERS, SPENDING SPECIAL HOLIDAYS AT
3 DISNEYLAND WITH HER FAMILY OR FRIENDS, ENJOYING AN EVENING AT
4 THE MAGIC CASTLE AS AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER. AND MONICA WAS ALSO
5 DEDICATED TO SUPPORTING HER LOVING HUSBAND, SERGEANT JUAN D.
6 MARTINEZ, A 26-YEAR MEMBER OF THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S
7 DEPARTMENT AND A MAGICIAN AT THE MAGIC CASTLE, WHO GOES BY THE
8 NAME "GREAT JUAN-DINI." MONICA BRAVELY FOUGHT A BATTLE AGAINST
9 BREAST CANCER FOR OVER 15 YEARS. SHE WAS A TENACIOUS WARRIOR,
10 A DEDICATED WIFE AND DAUGHTER, A BELOVED AUNT AND SISTER-IN-
11 LAW. SHE'S SURVIVED BY FRIENDS AND FAMILY, INCLUDING HER
12 SISTER-IN-LAW, MAGGIE MARTINEZ, AN ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR L.A.
13 COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES. SHE WILL BE DEEPLY
14 MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW AND MET HER. MAY HER SOUL REST IN
15 PEACE. AND LASTLY, MADAM CHAIR, I KNOW LAST WEEK THERE WAS AN
16 ADJOURNMENT THAT SUPERVISOR MITCHELL HAD ON BEHALF OF THE
17 MEMORY OF ALAN NISHIO. UNFORTUNATELY, I WASN'T HERE WHEN THAT
18 WAS PRESENTED, BUT I DID WANT TO ADD SOMETHING TO THE
19 ADJOURNMENT, IF I COULD. ONCE UPON A TIME, HE WAS MY BOSS. HE
20 GAVE ME MY JOB WHEN I CAME BACK FROM WASHINGTON, D.C., AND WAS
21 SERVING AS THE DIRECTOR FOR THE STUDENT OPPORTUNITY AND ACCESS
22 PROGRAM TO HELP YOUNG CHILDREN, UNDER-REPRESENTED YOUTH, GO TO
23 COLLEGE, SOMETHING THAT I CARRY IN MY HEART, BECAUSE I KNOW
24 HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO HAVE MENTORS. HE WAS PART OF AN EARLY
25 TEAM IN MY CAREER AT CAL STATE LONG BEACH, AND HE HELPED TO



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1 PROMOTE ME, ASSIST ME, AND GIVE ME GUIDANCE IN MANY WAYS. HE
2 TAUGHT SEMINARS IN ASIAN AMERICAN STUDIES, AND ADVISED THE
3 ASIAN AMERICAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION. HE DID SO MANY THINGS,
4 WHICH I'M SURE THAT YOU NOTED IN THE ADJOURNMENT. BUT I WANT
5 TO SAY ONE OF THE GREATEST ACHIEVEMENTS FOR ME WAS COMING BACK
6 FROM WASHINGTON, D.C., AND HAVING HIM HELP ME IN MY CAMPAIGN
7 FOR ELECTION TO THIS OFFICE. HE HAD SEVERAL EVENTS, AND LITTLE
8 TOKYO INTRODUCED ME TO THE COMMUNITY, AND IT WAS A GREAT
9 PLEASURE TO WORK ALONGSIDE WITH HIM, AND TO CONTINUE THE
10 FIGHT, TO REPRESENT JAPANESE AMERICANS TO ATTAIN THEIR REDRESS
11 FOR WRONGFUL INCARCERATION, AND THROUGH THAT PARTICULAR
12 HISTORY AND TIME, WHEN MANY WERE FORCED INTO ENCAMPMENTS. SO I
13 SAY THAT WITH A HEAVY HEART, AND CONDOLENCES TO HIS WIFE OF 55
14 YEARS, YVONNE WONG NISHIO; THE DAUGHTERS: ANGELA NISHIO AND
15 MIA LOCKWOOD; AND SIX GRANDCHILDREN. MAY HE REST IN PEACE.
16 THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR.

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18 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MITCHELL?

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20 **SUP. MITCHELL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR. I WOULD
21 INVITE ALL BOARD MEMBERS TO JOIN ME IN THIS ONE, BECAUSE SHE
22 WAS A LONG-TERM COUNTY EMPLOYEE. AND SO TODAY, WHEN WE
23 ADJOURN, I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF BOBBIE JEAN
24 ANDERSON, WHO WAS BORN DECEMBER 21ST, 1938, IN SHREVEPORT,
25 LOUISIANA, AND PASSED AWAY DECEMBER 30TH, AT THE AGE OF 85. IN



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1 1951, MS. ANDERSON RELOCATED TO CALIFORNIA WITH HER FAMILY,
2 RESIDING IN VENICE, THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, AND ULTIMATELY
3 SETTLING IN LOS ANGELES. SHE WAS A GRADUATE OF FREMONT HIGH
4 SCHOOL, AND THEN WENT ON TO ATTEND DOWNEY COURT REPORTING
5 SCHOOL, WHERE SHE BECAME A CERTIFIED SHORTHAND REPORTER. MS.
6 ANDERSON SERVED THE COUNTY OF L.A. FOR 40 YEARS, 25 OF WHICH
7 WERE WITH THE LAW OFFICES OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER. HER LAST
8 ASSIGNMENT, IN 2023, WAS SUPERVISING LEGAL OFFICE SUPPORT
9 ASSISTANT FOR THE AIRPORT BRANCH. EXCUSE ME, HER LAST
10 ASSIGNMENT, IN 2003, WAS SUPERVISING LEGAL OFFICE SUPPORT
11 ASSISTANT. SHE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN THE OPENING OF THE AIRPORT
12 COURTHOUSE. DURING HER TIME WITH THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE,
13 SHE SUCCESSFULLY ESTABLISHED A PROGRAM TO PROVIDE ON-THE-JOB
14 TRAINING AND INTERNSHIPS FOR HIGH-SCHOOL STUDENTS INTERESTED
15 IN WORKING FOR THEIR OFFICE. AFTER DEPARTING FROM COUNTY
16 SERVICE, SHE SERVED AS A FIELD REPRESENTATIVE FOR THEN-
17 ASSEMBLY MEMBER MIKE DAVIS, WHERE SHE WORKED TO ADDRESS
18 CONSTITUENT CONCERNS AND QUALITY-OF-LIFE MATTERS FOR THE
19 RESIDENTS OF THE 48TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT. MS. ANDERSON WAS A
20 REMARKABLE WOMAN, COMMUNITY LEADER, POLITICAL ACTIVIST,
21 SOCIAL-JUSTICE CHANGE MAKER, AND MENTOR, WHOSE LIFE WAS
22 DEDICATED TO UPLIFTING AND EMPOWERING MARGINALIZED
23 COMMUNITIES. SHE WAS INDEED A FIERCE ADVOCATE. SHE JOINED
24 S.E.I.U. 660 AND 721 TO AID IN THE FIGHT FOR WORKERS' RIGHTS
25 AND FAIR WAGES. IN 1989, SHE WENT DOOR TO DOOR, ORGANIZING HER



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1 NEIGHBORS TO FIGHT FOR FAIR MARKET VALUES AND RELOCATION COSTS
2 FOR HOMEOWNERS AND TENANTS, AFTER CALTRANS USED EMINENT DOMAIN
3 FOR A FREEWAY EXPANSION. HER EFFORTS WERE SUCCESSFUL. EACH
4 IMPACTED HOMEOWNER RECEIVED RELOCATION COSTS AND FAIR MARKET
5 VALUE FOR THEIR HOMES, AND TENANTS ALSO RECEIVED APPROPRIATE
6 RELOCATION BENEFITS. IN 1995, MS. ANDERSON WAS APPOINTED TO
7 THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE TASK FORCE BY THEN-PRESIDENT BILL
8 CLINTON. SHE PROVIDED LEADERSHIP IN A RANGE OF OTHER AREAS,
9 INCLUDING HER WORK ON THE LOS ANGELES POLICE COMMISSION PERMIT
10 REVIEW PANEL, THE REDISTRICTING COMMISSION, THE L.A. COUNTY
11 DEMOCRATIC PARTY, WHERE SHE SERVED AS VICE CHAIR, THE BLACK
12 WOMEN'S FORUM CRIMINAL TASK FORCE, WHERE SHE SERVED AS CHAIR,
13 AND AS A LONG-TERM MEMBER AND BOARD MEMBER IN THE NEW FRONTIER
14 DEMOCRATIC CLUB, THE OLDEST AND LARGEST AFRICAN AMERICAN
15 DEMOCRATIC CLUB IN THE STATE, AS WELL AS ON THE COMMISSION ON
16 THE STATUS OF WOMEN. MS. ANDERSON VOLUNTEERED WITH THE JENESEE
17 CENTER FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS, AND SERVED ON THE BOARD FOR THE
18 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND INTERVENTION. SHE RECEIVED MANY AWARDS
19 AND COMMENDATIONS FOR HER SERVICE, INCLUDING BEING TWICE
20 AWARDED AS L.A. COUNTY DEMOCRAT OF THE YEAR. SHE RECEIVED THE
21 JENESEE CENTER SILVER ROSE AWARD FOR HER WORK ON DOMESTIC
22 VIOLENCE, AND A LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FROM S.E.I.U. LOCAL
23 721. MS. ANDERSON WAS A FAITHFUL AND DEVOTED MEMBER OF THE
24 GREATER EBENEZER MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH FOR OVER 25 YEARS.
25 SHE SERVED HER CHURCH PROUDLY AS A MEMBER OF THE CHOIR, AND AS



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1 A SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER. BOBBIE JEAN WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A
2 STRONG MATRIARCH, DEVOTED COMMUNITY ORGANIZER AND ADVOCATE,
3 AND A MENTOR TO COUNTLESS INDIVIDUALS. SHE LEAVES BEHIND TO
4 CHERISH HER MEMORY HER DEVOTED SON, ANDY; DAUGHTER-IN-LOVE,
5 JARVELLA; GRANDCHILDREN, ANTHONY AND DESIREE; AND GREAT-
6 GRANDDAUGHTER, JAILYN; AND A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY, FRIENDS,
7 NEIGHBORS, COUNTY FAMILY MEMBERS, AND MENTEES. I ASK ALL FIVE,
8 SINCE SHE WORKED FOR THE COUNTY, YES. AND SENATOR HAHN AND I
9 BOTH ATTENDED THE SERVICE, AND WE TOOK THE FAMILY A FIVE-
10 SIGNATURE SCROLL THAT WAS DISPLAYED AFTER HER SERVICE. WHEN WE
11 ADJOURN TODAY, I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MARK A.
12 MCKAY, SR. MR. MCKAY WAS BORN ON AUGUST 21ST, 1960, AND PASSED
13 AWAY ON JANUARY 5TH, AT THE VERY YOUNG AGE OF 63. ON AUGUST
14 21ST, 1982, HE MARRIED THE LOVE OF HIS LIFE, ROBIN, AND TO
15 THIS UNION 5 CHILDREN WERE BORN. MR. MCKAY WORKED AS A
16 SURGICAL NURSE AT ST. FRANCIS MEDICAL CENTER, AND TOOK A
17 SECOND JOB AS A JANITOR, WHICH HELPED HIM SAVE MONEY THAT
18 WOULD BE USED LATER, WHEN HE WAS READY TO OPEN HIS OWN
19 BUSINESS. HE WENT ON TO WORK AT SERVICE CORPORATION
20 INTERNATIONAL FOR SEVEN YEARS, WHERE HE HANDLED THE END-OF-
21 LIFE ARRANGEMENTS WITH COMPASSION AND CARE. THIS EXPERIENCE
22 PROVIDED A REALIZATION THAT HIS PASSION WAS IN HELPING
23 FAMILIES COPE WITH THE UNIMAGINABLE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE
24 PASSING OF THEIR LOVED ONE, WITHOUT THE ADDED STRESS OF BEING
25 UNABLE TO AFFORD TO BURY THEM. IN 2003, HE AND HIS WIFE OPENED



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1 MCKAY'S MORTUARY IN THE CITY OF LAWDALE, WHICH HAS NOW
2 EXPANDED TO INCLUDE FOUR MORE LOCATIONS, IN FONTANA,
3 RIVERSIDE, VICTORVILLE, AND SAN BERNARDINO. IN FEBRUARY 2023,
4 HE AND HIS WIFE RECEIVED THE DR. JONATHAN & AGNES MCPHERSON
5 LIVING LEGACY AWARD FROM THE INLAND VALLEY NEWS SERVICE. 8
6 MONTHS LATER, IN OCTOBER 2023, THEY WERE HONORED BY THE
7 VETERANS ADMINISTRATION AT THE RIVERSIDE NATIONAL CEMETERY, AS
8 THE ONLY MORTUARY THAT SERVES INDIGENT VETERANS WHEN THEY
9 PASS. TO FURTHER SUPPORT THE FAMILIES OF VETERANS, HE HELPED
10 THEM REALIZE THAT THERE ARE BURIAL BENEFITS AVAILABLE TO THEM,
11 A BENEFIT THAT HE DESCRIBED AS UNDER-UTILIZED AND NOT WELL
12 KNOWN. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A LOVING HUSBAND AND FATHER,
13 AND AS A SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSMAN WHO CARED DEEPLY FOR OTHERS.
14 HE IS SURVIVED BY AND WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY HIS DEVOTED
15 WIFE OF 41 YEARS, ROBIN, AND THEIR CHILDREN, AS WELL AS A HOST
16 OF EXTENDED FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND CLIENTS. THANK YOU, MADAM
17 CHAIR.

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19 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
20 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JAMES L. EASTON, A CLOSE MEMBER
21 OF THE U.C.L.A. FAMILY, WHO PASSED AWAY ON DECEMBER 4TH, AT
22 THE AGE OF 88. HE WAS A LIFELONG ANGELENO, AND RESIDENT OF
23 ENCINO. JAMES GRADUATED FROM U.C.L.A. IN 1959, WITH A
24 BACHELOR'S IN ENGINEERING. JIM'S FATHER BUILT A BUSINESS
25 MAKING INNOVATIVE AND CUSTOM ARCHERY GEAR, AND JIM TOOK THE



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1 BUSINESS TO NEW HEIGHTS. FOR THE 1984 OLYMPIC GAMES IN LOS
2 ANGELES, HE WAS NAMED THE ARCHERY COMMISSIONER, THE HEAD OF
3 TECHNOLOGY, AND THE MAYOR OF THE ATHLETES' VILLAGE. FROM 2002
4 TO 2006, HE SERVED AS VICE PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL
5 OLYMPIC COMMITTEE. GIVEN EASTON'S LONG ASSOCIATION WITH
6 SPORTS, U.C.L.A. ATHLETICS BENEFITED GREATLY FROM EASTON'S
7 PHILANTHROPY. IN 2014, EASTON WAS AWARDED THE U.C.L.A. MEDAL,
8 THE UNIVERSITY'S MOST PRESTIGIOUS HONOR. AT THE TIME,
9 CHANCELLOR BLOCK HAILED HIM FOR HIS "ENGAGED CITIZENRY AND
10 TIRELESS DEVOTION TO U.C.L.A." JAMES IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,
11 PHYLLIS; HIS TWO CHILDREN, GREG AND LYNN; AND HIS
12 GRANDCHILDREN. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN
13 IN MEMORY OF ERNEST MARQUEZ, SANTA MONICA HISTORIAN AND WEST
14 HILLS RESIDENT. HE DIED ON JANUARY 6TH, AT THE AGE OF 99.
15 MARQUEZ WAS BORN IN 1924, AND GREW UP IN SANTA MONICA CANYON.
16 AFTER GRADUATING FROM SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL, HE SERVED IN
17 THE NAVY DURING WORLD WAR II. HE RETURNED TO SANTA MONICA IN
18 1952, WHEN HE MARRIED LOIS BURKE. THE COUPLE SETTLED IN WEST
19 HILLS, AS SANTA MONICA BECAME INCREASINGLY UNAFFORDABLE. AFTER
20 WORKING AS A COMMERCIAL ARTIST IN THE AEROSPACE INDUSTRY,
21 MARQUEZ BEGAN A NEW CAREER AS A HISTORIAN. HIS PASSION WAS
22 PARTLY DUE TO HIS OWN PERSONAL AND FAMILY HISTORY. MARQUEZ WAS
23 THE DESCENDANT OF THE MEXICAN FAMILY WHO OWNED THE 6,656-ACRE
24 LAND GRANT RANCHO THAT INCLUDED PART OF WHAT IS NOW SANTA
25 MONICA. ON A SMALL PIECE OF THIS LAND, CALLED THE RANCHO BOCA



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1 DE SANTA MONICA, REMAINED A FAMILY CEMETERY THAT MARQUEZ
2 FOUGHT FOR DECADES TO PRESERVE. THE CEMETERY WAS DESIGNATED A
3 HISTORIC CULTURAL MONUMENT BY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, AND
4 SOON HIS FAMILY PLANS TO LAY HIS ASHES TO REST THERE. AS A
5 HISTORIAN, MARQUEZ WROTE BOOKS AND COLLECTED MANY PHOTOGRAPHS,
6 MAPS, BOOKS, AND POSTCARDS. IN 2014, THE HUNTINGTON LIBRARY
7 ACQUIRED 4600 IMAGES HE HAD AMASSED OVER HALF A CENTURY. AT
8 THE TIME, JENNIFER A. WATTS, CURATOR OF PHOTOGRAPHS AT THE
9 HUNTINGTON, SAID IT WAS "THE BEST AND MOST COMPREHENSIVE
10 COLLECTION OF ITS KIND IN PRIVATE HANDS." HE PUBLISHED FOUR
11 BOOKS IN TOTAL, INCLUDING "SANTA MONICA BEACH," "PORT OF LOS
12 ANGELES," "NOIR AFLOAT," AND "RANCHO BOCA DE SANTA MONICA."
13 MARQUEZ IS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS WIFE, LOIS MARQUEZ, AND
14 HIS SON, TOMMY MARQUEZ. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS CHILDREN EILEEN
15 BONADUCE, MONICA MARQUEZ, AND ERNESTO MARQUEZ, AS WELL AS HIS
16 GRANDCHILDREN. AND FINALLY, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY,
17 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LES MCCANN, WHO DIED ON DECEMBER 29TH,
18 AT THE AGE OF 88. THE BELOVED JAZZ MUSICIAN WAS A RESIDENT OF
19 BEVERLY HILLS. MCCANN WAS BORN IN 1935, IN LEXINGTON,
20 KENTUCKY, WHERE HIS LOVE OF MUSIC TOOK HOLD EARLY. HE SANG IN
21 HIS CHURCH'S CHOIR, AND BEGAN PLAYING PIANO AT AGE 3. AFTER
22 LEAVING THE NAVY, MCCANN MOVED TO LOS ANGELES, WHERE HE
23 STUDIED MUSIC AND JOURNALISM AT LOS ANGELES CITY COLLEGE.
24 WHILE PERFORMING IN L.A. CLUBS, MCCANN WAS RECOGNIZED BY A
25 LABEL, AND WAS OFFERED A RECORD DEAL. TODAY, MCCANN IS A



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1 WIDELY RECOGNIZED JAZZ PIANIST AND VOCALIST, WHO HELPED CARVE
2 OUT THE GENRE KNOWN AS SOUL JAZZ. HE RELEASED MORE THAN 50
3 ALBUMS, WHICH HELPED INFLUENCE FUTURE FUNK, R&B, AND HIP-HOP
4 ARTISTS. HIS MUSIC HAS BEEN SAMPLED BY NAS, SNOOP DOGG, THE
5 NOTORIOUS B.I.G., AND COUNTLESS OTHERS. MUSIC FANS AROUND THE
6 GLOBE MOURN MCCANN'S PASSING THROUGH THE SONGS THAT HAVE
7 TOUCHED THE HEARTS OF MILLIONS. SUPERVISOR HAHN?

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9 **SUP. HAHN:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
10 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF DAVID LOMELI, WHO WAS A SAN
11 PEDRO NATIVE. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84. HE ATTENDED SAN
12 PEDRO HIGH SCHOOL, AND THEN, AT THE AGE OF 19, HE BEGAN
13 WORKING AS A LONGSHOREMAN, JOINING THE I.L.W.U. LOCAL 13 IN
14 1959. THERE, DAVID WORKED HIS WAY UP FROM BEING CASUAL TO A
15 CRANE INSTRUCTOR, WHILE ALSO SERVING ON THE LOCAL'S EXECUTIVE
16 BOARD, AND BEING A COORDINATOR FOR THE UNION'S ALCOHOL AND
17 DRUG RECOVERY PROGRAM. HE REMAINED A PROUD AND ACTIVE MEMBER
18 OF LOCAL 13 UNTIL HE RETIRED, AT THE AGE OF 62. DAVID SPENT
19 HIS LATER YEARS ENJOYING TIME WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS, TENDING
20 TO HIS GARDEN, AND CRUISING IN HIS CLASSIC CARS. HE ALSO CO-
21 FOUNDED THE LEGENDS CAR CLUB. DAVID WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY
22 HIS PARENTS, BROTHERS RICHARD AND MICHAEL, AND GRANDSON
23 ROBERT. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE LETICIA, 5 CHILDREN, 12
24 GRANDCHILDREN, AND ONE GREAT-GRANDDAUGHTER. I ALSO MOVE THAT
25 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF DENNY LUND,



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1 A LONG BEACH BORN-AND-RAISED RESTAURATEUR. HE DIED LAST WEEK
2 AT THE AGE OF 74, JUST 6 DAYS BEFORE HIS 75TH BIRTHDAY. DENNY
3 WAS A TRUE LONG BEACH CHARACTER, WHO LIVED HIS LIFE TO THE
4 FULLEST. ALONG WITH HIS SISTER, DENISE, DENNY BUILT AND OWNED
5 TWO OF THE MOST POPULAR AND ICONIC RESTAURANTS IN LONG BEACH:
6 SCHOONER OR LATER, IN THE ALAMITOS BAY MARINA; AND TANTALUM,
7 IN THE MARINA PACIFICA MALL. DESPITE ONGOING HEALTH ISSUES THE
8 LAST FEW YEARS, HE STILL VISITED BOTH RESTAURANTS ALMOST
9 DAILY. DENNY WAS BORN AND RAISED IN LONG BEACH, ATTENDING
10 CARVER ELEMENTARY AND MARSHALL MIDDLE, AND GRADUATING FROM
11 MILLIKAN HIGH SCHOOL. HE WENT ON TO ATTEND LONG BEACH CITY
12 COLLEGE AND CAL STATE LONG BEACH. TO HIS LOVED ONES, LUND
13 CARRIED THE LONG BEACH SPIRIT, AND IS KNOWN AS A GENEROUS
14 GIFT-GIVER AND THE LIFE OF THE PARTY. DENNY'S SURVIVED BY HIS
15 SISTERS DENISE LUND AND SHERI HYLAND, GRANDDAUGHTER CORI
16 FULLERTON, AND GRANDSON CURTIS FULLERTON. I ALSO MOVE THAT
17 WHEN HE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JAMES
18 CHRISTOPHER KELLY, A LONGTIME RESIDENCE OF THE PALOS VERDES
19 PENINSULA, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 88. JAMES WAS BORN IN
20 IRELAND. HE IMMIGRATED TO AMERICA IN 1969, AND MUCH OF HIS
21 CAREER WAS SPENT IN AVIATION. BUT IN 1984, HE PIVOTED TO OPEN
22 KELLY'S CORNER, THE BELOVED DELI IN THE ROLLING HILLS ESTATES.
23 HE WORKED THERE FOR 40 YEARS, BEFORE IT BECAME TOO DIFFICULT
24 FOR HIM TO STAND ALL DAY BEHIND THE COUNTER. JAMES WAS A
25 DEEPLY FAITHFUL MAN. HE GREW UP CATHOLIC, BUT CONVERTED TO



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1 CHRISTIANITY AFTER MEETING HIS WIFE, ESTHER, AND ATTENDING A
2 BILLY GRAHAM CRUSADE. JAMES WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS
3 CHILDREN SUSAN, DEAN, AND TRACY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,
4 ESTHER, AND CHILDREN MICHAEL, BRIAN, AND SEAN. AND I ALSO MOVE
5 THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN, WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF KRSTO
6 JELENIC, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SAN PEDRO. HE WAS 82 WHEN HE
7 PASSED AWAY. HE WAS BORN IN CROATIA, AND LATER, HE IMMIGRATED
8 TO SAN PEDRO, WHERE HE BECAME A PART OF THE VIBRANT CROATIAN
9 COMMUNITY. KRSTO HONORED HIS HOME COUNTRY AND CULTURE BY
10 BECOMING ONE OF THE FOUNDING MEMBERS OF THE CROATIAN HALL. HE
11 IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE ROSANDA, SON ROBERT, AND DAUGHTER
12 SUZIE, AND GRANDCHILDREN DEREK AND BROOKE. AND THE LAST ONE I
13 HAVE IS THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN THE MEMORY OF LYNN MCGOWAN,
14 WHO WAS 75 WHEN SHE PASSED AWAY. LYNN WORKED IN THE
15 INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL INDUSTRY, BUT AFTER RETIRING IN 1993, SHE
16 PURSUED HER DREAM TO SELL DESIGNER WOMEN'S CLOTHING. SHE WAS
17 THE ESSENCE OF FASHION. SHE HAD DIGNITY, CLASS, STYLE, AND
18 GRACE. SHE WAS FULL OF STRENGTH AND DETERMINATION TO ACCEPT
19 AND OVERCOME HER MEDICAL CONDITION, WHICH BECAME HER HALLMARK.
20 LYNN VOLUNTEERED AT LOCAL HOSPITALS, AND ENJOYED SPENDING TIME
21 WITH HER GRANDCHILDREN, INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL, HER NORWEGIAN
22 HERITAGE, SPENDING TIME IN VAIL, COLORADO, AND GOURMET
23 COOKING. SHE WAS ADMIRER, LOVED, AND TREASURED BY HER MANY
24 FRIENDS AND FAMILY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 34
25 YEARS, PALOS VERDES ESTATE COUNCILMEMBER DAVE MCGOWAN; HER



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1 SON, JOHN; STEPSONS CHRISTOPHER, BRIAN, AND DAVID; HER
2 GRANDCHILDREN CAITLIN, C.J., KATHERINE, DAVID, AND GRAHAM.
3 THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

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5 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR BARGER?

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7 **SUP. BARGER:** THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
8 ADJOURN TODAY, WE DO SO IN MEMORY OF EDIK AGHAKHANI, A
9 RESIDENT OF GLENDALE, WHO PASSED AWAY ON DECEMBER 25TH, 2023.
10 HE IS THE FATHER OF BURBANK SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER ARMOND
11 AGHAKHANI. HE WAS BORN ON APRIL 4TH, 1941, IN THE CITY OF
12 AZNA, IN IRAN'S ARAK REGION, AND WAS THE ELDEST SON IN A
13 FAMILY OF 9 SIBLINGS. FROM A YOUNG AGE, HE SHOWED REMARKABLE
14 ACADEMIC PROMISE AND A THIRST FOR KNOWLEDGE. HE GRADUATED FROM
15 TEHRAN'S KOOSHESH ARMENIA SCHOOL IN 1960, AND WENT ON TO EARN
16 AN ACCOUNTING DEGREE FROM TEHRAN'S ACCOUNTING INSTITUTE,
17 BECOMING THE FIRST IN THE FAMILY TO EARN A DEGREE IN HIGHER
18 EDUCATION. IN 1963, HE MET AND MARRIED HIS WIFE, HAYKOOHI
19 KESHISHIAN. THEY HAD TWO CHILDREN TOGETHER: A DAUGHTER, NORA,
20 AND A SON, ARMOND. EDIK'S PURSUIT OF KNOWLEDGE AND HIS
21 INCREDIBLE WORK ETHIC CONTINUED, AS HE RETURNED TO SCHOOL,
22 ATTENDING TEHRAN UNIVERSITY WHILE WORKING TO PROVIDE FOR HIS
23 FAMILY. HE WAS ACTIVE IN HIS COMMUNITY, AND PLAYED A KEY ROLE
24 IN ESTABLISHING THE ARMENIAN SCHOOL OF KHORRAMSHAHR. WHEN THE
25 IRAQ-IRAN WAR BEGAN, EDIK MOVED TO GERMANY AS A REFUGEE,



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1 JOINING HIS WIFE AND SON, AND IN 1987, THE FAMILY FOUND THEIR
2 WAY TO GLENDALE. EDIK'S KNOWLEDGE WASN'T JUST ABOUT FACTS AND
3 FIGURES. IT REFLECTED HIS DEEP LOVE FOR UNDERSTANDING THE
4 WORLD, AND HE APPROACHED EVERYTHING WITH A SENSE OF WONDER. HE
5 CARRIED THE LESSONS OF HIS EARLY RESPONSIBILITIES INTO HIS
6 PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ENDEAVORS, DEMONSTRATING A STRONG
7 WORK ETHIC, UNWAVERING DETERMINATION, AND THE ABILITY TO TAKE
8 ON LEADERSHIP ROLES WITH GRACE AND CONFIDENCE. EDIK'S LEGACY
9 LIVES IN THE HEARTS OF ALL THAT WERE FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO BE
10 TOUCHED BY HIS LOVE. HE WAS A LOVING FATHER, HUSBAND, A
11 GENEROUS FRIEND, AND A BELOVED COMMUNITY MEMBER. HE'S SURVIVED
12 BY HIS WIFE, HAYKOOHI; TWO CHILDREN; AND GRANDCHILDREN, MONTEH
13 AND ARAMEH.

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15 **SUP. HAHN:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, I'D LIKE TO JOIN YOU ON THAT
16 ONE. ARMOND IS A GOOD, DEAR FRIEND OF MINE, AS WELL, SO THANK
17 YOU.

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19 **SUP. BARGER:** SURE. I ALSO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
20 TED OKUNO, BORN OCTOBER 30TH, 1927, WHO PEACEFULLY PASSED AWAY
21 AT HIS HOME ON JANUARY 15TH. TED IS ALSO THE UNCLE OF MS.
22 SACHI HAMAI, FORMER C.E.O. OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. HIS FAMILY
23 WAS INTERNED IN AMACHI, COLORADO, DURING WORLD WAR II. AFTER
24 WORLD WAR II, HIS FAMILY MOVED TO DENVER, COLORADO, WHERE HIS
25 FAMILY FOUNDED A SUCCESSFUL RESTAURANT CALLED 20TH STREET



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1 CAFE. 20TH STREET CAFE WAS IN BUSINESS FOR 74 YEARS, AND WAS
2 KNOWN TO ANYONE WHO GREW UP IN THE DENVER AREA. AFTER THREE
3 GENERATIONS IN THE FAMILY, THE RESTAURANT WAS CLOSED IN 2020.
4 HE WAS MARRIED TO ANN OKUNO FOR 57 YEARS. TED WILL BE DEEPLY
5 MISSED. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS THREE CHILDREN, CANDACE, ROD, AND
6 PATTI; AND HIS SISTER, CHIZUKO MOMII; FOUR GRANDCHILDREN; FOUR
7 NIECES; AND THREE NEPHEWS. ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
8 RONALD TSURUDA, BORN OCTOBER 18TH, 1936, WHO ALSO PEACEFULLY
9 PASSED AWAY ON JANUARY 16TH. RONALD WAS THE UNCLE OF SACHI
10 HAMAI, OUR FORMER C.E.O. OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. RONALD ALSO
11 WAS INTERNED DURING WORLD WAR II, WITH HIS FAMILY, IN GILA
12 RIVER, ARIZONA. AFTER WORLD WAR II, HIS FAMILY MOVED TO
13 DENVER, WHERE HE ATTENDED COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES. HE
14 GRADUATED FROM COLORADO UNIVERSITY WITH AN ENGINEERING DEGREE.
15 AFTER GRADUATION, HE MOVED TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WITH HIS
16 WIFE, AILEEN, AND WORKED FOR MCDONALD DOUGLAS FOR 36 YEARS. HE
17 RETIRED FROM MCDONALD DOUGLAS/BOEING COMPANY IN 1998. HIS
18 DAUGHTER, LAURIE, PASSED AWAY ON DECEMBER 23RD, 2023. SHE HAD
19 A PH.D. IN MICROBIOLOGY. THE U.S. F.D.A. RECENTLY APPROVED HER
20 COMPANY'S, BIOMARIN PHARMACEUTICALS, GENE THERAPY FOR ELIGIBLE
21 ADULTS WITH SEVERE HEMOPHILIA "A." HE WAS IMMENSELY PROUD OF
22 HER WORK. RONALD WILL BE TRULY MISSED. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS
23 WIFE, AILEEN; HIS SON, RONALD JR.; AND HIS 5 NIECES, AND TWO
24 NEPHEWS. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.



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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** SUPERVISOR BARGER, CAN I JOIN YOU, ALSO, ON EDIK
2 AGHAKHANI?

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4 **SUP. BARGER:** SURE.

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6 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU.

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8 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE WILL TAKE ALL MOTIONS AS
9 SECONDED. IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION TO A UNANIMOUS VOTE, THAT
10 WILL BE OUR ACTION. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND COLLEAGUES,
11 WE'RE NOW GOING INTO CLOSED SESSION. WHILE WE'RE IN CLOSED
12 SESSION, WE'LL BE SHOWING VIDEO PRESENTATIONS. SUPERVISOR
13 SOLIS HAS A VIDEO PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING LUNAR NEW YEAR, AND
14 MEMORIALIZING THOSE WHO LOST THEIR LIVES LAST YEAR, IN THE
15 MONTEREY PARK BALLROOM SHOOTING. I HAVE TWO VIDEO
16 PRESENTATIONS: CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF THE NONPROFIT
17 ORGANIZATION CHRYSALIS, AND THE VOLUNTEERS OF THE ANNUAL LOS
18 ANGELES HOMELESS COUNT. EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE READ US INTO
19 CLOSED SESSION.

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21 **CELIA ZAVALA, E.O.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
22 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
23 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-1, CONFERENCE
24 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, AS
25 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. SOLIS, ON VIDEO:** HAPPY LUNAR NEW YEAR! I'M L.A. COUNTY
3 SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS, AND I'M PROUD TO REPRESENT THE FIRST
4 DISTRICT, ONE OF THE MOST DIVERSE DISTRICTS IN THE COUNTY, AND
5 THE DISTRICT WITH THE MOST ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER, OR API,
6 COMMUNITIES, SUCH AS CHINATOWN, LITTLE TOKYO, HISTORIC
7 FILIPINOTOWN, AND THAI TOWN. THE LUNAR NEW YEAR IS THE MOST
8 SIGNIFICANT HOLIDAY IN MANY A.A.P.I. CULTURES, WITH 2024 BEING
9 CELEBRATED AS THE YEAR OF THE DRAGON. THIS TRADITION HAS BEEN
10 OBSERVED FOR CENTURIES, THROUGHOUT SEVERAL A.A.P.I.
11 COMMUNITIES. AS SUCH, THE L.A. COUNTY WILL BE JOINING IN
12 CELEBRATIONS OF A.A.P.I. CULTURES THAT ARE AN INTEGRAL PART OF
13 OUR REGION'S DIVERSITY. IN THE CHINESE ZODIAC, THE DRAGON
14 REPRESENTS MANY VALUES, INCLUDING DIGNITY, STRENGTH, AND
15 RENEWAL. TO ME, NO COMMUNITY HAS BETTER EXEMPLIFIED THESE
16 VALUES, AND PREPARED FOR THE COMING YEAR, THAN THE CITY OF
17 MONTEREY PARK, A COMMUNITY THAT I AM GRATEFUL TO REPRESENT.
18 WHILE WE, YES, CELEBRATE LUNAR NEW YEAR, I ALSO ASK THAT WE
19 REMEMBER WHAT HAPPENED ONLY A YEAR AGO. WE TRAGICALLY LOST 11
20 RESIDENTS, AND MANY OTHERS WERE INJURED, DUE TO A HORRIFIC
21 MASS SHOOTING THAT TOOK PLACE IN A BALLROOM. IN THE AFTERMATH
22 OF THE TRAGEDY THAT MARRED THE CELEBRATION OF THE LUNAR NEW
23 YEAR IN 2023, THE COMMUNITY CAME TOGETHER TO SHOW DIGNITY AND
24 STRENGTH ON A GLOBAL STAGE. FROM INDIVIDUAL COMMUNITY MEMBERS
25 TO COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS, AND GOVERNMENT AT EVERY



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1 LEVEL, MONTEREY PARK'S RESPONSE TO AN UNTHINKABLE TRAGEDY
2 GIVES INSPIRATION TO US ALL. INSTEAD OF ALLOWING AN EVIL ACT
3 TO DEFINE THE COMMUNITY, MONTEREY PARK AND THE SURROUNDING
4 COMMUNITIES OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CAME TOGETHER TO SUPPORT
5 ONE ANOTHER, TO HEAL, AND PUSH FOR COMMONSENSE GUN SAFETY
6 LEGISLATION ON A NATIONAL LEVEL. AND TO THAT END, WE MUST
7 CONTINUE OUR PUSH FOR GUN SAFETY, SO THAT TRAGEDIES LIKE THE
8 ONE THAT STRUCK STAR BALLROOM ON JANUARY 21ST, 2023, AND TOOK
9 THE LIVES OF 11 BELOVED MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY, DOES NOT
10 BEFALL ANY OTHER COMMUNITIES IN THE NATION. I WOULD LIKE TO
11 TAKE A MOMENT TO THANK THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, THE CITY
12 COUNCIL, AND THE CITY STAFF, FOR THEIR TIRELESS WORK IN THE
13 PAST YEAR TO HELP THEIR RESIDENTS HEAL. AND I WOULD ALSO LIKE
14 TO THANK SEVERAL COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS FOR THEIR WORK
15 IN RESPONSE TO THIS TRAGEDY, INCLUDING ADVANCING JUSTICE
16 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, BUDDHIST TZU CHI FOUNDATION, CHINATOWN
17 SERVICE CENTER, AND THE AMERICAN RED CROSS. ADDITIONALLY, I AM
18 GRATEFUL THAT OUR OWN COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND STAFF WORK RIGHT
19 ALONGSIDE OUR CITY AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS, LIKE OUR DEPARTMENT
20 OF MENTAL HEALTH, THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, AND
21 THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S VICTIM SERVICES BUREAU. MAY THIS YEAR,
22 THE YEAR OF THE DRAGON, BRING SUCCESS, NEW POSSIBILITIES, AND
23 A SENSE OF RENEWAL TO MONTEREY PARK, THE ENTIRE SAN GABRIEL
24 VALLEY, AND THE ENTIRE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I'M PROUD TO
25 LEAD THIS PROCLAMATION, PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 10TH TO THE 24TH



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1 AS LUNAR NEW YEAR IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND CONCURRENTLY
2 MEMORIALIZE THOSE WHO WE LOST LAST YEAR IN MONTEREY PARK.
3 THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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5 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** SO, ON BEHALF OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WE
6 ARE SO GRATEFUL FOR ALL OF THE WORK THAT YOU DO, FROM PACOIMA
7 TO SANTA MONICA, IN MY DISTRICT, DOWNTOWN. I KNOW YOU ALSO
8 HAVE A LOCATION IN ANAHEIM. YOU'VE SERVED COUNTLESS PEOPLE,
9 AND HAVE TOUCHED SO MANY LIVES, FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS NOW,
10 AND WE THANK YOU FOR ALL OF THE WORK THAT YOU DO. THANK YOU
11 FOR WELCOMING US SO WARMLY THIS MORNING, AND ON BEHALF OF LOS
12 ANGELES COUNTY AND THE BEAUTIFUL ARTISTS WHO MAKE THIS
13 WONDERFUL COMMENDATION, WE WANTED TO PRESENT THIS TO YOU, AND
14 THANK YOU FOR THE WORK THAT YOU DO.

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16 **SPEAKER:** WOW. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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18 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** ABSOLUTELY.

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20 **SPEAKER:** WE VERY MUCH APPRECIATE, FIRST OF ALL, YOUR TAKING
21 TIME OUT TO COME HERE TO MEET WITH THE COMMUNITY, AND FOR
22 BEING SUCH A FIERCE ADVOCATE FOR THE COMMUNITY AND THE PEOPLE
23 THAT WE SERVE AT CHRYSALIS, BECAUSE THE HUMAN POTENTIAL HERE,
24 AS YOU'VE HEARD THIS MORNING, IS SO POWERFUL, AND IT IMPROVES
25 AND UPLIFTS OUR ENTIRE COMMUNITY. AND WITH YOUR SUPPORT, WITH



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1 THE COMMISSION, AS WELL AS THE BOARD'S SUPPORT, I KNOW THAT WE
2 CAN MAKE L.A. A PLACE THAT WE'RE VERY PROUD OF. SO THANK YOU
3 FOR BEING A TIRELESS ADVOCATE.

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5 **SUP, HORVATH, CHAIR:** WELL, THANK YOU FOR YOUR STRONG
6 LEADERSHIP, AND THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR SHARING YOUR STORIES,
7 AND FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO REALIZING YOUR DREAMS. THAT'S THE
8 BEST PART OF CHRYSALIS, IS SEEING YOU SUCCEED. SO I'M REALLY
9 EXCITED TO HAVE HEARD YOUR STORIES, AND ALL THE PLACES THAT
10 YOU'RE GOING TO GO, AND PLEASE CALL ON US TO BE OF ASSISTANCE
11 IN ANY WAYS THAT WE CAN. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE] THANK YOU VERY
12 MUCH.

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14 **SUP. HORVATH, CHAIR:** EVERY YEAR, WE CONDUCT THE LOS ANGELES
15 HOMELESS COUNT, AN ESSENTIAL EFFORT TO UNDERSTANDING THE SCOPE
16 OF HOMELESSNESS IN OUR COMMUNITY. WHILE NOT THE ONLY
17 MEANINGFUL DATA MARKER, THE COUNT IS A CRUCIAL, FEDERALLY
18 REQUIRED EFFORT THAT SHOWS US CHANGES AT THE NEIGHBORHOOD
19 LEVEL, SO WE CAN FOCUS RESOURCES WHERE THEY'RE NEEDED MOST. SO
20 MANY DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS GIVE THEIR TIME TO MAKE A
21 DIFFERENCE. NOW I'M REACHING OUT TO YOU, TO JOIN US IN THIS
22 IMPORTANT INITIATIVE. THE ANNUAL COUNT IS NEXT WEEK, AND MANY
23 COMMUNITIES IN THE THIRD DISTRICT NEED VOLUNTEERS. SIGNING UP
24 IS EASY, AND WE PROVIDE TRAINING TO ENSURE EVERYONE FEELS
25 COMFORTABLE AND CONFIDENT IN THEIR ROLE. THIS IS ABOUT COMING



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1 TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY, AND COMPASSIONATELY TAKING STEPS
2 TOWARD POSITIVE CHANGE. I'LL SEE YOU AT THE COUNT.

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**CLOSED SESSION ITEMS
FOR JANUARY 23, 2024**

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5 **CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED**
6 **LITIGATION**

7 (Paragraph (2) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code Section
8 54956.9)

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10 Significant exposure to litigation (one case). (24-0353)

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12 **No reportable action was taken.**



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1 I, JENNIFER A. HINES, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number
2 6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do
3 hereby certify:

4 That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
5 Angeles County Board of Supervisors January 23, 2024, were
6 thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my direction and
7 supervision;

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

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

15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 2nd
16 day of February 2024, for the County records to be used only
17 for authentication purposes of duly certified transcripts as
18 on file of the office of the reporter.

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20 JENNIFER A. HINES

21 CSR No. 6029/RPR/CRR
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